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LOWELL, MICHIGAN, MARCH 30, 1899.

WHOLE NO. 300.

The City Bank.

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

Responsibility
\$100,000.00

Commercial and Savings Departments
Interest paid on time certificates.

Co-partners—P. H. Gilkey, Asa Stratton, Orton Hill, W. A. Watts, E. W. Bowman, R. S. Wilson.

Drafts sold on Grand Rapids, Detroit and New York.

WILL WATTS & CO.
Lowell - Mich.

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.

SMYRNA'S GREAT LUCK.

She Will Probably get the Lowell & Hastings Extension.

Since the final survey of the Lowell & Hastings road to this city, by which Smyrna was left out in the cold, the line passing far to the west of that thriving little burg, the citizens of the town and vicinity have been doing their level best to secure a change in the route which would give them the benefit of railroad facilities. This entered largely into the case in the matter of the granting of right way and was one of the principle causes for the seemingly exorbitant figures charged by some through whose land the road must pass if the railroad company's last survey was adhered to. Finding that the projectors of the road were not likely to recognize the claims of the citizens of Smyrna for the line, some of the citizens of that place engaged the services of a surveyor at their own expense, and the early part of the week a committee took the notes of this survey to Grand Rapids and laid them before the railroad people for consideration.

The result of this move on the part of the people of Smyrna is likely to change the route so as to give that town the benefit of the road. We understand that the proposition laid before the railroad company provides for the free right of way across property in the neighborhood of Smyrna and the erection of a depot building in that village at a cost of not to exceed \$1,000. The people of the village also agree to make up the additional expenses to the company brought about by the change in the route, provided such expense occurs, up to a given amount. We are told that the proposition meets the approval of the railroad company, and the citizens of Smyrna are quite sanguine at the present time that they will secure the road.

—[Belding Star.]

Vergennes Township Tickets.

The Vergennes Democratic ticket is as follows:

Supervisor, Owen J. Howard.
Township clerk, Edmund M. Alger.
Treasurer, John H. Wright.
Justice of the Peace, Warren B. Hoag.
Highway Commissioner, Charles S. Beckwith.
Member Board of Review, Daniel E. Pratt.
School Inspector, Orlando J. O'Dell.
Constables, Michael Carey, Maxim Denny, Oliver M. Coats, Fred Ford.

The Republicans offer the voters the following ticket:

Supervisor, Don A. Mann.
Clerk, Melville B. McPherson.
Treasurer, Adelbert R. Condon.
Justice, George A. Kerr.
Highway Com., Hiram B. Tuttle.
Board of Review, Jacob Fallington.
School Inspector, Dorus A. Church.
Constables, Chas. A. Biggs, Alexander Ogan, Christopher Kropf, Thomas Read.

Registration Notice.

To the electors of the township of Lowell. Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of Registration of the Township of Lowell will be held at the clerk's office in said township on Saturday the First day of April 1899 for the purpose of registering the names of all such persons as shall be possessed of the necessary qualifications of electors in said township and who may apply for that purpose and that said Board of Registration will be in session on the day and at the place aforesaid from nine (9) o'clock in the forenoon until one (1) o'clock in the afternoon and from three (3) o'clock until five (5) o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose aforesaid.

Dated this 27th day of March in the year 1899.

F. N. White, } Inspectors
A. L. Coons, } of
C. G. Stone, } Election.

FOR SALE—Barred Plymouth Rock roosters \$1.00, \$1.50 each, one pen thoroughbred Light Brahmas. Enquire at LEADER office.

The Harris hair restoratives remove dandruff and grows hair on bald heads. Sold by Mrs. H. Purple, agt.

Democratic Township Ticket.

The Lowell Township Democrats met in caucus at Train's opera house last Thursday and nominated the following first class ticket.

Supervisor, C. Bergin.
Clerk, S. F. Edmonds.
Treasurer, R. Van Dyke.
School Inspector, Willard Hunter.
Justice of Peace, M. N. Hine.
Highway Commissioner, Chas. R. O'Harrow.
Board Review, Chas. E. Winks.
Constables, Frank Pickard, Chas. Yeiter, D. V. Denick, Perry Gardner.

The chairman of the caucus appointed as township committee for the ensuing year: F. M. Johnson, H. Nash and S. F. Brower.

Went Down the Fire Escape.

One of our Central school teachers tells the following good story on herself to some of her pupils.

It so happened that she had occasion to stop after school one evening and do some work. She became so interested in her labors that she heeded not the lapse of time till she discovered that every one had gone home and the building was deserted, save for herself and the rats and mice. She proceeded to her hall door and tried it but to her consternation she found it locked and she had no key. She thought perhaps one of the other hall doors might be open. So up stairs she went and down stairs to the other hall but found that this door too was fast. She tried all the windows but found these fastened down with big spikes. It was not a pleasant prospect to think of staying in that cold school room all the long night with no company but the mice chasing about in all directions. She became desperate and stood by the window, thinking to scream at the first passer-by to get the janitor to come and let her out. As she stood there the thought came to her that she might possibly get out by way of the fire escape. She climbed out but found about a foot of snow on each step. However, that did not hinder her and she waded down, step by step, glad to get out of her perplexity as easily as that.

Election Notice.

Notice is hereby given to the electors of the township of Lowell that election will be held on Monday the third (3) day of April, 1899 in said township at which election the following officers are to be chosen:

One supervisor.
One clerk.
One treasurer.
One Highway Commissioner.
One justice of the peace.
One school inspector.
One member board of review.
Four constables.

The polls of said election will be opened at 7 o'clock in the forenoon or as soon thereafter as may be and will be continued open until five o'clock in the afternoon unless the board shall in their discretion adjourn the polls at twelve o'clock, noon, for one hour.

Dated this 27th day of March, A. D. 1899. C. G. Stone, Township Clerk.

Arrival of Spring Millinery.

I wish to inform the public of the arrival of my Spring stock of millinery goods.

My trimmer, Miss Gauld of Detroit, who comes highly recommended and who has been under the instruction of Madam Tenaghan who spent last year in Paris, is prepared to present the newest and most novel styles of the season.

I cordially invite you to inspect my stock. Mrs. M. Hiler.

Viola Dickerson is learning "the art preservative" at the Ledger office.

Fred Stone is home from Rock Island, Ill., where he was employed in the United States arsenal all winter.

There will be Easter services at the M. E. church next Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock, given by the children of the Sunday school. The pastor will preach an Easter sermon at 7:30 p. m. Subject: "The Morning Light is Breaking." No special collection will be taken.

That canning factory which Muskegon people thought they had gotten away from Grand Rapids goes to the second city after all, a \$5,000 cash bonus having effectually settled the matter. In case the fruit crop is as small as is now expected the factory will work this year on peas, tomatoes and corn.

A Few Days Only

—We will sell—

20 inch oven Cook Stove \$8.00.
Jewett's Triumph Range regular \$10.00, now \$27.50.
Jewett 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.

GEN. OTIS

in the lead. So is the American Steel Fencing and for the next TEN DAYS will sell American Steel Fencing at the old price as I bought before the advance and will give you the benefit.

R. B. BOYLAN.

War Investigation.

Pingree gets a Puff for Pingree Shoes from the Front.

Lansing, March 28. The war fund investigation still drags on. Gen. White was recalled to the stand tonight. A peculiar incident occurred at a recent meeting of the committee. Chairman Phillips produced a letter from his son, who is serving with the 35th Mich. Vols. Mr. Phillips with his usual spirit of fairness so necessary to one occupying a judicial position, proposed to read a few extracts reflecting on the matter under investigation. The other members of the committee insisted that the entire letter should be read, and lo and behold Young Mr. Phillips said the Pingree Shoes he got at Island Lake outwore three pairs of the kind issued by the United States.

Pingree Shoes are sold only by

J. E. LEE & CO.,

Silverware,

Jewelry,

Clocks and

Repairs.

100 Watches

to select from.
Tea Sets, any number of pieces.
Silver Novelties, Rings, Chains and Bracelets.
Childs Sets.
1847 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.

Galvanized steel tanks for stock watering. Call and see them. N. HASK.

EXCURSION NOTICE

DET. GD. RAPIDS & WEST'N

Visit the Legislature on the Low Rate Excursion April 5th.

Everybody is invited to take advantage of this opportunity to see how our lawmakers work and also to visit the Agricultural College, Industrial School for Boys and other attractions at Lansing. On above date the D., G. R. & W. R. R. will run a special train leaving Elm Dale at 10:10 a. m. arriving at Lansing at 11:40. Return trip leave at 7:30 p. m. Round trip rate .75. Geo. DeHaven, G. P. A.

Prof. W. A. Ludwig will attend the University at Ann Arbor next year and will not be an applicant for the position of superintendent of Lowell schools. Two gentlemen from outside have already been here in consultation with the board in regard to the matter.

The Lowell W. C. T. U. held its annual meeting last week Friday with Mrs. R. Graham. The officers for the following year were elected: President, Mrs. P. Reutelester, Sec., Mrs. Needham, Treas., Mrs. Miller, Corresponding Sec., Mrs. Watts, Delegates for the convention to be held at Belding April 5, 6, 7, are Mesdames Reutelester and Miller.

The Portland creamery, which has been idle for a number of years, will probably be started up again this season, the business men of the city having interested the matter. The latter look at in the light that the resumption of operations at the creamery would benefit them through the additional country trade which would thereby be drawn into the village and of which they of course would reap the benefit.

A clergyman was recently annoyed by people talking and giggling in church. He paused, looked at the disturbers, and said: "I am always afraid to reprove those who misbehave, for this reason: Some years since as I was preaching, a young man who sat before me was continually laughing, and making uncouth grimaces. I paused and administered a severe rebuke. At the close of the service a gentleman said to me: 'Sir, you have made a great mistake. That young man was an idiot.' Since that I have been afraid to reprove those who misbehave themselves in church, lest I should repeat that mistake and improve another idiot."—[Ex.]



THE FAMOUS Queen Quality Shoe For Women.

Price \$3.00

In presenting "Queen Quality" we have placed before the Women of America a shoe of exceptional value for \$3.00.

Highest Quality of material and workmanship.

Made in thirty styles suitable for street, dress, home, or outing. For retaining their shape and fitting where others fail, they have no equal.

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Page and half-page ads. \$7.50 and \$3.75 on three month contracts.

Business notices among local items 5c per line per issue.

Cards in directory columns \$1.00 per year.

Notations of condolence, \$1.00.

An up-to-date Job Printing Plant in connection.

By special arrangement with the publishers of the FARM JOURNAL.

Our Township Tickets.

The people of this township are to be congratulated upon the success.

Mr. Bergin has served four terms as supervisor with credit.

When the people make up their minds to do with the trusts.

Mr. White is serving his second term as supervisor and has proved an excellent man for the place.

Interest in these two candidates alone should be sufficient to call out a full vote.

For clerk two well known and respected citizens.

Willard Hunter, the Democratic nominee for school inspector.

The candidates for justice of the peace need no introduction to the public.

Chas. R. O'Harrow, for highway commissioner.

city, succeeding Wm. Murphy who is running against him again.

With eight good candidates for constables the people will be assured of good service in this line.

Messrs Morse and Blackleser are rendering good service and Messrs Gardner, Pickard, Denick and Yeiler have all done good work in this line.

FOR AN-PARTISAN JUDICIARY.

It will be remembered that in accordance with a petition signed by more than one thousand voters of the county.

With that idea, Judge Aditt, who has had eight years' experience upon the bench and has felt the position with marked ability and fidelity.

Now, as there are but two judges to choose and but three candidates to select from, it would seem not a hard matter for the fair-minded voter to decide which two he will vote for.

As between Judge Aditt and a man who would conduct a judiciary election on the war caucus plan, surely no one need hesitate for a moment.

MONDAY'S election is important. Turn out and vote.

IF THERE is anything in a name, the new book, "In Hell and the Way Out," should meet with an overwhelming demand.

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etc Friday. W. H. Ostrom of Newaygo is visiting at Copeland's.

The Sunday school elected officers Sunday for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Raymond were happily surprised Friday evening by about twenty-eight of their friends and neighbors.

Mr. and Mrs. Aldrich visited at Fred Hopper's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Tower and wife Friday.

Mrs. Sekete and Mrs. and Mrs. Titus visited Mr. and Mrs. O. Snyles, Wednesday.

Watch for our Semi-Annual Underwear Sale about April First.

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.

Call on all wool Carpet for only 50c per yd.

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

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

N. B. BLAIN

The ONLY INSTITUTE of its kind in the state that has a staff of physicians, surgeons and specialists who are prepared to treat all chronic diseases and deformities.

There will be Easter exercises at the Morse Lake church Sunday and a new program is to be rendered.

Dr. Campbell and wife of Lowell and Wm. Patterson and brother of Macomb were Sunday callers at Geo. Blackleser.

Wm. Ried, wife and daughter, Lotie, of Grand Rapids, were called to All Saturday by the serious illness of Mrs. Reid's father, Jacob Yeiler.

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ROOM AND BOARD AT INSTITUTE \$7.00 TO \$20.00.

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This Man. Illustration of a man in a suit, with text describing a man who is 'blowing up' his business.

GROCERIES. CHAS. MCCARTY. Illustration of a grocery store interior.

LWELL LAUNDRY. Illustration of a laundry tub.

THE IRON'S HOT. Illustration of a hot iron.

DRS. GALLEHER & WOLFORD. Illustration of a man's face.

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EDWARD O. MAINS, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. YOUR PATRONAGE SOLICITED.

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Anneta P. Watts, Pianist and Accompanist. TEACHER OF PIANO.

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WOLFE, MICHIGAN

Many a scripular text serves as a pretext for a lengthy discourse.

Who men know more than they tell, but fools always tell more than they know.

Some men who never forget they are gentlemen fail to remember that there are others.

Objects that give color to men's thoughts naturally put them in a brown study.

Why not threaten to feed Filipino prisoners on army beef, that will furnish the rebellion.

The feeling of uneasiness among the wives of Chicago business manufacturers must be growing rapidly.

Any poor person can become a thief, but it takes a genius to get into kleptomania class you must have money.

Queen Victoria has gone to Nice, but Tom Sloan is about to return to England, so the balance of greatness will be maintained.

It is announced that 25-cent cigars cost 25 cents each in Manila, but it is by no means the strongest argument for holding the Philippines.

Kansas City has an emulsified milk scandal. In view of the fact that water is cheaper than any chemical known, this scare would seem to be wholly unwarranted.

Ontario, in the opinion of New York's supreme court, are not sufficient cause for divorce, however they may constructively contribute to the well-known health of scandal.

Sixteen battleships will be able to carry our flag to a number of places. The United States has five in commission, five launched and under construction, three in the stocks and three provided for at the latest congress.

Orders recently issued from the headquarters of the American Tin Plate Company in this city for a large increase in wages at all plants. The men affected by this order are those who have been receiving less than \$2.50. Wages will be raised from 10 to 15 per cent, the greatest increase going to those who received the smaller wages. Of the 20,000 men employed by the company, fully one-half of the entire number profit by this advance.

It will be both unfortunate and ridiculous if the views expressed by Mr. Rhodes should be accepted in this hemisphere as in any measure interpretive of American spirit. They are very wide of the mark. The result of this country with respect to possessions which have fallen to it as the result of a war unsought and undesired can in no proper sense be associated with a victory for world-wide domination or with a disregard of the obligations of neighborliness and honest dealing.

The purchase of Fruit Trees. The Ohio Experiment Station is often appealed to regarding the best place to buy trees. Such queries can seldom be answered specifically, except in the case of certain varieties, not to be found in all nurseries.

As a rule, it is best to purchase trees direct from established nurseries near home; but in exceptional cases it is safe to buy through agents, and also to send orders to distant nurseries. It is an order to an agent of a reliable nursery is as safe as to deal direct, but one needs to be sure that the agent is reliable. Agents are not to be trusted unless they are known to be reliable. A man who buys where he pleases and sells at whatever price he can get, is not a reliable agent. It is not to be hesitated to make any promise to refill the order free of charge in case of loss in transporting, nor to make any claim as to the genuineness and superiority in order to effect sales.

Honest men find it hard to compete with the rogues in this branch of the business, while the temptations to deceit are so great and the restrictions are so few that reliable tree dealers are rare, hence this class is to be avoided. If a salesman claims to be an agent he should be able to show papers to that effect, and the financial standing of the firm can be learned at the bank.

Financial standing is not a proof of honesty, but it is more or less dependent upon the integrity. At any time a man need not be in a hurry to order trees and can easily ascertain the business standing of any firm, especially when the agent is known. Agents often exceed the authority given them by the nurseryman and make claims and promises which are unknown to their employers.

Inlet that all such claims and promises be put in writing, with the name of the firm attached. If this is refused it is not to be bought. An order is a contract and the buyer should see that it is not so worded that the nurseryman may substitute if he wishes. The nurseryman often takes this liberty, for that matter, Mr. Boone, who has represented Maryland in congress, is a man of exemplary habits.

Gen. Otis says: "Manila is no place for women. This is war, not a picnic. It is gratifying to note that the Gen. Otis has considered his company without necessarily thus far without indulging in any profanity whatever for publication.

FARM AND GARDEN.

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO AGRICULTURISTS.

Wheat-Potato Blight About Cultivation of the Soil and Value Thereof—Horticulture, Viticulture and Floriculture.

The Making of a Nursery. In making out a list of implements to be purchased this spring put the weeder down near the head of the list if you have not one already in use.

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HOME NEWS.

Gossip and Chat about People and Things You Know.

Gain Bange visited in Alaska, Friday.

Miss Mattie Fletcher is in Grand Rapids.

Chas. Kopf was home from Grand Rapids, Sunday.

Mrs. Geo. Bisby is visiting friends in Grand Rapids.

Ellis Faulkner went to Middleville Friday on business.

Ida Hogan is visiting in Grand Rapids this week.

Mrs. Lee Orier fell and hurt herself quite severely, last week.

This is spring vacation with the Lowell school children.

C. B. Hunt, of Kalamazoo, visited at F. W. Davey's, Monday.

J. Kunkle has been visiting his parents in Philadelphia, Pa.

Will Jones and family have moved into John Howk's house, in Sagwau.

Clarence Kunkel of Caledonia visited his parents one day last week.

Regular quarterly communion service at the Congregational church next Sunday.

Wm. Sparks and wife, of Keene, ate dinner with Z. H. Covert and family last Monday.

Ira Pinckney will not move into Mrs. R. F. Rickert's house as reported.

A. M. Gibbs is moving his plating establishment into the village this week.

C. A. Palmerton of Sylvester was in town last week calling on relatives and friends.

Mrs. Chas. Krum of Belding has been visiting friends in Lowell for the past few days.

Mrs. Finch is helping to care for her sister, Mrs. Cole, in South Boston, who has been very sick for the past two weeks.

What would you think of a man who would drop fifty cents to pick up two. We know a man who does it every week.

J. M. Matthewson went to Grand Rapids Saturday and spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. Amelia Hodges.

Mrs. Bertha Althen now of Denver, Col., is here for a two months visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McCarty.

Miss Myrtle Moore has given up her position in the South Ward school on account of ill health and Miss Della James takes her place.

In a card written from Spokane, Will McCarty says that his party had a pleasant trip and had enjoyed the scenery. All were well.

Mrs. C. Arnold of Grand Rapids and Miss Georgia Cowles of Trufant, Mrs. Nettie Rickert and daughter of Lowell were guests at B. E. Rickert of Keene last week.

The L. & H. will run an excursion to Lansing April 5th, leaving Lowell 9:50 a. m. One dollar for round trip. Good chance to see the Legislature in session.

Well, well, boys. What's the matter with having a band? We understand there's plenty of material in town. Let's have some music during the coming summer. Now is the time to do business.

It is now "McCarty & Co.," C. H. Alexander and Frank Taylor constituting the "Co." The new company took hold Monday. The boys would be glad to have their friends call. The new firm has the best wishes of The LEDGER.

John P. Ashley was greeted by a crowded house at Music hall last Friday evening; and the event marked the close of the Epworth League lecture course. Taken as a whole the course has been very pleasing to its patrons and the attendance should be gratifying to its promoters.

The Kent County C. E. society held its quarterly convention at the Congregational church last Saturday and Sunday. The attendance fair and the papers read and discussed on the different branches of C. E. work were well and ably handled. The music was fine and all pronounced it a success.

Lowell has been unusually fortunate this winter in the number of good entertainments presented. Another one of unusual merit will be given Saturday April 8, when Henry Post, the leading pianist of Grand Rapids, and Paul Davis who is fast making himself a name as a reciter of great ability, will unite in giving an entertainment at Music Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Sage of Ionia visited at Wm. Hawley's Sunday.

Good work horse for sale. Enquire of L. N. Pattison.

Miss Pearl Dickerson visited friends in Cannonsburg last week.

Miss Celia Noble spent Sunday and Sunday with friends at Ionia.

Miss Winifred Lowes of Grand Rapids is visiting Miss Ina Findlay.

Mrs. M. McManon is visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. Eve Bergin of Howell.

The Vergennes township election ballots for '99 were printed at this office.

S. S. Courtright left Monday for a trip to Ludington in quest of employment.

Rev. J. T. Husted has accepted a call from Wyandotte and will take charge of his new pastorate about the first of May.

Miss Addie Chambers, Leslie and Nellie Marshall drove to Grand Rapids Wednesday, in a cutter.

Frank Tredenic has gone to spend his vacation with his father in Grand Rapids.

Advertised Letters—Minta M. Blaugh, Mrs. Cornelis Lee Mrs. Ota Linnings, Hugh Dawnes.

Miss Ruby Story of Lowell was the guest of Eunice Fletcher the last part of the week.—[Clarkville Record]

Miss Anna Lappeus, preceptress of the Lowell high school, is spending her vacation at her home in Ypsilanti.

An Edmore farmer kept his potatoes from freezing by keeping them covered with a chaffle mortgage.—[Saranac Advertiser]

About thirty took advantage of the sleighing last Thursday and spent the evening with O. Coats and wife in Vergennes.

Congressman Wm. Alden Smith was in town last Thursday for the purpose of sounding our citizens on the post office matter. He did not succeed in getting clear round and will come up again before disposing of the matter.

Invitations are out announcing the marriage of Mrs. Anna Mildred Guilford to George Brinton Morse at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Guilford, on Wednesday, April 5th.

Sentiment at Portland seems to be in favor of securing the new Columbus, Marshall and Northeastern Railroad, and the work of raising \$17,500, the sum which Portland is expected to contribute, will be pushed.

Three months ago farmers in this state could not get twenty-five cents per bushel for their potatoes. Then came the big freeze, up and the reports that all pitted potatoes had been ruined sent the price up flying. Fifty cents was freely offered by buyers, but many whose potatoes were in good condition refused to sell at that price, though it was double the top figure of a few weeks before. Now it is being found that the tubers in pits were not nearly as badly injured as was supposed, and the price has dropped again, and those who could have sold for fifty cents, but held out for a dollar, are doing some tall thinking.—[Detroit Free Press.]

Henry Wilson of this place has secured an increase of pension \$24 to \$40 per month. We understand that Wilson had made application position of night watch for the ensuing year but withdrew the same on hearing from the pension bureau.

If there is not a sudden increase in the mortality at Grand Rapids just now, it will be because the people of that city do not care to take advantage of the change to have a cheap funeral. The local livery men are at war, and as a result the price for hacks for use at funerals has been cut down by a third.

East Lowell—West Boston.

Silas Toles is dangerously ill.

Mrs. H. Coles is no better.

Newt Warner is moving into Mr. Forre's house.

M. Story has been quite ill for the past two weeks.

L. A. Carter and wife called on friends in this place Sunday.

Rev. A. B. Johnson of South Boston preached at the Wage school house Sunday evening.

The young winter is greatly enjoyed by sleigh riders.

Alton.

Mrs. Wiley Renolds is visiting her father, W. Ford.

Sam Farnce has bought E. Lavendar's farm.

Chas. Rennels and wife are holding a series of revival meetings at Cook's corner.

Mrs. Vetenbock has purchased the Covert farm.

Wm. Condon has bought George Fletcher's farm.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Norton visited her parents in Grattan over Sunday.

Geo. Linn came home from Grand Rapids, where he has been working, sick.

Lela Johnson and Norman Church visited in Cannonsburg over Sunday.

Col. Porter is a victim of the gripe.

Otis White is on the sick list.

Wm. Delaney was confined to the house last week with rheumatism.

Republican caucus was held at the Grange hall Friday afternoon.

Mr. Ring had the misfortune to break through the ice in the creek last week and get a cold bath, and is suffering the consequences now.

Mrs. Cleveland visited Mrs. H. White last week.

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Great Excitement in Alton.

So much real estate transferring that we hardly know who is to remain with us; but our blacksmith, Fred Ford, says he is not in it and that they can find him at his shop early and late, ready and prepared to serve his old customers and new ones as well in his line of business. If in need of a good substantial farm or lumber wagon you will do well to see him before purchasing as the fellows are boiled in oil and made of the best seasoned timber. He has several on hand now for sale. Call and see them.

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of your time. You can't begin keeping track of the moments as they fly too early in life. All Young Americas should have their watches and just make it easy to comply with this timely rule, we are offering a line of juvenile watches at prices that makes you think of the early morning hours—they're so small.

Having a timepiece gives every little man a practical foretaste of the future and ideas of system and order.

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Jay Pinckney, J. Medler, Clare Falls and Willie Kelly went to Crystal Falls, Monday, where employment awaits them.

A Mattison township farmer is of the opinion that poultry is the most profitable feature of farming, taken year in and year out. During the past ten years he has sold or used at home fourteen and a half tons of eggs laid by his hens.—[Detroit Free Press.]

Farm Journal for five years to every subscriber who is in arrears if they will pay all back dues and one year in advance. No better farm paper than the Farm Journal. This offer is only made to a limited number—the first who come forward.

The will of William Lessiter was admitted to probate Friday with his wife Sarah appointed executrix. Lessiter was an old pioneer of the country and well known in this city. The estate was left to the disposition of the family.—[G. R. Democrat]

Henry Wilson of this place has secured an increase of pension \$24 to \$40 per month. We understand that Wilson had made application position of night watch for the ensuing year but withdrew the same on hearing from the pension bureau.

If there is not a sudden increase in the mortality at Grand Rapids just now, it will be because the people of that city do not care to take advantage of the change to have a cheap funeral. The local livery men are at war, and as a result the price for hacks for use at funerals has been cut down by a third.

East Lowell—West Boston.

Silas Toles is dangerously ill.

Mrs. H. Coles is no better.

Newt Warner is moving into Mr. Forre's house.

M. Story has been quite ill for the past two weeks.

L. A. Carter and wife called on friends in this place Sunday.

Rev. A. B. Johnson of South Boston preached at the Wage school house Sunday evening.

The young winter is greatly enjoyed by sleigh riders.

DEWEY.

Grattan-Vergennes.

Miss Mabel Weekes of Grand Rapids is visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity.

Blanche Jakeway is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. C. Francisco, of Lowell.

Owen J. Byrne of Grand Rapids visited his mother, Mrs. P. Byrne, Thursday.

Grandma Giles is in poor health. Dick Heffron of Lowell called on her Sunday.

Wm. Delaney is some better at this writing.

Otis Bibbler entertained a sleighload of young people Sunday evening.

Frank Bergin of Lowell attended church at Parnell Sunday.

Assa Wood of Grattan took a load of apples to Grand Rapids last week receiving \$1.75 per bushel. Apples are getting too expensive to eat.

Ham Blosser is preparing to build an addition to his house.

David Walsh of Grand Rapids was on our streets one day last week.

Midget doesn't see anything of the Farm Journal. Wonder if Mr. Editor forgot her.

MIDGET.

The Farm Journal will arrive in due season.

A Thousand Tongues.

Could not express the rapture of Annie E. Springer, of 1125 Howard street, Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had completely cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this Royal Cure: "It soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praises throughout the universe." So will every one who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at L. H. Hunt & Co.'s Drug Store; every bottle guaranteed.

Cascade-East Paris.

Rev. J. Jay Findley preached his farewell sermon to a large audience.

The New England supper given by the L. A. S. at the Cascade hotel was a decided success, both socially and financially, the society realizing the sum of \$25.12.

School begins in District No. 8 next Monday, the board having secured the services of Miss Ella Streeter as teacher. Miss Ella has our best wishes.

Miss Le-na Slater who has been visiting friends in Cascade has returned to her home in Paris.

Miss Mattie Patterson of McCords has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. F. M. Davis.

The many friends of Mrs. John Patterson will learn with regret that she is seriously ill.

Young Cook who was injured so seriously as to render the amputation of the hand necessary, is doing as well as could be expected.

We are heartily tired of winter weather in the spring. This last snow storm is sending hay up and hearts down. Parties needing fodder have to go about 40 miles to secure a few loads, while in May and June there will be hay enough we hope.

N. B. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather we will start out this afternoon and work for our worthy chief, F. M. Johnson.

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West Lowell.

Mrs. J. Brown is improving.

Quite a number from this vicinity attending Elder Findley's farewell sermon at Cascade Sunday.

Mrs. C. McIntyre has been on the sick list the past week.

Through the kindness of W. Hunter, a jolly party enjoyed a short sleigh ride last Wednesday. Not a promising outlook for the balmy spring is it Becky?

Mrs. Fletcher's mother and brother visited a few days last week.

The ladies' aid will hold their next meeting at the home of N. Blair of Lowell on Wednesday, April 5, at 10 o'clock.

M. D. Court and wife of Lowell visited at S. Gristwood's Monday.

RUMOR.

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Mrs. P. W. McPherson is recovering from an attack of rheumatism.

Howard Squires of Indianapolis, Ind., was the guest of W. J. Botzen last week.

Henry McLean of Illinois and Mrs. James Douglas of Washington, D. C. were called here by the serious illness of their mother, Mrs. Jane McLean.

Allen Bennett entertained Frank Graham of Lowell Thursday, also Bessie White Friday night and Saturday.

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PROBATE ORDER.

State of Michigan, County of Kent, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for said County of Kent, held at the Probate Office, in the city of Grand Rapids, on the 14th day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

Present, Harry D. Jewell, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Irvin Young, deceased, Ida Chandler having filed in this court her petition alleging that said deceased executed a last will and testament which has been lost, and praying that testimony may be taken as to the execution of said will and the contents thereof and that the same may be proved and allowed as the last will and testament of said deceased, as a lost will, and that the administration with the will annexed of said estate may be granted to William D. Crofoot, or some other suitable person.

It is ordered, that Monday the 10th day of April, 1899, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for hearing said petition and proving said instrument.

And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the Lowell Ledger, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Kent.

Witness my hand and seal of office this 9th day of March, 1899.

HARRY D. JEWELL,
Judge of Probate.

(A true copy.) ALVIN E. EWING, Register.

MORTGAGE SALE.

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage dated January 30, 1893, made and executed by James Norton and Mary Norton, his wife, both of Howne, Kent county, Michigan, to Mary E. Boughton, of Alps, Rensselaer county, New York. Said mortgage was recorded February 7th, 1893 in liber 201 of mortgages, page 270, at 8:00 o'clock, a. m. Said mortgage came into the possession of Clarendon C. Winegar as the executor of the last will and testament of Mary E. Boughton, deceased, late of Alps, Rensselaer county, New York. The amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at date of this notice is the sum of eleven hundred ninety and 65-100 dollars (\$1190.65) as principal and interest, also the further sum of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) as an attorney fee is stipulated for in said mortgage. No suit or proceeding at law or in equity has been instituted to recover said debt or any part thereof. Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described at public auction to the highest bidder on Friday the ninth day of June A. D. 1899, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day at the north front door of the court house in the city of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Said court house being the place where the circuit court for the county of Kent is held.

Said premises are described in said mortgage as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate and being in the township of Howne in the county of Kent and state of Michigan and described as follows, to-wit: East 70 (70) acres of northwest quarter of section 35 (35), town (5) north range nine (9) west. Dated March 9, 1899.

Clarendon C. Winegar, executor of the last will and testament of Mary E. Boughton, deceased, late of Rensselaer county, N. Y.

S. P. Hicks, his attorney.

UNAVOIDABLE DELAY.

This paper is a day late in reaching you because of an accident to the press when the issue was half printed.

You Can't Dodge Them

Did you ever try to dodge the rain-drops? Did not succeed very well, did you? It's just as useless to try to escape from the germs of consumption. You can't do it. They are about us on every hand and we are constantly taking them into our lungs.

Then why don't we all have this disease? Simply because these germs cannot gain a foothold in a strong throat and lungs. It's when these are weak that the germs master.

The body must be well supplied with fat. The danger comes when the blood is poor and the body is thin. If your cough does not yield, and your throat and lungs feel raw and sore, you should not delay another day. Take

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