

The Lowell Ledger.

"INDEPENDENT IN ALL THINGS. NEUTRAL IN NOTHING"

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LOWELL, MICHIGAN, MAY 18, 1899.

WHOLE NO. 307.

The City Bank.
 OTTON HILL, Pres.
 W. A. WATTS, Cashier.
Responsibility
\$100,000.00
 Commercial and Savings Departments. Interest paid on time certificates.
 Partners: P. H. Gillett, A. A. Abbott, P. O. Hill, W. A. Watts, E. W. B. Wilson, R. S. Wilson.
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PAY UP!
AND GET A BIG PRIZE.
The Farm Journal 5 Years
 By special arrangement made with the publishers of the FARM JOURNAL we are enabled to offer a 5 year subscription to that paper to every new subscriber who pays for the LOWELL LEDGER one year ahead; and the same offer is made to every old subscriber who will pay all back dues and one year in advance—both papers for the price of ours only.
 In order to get the Farm Journal as a premium for advance payment it will be necessary to walk right up to the captain's office, for we have only a limited number of 5-year subscriptions to dispose of. The Farm Journal is on solid foundation and perfectly trustworthy.

MANILA LETTER.

Guy R Wheaton Reports Hospitals Full of Sick and Wounded.

Division Hospital, Manila, P. I., March 25, 1899.

DEAR MOTHER:

As the mail leaves here tomorrow for the United States I will write a few lines to let you know that the natives haven't eaten me up yet. I am well as usual and hope this will find you all the same. We are still fighting but I guess the insurgents are getting tired of it. I will be glad when Uncle Sam says you can go home, I have got through with you. He will not have to tell me twice. I will pack up and say good by to Manila. The wounded boys are getting along finely and most all are up and around—some on crutches and some can walk. There were twelve more wounded boys came in to-day and they expect more to-night. There isn't nearly as much sickness now as there was. We had one man die last night. He was shot, yesterday, through the right lung and lived until 5:45 this morning. He was from the 20th Kansas. Our regiment has not lost a man in battle yet and they have been on the line ever since the fighting began. I think we have been pretty lucky. The 3d Regulars came in to-day, March 25. We are expecting three more regiments in pretty soon. We are going to make a general advance all along the line tomorrow and then we will give the black devils hell. We are giving them some of the most bitter pills they ever had to take.

I have just received your most welcome letter and was glad to hear from you; but sorry to hear that there is so much sickness around you. You must not get sick for if I knew that you were sick at home I would worry all of the time; but I shall hope for the best. Yes, there was great excitement here the first few days of the fighting. We could hear guns cracking all of the time but we soon got used to it. We expect a big fight tomorrow. They have been getting ready for it the past week. I expect there will be quite a few boys killed and wounded. We are going to take a town by the name of Malabon which is pretty well fortified and there were a lot of niggers there and it will be a hard fight; but when our boys get after them they have to get and don't you forget it. We haven't started to take a place but what we took it. I haven't been out on the firing line much as the doctor wouldn't let me go and I am nursing in the surgical ward and had all I could do. A person doesn't know what war is until they get into a ward and help take care of the wounded. We have all the way from fifty to a hundred all of the time and we expect the ward will be full by tomorrow night. I am on night duty at present.

Mother, I am 25 years old and when I left home I was little more than 21—it will be four years Saturday morning. The fight began in earnest this morning. We have got the natives flanked on all sides and are giving it to them. I will say good bye and give my best regards to everybody and lots of love to mother, brothers, sisters and father. Write soon. Ever your loving son,
GUY R. WHEATON.
 April 2, 1899.

DEAR MOTHER:

As I have a little time I will write and let you know that I am still alive and well and hope you are all the same. We are still fighting the natives. We have driven them back from Manila about 15 miles and we have captured their capital and driven them into the mountains. We had a lot of our boys wounded and have about 1,000 killed and wounded now. We have taken all of their

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TWO CASES IN ONE.

Several People Interested in a sale of Liquor.

One day recently Frank Terry while intoxicated rushed into Klark & Spraker's and tried to borrow a revolver or a gun and when asked what he wanted to do with it said he wanted to shoot Supervisor White for putting his name on the prohibited list. Of course he did not get the shooting irons; and last Wednesday he was taken before Justice Walker and bound over to keep the peace for a period of one year. Terry made affidavit that he bought the whiskey of Peter Ronau and that the latter knew Terry's name was on the prohibited list.

Complaint was made against Ronau by Supervisor White and Thursday he appeared before Justice Walker, where he was given bonds in the amount of \$200 with D. G. Look as surety, and on Monday had a hearing before the prosecuting attorney and was bound over for trial at the September term of the circuit court.

Leg Broken by the Cars.

While attempting to board a moving freight train on the D., G. H. & M. railroad, last Saturday evening, Bert Fenning suffered a fracture of both bones of one leg, below the knee, besides being generally bruised up.

Dr. Eaton, the attending physician, hopes to save the leg from amputation.

Bert was one of Lowell's volunteers for the Cuban war and came home without a scratch only to be crippled by the cars right at home.

SOLDIERS MEMORIAL SERVICES.

Joseph Wilson Post, No. 87, G. A. R. Order No. 1.

In compliance with general orders Grand Army of the Republic. All comrades of Joseph Wilson Post No. 87, are directed to assemble at Post rooms at 10 a. m. Sunday May 28th, 1899, and from thence march to the Baptist church where the annual memorial sermon will be delivered by Rev. S. G. Anderson, and on May 30th the Post will again assemble at the Post rooms at 1 p. m. (sharp) and march to Island Park, where the oration will be delivered by Rev. L. N. Pattison, after conclusion of services on Island the Post will then march to cemetery, after the strewing of flowers, an address at graves of the unknown will be delivered by Rev. H. Marshall. All soldiers are earnestly requested to fall in line with us in these services.

By Order, Benj. Morse, Com. Wm. H. Eddy, Adjutant.

Program for Memorial Day.

President of the day, Hon. A. W. Weeks.
 Vice Presidents, C. Bergin, J. E. Lee, C. C. Winegar, D. G. Look, E. R. Collar, R. VanDyke, Francis King, Robert Hunter, Jr., M. N. Hine, John M. Mathewson, Jacob Walker, Robert Flanagan, Thos. Gardiner, Wm. R. Blaisdell, E. J. Booth.

Order of exercises at Island Park at 2 p. m.
 Called to order by the president of the day.

Music by the Lowell Military Band. Invocation by Rev. H. Marshall. Music, chorus.
 Recitation by Miss A. L. Lappeus. Music, chorus.
 Oration by Rev. L. N. Pattison. Music, chorus.

After conclusion of exercises at the Park, Joseph Wilson Post No. 87 and all soldiers, Woman's Relief Corps No. 49, Sons of Veterans Chas. R. Perry Camp No. 9, decorating committee and pupils of the public schools and all citizens who wish will form a procession headed by the Lowell Military Band and march to cemetery where appropriate exercises will be held. After decorating graves Rev. H. Marshall will deliver an address in memory of the unknown soldier dead. The exercises will conclude by firing a volley by detail from C. B. Perry Camp No. 9, S. O. V.

If the weather is unfavorable the exercises will be held in Music Hall. Theodore Mueller (Committee Wm. R. Andrews on John R. White Arrangements.

25 old papers for 5c at this office.

After looking at all the other Wheels in town come and see if we cannot give you

BETTER WHEELS

for the same or LESS MONEY. Our AETNA \$25.00 BICYCLE simply outclasses anything in town, saying nothing about the extra qualities of the CLEVELAND and AJAX—seeing is believing—see them.

Jewell Security Gasoline Stoves, non-explosive, absolutely safe.

Clark & Spraker.

OLD CARPETS

—MAKE—

BEAUTIFUL RUGS.

Save your old carpets and have them made into handsome and lasting rugs. Our agent, O. A. VAN-DEUSEN, who was in your city last winter, will again visit you about the first of June.

Ruggedly yours,

Michigan Rug Co.

Steel Rails for the Extension.

Fifteen carloads of new steel rails for the extension of the Lowell & Hastings are being unloaded at the Y in this place.

Additions to the Bell Telephone Local Exchange.

Sixteen new phones are being added to the Lowell exchange, and the workmen are busy at the wiring. The new customers are as follows: A. W. Weeks 2, R. Heffron 2, Blakeslee & Co. 2, Thos. Donovan, Guy Perry, Dick Morse, U. B. Williams, J. W. Murphy, John Flogaus, A. W. Rosh, John Kelly, F. N. White and J. E. Lewis. There is a scarcity of instruments and all cannot be put in immediately, but when all are in there will be 110 phones on the list, the largest number of any town of its size in the state.

Postoffice Robbery.

The Elmdale postoffice, a few miles east of the city on the Detroit, Grand Rapids & Western, was robbed Friday night by unknown parties. The postoffice was in the store of L. E. Lott and the burglars blew open the safe and stole all the stamps, registered matter and cash, which it contained. The robbery was reported to the local postoffice Saturday morning and detectives were put to work on the case. The robbery was evidently planned and committed by experts in the business and other small towns are taking precautions to protect themselves against the intrusions of burglars and safeblowers. The amount of booty secured was not reported.—[Grand Rapids Herald.

For Sale, Rent or Exchange.

A meat market for sale or rent or will exchange for small farm. Enquire at this office.

Saturday afternoon—Epworth League pastry sale—post office.

EXCURSION NOTICE

DET. GD. RAPIDS & WEST'N

Sunday, May 21st, Detroit, Island Lake, Lansing, Grand Ledge. Leave Elmdale at 7:35 a. m. Leave Detroit at 7:00 p. m. Rates very low. Ask agents.

BUFFALO, N. Y. One fare rate. Mystic Shrine Convention. Sell June 12 and 13. Return 17.

CINCINNATI, O. One fare rate. National Sausagefest. Sell June 27 to 30. Return July 5.

CLEVELAND, O. One fare rate. Knights of St. John Convention. Sell 25 and 26. Return 25.

COLUMBUS, O. One fare rate. American Medical Association Convention. Sell June 2 to 5. Return June 13.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. One fare rate. Y. M. C. A. Convention. Sell May 24 and 25. Return May 29.

PETOSKEY, MICH. One fare rate. G. A. R. State Encampment. Sell June 19 to 21. Return June 27.

ST. LOUIS, MO. One fare rate. Elks Convention. Sell June 19 and 20. Return June 25. 18my

Notice is Hereby Given

that the Assessment roll for the village of Lowell, for the year 1899 A. D., has been completed and that there will be a meeting of the Board of Review of the village of Lowell, at the council rooms in the J. E. Lee block, in said village, on the 25th and 26th days of May, A. D. for the purpose of reviewing said assessment.

Meeting to begin at 9 a. m. of each day and continue until 5 p. m. excepting one hour for noon.
 May 17, 1899 L. H. HUNT, Assessor.

Call at Behl's city bakery for baked goods and lunches.

The best 40c tea in Michigan a Bergin's for 35c. Try a pound and if not satisfied get your money back. This is "straight goods." 2544f

EVERY WOMAN
 Loves beauty, values comfort and appreciates economy. Hence, every woman finds peculiar satisfaction in
CHALLENGE ICEBERG REFRIGERATORS.
 For beauty they have no peer, for economy they have no equal. A good assortment to select from. Price \$10.00 to \$18.00 according to size.
R. B. BOYLAN.

SAVE YOUR MONEY.
SAVE your health. Nothing is more essential to comfortable housekeeping than plenty of wholesome food. Where to get it when there's a family of children, each with an abnormal appetite, is a problem in some cities. Not so in Lowell while VanDyke is in the grocery business. Quality is the one thing that counts most with us—price next—both are right at
VAN DYKE'S, LOWELL.
 "If you get it at VanDyke's it's good."

Fair Warning
 The postoffice department at Washington warns people against sending letters without the name and address of the sender printed or written on the envelope. Millions upon millions of letters go to the dead letter office by reason of this neglect and thousands of dollars are lost. There is no excuse for going without printed envelopes. THE LEDGER JOB DEPARTMENT will print your name, business, address and request for return if not delivered, upon
100 Nice White Envelopes, only 25c,
 envelopes, printing and all. If taken from this office. The same job delivered at any express office in the state for 35c, cash to accompany order. Business is a little slack just now and we are doing this to keep the hands busy. Don't wait, take advantage of this offer while it lasts.
THE LEDGER,
 Over Postoffice, LOWELL, MICH.

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, E. L. Bennett, C. Bergin, M. C. Griswold, P. T. King, G. H. Force, Geo. W. Parker.

A General Banking Business Transacted.
Money loaned on real estate security.

HOME NEWS.

Will Murphy was in Hastings, Sunday.

Lloyd Jones has adopted Robbie Tr in

Will Chambers has returned from Ypsilanti.

Nellie Train is not expected to live the week out.

A. McMahon, of Grand Rapids, spent Sunday in Lowell.

Minnie Steketee of Fallsburg visited friends in Lowell Sunday.

Mrs. M. B. By is visiting at Mr. and Mrs. Walton's near Freepont.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brunner visited friends in Lowell a part of last week.

Rev. L. N. Pattison attended a Methodist gathering at Grand Rapids Monday.

Miss Libbie Trednick has returned from Chicago and brought a friend with her.

Dr. E. A. Shaw of Williamston spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. R. W. Graham.

D. A. Bissel returned last week from an extended visit with friends at Hinrods, N. Y.

Miss Audie Post is making a two weeks visit with friends in Kalamazoo and Augusta.

Mrs. M. J. Kopf and Mr. and Mrs. G. Bangs visited at Carl Morse's in Alaska, over Sunday.

Geo. O. Ducher, who has been making an extended stay in Grand Rapids, has returned to Lowell.

There are printed envelopes at this office for John D. Campbell, S. P. Curtiss and J. Maion. Please call.

Will Rexford fell from the ice wagon and broke one of the small bones in one wrist Monday morning.

Advertised Letters—Miss Ethel Hatten, Mrs. Lee Hure, Mrs. Levina Lucas, Hattie Brown, Geo. G. Burns, Geo. Anderson and J. B. Mullan.

Clare Fallas returned from Crystal Falls last Friday. He says that there is plenty of work and good wages but that a man cannot loaf and draw pay too.

R. D. Stockings, Will Pullen and Fred Charles were fishing at Murray's lake the other day and caught two pickerel weighing 15 and 14 pounds respectively. They were beauties.

The special meetings conducted by Evangelist Stanton at the M. E. church last Sunday evening with a very large crowd in attendance. We understand that the harvest of converts was not very large.

A farmer of Wyoming, Kent county, has been arrested on a charge of hooking a chain around the neck of one of his horses which had been sick for several days and dragging it out into a field where it was left to die.

Real estate transfers: John O. Dennis and wife to R. D. Bancroft lots 26 and 27, block 2, village of Segwun, \$50; Mahala Chaffee to Thomas H. Chaffee, part west 1/4 section 24, Ada, \$300; Abraham R. Buck and wife to Eleanor Buck, part of section 12, Lowell township, \$1,000.

Belding purchased a stone crusher last year and put considerable stone and work on the streets of that city and the roads leading to it. Notwithstanding the past winter was an unusually hard one on such work, the roads operated on are in better condition than ever before and like work will be pushed in every direction this season. —[Detroit Free Press.]

Reports from different parts of Isabella county are to the effect that fruit trees are loaded with buds and blossoms, but that a little worm has made its appearance and is doing great damage to the trees. Myriads of them settle on the leaves and when they finish their work of destruction the tree looks as if it had been through a fire. —[Detroit Free Press.]

An experiment is to be tried at Ludington in the line of road improvements which is interesting because of its novelty. It is the idea of Mayor Cartier, who proposes to spread refuse salt from the numerous salt blocks in the city on the unpaved streets. The salt is said to hold the sand and work in with it, forming a hard, durable surface. —[Detroit Free Press.]

Dr. O. C. McDannell returned last week from a three weeks trip through Texas and California. He says that portions of the latter are veritable gardens, and that others are barren wastes. On his return over the Central Pacific, he saw hundreds of miles of country where a cow could not pick a living on 40 acres and wouldn't give any milk if she lived. On the whole, the doctor thinks old Michigan lays over any state in the union.

Fay Swartwout is visiting at S. F. Edmonds'

Epworth League pastry sale in the post office Saturday p. m.

Claude Coppens—clerk at Boylan's—has gone home sick.

Miss Mamie Denton of Grand Rapids is the guest of Milo Hart.

W. A. Watts spent Sunday with friends in Kalamazoo and Galesburg.

The Phila Clark W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Sidney Hoag, Tuesday May 23.

Mrs. Eugene Cambell is slowly recovering from her long and nearly fatal illness.

At the post office Saturday p. m. the Epworth League will have a pastry sale.

Frank Spraker has moved into the Taylor house recently vacated by Rev. H. Marshall.

Miss Lula Brown has returned to her home at Grand Rapids after a visit with Mrs. Clare Althen.

A marriage license was issued Thursday to Irving Carey of Sand Lake and Luella Monroe of Grattan.

The Lowell cutter company is laying in an immense supply of lumber for their extensive and prosperous business.

Eunos & Badfield have opened a new carriage, wagon and harness store at 79 South Division street, Grand Rapids.

Washington Carr is improving in health and is now able to get about the house a little and to rest well nights.

Miss Lillie Medler has moved her dressmaking business to the home of her mother, where she will be glad to see her customers.

The Grand Rapids Veneer Works were destroyed by fire Monday night, loss exceeds insurance by \$60,000. Two hundred men are thrown out of employment.

New advertisements this week: Clark & Spraker, McCarty & Co., R. B. Boylan, A. D. Oliver, Lowell Laundry and R. VanDyke. Read them all.

William Atkins is able to get around town a little again though he is far from being well yet. He is not going to "wink out" just yet and his friends all rejoice thereat.

The safe in the Detroit, Grand Rapids & Western railroad station at Portland was blown open Saturday night and ruined. About \$15 in cash was taken. Local talent is suspected.

Mrs. Newberry, a woman 70 years old, who lived alone in her home in Rutland township, ten miles from Hastings, was murdered Sunday night for the small amount of money in her possession.

Herbert Leon Cope, the elocutionist, gave a lecture on the subject "The Bible as a Book," at the Congregational church last Sunday evening. It is highly spoken of by those in attendance.

In its issue of June 1, the LEDGER will begin the publication of a new serial, "A Race for Gold, A New Englander's Adventures in Alaska."

This is an intensely interesting story of Adventure in the Kondike gold region, by Capt. J. H. B. Robinson and is one of the very best continued stories we have ever published. Subscribe now and read the opening chapters.

A Grand Ledge man refused to support his wife and children and the wife had him arrested therefor. When the case came to trial the man claimed that he had no means and was not able to earn anything, but it was proved that he owned a bicycle, played pool and penny ante, and had at one time invested \$450 in a dog. The jury was evidently composed of level-headed men, for the verdict was that if the man was able to buy dogs he was able to support his family, and if he did not do so he must go to the workhouse.

Clark VanDusen, whose serious illness we reported last week, had been improving up to Monday when he suffered a relapse. He rallied from that, however, and is at the present time in a fair way to recovery.

One hundred good white envelopes with your name, business, address and request for return, all neatly printed only 25 cents at this office, for a short time only. Read advertisement on first page.

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Consumption is robbed of its terrors by the fact that the best medical authorities state that it is a curable disease; and one of the happy things about it is, that its victims rarely ever lose hope.

You know there are all sorts of secret nostrums advertised to cure consumption. Some make absurd claims. We only say that if taken in time and the laws of health are properly observed,

SCOTT'S EMULSION

will heal the inflammation of the throat and lungs and nourish and strengthen the body so that it can throw off the disease.

We have thousands of testimonials where people claim they have been permanently cured of this malady.

50c. and \$1.00, all druggists. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.



Let us be Your Watchman.

We want you to feel that when you leave your watch with us for repair the work will be done to the best of our ability and in a complete manner. It is our ambition to add to the reputation we think we have in no small measure already established of doing honest, thorough watch repairing.



Some dainty belt buckles at tempting prices.

WAITED TOO LONG.

Farmers Made a Mistake in Holding Their Potatoes.

Grand Rapids, May 17.—Railroad men in this vicinity are experiencing a decidedly unusual slump in freight business and the features which they miss most is the potato traffic. In former years at this season hundreds and hundreds of cars of potatoes have been shipped to the east, but now there is hardly a bushel moving and hundreds of thousands of bushel are rotting in the cellars of farmers north of here. The trouble is that the farmers waited too long before trying to sell. They believed that prices were going away up, and held onto their crop, believing that the southern crop would be a failure, and even refusing as high as fifty cents a bushel for them. But now the southern market and there is no call for the Michigan product at any price. Railroad men say that the greater portion of the crop which was held back will be used for fertilizing.

Bush & Taylor Sold Out.

Bush & Taylor have sold their thriving business to Weldon Smith, an expert baker of Grand Rapids, who will take possession next Monday. The action of Bush & Taylor will surprise their friends but their health and that of their wives demanded a change. Here's good luck to the old firm and success to the new.

Pastry sale by Epworth League, post office, Saturday, p. m.

A gang of cut-throats and burglars seems to be making the rounds in this part of the state. Until its capture people should be on the guard as there is no telling where lightning will strike next.

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strong holds—the last one was their capitol and it was the largest city they had. That is where they had all their prisoners. They had one of our hospital boys the last we heard. We don't know what became of him. They may have killed him by this time. We don't think we will ever see him again. It was all his own fault. He left the hospital dressed in citizen's clothes and they took him for a spy. He was a foolish boy and would not listen to any of the boys when they told him not to go and he went without a pass. Our regiment had their first man wounded Saturday. Some of the regiments have lost lots of men. I will say good bye for this time. I remain ever your loving son, GUY R. WHEATON.

A FRIEND OF THE INDIAN.

In Ada Township Half a Century Ago.

James Shepard, whose death was announced a week ago in the LEDGER, was born in 1822 in Eden, Erie Co., N. Y. He emigrated with his parents to Michigan when 14 years of age when this state was in her territorial days and squatted or pre-empted a claim in Augusta, Kalamazoo county, then a wilderness. He assisted as far as he was able to chop down the trees and clear up 40 acres. The privations and difficulties that they encountered I need not relate for it is fresh in the memory of the remainder of the pioneers of those early days. He and his wife, whom he married in Augusta in 1844, with their infant son and his parents moved to Ada and took up 80 acres of land from the government at the land office at Ionia and subsequently added 40 acres. In those early days the northern part of Kent county was a forest, with neighbors four or five miles apart. A tribe of Indians were within a mile and a half of where he located and were under the control of Nbnuegishih with an old Indian Nngogikaybee as defacto chief. His skill as a marksman made him a great friend among the Indians. Those Indians had a "green corn and pointed pole dance" or big pow-wow and the chief was killed and the remnant of the band removed to Pentwater. He cleared this farm from a wilderness and to his credit supported his aged parents in their declining years. In the fall and winter months he made his annual hunting and trapping excursions in the northern part of Kent and adjoining counties with great success and had but few equals as a trapper and deer hunter in northern Michigan. The bears, panthers and wild cats were made to bite the dust to the great relief of the pioneers in that vicinity. He killed the big eagle that infested that used to make its nest on the old Eagle Tree on the island in Nagle's lake. In the last of the '50's and the early '60's he was engaged in lumbering with his brother, Hodge, in Montcalm county, near Flat river and was among the first to run a raft of lumber down that historical stream made famous for its lumber interests. He loved to dwell on the incidents and the obstacles that he encountered at Alger rock and other difficult places on the route down to Lowell. His health began to fail and in 1878 he exchanged his farm with his brother in law, Dan McKay, for his property in Lowell and lived there until his death a few weeks ago.

One of the shining truths that made the memory of this grand old pioneer bright is that the good he has done is not measured by the years he lived. He did not die like the drooping flower that no man notices; but like a great branch of some stately tree rent in a tempest and flung down to death with green leaflets; nor was he taken away when the dimple was upon his cheek and the glory of his harvest remained ungathered. He was ripe for the harvest. Thus one by one, like the lingering sand of the hour glass, the pioneers are rapidly passing away and are becoming a very small band and soon their memory will remain alone with us.

It is just, right and proper that remembrance of those grand old men, as they depart, be recorded for the rising generation that they may know who cleared this country from a wilderness and laid the foundation of this commonwealth and what manner of people they were and how worthy they are of our respect and remembrance of posterity and with words of hope for the living and with sympathy for their affliction. I close the obituary of a good old pioneer, who now rests from his labor and his labor and his works follow him. "Well done thou good and faithful servant: because though has been faithful over a few things I will place thee over many, enter thou into the joy of the Lord." A FRIEND.

Our guarantee with every purchase: Goods the best, prices the lowest. Bergin, the reliable grocer. 2547f

Farmers! Stockmen! For 10 day Ellwood fence sells 42 inch 35 cents 50 inch 40 cents per rod at Clark & Spraker's.

BEHIND TIME

How exasperating must it be to those people who are always behind time. Many a golden opportunity is thus lost. There is really no excuse for it. The man who has a 21 jeweled Elgin watch is sure to be on time. We carry a full line of them also a large stock of Jewelry, Silverware, Clocks etc.

"We sell goods cheap; but not cheap goods."

A. D. OLIVER

LOWELL PLANING MILL,
RANK R. ECKER, Prop.

DEAR FENCE POSTS—LUMBER.

Manufacturers of:—Sash, Doors, Blinds, Frames for Doors, Windows and Screens, Exhibition and Shipping Coops for Poultry, Dried Apple boxes, Wooden Earv Troughs, etc.

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