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LOWELL, MICHIGAN, MARCH 16, 1899.

WHOLE NO. 298.

The City Bank.

ORSON HILL, Pres.
W. A. WATTS, Cashier.

Responsibility \$100,000.00

Commercial and Savings Departments Interest paid on time certificates.

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HILL WATTS & CO.
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Lowell Plating Works.

I am now prepared to do all kinds of Fine Plating in Gold, Silver, Nickel, Copper, Royal Silver Metal, etc.

Make Watches, Jewelry, Tableware, Bicycles, etc, like new.

A. M. GIBBS.
3 miles west of town in Fred Hodges neighborhood.

The Old Residents.

A PLEASANT AND SUCCESSFUL REUNION.

Speeches by J. M. Mathewson and Revs. Anderson and Pattison.

The twenty-second annual reunion of the Old Residents' association was held at Train's hall, Friday evening, March 10, with a good attendance, although the weather was bad and roads worse. An amateur talking machine rendered two selections, and President Mathewson called the meeting to order.

Secretary H. Nash and Treasurer J. E. Lee read their reports and then the old officers were re-elected by acclamation.

Rev. L. N. Pattison invoked the Divine blessing and the president made his opening address.

Mr. Mathewson began by paying a high tribute to the intelligent audience that faced him. The pioneers were of a peculiar, forceful character, and because of their isolation from closely settled communities were less refined, did not dress as neatly, shave as often or perhaps wash as much. The more thickly settled a community, there you find the more intelligence and the more debauchery and misery also. Most of the early pioneers have passed away and those in the audience have had greater advantages than those who have gone before, for civilization and refinement go hand in hand; and yet the pioneers as a class compared favorably with the people of today.

The speaker had been in Kent county for 55 years and for twenty-two years, with perhaps one or two exceptions, had delivered these annual addresses, so, as he could not remember what he had said on former occasions, he was apt to repeat himself.

He would not dwell upon the hardships of pioneer life; the pioneers worked hard but they enjoyed themselves as much as do the people of today. There was not so much jealousy or backbiting in the old days and there was more genuine sociability. People rode to church behind an ox team and knew how to walk as there was no railroad nearer than Kalamazoo in this section.

Speaking of the improvements and inventions of the present, he alluded to the talking machine and said he thought the best use it could be put to is in the home of a woman who is an incessant talker and let the machine relieve her occasionally.

A preacher once asked all of his congregation who wanted to go to Heaven to stand up, and all stood up except a small boy. Then the parson asked all who wanted to go to Hell to stand up, but the boy did not rise.

"Boy, where do you want to go?"

"Don't want to go anywhere; want to stay here."

The story expresses the speaker's sentiments. He lived in the best country in the best state and the best county in the world, and he wants to stay here. His opinion is that when a man leaves this section he leaves it for a poorer one, unless it be to Heaven and that was a place he knew nothing about, though perhaps the preachers could tell us.

With thanks to the audience for their kind attention and to the people of Lowell for their long-continued kindness, the venerable speaker closed his remarks.

Messrs. White, English, Winegar and Howe then sang "The Old Kentucky Home," which was so well received by the audience that there was a long and loud call for more; but the gentlemen did not respond.

Here the president, who had been studying the program handed him by the chairman of that committee, Mr. Hicks, said that if that gentleman

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From Port Said.

THE MOST WICKED AND FILTHY CITY ON EARTH.

Egyptian Beggars, Street Venders and Shop Keepers.

On board transport Grant, Sunday, February 12, 1899.

J. C. JOHNSON, Detroit, Mich.

My dear brother:

It is today four weeks since we left Fort Sheridan behind to start on our journey for the far East.

Since leaving New York we have been but twice on land, first at Gibraltar, Spain, after two weeks of ocean travel, and once again at Port Said, Egypt, after another sail of eight days. At the latter place we delayed twelve or fourteen hours to take on coal and water.

Port Said has the reputation for being the most wicked city on the face of the earth and it might well also have of being the filthiest; but curious, weird and strange were the sights beyond anything you can imagine. We went ashore from our ships in little row boats rowed by the Arabs. As soon as we got on shore we were set upon by beggars of all ages and street venders. As our party walked along through the middle of the streets, the men and boys from each side of the street ran out from the shops crying their wares and trying to drag us into their shops. We finally got into a low sort of carriage drawn by two little rats of ponies, mounted the children upon two of the tiniest little donkeys you ever saw and each one of them attended by a native Arab to guide and pound their steeds and we started out to see "Arab town."

After driving through that quarter we were driven to a sort of fair ground where great preparations were going on for the celebration of the Arabian and Egyptian Christmas, which is today, six weeks later than the day we celebrate as Christmas.

We went into an old mosque or chapel, Mohammedan mosque. At the door we were required to put upon our feet great basketlike slippers over our shoes, or else remove the latter. We chose the former as the quicker way. There seemed to be great numbers of people, pilgrims, kneeling and praying aloud, rocking to and fro, pressing their lips to the cold stone floor.

In one of the stores I bought a bit of polished olive wood from Jerusalem, ninety miles distant only also a small, carved, ivory figure and some curious Turkish candy or sweets, as everything of that kind is carried in this part of the world and found it very good. I bought also a few views of the town.

In the harbor were the battleships Princeton, on her way to Manila, and the Raleigh on her way to San Francisco from Manila. We learned at Port Said news of the battle at Manila on the 9th, also from the naval officers a great deal about the city. I expect we will have to live in tents for awhile as they say the hotels are full and every available house for rent is taken. As I write we are about half way through the Suez canal, which is about 100 miles long. We move very slowly, being allowed to go at the rate of not more than five miles an hour. On one side sketches Arabia, on the other, the golden sands of Egypt. Occasionally a cluster of huts are seen, also, quite a number of camels have come into view. Just now the town of Ismalia, Egypt, is coming into sight, can see some trees, palms, low white buildings and a high minaret or tower. I may be able to mail this from there as at this point a rail road runs to Cairo and Suez, the terminus of the canal. We will, at

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A Few Days Only

—We will sell—

No. 9 Galvanized Wire at	2.15 per cwt.
No. 10 " " "	2.20 " "
No. 11 " " "	2.25 " "
No. 12 " " "	2.30 " "

20 inch oven Cook Stove \$8.00.
Jewett's Triumph Range regular \$30.00, now \$27.50.
Jewell Steel Range \$25.00.
Wood Cottage Stoves from \$4.50 up.

We are getting every thing ready for some very pleasant surprises for our customers in new goods and attractive prices. We are now ready and out after trade.

In Bicycles and Bicycle Sundries we are the people.

REMEMBER we have BICYCLES from \$22 up. Our Ajax Wheel this year at \$30—More of these wheels being used in this section than any other make. They always give satisfaction. For High Grade we have the Cleveland line—absolutely the best wheel on earth, Runs easier, Lasts longer and gives better satisfaction than any other wheel.

Builders Hardware, Steel Goods, Refrigerators, Gasoline and Oil Stoves, in fact, every article for Spring Trade has been purchased by us before the recent advance, consequently we are in shape to give you the best there is in it.

We wish you to bear in mind always that you are here to buy, We are here to sell. Yours for 1899 business,

KLARK & KLARK,
K-K-K-K HARDWARE.

LISTEN!!

I loaned you well-tongs when you wanted them. Now I want them. Will you return them now?

We make a specialty of Builder's Hardware. As we buy for Cash the price will be right. Come and let us figure on your jobs.

Respectfully,
R. B. BOYLAN.

Silverware, Jewelry, Clocks and Repairs.

100 Watches

to select from. Tea Sets, any number of pieces. Silver Novelties, Rings, Chains and Bracelets. Childs Sets.

147 Rogers Bros. Tableware [1847].

HIGBYS,
The progressive Jeweler.

Dew Drop in

and examine my splendid lot of samples of

Spring Suitings and Pantings.

Place your orders now and avoid the rush later on.

B. C. Smith.

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 5th Bridge.
LOWELL, MICHIGAN.

Oliver Chispley own, Studebaker Wagons, Agriculture Implements

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Iowa Letter.

The following letter received by F. G. Hoffman should put a quietus on the train wrecking yarn.

Montrose, Ia., March 9, '99.

Dear Parents:

Having just received your letter this morning, I will answer and tell you that I am all right, well and happy at present.

About wrecking that train. We heard that before and if you had read the Lowell LEDGER you would have seen that they had heard from us from here, and you might have known better than to ask me such a question, as I have written to you from here right along. But there is someone trying to hurt Romey, and I would like to know who he is and I would fix him up right. So if you can find out anything, just do so and let me know.

We have had cold weather here but the ice is about to go out of the river now. I am sunning myself on the porch of our boat as we are getting dinner and it is too hot inside.

Romey was out with some fishermen this morning and they got 100 pounds of large buffaloes.

We expect to do some trapping as soon as the ice moves and then we will sell out and wander back.

Your son, AL.

Wanted.

A man to work farm on halves. Good place for right man. Apply to JOHN L. SELOVER, Fox's mill, Vergennes. 1wk

Farmers, F. L. Fallas wants to sell you clover and timothy seed.

REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE.

People having property that they wish to dispose of can list the same with me. No expense incurred unless sale is made.

25 ACRES in the village of Vienna, Montmorenci county, all improved but 5 acres of beech and maple timber. Good house and barn and fine soil. Price \$500 on favorable terms or will trade for Lowell village property.

32 ACRES one mile from village of Lowell, bearing apple orchard, peach orchard, 44 acres raspberries, good house, stable and apple dryer. Price \$1500. Terms half cash, balance on time.

40 ACRE FRUIT FARM within a mile of the city limits of Grand Rapids. Splendid land. Successful fruit farm, peaches, berries, etc. Ample barns, etc. Splendid location. Fronts on Walker avenue and Fourth street. Big money in it for suburban residence lots. Price \$3,500, \$1,500, balance on time. This is a big bargain and bears the closest investigation.

HOUSE AND LOT in Ovid for sale or exchange for Lowell property or wild land. In good repair. Rents for from \$5 to \$8 per month and has not been empty three months in five years. Ovid is a fine town. Owner has farm near Lowell and wants a home nearby.

EIGHTY-ACRES 3 miles from Charlevoix, 2 miles from a good saw mill. Timber enough to pay for it. 35 acres under cultivation. A good log house and frame barn. Price \$850. \$300 down and balance to suit purchaser.

EIGHTY ACRES of choice timbered land in Oscoda county, a fine farming lot, with beech, maple, hemlock, basswood and 30000 feet of white pine, cedar enough for fencing. Has a fine hay meadow of several acres and a trout stream heads into it. Near the village of Mio and schools. Settled neighborhood, 12 or 15 improved farms within 3 miles. Only 4 or 5 miles from railroad. Price 600 cash or will trade for good Lowell property.

FORTY-ACRES, 3 miles from Lowell in Vergennes. House of 8 rooms, barn and out-buildings, 2 wells, 50 apple trees, 800 peach trees 8 years old budded full for next season's crop, also 400 young trees and 8 acres more available for planting. A young team, one cow, and all farm tools to be sold with place. Price \$1600, or without stock and tools \$1300. Will take \$800 down and give time on balance.

For particulars regarding these places apply to
F. M. JOHNSON,
Ledger Office, Lowell, Mich.

Gen. Wheaton Drives the Rebels from the Place. Little trouble for our men.

Manila, March 14.—Gen. Wheaton attacked and captured the city of Pasig, east of Manila, this afternoon.

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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.

Caseln and Some of Its Uses. One of the bi-products of skim milk is caseln. In the making of caseln it is expedient to have separate buildings...

Such caseln is mostly used by paper manufacturers in the making of paper. It is used to replace several kinds of glue, and the quantities thus used for paper manufacture is almost unlimited.

Crow-Food Feeds. The crowd-food used in a flock may often be improved by the introduction of a male of some other breed...

Export Cheese.—The export cheese that commands the highest price in the English market is one that is close in texture, having no round or angular holes...

Uncle Sam gets something over \$35,000,000 a year in taxes out of tobacco.

A LAWYER'S RUSE. ACME OF DECEIT PRACTICED IN OPEN COURT.

What is my partner's forte? Low comedy, or, though any one had told me that I'd make a hit in a day...

In the year of 1889 I was playing in a stock company in New Orleans, and during the winter of that year a dancing conflict...

Well, a short time after the new bill was voted on, I saw that I was between him and the heavy man as an enemy.

Not only is the climate of Cuba favorable to the planting of crops whenever the farmer chooses to plant them...

With reference to the request made to the corporation five years ago in the winter of 1904, says the defendant...

Under the heart is in perfect sympathy with the head, the comprehension of any great work of art is impossible.—Coëlle.

AN ACTER'S RUSE. Talk about your nerves,

What is my partner's forte? Low comedy, or, though any one had told me that I'd make a hit in a day...

I never saw the leading man do as well as for the leading lady, she was so much more than the leading man...

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Modern Science Recognizes RHEUMATISM as a Disease of the Blood

There is a popular idea that this disease is caused by exposure to cold and that some others are infected with it more than others...

Advertisement for Rheumatism medicine, featuring a logo with 'P' and 'D'. Text: 'The genuine sold only in packages like this \$0.50 per box.'

Advertisement for 'EXCURSIONS' and 'As Black as Your DYE'.

Advertisement for 'LAXATIVE BROMO-QUININE TABLETS'. Text: 'This Signature of Whose is on every box of LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE TABLETS.'

Advertisement for 'COLUMBIA CHAIN-DRIVEN MODELS'. Text: 'The Most Efficient Bicycle Ever Devised is the Columbia BEVEL-GEAR CHAINLESS.'

Advertisement for 'SAPOLIO'. Text: 'SAPOLIO. A GOOD GARDEN. A GOOD CARETAKER.'

Advertisement for 'Thompson's Eye Water'.

Advertisement for 'DROPSY' medicine.

Advertisement for 'CHEAP FARMS'.

Advertisement for 'TOURIST SLEEPERS TO CALIFORNIA'.

Advertisement for 'FOR 14 GENTS'.

Entered at Lowell post office as second class matter. SUBSCRIPTION ONE DOLLAR YEARLY.

Advertisements: Space Advertisements one insertion 10c per inch. Same more than once 7c per inch with 10 per cent discount on yearly contract.

FROM PORT SAID. (Continued from 1st page.) That point, be about 30 miles from Cairo and the great pyramids. I am quite disappointed that we will not stop there long enough to allow us to go to Cairo; but Gen. Lawton seems to wish to get along as rapidly as possible and at best we will be another month on board ship.

Millions Come Away. It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land so successful in its operations. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine.

Fallsburg. Mrs. Arthur Sayles of Keene visited Mrs. M. J. Lundy Saturday. Warren Little and wife are visiting at Chassanville.

Grattan-Vergennes. Mrs. Peter Byrne is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Burt of Belding. N. Lewis is drawing stone preparing to build a barn.

West Lowell. Ezra Martin who has been spending the winter with his parents returned to Moravia Friday.

Louisiana Saturday. He has been gone a number of years and we will all be glad to see him again. MIDGET.

Town Line Tidings. B. D. Seely and wife visited J. Wooding and wife Thursday.

Lowell Center—Alto. Last Wednesday evening about 23 friends of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Hunt planned a very successful surprise party to them which resulted in a happy and lively evening for all present.

Keeno. South Keene people give King Rickett a surprise one night last week and there they were, writer and reader and...

Clabbing List. We will furnish THE LOWELL LEDGER in combination with the following papers for 1899, the price being...

South Boston—Eimdale. The L. S. gave an oper supper at the Grange hall Tuesday evening. There was a good attendance.

Special Offer to our Readers. The Lowell Ledger, Twice-a-Week Detroit Free Press, and the Free Press Year Book and Encyclopedia for 1899...

James Vicks Sons, Rochester, N. Y.

Watch for our Semi-Annual Underwear Sale about April First. Good Stock in all lines and right prices.

We have now the largest stock of CARPETS we have shown and are making prices that will move them.

We also have a full line of samples from the largest Carpet House in Chicago and can furnish almost anything in the Carpet Line.

Don't go to Grand Rapids for Carpets when you can buy same quality as cheap at home.

N. B. BLAIN. Call on us and be convinced that what we say is true.

Wheat 67, Corn 40, Oats 30, Rye 60, Flour per cwt 2 00, Corn meal per ton 16 00, Bran per ton 6 00, Middlings per ton 18 00, Corn and oats per ton 20 00, Butter 12 00, Eggs 12 00, Potatoes 55 00, Beans 85 00, Beef 5 00, Veal 6 00, Pork 4 25, Chickens 7 00, Wool washed 30 00, Wool unwashed 30 00, Apples 30 00.

WHITE Iron Beds. From \$2.75 to \$12. McCONNELL.

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THE LIFE OF SANTA CLAUS REEP. CLARENCE HERBERT NEW. (Copyright, 1897, by J. B. Lovvinton Co.)

assistants and others were leaning against the wall-pilars, like navies waiting for the call to arms. The captain of the archipelago, as you put it, said: "Whether that oily old duck is convinced that we are interested in the reef, or whether his suspicions have been completely lulled by the accident that he thinks is safe to meddle with it on his own account."

CHAPTER VII. Next morning the result of Padre Sebastian's discussion with the two mates was apparent. For Diaz came to the captain and reported the result of heading for Santa Rosa. Halstead demurred a little at first—made the charge of course was made late, as it was, etc.—but finally admitted that it would take only a few hours more, and said that he had no objections. This was Thursday. I spent the afternoon and most of Friday with Senorita Clara, liking her better the more I saw of her. I was pretty sure that Halstead had a little the advantage of me in her regard, but she never showed it while we were together. In fact, as the time drew near when I was to leave the steamer, she seemed disposed by unmistakable signs to be liking for me, to produce an impression that neither years nor absence could efface, and she certainly succeeded. When I said good night at the door of her stateroom, Friday evening, I wondered a little what the result would be should I throw up the enterprise and remain on board. But the captain was poring over the chart again when I reached our quarters, and one glance at his face was sufficient to banish all inclination. On my part, the affair had been, so far, merely speculative; there had been no opportunity for feeling. Halstead, on the other hand, was fully committed. He and McPherson had taken a definite step which there was no retreating—

WICK'S SEEDS. Wick's Garden and Floral Guide.



Throw Away the Boot-Jack. Lewis' 'Wear-Resisters'.

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