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"WITH MALICE TOWARD NONE AND CHARITY FOR ALL."

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We're Not

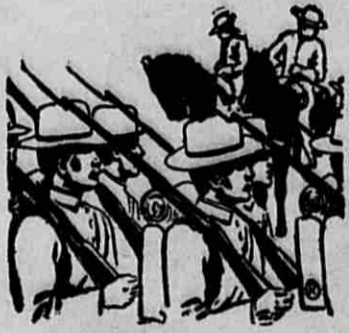
Selling out to go Cuba.

We mean to keep on doing business at the old stand in our old reliable way so when you want anything in our line come in and we will see that you are treated rightly.

For instance, Gentlemen:

We have the easiest Oil Grain Work Shoe made, lace or congress with a sewed sole, something new. All this ease and good wear yours for \$1.50 per pair. Call and see them.

Geo. M. Winegar.



Dakota Letter.

SOMETHING ABOUT THE LAND OF GOLDEN GRAIN.

Amusing Experience of Lowell Boys with the Flying Ants.

Britton, S. D., Aug. 24, '98.

F. M. Johnson,
Lowell, Mich.:-

I am not working to day so thought I would take a chase at myself and tell you a few things I have learned since I have been in the West.

First: If you don't know what to say and how to say it; keep still!

Second: Mind your own business, and most people will attend to theirs.

Third: Eat all you can and hunt for more. The latter I am studying on the most of the time.

All the boys are at work but me and I am laid up with a bad shoulder but am on a ranch and will go to work as soon as I can. Wages are \$2.00 per day and board. There is a large crop and the ranchers are all feeling good.

I send you a clipping from the Marshall Co. Sentinel, A. Sherin, editor, which will show you how they write up a man in this country. He is a grocer and quite a prominent man in Britton. He (Sherin) has been shot at and pounded and horse-whipped and had his press blown up and the Lord only knows what, and yet he gives them the "hot foot" every time he has a chance. Britton is a bad town; C?

I will try and give you some idea of how they harvest the grain here. They use but few binders, the cutting is done mostly with a header. This machine only cuts the grain off below the head and a carrier takes it from the platform and elevates it to a wagon. The carrier is about the same as one on a threshing machine. The wagon is driven along just under the carrier and when the box is full another one is driven under and the loaded one goes to the stack.

The average length of a swath is half a mile and the machines are 12, 14 and 16 feet wide, so you can see it is done fast. I work for a man who cut 400 acres in eleven days. They commence work at 6 o'clock and quit at 7:30. There is no snap about it; you earn all you get.

I am about the color of a "cream colored coon," and will be a shade or two darker before it freezes up I guess and when you speak about eating, say I don't need anything for my appetite. I can eat off a corpse and then chase the mourners away. I never fail to be present when there is a chance to eat. See?

There is a woman a little ways west of here, so they tell me, who owns and works 3000 acres. It is partly used for grazing, but she has about half of it in wheat. She is called "The Prairie Rose," her name is Rose Sayer. I copied a few of the inscriptions from her monument to show you how many of her family have been killed accidentally.

"Carl Romey, came from Germany in 1885. Fell from a house and broke his neck."

"Henry perished in the blizzard of Jan. 12, 1888." She has two children buried on the same lot that were burned to death and also there is a queer inscription for an old horse:

"Old Kit, the family horse and my first investment in 1876; died March, 1896." All these are on the stone and there are some others, but they died natural deaths. She has her own inscription and reads something like this: "Rose Sayer, better known as 'Prairie Rose' or 'The Rose of the Prairie.' Bust taken while on a visit to Germany." She has a bust of her self and two children on the stone. The two who were burned. She is living and is likely to live for a thousand years yet. She can swear just as scientifically as any man you ever heard. She is a corker.

Well Frank, how are things in Lowell? I hear from home once in a while but I guess, if you will, you can send the LEDGER and I will send you the filthy lucre as soon as pay day comes around. I am a little short just now because I had to pay out a good deal for medicine. You can send it for three months any way. I hardly think I will come back until next fall any way and perhaps not then. I don't know yet.

There is great hunting out here. The prairie chickens are thicker than mosquitos and there are some wolves and foxes.

I must tell you a joke on John Scott and will take part of it for myself for it was on me. There is what is called

flying ants here and they are worse than bees, they go in swarms and if you get into one they will make you think "There's a Land that is Fairer than This" for a time. Well, we got into a swarm one day and John was loading and I was driving. The first thing I knew John commenced to scratch his neck and then his ribs and of course a little profanity did not come amiss and I used my share for they "got onto me" shortly after. I jumped and let the team go to hell or some other place for all I cared and John proceeded to get out side of his shirts and hunt the little cusses out. He looked like an animated statue out in the stubble scratching and swearing and hunting ants. Well, say, they went after me for leaving the team so I had to face the ants and drive to the stack and when I got there the ants were too. Now you can guess I unloaded some wheat awfully quick and then "cut 'em loose and let 'em run," but I don't want any more ants for me, thank you, and I guess John feels the same. Well I will "cut loose" for the present and eat. C?

Yours truly,

A. Andrews,
Britton, Marshall Co., S. D.

Bicycle Races.

The races of the Lowell Bicycle club last Friday evening resulted as follows:

Quarter mile: Speaker first, Kelley second.

Half Mile: Lynn first, Speaker second, McMahon third.

One mile club championship: Lynn first, Speaker second, McMahon third.

That Man, Frank Ecker.

Ecker has about ten men making peach basket crates, and they turn out about 700 per day. By the way, Frank has been putting in a lot of new machinery lately. If you are interested call and see it. Mr. Ecker says he calculates to be prepared to turn out the best of modern work and do it as cheaply as any manufacturer in the state, and the way business comes to him from outside points proves that others beside Lowell people know it. Men like Ecker give a town vim and enterprise and "get there" qualities. Wish we had a lot more like him.

Calling Card Day.

Next Saturday and the Saturday following will be calling card days at this office. We had the good luck to strike a big bargain in fine Bristol cards of correct shape and are going to give the ladies of Lowell the benefit.

On Saturday only we will print your name upon 25 of these cards for 15c, or 50 for 25c.

Seven different styles of script (writing type) to select from.

First come first served. Mail orders take their turn with the others and cards sent postage paid.

Cash must accompany all orders. Remember—two days only, Sept. 3 and Sept. 10.

Lost.

Strayed from the D. & M. depot August 23, a red bull calf marked with white, 5 months old. Leave word at this office. 12

GIRL WANTED for general household work. Inquire of Mrs. Orton Hill.

Ice cream at Behl's city bakery.

My prices the same to all. Rae Malcolm. Photographer.

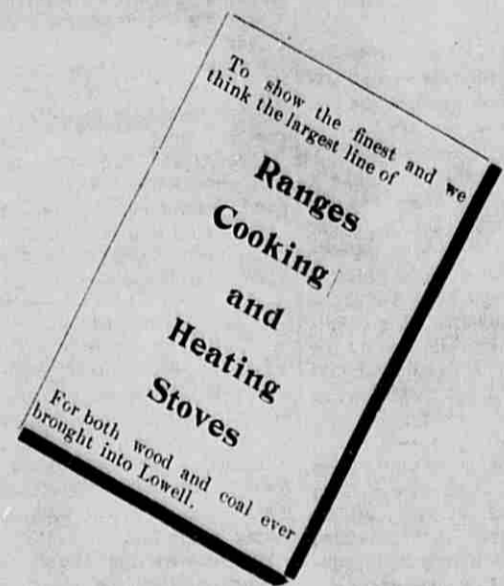
Have Another Delightful Day at Ottawa Beach on a Week Day Excursion.

We think you need another chance to spend a day at this delightful Lake Michigan resort and have accordingly arranged for a special train excursion on Sept. 1st to leave Elmdale at 9:38 a. m. and at the Beach about 11:45. Return train to the Beach at 6 p. m. Round trip rate .90. Children under 12 half rate. Sept 1 GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

Grand Trunk Dining Cars.

Everybody who has had the good fortune to enjoy a meal on the Grand Trunk Dining Cars are profuse in their praises of the good service, excellent cuisine and liberal table supplied. Mr. J. Lea, late of the Windsor Hotel Montreal, has been appointed to this part of the service and the public are appreciating the endeavors of the company to have an unequalled service in this department of a great system. 12

We are Getting Ready



We will soon be prepared to show them so don't buy until you hear from us.

Yours Faithfully,

Klark & Klark,

Price Makers on Hardware.

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—That is what we want—

We will sell

refrigerators

—At Cost while they last.—

Gasoline Stoves, new and second hand at greatly reduced prices.

150 foot Thresher Belts \$25.00 to close out.

R. B. Boylan.

Lowell Planing Mill,

W. J. ECKER & SON, Props.
and Dealers in

Lumber, Lath, Shingles, Cedar Fence Posts

MATCHING RE-SAWING and JOB WORK.

Manufacturers of

Sash, Doors, Blinds, Frames for Doors, Windows and Screens, Exhibition and Shipping Coops for Poultry, Dried Apple Boxes, Wooden Eave Troughs, Etc.

ECKER & SON, PROPS.

Clothes Don't Make The man

But they certainly do make a great difference in their appearance, as in the case of these two men. My suits, pants and overcoats are made from goods of your own selection from hundreds of the best and latest styles of goods on the market. The goods, fit and workmanship are guaranteed with a guarantee that guarantees.

SMITH, The Leading Tailor.

Fall and winter samples now in.

Detroit and Island Lake Excursion Sunday, Sept. 4.

D., G. R. & W. R. R. train will leave Elmdale at 7:35 a. m. Leave Detroit at 7:00 p. m. Round trip rate to Island Lake \$1.00, Detroit \$1.75.

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GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

An Unequaled Dining Car Service

Have you had dinner or supper on one of the Dining Cars running on the Grand Trunk Railway through trains between Chicago and Eastern points? If not, it would be worth your while to make a note of this service, and take the first opportunity you can avail yourself of a treat. Mr. J. Lea, who for years has been with the Windsor Hotel, Montreal, is now connected with this service and travelers can rely on a refined cuisine, excellent service and a liberal table.

Sunday Excursion Sept. 11 to Grand Rapids and Other Places.

Island Lake, Grand Ledge and Lake Odessa and Grand Rapids is the program for Sept. 11. Getting near the end of Sunday excursions for '98. D. G. R. & W. R. R. train will leave Elmdale at 12:05 a. m. Leave Grand Rapids at 6:00 p. m. Rate to all the above stations same as last time. 12
GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

The list of premiums offered by the Ionia District Fair association this year is large and any one of them is worth striving for. Look them over and see if there is not something you wish to compete for.

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.

ANELEGANT LOT OF Carriages, Buggies, Phaetons Surrey's and Family Rigs

Just received, as fine as silk and we will sell them at prices that will astonish the oldest inhabitant.

H. NASH
On the Bridge,
LOWELL, MICHIGAN.

Oliver Chilled Plows, Studebaker Wagons, Agricultural Implements.

Men and women wanted

To bring a Dollar to the LEDGER office and place their name on our list of subscribers.

LOWELL STATE BANK

Capital, — \$25,000.00.
LOWELL, MICH.

FRANCIS KING, President,
CHAS. McCARTY, Vice President
M. C. GRISWOLD, Cashier

DIRECTORS:
Francis King, Chas. McCarty,
Geo. W. Parker, F. T. King,
G. H. Force, E. L. Bennett,
M. C. Griswold, C. Bergin

A General Banking Business Transacted
Money Loaned on Real Estate Security

HOME NEWS

Clean your teeth with Rose Cream
All school supplies cheapest at
Look's.

Ed. Morse visited his parents last
week.

Bicycles cheaper than ever at Stock-
ing's.

Jack Adams spent Sunday at Car-
son City.

A ton of school tablets for sale at
Look's.

Mrs. Gain Bangs is visiting at Mat-
therton.

Fred Brunner was in Freeport last
Wednesday.

Joseph Jones and wife were in Sar-
anac last week.

Go to Malcolms new Studio for
first-class work.

Mrs. A. Burnett of Saranac was in
Lowell last week.

Call at Behl's city bakery for bak-
ed goods and lunches.

Mattie Fletcher went to Grand
Rapids Monday.

Crayon portraits free to patrons
of Bush's bakery.

Miss Mary Budway is visiting
friends in Saranac.

Send your work to the Lowell
Steam Laundry.

Clarence Kunkel has secured a
position at Caledonia.

Bertha Wood of Lansing visited
friends in Lowell last week.

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

Rosa Noble attended the Harvest
picnic at Saranac, Aug. 24.

Finest stock of organs ever in Low-
ell at R. D. Stocking's.

M. M. Perry made a business trip
to Grand Rapids Wednesday.

Strings for violin, banjo, mandolin
and guitar at Oliver's.

Chas. Broad and wife of Ionia vis-
ited at Chas. Morse's Sunday.

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

Save money by buying good second
hand school books at Look's

Enos & Bradford's new dryer be-
gan operations Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Charles Quick is recovering
from a sudden and severe illness.

Dan Bush is serving the finest kind
of ice cream at his restaurant.

Miss Flossie Leary, of Saranac, is
visiting Winnie Leary this week.

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

Mrs. Carl Morse of Mattherton
visited at Chas. Morse's Sunday.

Perry Gardner visited over Sunday
with relatives and friends at Muir.

Call and see my work. Rae Mal-
colm. Photographer. Lee bldg.

Candidates and their friends have
been thicker than hasty pudding this
week.

Be sure and see R. D. Stocking's
line of wheels before purchasing else-
where.

Mrs. Perry Gardner and son, "Ted"
spent a few days of this week at
Muir.

Housekeeper wanted for quiet home
in the country. Address XYZ this
office.

Mrs. J. B. Hoof of Marango, Ill., is
visiting her old time friend Mrs. W.
Long.

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

A company of ladies very pleasantly
surprised Mrs. Phil Reuter last
Tuesday.

Stocking has the best sewing ma-
chines manufactured and prices are
right.

Lulu Phillips, of Freeport, is the
guest of her young friends in this
place.

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

Jamie and Rob Roy Johnson spent
Tuesday with Clare and Georgie
Winegar at Saranac.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis, of Saranac,
visited over Sunday with their daugh-
ter, Mrs. E. O. Mains.

Special communication of Cyclo-
men Chapter, No. 94, O. E. S., Fri-
day Sept. 2. Work by order of the
W. M.

WANTED—To sell or exchange for
approved village, city or country prop-
erty, a highly improved farm of 140
acres near Baltimore City, Maryland.
Clear title, no incumbrance. C. A.

"I See"

Said Sagasta, "That it is get-
ting time to quit.

If the Spanish premier
had been provided with a pair
of our ordinary spectacles, he
could have seen that "quitting
time was sometime ago.

With a pair of our best
glasses he could have seen
that quitting time was a min-
ute before beginning time.



Williams prices make it expensive for
you to buy elsewhere.

Try Rose Cream for the teeth.
Go to McCarty for your Bug Fin-
ish and Paris Green.

Mrs. Will Coleman and children
of Grand Rapids, are visiting at M.
N. Hine's.

Get your watch and jewelry repair-
ed at Oliver's and you will be satis-
fied.

Burton Mains, of Spring Arbor,
visited his brother, E. O. Mains, and
family this week.

Arthur Curtis and wife, of Ypsi-
lanti, have been visiting his sister,
Mrs. E. O. Mains.

Ice cream by the dish, quart or sup-
plied for socials and parties in gallon
lots. D. T. Bush.

Mrs. Frank Hill, of West Irving,
spent Sunday with her parents, J. H.
Covert and wife.

Miss Goldie Leary has returned
home from a three weeks visit with
relatives in Detroit.

Miss Maudie Giesman of London re-
turned home to-day accompanied by
Miss Nellie Marshall.

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

Rev. August Nagler and wife of
Bellview were the guests of Mr. and
Mrs. E. Brunner last week.

A. A. VanDusen, wife and daugh-
ter, Aris, of Battle Creek, are visiting
old friends in Vergennes.

**ALWAYS TAKE THE G. T. R. WHEN
YOU CAN. S. S. S.—SCENERY,
SAFETY AND SPEED.**

Subjects at Cong'l church next Sun-
day. Morning: Preparation for
Service; evening: Shadow.

Charles E. Hogadone, Democratic
candidate for sheriff, was in town
Monday looking after his fences.

We give the very lowest prices on
watches and our watches are the best
in the market at A. D. Oliver's. 1tf

Ernest Marshall, who has been vis-
iting his cousin, Leslie, left on his
wheel this morning for his home in
Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. Farrington and
daughter, Julia, of Saranac, are the
guests of Mrs. A. L. Peck and Miss
Shea.

Mrs. C. P. Rhodes of Oklahoma
and Mrs. Wm. Murphy of Grand
Rapids are visiting their brother
James Murphy.

The best 40c tea in Michigan at
Bergin's. Try a pound and
if not satisfied get your money back.
This is "straight goods." 254tf

What is Scott's Emulsion?

It is a strengthening food and
tonic, remarkable in its flesh-forming
properties. It contains Cod-
Liver Oil emulsified or partially
digested, combined with the well-
known and highly prized Hypo-
phosphites of Lime and Soda, so
that their potency is materially
increased.

What Will It Do?

It will arrest loss of flesh and
restore to a normal condition the
infant, the child and the adult. It
will enrich the blood of the anemic;
will stop the cough, heal the irrita-
tion of the throat and lungs, and
cure incipient consumption. We
make this statement because the
experience of twenty-five years has
proven it in tens of thousands of
cases.

See how you get SCOTT'S Emulsion.
50c and \$1.00, all druggists.
SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.

Call at city bakery for your lunch
I have a few good horses for sale
H. NASH.

Mrs. Orton Hill is on the sick
list.

Mrs. E. R. A. Hunt has return-
ed from Akron, O.

All kinds of wood promptly deliver-
ed by R. B. Roylan.

Will Wright and wife of Detroit
are visiting Lowell friends.

Gilbert Curtis and wife, of Ionia,
were Sunday guests at E. O. Mains.

A tinted photo free with each dozen
matt photos at Malcolms new Studio,
Claude Wardell, of St. Paul, visit-
ed at Mrs. George Fuller's Sunday.

All supplies used in the schools of
Lowell and vicinity sold at Look's.

Bessie Husted of Grand Rapids
is visiting her father, N. P. Husted.

Allen Buck, of Grand Rapids, vis-
ited Harry Fuller the fore part of the
week.

Miss Evelyn Curtis, of Saranac,
spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs.
Mains.

Nellie Marshall is visiting old
friends in the southern part of the
state.

Miss Myrtle Moore has been en-
gaged to teach the South ward
school.

Mrs. Will Coleman of Grand
Rapids is visiting her mother, Mrs.
M. N. Hine.

Miss Rae Malcolm entertained her
niece, Miss Lizzie Yonker, of Grand
Rapids, Sunday.

Miss Katie McMahon has returned
from a three week's visit with her
sister, at Howell.

Calvin Rooker of Sheridan and Mrs.
Fowler of Stanton are guests of J. W.
Halstead and wife.

Ullie Hawk got home from the
war last night. He has been sick
and is looking badly.

The M. E. church has been pre-
sented with a handsome flag by
popular subscription.

Chas. Krum and Archie Knapp
are employed at the Lowell electric
light plant at Saranac.

The Junior League of the the M.
E. church enjoyed a picnic at Chee-
ham's grove yesterday.

The Sunday school classes of Misses
Lawrence and Cogswell have a pic-
nic on the Island tomorrow.

Charles Potter has our thanks for
a basket of luscious Early Michigan
peaches. They were beauties.

Miss Martha Perry left Friday for
a few week's visit with relatives in
the southern part of the state.

William Moffitt of Manton and
Douglas Moffitt of Caledonia
spent Sunday with E. Moffitt.

Surveyors are at work on the
line between here and Belding for
the extension of the L. & H.

Miss Katie McMahon has been
engaged to teach the department
taught by E. D. Misner last year.

Miss Margaret Kelly, of Muskegon,
is spending a couple of weeks with
her brother, J. D. Kelly, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Avetin of Rochester
made her sister, Mrs. Alex. Campbell,
a short but pleasant visit last week.

Mrs. F. E. Fallis gave an after-
noon tea to a small company of friends
at Island Park Tuesday afternoon.

Evening service will be resumed at
the Cong'l church next Sunday at
7:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor, 6:30

F. W. Hine, of Grand Rapids, was
in town Monday doing a little mis-
sionary work, Chas. Hogadone, can-
didate for sheriff.

Visitors at Phil Reuter's Sunday
were his sister, Mrs. Peffer, son and
wife and two children and Miss Min-
nie Snyder, of Detroit.

D. G. Look says he never could find
enough second hand school books to
meet the demand but this year made
much larger purchases than ever and
believes he can supply all.

Will meet the pupils of the high
school at Central building Friday
afternoon, Sept. 2, from one to five
o'clock for classification. All high
school students and those expecting
to enter the high school are requested
to be present. W. A. LEDWIG.

At the Democratic caucus last Sat-
urday the following delegates were
elected: County—J. S. Bergin, James
Murphy, C. Bergin, F. L. Fallis, F.
M. Johnson; Senatorial—F. J. Yei-
ter, S. F. Edmonds, I. A. Anderson;
Representative—L. B. Malcom, Chas.
Winks, T. A. Murphy.

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 har-
ness. Before purchasing it is for
your interest to call and look at our
goods. Brown & Schler.

The 42d annual fair of the Ionia
District Fair association, will be
held at Ionia, Oct. 4, 5, 6 and 7.
This is one of the very few success-
ful fairs in the state, and the offi-
cers are using every effort to keep
it up to the high standing of former
years. A number of special features
will add to this year's exhibit, and
every resident of the county should
make it a point to give it their
heartly support, and at least attend
one of the four days.

How's This?

Beginning Saturday, Sept. 3, and for one week ending Sat-
urday, Sept. 10th, we offer our entire stock of Children's Clothing
at One-Fourth off our regular low price. This offer takes in all
the new fall arrivals, comprising black and blue Cheviots, fancy
stripes, broken plaids and swell checks.



"A Mrs. Hopkins Boy."

Suits—40 Brown, black, and grey
Cheviots, sizes 4 to 15, strongly
made, just the thing for hard school
wear. Have been 1.75 to 2.00. Buy them this sale at **1.31**

Suits—75 Novel y suits, Mrs. Hop-
kins' star make. A guarantee for
service, warranted all wool. Have
been 2.50. Buy them this **1.88**
sale at

Suits—Broken plaids and stripes,
heavy weight, solid suits. Have
been 3.00. Buy them this **2.25**
sale at

Knee pants—Heavy strong all wool
Kersey and cassimere pants, sizes
4 to 16, the best made for school
boys, Mrs. Hopkins' make, you
know what that means. Have been
60 cents. Buy them this **.45**
sale at

Knee pants—Good servicable, wool-
en goods, sizes 4 to 16, Mrs. Hop-
kins' make, that means they are
guaranteed. Have been 50c **.38**
Buy them this sale at

Knee Pants—A lot of Cheviot
Pants, just arrived, bought to sell
for 25 cents. We put them **.19**
in this sale at

A Suit of Mrs. Hopkins' Clothes wears longer and holds its
shape and appearance better than other brands that cost you
more money.

Remember the name.

A. L. COONS.

Annetta P. Watts,

Pianistic and Accompanist
—TEACHER OF PIANO—

For terms and particulars call at first
house north of Methodist church.

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 Mon-
roe street, with a

New and Complete Stock of

Wall Paper and Paints.

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

CORNELIUS L. HARVEY,

59 Monroe

Grand Rapids, Mich.

Bug Finish

Finishes Potato Bugs, Cabbage
Worms and Curculio of all
kinds. Worth its price as fer-
tilizer. Ready for use and safe
to handle.

Watery and Soggy Potatoes



Ice Cream and Ice cream Soda

Better than ever. All
favorite flavorings.

Choice confectionery.

Foreign and native
fruits, nuts, etc. Fine
line of Cigars.

W. B. Rickrt, on the
Bridge

CHAS. McCARTY.

are now charged to the contin-
ued use of Paris Green. Bug
Finish kills the bugs without
injuring the vines, in fact acts
as a fertilizer and insures the
ripening of the potato. Better
in every way than Paris Green.
For sale by