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LOWELL, MICHIGAN, OCTOBER 19, 1899.

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CAUGHT A BAD MAN.

Prompt Capture of a Little Girl's Assailant.

Tuesday night Deputy Morse telephoned to Sheriff Woodworth that a strange man had attempted to kiss a Lowell girl and that men were on his trail.

Wednesday night the sheriff was notified that a strange man had criminally assaulted the 9 years-old daughter of J. W. Russ, a Cascade farmer. At midnight Deputy Washburn of Ada captured a man who was going out one door of Geo. Patterson's house, half dressed, as the deputy inquired for him at another. A short chase terminated with the click of the handcuffs.

The captive was lodged in the county jail and is thought to be the man wanted in both cases. His name is B. S. Rupert, and he is believed to be an Indiana railroad man.

Funeral services were held at Alton, Sunday, where her remains were brought for burial.

MALCOLM MURPHY.

The Marriage of a Popular Lowell Couple.

The marriage of Rachael S. Malcolm and Thomas A. Murphy was celebrated Wednesday morning, Oct. 18th, at the cathedral in Grand Rapids, Rev. Fr. Reid officiating. The bridal party was completed by the presence of Miss Mary Nichols of Grand Rapids and Mr. Arthur McMahon of Lowell as bridesmaid and groomsmen respectively.

In the evening a reception was given in honor of the happy pair at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Fuller in this village, with Mr. and Mrs. Philip Althen receiving and Messrs. Harry Kinsley and Will G. Murphy and Miss Kate McMahon as ushers.

The apartments were beautifully decorated with smilax, ribbon, carnations and American Beauty roses.

Refreshments were served and a happy time was enjoyed by the more than one hundred guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Murphy left on the 9.19 train for their wedding trip, accompanied to the depot by three busloads of enthusiastic friends who showered them liberally with rice as they made their escape.

Wedding gifts were numerous and valuable.

Guests from out of town were: Mrs. Schroeder and Misses Sarah Mooney; Lena Stover, Anna Burrows, Sarah Malcolm and Mary Nichols, all of Grand Rapids.

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TOOK HER OWN LIFE.

Lena Bercel Committed Suicide Saturday Morning.

Springfield, O., Oct. 14—Miss Lena Bercel, aged 19, of Lowell, Mich., committed suicide this morning at German Walco college at Bera, by hanging herself. She had tied a rope around her neck and one end of the rope to the bed post. She then allowed her body to recline partly on the floor and strangled to death. She was discovered by one of the young women students, and when found the body was still warm.

The girl was pretty and came from Lowell, where her parents reside, two years ago, since which time she has been studying at the college. She is said to have been in moderate circumstances and paid her board and tuition by waiting on the tables.

About a week ago she received a letter, it is said, stating that a relative had been to an insane asylum in Michigan. This, it is said, had preyed on her mind, and for several days she has been acting strangely. One of the students alleges that Thursday evening he heard her remark: "It seems to me that God has forgotten me, I cannot work, for everything seems to become black before my eyes." She received a letter Thursday night from her mother, and was seen to be in tears several times since the receipt of it. The officials of the college are reticent in discussing the affair.

Lowell Boy Promoted.

Cashier F. D. Eddy of the post-office received a letter yesterday from Clarence Long, of Lowell, who is now at the Jefferson Barracks with the Thirty-eighth United States volunteer regiment, of which he had been appointed quarter master sergeant. Long was formerly with Company L, Thirty-third Michigan, and saw active service in Cuba. He re-enlisted and wrote that his regiment will leave San Francisco for Manila about October 20.—[G. R. Herald.]

Wanted, boy to make himself generally useful in office. Must be neat, willing and obliging. Apply to Dr. Melville, first house east McMahon's grocery.

Billy Barber Badly Hurt.

In a ball game between Hastings and Woodland last Friday morning, Billy Barber was struck by a foul ball from his own bat and his cheek bone crushed, driving his eye ball out of the socket. It was thought at first that he would lose the eye, but he was removed to a Grand Rapids hospital and he is doing well and is doing well will not lose the eye or his sight.

The above named ball teams will play a game for Billy's benefit some day this week.

Our Latest Music Offer.

Please send us the names and addresses of three music teachers or performers on the piano or organ and twenty-five cents in silver or postage and we will send you all of the following new and most popular pieces full sheet music arranged for piano or organ: "The Flower that won my Heart" now being sung by the best known singers in the country, "Mamie O'Rourke" the latest popular waltz song, "March Manila. Dewey's March—Two Step" as played by the famous U. S. Marine Band of Washington, D. C. and five other pages of popular music. Address POPULAR MUSIC CO., Indianapolis, Ind.

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A Card.

The undersigned wishes to acknowledge the removal of two cancers or tumors from his face by Mrs. S. Hoag. It was done without pain and both places are entirely healed.

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FOR 15 DAYS ONLY,

Commencing Saturday, Oct. 21st, 8 a. m.

I have the newest and most desirable stock of Dry Goods in this town. Every piece of goods is adapted for this season of the year. My goods were bought early, before the rise took place, but I will sell them at this sale much cheaper than I can replace the articles to-day. The object of this sale is that

I NEED THE CASH

to meet my obligations and CASH I WILL HAVE if low prices cut any figure with the public. The cold weather and dreary winter is fast approaching and is almost upon us. You need the goods I am offering you and cannot do without them. I have no luxuries to sell you. Every article is necessary for the winter and you will buy them at prices which will make you go home and smile. The following is a partial list of the prices I am making. We cannot quote you all as they are too numerous to mention.

PRICES.

36 inch all wool serge in all colors, reg. price 35c, Slaughter price 24c	Good Bleached Cotton, - regular price 8c, Slaughter price 6 1/2c	All Linen Crash	Regular price 12 1/2c	Slaughter price 9 1/2c
28 " " " " " " " " 16c, " " 12c	" " " " " " " " 6c " " 5c	" " " " " " " " " " 10c	" " " " " " " " " " 8c	" " " " " " " " " " 8c
34 " Suitings " " " " " " " " 30c, " " 23c	Best Apron Gingham " " 7c " " 5 1/2c	" " " " " " " " " " 8c	" " " " " " " " " " 6c	" " " " " " " " " " 6c
38 " Novelty dress goods " " 40c " " 29c	Good Dress " " 8c " " 6 1/2c	" " " " " " " " " " 10c	" " " " " " " " " " 8c	" " " " " " " " " " 8c
40 " Henriettas in all colors, " " 50c " " 39c	Light Prints " " 5c " " 3 1/2c	Heavy Outing Flannel " " 10c	" " " " " " " " " " 12 1/2c	" " " " " " " " " " 9 1/2c
36 " Plaids, " " 35c " " 27c	Dark " " 5c " " 4c	Good Outing Flannel " " 7c	" " " " " " " " " " 7c	" " " " " " " " " " 5c
38 " " " " " " " " 50c " " 42c	Best Dress Prints " " 6c " " 5c	Belding 100 yds Silk Thread " " 10c	" " " " " " " " " " 5c	" " " " " " " " " " 4c
40 " " for Skirts and waists " " 75c " " 57c	Best Dress Cambrics " " 5c " " 4c	Velveteen Bindings " " 5c	" " " " " " " " " " 8c	" " " " " " " " " " 6c
46 " " novelty fine dress goods " 1.00 " " 77c	Good Silisia " " 12 1/2c " " 10c	Feeders Brush Bindings " " 8c	" " " " " " " " " " 1.25	" " " " " " " " " " 94c
54 " Broadcloth in all colors " 75c " " 62c	Best " " 15c " " 12c	Ladies ready made Flannelette Wrappers " " 1.50	" " " " " " " " " " 1.50	" " " " " " " " " " 1.22
54 " " " " " " " " 1.00 " " 85c	All Linen Canvas " " 20c " " 15c	" " " " " " " " " " 2.00	" " " " " " " " " " 2.00	" " " " " " " " " " 1.65
One lot of Cotton Plaids " " 15c " " 11c	All Linen Canvas " " 15c " " 10c			

I have a full line of BLANKETS, OUTING FLANNELS, PRINTS, GINGHAMS, LINENS which I will sell at correspondingly low prices. You will be surprised at the slaughter price you can buy JACKETS and CAPES at this sale. REMEMBER, this sale will last only 15 days and do not lose opportunity of attending.

A. LEVITT.

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 M. C. Griswold, Cashier.

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HOME NEWS.

Try some of R. D. Stocking's fine smokeless shells.

Miss Jennie Joseph was in the Valley City this week.

Mrs. Theodosia Falass is in Grand Rapids indefinitely.

Mrs. J. Pinkney and son have returned from caring for sick relatives in Keene.

Messrs. Murphy, Swayze and Heffernan have been camping in Grattan, hunting and fishing.

B. B. Bristol of Traverse City visited his sisters, Mesdames I. Mitchell and E. Chase over Sunday.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Leonard J. Blain of Gaines and Bessie B. Rice of Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gulliford spent a few days in Allegan last week visiting their son Will and wife.

Eat chicken pie with Band No. 1 of the Cong. church at Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stone's Friday evening, Oct. 20.

The Lowell W. C. T. U. ladies will meet with Mrs. C. Hodges at the home of W. Perrin Friday, Oct. 20, at 2.30, p. m.

Mesdames Needham and Reutelester were guests of Messrs. and Mesdames F. E. Hodges and Andrew Wood of Grand Rapids two days last week.

The Catholic church of St. Mary has as well as the other churches made a change in pastors. Rev. Fr. Reed succeeds Rev. Fr. Gallagher.

Mrs. S. A. Williams and one or two other ladies have suffered severe falls at the jog in the sidewalk between Murphy's market and Collar's bazaar.

D. A. Chippman the well known piano tuner of Grand Rapids will be in Lowell this month. His work is first class. Charges \$2 for straight tuning. Leave orders at the studio of Mrs. C. A. Slade, Jones block.

LOWELL LEDGER \$1.00 per year.

John Murray is working in Grand Rapids.

Harold Jones visited Saranac relatives last week.

Wesley Courtier of Rockford was in Lowell Sunday.

County Sunday school convention at Baptist church Oct. 29.

Mrs. Carnahan of Lansing was a guest of Mrs. E. Train last week.

Remember the chicken pie supper tomorrow evening at A. C. Stone's.

Austin Miles has opened a shoe shop one door west of Boylan's store.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet White of Saranac spent Sunday with Lowell friends.

Mrs. W. B. Rickert visited her son, J. H., at Greenville several days last week.

Mrs. Geo. Plummer of Elmdale is receiving medical care at an Ann Arbor hospital.

Cyrus Beedy of Smyrna has been granted an increase of pension, from \$14 to \$17.

Miss Hattie Fox spent Saturday and Sunday in Grand Rapids with her cousin, Miss Zona Arleth.

Chas. R. Hine of Grand Rapids was in town several days last week looking after the painting of his tenant house.

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is not the kind we do. A good watch may easily be injured by slip shod work.

Our Workmanship is Strictly First-Class.

Our charges are as reasonable as good work can be done for. Good watchmakers do not do cheap work—their conscience will not permit them to—they do not have to.

It is the second or third class mechanic that virtually admits his work is such by offering to repair watches at prices that are ridiculous to those who understand the skill and time and painstaking care that really fine work demands.



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 grow off the disease.

There are thousands of testimonials where people claim they have been permanently cured of consumption.

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Buy your guns and all kinds of ammunition of R. D. Stocking.

The Lowell township Sunday school convention will be held Sunday, Oct. 29th.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Hill of Detroit spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McPherson.

Mrs. Flora Ribble of Altona was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jennie Moore last week.

Dr. Wm. Bell of Smyrna has been appointed a member of the State medical registration board.

A marriage license was issued last week to Conrad E. Walter and Mary Howlett, both of Boston township.

LOST WATCH—Saturday, Oct. 7, between Williams' jewelry store and McCarty's Grocery. Finder please leave at this office.

Village Treasurer Althen makes his returns to the county treasurer this week. Monday was the last day for the payment of taxes and quite an amount will be reported as uncollectible. Township taxes will now stare us in the face. People will find that Pinacresim and Shishlerism come very high. If they would put private interest above politics when voting, it would be money in their pockets.

Fresh oysters at McMahon Bros. in cans or bulk.

Ask your grocer for Behl's home made and salt rising bread.

The finest toned square piano in Kent county will be sold for \$75. Call at this office.

Look for the big gun when you wish any kind of shooting supplies. Stocking's is the place.

Your attention is invited to the announcement of A. Levitt in this issue. "Great slaughter sale for 15 days."

Mrs. L. C. Hildreth and little granddaughter, Olive Archibald, spent several days last week with the latter's parents in Grand Rapids.

Shoot at a mark in the house these stormy days with one of my harmless target pistol. New thing. Come and see them. R. D. Stocking.

Charlie Filkins, now of Grand Rapids but formerly a compositor in this office, was in town yesterday. He is married now and has a little Charlie.

Ladies of Band No. 1, of Cong. church will give a chicken pie supper at home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stone Friday evening, Oct. 20. Everybody invited.

The two big buildings of the King Milling Co. are to receive two coats of paint, which will greatly improve their appearance. Peck & Denick have the job.

Dr. J. H. Rickert of Greenville called on Lowell friends Sunday. Mrs. Rickert has so far recovered her health as to be able to return home from the sanitarium at St. Louis.

Mrs. M. C. Griswold and Miss Mary Ecker attended the Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star as delegates from Cyclamen chapter at Saginaw last week.

Miss Pearl Sayles has returned to her work at Kalamazoo with the Wittwer Baking and Confectionery company, after a visit with her parents, Wm. G. Sayles and wife.

The King Milling company paid 4 cents per bushel above Grand Rapids for wheat all last week. Pretty conclusive evidence that Lowell is the best place in western Michigan to sell wheat in.

Last Monday evening, T. A. Murphy gave a banquet to the members of the Bachelor club, that being the duty of all members before engaging in matrimony. The boys were conveyed to his home at 9, p. m., and an elegant supper was served soon afterward. Following that came a social time in which music was the main factor. Little potatoes attached by a green ribbon to an appropriate verse were used as souvenirs. All enjoyed a good time, and the question is: "Who will be the next?"

Moved Into Larger Quarters.

I have moved into Marks Ruben's old stand to make room for my increased stock of

Fancy China Pieces. Fine Glassware. Silverware. Fancy Clocks, Etc.

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Stocking's smokeless powder quail loads cannot be beaten for pattern, penetration and cleanliness.

Mrs. Wm. Conner of Scandia, Kas., has been visiting her friend, Mrs. Phebe Tate for the past week.

Div. No. 2 of the L. A. S. will serve a chicken pie supper at the Moffit studio next Wednesday evening, from 5 to 8. All are cordially invited.

Mrs. Thomas, leader.

Among the jurors drawn for the November term of the Ionia circuit court are: Leonard Worden, Campbell; Theodore Blaser, Otisoo; A. P. Burr, Boston; and Albert Rose of Keene.

There will be a donation and reception at the Baptist church on Wednesday evening, Oct. 25, in honor of Rev. S. G. Anderson, the retiring pastor. Members of the church and society and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are invited.

F. A. Gilkey was over from Kalamazoo, Saturday, where he has been working the Little Giant fence business since leaving Lowell. Miss Gilkey has a large class in elocution in Kalamazoo and will remain during the coming winter; but Mr. and Mrs. Gilkey are about to leave for Hillsdale.

Cheap excursion to Grand Rapids on Thursday, Oct. 26, on account of the harvest festival of the Knights of Kohrassan. Train leaves D. & M. depot, Lowell, at 9:39, a. m., returning, leave Grand Rapids at 7:20, p. m. Fare for round trip, 40c.

In view of the fact that many cement or concrete walks are being laid in Lowell, here is an item that it will be well to remember. It is a fact not generally known that salt will destroy a cement walk quicker than anything else known. The salt eats into the cement and destroys the original surface, leaving it rough and uneven. It is claimed by those who are in a position to know that this is responsible for the condition of a great number of walks; people sprinkle salt on them in winter to thaw ice, and in the spring they find the surface eaten away and blame the man who put down the walk. Fine sand will answer the purpose and leave the walk unimpaired.

Special Notice.

I wish to notify the public in general that I have opened a general repair shop in this city at the Rogers' coal office opposite the grist mill, where I will repair coats and shoes in general. Satisfaction guaranteed. Give me a call.

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Salt Fish, Sweet Pickles, Fresh? Eggs, "Sour Grapes."

What fitting companion—eh? to fashionable clothing. How would you like to find your Swell Fall Suit or Overcoat lying side by side with this conglomeration? Or wouldn't you prefer to come direct to

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That "Trust" talk need have no fears for you when you trade at Marks! Stole a March on Trusts and Combines, that's what Marks Ruben did with Bullion and Backbone.

Railroad Suits, Iron wearers, all cotton, regular 4.75 value Fall Opening Price **2.98**

Invisible Plaid, double breasted, wool suit, regular 6.50 value Fall Opening Price **4.87**

Heavy Wool sack suit, K N & F make, faced with same and piped, regular 7.50 value Fall Opening Price **5.48**

Brown Invisible Plaid Wool Suits in sacks, K N & F make, regular 8.00 value Fall Opening Price **5.87**

All Wool plaid cutaway sack suit, K N & F make, piped and yoked, regular 10.00 value Fall Opening Price **7.37**

Black Gray suits, K N & F goods, all wool, custom made, yoked and piped, regular 12.50 Fall Opening Price **9.87**

Fancy plaid Worsteds, blue black, K N & F make, in sacks, regular 13.50 value Fall Opening Price **10.48**

Youth Blue black Chevviots, all wool sack suits, K N & F make, regular 10.50 value Fall Opening Price **7.43**

Youths Brown plaid Union Suits, well made, strong weaner, regular 5.50 value Fall Opening Price **3.98**

Childrens knee pant wool plaid suit, all sizes, regular 1.75 suit Fall Opening Price **1.29**

Childrens Knee Pant Suit, brown mixed goods, all sizes, regular 3.00 value Fall Opening Price **2.19**

Children three piece, fancy braided, vestee suits, sizes 3 to 8 yrs, regular 2.75 value Fall Opening Price **1.87**

Heavy Brown Striped undershirts and drawers, regular 40c value Fall Opening Price **.25**

Heavy Fleece Lined Undershirts and Drawers, ribbed, brown and blue, regular 50c value Fall Opening Price **.33**

Fancy Blue, heavy, fleece lined, undershirts and drawers, regular 65c value Fall Opening Price **.48**

Heavy warm Jersey overshirt, regular 50c value Fall Opening Price **.34**

Extra Heavy Jersey overshirt, regular 65c value Fall Opening Price **.48**

Heavy Brown and Black Duck Coat, regular 1.25 value Fall Opening Price **.87**

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