

THE LOWELL LEDGER.

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WHOLE NO. 404.

It Frequently Happens

That people who make individual loans are bothered in the collection of interest; that they often have difficulty in getting back the principal and sometimes lose it altogether. Those who deposit their money in this bank are not thus annoyed, for here they get their interest promptly every six months, and, better still, they have the satisfaction of feeling that their money is at all times safe and that the bank is prepared to pay back the principal when needed.

City Bank, Hill, Watts & Co.

Quick Meal We are Steel Ranges. Headquarters

The demand for Quick Meal Ranges is greater than the supply so we are compelled to postpone our sale to sometime in April.

for Sap Pans, Sap Pails, Sap Spouts, and Syrup Cans at prices that sell them.

Yours,

R. B. Boylan

YES Or NO



If you need glasses after our critical examination of your eyes we'll say so; and we'll say no just as quick if you don't. There are a good many people deciding the question for themselves, though, and that's dangerous. The critical examination costs nothing, but it's worth a great deal to you.

Any one can afford to wear our good glasses. The best lenses fitted to our frames after careful test are from \$1.00 up.

The People's Store,
The White Front.

A. D. OLIVER

CARPET SALE

COMMENCING

Saturday, Mar. 9

We shall offer for 10 days our entire stock of Carpets at Greatly reduced Prices.

We have a good Carpet for 20c per yard and better ones for 25c, 30c, 36c, 42c and a few pieces of All Wool Extra Supers to close out at 50c and 52c worth 60c.

This is your opportunity to secure a bargain.

N. B. BLAIN

LOWELL TO BELDING

ELECTRIC ROAD NOW PROPOSED.

Branch of Muskegon, Grand Rapids & Ionia.

Attorney Joseph Kerwin of Grand Rapids interviewed the Lowell Village council Monday evening with reference to obtaining a franchise for an electric railroad through this village.

The company represented by Mr. Kerwin propose building a road from Muskegon to Ionia via Grand Haven, Grand Rapids and Lowell. They claim that right-of-way is practically secured and that the money to build the road is available at any time. We understand that the Westinghouse Electric company furnishes the financial backing. If such is the case, it is ample.

Mr. Kerwin's company propose building a branch road from Lowell to Belding. Such a project would strike Lowell people more favorably than the proposed Grand Rapids and Belding line which was designed to pass us by, to the detriment of our trade from the north.

However, the council was not in position to do business with Mr. Kerwin, as it is bound to give Mr. Howard, to whom a franchise was granted last August, till May 1, in which to comply with the terms of his contract with the village. By the date named he is to acquire possession of the Lowell Water & Light property and be ready to convey the water system to the village for \$12,000. Monday evening, Mr. Howard telephoned to Trustee Watts that he was ready to carry out his part of the contract and asked that a committee meet him in Grand Rapids for the purpose of closing up the deal.

Here the matter rests at present; but it looks as if Lowell would get an electric road some time and somehow.

HIS SEVENTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

And What Happened to John R. White and Wife Upon It.

Through no fault of J. R., he had a birthday on the 14 inst. It was the seventieth occurrence thereof.

With malice aforethought thirty-five of his old time friends and relatives coming from all points of the compass swooped down upon the unsuspecting John and took possession of house and its belongings.

As soon as John comprehended the gravity of the situation he sur-rendered, which by the way he is not in the habit of doing and his guests had every thing their own way. A feast was spread which all enjoyed.

Old times were talked about, stories told and jokes cracked and everybody had a good time.

Before the gathering guests went away, Dexter G. Look with a few well timed remarks presented Mr. White with an elegant chair as a memento of the occasion. Other gifts were numerous.

In the evening, when men seventy years old should be smoking quietly and taking an occasional sip of cider, as no doubt John was doing, another invasion occurred, disturbing his meditations, making him hastily put on his shoes and get into his coat with a rapidity that would have been a credit to a man of fifty. This second invasion was made up of individuals who formerly had been engaged in foraging around hen coops, barn yards potato patches and sutler's tents, stealing blankets, hams, in fact anything they could carry off. They were aided and abetted by sundry women who seem to have great admiration for the men aforesaid and aid them in many of their undertakings. John immediately recognized them as kindred spirits and gave them a comrade's welcome.

Stories of camp and field, of the picket line, of battles and of comrades left on southern soil were told and retold.

Again the tables were spread and the old coffee coolers and the women aforesaid gathered around them and with many a jest proceeded to devour what was in front of them.

At the proper time John was told to stand up and Comrade D. O. Shear with well chosen words presented him with a beautiful willow rocker in behalf of the assembled guests.

At a late hour the boys and girls went home after wishing comrade and wife many more years of health and happiness.—[Com.

Another Vote Contest

YOUNG PEOPLE WANTED TO ENTER THE RACE.

A High Grade 1901 Bicycle the Prize This Time

THE LEDGER proposes to give a handsome high grade bicycle to the young person getting the most votes—contest to be conducted in a manner similar to our spoon contest.

We want a candidate—a young lady or gentleman, boy or girl, in each of the following townships: Lowell, Keene, Boston, Vergennes, Bowne, Grattan, Cannon and Ada. Candidates may also enter from other towns. Each candidate must agree to make a thorough canvass of his or her township for subscriptions to THE LEDGER. On our part we will pay each a liberal commission which will amply reimburse the workers for their efforts, giving a 52 vote coupon with each year's subscription. The candidate receiving the most votes will receive a high-grade 1901 bicycle.

The contest will not start unless a candidate is secured from each of the townships named.

For further particulars apply at this office.

Death of Mrs. R. J. Flanagan.

Died, at her home in this village, Wednesday, March 13, of pneumonia, Mrs. R. J. Flanagan. Funeral services were held at the residence Saturday afternoon, conducted by Rev. S. T. Morris, a large attendance of friends being present. Mrs. Flanagan was sick only a week but was taken so violently that all that medical skill and the best of nursing could do, could not restore her to health.

Hattie A. Lasby was born in Acton, Ont., April 17, 1854. Dec. 22, 1875, she married Robert J. Flanagan and they went directly to Detroit where they lived for two years, then removing to Ovid. After four years residence there they came to Lowell, which has since been their home.

Two children have been born to them, Charles, who died ten years ago at the age of eleven, and Erna now eight years of age. Besides this little daughter and the bereaved husband, Mrs. Flanagan leaves three brothers, four sisters, and other relatives and a host of friends.

Mrs. Flanagan was an active member of the Eastern Star which society attended the services in a body. Though not a member of the Congregational church she belonged to one of the bands of that society and took a great interest in church work.

New Books at the District Library

New books to the number of 111 were received at the school district library last week and are now ready for the public. Among them are numerous juvenile books including series by Adams and Alger. There are also a number of historical novels including: "The Maid of Maiden Lane" and "Remember the Alamo," by Amelia Barr. Some of the authors represented are: Stoddard, Monroe, Thompson, Ward, Sheldon, Rolt Barr, Wilcox, King and Riley. Among the books are: "Eben Holden," "Black Rock" and "Alice of Old Vincennes."

A new catalog is sadly needed.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to our neighbors and friends and to the people of Lowell in general who so kindly assisted us in our late sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hiler.
Nina and Harold Hiler.

Self-Supporting College Girls.

Every college girl and every girl that wants to go to college, should read the college notes in The Delineator regularly. The April number takes up the subject of working through college and shows how this can be done by scholarships and more original ways. In the Parisian letter of the same number are some words of advice to girls of artistic bent who go to Paris to study. These words mean "don't" unless fortified by uncommon strength of character.

Working 24 Hours a Day.

There's no rest for those tireless little workers—Dr. King's New Life Pills. Millions are always busy curing, Torpid Liver Jaundice, Biliaryness, Fever and Ague. They banish Sick Headache, drive out Malaria. Never gripe or weaken. Small, taste nice work wonders. Try the n. 25c at L. H. Hunt & Co.

Are You On One of the... Mail Routes

We Have Some Good Mail Boxes

A Steel one with lock, on a seven foot steel post and one without the lock, on post. Also Galvanized iron boxes with and without locks.

Come in and look at the samples. We have sold a good many for the route going south

Spraker & Cambell

Sewing Machines Going

To make room for Bicycles which will soon be in, I must reduce my large stock of Sewing Machines and in order to do so as soon as possible, I shall for a short time only offer inducements that will be a great money saving opportunity for anyone needing a fine Sewing Machine.

A few good second-hand ones going also very cheap.

CAUTION—As certain Chicago Department stores are offering imitations of some of the genuine makes I sell, I wish to call attention to this fact so that people will not confound one with the other.

R. D. STOCKING.

No Good Reason.

There is no good reason why the banking business of Lowell and vicinity should not be done at home. There are many good banking institutions throughout the state but our home institutions are on a par with the best. Attention is especially called to the City Bank of Hill, Watts & Co., and its management.

This institution is entitled to the favorable consideration of those who have funds to deposit.

A view of its history and a glance at the names of the copartners representing a capital of over \$100,000 is a sufficient guarantee that your interests will be safely guarded.

Its continual and rapid increase in business and number of depositors is taken as an indication that the public are pleased with their business methods.

The officers are pleased to extend every advantage consistent with good business.

Those who desire to start a savings account can do so with a deposit of \$1.00 and 3 per cent interest will be paid on the account compounded semi-annually.

You could not ask for better treatment than the City Bank will give you. Besides it is a safe bank. It is a strong bank, one of the strongest in the county, and in strength there is safety.

The Phila A. Clark W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Atwater on Tuesday, March 25 at 2:30. The following program will be given: Response at roll call with current events.

Music
Paper "The Religious Training of Children" Mrs. Davidson.
Recitation Mrs. Johnson.

Reading "The Influence of Food Upon Morality" Mrs. Painter.
Reading "The Influence of Thought" Mrs. John White
Music
Reading from Union Signal Mrs. Barrett.

Night Was Her Terror.

"I would cough nearly all night long," writes Mrs. Chas. Applegate, of Alexandria, Ind., and could hardly get any sleep. I had consumption so bad that if I walked a block I would cough frightfully and spit blood but when all other medicines failed, three \$1.00 bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery wholly cured me and I gained 58 pounds." It's absolutely guaranteed to cure Coughs, Colds, La Grippe, Bronchitis and all Throat and Lung Troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at L. H. Hunt & Co.'s drug store.

All kinds of canned fish at Mc Mahon Bros.

THE MEN'S CLUB

Of The Baptist Church, Lowell will Give a Baud? Tea—Also Coffee at Basement of Church Lowell, Friday Evening, March 22,

From 5 to 8 O'clock, P. M., or Until Provisions are Gone.

MENU.

This will be elaborate—composed principally of viands of various kinds that have never been eaten before.

DESSERT

Special attention will be given to this portion of the bill of fare. It will be anxiously waited for—by the guests.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES IN CHARGE.

These have been selected with great care and with especial reference to their anxiety to keep off the list.

Chief Promulgator - J. B. Nicholson
Dispenser of Angel Food - F. B. Oliver
Dispenser of Devil's Food - Claude Lane
Head Sawyer - T. H. Carter
Head Taster - L. J. Post
Assistant Taster - Chas. Wisner
His Royal Highness—The Butcher, -

Jas. Scott
Head Dish-washer - Frank White
Assistants: Tom Davidson, Harold Oliver, Will Winegar

Chief Potato Smasher - Roy Wheaton
Chief Smiler - S. P. Hicks
1st Assistant - N. B. Blain

2nd Assistant - D. B. Davidson
Guard of Dining Room - Benj. Morse
Empire of Dining Room, Theodore Mason

Head Extractor - Dr. Cambell
Official Printer - F. M. Johnson
Food Sampler - Geo. Parker

Coffee and Tea Maker - Arthur Moore
High Chief Ranger - Dwight Graham
Loyal Collector - W. H. Eddy

Crumb Gatherer - Dell Kinyon
Master of Water Bucket - Jay Carter
Master of Wood Box - J. W. Godfrey

Tooth Pick Circulator - Geo. Willard
Inspector of Pure Foods - Dr. Towley
Assistant - Porter Carr

Dispenser of Paregoric - Dr. Greene
Review of Compliments - Men
Chaplain - Rev. D. B. Davidson

Head Dispenser - Roy Wheaton
Assistant Waiters, Roy Chambers, Harry Fuller, Arthur White, F. B. Oliver, Jas. Scott, Earl Thomas, Geo. Sherman.

General Admission 15c.
All ladies are cordially invited to come to the Men's Supper and bring their appetites, their husbands and their bachelor friends.

Good (chin) music will be furnished by the Smilers.

WANTED

A good farm of about 160 acres or more suitable for general purposes or dairy farm. Must be in 1st class condition and good buildings in exchange for beautiful house in Grand Rapids. Large grounds, all kinds of fruit, fine grove, on nice avenue. Handy to street cars. Give details. Address DWIGHT BROOKS, Station F. Grand Rapids, Mich.

Peach TREES—Home Grown. Best Varieties. Large Stock. N. P. HUSTED & CO. Lowell, Mich. apr 11

FARMING IN W. TERN CANADA.

The Great Natural Fertility of the Soil in Manitoba, Assiniboia, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

What Has Been Done by Frontier Growers, Illinois? A Leading Farmer.

Hon. Thomas Greenway, Premier of the Province of Manitoba, one of the foremost farmers of Western Canada, writes an excellent article to the press, from which the following extracts are made:

The writer came to Manitoba from Ontario in the autumn of 1878, and has since been engaged in agricultural pursuits. From the day, nearly twenty-two years ago, when he selected his homestead, he has had abundant faith in the country as a place where farming can be successfully carried on, if pursued upon proper lines.

This fact is already being demonstrated in Manitoba. Let the farms in this Western country be managed upon the lines which were successful in the Eastern Province, and the crop can be done here in a given time that was ever done in the East.

The writer knows of no country that offers advantages so great to the agriculturist as does Manitoba. The various branches of farming can be carried on successfully, as twenty-two years of practical operations and observations have shown.

For information regarding free homestead lands, apply to any agent of the government whose advertisement appears elsewhere in these columns.

It is not what he has, nor even what he does, which expresses directly the worth of a man, but what he is.

Hollow Ash Hall

BY MARGARET BLOUNT.

THE week of her occupancy. Carpets were laid down, curtains unfurled, but in one, "the turret chamber," as it was called, though it was not built in turret fashion, Rose came upon a tangible relic of the past.

There was a large oaken cabinet, black with age. Its doors were open. As they approached it the setting sun broke over the turret chamber, and filled the whole apartment with a ruddy glow.

There were several tall ornaments in Venetian glass and gold upon the upper shelf. Upon the lower one lay a small yellow packet and a fragment of letter, long torn and crumpled.

"Poor little goose! I wonder where she and her lover are now? What is the girl doing? Is she married?"

"I knew you would like it," he kept repeating, as he rubbed his hands together, "and I have spared no expense in making it pleasant to you."

"I am glad to hear that," she said, "but I am not sure that I can do it. I am not sure that I can do it."

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HIS LIFE WORK IS DONE.

Ex-President Harrison Succumbs to Illness. Ben. Harrison died at his home in Indianapolis at 4:45 o'clock on the afternoon of the 13th without regaining consciousness.

"Good gracious, Rose!" exclaimed the old man, "I have done my life's work. What is it? Have you seen anything?"

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TESTING OF DIAMONDS.

How to Show Whether Specimen Stones Are Genuine. Although you may not be an expert in the balance against him.

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Resolutions of condolence, 50c.

GROVER CLEVELAND IS NOW the only living ex-president. Our public men do not last like former presidents.

One of Pingree's pardoned pets, turned loose, is being hunted during the closing days of the late governor's administration.

That Niles bank cashier got away with something like \$150,000. He should be a rattling good fellow and live on the fat of the land.

Prof. Irving of Lonsing, Mich., suffered terribly from neuralgia of the stomach and indigestion for fifteen years.

Wm. H. Anderson, Pres. John W. Black, V. Pres. John B. Seymore, Cash. L. Z. Cankin, Asst. Cash.



THE PAN-AMERICAN EXPOSITION AT BUFFALO

Continued from last week. The Pan-American Exposition was the first of its kind in the history of the world.

What Buffalo Has Done. This step having been taken and the first steps taken, the city has been successful in its efforts.

Architectural wonders. In its architectural qualities and outlines the Exposition is a masterpiece.

Buy Groceries Here One Month. and note the accumulated savings in your purse. Note the high quality of groceries we send you.

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Gray Hair Wanted Horses. We are headquarters for horses. All buyers come here. Put your horse on Exchange which means sure sale.

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PLAZA HOTEL. Fronting Monroe Street and the Parks GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

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HOME NEWS.

J. B. Nicholson has a good house to rent.
 Girl wanted for housework. Mrs. Orton Hill.
 Syrup cans for \$9.00 per 100 at Boylan's hardware store.
 Salmon, mackerel, trout and white fish in bulk or kits at McMahon Bros.
 Stocking's orchestra plays for a dance at Saranac Friday evening, March 22.
 Caledonia schools were closed last week on account of scarlet fever in two families.
 Miss Bertha Robinson of the Probate office spent Sunday with Lowell friends.
 Another fine line of commencement program samples just received at THE LEDGER office.
 Miss Helen King has returned to Lowell after an extended visit with friends in other parts.
 Miss Lula Anderson, daughter of the former pastor of the Baptist church, is visiting Lowell friends.
 W. A. Watts, who was laid up with the grip last week, is attending to business again at the City bank.
 A farm of 120 acres to rent for cash, 1/2 mile west of Free Methodist church, in Orleans.
 J. G. Johnson.
 Arthur M. Turner has accepted a position as traveling salesman with the Lowell Manufacturing Co.—[Tonia Standtred.
 Vergennes township Democrats will hold their caucus on Monday, March 25, instead of on the 26th as before announced.
 James McPherson returned last Friday from Milford, where he was called by the death of his half-brother, George B. Jones.
 Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Combs spent Sunday in Lowell, the guests of their daughter, Mrs. M. C. Griswold and husband.—[Middleville Sun.
 Verne McConnell, of Lowell, greeted his host of old friends here last Friday night and reports the furniture business good.—[Cedar Springs Clipper.
WANTED—A man with horse to act as salesman and collector in the territory of Lowell. I will be at Hotel Waverly, Monday, Mar. 25. [2w] Lew Smith.
 Greenville merchants are becoming good. Revival services were held in that town, and nearly eighty firms closed their stores at 7 p. m., in order to give their clerks a chance to attend the meetings.
 A. Bergy of Alto will have an auction sale of household goods, horses' carriages, etc., on Wednesday, March 27, at one o'clock p. m. See bills for particulars.
 A new baker struck town Monday at 3 a. m., and applied to Weldon Smith for employment. As he only weighs 9 lbs., Weldon thinks he will get out his own bread for the present and not rush the new hand. All doing well except Smith and he's stuck up worse than molasses.

Mrs. John Callier is improving.
 Oysters in bulk or cans at McMahon Bros.
 Wanted—25 cords of green wood. Yeiter & Wadsworth.
 Your money is as good as any body's at Godfrey's.
 Mrs. B. Needham went to Grand Rapids last Thursday.
 D. T. Bush and wife were in Grand Rapids Friday.
 Mrs. O. C. McDannell was in Grand Rapids last Thursday.
 Miss Ella Wiley returned from Grand Rapids last Friday.
 Mrs. Chas. McCarty made a trip to the Valley City Friday.
 Sunday and Monday were days of sunshine, the first in a dreary while.
 Try a package of Bell's Mocha and Java coffee. Sold by McMahon Bros.
 H. W. Smith and family have returned from a winter's sojourn in Boston.
 Mrs. Phil Althen is recovering from a severe attack of pleural pneumonia.

The Ladies Aid society will meet with Mrs. M. L. Bailey Thursday, March, 28.
 The pension of Mrs. Phebe Tate of Lowell has been increased to \$17 per month.
 Fred Barnes has moved his smithy to the old Bosworth stand on the west side.
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kreiger of Irving spent Saturday and Sunday with E. A. Smith and wife.
 Mrs. Walsh and daughter, Marguerite, returned Friday from a visit with Mrs. Stone of Alto.
 Wm. P. Perrine has sold his residence on the west side to E. D. McQueen, consideration \$1550.
 Lost—Lady's purse containing 2 bills and some silver. Finder leave at D. G. Look's and receive reward.
 Band No. 3 of the Congregational society will meet with Mrs. E. B. Crow next Wednesday, March 27.
 Joseph Lasby and Mrs. C. Nicklin both of Acton, Ont., brother and sister of deceased, Mrs. Ross of Fesforth and Arthur Flanagan of Parish, Ont., sister and nephew of Mrs. Flanagan and Miss Esma Lasby of Kalamazoo were in town last week, called here by the death of Mrs. R. J. Flanagan.
 The electric railroad which is to be built from Grand Rapids to Belding this summer will have to go over or under the Pere Marquette tracks at the latter place. Railroad Commissioner Osborn looked over the ground this week and positively refused to issue a permit for a grade crossing.
 There are some typographical errors that give the newspaper man fever heat under his collar. Last week we wrote something about the wind playing havoc with the POPULAR trees about town. The intelligent compositor set it up "POPULAR" and it was not discovered until everlastingly too late. This is only a sample of mistakes that will occur in spite of all we can do, and probably there worse surprises in store for us. If our readers can put up with it, the editor will try to endure it, providing only that these brilliant blunders are not charged to the latter's ignorance.
 Grand Rapids may justly feel proud of its newly remodeled National City bank, one of the solid institutions of the Furniture City. The business of the bank has grown very rapidly and at last expansion became a necessity. Money has not been spared to make the new quarters modern, convenient and attractive. The savings department is a new feature of the National City Bank. The directors having delayed adopting this branch of the business until all other banks had entered the field, now the National City enters the field with energy and its large capital and responsibility will support this step. Mr. Englewood, who has charge of this department, speaks several languages. Saving books will be issued and interest on deposits compounded at 3 per cent. Every convenience will be given customers in the savings and commercial departments.

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.



We make a specialty of teas and coffee. McMahon Bros.
 We have a few of those flannelette wrappes left to go at reduced prices. J. B. Nicholson.
 Master C. Vere Parks entertained about twenty-five of his young friends last Friday evening.
 Nicholson has a few jackets left to go at a low figure. Price is no object if we have your size.
 L. H. Hunt is grandpa again. It is a girl, born to Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Potter, March 20. All doing well.
 Miss Ina Findlay who is teaching at Grand Rapids, spent Saturday and Sunday with her mother and brother here.
 The Lowell W. C. T. U. will hold their annual meeting Friday, March 22, at the home of Mrs. Brower at 2:30 p. m.
 Irving A. Anderson, formerly of Lowell & Hastings, but now of Grand Rapids was shaking hands with Lowell friends Monday.
 Wanted—Shirtmakers, machine operators and even inexperienced hands at the Lowell Manufacturing company, Lowell.
 Rev. D. B. Davidson has been absent on business at Bellevue and Olivet this week. He says there is no scarlet fever in Olivet College.
 The young friends of Paul Gramer gave him a surprise party last week Wednesday evening, that being his birthday. Refreshments were served.
 Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Gulliford have returned to Mancelona, having been called here by the illness and death of the latter's father, A. S. Ford.
 Last Friday evening the young friends of Walter and Mollie Hunter gave them a surprise party. About sixteen couples participated. A dainty lunch was served.
 The Democrats of Lowell will meet in caucus in the Nash building formerly occupied by James Murphy on Tuesday, March 26 at 2 o'clock, p. m., for the nomination of township officers.
 Unclaimed letters at Lowell post-office for C. A. Beigle, E. A. Doyle, James Smith, Clinton Irving, Geo. Scollard, Standard Medicine Co., Thomas Morse, W. T. Murphy, Susias Hammond, Mrs. Delila Bretz, Mrs. Margaret Aisby, Mrs. Wjlbret Turner.
 The men of the Baptist church will serve a supper in the new basement dining room Friday evening, all the cooking and serving to be done by the men. We are positively assured that nothing in the bill of fare has ever been eaten before. See menu elsewhere.
 Marks Ruben was much pleased Tuesday to receive a photograph of his father who lives near St. Petersburg, Russia, and whom he has not seen for 36 years. The old gentleman is 87 years old and Marks has hopes of seeing him at the old country home some time in the not far distant future.

Farm to rent—160 acres. Enquire of Mrs. Edmund Lee.

The Boy's Union is expected to sing at the Congregational church next Sunday evening.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Claude Westbrook of Rhinelander, Wis., to Minnie Flory.

Orel Hendershott of Lowell and Dorothy Buckley of Grand Rapids but formerly of Lowell were married Monday evening.

Fruit prospects in this vicinity are very flattering at the present time for a heavy yield, if no unforeseen calamity befalls.

Friends of THE LEDGER having business at the Probate court will confer a favor upon the publisher by requesting the Judge to send the advertising to this paper.

The Pere Marquette railroad is beginning to deposit in North Greenville materials for its air line section between Greenville and Stanton on the Grand Rapids and Saginaw line. This looks as if work will begin when spring opens.

Some Lowell men are thinking strongly of starting a basket factory here; and we would not be surprised to see one in operation by June. This would be an enterprise worth encouraging, and we hope it will not be allowed to go by default. This year's home market alone would give the concern a fine start. Go it, boys, and pass the hat if you have to.

A stock company has been formed by Grand Rapids people who have bought the two water powers at Alaska and LaBarge, for the purpose of supplying electric light and power to Caledonia, Middleville and Hastings, they having secured an option on the present electric lighting plant in the latter city. The two water powers above mentioned are said to be among the best on the Thornapple.

The police of Lansing are looking for a new swindler who is abroad in the state. He is selling soap. "To introduce it," he sells 12 boxes in a place at \$1 a box and gives a premium rocker to be shipped in a week. He gets the \$1 for 15 cents' worth of soap and the rocker never puts in an appearance. Officers all over the state have been notified to look out for him.

A Marshall minister was walking along the street the other day when he saw a crowd of boys sitting in front of a ring with a small dog in the center. When he came up to them he put the following question: "What are you doing to the dog?" One of the little boys said: "Whoever tells the biggest lie wins him." "Oh," said the minister, "I am surprised at you little boys, for when I was a boy I never told lies." There was silence for a while until one of the boys shouted: "Hand him up the dog!"—[Belding News.

A Horrible Outbreak.
 "Of large sores on my little daughter's head developed into a case of scald head" writes C. D. Lebill of Morganton, Tenn., but Bucklen's Arnica Salve completely cured her. It's a guaranteed cure for Eczema, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Pimples, Sores, Ulcers and Piles. Only 35c at L. H. Hunt's & Co.

For Sale Cheap
 87 1/2 acres all improved, good buildings good water and fruit. One mile from Lowell.
 Also, two first-class stallions (Montgomery) Large and speedy.
 J. R. BUCHANAN.

The Sunday school will observe Easter Sunday.
 The Smyrna school will have a vacation next week.

Mrs. Henry Skellenger has been sick but is again well enough to ride out.
 Mrs. Charles Bignal, who has been dangerously ill, is improving. Little Gladys Ring is quite sick with fever.

Miss Cora Hoppough is visiting friends in Olivet.
 Albert Northway and wife visited her parents at Gowen last Friday.
 Miss Winnie Purdy has in her possession a bed quilt pieced by her grandmother, Mrs. Mary Kellogg, containing 11552 pieces. It is a beauty and is called the "Rising Sun."

Puny children with weak constitutions can attain an unusual degree of bodily and mental vigor by taking Rocky Mountain Tea this month made by the Madison Medicine Co. 35c Ask your druggist.

Cannonsburg

Mrs. Herrington entertained the Ladies Aid society last Thursday. Carpet rags was the work of the day. A nice carpet for the parsonage is in progress.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith of Clarksville are visiting friends in this vicinity.

George Hall and family of Grand Rapids have moved onto the farm owned by Willis Young and known as the Nesbitt farm.

Will Haug and his nephew, Lee Hartwell, of Marshall are visiting friends and relatives for a few days.

The Democrats of Cannon township nominated the following ticket March 15th: Supervisor, William Norman. Clerk, Gaylard Young. Treasurer, Dennis Bellows. Justice of Peace, James Bookley. Highway Commissioner, James Heffron. Member of Board of Review, W. Langhlin. Constables, James Heffron, Dennis Bellows, Helmer Schoonmaker and Charles Young.

Like Oliver Twist, children ask for more when given One Minute Cough Cure. Mothers endorse it highly for croup. It quickly cures all coughs and colds and every throat and lung trouble. It is a specific for grippe and asthma and has long been a well known remedy for whooping cough. L. H. Taft & Co.

Grattan vergennes

Dave Cooper, wife and son of Greenville visited at Charles Jakeway's Sunday.

Mrs. Waldo Francisco and son of Belding spent Saturday at Charles Jakeway's.

J. Morton of Oakfield called on Jack Malone last Saturday.

Maud Heeler and Gertie Slayton attended church at Parnell Sunday.

Erna McGarrety is visiting at John Gavin's.

Nina Grey of Smyrna attended Maecabe meeting at Alton last week Wednesday.

Quite a number from Grattan were out sleigh riding Sunday. They probably thought it would be the last of the season.

The sick are on the gain.
 Mrs. Vanderwoud and son, Yellow, spent Sunday with friends in Ada.

My heart and hand another claimed, His plea had come too late. It's ever thus with people without pluck and vim. Take Rocky Mountain Tea, don't get left again. Ask your druggist.

Vergennes Station-Alton

Willis Purdy has been having the grip. Legs are still being hauled to the Ring saw mill.

Mrs. Wingler has sold her immense herd of cows.

John Andrews is sick and under the doctor's care.

Jud Hapeman and wife of East Lowell visited his parents at J. Frost's last week Tuesday.

School closes March 22.
 Mrs. Sinclair is ill with the grip.
 Mr. and Mrs. Orla Weeks and Glen Ford visited at Ed Frosts in Keene last Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Fritchot of Bad Axe, Huron county, has been visiting here.

Mrs. Mattie Reynolds and son of South Lowell are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Eliza Sheridan of Maidstone, Canada, is visiting her aged mother, Mrs. Delaney, who is dangerously ill.

George Godfrey has rented Mrs. A. Brown's farm.

Fern Rennells is visiting in Keene.
 String school social at Water's school house Wednesday evening.
 Kittie Byrnes spent last week in Belding.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Flynn of Lowell were guests at M. McAndrews' several days last week.

St. Patrick's day was duly observed here. Green flags and badges were displayed.
 Mr. Wingler, we understand, will not make cheese this year.

When you are bilious, use those famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers to cleanse the liver and bowels. They never gripe. L. H. Taft & Co.

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Here are a few things 10c will buy
 Soup, Platters, Plates, Bowls, Cups and Saucers

Collar's Bazaar.

Removal Notice

I wish to announce that I have moved into the east store of the Pullen block where I shall be pleased to see my friends and customers.
 Yours truly,
WELDON SMITH.

FRUIT TREES

Apple, Peach, Pear, Plum, Cherry, Small Fruits, Ornamentals, etc., Standard sorts and improved new varieties of value.

Come and see us and we will please you in Quality, Variety and Price.
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THE LOWELL MARKET REPORT.

Wheat	67
Potatoes	25
Beans	1 25
Pork	6 00
Corn	40
Oats	26
Rye	45
Buckwheat per bu	45
Eggs	13
Apples per bu	2 00
Flour per cwt	30
Bran per ton	26 00
Middling per ton	16 00
Corn meal per ton	18 00
Corn and oats per ton	20
Beef	5 00
Veal	6 00
Wool washed	20
Onions	1 00
Clover Seed	5 00

Map-paper—New stock just received at the LEDGER OFFICE.

GEE WHIZ!

GODFREY

Has a fine line of new Spring Clothing, Hats and Furnishings