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## The City Bank

Hill, Watts & Co...

Opened for business, December 1st, 1897

Co-Partners Responsibility over \$100,000.00

Co-Partners:  
 ORTON HILL, Lowell Mich. P. H. GILKEY, Capitalist, Richland, Mich.  
 W. A. WATTS, " " ASA STRATTON " " " "  
 E. W. BOWMAN, Banker, Kalamazoo, Mich. R. S. WILSON, Cashier Union Bank, Richland, Mich.

Drafts issued available in all commercial cities of the world.  
 Commercial papers discounted.  
 Money loaned on farm property.  
 Interest bearing certificates of deposits issued.

3% Interest Paid on Savings Deposits.

## Something

### New Gold Coin Ventilator

Burns Soft Coal, Hard Coal and Wood  
 We would ask you to examine this stove before you buy.  
 We also sell the Genuine Round Oak. It burns all kinds of fuel and with its new dress is a beauty. Call and see it.

R.B. BOYLAN.

## Books

All kinds and all prices, for the young and old, from 5c to \$1.20.

## Medallions

From 25c up. Be sure and inspect our line at \$1.98 before making any purchases.

## Perfume

In fancy bottles and fluid boxes for 25c up. The same high grade that we are carrying in bulk.

## Fancy Articles

Too numerous to mention at prices that surprise the native, in fact the prices are the warmest ever offered in the town of Lowell.

TAFT & CO., Lowell Druggists.

## DON'T JUDGE US

Until you know what we can do for you in the way of saving, a cash saving, in the price of your FOOTWEAR. We can not prove it unless you give us the opportunity.

We are making special prize inducements for the balance of the year. Come and see for yourself. Don't wait until your neighbor tells you how cheap he bought them at How's before you know anything about it.

The Old Reliable Shoe House...

A. J. HOWK & SON

### Captain Avery at Rest.

Captain Earl W. Avery died at his home in this village on the night of Friday, Dec. 15, aged nearly 69 years. Funeral services were held on Monday, conducted by Rev. J. W. McAllister.

Earl W. Avery was born at Litchfield, Conn., in February, 1831. He moved to Hume, N. Y., where he lived until his marriage in 1853. In 1855 he came to Lowell which has since been his home.

He enlisted in the 26th Michigan Infantry in 1862, was commissioned Captain of Company I and mustered out in 1862 for disability.

Four years ago he was stricken with paralysis and though for some time able to ride out in his invalid chair with his many friends he never recovered.

A wife, three children, a brother and sister are left to mourn. A wide circle of warm friends extend their sympathy in the hour of bereavement.

### A Message From Indiana.

F. M. Johnson:  
 Enclosed please find one dollar, the amount due you for LEDGER.

I have just arrived at Connersville after a year spent pleasantly among friends in the several cities, Lowell, Detroit, Hastings, Marshall, Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids.

We are having about six inches of snow here.

Yours respectfully,  
 Mrs. A. L. Covell,  
 Connersville, Ind.

### Notice to Creditors.

Persons indebted to the undersigned are hereby notified that they may have until January 1 to settle accounts with me. After that date those remaining unsettled will be placed in the hands of M. N. Hine with instructions to enforce collection. Let there be no misunderstanding. Yours truly,  
 I. B. MALCOM.

### HOME NEWS

Twelve pages this week.

E. B. Hunter is very ill.

Mrs. Claude Lane Lane is ill.

M. C. Greene was in Grand Rapids Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Parker visited the Valley City Tuesday.

The K. O. T. M. will hold their annual election Tuesday evening, Dec. 26.

The pension of William Monroe of Lowell has been increased from \$6 to \$8 per month.

Mrs. Win. Rextford visited Mrs. M. C. Denny, at Fallasburg, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan of Fremont and Mrs. White of Adams, N. Y., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Atwater.

Miss Helen Hamilton, of the high school, entertained her class in general history, at her boarding place, last Thursday evening.

A box social was held at Manly Aldrich's, Fallasburg, for the benefit of Mr. and Mrs. Matherson. A large crowd was present and \$7.40 realized.

Miss Marion Hill, who has been attending school at Monroe, returns home today to spend her two weeks vacation.

J. E. Lee is showing commendable enterprise in driving spiles in order to secure a solid foundation upon which to complete the cement walk fronting his business block.

Mr. and Mrs. Gifford Johnson entertained in honor of their son, Clinton's 9th birthday, on Monday evening, at a six o'clock tea. Miss Mattson and the 2nd grade were the guests.

Mrs. H. Trednick was robbed of a hand satchel containing a purse of \$3.00 and some purchases, at Grand Rapids last Saturday. Looks as if it were safer to trade in Lowell.

Invitations are out announcing the marriage of Miss Christie McArthur to Mr. Norman W. Stuart, on Monday evening, January first, at the home of the bride's mother, Mr. L. McArthur in South Boston.

The lost gold bowled glasses advertised by Hal S. Merriman in the LEDGER last week were returned to him by the finder, who read the notice. As Mr. Merriman puts it: "A \$7.00 pair of glasses saved by 15cts." Remember this: Don't give up a valuable article too easily. Try an adv- in THE LEDGER.

Sewing machines in fancy woods at Stocking's.

Christmas exercises will be held in the several churches. The M. E. Sunday school will have a tree Saturday evening and the Baptist and Congregationalist each have one on Sunday evening.

Marriage licenses were issued Monday to Ralph J. Story of Boston township and Katherine M. Oberly of Lowell; and to William H. Oberly of Lowell and Gertrude I. Lampman of Lowell.

Wm. Cheetham asks us to announce the thirty-fifth annual reunion of the "Old 13th Regiment Mich. Volunteers" at Kalamazoo, January 17 and 18. One and one third far a on all railroads.

Earl Hunter left Monday for another trip to Atlanta, Georgia. His last one did him so much good he decided to try it again. He and Rob Stone of Alto will engage in the flour, feed and produce business there. Good luck to the boys.

A dancing party is announced at Train's opera house for Thursday evening, Dec. 28, at which a prize will be given for the best cake walk, with F. T. King and Marks Ruben for judges. Music by Lowell orchestra. Bill 50c. Spectators charged.

Miss Florence King gave a surprise party at her home Friday evening, in honor of Miss Reva Owen, who, with her mother, will leave on Wednesday following Christmas for Oklahoma, to join Mr. Owen, who is situated there.

Next Sunday the Baptist Young People's union will hold their prayer and song service at the time of the regular morning service instead of at the usual time, on account of the Christmas exercises in the evening.

Profs. Nicholson and Merriman and Misses Hamilton and Abbey will spend two days of their holiday vacation at the State teachers' meeting at Lansing. Misses Hamilton and Abbey will spend the remainder of their vacation visiting friends, the former at Almont and the latter at Bannister.

NOTICE.—The time for our annual distribution of clothing has come. Those having anything in this line leave it at the town clerk's office or notify me and I will call for it and see that it is put to good use.  
 FRANK N. WHITE.

F. M. Johnson, of the LOWELL LEDGER, is to be congratulated upon the prosperity which has fallen to his lot since he embarked in the newspaper business at Lowell. He has recently added a new Campbell press and made other improvements, which place his plant in line with the best of them.—[Mayville Monitor-Sayings.

Hooker chapter No. 73, Royal Arch Masons, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: H. P. W. S. Winegar; K. R. B. Boylan; S. S. P. Hicks; treasurer, James McPherson; secretary, S. F. Edmonds; C. of H., C. G. Stone; P. S. C. W. Wisner; R. A. C., M. C. Greene; M. 3 V., R. J. Flanagan; M. 2 V., A. E. Campbell; M. 1 V., J. W. Beery; Sentinel, S. B. Knapp. The officers will be installed on December 27.

### A PRIZE HOLIDAY POEM.

For the first correct answer we will give a pair of Slippers for Xmas. For the last correct answer up to noon Jan. 1, 1900, we will give 1 pair of slippers for New Years. Bring in your answers.

What is it that that men and women most despise,  
 Yet each and all most dearly prize,  
 Which never was for sale, yet any day  
 The poorest beggar can the best display;

What kings are not supposed to have,  
 Yet sure am I that luxury they of-  
 ten crave,  
 Which oft we give away, yet long to keep,

And ofttime touch yet never eat,  
 A thing most useful to the growing corn,  
 And which the husbandman would never scorn.

The very thing to take to a sick room,  
 Though coming silent as Spring's early bloom,  
 A little thing, oft wet with mother's tears;

A great soft yielding thing that no one fears.  
 Remember, we have the finest line of Holiday Slippers in Lowell,  
 J. E. LEE & CO.

And we have some fine

## Christmas Goods Too...

Silver Plated Knives and Forks,  
 Spoons, Carving Sets,  
 Cutlery of all kinds and  
 Oh! so many other things that  
 make nice Presents.

Cover your roof with  
 Neposet Red Rope Roofing, sold by us.

Clark & Spraker.

## R. R. CROSSING--DANGER.

WHEN THE BELL RINGS OR WHISTLE BLOWS LOOK OUT.

When passing our  
 store.....

## Look In!

You will find everything you can call to mind that is choice and seasonable. It may be that our fine display will suggest some palatable dish that will fill a long-felt want.

R. VAN DYKE,  
 GROCER.

"If you get it at VanDyke's it's good"

## You Need Them.

SHOES that will fit  
 SHOES that will wear.  
 SHOES that bring comfort to you  
 SHOES that give satisfaction.  
 SHOES that save you money.

You will find above points in the

J. W. JENKINS & CO.'S \$2.00 SHOES.

Sold by

Butts & Owen,

LOWELL, MICH.

### Tax Payers Take Notice.

I will be at McMahon's store on or after December 1, to receive taxes.  
 D. T. Busu,  
 Township Treasurer.

### Old Mexico Tours.

On Tuesday Jan. 23, a special vestibuled train of Pullman palace cars, compartments, drawingroom, library, observation and dining cars will start from Chicago for the City of Mexico and other prominent cities of the Republic, returning via New Orleans, making the tour of all Mexico complete. The party will be strictly limited and absolutely first-class. Tickets include all expenses everywhere. The tour will be under the personal escort and direction of Mr. Reau Campbell, General manager of the American Tourist association. For maps, books of the tour, tickets etc., call on agents of the Detroit, Grand Rapids & Western R. E. or the General Passenger agent at Grand Rapids.

### Christmas Candies.

All sorts and grades. Prices to suit all, from 10c per lb. up.  
 CHOCOLATES.  
 From 20c for assorted flavors, creams, up to 60c for  
 LOWNEY'S FANCY PACKAGES.  
 The Finest Made.

### SMITH'S BAKERY.

### FOR THE HOLIDAY.

The most acceptable gifts are of the lasting kind  
 Solid Gold and Sterling Silver Goods, Watches, Chains, Rings and Silverware at Right Prices  
 A. PREUSSER,  
 35 Monroe St. Gd. Rapids.



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## RELIGIOUS READING.

### RELIGION AND REFORMS ALL OVER THE WORLD.

Confession in the Gospel—Christian Endeavor Topics: Great-Point on the Parables—The Christiana the Free Life—The Kingdom of God.

The Kingdom of God.

say to thee, do thou repeat.

To the first man then, sayest me, in lane, highway, or open street—

That he, and we, all men move.

That we, and we, all men move.

As broad as the blue sky above.

That doubt and trouble, fear and pain,

And anguish, all the shadows vain;

That death itself shall not remain.

That weary deserts we may tread,

A dreary labyrinth may thread,

Through dark ways underground be led;

Yet, if we follow the Guide obey,

The driest path the darkest way,

Shall issue out in heavenly day.

All we, on divers shores now cast,

Shall meet our portion's way to rest.

And in our Father's house at last.

And ere thou leave him, say thus this:

Yet one more word, thy only bliss

The winning of that final bliss

Who will not count it true that love

Bleeding, not curbing, rules above.

And that in it we live and move.

And one thing further make him

know.

That these things these things are so,

This firm faith never to forego—

That this is blessing, this is life.

—Richard Chenevix Trench, D. D.

Confession in the Gospel.

It was the proud declaration of Paul

of Tarsus, "I am not ashamed of the

Gospel of Christ." The antithesis of

this statement equals its simplicity.

For Paul wrote these words in a

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## SHOOTING WILD HORSES.

Method by Which Maud Whiteman of Nevada Does a Living.

Shooting wild horses for a living seems odd employment, especially for a woman, but there is a woman in Nevada who carries her livelihood in that way. She is a Californian, too, and a young woman, only 23 years old. Her name is Maud Whiteman. Until she went to Nevada six years ago her home was on a ranch some few miles from Reno, being of a sturdy and venturesome disposition. Maud early learned to manage horses and to feel at home in the wilds, so it happened that when her father by some mischance was forced to part with his home in California his daughter was fitted to be his helper in the rude region selected by him for a further struggle with fate. The father, whose name is Wilman, is an old soldier, having served his country in both the Mexican and civil wars. He is a tall, fine-looking man of splendid physique. He is, however, no longer young, and the sixty-five years that have passed over him have limited his opportunities for work, so he decided to take wild horses for his hides. Neither his age nor his lack of capital hindered effort in that direction, while prices for hides were fairly good, and wild mustangs were plentiful. From the first Maud was an active partner in this business. She is a bold rider and a fine shot, and can bring down a horse at a distance that would amaze a sportsman's admiration. When engaged in this pursuit she dresses like a man, donning overalls in addition to a flannel shirt and a man's hat. The method of killing is ingenious. Mounted on horses, the father and daughter set out for the track. They keep discreetly in the background, however, while dogs drive a smart herd of their own horses to the spring. These serve as a decoy. Gradually wild horses come up, mingling with the tame. When suspicion has been quiet the man steals near, winding, with a view to disabling the leader of the herd. All others of the wild band immediately rush away, but soon they return in quest of their leader. Now is the opportunity. The mounted riders rush from hiding, shoot as many as possible, and follow the fleeing victim until he is nearly at the end of the trail. Maud is an expert at removing hides. When her father has taken the manes and tails, which are also salable, she can be secured at moderate prices. The L. & N. R. R. is the only line by which it can be reached in through cars from Northern cities. Through cars and schedules to all points in Florida by this line are also perfect. Write for folders, etc., to JACKSON SMITH, D. P. A., Cincinnati, O.

Water in the South.

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Pratt Lake.

Mrs. Ellen Scott of Ionia visited at Mrs. Geo. Story's last week.

Mrs. E. A. Dowman is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. Fletcher.

There will be a Christmas tree at the Orange hall Christmas night. It is for everybody.

Mrs. Babcock has returned to her home in Grand Haven.

Miss Belmont of Ionia visited at E. S. Babcock's recently.

There were about thirty-five South Boston M. E. church people present at the Congressional church Sunday night.

The meetings have closed and seven united with the church.

Brave Men Fall.

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling.

One of the members of the Philippine Commission, Professor Dean Worcester, says that the Philippines will afford an excellent field for the growing of cotton on an extensive scale, the soil and climate being especially adapted for this product.

Some of the French newspapers are asserting that with 100,000 soldiers England in South Africa 25,000 men could capture London.

About the time it became known that Mr. Griggs had expressed a wish to adorn a place on the Supreme court bench, it was also noticed that the annual report of the Attorney General of the United States recommended a doubling of the salaries of the judges of the highest court of the land.

Thanks to the impending investigation before the grand jury, lobbyists are said to be very scarce at Lansing just now.

The Governor, in his message, gives a good reason for calling the extra session. He says it will bring about the tax reform two years earlier than would be possible if action was delayed until the next regular session.

There's need enough of reform—no doubt of that—and if Pingree can get the disgraced legislature to do anything while he will be forgiven the expense of the extra session.

He is right in his determination to act on no private bills until this business of the tax-ridden masses is taken care of.

With little homes and farms taxed (robbed) unmercifully and millions of corporation property going scot free, the legislator who refuses to act is a traitor to his kind and should be black-listed forever.

The parties of Jefferson and Lincoln are disgraced by such men; and the people who vote for them should blush for shame.

The Missouri congressman who heaped such rank abuse upon the memory of Rutherford B. Hayes will not receive much commendation from his countrymen.

Probably a large majority of American people today believe that he was not elected president, the evidence to the contrary being overwhelming.

But the presidency was shaken at him and he would have been regarded as an imbecile had he not accepted it.

Besides, if the parrot of stolen fruit he was

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South Boston—Elmdale.

Mrs. A. P. Burr is visiting friends in Grand Rapids.

There will be a Christmas tree at the Grand Hall Monday evening.

The meetings closed at the Congressional church Sunday evening.

A. P. Burr returned to Ionia Monday where he is on jury.

Stewed Eggs.—Boil an egg in a small quantity of water with some parsley, which should be served with the egg and the liquor. Salt and pepper to taste.

Parley.—Parley is the correct garnish for fish. A thin slice of two of lemon used with the parley is in good taste.

Eggs.—To preserve raw eggs bury them in clean dry salt and keep well covered. This keeps them fresh.

To Make Tea.—Put the tea in a perfectly clean and dry teapot ten minutes before using. Warm both the tea and the pot by placing them in the oven. Fill the teapot with boiling water. Let it stand five minutes, then pour.

Orange Ice.—Take as many oranges as you require, cut in half and squeeze the juice from them. Take the pulp carefully from the rind, put in bowl and pour a little boiling water on it. Stir it well and strain through a sieve. Mix this with the juice and stir in enough sugar to make rather a thick syrup. Freeze like ice cream.

Veal Sausages.—To make these take equal quantities of lean veal and fat bacon with a handful of sage, salt and pepper. Let all be chopped thoroughly and worked together; a skinned and boned turkey may be added to the above proportions. Make into rolls, four thickly and fry a light brown color.

Windsor Tartlets.—Cream together two ounces of butter with two ounces of sugar; add a tablespoonful of cornstarch, two yolks of eggs and two ounces of ground almonds. Having lined twelve petty-pans with short crust, put a teaspoonful of raspberry jam at the bottom of each. Beat the white of an egg to a stiff froth, add it to the mixture. Fill the petty-pans rather more than half full, put cross bars of pastry over each to prevent the mixture from oozing over in the cooking. Bake over with white of egg dust cracker sugar and bake in a good sharp oven for a quarter of an hour.

Lemon Jelly.—On to six ounces of lump sugar, the rind of one lemon cut thin, and the juice of two, pour nearly one quart of boiling water. Add to this one ounce of gelatine which has been soaking two hours in cold water. Stand the basin over a sauce-pan of boiling water and stir till the gelatine is all dissolved. Then strain slowly and place into small moulds.

Broiled Steak.—Place the steak in a "broiler" and hold over red-hot coals. The steak must cook quickly, and must not burn. Turn it over frequently to prevent this. After it is well browned on both sides, place it on a warm platter, and with a sharp knife make gashes in it about an inch long. Three or four will do. This is to give the juice for gravy. Put a tablespoonful of butter on the steak and let it melt; add salt and pepper and garnish with a little water-cress or parsley. Serve with several slices of lemon on it.

Vegetable Soup.—Put one-half pound of soup meat in three quarts of water, and let it boil for half an hour. Then add, cut into small pieces, one large carrot, one or two white turnips, one or two ripe tomatoes, chopped green celery or parsley, two onions and salt and pepper to taste. Let this boil for two full hours. Boiled rice served in the soup is very nice.

Death of Mr. Stinson.

Mr. Stinson died at his residence on Friday, Dec. 15th, after a long and painful illness of several months, at the advanced age of 85 years.

W. J. Botzen and wife returned from Fillmore last week Thursday where they were called by the serious illness of Father Botzen.

Mrs. Ed. Dickson and son Phil have been to Kalamazoo to see Mr. Dickson. They did not find him much improved.

S. B. Parker and wife of Lowell were Sunday guests of their brother, Wm. H. Parker and family.

Water Botzen and wife were Sunday guests of John Wright and wife of Lowell.

George Parker is very unfortunate he has two bad thumbs, one has a felon and the other got a rusty nail stuck into it so fast George could not pull it out. He took his razor and performed his own surgical operation.

W. L. Merriam had a streak of bad luck last week. He lost one of his best horses.

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When Night her sable curtain draws, And lights the world from view, Strange phantoms perch on reason's throne.

They peer from out the gloom around, How'er vain sleep we woo, Some wear a smile of sweetest grace, Some bear a sullen, frowning face.

Some evil deed, long since forgot, A wrong we'd fain undo, Rings out a harsh, discordant note, And clutches at our gasping throat.

Amos, a truant, thought brings back A loved one, fond and true; And tender smiles light up the way That seemed so dark but yesterday.

Vain hopes of youth their pictures trace, In colors bright and new; But while we gaze upon the scene We know they're but the "might have been."

The night-sounds fall on straining ears, And beat their loud tattoo; The clock that makes its hourly chime But marks an endless round of time.

Will sleep ne'er come and throbble thought? The hour is nearly done, When man goes forth to make the fight But marks the brain that craves the night.

Triumphant morn, with flaming sword, The darkness pierces through; The weary eyelids close at last, The tattered legion all have passed.

When life, our troubled dream, Is spent, We'll bid a long adieu To each his phantom hopes and fears For endless, restful, quiet years.

With these words, carefully spoken, The "great doctor" had his impressive eye on his companion, who might be tremble. "It's a cold night—a mighty cold night," continued the stranger, "or it perhaps fear that makes you shake so?"

"Nonsense," said the great doctor, "but he would have given a thousand rubles for the privilege of throwing the stranger out. And as he looked him over, he noticed a certain peculiarity in his countenance which seemed to grow more and more familiar to him.

"Stop!" cried the professor. "Drive, stop!" But the horses doubled their pace. The sleigh collided with trees, overhanging branches brushed against its cover.

"Stop, driver! Stop, if you want to retain your position!" There was a crash, the ground seemed to rise, the old coachman tumbled from the box, the reins dangled in the snow, the horses ran as if the forest were afire.

"Now I must play coachman," said the country doctor. He leaned forward, stretched up the ribbons and laughed. "We will have a merry ride, take my word for it."

"Yes, yes," answered the professor, and stealthily drawing a pistol from his pocket he pointed it at his companion's back. The country physician never quivered. "Don't act obstinately," he said without turning.

"Monster! I denounce you now!" "Do you at that?" answered the stranger. "I should have thought a man killer like you would know Death on sight and wouldn't be afraid of him either."

"Brother," he said, raising his hat, "can you spare me a seat? I am bound for the village, where a poor pattern of mine is in the throes of death."

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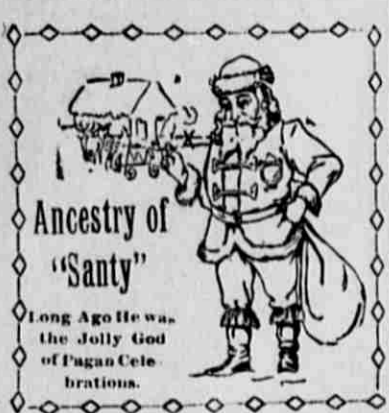
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**Ancestry of "Santy"**

Long ago in the July God of Pagan Celestial Times

AN ANY ONE say how old Santa Claus is or at what period he made his first appearance among the people? The name of Santa Claus by which he is known in America, is the Dutch name for St. Nicholas. The name of St. Nicholas is known in England, is a corruption of the Greek name of the saint. The name of St. Nicholas is known in England, is a corruption of the Greek name of the saint. The name of St. Nicholas is known in England, is a corruption of the Greek name of the saint.

Although the central figure of the Christian festival is the child God, the Christ child, the influence of long pagan custom, was too strong within the breasts of the early Christians to be easily superseded. The tradition of holy age as the true representative of the dying year and its attendant justifications still remained unshaken under the ashes of the past. It burst into new flame when the past was too far back to be looked upon with the fear and antagonism of the Church when there seemed no longer any danger of a relapse into paganism. At first, however, the more dignified representative was chosen, as more in keeping with the occasion, Saturn was unconsciously reinterpreted as St. Nicholas, the name of the saint whose festival occurs in December, and who, as the patron of young people, is especially fitted for the patronage of the festival which has come to be looked upon as especially that of the young. At first St. Nicholas did not supersede the Christ child, but accompanied him in his Christmas travels, as, indeed, he still does in certain rural neighborhoods of Europe where the modern spirit has been least felt.

St. Nicholas, according to the hagiologists, was a bishop of Myra, who flourished early in the fourth century. He is the patron of children and schoolboys. It is strange that everywhere St. Nicholas is most honored and his feast day most observed the most pious and instructed among the common people know little of the legend of the saint. He is treated with that mixture of seriousness and frivolity which becomes

**THE MEANING OF HERO**

Doing the Right Thing at the Right Time.

Some years ago a fire broke out in a charming Swiss village. In a few hours the quaint frame houses were entirely destroyed. One poor man was in even greater trouble than his neighbors. His home and cows were gone, and so also was his son, a bright-eyed boy of six or seven years. He went and returned to hear any words of comfort, and spent the night wandering sorrowfully among the ruins.

Just as daybreak came, however, he heard a well known sound, and looking up saw his favorite cow leading only a limited number of boys who are able to command the necessary regalia. In the twilight of the evening of December 5 the good bishop and his suite begin their round of visits. It is the season for juvenile parties, and almost all the children of the village are collected in a few separate houses, each of which St. Nicholas visits in turn. He enters with the two angels, and the children of the village are let to play their pranks outside. A great silence falls upon the children, and one by one they are called in, and the business is carried on with the greatest seriousness and decorum. Simple religious questions suited to the age of each child are propounded, after which it is to sing hymns and recite prayers. If the child is successfully passed the angels present it with nuts and apples. If it fails it has to stand aside. When the examination is ended, the devils are called in.

They are not allowed to approach the good children, but may tease and frighten the naughty ones as much as they like. They do this at first as a matter of duty. Duty is followed by the pleasures whose anticipation had caused them to enliven-pleasure which comes in strange dances and antics, and in pursuing the larger girls with the attempt to blanket their legs. Their whole appearance is intended to be grotesque and farcical. For the entire following they are allowed full license in the village, though in some of the towns the festival has, for good reasons, been prohibited. For weeks before the eve of St. Nicholas a devil may occasionally be seen at the window of some cottage where the children are supposed to be naughty or their elder sister is known to be particularly attractive.

When St. Nicholas has left the children return to their own homes, but they do not believe that the good, kindly old man has really gone. They are supposed to be watching their prayers and writing to bed their place dishes or baskets upon the window, with their names written within them, and in these their parents deposit small presents for which their little ones and daughters fancy he has brought.

An International Compilation.

"This Christmas any one would know that Bobbs was a Briton and his wife an American."

"For what reason?"

"They're having a seakink dispute and they can't even settle it by arbitration."

**ILL'S OF AGE**

Are Usually Due to Some Derangement of the KIDNEYS, Which Can be Remedied by the Use of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills

In the evening of life—after the battles are fought—why shouldn't the old folks enjoy in comfort their well-earned rest?

It is usually the kidneys which first get out of order, and cause backaches, headaches and urinary troubles. As filters of the blood the kidneys work hard to remove from the body the least trace of poisonous uric acid, but they do get tired and cease to do their duty, and unless attended to will leave fatal poisons in the blood which will cause the most painful and fatal diseases.

Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills strike at the root of trouble by making the kidneys strong, healthy and vigorous. They cure Bright's disease, dropsy, diabetes and all diseases of the kidneys, liver and bladder, as well as chronic constipation. They have won the admiration of old people in particular, because they make it possible for them to enjoy in old age the comfort and rest they have so well earned.

Dr. J. D. Brightman, Adyard, N. Y., writes: "I am a blacksmith, and have had kidney disease in its worst form. At times I could not straighten up, and for five years I was never free from backache and terrible pains. Mr. Alexander Thomas recommended Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills so highly that I tried them, and am now entirely free from backache and kidney disease."

Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, one pill a dose, 25 cents a box, at all dealers, or Dr. A. W. Chase Medicine Company, Buffalo, N. Y.

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of all kinds, best goods money can buy. We sell them at prices that are right. After providing for your dumb servants, examine our

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and look for your own comfort, goods and prices are bound to suit.

**BROWN & SENLER,**  
On the Bridge, Lowell, Mich.

**Speak for Themselves**

The Shirts and Collars and Cuffs tell their own story. If you haven't heard it, here it is: Campbell's Laundry gives the best satisfaction of any in Lowell.

**LOWELL & HASTINGS RAILROAD TIME TABLE**

In Effect Sunday, June 21, 1898.

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**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.**

Regular Special Meeting of the Lowell Village Council held in the Council Rooms on Monday evening, Dec. 18, 1898.

Meeting called to order by President Weeks.

Present, President Weeks, Trustees Collar, Lee, Look, Vandike; absent Bergin and Winegar.

The following bills were allowed.

Yeas, Collar, Lee, Look, Vandike; absent Bergin and Winegar.

**STREET FUND.**

Lowell Cutter Co. \$6.00

**T. & P. FUND.**

Standard Carbon Co. \$15.84

Fred M. Locke 3.75

**GENERAL FUND.**

Porter Carr \$14.87

Jennie Townsend 5.00

Dan Townsend 7.75

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**CHILDREN'S RAILROADS.**

A Great Many of These exist in the present time.

Every boy and girl has seen the great steam engine in the great, comfortable coaches built them, and a thrilling ride on the iron rails, waiting a short while to all to keep out of the way.

But how many of you ever saw a little railroad built especially for children, with the cunning little engine you ever saw, pulling the tiny cars behind it? And yet there are quite a number of such railroads.

You might call them toy trains, and yet they are big and strong enough to carry fourteen or sixteen passengers, not dolls, either, but boys and girls. They are certainly delightful toys.

A gentleman in Ireland once made one of these fine toys for his children. With the exception of the engine, he made the whole train himself at old moments he had to spare, and he even put the engine together at home. He prepared the way, laid the rails, made the cross-ties, the turntable, and signal-box, built the sheds, and did every thing else that had to be done.

It took, in all, three or four months to make the train, but it was worth the trouble. Almost all of the cars are open, and can hold four or five passengers apiece. So with three cars, each having two passengers, and two on the engine, a little crowd of little boys and girls, and perhaps more fun than if there were more cars.

**PUERTO RICO TOUR.**

Three tours of the beautiful island of Puerto Rico are scheduled to leave Detroit January 11, February 15 and March 8. Special Pullman sleeping and dining cars will convey the party to New York, thence on board the splendid new steamships "Ponce" and "San Juan" to and around the island by rail, auto-mobile, carriage and boat. Tickets include all expenses everywhere.

These select limited parties will be under the special escort of Mr. Walter Townsend under the management of the American Tourist association, Reas Campbell, General manager, 1425 Marquette building, Chicago.

Gold pens, Williams, the jeweler. Order your cut flowers for all occasions of C. Guy Perry.

Everything in canned goods at McMahon's.

Pick out your Xmas presents at C. O. Lawrence's department store and have them laid away.

**His Trousers Material.**

He was a proud little fellow, as he strutted around in a new pair of trousers that his mother had made for him to wear on New Year's day, and very important he looked as he squirmed himself in front of his best friend, the corner groceryman, and said: "I bet you can't guess what my trousers are made of."

"Of broadcloth," asked the groceryman.

"Nope," replied the little fellow.

"Of corduroy then?" ventured the groceryman.

"Nope," replied the little fellow.

"Of jeans?"

"Nope," replied the little fellow.

"Of papa's old ones," triumphantly replied the happy little fellow—Merrill Schmitzer.

**Look's Christmas Sale.**

Gifts Suitable for anyone.

Wednesday night we shall completely rearrange our Stock and Thursday, Friday and Saturday there will be large reductions all along the line. We don't want to carry over any of these goods and shall put prices on them to make them go.

**WAVE CREST WARE.**

Introduced this pretty ware to Lowell purchasers and still buy and sell it at less than our competitors.

**OUR SPECIAL LINE**

of \$1.00 and \$2.00 SHOES are the best goods that can possibly be made for the price. Every pair warranted. Nothing sold higher than \$2.00.

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Hot Water Bags and Rubber Goods of all kinds at money saving prices.

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Home-made and salt rising bread at the City Bakery.

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**BEFORE YOU BUY HOLIDAY GIFTS.**

Select something that will last for generations and be handed down to posterity as a memento of your good sense and far sighted judgement. That's the kind of goods I sell, and you have the privilege of selecting from the largest and finest line of FURNITURE ever shown in Lowell and at prices that defy competition. Here are just a few items

**Rocking Chairs** Splendid Goods in Cane Seats \$1.00, 1.50, 2.00, 3.00 3.50

Upholstered Chairs, best we ever saw from \$4 up to \$16.00 for an elegant Leather Rocker.

**Dining Chairs** Sit in these at your Christmas dinner, \$3.50 to \$12.00 per set of 6.

An elegant line of Pictures, Mirrors, Frames to order, Book Cases, Chiffoniers, Child's Rockers, Carpets, Carpet Sweepers, etc., etc.

**Must be Seen to be Appreciated.**

**G. V. McCONNELL.**

Call early and often.

**WE ARE NOW READY To Assist you in Selecting your Holiday Presents.**

We offer a few suggestions below but prefer a call as our store is full of them and the prices—well, "Williams' prices make it expensive for you to buy elsewhere."

**Watches.** We want to sell you a Watch, we can please you and save you money. There is a feeling of certainty in buying a watch of us. You know you have paid for more than that the watch will do as we say it will. We have them all along the price line and all are fully guaranteed.

**The Dumb Bell and the Wise Belle**

Inexpensive and pretty. These Dumb Bell Links with various beaded or embossed edges set with pretty stones with beauty and art in every curve. If you want to discharge your obligations for his sodas, confections and theater tickets, now is your time.

**Ebony Goods** With Sterling Silver Mountings are now taking the preference in the Fancy Brush Line. They are neat and look rich. We have an assortment consisting of Clothes Brushes, Hat Brushes, Military Brushes, Hat Brushes, etc. Our goods are the "all bristles" kind and the ebony is not a veneer.

**Ladies Watch Chains.** An admirable present for a lady is one of our long watch chains. We have them from the best Rolled Plate to the finest Gold Filled with Solid Gold slides set with fine Opals and brilliant doublets.

**Watch Chains.** A present any gentleman will appreciate. Our assortment comprises the regular style and pony vests, the double or Dickens chain, the new style fob with safety chain attached, also the silk vest with gold tips and the regular silk fob.

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**Isn't it too Cute for Anything?**

So runs the chorus of feminine praise over this, that or the other pretty brooch or ring in our fine collection. Husband, father, brother, beau—here's the fit thing and there was never better choosing in fine jewelry. You can make no mistake in picking with your eyes shut—but best come in while the assortment is complete. Every ring we guarantee to keep in repair free of charge for five years.

**Ware That Wears.**

All Silver Plated ware looks alike when it is new. I am selling a high grade Hollow ware, Spoons, Forks, etc.—the kind your grandmother used—which will wear and wear well, for the silver on them goes deeper than the shine; and the price is not very much more than you would pay for trash.



EVENTS OF THE WEEK

OUR GREAT STATE RELATED IN A BRIEF FORM.

The November Report of the Deaths in Our State Shows a Total of 5,500. The Death Rate was 12.2 Per Cent. Estimated Population, 4,500,000.

3,559 Deaths in November. There were 3,559 deaths reported to the secretary of state for the month of November, or 78 less than the number for the preceding month. The death rate was 12.2 per 1,000 estimated population, as compared with 12.1 for October. There were 245 deaths of infants under 1 year of age, 171 of children aged 1 to 4, and 651 deaths of persons aged 65 and over. The age distribution was practically the same as in October. Important causes of death were as follows: Consumption, 146; other forms of tuberculosis, 20; typhoid fever, 26; diphtheria and croup, 32; scarlet fever, 18; measles, 22; whooping cough, 21; pneumonia, 127; diarrheal diseases of children, 77; cerebro-spinal meningitis, 27; cancer, 121; aneurysm, 10; influenza, 147. The number of deaths from diphtheria and cough was only two more than for the month of October. No cases showed any marked increase during the month, except pneumonia, which increased from 179 to 187. Typhoid fever and diarrheal diseases of children declined to a considerable extent.

Ex-Atty-Gen. Maynard Indicted. Ex-Atty-Gen. Fred A. Maynard, who was indicted by the grand jury at Lansing on the 9th, voluntarily appeared in the circuit court on the afternoon of the 11th and furnished the \$3,000 bond required. The indictment against Mr. Maynard contains seven counts, and is based wholly upon his alleged dealings with the Circuit Clerk George H. Kuhns. The wrongdoing charged extended throughout the entire four years of Maynard's incumbency of the office of attorney-general, reference being made to 48 monthly pay rolls. In brief, it is alleged that when he first entered the employ of the attorney-general, Kuhns received \$40 per month, whereas \$60 per month was fixed by the statute. The amount drawn for Kuhns' services was \$4,535, but Mr. Kuhns only received \$2,950.

Wid Dow Dead Damaged. The wind storm in Michigan on the 23rd did considerable damage. At Farmington the south wall of the Detroit & Northern Indiana R. R. passenger house was blown in, causing a loss of \$2,000. A washout of 1,000 feet of the Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic tracks near Mission, Keweenaw bay, and an engine and its train were blown into the bay at Port Huron. The greatest damage done was the demolition of a steam derrick coal hoist at Miller & Son's coal dock, the loss of which cost the thousands of dollars; at Navesagio the north half of the new dam across the Muskegon river, built for the Navesagio Portland Cement Co. at a cost of \$20,000, went out at Muskegon four of the six enormous smokestacks at the Champion Iron & Steel Co.'s plant were leveled, and it will take several weeks to repair the damage.

Teacher and School Put on the Grounds. Rev. J. J. Astell, pastor of the Congregational church at Royal Oak, and Gus Dundore, proprietor of the Royal Oak house, participated in a skit on the 23rd with the gloves on the 9th, and the result was declared a draw. Mr. Astell occupied the pulpit the following day and Mr. Dundore resumed his business of selling beer as usual. Arrangements are being made for another contest when the reverend divine will be able to do up his man. The result was the outcome of Rev. Astell's efforts to make the school-going boys lay in regard to selling liquor to minors.

Washington Memory Honored. With solemn pomp and circumstance, with eulogies, impressive and appropriate, in the presence of a distinguished assemblage, and in the full and glorious light of autumn weather, the centennial of the death of George Washington was commemorated on the 24th at Mount Vernon, Wash. During the ceremonies President McKinley paid a fitting tribute to the "father of our country."

Rosocombe Case up to the Governor. The prosecution of the supervisors for corruptly and under assessing property in Rosocombe county came to a finish on the 14th. The general opinion is that the prosecution failed to sustain the charges. The defense produced a preponderance of expert evidence which completely overbore the prosecution. The evidence now goes to the governor.

Best Month Output. During September, October and November the different best sugar factories in Michigan received 8,298 tons, 1,369 pounds of best and 1,369 pounds of No. 1 sugar. This means that at the bounty law of 1876 held conditional the companies have already earned \$98,555.55 this year from the state.

Buller's 16th Department is very efficient. It has saved every building in which fire has started in a year.

Whitcomb county, as well as discovered. Handfuls of an excellent oil well are being drilled.

H. E. Rowland, of Lawrence, picked up a bag of passes from an outdoor school on Dec. 9. The passes were perfect.

STATE GOSSIP

Six inches of snow fell at Marshall on the 15th. A mining mill factory to cost \$25,000 is being projected at Saginaw. Harness makers are operating in Wayne county near Northville.

Over 100 cases of 121 accidents and 5,500 deaths in Michigan. The death rate was 12.2 per 1,000 estimated population, as compared with 12.1 for October. There were 245 deaths of infants under 1 year of age, 171 of children aged 1 to 4, and 651 deaths of persons aged 65 and over. The age distribution was practically the same as in October. Important causes of death were as follows: Consumption, 146; other forms of tuberculosis, 20; typhoid fever, 26; diphtheria and croup, 32; scarlet fever, 18; measles, 22; whooping cough, 21; pneumonia, 127; diarrheal diseases of children, 77; cerebro-spinal meningitis, 27; cancer, 121; aneurysm, 10; influenza, 147. The number of deaths from diphtheria and cough was only two more than for the month of October. No cases showed any marked increase during the month, except pneumonia, which increased from 179 to 187. Typhoid fever and diarrheal diseases of children declined to a considerable extent.

Men for work in the woods are very scarce all along the line of the Mackinac division of the Michigan Central railroad. Wages as high as \$28 and \$30 are being offered by lumber operators.

Alex. Simpson, of Wyandotte, is not what would be called a handsome man, but he has two wives according to the verdict of the jury. He is now awaiting his sentence on the charge of bigamy.

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Wid Dow Dead Damaged. The wind storm in Michigan on the 23rd did considerable damage. At Farmington the south wall of the Detroit & Northern Indiana R. R. passenger house was blown in, causing a loss of \$2,000. A washout of 1,000 feet of the Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic tracks near Mission, Keweenaw bay, and an engine and its train were blown into the bay at Port Huron. The greatest damage done was the demolition of a steam derrick coal hoist at Miller & Son's coal dock, the loss of which cost the thousands of dollars; at Navesagio the north half of the new dam across the Muskegon river, built for the Navesagio Portland Cement Co. at a cost of \$20,000, went out at Muskegon four of the six enormous smokestacks at the Champion Iron & Steel Co.'s plant were leveled, and it will take several weeks to repair the damage.

Teacher and School Put on the Grounds. Rev. J. J. Astell, pastor of the Congregational church at Royal Oak, and Gus Dundore, proprietor of the Royal Oak house, participated in a skit on the 23rd with the gloves on the 9th, and the result was declared a draw. Mr. Astell occupied the pulpit the following day and Mr. Dundore resumed his business of selling beer as usual. Arrangements are being made for another contest when the reverend divine will be able to do up his man. The result was the outcome of Rev. Astell's efforts to make the school-going boys lay in regard to selling liquor to minors.

Washington Memory Honored. With solemn pomp and circumstance, with eulogies, impressive and appropriate, in the presence of a distinguished assemblage, and in the full and glorious light of autumn weather, the centennial of the death of George Washington was commemorated on the 24th at Mount Vernon, Wash. During the ceremonies President McKinley paid a fitting tribute to the "father of our country."

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THE CURRENCY DEBATE.

What Some of Our Michigan Congressmen Said in Reference Thereto. The debate in the house on the currency bill was opened by Overstreet who was replied to by Mallock, of Georgia. The distinguished member from Georgia made the principal speech, bringing into play his sharp wit and eloquence, and receiving the undivided attention of the Democrats, as well as of his own party associates.

Mr. Dolliver said that the cry had been for more money. In three years of Republican administration \$400,000,000 had been added to the volume of the currency, more money than could have been coined by the mints in 10 years if the mints had been opened to silver.

"In other words," said he "we have done for you in three years more than you could have done for yourselves. Why don't you get out of the mints and let the man procession move on?"

Mr. Dolliver recalled Mr. Bryan's prophecy that the gold standard could be enacted without money, a universal fall of prices. "Is there a man in this chamber," he asked, "who will rise in his place and say that Mr. Bryan knew what he was talking about?"

Not a Democrat rose. Mr. Dolliver passed, reiterated his question and then resumed. "It is confessed that in a question which goes to the heart of the controversy, Mr. Bryan lacked the freedom." He also called attention to Mr. Bryan's prediction that wages would fall and men would be thrown out of employment. Yet at the end of three years of Republican administration under the gold standard there was not an industries man in the country without employment.

For a farmer who had read that that asses were a good medicine for hogs, preventing cholera and similar diseases, fed some to his porkers last week, and inside of two days the animals were dead.

A Pontiac man has a hen which has been laying eggs at the rate of four to six a month for about a month, and only three of the eggs have been single yolked. All the rest have had either two or three yolks.

Three stories of a four-story brick building on Woodchick street, Detroit, which was weakened by a recent fire in an adjoining building, collapsed on the 12th. Only one person was injured, but he probably fatally.

The Newberry News says that a man living in the woods several miles north of there sold his wife recently to a man who admitted her more than himself did, the consideration being 20 railroad ties, 15 bushels of potatoes and \$15 in cash.

Supt. Merriam of the census says that census enumeration in Michigan will get \$1,000,000 and an allowance for clerical assistance in May, June and July. Money for traveling expenses is being sent out only during the progress of enumeration.

Internal Revenue Collector Charles Wright and several other government officials made a most important seizure of about \$200,000 worth of stolen goods, mostly in the form of clothing, at Detroit, a few days ago. The goods were consigned to parties in Liverpool, Eng., from Chicago.

Christmas trees, which is an important industry in northern Michigan of late years, will begin this week. Thousands upon thousands of the trees shipped from this state each year, principally to the north of the new dam across the Muskegon river, built for the Navesagio Portland Cement Co. at a cost of \$20,000, went out at Muskegon four of the six enormous smokestacks at the Champion Iron & Steel Co.'s plant were leveled, and it will take several weeks to repair the damage.

The dog warden law passed by the last legislature, but no go into effect until next May. In a number of districts the statute has been misconstrued and wardens appointed who are collecting the tax where they can and killing dogs there in the owners' effort to whack up. A number of big lawsuits are in sight.

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AT HOME AND ABROAD

A SUMMARY OF THE NEWS FOR THE WEEK BY WIRE. As a Result of Earthquakes in Japan Many Hundred People Were Killed and Much Property Destroyed—The Samoan Treaty.

The full text of the treaty negotiated between the United States, Germany and Great Britain for the adjustment of the questions between the three governments in respect to the Samoan islands, has been made public. The treaty bears date at Washington, Dec. 2, 1899, and after reciting its purpose is not to be construed as impairing the regulations to prevent the introduction of infectious diseases. On wool, on the rates prescribed by article 437 of the tariff of 1897, but the concession is not to be construed as impairing the regulations to prevent the introduction of infectious diseases. On wool, on the rates prescribed by article 437 of the tariff of 1897, but the concession is not to be construed as impairing the regulations to prevent the introduction of infectious diseases.

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In return Argentina agrees to the following tariff reductions upon articles from the United States, namely: 50 per cent on canned salmon, canned corn, succotash, tomatoes, canned apples and peaches, 25 per cent on beans, peas, quinces, apricots and cherries, wind-mills, dried or evaporated fruits and cereals, 20 per cent on cotton rope, 15 per cent on white pine, spruce pine, Oregon pine, yellow pine, oak and ash, 10 per cent on wool, 5 per cent on coal vessels in all the islands of the Samoan group, privileges and conditions equal to those enjoyed by the sovereign power in respect to the islands of Upolu and Savaii, and other islands of the Samoan group west of longitude 171 degrees west of Greenwich. The three powers are to continue to enjoy in respect to the islands of Upolu and Savaii the equal of every other dollar in the island of the richest or poorest man in the republic. What a splendid achievement in three and one-half years. It is a wonder that scores of honest men, said he, had resolved the last years of the Republican party as to the wisdom of enacting gold legislation.

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Instead of senseless Knick-Knacks and gewgaws that are of no use or benefit and that only serve to litter up the house. Probably there is no place in Western Michigan (certainly not in Lowell) a store where you can do better in buying appropriate gifts for every member of the family than at ours. A large portion of our immense stock was bought before the recent advance in price and will be sold in many cases below present wholesale prices.

<b>Silks, Satins, Velvets</b> For Dresses, Waists, Skirts, Trimmings and fancy work.	<b>Colored Dress Goods</b> For ladies' dresses, waists, wrappers, dressing sacks, skirts. The same for misses and children.	<b>Black Dress Goods</b> Crepons, all grades. Broadcloth for all purposes and a great variety of other grades and styles.	<b>Wash Goods</b> Prints, Gingham, Percales, Outings, Shirtings, etc., etc.	<b>Linens Materials</b> Table Linens, Napkins, Towels, Crashes, Handkerchiefs, Sheetings, etc.
<b>Blankets Enough for all</b> Cotton, Part cotton, wool mixed, pure wool, all prices from 47c to \$6.00.	<b>Hosiery and Underwear</b> Ladies', Misses', Children's and Men's, in cotton, wool and silk.	<b>Ribbons, Beautiful</b> All colors in baby ribbon, satin, taffeta, fancy, velvet, satin or linen back.	<b>Kid Gloves</b> All colors. Ladies' from 49c to \$1.50.	<b>Cloaks, Jackets, Capes and Furs</b> For Ladies, Misses and children. A fine line at lowest possible prices.

Lowell's Leading  
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## Lowell State Bank

Organized under the general Banking Laws of this State.  
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### HOME NEWS.

Merry Christmas to all.  
Gold rings, Williams the jeweler.  
Call and see my fine assortment of fancy china. C. O. LAWRENCE.  
Read all the new ads before you start your Christmas shopping.

We will have all kinds of oysters for the Christmas trade.

J. Giles & Co.  
Epworth League lecture tonight. Charles H. Fraser at Train's opera house.

Mrs. Frank Pickard and children leave Saturday for Ohio to visit the former's parents.

We will be able to furnish oysters by the gallon or five gallon lot for Christmas. J. Giles & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Kennedy of 311 Henry street, Grand Rapids visited their cousin, Mrs. Hart this week.

Mrs. Slade gives private lessons in music and French and parlor kindergarten. Studio in Jones block.

Candies, peanuts, mixed nuts, figs, cranberries, boiled cider and poultry seasoning for Christmas at Giles' store.

FOR SALE.—A large Art Garland coal stove with oven, in good condition, for sale cheap. W. A. WATTS.

Rev. Mr. Morris of Grand Rapids will preach at the Congregational church next Sunday morning and evening.

Just cast your eagle eye on A. D. Oliver's holiday adv. on page eleven. He has an elegant line from which to select presents.

The local temperance unions will co-operate in the organization and maintenance of a public reading room. \$75 have been subscribed by citizens, with prospects of much more. It is hoped that this laudable project may be fostered by the community at large.

The Phila A. Clark W. C. T. U. met at the home of its president, Mrs. D. P. Atwater, on Tuesday afternoon. Mesdames Barrett and Hoag read interesting papers. The union is doing much good work of a practical nature. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. C. A. Slade January 2.

Jasel S. and Rachael Turner and their three children, Jessie, aged 12 years, Julia, aged 8 and 5-year-old Dora, have been brought to jail from Alaska, in Caledonia township. The parents are charged with ill-treatment of their children. It appears that the family has led a sort of roving life, living alternately in Kent and Van Buren counties. Judge Jewell has set next Wednesday morning for a hearing and ordered the two older children taken to the Children's home. The youngest was permitted to go with the parents, who promised to report Wednesday.—[Grand Rapids Press

Cuff links, Williams, the jeweler.  
Call at Behl's city bakery for baked goods and lunches.

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Carrie Blakeslee to W. B. Abbott, December 28th, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr and Mrs A. C. Blakeslee.

The program at the M. E. church Saturday evening, will consist of songs, recitations, class exercises and a cantata, "The Spirit of Christmas," with Miss Emma Westbrook as queen. Exercises begin at 7 o'clock. All having presents are requested to have them at church before 4 p. m. Saturday.

Dr. Merriman of Alto made this office a pleasant call yesterday. The doctor had quite a narrow escape last Friday, being thrown into a ditch with his buggy over him. Fortunately a bystander held the horse, so there was no dragging, and no serious injuries were sustained; but the doctor wouldn't try it again for a farm.

The following are the new officers of Joseph Wilson post, No. 87, elected December 14: Commander, Benj. Morse; S. V., Wm. R. Andrews; A. J. V., M. J. Painter; surgeon, A. M. Barnes; chaplain, D. E. Fletcher; adjutant, Wm. H. Eddy (appointed); O. D., John R. White; O. G., Jesse Frost; delegate, M. Sayles; alternate, Wm. B. Aldrich. Installation January 10.

Ladies interested in pastry making are cordially invited to call at R. VanDyke's store, Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday, Dec. 26 and 27, or at John Giles & Co.'s Thursday and Friday morning and Friday afternoon and Saturday at C. Bergin's store, when an expert pastry cook will give practical demonstrations in the preparing and baking of delicious desserts from the celebrated "None Such" food specialties. Do not miss this; you will find it both interesting and instructive. Everybody cordially invited to sample the baking.

### \$10 Reward—Lost.

A black and white POINTER DOG about 9 years old, weight about 60 lbs. Head black, body black and white, black predominates. Has a cut on front of one hind leg. Has on heavy collar with ring and small name plate, but no name. The above reward will be paid for return or information leading to recovery.

DR. E. D. McQUEEN,  
Lowell, Mich.

A good Elgin watch to exchange for good wood. U. B. Williams.

It's like picking up dollars to buy your watch at our prices.

H. A. Sherman.

Headquarters for games of all kinds and toys at C. O. Lawrence's Department Store.

### Excursion Rates for Christmas and New Years.

Detroit, Grand Rapids & Western agents will sell tickets on Dec. 23, 25, 24, 30, 31 and Jan. 1st to all points in Michigan and to points in Canada, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, at one and one-third fare. Return limit January 2, 1900.

Good guaranteed watches for boys Xmas Presents from \$2.00 to \$3.00 at Sherman's.

I have a large stock of Gloves and Mittens and I will close the entire lot out at cost. These goods are all new C. O. LAWRENCE'S Dept. Store.

"Maud, didn't you pay more for your new cloak than you said you would?"  
"No, Harry; I had the extra \$10 charged to you"

In music all hearts are revealed to us.—Shorthouse.

## HE AIMED THE SHOT.

GUNNER'S MATE PHILLIPS WAS IN CHARGE OF OLYMPIA'S TURRET.

The Shot Slew 150 Men and Wrecked Montojo's Ship—A Single Projectile Traversed the Spanish Vessel from Stern to Stern—The Gun Was Made in Washington.

The hero of Olympia's forward 8-inch gun is Nicholas W. Phillips, official rating "gunner's mate first class U. S. S. Olympia." It was he, who with one shot from the starboard 8-inch gun, destroyed Admiral Montojo's flagship, the Reina Cristina, and the shell killed about one hundred and fifty men. The shot went from stern to bow of the Cristina.

Admiral Dewey himself, standing on the bridge directly over the great gun, testifies to the accuracy of the shot. Phillips is short and stocky built and exceeding modest. His sterling worth has endeared him to his comrades. He is an expert mechanic and can readily replace or repair any of the delicate mechanism of his well-loved guns.

On the memorable morning of May 1, 1898, he was in charge of the gun crew of the forward turret, in which are the big guns of the Olympia. While the small rapid-fire guns had the honor of being the first used, the big starboard 8-inch gun of the Olympia is held in reverence by the members of the gun crew and the other "jacks" on board. Because of his modesty Phillips gives credit of firing the shot to Chief Boat-swain Pat Murray, one of the men in the turret. It was Phillips's experienced eye and master hand that sighted the big gun.

Gunner's Mate Phillips tells the story of that morning before the battle in these words:

"My men were all asleep in the turrets waiting for the word. We had expected a fight in Seebig Bay, but the Spaniards were not there. When the guns on Corredor Island began to boom we knew we had a fight on. It was the greatest relief imaginable. Everybody had been under a tremendous strain for days.

The Spanish ships, although taken by surprise, started out for us. The 'old man' gave us the order to close in on Montojo's flagship. As the Olympia was manoeuvring for position the Spanish Admiral on the Cristina came at us. He expected to ram us, and as soon as her nose was pointed directly at us we let her have one of the 8-inch shells from the starboard forward gun, carrying away the Admiral's bridge and some of her upper works. We saw the shot was too high, and Admiral Dewey on the bridge, sent word to the turret that the shots must be nearer the water line.

"The Cristina was in trouble and immediately undertook to check her headway in order to get out of range. She made a wide turn and we followed her around. When the stern post was opposite the gun we gave her another shell from the same gun. That was the one which put the Cristina out of business. It went from stern to bow.

"The officers' cabins were being used for hospitals, but after that shell went through they didn't need any more hospitals. Funerals were in order. The same shell broke a steam pipe below, and I know none of the engineers or firemen escaped. That one shot we estimated killed nearly 150 persons.

"How did we feel when firing? The same as at target practice. We knew that if we made a failure we were a long way from home and that our chances for returning were slim unless the Spanish fleet was destroyed."

The gun from which the shell was thrown which played such havoc was made in the Washington Navy-Yard.

### A New Year Superstition.

Of all the New Year's superstitions the "first foot" had the widest vogue. In some places it was held unlucky for anyone to leave the house until someone from without had entered. If the whole population had believed and obeyed they would all be inside yet, unless some obliging tramp slept in the street all night. The sex and hair of the first visitor was also vitally important. Women and light-haired men were rudely unwelcome, while dark-haired folk could earn money and distinction by well-timed calls.

### west Bowse.

Lon Barkley has gone to Boyas Falls to spend the winter.

H. D. Post of Belmont is spending a few days with his sister, Jennie Filkins Rowland Colby of Clarksville spent a few days last week with her parents.

I Filkins has gone to Grattan to spend a week.

George Colby has enlisted in the army for two years and is now on his way to the Philippines.

Sherman White has his new house completed and now occupies it.

Glenn Livingston of Jackson is expected home to spend a few days.

While cutting wood one day last week D. Bowler accidentally cut his foot quite badly.

Charles Merriman has bought a farm near Fremont and will move there in the near future.

Mr Crumback of Grand Rapids was here last week on business.

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### Twenty-five Years of Suffering.

Mr. T. V. Baldinger of 117 Clinton street, Detroit, writes: "Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment is a blessing. It cured me of itching piles after 25 years of suffering during which time I tried doctors treatment and many kinds of ointments without result." Dr. Chase's Ointment guaranteed to cure piles, eczema, and all skin troubles. 50 cents, all druggists or Dr. A. W. Chase Med. Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sample box free for stamp.

### Fallsburg.

The box social given at Manley Aldrich's Saturday evening for the benefit of Mr and Mrs Mathewson was well attended and a jolly good time enjoyed by all; proceeds over seven dollars.

H. W. Booth has gone north on business; Mr and Mrs James D. Harvey have taken up winter quarters in Lowell; her father, Mr Maynard is with them.

Mrs A. G. Steketee is visiting relatives and friends in Grand Rapids.

Mr and Mrs Will Sheard have returned from a visit with her uncle and are at home with his brother, Frank Sheard.

Ima and Dewey visited friends in Lowell Sunday.

Merry Christmas to all the scribes also to the editor and family.

We were pleased to see a large attendance at church Sunday to hear Rev Westbrooke who with his Christian knowledge and earnestness pleased and encouraged those who hear him: Hope more will attend one week from Sunday at 2 o'clock.

Rev Hartel of Saranac will preach Sunday at 10:30, a. m.

Charles Maynard will look after J. L. Harvey's country home this winter.

Your scribe expects to go to Grand Rapids Saturday to meet Santa Claus at the home of Geo G. Steketee.

Emerson Davenport of Keene has gone to Florida.

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### Cured of Rheumatism.

Mr. Eabun Pray of Ogdensburg, N. Y., writes: "After suffering for years with muscular rheumatism caused by disordered kidneys, and fruitlessly trying every known remedy I found relief in Dr. Chase's Kidney Liver Pills." Guaranteed to remove the cause and cure rheumatism. 25 cents, all druggists or Dr. A. W. Chase Med. Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Send stamp for free samples.

### Cascade-East Paris.

The box social at the Lennon school house was a grand success. Lunches were simply immense, some boxes bringing 75 cents and none less than 30 cents. The snug sum of \$25 was realized. Besides discussing the good things the boxes contained, a very interesting program was arranged by the teacher, Miss Lizzie Crahan.

Leon LaFargey has recovered from a severe attack of measles.

Our school has been closed for the past two weeks on account of the indisposition

of the teacher, Holt Patterson.

Mrs. John Eardley, who has been seriously ill, is somewhat better.

Mrs. Earl McCrath who has been ill a long time is convalescent.

Mrs. Chas. Clark and daughter Jennie who have been on the sick list are better.

Christmas tree at the East Paris school house Saturday night. General invitation.

The friends of S. E. Bailey met at his home last Wednesday, it being his 78th birthday. After discussing the many good things that Meadames Bailey know how to provide, all departed wishing him many more anniversaries and health to enjoy them.

Sunday visitors at W. Sternback's were Mr. and Mrs. John Slater and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Heintzelmen have returned after a week's absence in Gaines. Mrs. H. has been caring for her sister, who was very ill.

GRANDMA.

Pillows and feathers cheap at Blain's. Buy your lamps of C. O. Lawrence. New stock of watches and clocks at Sherman's.

C. O. Lawrence has the largest and most complete line of Dinner Sets and best bargains ever shown in Lowell.

### Lowell-Cascade Town Line.

Mrs. John Thibos has had the remains of Mr. Thibos, wife and daughter removed from the Merriman to the Seow cemetery.

Mrs. D. Lewis is visiting friends in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. J. Headly of Ada was a guest of Mrs. Geo. Batey Sunday.

The box of Wm. Stinton was held at the funeral church Monday afternoon.

Christmas exercises will be held at the church Monday evening.

Mrs. Clara Frazer visited friends in Ada two weeks.

### Just Saved His Life.

It was a thrilling escape that Chas. Davis of Bowerston, O.; had from a frightful death. For two years a severe lung trouble constantly grew worse until it seemed he must die of consumption. Then he began to use Dr. King's New Discovery and lately wrote: "It gave instant relief and effected a permanent cure." Such wonderful cures have for 25 years proven its power to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles free at L. H. Hunt & Co.'s Drug Store.

### Keene.

Frank Lamplins is in Washington state. Bruce Wheaton is working for Dr. Gesler at Saranac this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson and Milton were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Hunter Sunday.

Charles Lamplins and wife and son started for Canada to visit the former's uncle.

Odie Stanton has gone to Crystal Falls to work in the mines this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gardner are keeping house for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lampkins during their absence.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Vera S. Johnson to Milton Wilkinson to take place at Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Hunter's, Saranac, Dec. 26.

### AUNTY

Smyrna.

Miss Ella Bignell came home from her school to attend the Maccabees meeting Saturday evening.

L. J. Bignell of Palo visited at G. O. Bignell's last week.

The ladies of the M. E. society presented the hall with a handsome Bible.

Christmas festivities with tree and music will be held at the church next Saturday evening, and all are invited.

Last Saturday evening, the local Maccabees held their annual election of officers, which resulted as follows: Com., Harry Oogood; Lieut. Com., Allen Short; R. K., Mark Hoppough; F. K., Carl Hop-

pough; Chap., Peter Kohn; P. C., Milo Richmond; M at A. Homer Cook, Sergt., Robert Ellis; I M G, Guy Purdy; 2 M G, Henry Harris; Sent, Wm Cowles; Picket, John Tebbel. After the election a banquet was served. At the next meeting a joint installation of officers of the Knights and Lady Maccabees, with banquet by the ladies and music by the band, to which all are invited.

Fancy brooches, Williams, jeweler. Closing out guns and ammunition at less than cost at Stocking's.

A Gold Medal carpet sweeper from Blain's will make any woman happy. Sample copies of the Michigan Farmer, Farm Journal and LEDGER free at this office.

### GRAND RAPIDS HERALD

TWICE A-WEEK EDITION.

"Larger Than a Daily and Almost as Good."

The most widely circulated weekly newspaper in Western Michigan is the twice-a-week edition of The Grand Rapids Herald. With the Presidential campaign now at hand you cannot—yes, you can of course do without it, but you can do better with it. Here are some of the reasons why it is the leader in "one dollar journalism."

It is issued twice a week, Tuesdays and Fridays, so early in the morning that it carries the news of the day to any subscriber within 150 miles of Grand Rapids before night and to most places before noon. It is a daily for those days at least.

Every week each subscriber will receive 16 pages, and more whenever the press of advertising shall require it.

The price is \$1.00 per year. It is virtually a daily at the price of a weekly.

Its news covers every known part of the world. No weekly newspaper could stand alone and furnish such service.

The Grand Rapids Herald, Semi-Weekly, has at its disposal all of the resources of the "Associated Press"—the greatest organization in the world for the dissemination of news. The Daily is justly termed "Grand Rapids' best newspaper," and the Semi-Weekly fills its field just as well.

The best current fiction is found in its columns.

In politics the Herald is Republican, but fair to friend and foe alike; above all else it is a newspaper.

These are only some of the reasons; there are others. Read it and understand them all.

We offer this unequalled newspaper and the Lowell Ledger together one year for \$1.60.

The regular subscription price of the two papers is \$2.00.

### THE LOWELL MARKET REPORT

Corrected Dec 21, 1899.

Wheat	65
Corn	40
Oats	25
Rye	50
Flour per cwt	2 00
Bran per ton	15 00
Middlings per ton	16 00
Corn meal per ton	17 00
Corn and oats per ton	19 00
Butter	17
Eggs	18
Potatoes	30
Apples per bbl	2 25
Beans	1 50
Beef	5 00
Veal	6 00
Pork	4 00
Chickens	7
Turkeys	9 to 10
Ducks	7 to 8
Straw per ton	3 50 to 4 00
Hay per ton	6 00 to 8 00
Wool washed	20
Wool unwashed	16
Onions	25 to 40
Clover Seed	4 00