

THE LOWELL LEDGER.

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LOWELL, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 1901

WHOLE NO. 397.

Are We Justified?

Perhaps we ought to be satisfied with present achievements. But you know "the more a man gets the more he wants" This being true we are then justified in soliciting new business; and especially so since we are so well equipped to handle it.

The City Bank, Hill, Watts & Co.
RESPONSIBILITY \$100,000.

Farm Boilers

We Have a few left at \$10.00
No farmer should be without one at this Price



We are Headquarters for Steel Ranges. Do not fail to see them before you buy.

R. B. Boylan



The Brownies have taken up their headquarters here with a full line of the Best Kodaks to be found on the market and the prices well, come and see. Also a full line of Photo Supplies, plates, etc

The People's Store, The White Front.

A. D. OLIVER

What Frightened Him.
While crossing the isthmus of Panama by rail some years ago the conductor obligingly stopped the train for Mr. Campion to gather some beautiful crimson flowers by the roadside. It was midday and intensely hot. In his "On the Frontier" Mr. Campion tells a peculiar story of this flower picking experience.

I refused offers of assistance and went alone to pluck the flowers. After gathering a handful I noticed a large bed of plants knee high and of delicate form and a beautiful green shade. I walked to them, broke off a fine spray and placed it with the flowers.

To my amazement I saw that I had gathered a withered, shriveled, brownish weed. I threw it away, carefully

selected a large, bright green plant and plucked it. Again I had in my hand a bunch of withered leaves.

It flashed through my mind that a sudden attack of Panama fever, which was very prevalent and much talked of, had struck me delirious.

I went "off my head" from fright. In a panic I threw the flowers down and was about to run to the train. I looked around. Nothing seemed strange. I felt my pulse. All right. I was in a perspiration, but the heat would have made a lizard perspire.

Then I noticed that the plants where I stood seemed shrunken and wilted. Carefully I put my finger on a fresh branch. Instantly the leaves shrank and began to change color. I had been frightened by sensitive plants.

THE DEAD IS ALIVE WHO GETS SPOONS?

ALBERT JOHNSON NOT DROWNED IN 1898.

Disappeared and His Wife Has Married Again.

Albert C. Johnson who was reported in these columns in 1898 as having been drowned in the Red river, Texas, while swimming, is very much alive and according to reports in the daily papers has created a great deal of excitement by confronting his wife who was married to Ben T. Duval, Jr., at Fort Smith, Ark., a few days ago. As Johnson and Mrs. Johnson Duval are both well known here and as the report of the so-called drowning was published by us in good faith, we append hereto the account of Fort Smith affair as it appears in the New York World: Fort Smith, Ark. Jan. 26.—Ben T. Duval, Jr., a prominent business man, and Mrs. Jennie J. Johnson were married here a week ago.

Mrs. Duval was born in Genesee County, N. Y., thirty-two years ago. In 1897 she was married to Charles C. Johnson in Michigan, whither she had removed with her parents. She said yesterday that in 1898 her husband left her to go Joplin and that she never heard from him again until she received affidavits that he had been drowned in the Red river, Texas. She continued:

"I presented the affidavits to the order of the Maccabees for \$2,000 insurance. The three years required before payment in such cases has nearly elapsed. I don't believe this St. Louis man is my husband."

The "St. Louis man" is Albert L. Johnson. He arrived in St. Louis a few days ago and said that he wanted to find his wife, who, he said, had collected his life insurance on a false report of his death. He believed that she was in Belding, Mich., but a talk over the long-distance telephone convinced him that he was conversing with another Mrs. Johnson. Then he heard of Mr. Duval's bride and sent his photograph here for identification. When it arrived to-day Mrs. Duval was not at home, but her mother said it was a portrait of Mrs. Duval's first husband, Johnson, whom they had all thought was dead.

When Mrs. Duval first heard of the "St. Louis man" she regarded the matter as a joke, but last evening she took a more serious view. It is probable that she will appeal to the courts to straighten out matters.

Johnson on His Way to Interview Mr. and Mrs. Duval.

St. Louis, Jan. 26.—Albert L. Johnson left to-night for Fort Smith determined to interview Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Duval, jr. Johnson, who has recently returned from Brazil, said before he left for Fort Smith:

"I have considered the case in every phrase and I think I know exactly what to do. Confident of this, I shall face my wife just as soon as the train can put me in Fort Smith.

"Everything seems gloomy for me now. For many months—so many that they make years—I have looked forward to the time when I should be united to my wife and we should go together to the new country where rich mines would yield up their gold to my strong arm. By this hope I have lived and borne adversity with a willing heart. Now, it is all ashes."

Johnson said that he and Jennie Josephine Lounsbury were married Jan. 11, 1897, after an acquaintance of six months and that the families of both were well-to-do. He says that they were married in another town than that in which they lived and that the clergyman mistakenly wrote his name "Charles" instead of "Albert" in the marriage certificate.

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FIRST WEEK'S VOTE ON THE AWARD.

Contest Starts out with 18 Ladies Named.

Lowell, Jan. 31, 1901

I have this day counted the ballots in the Ledger voting contest and find the result thus far as follows:

Mrs. F. Flanigan	130
Mrs. R. B. Boylan	111
Miss Ella Wiley	109
Mrs. O. C. McDannell	85
" William G. Sayles	55
" Hannah Monks	52
" Amanda Gibbs	52
" M. M. Perry	4
" R. W. Graham	3
" John Bergin	3
" M. C. Greene	3
" J. W. McAllister	3
" W. S. Godfrey	3
" W. A. Watts	3
" Benj. Morse	3
" C. C. Winegar	2
Miss Anna Maynard	2
Mrs. M. C. Griswold	2
" D. B. Davidson	4
Miss Myrtie Taylor	1
Mrs. Lou E. Lampman	2
" Dan Bush	3
" Eugene Lee	2
" Jud Tinkler	2

J. S. Hooker, Com.

LIVELY BARRY ROW.

Forces of Two Freeport Factories Clash over Machinery.

Hastings, Mich., Jan. 25.—Members of the Michigan Cutter company and Fox & Sons of Freeport got into a fight yesterday which has resulted in one man being seriously injured and three men being arrested.

It seems that Fox & Sons own a two-thirds interest in the cutter concern and were using some of its machinery in the Fox factory, claiming the right to use it until February 1. The cutter people denied this and A. S. Montague, George Phillips, A. M. Carver and his son, of the cutter force, went to the Fox factory to get the machinery. Zogonyi Fox objected and a fight ensued in which Mr. Fox was knocked down with a table leg and received several small other injuries, said to have been afflicted by wrenches.

His employees rushed to his assistance, but were held at bay by revolvers and razors, it is claimed. The machinery was removed and a final settlement will be made in courts. Montague, Phillips, and he two Carvers were arrested.—Evening Press, Jan. 25.

RURAL ROUTE NO. 2.

Lowell to be Favored with Another Rural Mail Route.

Postmaster Quick informs us that another rural mail route out of Lowell has been projected, laid out and approved of; and its opening may be expected in the near future.

The following is the line to be covered:

West from Lowell postoffice to Cascade, south to Seeley's corners, east to L. J. Post's, south to the cheese factory, west to town line, south one mile, east to Sweet's corners, north to Kinyon's east 1/2 mile, north to village over upper bridge.

John B. Hawk will be the carrier.

Miss Atkins Died This Morning.

Miss Fanny Atkins died this morning at 8:30. Funeral services will be held at the M. E. church Saturday at 2 p. m.

Mrs. M. J. Kopf and grand-daughter, Mary Bangs, visited W. S. Fox and family over Sunday.

Just a Word About COAL

GENUINE Jackson Hill, the best soft coal on the market.
Langston Anthracite, no better hard coal mined.
Canuel Coal, burns longer than soft coal.

Spraker & Cambell.

Special Sewing Machines Sale of



For 30 Days Only

I will offer some bargains in High-grade Sewing Machines. Call and see the new styles of Cabinet and Drop-head Machines. Also some extra good Second hand Sewing Machines very cheap.

Best oil and all kinds of needles always on hand.

R. D. STOCKING.

COMING Saturday, February 9th

One Hour Special Sale

8 to 9 o'clock, a. m.	Special Sale on	Suspenders
9 to 10 " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Hosiery
10 to 11 " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Shirts
11 to 12 " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Neckwear
12 to 1 " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Collars and Cuffs
1 to 2 " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Knee Pant Suits & Pants
2 to 3 " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Telescopes
3 to 4 " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Clothing
4 to 5 " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Gloves and Mittens
5 to 6 " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Hats and Caps
6 to 7 " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Handkerchiefs
7 to 8 " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Underwear
8 to 9 " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Odd Vests and Pants
9 to 10 " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Overalls and Jackets

Goods will be delivered to any part of the city free of charge. We respectfully invite you all to call. Remember the date, Saturday, Feb. 2nd, for one day only.

CHAS. ALTHEN

SPECIAL DRESS GOODS SALE

February 2nd to February 9th

All grades of Dress Goods in my Stock—from a Calico to a Silk or Satin and all Wrappers. Ready made Dress Skirts, Walking Shirts, Shirt Waists, etc., will be greatly reduced during the above dates. I have a line of highly finished goods, just the thing for spring—Solis, Prunellas, etc., that I shall put into this sale.

Old Stone Stand.

J. B. NICHOLSON.

Lowell, Mich.

THE LIFE CONVICTS

Some Interesting Figures Concerning Them at Jackson.

THE AVERAGE TERMS SERVED

They Number 311 and Were Sent There in 1838—Oldest Served 43 Years—A Bill to Establish the Berrillon System.

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 28.—In view of the recent agitation of the question of pardons, which was precipitated by the wholesale use of the pardoning power by Gov. Pingree during the closing days of his term, it will be interesting to note the average term served by life convicts...

During the 62 years mentioned there have been 311 life convicts received at the prison. The average time served by these 311 convicts was nine years, three months and 20 days.

Of the 311 life convicts received at Jackson prison, 218, or 70 per cent, were sentenced for murder, first degree; 23 for murder, second degree; 12 for assault with intent to murder; 10 for arson, 4 for rape, 1 for felonious assault, 7 for robbery, and 7 for burglary and assault, 5 for attempt to murder.

The longest term served by any one life prisoner was 43 years, three months and two days. This was served by John Mark, colored, sentenced from Wayne county Nov. 20, 1848, for murder in the first degree.

There have been received at Jackson prison 18 female life prisoners. Fourteen of these were sentenced for the first degree murder, and one each for arson and attempt to murder.

Michigan's Birthday. Washington, Jan. 28.—The annual dinner of the Michigan Association of Washington was held Saturday night at Raucher's cafe...

Killed Himself. Battle Creek, Mich., Jan. 25.—Theodore Barnes, aged 50, who had charge of the dining cars of the Grand Trunk road, shot himself through the heart Thursday forenoon.

BEN COLVIN DEAD

Well Known Saginaw County Character Passed Away.

Saginaw, Mich., Jan. 25.—Ben Colvin, well known all over the state as "Uncle Ben," died at 4 o'clock Thursday morning at his home near Brant...

He was born in Cayuga county, New York, Aug. 2, 1817. His paternal ancestors were Scotch, and "Uncle Ben" was noted for the sturdy, uncompromising characteristics of that race.

He was always active in public affairs. He was high way commissioner and justice of the peace from 1857 to 1859. In 1852 and 1854 he ran for congress on the greenback ticket, but was defeated.

He leaves a widow and four daughters, Mrs. B. J. Webb, Mrs. J. Jennings, Mrs. Wm. Curtis, and Mrs. Jas. Aylward, all of Brant. There are 16 grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Died of His Injuries. Detroit, Mich., Jan. 25.—Solomon Brown, aged man, who was run over by a railroad train at Plymouth on Jan. 3 last, died at St. Mary's hospital Saturday night.

Disease in Michigan. Lansing, Mich., Jan. 24.—Reports to the state board of health by representative physicians in active general practice in different parts of the state indicate that influenza, bronchitis, neuralgia, rheumatism and tonillitis, in the order named, caused most sickness in Michigan during the past week.

Fugitive Captured. Jackson, Miss., Jan. 24.—Gov. Long received a telegram Wednesday afternoon signed by Gov. Blinn, releasing Charles A. Bailey, of Wayne county, charged with murder.

Three Pardons at Jackson. Jackson, Mich., Jan. 24.—Three pardon papers arrived at the prison Wednesday afternoon signed by Gov. Blinn, releasing Charles A. Bailey, of Wayne county, charged with murder.

Neck Broken. Gladston, Mich., Jan. 25.—Wm. McDonald, an employe of the Northwestern Co., was killed Thursday while unloading logs at the mill track.

SUMMARY OF NEWS

Happenings of the World Briefly and tersely Told

MONDAY.

Gus Rubin has gone into training near Cincinnati for his fight with Jeffries, which is scheduled to take place in that city Feb. 15.

Emperor William, of Germany, has been appointed a field marshal of the British army and is said to be delighted with his new office.

The ice gave way on a pond in Brooklyn by which 10 skaters—men, women and children—were precipitated into the water.

It is reported that the Bavarian one hundred million mark loan has been several times subscribed.

Signor Giuseppe Verdi, the celebrated Italian composer, is very ill from congestion of the brain, and it is believed cannot recover.

C. P. W. Neely, charged with embezzlement, has been surrendered to the Cuban authorities and is expected to depart for Cuba Thursday.

Queen Victoria, who rallied Wednesday night, died at 8:30 p. m. London time, about noon American time.

President McKinley has received 17 applications for pardon and has granted three applications, remitted one fine and commuted three terms in prison.

ITALY IN MOURNING

Over the Death of the Famous Composer, Verdi

CONDOLNCE FROM THE KING

Theater, Pleasure Resorts and Stores Closed—Eulogies in the Senate—Verdi's Will Asks That the Funeral Be Very Modest.

Milan, Jan. 28.—Although preceded by a struggle for life that lasted two days, Verdi's death when it came was suddenly attacked by the salmon-typhoid fever.

King Victor Emmanuel sent to the emperor a telegram of condolence on behalf of himself and Queen Helena, saying:

Compliments are reaching the war department from officers and men in the Philippines because of the delay of the payment of their salaries.

The Rhode Island state senate has adopted a resolution honoring Rhode Island's representatives in congress for their appropriation for raising the honorarium of the Rhode Island's representatives in congress.

The Choctaw and Pittsburg flyer jumped the track at Gladston, near Pittsburg. The engine was quite seriously injured but none of the passengers were hurt.

Parished in Hurricane. Trondheim, Norway, January 25.—Thirty-five persons, having been struck by the hurricane, have been parished in the town of Bristow.

Eight Hour Law Passed. St. Paul, Jan. 25.—The house unanimously passed the eight-hour law, which reduces the work day of men employed in mines, smelters and contractors to eight hours.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

- D. C. MC DANNELL, M. D. Physician and Surgeon. Office, 48 Bridge street, Lowell, Mich.
- M. G. GREENE, M. D. Physician and Surgeon. Office over Boyler's store, Bridge street, Lowell, Mich.
- G. G. TOWSEY, M. D., D. E. T. A. CHIR. Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat. Office Graham Block, Lowell, Mich.
- E. A. HODGEE, D. D. S. Dentist. Successor to Rickert Lowell, Mich.
- S. P. HICKS. Loans, Collections, Real Estate and Insurance. Lowell, Mich.
- E. N. CAMPBELL, INSURANCE, LOANS! Notary Public, Real Estate Agent and Collector. Over Boyler's store, Lowell.
- MILTON M. PERRY. Attorney and Counselor at Law, Train's Bldg. Block, Lowell, Mich.
- EDWARD O. MAINS, ATTORNEY AT LAW. Office in Train's Opera House Block, LOWELL, MICH.
- E. CAMPBELL, DENTIST. Over Boyler's store.
- FOR FIRE INSURANCE! CALL ON F. D. EDDY & CO.
- PLAZA HOTEL. Fronting Monroe Street and the Parks. GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.
- DEWEY & IRISH, PROP.
- LOWELL STEAM LAUNDRY. Work done in the most up-to-date and best guaranteeing way.
- LOWELL STEAM LAUNDRY. Brookway & Winans, Props.
- News from Gold Fields. Victoria, B. C., Jan. 24.—Arrivals from Cottage City report another big strike at the head of the Klaukwine, causing a big stampede from Nome.
- Steamer Disabled. Kingston, Jamaica, Jan. 24.—The Hamburg-American line steamer Christiania, Capt. Loft, which sailed from Vera Cruz Jan. 4, from Hamburg by way of Havana and other ports, has been towed in here by the British steamer March, Capt. Bell, which left St. Vincent, C. V., Jan. 9, for New Orleans. The Christiania broke her shaft during the voyage and became disabled and was found drifting by the March.
- To Resume Work. Newcastle, Pa., Jan. 28.—The rail, wire and rod mills of this city, controlled by the American Steel & Wire Co., have received orders to resume work as soon as possible.
- Judgment Against Alford. New York, Jan. 24.—A judgment for \$600,017 was entered Wednesday against Cornelius L. Alford, Jr., of the first National bank. This judgment is for moneys embezzled and misappropriated between Jan. 1, 1895, and Oct. 31, 1898.
- More Hazing Investigation. Washington, Jan. 25.—Representative Sherman of New York Thursday introduced a resolution which referred to the naval committee, providing for the appointment of a select committee of five members of the house to investigate hazing at the naval academy at Annapolis.

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MARKS' GREAT MAKE ROOM UNLOADING SALE

For 20 Days Only, Commencing, Saturday, Feb. 2 Not "1-4 Off" or "1-2 Off" But ALL OFF

Marks is going to the Clothing Markets to purchase his Mammoth Spring Stock and must make room and the tables and shelves must be emptied.

Dress Overcoats: 16 Blue and Black Union Beaver and imitation of Oxford, well lined throughout, velvet collar. Regular price \$7.00, \$7.50. For this all off sale 4.45

Men's Furnishings: 10 Irish frieze Ulsters, Farmer satin lined with large, warm collar. These are all extra sizes. Regular price \$11.50. For this all off sale 6.35

Jersey: 15 doz. men's heavy ribbed, fleeced lined shirts and drawers. Regular price 35c. For this all off sale 23c

Overshirts: 8 doz. Navy Blue overshirts, faced fronts heavy and warm. Regular price 50c. For this all off sale 35c

Men's Suits, Sack: 18 Blue and Black Union Beaver and imitation of Oxford, well lined throughout, velvet collar. Regular price \$12.00, 12.00. For this all off sale 6.90

Men's Suits, Sack: 20 Fancy strip suits, winter weight, well lined. Sizes from 38 to 44. Regular price \$7.00. For this all off sale 4.35

Overalls: 20 doz. extra heavy, fleeced lined shirts and drawers, plain brown and fancy stripe. Regular price 50c and 55c. For this all off sale 35c

Overalls: 15 doz. heavy shirts and drawers brown stripe. Regular price 25c. For this all off sale 18c

Uister Overcoats: 16 Light colored fancy dress coats half satin lined with satin sleeve linings, genuine silk velvet collar. A slicker. But they get no. No strong materials used. No rubbing to wear the goods. No yellow nor blue clothes but of the best white.

Men's Suits, Sack: 25 Black, Blue-black and Brown, Extra fine imported Korean half satin lined with Skinner's best satin, genuine silk velvet collar. Former price \$18.00, 90.00. For this all off sale 12.75

Overalls: 20 doz. 8 oz. Everet Denim overalls. Regular price 50c. For this all off sale 35c

Overalls: 20 doz. genuine mule skin gloves with Canvas backs. Regular price 95c. For this all off sale 15c

Do not neglect this great money-saving opportunity, a better one will never be presented; as these prices for honest goods cannot be duplicated in Kent County.

MARKS RUBEN 'OF COURSE' The Money Saver's Friend. Twenty-five Years in Lowell.

COTTON SALE

Commencing, Saturday, Feb. 2

Ending Saturday, February 9

This time it is cottons we are after with the lowest prices you ever heard of. Just the announcement of when we are going to have our sales is all that is necessary to fill our store with people who appreciate the advantages of getting into a large stock, where they have, from past experiences, come to know the prices are always the lowest. Our regular prices are lower than others usually make at what they call special sales.

Prints Go Too
All the best Fancy Prints We'll sell for 4c

They say we are foolish to sell stuff so cheap. Maybe we are but we like to.

A. W. WEEKES.

Lowell State Bank

Transacts a General Banking Business.

Buys and Sells

Government and High Grade Municipal Bonds.

Domestic Drafts

Available in all parts of the United States and Canada.

Foreign Drafts

Available in all Commercial Cities of the World.

Loans Money

On Real Estate, Mortgages, Approved Notes and Collaterals.

Extends to Hill

Fair and courteous treatment and every accommodation consistent with Sound Banking.

HOME NEWS.

See Oliver's Brownie adv. on page one.

Gee Whiz! Galloway mittens only 50c at Godfrey's.

M. N. Hine returned last week from his Georgia trip.

Born, January 27, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor, a daughter.

Mrs. Geo. E. Wilson is recovering from a very successful operation.

A copy of The Commoner can be seen at this office by those interested.

Stocking's orchestra will play for a ball at Freeport tomorrow (Friday) evening.

Miss Carrie Brown of Cascade spent Sunday with her friend, Miss J. C. Maynard.

Give the Columbian laundry a trial. Satisfaction guaranteed or no pay. Both phones.

Fire and burglar proof safe for sale. Good as new but too small for my use. U. B. Williams.

L. J. Post left Saturday morning for the "thumb" and is attending institutes at Harbor Beach, Crosswell and Vassar this week.

Among the Traverse jurors drawn for the March term of the Circuit Court are William Congdon of Lowell and Daniel E. Murray of Freeport.

Those voting in the spoon contest will place their votes in the ballot box at the foot of the stairway and not in the item box.

Mrs. Alma Barden, who has been caring for her sister, Mrs. Hilier for the past seven weeks, will return to her home at Reed City in a few days.

The output of The LEDGER's job department for January 1901 is a third greater than in January 1900 and twice as much as that of the same month 1899. "Straws show which way the wind blows."

Charles F. Lane, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Lane, was married last evening to Miss Alice Cowen at her home in Kalispel, Montana. Charlie, shall we get the "kid" band and serenade you?

Last Saturday Adria Cuddeback was very agreeably surprised when eleven of her little friends came to spend the afternoon with her. The time was passed in games and at 4 o'clock refreshments of cracker-jack, marshmallows and wafers were served.

Miss Anna Maynard was given a surprise party Monday evening, the occasion being her birthday. The home was well filled with enthusiastic friends who enjoyed the time with music, instrumental and vocal, conundrums and a good time generally. Refreshments were served. Rev. J. W. McAllister made a little speech and presented Miss Maynard with a beautiful gold watch chain in behalf of some of her friends. Several other valuable gifts were also bestowed upon her. Dr. Greene was called upon for some remarks and responded in his pleasing manner.

Cotton sale at Weekes'

Gee Whiz! Galloway mittens only 50c at Godfrey's.

Mrs. Peter White spent Friday in Grand Rapids.

Maccabees, attend special meeting Tuesday eve., Feb. 5.

Remember Frank Crane's lecture at Train's opera house, Feb. 18.

Nice, new Portland cutters for sale cheap. John Giles & Co.

Read our cotton adv. to see when our sale begins and ends.

A. W. Weekes.

The LEDGER office printed 2,000 half-sheet bills advertising Mark's "all off" sale Monday.

Ring up the Columbian, either phones, and they will call for your laundry. Three washings a week.

Quarterly meeting of the United Brethren church at the West Lowell school house Feb. 2 and 3. Services Sunday at 10 a. m. and 7 p. m. Rev. C. D. Jarvis P. E. E. J. Fleming, Pastor.

D. O. Denise and family have returned from Langston where they have been for the past year and are now living on his father's farm in Vergennes.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Tilden have announced the marriage of their daughter, Jessie L., to R. D. Bancroft, at their residence on Wednesday, Feb. 6th, at 7, p. m.

R. P. Waters has been employed by Major Breckenridge Viley of Midway, Kentucky, to superintend his thoroughbred horses, and left for the South yesterday.

John Sova, who was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Morse for horse stealing, was sentenced last Friday by Judge Wolcott to three years hard labor in the state prison at Jackson.

Wanted—To sell immediately one four year old Jersey milch cow, one two and one-fourth year old Jersey and Durham heifer and also a number of white plymouth rock leghorn fowls. Chas. H. Kopf.

Unclaimed letters at Lowell post-office for Norman Barker, J. J. Barnum, Joseph W. Oliver or Owen Livingston, Miss Effie M. Allen, Miss Mary Lott, Mrs. Nettie Miller, Mrs. Hester McCarty, Mrs. Sila Quiggle.

New material and mechanical appliances are being added to The LEDGER's job department this week. We are determined to take care of our growing business in this line.

The Young Ladies' band of the Congregational church will entertain with an experience social at the home of Lotta Ruben's Tuesday evening, February 5. All are invited.

The Congregational church is very neat and comfortable now, the late improvement, the new pews being a great one. Now when new windows are provided and a foot bridge built, the society ought to experience an era of unwonted prosperity.

Last Saturday was Emmitt Heffron's seventh birthday. He pleasantly entertained a number of his little friends from 2 until 6 o'clock. Refreshments were served and the little people each received a neat souvenir and went on their way rejoicing.—[Com.]

Dinner Sets

Fit to put on an Emperor's table and the price is low enough for all.

Lamps

That would add to the luxury to the palace of the Czar are to be found here.

Porcelain Ware

These dishes are only 10c each and cannot be excelled by any other for the same amount of money.

We can save you money. Come in and see.

Collar's Bazaar.

Old Sight and Old Age

Old age is a matter of years—Old Sight is a question of glasses.

If you find a difficulty in reading while for distance your sight is good, you require "old sight" glasses. Old sight usually shows itself at about forty.

A competent optician should be consulted. We guarantee satisfaction.



Who will get the teaspoons? We are up against cottons this time. A. W. Weekes.

First class house to rent. Apply to N. B. Blain.

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Mrs. Fullington of Cedar Springs visited friends in Lowell last week.

Mrs. Frank Jones of Kalamazoo is visiting his mother, Mrs. Joseph Jones.

Miss Dottie Buckley of Grand Rapids was the guest of Charles Hendershot last week.

Mrs. G. V. McConnell, who went to Rockford to care for her mother, has been seriously ill; but is better at this writing.

Harry Lee returned Tuesday from Lockport, N. Y., where his wife and son are visiting with Mrs. Lee's father.

Mrs. L. J. Howk joined her husband in Grand Rapids Saturday, and together they will visit friends a few days before leaving for their home in Kalamazoo.

Morgan-McMahon Wedding.

The marriage of Arthur McMahon and Miss Floy Morgan was solemnized Wednesday morning, Jan. 30th, at St. Andrew's cathedral, Grand Rapids. Miss Kathryn McMahon, sister of the groom, and Peter F. Roman acted as bride's maid and groom's man.

A reception was given in the evening at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Morgan, only the near relatives and friends being present. Mr. and Mrs. McMahon left for a short wedding trip, and will be "at home" to their friends after February 11th with Mrs. Morgan. The LEDGER extends hearty congratulations.

Republican Caucus.

The Republican electors of the township of Lowell will meet in caucus at the office of S. P. Hicks on Friday, February 8, 1901, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing 3 delegates to the County convention, called at Grand Rapids, Mich., February 13, 1900, also to nominate a County School commissioner to transact such other business as may properly come before said convention.

Lost Her Match.

Loren P. Merrill of Paris tells the story of the particular old woman, and he makes her a resident of Livernore. She was not only old, but she was of the worrying, fretting species of antiquity. She had fretted away her friends and relatives until she was at length living alone in a small house in the outskirts of the town. Just as she was retiring one bitter cold night she discovered that but one unlighted match remained in the house. She lay awake until almost daylight, worrying and disturbing herself with wondering if the match was good. At last she got up and hunted up the match and struck it to see if it would light her kindlings in the morning.—Lewiston (Me.) Journal.

THE DEAD IS ALIVE.

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tificate. Neither he nor his wife noticed the mistake until they had returned home from their wedding trip. Owing to the fact that the clergyman lived in another town they never had the certificate corrected, although they frequently talked of having it done.

"Several times after I had left Michigan my wife wrote to me that she was sorry that the name had not been written correctly," said Johnson in conclusion.

The Meeting at Fort Smith.

Fort Smith, Ark., Jan. 27—Albert C. Johnson, who arrived here to-day to claim the bride of Ben T. Duval jr., as his own wife, has sworn out a warrant for her arrest on the charge of bigamy. Johnson also declares that he and Mrs. Johnson-Duval were the principals in a scheme to defraud the Knights of Maccabees out of \$2,000 insurance on his life. There will be a hearing in court tomorrow on the bigamy charge.

Johnson and Mrs. Johnson-Duval, by arrangement, met in the Duval home this afternoon. Others present were Mrs. Adelaide J. Lounsbury, mother of Mrs. Johnson-Duval, Mrs. Florence Davies, a stenographer, J. F. Jamieson, City Attorney, and a close friend of Ben Duval, Sr. Elias Rector, a deputy sheriff; Dibbell Duval, younger brother of Ben Duval jr., and Ben Duval, uncle of the bridegroom.

Johnson entered the room with his head erect. Then he wheeled about and faced the woman whom he claims to have been seeking for many months. Mrs. Johnson-Duval met his eyes squarely and ejaculated: "That's the man." Then she took a seat upon a sofa and picked up a newspaper as if to read. But she was visibly nervous.

Ben Duval, jr., seeing the strain upon his wife, sat beside her, but Ben Duval, sr., considered that so long as Johnson was present the two should remain separate. Accordingly, at his uncle's suggestion, the nephew changed his seat. This left Johnson sitting directly opposite his wife, and he never removed his eyes from her face.

A long silence in which everybody present was visibly embarrassed, followed. Col. Ben Duval, sr., was the first to speak. He rose and said: "I suppose everybody present knows the object of this meeting. This lady (pointing to Mrs. Johnson-Duval) was married Jan. 17 to my nephew and this man, who has come from St. Louis (pointing to Johnson) claims that she is his wife."

"She is my wife," interrupted Johnson.

"This is a serious situation," continued Col. Duval, ignoring Johnson, and it must come to an end. I see no need at present for a long interview. First, let Mrs. Duval state whether this gentleman (pointing to Johnson) is her husband and then let Mr. Johnson state what he desires of her. She is free and can act without interference on the part of any member of the Duval family.

"My dear," continued Col. Duval addressing Mrs. Johnson-Duval, "is that man the Mr. Johnson whom you married?"

"He is the man I married in Orleans, Mich.," was the instant reply.

Then Johnson arose. "Yes," he said, "you married me on Jan. 11, 1896, in Michigan, and I now claim you as my wife. I have every regard for the young man whom you married and I think that when Mr. Duval and his family know what I know about you, my wife, they will thank me coming here. I now request a private interview with you." With these words Johnson stopped.

There was some argument among the Duvals, who opposed a private interview. Mrs. Johnson-Duval settled the matter. "I have no reason to see you in private. Nothing could be a secret between myself and the man I married in Fort Smith."

"Well, then, remember as I telegraphed you, said Johnson, "I have every letter you ever wrote me. You should know what that means. You refuse to accede to my requests or to acknowledge me. I have here

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Here are a Few Winter Specials.

Galloway Mittens 50c
7 Ulster Overcoats 1/4 price
Bargains on Dress Overcoats
7 Mackinaw Jackets going at \$1.75
45 Young Men's Suits at 1/4 price on bargain counter.
Fine Suits at lowest prices
Two of the best grades of woolen Socks you ever looked at for the price. One grade at 10c, the other grade 25c. These socks are bargains because I got the right price by having nerve to buy the quantity.

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two letters, one from A. W. Palmer, a general merchant of Orleans, Michigan.

"If you mention A. W. Palmer," interrupted Mrs. Johnson-Duval, "why don't you pay my mother the money you owe her?"

All recrimination was stopped by Col. Duval and the meeting was over.

Death of Mrs. Milo Hilier.

Julia C. Potter was born in McHenry county, Illinois, May 16, 1840. She came with her parents to Greenville, Michigan in 1849 where she lived and grew to womanhood.

On October, 2, 1861 she married Milo Hilier and moved to Libson near Grand Rapids. While living there two children, a girl and a boy, were born to them, who both died in infancy. After a residence there of two or three years, they came to Lowell, which has since been their home.

In 1865 she bought out the millinery store of Mrs. Worden Mason and from that time until the first day of last June she attended strictly to the business and even looked after the same until her return from Ann Arbor, only seven weeks before her death.

Mrs. Hilier had been in poor health for two or three years and for the past few months was a very great sufferer, but was unwilling to give up until forced to do so. On the 11th of November last, at the advice of her physician she went to Ann Arbor to consult medical advice but all that good care and medical aid could do was of no avail and on Thursday, Jan. 24, she was released from her sufferings.

Funeral services were held at the M. E. church, of which she has been a member many years, Saturday at 2:30 p. m., conducted by Rev. J. W. McAllister.

Mrs. Hilier was the eldest of seven children, and the three brothers and three sisters with the husband, survive her and were all present at the services. They are F. J. and Frank A. Potter of Greenville, Geo. F. Stanton, Alma L. Barden and Carrie Potter of Reed City and Effie Potter of this village.

First Need.

"What ten books would you take if you had to pass the rest of your life on a desert island?"

"Oh, I wouldn't take books at all; I'd take things to eat."—Exchange.

A federal union of vegetarian societies exists in London. London has a vegetarian hospital with 20 beds in connection with it.

Train's Opera House Friday and Saturday, Feb. 1 and 2.



Admission 10 and 20c. Reserved Seats 30c.

The LaVern Entertainment Co. will be at Train's hall Friday and Saturday, Feb. 1 and 2. Speaking of the entertainment recently given, the Freemont Indicator says:

"The Vera LaVern entertainment given here Monday night at the Auditorium should have been better attended as it was certainly a very creditable and clean entertainment. The dissolving scenes of the Boer war proved very interesting and entertaining, they being much more pleasing than the moving pictures. The act of Little Beanie and Mr. La Verne, followed by the cake-walk was assuredly one of the best parts of the program. 'The Black Art' closing the program, was one of the finest displays of magic ever witnessed here. The company also gave a good entertainment last night."

In addition to the regular big show they also have with them the great Roscoe who made such a good impression here some time ago.

The company will be at Train's opera house, Friday and Saturday Feb. 1 and 2.

This time we are after cotton.
A. W. Weekes.

THE LOWELL MARKET REPORT.

Wheat	75
Potatoes	30
Beans	1 25 1 75
Pork	6 25
Corn	40
Oats	25
Rye	45
Buckwheat per bu	50
Butter	1 1/2
Eggs	15
Apples per bu	75
Flour per cwt	2 00
Bran per ton	16 00
Middlings per ton	16 00
Corn meal per ton	20 00
Corn and oats per ton	20 00
Beef	5 00 6 00
Veal	6 00 7 00
Wool washed	20 25
Onions	20 25
Clover Seed	5 00 5 50