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## Great Special Sale

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SATURDAY, OCT. 22

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## SATURDAY, OCTOBFR 15, 1898.



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## SUPPLEMENT TO THE LOWELL LEDEER.



## Rural Roads.

Much has been said about roads. It is not probable that this short article can add any thing to what has been said up on the subject.
For the past fifty years, there has been built 182,776 miles of rail-roads, and now the building of rail-roads is practically at an end. The construction of these roads has furnished a vast amount of labor for those who ar
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Now, what is wanted is the employment of the un-employed
upon the rural roads. Why can upon the rural roads. Why country have as good ru not the country have as good ru-
ral roads as the R. R. companics. The Government has bonded the country to dig canals, to build rail-roads for corporations, to suppress foreign and domestic wars, to raise internal expense and to suppress a foreign rebel ion. Why not have the Govern ment issue a popular loan the people for road improvement
If each state would borrow the mones necessary they would be obliged to pay five to twelve per cent interest, while the Govern ment can get the necessary mon cy at three percent, thus making a saving to people of three or more per cent interest.

## THE FARMER AND THE <br> bUSINESS COLLEGE.



Good luck may come to you but good success will not; it must be achieved.

## A Liberal Education.

How priceless is a liberal edu ation! In itself what a rich ndowment! It is not impaired by age, but its value increases with use. No one can employ it but its rightfui owner. He alone can illustrate its worth and enjoy its rewards. It cannot be inheracquired by individnal offort be can be secured only by persererance and self-denial. But it is as free as the air we breathe. Neither race nor nationality nor sex can debar the carnest seeker for its possession. It is not ex-
clusive, but inclusive in its broadest and best sense. It is within the reach of all who really want it, and are brave enough to struggle for it. The earnest rich and worthy poor are equal and friendly rivals in its pursuit, and neither are exempted from any of the sacrifices necessary for its
acquisition. The key to its title acquisition. The key to its title
is not the bright allurements of is not the bright allurements of
rank and station, but the simple watchword of work and study. A liberal education is the greatest blessing that a man or woman an enjoy, when supported by President McKinley.

Decline in Incomes.
The Philadelphia Inquirer says: "The returns of safe in estments have fallen so low as to become a serious matter to persons relying for their income
upon invested capital. In next ten or fifteen years most of the railroads bonds issued years ago at 6 and 7 per cent. interest
fall due, and as they are abunandue, and as they are abun ended secured, they will be ex of interest Two reduced rate before Philadelphach cases ar the present tima Thers a uortrage 7 per cent The firs Northern Pennsylvania Railroad Company, a safe investment, ar The first mort 4 per 7 per onds of Pennsyivane per cent York Canal and Railroad Company are being replaced at $41 / 2$ per cent. Both these issues were put out 30 years ago, and now the new holders have their in come cut down from 35 to 43 per cent. Other instances readily cent. Other instances readily
can be found. Twenty years ago the consolidated mortgage 6 per cent. bonds sold at par; within a few months the company has in a fow months the company has
sold bonds secured by the same soldgage at $31 / 2$ per cent.
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mortgage at $31 / 2$ per cent.
This condition is world-wide. British consols have lately sold up to 114 per cent. They bear 2 and $3 / 4$ per cent. interest, which
is to be reduced to $21 / 2$ per cent. in 1903, while the bonds are absolutely payable twenty years thereafter. The rates of interes is falling throughout the civilized world. This has been its is no reason to suppose there will be any change. The wealth of the world is increasing every year at a most wonderful rate. Every indication that tends to conserve the energy, to augment production and to facilitate busness is one more influence that
ids in the creation of wealth. Never was the human intellect busy as now, so ingenious, so
well supported. And with every year the pressure for good in-
vestments increases. The supply is not at all equal to the demand, nor can it be. It is still possible to secure investments hat yield 6 per cent. interest, but ney : re not ordinarily such as trustee would select for his ken ities are not numerous as the were a few vears ago. The truth must be recognized that we have no longer a frontier, our countay deveoped, all the best favored sot are occupied, and there is


## TO FRIENDS AND PATRONS

The shorlhand department in charge of Mr. Charles G. Mar:hall. Mr. Marshall come's to this institution highrecommended as a scholar. ledicher. and gentleman. He is dired/ly intercsted in the school, and the student will. therefore, always receive his best efforls. Mr. Marshall, also, lakes charge of the commercial work of business course We now can give our business con, se more promencnce, for ve have sufficient time for personal inslruction, which is so indispensable in the work of the business college.
Evervone who has made up his mind to have a complete uusiness cducation can sel it with us for the rates as freented in our adzertisement. Mr. Marshall grives the work omplete, what more can you ask? The cost is cheaper than anywhere else, what better can you ask?

## Fours Iruly,

C. J. Trunsue, Prin.,

Clarksville Academy


Dayton, Obio, April 20, 1898

## We destre to say that

We destre to say that we have known
have been assoclated with hundreds of oung men but have found none more earneat, rel table avd gentlemanly than the bearr, Mr. C. G. Marshall.
He is consclentions in his work. quiet and guified in the school room and well qualif: While be ter of stortband and typewriting. onths he leaves us through no faut of and we wish him every success.

Very truly,
The Otio School or Basinees C
Per C. E. Beck, Manager.
Yremont, Mich., June 28, 1897 To whom it may concern: Thast I have been acyuainted with Mr . Chart cars dian of thing place, for about four
which time, he has residel he pustor ofther, the Conergregational Church, in
the Conall his village; that he ts a young man of ex
mplary and studious babits and posweses mplary and studious habits and possesses
haracter above reproseb; that he is industri ous and aubitious to succeed in life und, in
my opinion, has all the stering nualties that ould recommend him for cemployment in
shoven profession. I further certify thal it is a pleas protes to writie these words of con wendation in his behalf und that I accompany them with my mos' hearty good wishes

Very sincerely.
circuit Judge and Ex

RATES OF TUITION FOR THE

## CLARSVVLLIE ACAEEMY

We give below the rates of uition for the various courses of the Academy when paid by the

Commen Sction Course.
Winter Term, 20 wks.. 88.00 . Payable by the Month:


English, Academic, Normal Courses. Winter Term, 20 wks ., S 10.00 Payable by the Month:

| 1 Month | . | $\$ 2.50$ |
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| 2 Months | $\cdot$ | $\$ 4.75$ |
| 3 Months | $\cdot$ | $\vdots$ |
| 4 Months | $\quad$. | $\$ 8.75$ |

## Susiness Course.

Winter Term, 20 wks., 815.00. Payable by the Month

| 1 Month |  | $\$ 4.00$. |
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| 2 Months | $\cdot$ | $\$ 7.25$ |
| 3 Months | $\cdot$ | $\$ 10.25$ |
| 4 | Months |  |

Tuition must be paid on entrance
If anyone desiring education in any of the above courses wil of other schools of similar rates acter it will not take lomg thar convinced that more can be ob convinced that more can be ob-
tained at the Academy for the same money than can be obtained elsewhere. Here are some rates copied from circulars recently received.

$\$ 15.00$
We give you some reasons why we give you the advantage of such reasonable rates.
1st. The rates are cheaper, because other commodities are cheaper. Twenty years ago wheat average $\$ 1.34$ per bu.,
now it sells at 63 cents a bu. If now it sells at 63 cents a bu. If the cost of education be kept according to the price of commodity, then no one need be deprived of its advantages. If you take time to compare their rates now charged with the rates charged twenty years ago by some schools you will find that they are as much now as they were then. should keep even, if not ahead should keep, even, if not ahead
of other business in extending its of other business in
benefits to the people.
2nd. We do not pay rents a do some of the private schools for we own the property; then penses are not so much as in the large cities. These reasons as well as a desire to extend the advantages of a first class school to every ambitious and deserving young man and young woma have governed us in our financial plan.

For particulars, writ
Clarksville, Mich.
Ionia Co.

## PUBLIC NOTICE.

## Winter School BEGINS Oct, 24, 1898.

 Begin School Any Time With Good Advantage -for- Any upon Application,C. J. TRANSUE, Prin,.
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## Goulses of Studu.

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## Business Course,

Our Busturss Course girea Book-keeping in all tis forms and other subjects necessary to
a modern business education. The tuition is only 815.00 ior ars term of of Ave month. Can
this be duplicated anywhere hiss be daplicated anywhere elset We guar-
antee sou an up to date business edncation.

## Normal Bourse

The subjects of the Normal Course include afl the protessional studies nececssary for arany
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which may be taken in connection with any Which may be taken in connection with any
the other courses without any extra charge.
Acadomic Course and Languages,
Prepares for Universily. Tultion must be pald on entrance.

## GLARKSVILLE AGADEMY, BUSINESS GOLLEGE, AND TRAINING SGHOOL.

## Shortfand \& Typewriting.

Where Shorthand Is Used.
Wherever there is correspondence to be done, from the White House down to the small business office, with its daily correspondence of perhaps a dozen letters, there will be found a shorthand writer. He is employed by the Governors, Senators, Congressmen; in all departments of the Government, State, County, and City offices; in Newspaper, Law, Insurance, Medical, Railway, Express, and Real Estate offices; in Manufacturing and Mercantile Houses; as Court and Newspaper, Legal and Railroad Reporters. In short, wherever there is writing to be done, the nimble fingers of the shorthand writer are called into requisition. The government pays out annually large sums of money to its stenographers pays out annually large sums of money to its stenographers
and is yet unable to supply the demand of the Civil Service and is yet unable to su
for shorthand writers.

## Value of Shorthand.

While shorthand is very lucrative in itself, when the learners of it become experts, as many who forsake law, medicine and other professions can testify, there are others who use it as a stepping stone to enter the professional or business field. Law stenographers often become lawyers medical stenographers, doctors, etc.; while, in the commercial work of all kinds, it is the stenographer, who, from being in touch with the daily correspondence, becomes most intimately acquainted with his employer's affairs. Should he decide to enter the same line of trade himself, which he frequently does, this knowledge serves as a valuable apprenfrequently does, this knowlegge serves as a valuable appren-
ticeship. With a knowledge of shorthand one's possibilities ticeship. With a knowledge of shorthand one s possibinity
for success in life are increased; it gives him an opportunity for success in life are increased; it gives him an opportunity
to get into the Business World as he could in no other way, to get into the Business World as he could in no other way,
for it is the stenographer in whom are confided all the busifor it is the stenographer in whom are confided all the busi-
ness affairs of the employer, thus giving him a knowledge of the business, surpassed only by that of the employer himself. As a natural consequence he is the first to be promoted, then he is right on the road to success. Once on that road it is easy to win, but the difficulty lies in getting started on that road. Here is your chance. Will you take it?

## Will It Pay You?

The salaries are usually commensurate with the skill, general ability, and education of the stenographer. For general work, good stenographers obtain from $\$ 10$ to $\$ 25$ a week; for reporting, from $\$ 2,000$ to $\$ 5,000$ a year and up. The best paid official in this country, next to the President, was Dennis Murphy, (recently deceased) Reporter of the Senate, who received a salary of $\$ 25,000$ a year.

## Shorthand as an Educator.

By its study and use, the mind, ear, and hand are trained to become exact and expert, not only in it but in a general way as well. Spelling, punctuation and grammar are improved, and the correct pronunciation of words acquired. Prominent educators, who understand its value, advocate its general use in schools, for the reason above stated and also for the fact that it inculcates habits of accurate observation, stimulates investigation, makes the pupils active, and last but not least, it furnishes them with a Practical Means of Livelifood.
Time Required to Learn Shorthand.
It usually takes five or six months to learn Shorthand and Typewriting so as to be successful in an office.
The System Taught.
The system is a modification of the Graham and Pitman systems, which is used by a large per cent of court reporters and high grade stenographers of America.
Rates of Tuition.
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Winter Term of 20 weeks............... $\$ 25.00$.
Payable by the Month.

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The Course of Study.
The Course of Study consists of Shorthand, Typewriting, Business Penmanship, Business Correspondence, Spelling, Manifolding, and Office work. After the student is well along in this course he is taken into the office and allowed to along letters for the Principal thus giving him practical experience in office work before leaving school.

## Correspondence.

All questions in regard to particulars are cheerfully answered. Address all correspondence to the Principal,
C. J Transue,

Clarksville, Mich.

