

THE LOWELL LEDGER.

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FIVE CENTS.

A
Dead Dollar

Is the one which you hide away,
which earns you nothing and which
is liable to turn up missing without
a moment's warning.

A Live Dollar

is one which you place in this bank where it is always
safe and always earning interest.

City Bank, Hill, Watts & Co.

A CANNING FACTORY

A \$6,800 STOCK COMPANY ORGANIZING.

Promoters Confident of Success. Work to Begin Immediately.

J. B. Silver, representing the Hastings Industrial Company of Chicago, is here obtaining subscriptions for the purpose of forming a stock company of Lowell business men, citizens and farmers to start a canning factory. Mr. Silver's company has put ten such factories in operation in Michigan one of which is at Eau Claire. Of this the Benton Harbor Palladium says:

"Mr. R. W. Reese, secretary of Eau Claire canning company, has just visited Chicago and other cities to place orders for their goods. Mr. Reese is well pleased with the first year's result of the factory and plans are already being made to enlarge its scope.

They put up \$17,500 worth of tomatoes this year and have shipped \$14,000 worth. They paid out \$3,500 for help and finished labeling up the last of their produce Saturday.

The company may put in some machinery for making catsup out of the pulp not used in canning, of which they threw away \$500 worth early in the spring before they got around to barrel and ship it to the factories of the East. The catsup could just as well be made in Eau Claire as in Wheeling, West Virginia. The Eau Claire factory spoiled but few cans in processing this year and they learned a whole lot of things about canning that will be valuable to them next year.

The success of the Eau Claire factory brings up anew the old question why fruit and vegetables raised so plentifully in this region cannot be canned and bottled and juggled and packaged and otherwise put into condensed and keepable and transportable shape to a greater extent instead of being dumped in raw state on the market in such quantities that at times it hardly pays the grower a fair profit. There is money for somebody in forty kinds of factories that might be established in this vicinity."

The project for Lowell is the same as that successfully executed in other places. The factory completed and ready for operation will cost \$6,800. It is proposed to organize a stock company with 68 shares at \$100 each, one half will be payable on completion of the factory. The Industrial company furnishes a man with twenty years experience to take charge of the work during the first season and give necessary instruction to the local foreman. The stockholders choose a manager to suit themselves. The promoters ask no bonus but a site and a well of water, being satisfied with a ten per cent profit on the deal. They promise to buy all their building material and labor here, bringing only one man to superintend the building.

J. C. Train headed the subscription list taking five shares; and N. B. Carpenter, of Ganges and Charles E. Carpenter of Grand Rapids, who have charge of raising the subscription, are confident that the required amount will be soon subscribed. Building operations will commence immediately after the taking of the stock.

Wanted at once 100 bushel shell-bark hickory nuts.
John Giles & Co.

Fancy figs, dates, oranges and mixed nuts for Thanksgiving at VanDyke's.

C. O. Lawrence has a new crate of 100 piece decorated dinner sets, English ware, new shapes just in. Cheap at \$10.00 to sell for \$8.50

A PARNELL WEDDING.

Johanna Abraham and Garrett Downes in St. Patrick's Church.

At 9 o'clock Tuesday morning November 19th the marriage of Miss Johanna F. Abraham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Abraham, and Garrett Downes, son of Michael and Hannah Downes, took place at St. Patrick's church, Parnell where were gathered a large number of friends and relatives of the contracting parties.

Miss Teresa McCauley, organist of St. Patrick's church, rendered the wedding march as the bridal party neared the altar, led by Miss Cathryn Carey as bride's maid and Edward Downes as best man, where they were united in wedlock by Rev. Father Byrne. The bride was prettily attired in a handsome gown of white silk and carried white roses. The bridesmaid's gown was of pink abtross over shadowed silk and carried pink carnations.

Immediately after the ceremony the couple repaired to the home of the bride's father where a bountiful repast was served to sixty guests, only the immediate relatives being present. The tables were beautifully decorated with pink and white, and the dinner was served by four young ladies; Jennie Byrne, Hannah Downes, Helena Roach and Laura McCarthy, who were dressed in white over blue.

The presents were numerous and beautiful, among them being one-hundred dollars in money.

The guests from abroad were Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Byrne and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Murphy and Miss Bertha Carey, all of Grand Rapids. The happy couple have the best wishes of their many friends.—[Com.]

Death of William Pottruff.

William H. Pottruff was born in Vergennes, May 2, 1877. He died at his home in Fallsburg Nov. 23, 1901.

Only a year ago on Nov. 29, 1900 he was united in marriage to Miss Mina Lillie, and to them was given a little daughter.

William was a very industrious, hard working young man, always honest in his deal. It has been said of him by those who knew him best "His word was as good as his bond." He was also free from bad habits and surely, such a man is a credit to the community in which he lives. He will be greatly missed by those with whom he associated, and the bereaved wife has the sympathy of all in her sad affliction.

Besides the young companion and sweet little daughter, he leaves a father, mother, one brother, three sisters and a host of other relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

Funeral services were held in Fallsburg, Monday, Nov. 25, Rev. J. H. Westbrook officiating.

Com.

Francisco Near San Francisco.

Los Angeles, Nov. 17, 1901.

Mr. Johnson:
Dear Sir:—I thought I would write a few lines to let my friends know where and how we are.

We are in the land of flowers and sunshine, mountains and worthless land included, there being most of the latter. The climate is too nice to explain, and I can only say it makes me think of nice May weather. Hundreds of people in the parks, about half in the shade, the rest in the sunshine.

We have had a nice trip except for hard colds that are better now.

Now, Mr. Johnson, you may publish this if you want to, but the most I want is for you to send my LOWELL LEDGER to San Diego, Cal. and oblige

Chas. E. Francisco.

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

TO HEAT A ROOM WITHOUT COST FOR FUEL...

Would be true economy, and this is the way it is done. Put an

Independent Radiator

in a sitting room, bed room, or bath room, up stairs, and it will heat any of them without the cost of a single penny for fuel.

Scott & Cambell.



Guns

...and...

Ammunition

...cheap at...

Stocking's

Finest and most complete stock of Guns ever seen in Lowell

Good Single Barrel Shot Guns \$5.00 to \$7.50

Good Double Hammer Guns \$10.00 to \$18.00

Hammerless Guns \$25.00 to \$60.00

Rifles \$2.50 up.

in all the best standard makes—loaded and unloaded—including black, smokeless and semi-smokeless. Prices lower than any competition.

For long range shooting, try our Semi-Smokeless loads, only 50¢ a box.

Special Sale

—OF—

Clothing and Gent's Furnishings

at Pullen's

Call To-Day.

All Men's and Boys' Suits and Overcoats cut from 20 to 30 per cent.

All Underwear, Gloves, Mittens and Furnishing Goods reduced 10 to 20 per cent for this Great Sale.

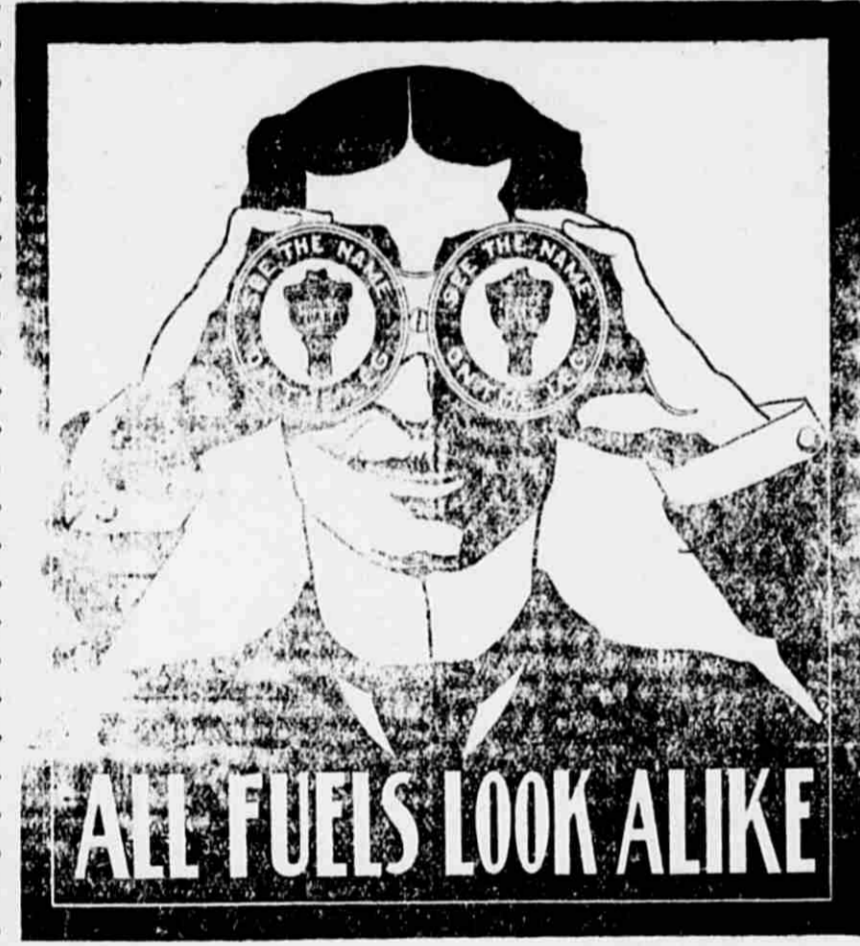
See our Men's All Wool Suits at \$3.75.
See our Men's All Wool Grey Overcoat at \$4.88
See our Camel Hair Shirts and Drawers at 25¢

A great opportunity to save money.

The one price clothier,

W. W. Pullen.

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ALL FUELS LOOK ALIKE

The new patent device in the Round Oak stove for 1901 makes it without any question the most perfect and durable stove in the market. It will burn all kinds of fuel, burning all the gas and smoke, thereby saving one-third of the coal bill. Would be pleased to have the people call and examine this wonderful invention.

R. B. BOYLAN.

The Holidays are Approaching

and we have been preparing for them for sometime past—laying in the largest and best selected stock of

*Watches, Clocks,
Jewelry, Silverware, Chinaware, etc.,
Kodaks and supplies,*

that can be found in Kent county and at prices that will stretch your dollars double their present capacity. Come in and look them over, make your selections and we will lay them aside for you until the proper time arrives for their distribution.

The White Front,
The Peoples' Store.

A. D. Oliver.

Be sure and see our Hycianth Vases.

How about Your Linens for Thanksgiving?

This is the season of the year when every housewife takes an inventory of her stock of table linens. Turkey and cranberry sauce are essentials for a Thanksgiving dinner, but along with these, beautiful table cloths and napkins add to the satisfaction of every hostess. We have just received a beautiful assortment of table linens—cloths with napkins to match which we shall offer to our customers during the coming week at a very low figure. We did not buy the cheapest thing we could find in order to quote a low price, but on same quality of goods we invite comparison in prices. We believe the best goods are none too good for our customers.

White Goods

You will find at our store a full assortment of stamped goods. Educate the girls to use their own hands in preparing Christmas gifts. They will not only profit thereby, but such gifts are more precious to friends. We have just received a new line of cut pieces in the way of Shams, Scarfs and stand covers. All prices and qualities.

Raglans, Automobiles, Jackets and Furs!

Right from the best markets of the world. We have a late shipment of 57 in Raglan Oxforde, 42in Automobile, 27in Jackets and fine, long, black Fur Boas. What is a nicer gift than a Fur Boa? Don't buy a cheap one, buy a long, bushy one that is not only stylish and practical but at the same time durable. We have the best \$3 00 and \$5 00 Boas in the market. Splendid Holiday Gifts

Opera Shawls, Fascinators and Golf Gloves
All Prices, all shades, all styles and all wool.

J. B. NICHOLSON,

Lowell,

Mich.

CASTRO PLANS TO WIPE OUT FIVE

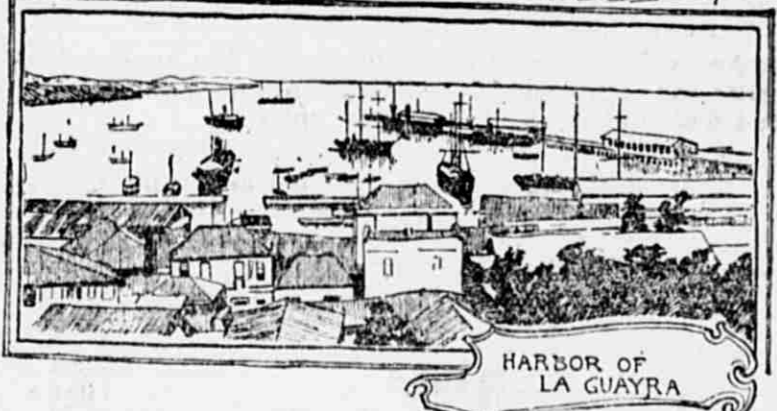
REPUBLICS



CIPRIANO CASTRO
PRESIDENT OF VENEZUELA



AN ORINOCO
RIVER BOAT



HARBOR OF
LA GUAYRA

Few people in this country realize the magnitude of the ambition of President Castro of Venezuela, an ambition in which he is supported by his own party in the country of which he is the chief executive and by a large and active party in Colombia and Ecuador. It is nothing less than the re-erecting of the old republic of Colombia formed by Simon Bolivar, the Liberator, which consisted of the countries now known as Venezuela, Ecuador and Colombia. That accomplished, it would be a logical step in the advancement of his ambition to seek to add to the reconstructed nation Peru and Bolivia, as Bolivar sought to do, and in which he almost succeeded, being for a considerable time not only president of Colombia, but the arbiter of the affairs of those two nations. This would mean the formation, in place of five weak, discordant, belligerent and turbulent countries, of a nation with a population of between thirteen and fourteen millions and an area nearly as large as that of the United States, exclusive of Alaska.

It would be larger than the Russian empire in Europe, larger by about 2,000,000 square miles than the German and Austrian empire or the republic of France, and nearly two-thirds the size of Europe. In population it would be equal to European Turkey, the kingdoms of Servia and Roumania and the principality of Bulgaria taken together. Its boundaries would be almost coincident with the territory reigned over by the Incas and their tributary princes at the height of the power of the ancient Peruvian empire. It would have a coast line of 5,800 miles, of which 3,000 are on the Atlantic and the Caribbean sea and the remainder on the Pacific. Venezuela alone has a coast line of 2,000 miles, with thirty-two natural harbors and fifty bays. The rebuilt nation would be the third power on the Western continent in point of area and population, the United States being the first and Brazil the second.

The natural resources, as yet developed hardly at all, of the lands comprised within the boundaries of the contemplated republic are immense and varied and under a stable government the nation would be one which would afford opportunities for the working out of the best destinies of the Latin race in the Western World, and would be a power strong enough to defy foreign aggression from any European quarter whatsoever. The projected Pan-American railway would run through the heart of this nation, and, with its branch lines, would connect with the Pacific ocean on the west and the Caribbean sea on the north, thus hastening the material and social development of the country and vastly increasing its commercial importance.

It will be seen that it is with no mean ambition that President Castro is credited. At present the agitation for a union of the separated nations does not amount to a sentiment within the domain of practical politics, except in Venezuela, Colombia and Ecuador. In Colombia and on the borders of Venezuela and Ecuador actual fighting is going on for the accomplishment of the scheme of reunion. The Liberal parties in these three countries are united in an attempt to bring the scheme of union to an accomplished fact, and President Castro has made himself the head of the movement.

Read in the light of the knowledge of this movement for unification, the seemingly confused state of affairs in Colombia and Venezuela becomes more comprehensible. For a long time we have been reading dispatches from South America telling of invasions of

Colombian territory by troops from Ecuador and Venezuela and of the violation of the territory of these republics by the troops of Colombia. The news has been really a record of the stand which is being made by the Conservative party of Colombia against the Liberals of the other two nations. Ecuador, being a small nation and the government seemingly having the Liberals better in hand than they are in the other two countries, has so far managed to keep from becoming embroiled in actual war; but under the lead of Castro the Liberals of Venezuela have made common cause with the Liberals of the other two nations, as Bolivar brethren of Colombia against the Conservatives, who opposed the union and a state of war exists between the two nations. Should Castro, with the aid of the Colombian Liberals, succeed in overthrowing the existing government of Colombia, the union is inevitable, and Ecuador would come into the federation quietly, as she did before in Bolivar's time.

After that it will be time enough to talk about Peru and Bolivia. At present armies are marching and battles are being fought for the unification of the states which Bolivar freed from the Spanish yoke and formed into a nation which he fondly hoped should flourish and be forever a monument to his memory—a landmark of his fame—but which fell to pieces upon his death. Castro, in seeking to re-establish the great nation of Bolivar, may be like the dog in the fable, and in grasping at the vision of what he desires may lose the substance of that which he has; for his enemies are numerous and are not idle. At present, however, he seems to hold Venezuela with a firm hand, the firmest which has been at the helm of state since Guzman Blanco left the country to its fate and became a fat, supine and politically impotent amid the pleasures of Parisian life.

Castro has great energy, great ambition and cannot be denied considerable ability of a certain sort. In politics and war his career has been adventurous, and when he suddenly became a political figure his rise to power was rapid. He came to the presidency of Venezuela by fire and sword, and he holds his power in a manner which would not be tolerated in many countries.

Queer Artificial Coal.

Certain ingenious Germans recently advertised a machine by which, they claimed, common peat could be transformed into artificial coal, at the rate of \$1.10 to \$1.20 a ton. According to Mr. Hughes, United States consul at Coburg, there are grave reasons for doubting whether the machine can do any such thing. "The company," he points out in his official report, "is said to be located somewhere in East Prussia and claims that its process will make a fuel that will take rank between a good English coal and anthracite. It is said the managers are going to organize a company in the United States, so it would be well for American investors to be cautious till the real worth of the process has been proved. I am informed that it is valueless." Consul Hughes uses even stronger words of warning than these, and it is evident that he regards the enterprise as a most audacious scheme for making money.—New York Herald.

Memorial for Horace.

After their conflict with China a few years ago, the Japanese erected a monument to the memory of the

horses killed in battle. The duke of Wellington built one at Stratfieldsaye, where the famous charger Copenhagen died. The height of Farley Mount, not far from Winchester, is crowned with an obelisk erected to a horse buried there. The name of the animal was Beware Chalk Pit, this cognomen having been bestowed on account of the fact that the horse during a hunt jumped into a chalk pit twenty feet deep, with its master on its back. The obelisk is a landmark for many miles around. The mention of this horse as a hunter recalls the fact that at Sandiway, in Cheshire, there is a monument to another animal of the chase—a foxhound. Bluecap was its name, and its exploits were the theme of songs which are not yet forgotten, though 120 years have passed since the hound died. The obelisk was erected by the late A. H. Smith-Barry.

Grave of a Methuselah.

Germtown as a district has a certain renown for the longevity of its natives, and the "oldest inhabitant" of the settlement east of the Wissahickon is a patriarch, indeed. A tombstone in the old Concord burying ground, on Germantown avenue, above Washington lane, however, makes the more modern Methuselah's pale into insignificance. The inscription on this marble slab recites that the person buried was "aged 969 years," which is one year older than the biblical patriarch at the time of his decease. That the carved figures are erroneous is evident, and the generally accepted theory is that the stonemason chiseled the figures 96 in mistake for 69, and when this was detected cleverly plugged up the first 9 and then carved the number after the six. Time wore away the plug, so that today this tombstone claims for him who lies beneath a record for longevity never yet equaled.

Gave Apples to England.

Of all the productions of the vegetable world which the skill and ingenuity of man have rendered conducive to his happiness and to the increase of his enjoyments the apple stands forward as the most conspicuous. It is now a fruit crop of universal growth, and although the most beautifully sun-stained examples reach England at various periods of the year from Canada and California and the temperate regions of the great Australian colonies for flavor none of them equal those grown in England. The garden apple is believed to have been introduced into Britain by the Romans, and the wild apple of our hedgerows is the type of the fruit when left to degenerate, and to which it would speedily return but for constant culture.

Civilization Drives out Game.

The fur trade of Canada has long since sunk into insignificance, compared with its proportions a half a century ago. The country decry by a French philosopher as a region of ice and snow which France could well spare is now famous as a large exporter of the best wheat and apples and other products which attest the richness of the soil and the favorable climatic conditions for the sustenance of human life. The fur trade has now lost the picturesque aspect it sometimes assumed during the French domination and in the palmy days when the factors of the great company were lords of the north.—Collier's Weekly.

The Pope Reported Dying.

A dispatch to the London Chronicle from Rome says: "In spite of persistent and apparently well founded rumors that there is any imminent danger of the pope's decease, the air is full of speculation and apprehension, indicating that his end is not considered far off. Rumors of intrigue and sate making, which it is impossible to keep from the outside world, exude from every crevice of the jealously guarded inner precincts of the vatican.

The pope's closest personal attendants include his faithful valet, Centro, one chaplain and one minor prelate, who constantly and tenderly guard his material comfort. His meals are served in his private apartment at a small table at which none other, even a crowned head, may sit down. No feminine hand may tend or soothe the angust invalid.

Fatal Vaccination.

Alarm caused by nine cases of tetanus following vaccination in Camden, N. J., has aroused the city officials there to take action in the matter. The board of health and the board of education each held meetings. The former decided to request physicians to cease vaccinating persons until an investigation as to the cause of the lock jaw cases had been made and the latter rescinded the order of compulsory vaccination of school children. Of the nine cases of tetanus so far reported, seven of the victims have died and the other two are still in a dangerous condition.

It Was a Conspiracy.

The Seattle Times prints a story confirming in every detail the story of the conspiracy on the part of certain miners to attempt the overthrow of Canadian authority in the Klondike, as published in the San Francisco Call. The Times claims to have in its possession documents and seals of the "Order of the Midnight Sun," the secret society which was organized for the sole purpose of accomplishing the overthrow of the Canadian rule in the gold fields.

The pay rolls of the board of elections of Greater New York show that the recent city election cost the municipality \$670,000, or \$1.08 for each voter that was registered.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.

WEEK ENDING NOV. 20.
DETROIT OPERA—"The Bostonians."—Evening at 8. Saturday Matinee at 2.
LYCEUM THEATRE—"Henry Clavier in Prince Otto."—Sat. Mat. 2:30, Eve. 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30.
AVENUE THEATRE—"Vaudeville."—Prices: afternoon, 10, 15, & 20; evening, 10, 20, 25; reserve, 30c.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit.—Cattle: Good butcher steers, \$15.94 90; light to good, \$17.64 40; light to good butcher steers and heifers, \$12 45; mixed butchers and fat cows, \$12 75; canners and common thin butchers, \$12 50 25. Bulls—Good, \$12 50; poor, \$12 25. Hogs—Mixed and butchers, \$12 50; stockers and feeders, \$12 25; pigs and light Yorkers, \$12 00; hogs, \$12 00; light hogs, \$12 00; veal calves, steady; sales at \$6.00 75 per 100 pounds. Sheep—Best lambs, \$14 25; light to good and good mixed lots, \$13 50; fair to good mixed and butcher sheep, \$12 50 50; culls and common, \$12 00 25. Hogs—Mixed and butchers, \$12 50; stockers and feeders, \$12 25; pigs and light Yorkers, \$12 00; hogs, \$12 00; light hogs, \$12 00; veal calves, steady; sales at \$6.00 75 per 100 pounds. Sheep—Best lambs, \$14 25; light to good and good mixed lots, \$13 50; fair to good mixed and butcher sheep, \$12 50 50; culls and common, \$12 00 25. 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The Diamond Bracelet

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CHAPTER VII.—Continued.

"Madam," said the officer "you must be aware that in an investigation of this nature, we are compelled to put questions which we do not expect to be answered in the affirmative. Colonel Hope will understand what I mean when I say that we call them 'feelers.' I did not expect to hear that Miss Seaton had been on familiar terms with your servants (though it might have been), but that question, being disposed of, will lead me to another. I suspect that some one did enter the room and make free with the bracelet, and that Miss Seaton must have been cognizant of it. If a common thief, or an absolute stranger, she would have been the first to give the alarm; if not on too familiar terms with the servants she would be as little likely to screen them. So we come to the question—who could it have been?"

"May I inquire why you suspect Miss Seaton?" coldly demanded Lady Sarah. "Entirely from her manner; from the agitation she displays."

"Most young ladies, particularly in our class of life, would betray agitation at being brought face to face with a police officer," urged Lady Sarah. "My lady," he returned, "we are keen, experienced men; and we should not be fit for the office we hold if we were not. We generally do find lady witnesses betray uneasiness, when first exposed to our questions, but in a very short time, often in a few moments, it wears off, and they grow gradually easy. It was not so with Miss Seaton. Her agitation excessive at first, increased visibly, and it ended as you saw. I did not think it agitation of guilt, but I did think it that of conscious fear. And look at the related facts; that she laid the bracelets there, never left them, no one came in, and yet the most valuable one vanished. We have many extraordinary tales brought before us, but not quite so extraordinary as that."

CHAPTER VIII.

The Colonel nodded approbation; Lady Sarah began to feel uncomfortable.

"I should like to know whether any one called whilst you were at dinner," mused the officer. "Can I see the man who attends to the hall door?"

"Thomas attends to that," said the Colonel, ringing the bell. "There is a side door, but that is only for the servants and tradespeople."

"I heard Thomas say that Sir George Danvers called while you were at dinner," observed Lady Sarah. "No one else. And Sir George did not go upstairs."

The detective smiled.

"If he had, my lady, it would have made the case no clearer."

"No," laughed Lady Sarah, "poor old Sir George would be puzzled what to do with a diamond bracelet."

"Will you tell me," said the officer, wheeling sharply around upon Thomas when he entered, "who it was that called here yesterday evening while your master was at dinner? I do not mean Sir George Danvers; the other one."

Thomas visibly hesitated; and that was sufficient for the lynx-eyed officer. "Nobody called but Sir George, sir," he presently said.

The detective stood before the man staring him full in the face with a look of amusement.

"Think again, my man," quoth he. "Take your time. There was some one else."

The Colonel fell into an explosion; reproaching the unfortunate Thomas with having eaten his bread for five years, to turn around upon the house and its master at last, and act the part of a deceitful, conniving wretch, and let in that swindler—

"He's not a swindler, sir," interrupted Thomas.

"Oh, no, not a swindler," roared the Colonel, "he only steals diamond bracelets."

"No more than I steal 'em, sir," again spoke Thomas. "He's not capable, sir. It was Mr. Gerard."

The Colonel was struck speechless; his rage vanished and down he sat in a chair, staring at Thomas. Lady Sarah colored with surprise.

"Now, my man," cried the officer, why could you not have said it was Mr. Gerard?"

"Because Mr. Gerard asked me not to say he had been, sir; he is not friendly here just now, and I promised him I would not. And I'm sorry to have had to break my word."

"Who is Mr. Gerard, pray?"

"He is my nephew," interposed the checkmated Colonel. "Gerard Hope."

"But as Thomas says, he is no swindler," remarked Lady Sarah; "he is no thief. You may go, Thomas."

"No, sir," stormed the Colonel, "fetch Miss Seaton here first. I'll come to the bottom of this. If he has done it Lady Sarah, I will bring him to trial, though he is Gerard Hope."

Alice came back leaning on the arm of Lady Frances Chenevix; the latter having been dying with curiosity to come in before.

"So the mystery is out, ma'am," began the Colonel to Miss Seaton; "it appears this gentleman was right and that somebody did come in; and that somebody the rebellious Mr. Gerard Hope."

Alice was prepared for this, for Thomas had told her Mr. Gerard's visit was known; and she was so agitated as before. It was the fear of its being found out, the having to conceal it, which had troubled her.

"It is not possible that Gerard can have taken the bracelet," uttered Lady Sarah.

"No, it is not possible," replied Alice. "And that is why I was unwilling to mention his having come up."

"What did he come for?" thundered the Colonel.

"It was not an intentional visit. I believe he only followed the impulse of the moment. He saw me at the front window, and Thomas, it appears was at the door, and he ran up."

"I think you might have said so, Alice," observed Lady Sarah, in a stiff tone.

"Knowing he had been forbidden the house, I did not wish to bring him under the Colonel's displeasure," was all the excuse Alice could offer. "It was not my place to inform against him."

"I presume he approached sufficiently near the bracelets to touch them, had he wished?" observed the officer, who, of course, had now made up his mind upon the business—and upon the thief.

"Ye—s," returned Alice, wishing she could have said no.

"Did you notice the bracelet there after he was gone?"

"I cannot say I did. I followed him from the room when he left, and then I went into the front room, so that I had no opportunity of observing."

"The doubt is solved," was the mental comment of the detective officer.

The Colonel, hot and hasty, sent several servants various ways in search of Gerard Hope, and he was speedily found and brought. A tall and powerful young man, very good-looking.

"Take him into custody, officer!" was the Colonel's impetuous command.

"Hands off, Mr. Officer—if you are an officer!" cried Gerard, in the first shock of surprise, as he glanced at the gentlemanly appearance of the other, who wore plain clothes, "you shall not touch me unless you can show legal authority. This is a shameful trick. Colonel—excuse me—but as I owe nothing to you, I do not see that you have any such power over me."

The group would have made a fine study; especially Gerard; his head thrown back in defiance, and looking angrily at everybody.

"Did you hear me?" cried the Colonel.

"I must do my duty," said the police officer, approaching Gerard; "and for authority—you need not suppose I should act, if without it."

"Allow me to understand, first," remarked Gerard, haughtily, eluding the officer. "What is it for? What is the sum total?"

"Two hundred and fifty pounds!" growled the colonel. "But if you are thinking to compromise it in that way, young sir, you will find yourself mistaken."

"Oh, no fear," retorted Gerard. "I have not two hundred and fifty pence. Let me see; it must be Dobbs. A hundred and sixty—how on earth do they slide the express up? I did it, sir, to oblige a friend."

"The duce you did!" excothed the colonel, who but little understood the speech, except the last sentence. "If ever I saw such a cool villain in all my experience!"

"He was awful hard up," went on Gerard, "as bad as I am now, and I did it. I don't deny having done such things on my own account, but from this particular one I did not benefit a shilling."

CHAPTER IX.

His cool assurance and his words struck them with consternation.

"Dobbs said he'd take care I should be put to no inconvenience—and this comes of it! That's trusting your friend. He vowed to me, this very week, that he had provided for the bill."

"He thinks it only an affair of debt," screamed Lady Frances Chenevix. "Oh, Gerard! what a relief! We thought you were confessing."

"You are not arrested for debt, sir," cried the officer, "but for felony."

"For felony!" uttered Gerard Hope. "Oh, indeed. Could you not make it murder?" he added, sarcastically.

"Off with him to Marlborough street, officer!" cried the exasperated colonel, "and I'll go with you and prefer the charge. He scoffs at it, does he?"

"Yes, that I do," answered Gerard, "for whatever pitfalls I may have got into in the way of debt and carelessness, I have not gone into crime."

"You are accused, sir," said the officer, "of stealing a diamond bracelet."

"Hey!" uttered Gerard, a flash of intelligence rising to his face as he glanced at Alice. "I might have guessed it was the bracelet affair, if I had had my recollection about me."

"Oh, oh," triumphed the colonel in sneering jocularly, "so you expected it was the bracelet, did you? We shall have it all out presently."

"I heard of the bracelet's disappearance," said Mr. Hope. "I met Miss Seaton when she was out this morning and she told me it was gone."

"Better make no admissions," whispered the officer in his ear. "They may be used against you."

"Whatever admissions I may make, you are at liberty to use them, for they are truth," haughtily returned Gerard. "Is it possible that you do suspect me of taking the bracelet, or is this a joke?"

"Allow me to explain," panted Alice, stepping forward. "I—I—did not ac-

cuse you, Mr. Hope; I would not have mentioned your name in connection with it, because I am sure you are innocent; but when it was discovered that you had been here I could not deny it."

"The charging me with having taken it is absurdly preposterous!" exclaimed Gerard, looking first at his uncle and then at the officer. "Who accuses me?"

"I do," said the colonel.

"Then I am very sorry it is not somebody else instead of you, sir."

"Explain. Why?"

"Because they would get a kindly horsewhipping."

"Gerard," interrupted Lady Sarah, "do not treat it in that light way. If you did take it say so and you shall be forgiven. I am sure you must have been put to it terribly hard; only confess it and the matter shall be hushed up."

"No, it sha'n't, my lady!" cried the colonel. "I will not have him encouraged—I mean felony compounded."

"It shall," returned Lady Sarah. "I shall indeed. The bracelet was mine, and I have a right to do as I please. Believe me, Gerard, I will put up with the loss without a murmur, only confess, and let the worry be done with."

Gerard Hope looked at her; little trace of shame was there in his countenance. "Lady Sarah," he asked, in a deep tone, "can you indeed deem me capable of taking your bracelet?"

"The bracelet was there, sir, and it went, and you can't deny it!" uttered the colonel.

"It was there, fast enough," answered Gerard. "I held it in my hand for two or three minutes, and was talking to Miss Seaton about it. I was wishing it was mine, and saying what I should do with it."

"Oh, Mr. Hope, pray say no more," involuntarily interrupted Alice. "You will make appearances worse."

"What do you want to screen him for?" impetuously broke out the colonel, turning upon Alice. "Let him say what he was going to say."

"I do not know why I should not say it," Gerard Hope answered, in, it must be thought, a spirit of bravado or recklessness, which he disdained to check. "I said I should spout it."

"You'll send off to every pawnshop in the metropolis, before the night's over, Mr. Officer!" cried the choking colonel, breathless with rage. "This beats brass."

"But I did not take it any more for having said that," put in Gerard, in a graver tone. "The remark might have been made by any one, from a duke downwards, if reduced to his last shifts, as I am. I said if it were mine; I did not say I would steal to do it. Nor did I."

"I saw him put it down again," said Alice Seaton, in a calm, steady voice.

"Allow me to speak a word, colonel," resumed Lady Sarah, interrupting something her husband was about to say. "Gerard, I cannot believe you guilty; but consider the circumstances. The bracelet was there; you acknowledge it; Miss Seaton left the apartment when you did, and went into the front room; yet when I came up from dinner, it was there no longer."

The colonel would speak. "So it lies between you and Miss Seaton," he put in. "Perhaps you would like to make believe she appropriated it."

"No," answered Gerard, with flashing eye. "She cannot be doubted. I would rather take the guilt upon myself than allow her to be suspected. Believe me, Lady Sarah, we are both innocent."

(To be continued.)

POUND FOOLISHNESS.

Not Always Economy to Buy in Large Quantities.

One of the commonest forms of pound foolishness is countenanced by many high authorities. This is the purchase of certain household provisions in large quantities. Few writers on domestic topics fail to lay stress upon the economy of buying groceries in bulk. That sugar and flour, potatoes and apples should be bought by the half or whole barrel, cereals by the ease, butter by the tub, and other things in like proportion, is one of the early precepts in the "Young Housekeeper's Complete Guide to Domestic Economy." The ignorant young things buy the provisions first and the experience afterward. The flour grows musty, the cereals develop weevils, the potatoes and apples rot long before they can be eaten, and the cook exercises a lavishness in the use of butter and sugar she would never show were they bought in such limited amounts that the housekeeper could hold close watch over them. Even after these events the young mistress feels as if she were absolutely reckless and no manager at all when she so far departs from household law as to buy food in small quantities.—Independent.

Evidence to the Contrary.

"Do you think that a man is always better off for a college education?"

"No," answered the housewife, rather sharply. "This morning I asked a man who came around with a wagon whether he had any nice fresh eggs. He merely looked at me reproachfully and said: 'Madam, might I be permitted to observe that fresh eggs are always nice eggs, and nice eggs are always fresh?'—Washington Star.

Long Enough for Any One.

Teacher—How many of my scholars can remember the longest sentence they ever read? Billy—Please, mum, I can. Teacher—What? Is there only one? Well, William, you may tell the rest of the scholars the longest sentence you ever read. Billy—Imprisonment for life.—Stray Stories.

Losers are always in the wrong.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

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Hall's Family Pills are the best.

The man who hates the Gospel does it for the same reason that an elephant strikes at the water which reflects his face.

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Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Price 25c.

He that wants money, means and content, is without three good friends.—Shakespeare.

Fit's Permanent Cure. Notice of nervousness, after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE \$2.00 trial bottle and treatise. Dr. R. H. Kline, Ltd., 511 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

The devil would soon be on the run if one-tenth of the people would do all the good they could.

HOUSEKEEPERS, ATTENTION!
Try a package of Kuss Bleaching Blue and you will use no other. 10c at grocers.

One ungrateful man does an injury to all who stand in need of aid.—Publius Syrus.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.
For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. In a bottle.

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BE MEN. Zookiroo, the great inventor, acts at once. Sent for \$11 postage paid. Address Zooki Co., 101 Russell St., Detroit, Mich.

The only thing that can keep you out of Heaven is your keeping Heaven out of you.

Piso's Cure is the best medicine we ever used for all affections of the throat and lungs.—Wm. O. Emsley, Vancouver, Ind., Feb. 14, 1903.

A man's success often depends on his ability to prevent others from preventing it.

Yours for Health
Lydia E. Pinkham



How Truly the Great
Fame of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Justifies Her Original Signature.

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It will entirely cure the worst forms of Female Complaints, all Ovarian troubles, Inflammation and Ulceration, Falling and Displacement of the Womb, and consequent Spinal Weakness, and is peculiarly adapted to the Change of Life.

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It quickly removes that Bearing-down Feeling, extreme lassitude, "don't care" and "want-to-be-left-alone" feeling, excitability, irritability, nervousness, Dizziness, Faintness, sleeplessness, flatulency, melancholy or the "blues," and backache. These are sure indications of Female Weakness, or some derangement of the Uterus, which this medicine always cures.

Kidney Complaints and Backache of either sex the Vegetable Compound always cures.

No other female medicine in the world has received such widespread and unqualified endorsement. No other medicine has such a record of cures of female troubles.

Those women who refuse to accept anything else are rewarded a hundred thousand times, for they get what they want—a cure. Sold by Druggists everywhere. Refuse all substitutes.

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IS
AN EXCELLENT FAMILY LAXATIVE—
IT IS REFRESHING TO THE TASTE
AND ACTS
PLEASANTLY AND GENTLY.
IT ASSISTS ONE
TO OVERCOME HABITUAL CONSTIPATION
PERMANENTLY

With many millions of families Syrup of Figs has become the ideal home laxative. The combination is a simple and wholesome one, and the method of manufacture by the California Fig Syrup Company ensures that perfect purity and uniformity of product, which have commended it to the favorable consideration of the most eminent physicians and to the intelligent appreciation of all who are well informed in reference to medicinal agents.

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W. L. DOUGLAS

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Insist upon having W. L. Douglas shoes with name and price stamped on bottom. Shoes sent anywhere on receipt of price and 25 cents additional for carriage. Take measurements of foot, state style desired, size and width usually worn; plain or cap toe; heavy, medium or light soles.

W. L. DOUGLAS, Brockton, Mass.

General Health.

Gentlemen—I used two bottles of Baxter's Man rake Bitters and it had a decidedly good effect along the line of general health. I took it for digestive troubles and was much pleased with the result. G. A. Botsford, Onaway, Mich.

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SHALL LOWELL HAVE A CANNING FACTORY? YES BY ALL MEANS.

The canning factory project outlined in our news columns is one that should receive the hearty support of everybody who is interested in the welfare of Lowell. The industry is one that is necessary to our continued growth and prosperity and promises profitable returns for investments. The market for canned goods is constantly widening and there seems to be little likelihood of overdoing the business. The great Northwest can never grow its own fruit and must depend for its supplies upon a comparatively small area, while the great and growing cities of the world depend more and more upon the great canning industries.

Lowell's location is most desirable from every point of view and the advantages to the community are almost "too numerous to mention." The utilizing of thousands of bushels of peaches too ripe for shipment and consequent betterment of our market is one; and the opportunity for profitable tomato growing by small farmers is another. While the paying out of wages to a hundred or more employes will help the entire community, the money for manufactured goods being brought here from distant points for circulation among our business men and people generally.

The canning business is a money maker for its shareholders, for those who supply the raw materials, for the laborers, and a good thing in general. There seems to be no question as to the advisability of

closing with the opportunity that is offered us, and we are glad to be assured at this early date that "It is sure to go."

Justice, in Port Huron, should hang her head. The man who stole \$57,000 is still at liberty; but it only took two days to try, convict and lodge a man in Ionia for stealing a pair of boots. Talk about the majesty of the law! Law is for the man who has money to buy it. "Justice" is for the poor and needy. The same court that, in the morning, sentenced a brute to thirty days imprisonment for kicking his wife down stairs, in the afternoon gave a woman six months for taking, unlawfully, a loaf of bread to keep herself and babe from starving. These are not rare or exaggerated instances, but all too common. Deny it who can. What wonder that anarchy flaunts the red flag to the breeze.

The fool law tinker gets in his work at every session of the Legislature. It would be a good thing to have the sessions ten years apart. Michigan people have the blessed privilege of paying heroic taxes and being informed on seeing a handsome huck hanging in a meat market, that "It is against the law to sell venison." One old hunter remarked, on hearing this, that the next act would be to provide that "a hunter shall not eat venison of his own killing." Is there no remedy for such fool operations?

The protected industries are not willing to have tariff duties reduced "AT THE PRESENT TIME," say the Washington reporters. No, and the time will never come when they will be ready to stand on their own feet and thrive on their own merit. Never! If McKinley's hope of reciprocity and tariff reduction is ever realized, it will be against the united opposition of the mighty trusts that have sprung up under the wing of high protection.

Well, we can, at least be thankful that the football season is ended for one year with no local fatalities.

Chase & Sanborn's seal brand coffee, finest in the world, fresh roasted and just arrived.

John Giles & Co.

A thousand things by it are done far better than most things do one. We refer to Rocky Mountain Tea made by Mason's Medicine Co. 35c.

D. G. Look, druggist.

CORRESPONDENCE

Keene Center

Mr. and Mrs. Cris Luz lost their baby Saturday. Funeral services were held Monday.

George McCabe of Cannon called on B. F. Wilkinson and C. A. Lee Thursday.

Henry Compton of White's Bridge and Louise Houseman were married last week.

Born—To Arthur Goodell and wife, Nov. 17, a son.

The Newton land at White's bridge has been sold to an Illinois man who recently moved his family there.

Thomas Kennedy has sold his farm to Charles McCarty. Consideration \$2,113.65

Joseph Gardner has sold his farm to his son John for \$4,000.

R. Russ has sold his farm east of Potter's Corners to his son Harvey.

Chad Lee was doing jury duty at Ionia last week.

Logan.

Lewis Lite has returned from the North where he has been during the summer.

Mattie Glasgow of this place has been assisting in Geo. Nagle's store at Freeport the past week.

Mrs. Martin Koxie of Ravenna is visiting friends here.

Listen for the wedding bells at South Bowen.

Nathaniel Thomas has moved into Mr. Kelley's house at the mill.

A large number attended Mr. Clark's sale at Alto last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Livingston of Freeport were guests of Nelson Thomas and wife Sunday.

Miss Della Riegler of Freeport was a guest of Miss Nellie Ford Sunday.

Modern Surgery Surpassed.

"While suffering from a bad case of piles I consulted a physician who advised me to try a box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve," says G. F. Carter, Atlanta, Ga. "I procured a box and was entirely cured. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is a splendid cure for piles, giving relief instantly and I heartily recommend it to all sufferers." Surgery is unnecessary to cure piles. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve will cure any case. Cuts, burns, bruises and all other wounds are also quickly cured by it. Beware of counterfeits.

vergenues.

Mrs. Geo. M. Parker has been in Grand Rapids caring for her sister, Mrs. Fred Rogers, who was very sick.

Phil Dickson and wife entertained Fred Conklin and family of South Boston over Sunday.

Mrs. W. Merriman of Lowell was a guest of Mrs. Mary Bennett last Thursday.

Mrs. Julia Frayer of Muskegon is at Mrs. Mary Bennett's helping care for Mrs. B's sister, Miss Maria Yerkins, who is sick.

John Gott has gone to Ionia to work for the Standard Oil Co.

Cascade.

[Last week's letter.]

The job of graveling the road south of this village from its former terminus to J. Brass' barn is completed.

Mrs. Slater entertained the L. A. S. Wednesday.

Mrs. Harriet Wilcox has returned from her visit at Muskegon.

J. C. Brown and wife of Grand Rapids are enjoying a week's vacation at the home of his sister, Mrs. Slater and family.

The district convention of the church of Christ is held from Thursday till Sunday evening at the new church at corner of 5th Avenue and South Union street, Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Cora Nippers has returned to her home in Mason county after an extended visit with her parents, Horace Johnson and wife.

Mrs. F. M. Thompson has returned from a visit with her children at Grand Rapids.

Spread Like Wildfire

When things are "the best" they become "the best selling." Abraham Hare, a leading druggist of Bellville, O., writes "Electric Bitters are the best-selling Bitters I have handled in 20 years." You know why? Most diseases begin in disorders of the stomach, liver, kidneys, bowels, blood and nerves. Electric Bitters tones up the stomach, regulates the liver, kidneys and bowels, purifies the blood, strengthens the nerves, hence cured multitudes of maladies. It builds up the entire system. Puts new life and vigor into any weak, sickly, rundown man or woman. Price 50c. Sold by D. G. Look, druggist.

Smyrna.

[Last week's letter.]

George Hoppongh is putting a new floor in his store.

Our pathmaster, Geo. Purly, has an eye to business and has put men to work where the people here will get the benefit of it as well as the outsiders.

The little child of F. Davis is recovering. Miss Woodward has been quite sick but is improving.

H. Torry, our foundryman, has returned to begin business anew.

Mrs. Geo. King visited her sister, Mrs. John Andrews of Moseley Tuesday.

Tom and Henry Skillinger have returned from the West where they have been for the past year.

Brings attractiveness to listless, unlovable girls, making them handsome, marriageable women. That's what Rocky Mountain Teawill do. 35c. D. G. Look, druggist.

Pratt Lake

John Freeman had an operation performed on his hand. The cords of a finger had been burned off so the finger was useless.

Quarterly meeting at the M. E. church December 7 and 8.

Soon be Time
—for—
Xmas Perfumes

You will want perfumes for Christmas, of course. Peculiar products decked out as holiday perfumes are sold on every hand. Better leave them alone and buy worthy goods made by the best perfumers—such quality as we sell the year around.

We have an ample variety in such packages as you want them. The price may be less than you expect to pay for fine goods, but our prices have a way of being less.

Look's Drug and Book Store.

Mrs. H. M. Cronkite, a former resident of this place, left San Francisco for Manila Nov. 14.

A surprise party was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gould Monday evening. They have just returned from a two month's stay in Bay City.

The next meeting of the singing school will be held at Mr. Hotchkiss' Wednesday evening. The last one was held at Rev. L. W. Calkins' and about thirty were present.

N. F. Gould spent Sunday with his family.

The Ladies Aid of the Congregational church met with Mrs. Levi Fletcher and finished two comforters and 11 pound of carpet rags. There were 14 present and five new names.

Great Luck of an Editor

"For two years all efforts to cure eczema in the palms of my hands failed," writes Editor H. N. Lester of Syracuse, Kan., "then I was cured by Buckien's Arnica Salve." It's the world's best for eruptions, sores and all skin diseases. Only 25c at D. G. Look's.

Our bacon is the finest. Have you tried it? John Giles & Co.

South Boston-Eimdale.

Miss Jessie Fletcher of Grand Rapids visited her parents, Jude Fletcher and wife a part of last week.

Visitors at A. P. Burr's Thursday were Mrs. M. Keeler and daughter, Mrs. L. Post and Mrs. Coleman.

Mrs. Stannard is on the sick list.

Mrs. E. Spencer is on the sick list.

[Last week's letter.]

Claude Tyler of Mair visited his uncle, C. W. Taylor, over Sunday.

Belle Kinyon visited her parents of West Lowell Sunday.

Cora Bonard of Clarksville is visiting at A. S. Stannard's.

Wanted at once 100 bushel shell bark hickory nuts.

John Giles & Co.

That Throbbing Headache

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for sick and nervous headaches. They make pure blood and build up your health. Only 25c. Money back if not cured. Sold by D. G. Look, druggist.

Big Price Reductions... *We are making a brisk season brisker by offering the pick of our stock at greatly reduced prices...*

This has been a big season for "Marks" and his customers. I made special preparations early in the summer for this big sale. Some people call it "reckless buying" this piling up goods in my store, half way up to the ceiling, and in every nook and corner that I can use to store goods. But it isn't "reckless buying." The success of my sales is proof enough of that. The more clothing I buy at wholesale, the cheaper I can buy it. That is the whole secret of why I can SELL a suit or overcoat cheaper than anybody else in Lowell. The reason I hold my trade is because I give a full dollar's value for every dollar, and usually a little more. So my customers come back. They know they get their money's worth here. They know that every article I say is good—IS good. Same way with the clerks. That has been my principle of business since I started here in a small way eighteen years ago.

Low Prices for Stylish, Dependable Clothing

Make pleased customers. That's what I'm offering at this sale. This is the time of year to buy clothing if you buy at all. It will be harder to get to town when the snow is deep and the thermometer is hugging the zero mark. Now the stock is large, and you have a better chance to select what you want. Better still, there is such a big saving to be made during this sale that it is more than worth while to buy now. Don't put it off.

Judge By The Prices

<p>Men's Suits</p> <p>4 Button Cutaway Sack, blue black invisible stripe chevrot, Italian lined, French faced, satin piped K. N. & F. make. Former price \$8.50. For this sale only 5.38</p> <p>4 Button Cutaway Sack, all wool Oxford gray. Sizes from 35 to 44. Former satin lined, K. N. & F. make. Former price 9.50. For this sale only 6.62</p> <p>4 Button Cutaway Sack, all wool plaid cassimere serge lined, fancy sleeve lining, yoked and piped with padded shoulders, K. N. & F. make. Former price 12.50. For this sale only 9.48</p> <p>4 Button Sack, 18 oz., all wool black striped worsted, Farmer satin lining, fancy sleeve lining, satin piped. K. N. & F. make. Former price 12.75. For this sale only 9.62</p> <p>4 Button Cutaway Sack, all wool, blue black chevrot, military cut, serge lined, padded shoulders, fancy sleeve lining yoked and piped, K. N. & F. make. Former price 13.50. This sale only 9.90</p> <p>4 Button Cutaway Sack, all wool fancy chevrot, military cut, farmer satin lined, padded shoulders, fancy sleeve lining yoked and piped H. S. & M. make. Former price 14.50. For this sale only 10.90</p>	<p>4 Button Cutaway Sack, 16 oz all wool black clay worsted, farmer satin lined, fancy sleeve lining French yoked and satin piped K. N. & F. make. Former price 12.00. For this sale only 8.48</p> <p>4 Button Cutaway Sack, 18 oz all wool black clay worsted, farmer satin lined, fancy sleeve lining French yoked and satin piped. K. N. & F. make. Former price 14.50. For this sale only 10.90</p> <p>Men's Overcoats</p> <p>Dress Overcoats of blue black and brown beaver well made with farmer satin lining, velvet collar, fancy sleeve lining, K. N. & F. make. Former price 7.50. For this sale only 4.87</p> <p>Dress Overcoats of genuine all wool, imported blue black kersey, farmer satin lined, satin sleeve lining, silk velvet collar, K. N. & F. make. Former price 12.50. For this sale only 8.87</p> <p>Dress Overcoats of fine Kersey black blue and brown half satin lined and satin sleeve lining, genuine silk velvet collar, K. N. & F. make. Former price 18.50. For this sale only 13.87</p> <p>Dress Overcoats of Oxford gray, long swell back, farmer satin lined, silk velvet collar, padded shoulders, up-to-date, H. S. & M. make. Former price 13.50. For this sale only 9.90</p>	<p>Dress Overcoats, all wool invisible plaid, yoked and raglan farmer satin lined, satin sleeve lining, padded shoulders K. N. & F. make. Former price 14.00. For this sale only 10.38</p> <p>Storm Ulster, all wool black beaver with storm collar, farmer satin lined, satin sleeve lining, K. N. & F. make. Former price 14.00. For this sale only 9.87</p> <p>Pants</p> <p>Genuine all wool Dickie Kersey pants of brown plaid. Former price 2.25. This sale only 1.48</p> <p>All wool hair stripe cassimere pants, extra heavy quality. Former price 3.60. This sale only 1.90</p> <p>Socks</p> <p>35 doz all wool Shaker socks. Former price 20c. For this sale only 13c</p> <p>10 doz extra heavy, all wool socks; assorted colors. Former price 35c. For this sale only 25c</p> <p>10 doz all wool, extra heavy, red and gray socks. Former price 50c. For this sale only 35c</p>	<p>Furnishings</p> <p>Blue black jersey overshirts, fleece lined, lace front. Former price 50c. For this sale only 35c</p> <p>Extra heavy gray jersey knit overshirts, extra long. Former price 75c. This sale only 48c</p> <p>20 Doz. Undershirts and Drawers, striped, good weight. Former price 25c. For this sale only 17c</p> <p>10 Doz. natural gray undershirts and drawers, extra heavy. Regular price 35c. For this sale only 21c</p> <p>18 Doz. fleece lined striped undershirts and drawers, good weight. Former price 50c. For this sale only 35c</p> <p>36 Doz gray and red striped wool fleece extra heavy undershirts and drawers. Former price 65c. For this sale only 48c</p> <p>10 Doz all wool brown undershirts and drawers, Former price 1.25. For this sale only 83</p> <p>22 Doz Boys undershirts and drawers sizes 24 to 34, fleece lined, extra good quality. Former price 40c. For this sale only 25c</p>	<p>Sweaters</p> <p>5 doz Sweaters, extra heavy, warranted all cotton, medium weight, former price 80c. For this sale only 34c</p> <p>5 doz Sweaters, extra heavy, warranted all cotton. If you find any wool in them bring them back. Former price 65c. For this sale only 42c</p> <p>2 1/2 doz all wool sweaters, fancy striped or plain. Former price 1.75. For this sale only 1.29</p> <p>2 doz all wool sweaters, fancy stripe pineapple stitch, assorted colors. Former price 2.50. For this sale only 1.50</p> <p>Ducking Coats</p> <p>Brown and black ducking coats blanket lined, corduroy collar. Former price 1.25. For this sale only 74c</p> <p>Black rain proof ducking coats blanket lined with black corduroy collar. Former price 1.75. For this sale only 1.28</p> <p>Extra heavy gray rain proof coat blanket lined, corduroy collar. Former price 2.25. For this sale only 1.48</p>
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MARKS RUBEN.

Remember the place. *East Side*

Dress Goods Bargains in Abundance

Don't save pennies and waste dollars by failing to see the wonderful values that this store offers in the New Fall Dress Goods.

Those Remnants of Dress Goods

Have got to go—just the thing for the girls' school dress. It will be money in your purse to look them through and buy some.

In the Fur Department

We'll make the fur fly in more senses than one for the next few weeks. An elegant line in all grades.

Cloak News

From our busiest department Coats are selling rapidly. The garment makers evidently hit the mark for this season's Coats. Don't delay too long for your size may be gone.

Don't forget that we sell the best Hosiery and Underwear in the market.

E. R. COLLAR.

OUR TOWNSHIP TAXES.

What Supervisor White Has to Say on the Subject.

The amount of money to be raised by taxation for the year 1901, Township of Lowell, is as follows:

State tax	\$4957.77
County tax	2217.89
Rejected township tax to individuals	67.82
School tax including 1 mill tax	8513.73
Highway tax	3016
Township contingent tax	1000
Poor fund tax	500
Cemetery tax	100
Township special	324.44
Soldiers' relief fund.	61.78
Road grader tax to individuals	327.57
Returned highway assessed to individuals	71.12

Amount of tax on \$100 assessed valuation for the State, County, Township and Highway is One Dollar.

The amount of school money raised in the several districts is as follows including one mill tax:

School Dis. No. 1	19c on \$100 Val.	6911.13
" " 2	31c " " "	183.75
" " 3	37c " " "	204.89
" " 4	24c " " "	139.72
" " 5	20c " " "	228.65
" " 6	20c " " "	199.33
" " 7	20c " " "	222.07
" " 8	20c " " "	23.35
L. A. & V. fr.	4.37c " " "	252.66
L. & C. fr.	4.33c " " "	96.02
L. & C. fr.	7.35c " " "	22.25
L. & B. fr.	7.29c " " "	

Add one dollar, the township tax, to the amount as fixed in the school district in which you reside and you have the taxes on \$100, assessed valuation.

Our taxes are quite satisfactory except the State tax which is exorbitant, about twice as much as ever before. Last year it was 27c on \$100 valuation. This year it is 40c by the raising from 52 millions to 90 millions by the State Equalization committee, which meets at Lansing every five years, which nearly doubles the State tax for each township in the county. It is unfortunate for the townships that the city of Grand Rapids is in the county of Kent. No doubt our committee men for Kent did the best they could but when they ran up against the city of Grand Rapids they went against a hard proposition.

Our highway tax is about \$500 more than usual, but that is not a fault of our highway commissioner. Last season was very rainy and caused a great many washouts which meant new culverts and bridges. We would call your attention to some of the concrete culverts constructed. Lowell was very fortunate for the severe storms cost some townships over \$5,000.

We have had great promises from our State Tax Committee, they promising to give us one hundred dollars for every one dollar of their expense; but we fail to see any marked benefit from their work as yet. Although all the townships raised in their valuation and got a great increase in personal, at most it only keeps the thing about even to offset the increase in the state equalization.

The formation of the State Tax Commission has created offices for five commissioners at a salary of \$2,500 each per year, an army of other clerks at various salaries, railroad expenses and hotel bills which make the commission an expensive luxury.

Let I tire you I will close by saying the state tax commission has done some good in the Upper Peninsula and mining districts and has brought about a more equal taxation. They have been to a good deal of expense and claim we will see good from their labors yet. We will wait.

Respectfully,
Frank N. White.

EXCURSIONS

PERE MARQUETTE LIVE STOCK EXPOSITION, CHICAGO.

For the second International Live Stock Exposition to be held in Chicago, Nov. 30 to December 7, 1901, the Pere Marquette will sell excursion tickets at a rate of one fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip. Tickets on sale December 2, 3, and 4, good returning up to and including December 8th.

A thousand things by it are done far better than most things do one. We refer to Rocky Mountain Tea made by Masons Medicine Co. 35c.

D. G. Look, druggist.

CLOGGING THE PIPES

A SENSIBLE SERMON ON HOUSEHOLD SANITATION.

Some Suggestions About the Plumbing and the Care That Should Be Exercised in the Avoidance Both of Expense and Disease.

Nowadays the plumber and his bill are your true household specters. Like other specters, careful common sense will put them to rout and confusion nine times in ten. Wise men have been studying this subject ever so long to devise plumbing that would take care of itself, but they have not yet succeeded. Neither are they likely to without a revolution in mechanics whereby the tendency of fluids always to seek their own level may be eliminated and other things as wonderful brought to pass. So long as knowledge remains nearly static so long will it behave every housemistress to look well to the usage of her pipes and her traps.

A bit of rag or even string, a burnt match, a wisp of hair, seems a very little thing, one that the pipes can carry off with no possible hurt, but the rag, by hanging over the bend of the trap, may serve as a siphon to take away the water seal, which is all that stands between the household and unlimited sewer gas. And the rag may keep on doing it for weeks and weeks until deadly disease is rampant.

A string snarled and twisted may work the same ill. The match end, of course, ought to float away harmless, but is very much likelier to be caught in some eddy of the flush water, jammed into a crevice and there to take to itself other solid particles until they form a clot both offensive and dangerous.

As for hair, there is no end to the harm it harbors. A wisp quickly forms itself into a sort of strainer, catching and holding all that passes. Aside from that, it has a trick of lodging in the most inconvenient places, catching upon the least roughness inside the pipe and staying there until by accretion it has clogged the whole space.

Hair has special affinity for bits of soap. Solid soap, by the way, should never be sent down the pipes. Very strong soaps even is objectionable unless you follow it with a flood of clean water, preferably hot water.

Coffee grounds and tea leaves either clog a pipe very soon or else, if the flush water prevents that, wear it through quickly, partly by mechanical action, partly by chemical. Neither should ever be permitted in a sink. Even if you are wise enough to keep out all grease, and thus make sure that the grounds shall get safe away from your own pipes, in the sewer they may come in contact with grease from pipes less carefully kept and cake and clog your whole pipe system, making necessary costly and inconvenient unclogging.

Every kitchen ought to have its grease can, emptied once a week in winter and in summer every three days. All sorts of refuse fat should go into it, even the scrapings from plates and dishes. Greasy water, as from boiling hams or corned beef, should be allowed to cool thoroughly, then have the grease carefully taken off before it goes down the pipes. Skillets and frying pans ought to be filled with very hot soda water and let stand half an hour before washing. This gives time for the soda to partly saponify the grease and keep it from sticking to the pipe or caking on top of the trap.

In scouring faucets be careful to keep the scouring grit out of the joints. Even the finest particles cut away screw threads numerous times a day. After scouring also take care to let the water run at least a minute before catching any for use. In washing sandy vegetables, as spinach, turnips, potatoes, use a big pan and drain off the dirty water, so the sand may be caught. Even a spoonful of sand going down a pipe will cut and wear it more than a hoghead of water.

Milky water is one of the hardest things to manage. Even a small quantity daily fouls pipes unless the milky water is followed by a flushing of soda water moderately strong, with a lime-water flush about every three days. The lime-water is made more effective by adding salt to it. Sea salt is best. Put a lump as big as the fist in an earthen or wooden vessel along with twice the bulk of quicklime and cover with four gallons of hot water. Stir well and let settle. Pour the clear liquid down the pipes and follow it in half an hour with a flush of clear water boiling hot. Thus every kind of a sink may be kept sweet and fresh.—New York Sun.

Wait Till He Sees You.

A Zulu chief, when you enter his hovel, remains silent for some moments and seems quite unconscious of your presence. At length he says in a tone

of grave dignity, "the saku bona" (I see you), to which you reply in the same way. The longer he takes to "see you" the greater man you are supposed to be, and until you are thus "seen" you must keep silent and appear as much as possible not to be there at all.

AN UNQUALED RECORD.

There is a Rapidly Increasing Volume of Lowell Evidence Rolling up for the Great Medicine, Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills.

It would seem that hardly anyone can take Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills without receiving marked benefit. The wonderful action of this medicine in putting people on their feet who are in a weak run down condition is the talk of every place they are known. It is only a short time since they first came to Lowell yet to-day they are more in evidence for merit with Lowell people than all other medicines combined.

Mrs. M. Scott of E. River St., Lowell Mich says: "I had been feeling nervous and run down last winter when I saw Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills recommended and got a box at Look's drug store and was greatly benefited by their use. I rested better and felt brighter and stronger. I also have used the Kidney-Liver Pills and found them an excellent medicine."

Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills are sold at 50c a box also Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills at 25c a box at dealers or Dr. A. W. Chase Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y. See that portrait and signature of A. W. Chase M. D., are on every package.

In the Museum.

"The legless man is always putting his foot in it," observed the living skeleton to the snake charmer. "What has he done now?" "Last night we were having a friendly little game, and he asked the armless wonder to take a hand."—Baltimore American.

The Children's Friend.

You'll have a cold this winter. Maybe you will have one now. Your children will suffer too. For croup coughs, bronchitis grip and other winter complaints. One Minute Cough Cure never fails. Acts promptly. It is very pleasant to the taste and perfectly harmless. C. B. George, Winchester, Ky., writes "Our little girl was attacked with croup late one night and was so hoarse she could hardly speak. We gave her a few doses of One Minute Cough Cure. It relieved her immediately and she went to sleep. When she awoke next morning she had no signs of hoarseness or croup."—L. H. Taft & Co.

A Serious Complaint.

What made you leave your place wif that gemman?" asked Miss Miami Brown. "Didn't he pay you right?" "Yes," answered Mr. Erastus Pinkley. "He paid fus' rate, but his clothes was so out of style dat I was almost fobked to keep out of society."—Washington Star.

Waited For the Appropriation.

"Yes, he has cut loose the dogs of war." "What was holding them back?" "The sinews."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know It.

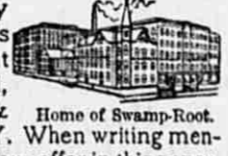
Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also



convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

What to Do.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in 50c. and \$1. sizes. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful discovery and a book that tells more about it, both sent absolutely free by mail, address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper.



Four Ministers

Tell of Magical Results Brought About in Burning, Itching, Bleeding Skin Troubles by Dr. Chase's Ointment.

Dr. Chase's Ointment draws more praise from ministers, physicians and lawyers than any other medicine in the world. It is endorsed by every profession.

Extracts from their Letters.

Rev. W. N. Edwards, Baptist minister, 109 Trinity Place, Buffalo, N. Y., writes: "For over fifteen years the itching piles have been a source of constant annoyance to me, and frequently, too, the suffering has become intense. At times there was bleeding and the itching and burning was beyond endurance. The results I have derived from Dr. Chase's Ointment have been magical and the benefits lasting. I feel it a duty to fellow sufferers to recommend it."

Rev. J. N. Van Natter, Methodist minister, Albion, Wis., writes: "My wife was terribly afflicted with protruding piles and contemplated a surgical operation when her notice was drawn to Dr. Chase's Ointment, and less than one box effected a cure."

"I then used it for an unsightly and troublesome skin affection, which had baffled medical skill for twenty-five years. Dr. Chase's Ointment thoroughly cured it. For piles and skin disease it is worth its weight in gold."

Rev. J. A. Baldwin, Baptist minister, Arkona, Ont., writes:

"For over twenty years I was a great sufferer from itching and protruding piles. I used many remedies and underwent three very painful surgical operations, all without obtaining any permanent benefit. When about to give up in despair I was told to use Dr. Chase's Ointment and did so, finding relief at once. I used three boxes, and am entirely cured. The itching is all gone. I have advised others to use it, believing it would cure them as it has me."

Rev. Chas. Fish, Methodist minister, 192 Dunn Avenue, Toronto, Ont., writes:

"Ten years ago eczema began on my ears and spread over my head and hands. During that time I was a great sufferer. I tried many remedies, and some of the best physicians—specialists on skin diseases—treated me. The first box of Dr. Chase's Ointment gave much relief and five boxes completely cured me. I think my cure a marvel, and gladly recommend Dr. Chase's Ointment." Just as good for every form of skin trouble, no matter how long standing, 50 cents a box, all dealers or Dr. A. W. Chase Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

CHANGES AND EXCURSIONS VIA GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM.

General change of time effective Nov. 3, 1901. For particulars apply to any agent of the company.

International Live Stock Exposition at Chicago at Union Stock Yards.

Single fare for round trip (plus \$2.00) good going December 2, 3 and 4 and good to return up to midnight of December 8, 1901. For particulars see advertising bills or apply to any agent of Grand Railway and connections.

A Physician Testifies.

"I have taken Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and have never used anything in my life that did me the good that did," says County Physician George W. Scroggs of Hail County, Ga. "Being a physician I have prescribed it and found it to give the best results." If the food you eat remains undigested in your stomach it decays there and poisons the system. You can prevent this by dieting; but that means starvation. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat. You need suffer from neither dyspepsia nor starvation. The worst cases quickly cured. Never fails. L. H. Taft & Co.

New Tricks.

Wimbleton—Hello, old man! Have you taught your dog any new tricks lately? Quimbleton—Yes; I've been teaching him to eat out of my hand. He ate a big piece out of it yesterday.—Harvard Lampoon.

Reliable and Gentle.

"A pill's a pill," says the saw, but the are pills and pills. You want a pill which is certain, thorough and gentle. Mustn't gripe. DeWitt's Little Early Risers fill the bill. Purely vegetable. Do not force but assist the bowels to act. Strengthen and invigorate. Small and easy to take L. H. Taft & Co.

He Went.

He—Half past 11! Isn't that clock fast? She—I think not. He—Well, I guess my watch is like myself—it is slow. She—But it is not exactly like you. He—Indeed? She—No—it goes.—Harlem Life.

An Incurrable.

"If there ever was a terrible child in this world," remarked the worried mother, "he's one." "What's his particular fault?" "Do what I will, I can't break him of the habit of telling the truth right out when we have company."—Philadelphia Times.

A man of few words and many deeds is like a garden of many vegetables and few weeds.—Chicago News.

Man should "not live by bread alone," but

Eat a Little Meat

occasionally. We keep the right kinds and you can depend upon its being all right in every particular.

Try our Home Made Liver Sausage.

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This certifies that GEO. V. McCONNELL, residing at Lowell is a

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Office of Secretary of State, Board of Health, Lansing, Mich., Nov. 1, 1901.

HENRY B. BAKER, Secretary.

PERE MARQUETTE

Nov. 3, 1901

Trains leave Lowell as follows:

For Detroit and East	7 12 am 10 30 am 4 10 pm
For Toledo and South	7 12 am 10 30 am 4 10 pm
For Grand Rapids, North and West	10 30 am 4 10 pm 8 12 pm
For Saginaw and Bay City	7 47 am 6 07 pm
For Freeport	7 12 am 4 10 pm

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WESTBOUND FROM LOWELL.

No 19 Morning Express to Grand Haven	12 15 pm
No 13 Mail and Chicago Express to Grand Haven	4 36 pm
No 11 Steamboat Express to Gd Haven & Milwaukee	9 19 pm
No 17 Western Express to Gd Haven	8 37 am
No. 11, 19 and 13 daily except Sunday.	No. 12, daily.

EASTBOUND

No 12 Detroit express to Detroit and East	7 19 am
No 20 Mail to Detroit	10 07 am
No 18 Evening Express to Detroit and East	3 32 pm
No 11 Eastern Express to Detroit and East	7 57 pm
No. 12, 20 and 18 daily except Sunday	No. 17, daily.

V. J. HEYDLAUFF, Agent, Lowell, Mich.

Dr. Curtis T. Wolford

of Grand Rapids, the Specialist of Chronic Diseases, will be in

LOWELL at the Waverly Hotel,

WEDNESDAY DEC 11 and will be pleased to meet all who are in need of his services. Dr. Wolford has been coming to Lowell for over two years and will continue in coming. The doctor has cured many aggravated cases which instills confidence in his ability by his friends. If you are troubled with any disease do not put it off but go and see the doctor at once.

CONSULTATION FREE.

Address all communications to the doctor in his new office in the Tower Block, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

WANTED—Several persons of character and good reputation in each state (one in this county required) to represent and advertise old established wealthy business house or solid financial standing. Salary \$15.00 weekly with expenses additional, all payable in cash each Wednesday direct from head offices. Horse and carriage furnished when necessary. References Enclose self addressed stamped envelope Manager, 316 Caxton Building, Chicago

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PRISONER DAY WEPT

BROKE DOWN AND PRACTICALLY ADMITTED CRIME.

Says He Must Have Thought He Could Escape or He Would Not Have Committed the Crime.

Herman Day, the Saranac boy arrested for horse stealing and setting fire to a barn belonging to Edward M. Clements, at Ada, broke down during an interview with a reporter from the Herald at the county jail yesterday afternoon and practically admitted his guilt. He had previously refused to answer all questions put to him by Sheriff Chapman and other officers, but a day and night in jail seemed to have softened his spirit, and when he was asked if he had heard from his father or other relatives since his arrest he broke down completely and talked freely of his past, his family and his crime.

In answer to the question whether he had thought he could commit such a crime and get far enough away to escape detection, he said: "I don't know what I thought; I must have thought so or I would not have done it."

Day is not the hardened criminal that he has been painted. He does not look like a criminal. His features are regular and he has a clear blue eye that does not flinch under close scrutiny. Even when he was first arrested, when he refused to answer the questions put to him by the officers, he assumed no air of bravado and appeared to be stunned rather than alarmed at the predicament in which he found himself. In the language of the confirmed criminal, Day is not "game." He gives up too easily for that. Unlike his brother, Lorin Day, who went to the State prison at Jackson several years ago for a term of 10 years, he cannot be called a desperado. Lorin Day was sent up for shooting a farmer named Kelly, who lived near Reed's lake, and who attempted to bring him to this city to be placed in jail on a charge of trespass.

Day was driving a pair of stolen horses at the time and stopped to remain over night in an empty barn on Kelly's farm. The shooting affair put the officers on his track, and he was finally captured at Battle Creek. Brought back to this city and was given a trial before Judge Grove and was given the extreme penalty provided by the law for such offenses. During the trial he maintained a stolid silence neither

admitting or denying his guilt, and it was believed he had awakened the sympathy of the court. When however, he was asked if he had anything to say why sentence should not be imposed, he flew into a rage, denounced the judge on the bench and declared he was being railroaded to prison. The exhibition of temper on his part probably cost him five more years at Jackson.

Herman Day, the brother now in jail for setting fire to the Clements barn at Ada is evidently a man of more quiet disposition. The only weapon he carried when arrested was a large knife, and he did not attempt to use this.

When asked yesterday afternoon what led him to commit such a crime he said he did not know, that when his brother was sent to prison all his friends turned against him and he had a hard time to make a living ever since. "I don't care so much about myself," he said, "I can stand it but this will kill my father."

When asked if he had other relatives he replied: "Yes I have two brothers and four sisters. My mother died twelve years ago." Between his sobs he told what an effort he had made to live right and earn an honest living. He had worked at home for his father, who owns a small farm near Saranac, and for other farmers by the day and by the month.

Evidently he has had small educational advantages, for when he was asked if he knew he might be tried for the crime of arson he did not understand the meaning of the term. The word seemed to make a great impression upon him and the fear thus aroused may have been the real reason why he consented to talk about himself and his crime.

Day is charged with stealing a horse from a barn owned by Edward Clements, near Ada and setting fire to the barn to hide his crime. Five other horses, several cattle and a large quantity of grain and hay was consumed by the flames. The stolen horse belonged to Robert P. Holmes a tenant on the Clements place. At first it was discovered that one of the horses had been stolen, but on Sunday, November 16, the day after the fire, a young man named Holmes, a relative of Robert Holmes the farmer on the Clements place, met Day in Ionia and heard him offer the horse for sale. Through the Ionia county officers Sheriff Chapman learned of the incident and cards were sent out to all the police and county officers in the western part of the state. Leaving Ionia Day went north and was captured Thursday at Hersey by the

sheriff of Osceola county. During all of the time after he left Ada he rode both night and day, going most of the time without food and stopping only long enough to pasture the horse for an hour or two at a time.—[Grand Rapids Herald.

Astounding Discovery.

From Coopersville, Mich., comes word of a wonderful discovery of a pleasant tasting liquid that when used before retiring by one troubled with a bad cough always ensures a good night's rest. "It will soon cure the cough too" writes Mrs. S. Himelburger, "for three generations of our family have used Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption and never found it's equal for coughs, colds." It's an unrivaled life-saver when used for desperate lung diseases. Guaranteed bottles 50c and \$1.00 at D. G. Look's. Trial bottles free.

Farm for sale, 160 acres. Inquire at this office.

Fine bulk coffees for 10, 12, 15 and 20 cents per pound. John Giles & Co.

LOST—Pair of gold bowed nose glasses with chain attached, Friday night between opera house and Smith's Bakery. Finder leave at U. B. Williams and receive reward.

New subscribers can have The Ledger from now until Jan. 1, 1903 for \$1.00. Stop reading your neighbor's paper and have one of your own.

Thanksgiving

will soon be here. Have things right by buying a...

Dinner Set

We have them at

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Anything you want, either plain or decorated. Every one guaranteed.

These prices until Thanksgiving only.

Collar's Bazaar.

Some Shop Talk

The top of our line for the winter season is an \$18.00 Suit and a 15.00 Overcoat. The other end is a \$5.00 Suit and a \$5.00 Overcoat.

We are not pushing hard on the lower end in good times like these. Everybody wants to wear a better suit or overcoat.

Our \$10.00 Men's Suits, 100 per cent pure wool, have made a great showing this season. They are pure woolen fabrics in a large variety of colors and styles. Better come in and look them over.

8.00 KERSEY OVERCOATS. Made from all wool black kersey goods. Made with conscience, trimmed with conscience, sold with conscience. Better coat than ever. No better value anywhere.

7.50 OXFORD SUITS. All wool oxford mixtures with herringbone striped cassimere without a shred of shoddy, French faced, lined with fine Italian, \$7.50 price guaranteed.

2.50 BOY'S ARMOR PLATE. Made from the very heaviest of cassimere goods. Double breasted coat. The heaviest, warmest boys suit you ever saw for \$2.50.

39c MEN'S CAPS. Made of heavy kersey goods. Satin lined, stitched all around, Full with pull down. Always sold for 50c before this season, 39c.

2.00 MEN'S HEAVY PANTS. Guaranteed Dickie Kersey, extra heavy weight. The kind you ought to get to keep you warm, \$2.00.

57c CALF MITTENS. Full Calf, front and back welt seams, Knit lining Regular 75c value 57c.

1.00 MEN'S VERY FINE BEAVER CAPS. Satin lined, made with storm visor, a fine light weight cap for dress wear, \$1.00.

New 1901 stock of Trunks, Bags, Telescopes and Suit Cases.

We sell the Staley Underwear and Overshirts. Recognized as the best line of woolen goods in the state.

Not a single garment finds a place on our tables that we cannot recommend for service. If we make a mistake we will not let you be the loser.

A complete new line, this fall, of Trunks, Suit Cases, Bags and Telescopes.

A. L. COONS.

The Hot-Bed of Bargains

Lowell is the center of interest in Kent County, to-day, especially for the ladies. They have come in crowds from all over the county to feast at this greatest of all bargain offers. Those who have been here tell their friends about it, and so the good news is spread, and we are busier every day than the day before. Merit wins, every time, and it is because people know that we sell on merit alone, that we are successful,—this sale is a big success for the buyers as well as for us. We could not sell these goods at such remarkably low prices except for the fact that

We Bought this Stock of Dry Goods at One-Half its Real Value

This enables us to sell it so very far below the regular retail prices that it is almost like finding money to buy here.

Of course this sale will not last forever. It was a strong stroke of good business when we bought it, but when the stock is closed out, we're through with dry goods. Our reputation for

HIGH QUALITY AND LOW PRICES

Stand behind this sale. That is another reason for its success. Some people will bark and growl and cry "wolf" at his neighbor's success, but that doesn't stop the people from taking advantage of such opportunities.

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There are very few people in the world who are foolish enough to pay \$5.00 for an article when the very same thing can be bought for \$2.50. That is the situation here. We are selling things at cut prices.

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Good Brown Cotton, 36 in wide	3 1/2	Best Linen Dress Canvas	17	Heavy Outing Flannel	08	Richardson's 50 yard Silk Thread	04
Belton Brown Cotton	04	Good Ticking, 36 inches	04	Extra Heavy Outing Flannel	08	Richardson's 100 yard Silk Thread	07
Bangley Brown Cotton	05	Fine Quality Ticking	10	Fancy Outing Flannel	10	Velveteen Dress Binding	04
Great Northern Brown Cotton	5 1/2	A C A Ticking	12	Good Cotton Bed Blankets 10-4 per pair	12	Good Brush Braid Dress Binding	05
Bleached Cotton, 30 in wide	04	Heavy Fancy Stripe Ticking	14	Examine our 55c Bed Blankets	14	Best Brush Braid Dress Binding	06
Scorcher Bleached Cotton, 36 in wide	05	Good Denims	09	Extra Nice Cotton Bed Blankets 11-4 per pair	09	Dress Stays per Set	08
2nd to None-Bleached Cotton	5 1/2	Extra Heavy Denims	10	Extra Heavy Bed Blankets 11-4 per pair	08	Ladies Wool Hose	12 1/2
Lonsdale Bleached Cotton	07	Everett Denims	12	All other Bed Blankets in proportion	12	Ladies All Wool Hose	22
Fruit of the Loom Cotton	07	Ladies Wrappers, \$1.00 quality	58	Our Noted 9c Bats going at	58	Ladies Extra Fine All Wool Hose	25
Good Cambric, 36 in wide	09	Common Check Shirting	3 1/2	Our Elegant 12 1/2c Bats going at	3 1/2	Men's All wool Hose	13
Lonsdale Cambric (best quality)	10	Good Shirting	07	Our Superb 15c Bats going at	07	Ladies Jersey Underwear	19
Good Apron Check Gingham	3 1/2	Extra Heavy Shirting	09	36 inch Cashmere	09	Ladies Heavy Jersey Underwear	25
Best Apron Check Gingham	05	Cotton Crash	04	44 inch Cashmere	04	Ladies Best Jersey Underwear	42
Best Dress Gingham	08	All Linen Crash	07	28 inch Fancy Plaids	07	Ladies All Wool Underwear	75
Light Prints	2 1/2	Good Linen Crash	08	52 inch All Wool Henrietta	08	Ladies All Wool Underwear	92
A Good line of Dress Prints	04	Extra Heavy Linen Crash	09	36 inch All Wool Zibeline	09	Misses and Children's Underwear at greatly reduced prices	
Best Dress Prints	05	Very Best Linen Crash	10	38 inch Prunella	10	Ladies Electric Seal Scarfs with Six Tails	87
Good Silecia and Percaline	10 and 12 1/2	Fancy Toweling	10	44 inch All Wool Prunella	10	Ladies Electric Seal Muffs	87
Best Silecia and Percaline	15	Checked Toweling	09	All other dress goods in proportion	09	A Few Men's Overalls and Jackets, 50c quality	28
Best Dress Cambrics	04	Outing Flannel	3 1/2	Brooks Cotton Thread	3 1/2		
Dress Canvas	12 1/2	Good Quality Outing Flannel	05	Coats Cotton Thread	05		

You will miss the chance of your life if you don't take advantage of this Closing Out Sale.

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LOWELL, MICHIGAN.

Budapest, Hungary, has fifty churches in which divine service is conducted in twelve different languages.

A farmer in Addison, Me., has a sheep which this year yielded two fleeces, one black as ink, and the other as white as snow.

Russian engineers are experimenting with a military kite which will, it is hoped, prove useful for recommending reconnoitering purposes.

The metric system of weights and measures was adopted by France in 1790, by Holland in 1816, by Belgium in 1820, and by Sweden in 1839.

A three-wheeled cab has made its appearance in London. The third wheel runs in front of the passenger and is to save him from accident should the horse fall.

The best-lighted street in the world is the famous thoroughfare of Berlin, Unter-den-Linden. It is illuminated by three lines of electric lights, which are separated by two lines of Linden trees.

The Alaska Indians have a violin closely resembling in form the primitive instrument of the same kind used among the Persians and Turks. It has two strings and is played with a small bow.

As a rule, the men whom men draw and the women whom women depict are nearer the truth, for it is a blessed law of nature that men and women shall view one another through the eyes of the imagination.

An eccentric Ohio man made his own coffin five years ago, and when he died the other day it took considerable muscular persuasion to get his increased girth into the box. It was done, however, and two men sat on the coffin lid on the way to the grave, at the expressed wish of the dead man.

Red-headed Indians are very rare. One of them, belonging to the Passamaquoddy tribe's reservation at Pleasant Point, near Eastport, Me., recently died there, aged 69. His name was Sogiel Haney, and all through his life he was shunned by the other members of his tribe because of his bright red hair.

Covington, Ga., has furnished a new boy preacher, Metz Joiner, 9 years of age, who lately held one of the largest congregations ever seen in the town enraptured for thirty minutes. After he had finished his sermon, several ladies ran up to kiss him, but he told them not to worship him, but the one of whom he was preaching.

The cousins of Menzo Shaul, of Herkimer, N. Y., are coming into existence with the fecundity of rabbits all over the country. He died recently, leaving \$21,000 to be divided among his third cousins, meaning, as he expressed it, "the children of those persons related to me as cousins." There are already 370 persons, from various parts of the United States, who have sent in their claims to the estate.

If the present plans of the board of appraisers appointed by the Probate Court of Canton, Ohio, to estimate the value of the McKinley estate are carried out, Mrs. McKinley will be granted an allowance of \$8,000 annually to pay her living expenses. The estimated value of the estate submitted by the administrators is \$210,000, of which sum \$70,000 is in real estate and \$140,000 in personal property.

James Farrell of Barbourville, W. Va., recently celebrated the 105th anniversary of his birth. He is now possibly the oldest man in the United States. Mr. Farrell served in the war of 1812 and later was in Mexico under Jefferson Davis. When the war between the states broke out he enlisted, although no longer a young man, and saw four years of service. He was probably the oldest veteran to offer his services to the government when the Spanish war broke out.

There died at Vienna the other day a woman who claimed to be the champion man-hater of the world. This was her boast during her lifetime, and as yet her title stands undisputed. She declared in her will that no male persons should have anything to do with her burying. She must be laid out, preached over, and carried to the cemetery by women, a woman must shovel earth on the box other women had nailed her up in, and her grave-stone must be chiseled by a woman's hand. During the funeral procession, however, a hard wind made it impossible for one of the flagbearers to hold her burden, and a man was called for help.

Hasty judgment of the actions of others is dangerous and often unjust. We measure too much by some superficial appearance, and condemn hastily, when, if we knew all and understood the motives and reasons, we should warmly approve.

Some of the dwellings in Honolulu have lights on the outside as well as in the rooms. Electric lamps are set in the masonry of the walls, thereby throwing a reflection on the lawns, where the residents spend most of their nights.

MICHIGAN NEWS SERVED UP.

The Deputy Game Warden Doing His Duty Bravely.

OIL AND ASPHALT IN ESCANABA.

The Damming of St. Mary's River and Its Importance - Events of Interest Pertaining to the Whole State Briefly and Interestingly Told.

The Deputy is Game.
Deputy Game Warden Brewster returned from his hunt in Lake Michigan, having made the biggest seizure of nets and fish ever reported on the great lakes. He captured 18 miles of new trout nets belonging to the A. Booth Co., of Chicago, and valued at \$10,000. He has thus antagonized the fish trust, and big legal events are expected to follow.

The nets were found in Michigan water, the trust having set them there contrary to Michigan law, and in direct defiance of the game warden and his cruiser, Dornbos. The tug Harrow, belonging to the Booth company, was again sighted, but the expected battle did not materialize.

Brewster will cruise with a big force of deputies fully armed in case Booth decides to have his tugs and crews interfere. Thursday, 5,000 pounds of fish were confiscated and stored in the hold of the boat.

The tug Edwards, which was surrendered, is now the property of the warden. The tug Ferry, which surrendered Monday, returned to St. Joe for the first time Thursday. Deputy Brewster was informed by Game Warden Morse by wire that Illinois has a closed season on all excepting rough fish, from Oct. 15 until Nov. 30. All nets now set in Illinois are then contrary to law.

An Exclusive Party.
The 14 society young people of Traverse City, composing the quarantine colony in a sequestered house on the east bay shore, are not faring so badly. They were exposed to smallpox with which Eugene Packard, collector for the Citizens' Telegraph Co., is afflicted. The quarantined people are Miss Winifred Fuller, teacher in the public schools; her sister Francis; Misses Eleanor Dwyer, a saleslady; Clara Mason, Alva and Alta Cooper, Claud Baker, Will Nash, Joe Elbertberger, a high school graduate; Howard and Harrison Houghton, Alfred Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Layman, all prominent in social circles. Mrs. Layman is chaperoning the party. The building is situated two miles from the city. It contains four rooms, three below and one upstairs. The upper room is occupied by the ladies as a sleeping room. One room downstairs is devoted to the male persons, one for a general room and one for a kitchen. Supplies are taken out to the place every day from this city, and every precaution is taken to prevent the spread of infection. There are as yet no signs of infection in the party, but should one of them be attacked with the disease he will be removed to a temporary pest house located a short distance away.

An Important Work.
The damming of St. Mary's rapids, a water power second only to Niagara, is now being successfully done. Without this work the level of Lake Superior could not be maintained, and at the same time furnish water for two ship canals and three water power canals receiving their supply from Superior's mill pond.

The first step in this great work is nearing completion. The breakwater and cofferdam necessary to allow the construction of the dam proper are finished, the work of installing 10,000 bags of sand and an immense amount of timber, and the pumping out of the cofferdam is to begin at once. The work will continue all winter. The estimated cost of the dam is over \$250,000.

Oil and Asphalt.
State Geologist Lane has returned from the upper peninsula with some samples of "live" asphalt which he found near Escanaba. The deposits were first found by farmers, who use the oil found in the issues of the rock for axle grease, it being excellent lubricating oil. While making investigations huge pieces of rock were blasted out and found to contain cavities filled with oil. Whether there is oil or asphalt in sufficient quantities to make the find a valuable one, the state geologist is not prepared to say.

Deadly Dynamite.
At Helen Iron mine, near Michipicoten, James Ryan, a powder man, was literally blown to atoms by the explosion of 5,000 pounds of dynamite which he was drying by a fire. All that could be found of him was one finger and a piece of his spine. Houses were shattered and several persons received minor injuries. Four carloads of dynamite were stored 200 yards distant, but it was not disturbed.

An Apt Pupil.
Fred L. Stevens, who was assistant cashier of the defunct First National Bank of Niles at one time, was arraigned at Plankington, S. D., Monday on a charge of having absconded with the funds of the Farmers' Bank of Plankington, which failed three years ago. Stevens was a pupil of Cashier Johnson, who is now serving ten years in the Detroit house of correction.

Capt. M. C. Bond of Company A. of Adrian, has been asked to resign by a committee from the company.

Wm. Hayward, of Hart, aged 57, was sentenced in the circuit court to Iowa for nine months for embezzling township funds while officiating as dog warden.

The Prouty Motor Co., of Chicago, will establish a factory in Lansing for the manufacture of gasoline road motors.

Edward N. Marquardt, a laborer on the Michigan Central road, was struck by a train near Foster's Station, and killed.

It Was Merciless.

Wednesday things were made warm for Mayor Perry, of Grand Rapids, by Prosecutor C. E. Ward in examining him regarding the "pure water deal."

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NEWS FROM ALL SECTIONS.

What It Costs To Balance Chicago's Books.

THE JURY IN THE BONINE CASE.

Smallpox Wiping Out the Indians - The Klondike Conspiracy - Various Matters of More or Less Importance Throughout the World.

The Bonine Jury.
The jury which is to try Mrs. Ida Bonine in Washington on the charge of murdering the young census clerk, James S. Ayres, Jr., of Michigan, was finally selected Wednesday and the trial opened Thursday. A number of colored men were called, but all of them were excused. Mr. Douglas, representing Mrs. Bonine, said, after the court adjourned that he would reserve his opening until after all the evidence for the prosecution had been heard. In his address, Assistant District Attorney Hugh T. Taggart contended that the killing of young Ayres had been felonious and malicious, and therefore was to be characterized as murder, as charged in the indictment.

There was, he said, a tie between the prisoner and the dead man in the fact that Ayres was a student of dentistry and she had studied medicine. As a consequence she became a frequent visitor to his room in the hotel where they both lived, not only in the day time, but night as well. "and," he added, "the door was not always open when she was there."

Terrible Mining Disaster.
What is likely to prove the most disastrous accident that has ever occurred in a metallic mine in Colorado, resulted Wednesday from a fire which burned the buildings at the mouth of the Bullion tunnel, through which the Smuggler Union mine is worked, and which filled the mine with deadly gas and smoke. It is impossible to give even an approximate estimate of the loss of life, but it is believed that it will reach nearly 100. Twenty-two are known to have perished. The Smuggler-Union mine is one of the oldest in the district and has several abandoned openings, some of which were available. A rescuing party cut a connection through from the commission workings adjoining and took out some of the men. The dense smoke continued to pour into the tunnel and it was not until late Wednesday afternoon that it occurred to the management to shut off the draft by blasting rock into the tunnel. The property loss is about \$50,000, fully covered by insurance.

Smallpox Killing Indians.
The increase in the number of cases of smallpox among the Indians on the northwest reservations is becoming alarming, as the disease is rapidly spreading among the whites.

Secretary Hitchcock has received a telegram from Gov. Shaw, of Iowa, asking that the government officials cooperate with the state and city officials to prevent Indians on the Sac and Fox agencies from wandering among the whites, and thus distributing the disease among the whites.

The Indians refuse to obey the quarantine regulations, and a great many of them refused to submit to vaccination. The death rate among the afflicted has been 60 per cent. This same condition exists in a smaller degree at all of the northwestern reservations. The Indians even refuse medicine from white men.

The Yukon Fairy Tale.
This comes from Vancouver, B. C.: The Yukon insurrection story is not altogether without foundation. Some half-breed Americans drew up plans for forcibly depositing the government and police in the Yukon, somewhat similar to the historical Jameson raid in the Transvaal. Maj. Woods, M. P., discovered the scheme and took prompt steps to suppress it. American officials at Skagway co-operating. The discovery of the scheme is supposed to have nipped it in the bud. It is said the scheme originated in Seattle and \$250,000 was available to aid the venture. The information has been obtained from ex-police officers of the Yukon police force and members of the gambling fraternity who have come to the coast cities for the winter, and is gradually confirmed by the officials who have just come down from the north.

Crazed by the Figures.
One man insane, one broken in health, and half a dozen under a regular course of treatment is the price paid for the examination and attempted balancing of the tangled accounts of the city of Chicago. Men who began the work four months ago are suffering from failing eyesight, or worn out from the constant strain upon their nerves, are on the verge of a collapse. Sixty men have been engaged on the job. Mayor Harrison says it is the worst thing ever tackled.

Lincoln and McKinley.
At the seventh annual banquet of the Society of Mayflower Descendants at Delmonico's Senator McLaurin, of South Carolina, said: "There are only two men in our history who fully understood the south—Lincoln and McKinley. If Lincoln had lived there would have been an end to carpetbagging among us, and if McKinley had lived he would have reunited the discordant sections of the south, for more than any other man, he understood them."

Buffalo's Treasurer Short.
The mayor of Buffalo has suspended City Treasurer Philip Gerst from office, charging him with misconduct in office and with having kept inaccurate and false accounts. Specifically, the mayor charges that Treasurer Gerst borrowed from banks upwards of \$40,000 with which to cover up the shortage in his accounts at a time when an examination was to be made; that in August last he loaned to a bank \$8,000 of the city's money, and that at various times during the current year he appropriated to his own use moneys belonging to the city, the aggregate of such sums being \$42,240.

Crocker Is Warm.

At the meeting of the Tammany executive committee yesterday afternoon Richard Crocker gave vent to his feelings:

"I am tired and sick of being hounded by the press, the pulpit and the public. They resort to all manner of underhand means and to all sorts of falsehoods to defeat us. I have been the target of their abuse for months and the victim of their lies, but I made no reply to the harsh things they said about me. I now defy them; I have done so publicly, and I challenge them to prove their charges against me. They don't dare to try it. Now, what Tammany wants is new blood, new faces, new ideas—young men to awaken public interest. I expect great things from young men, and we can reward them for their efforts in this organization. I depend upon you, gentlemen, to get this new blood into Tammany Hall."

Bound to Show Up.
Because he could find nobody in Circle City or elsewhere in Alaska who could vouch for him, and because he has a mining claim which made it imperative for him to become a subject of the United States, Arthur Holmes, formerly of Harrisville and Alpena, came all the way to Alpena to have the court declare him a citizen. This is Holmes' own explanation of his journey. Holmes' father was a naturalized subject of Great Britain. Holmes, the son, had always supposed he was a citizen of the United States, owing to that fact. Having straightened the matter out he will return at once to the far northern gold fields.

American Girls Sold.
A London cable dispatch says: English detectives acknowledge their inability to stop the wholesale traffic in young girls carried on by agents in this city who are shipping hundreds of young women to South America. These men advertise in continental cities for servants. When they reach London, they are met by these men, who claim to be relatives of the girls and take them under their protection. From London these young women are sent to Africa and South America, and in most cases it is asserted they are actually sold. A dozen representatives of missionary societies who have undertaken to break up the traffic say they have failed to attain their object, because of the inactivity of the police.

Kruger's Gold.
An Austrian merchant just from South Africa tells London that the Boer war will not last longer than June. He believes the Boers would be glad to make peace if they obtained substantial autonomy. He says the British should not allow the burghers to retain the gold mine region, which should be permanently under British rule. This observer also declares that Kruger kept up the Afrikaner bond by wealth derived from the gold industry. He says if Kruger loses his money he will soon lose his friends.

Miss Stone's Ransom Again.
Mr. Dickinson, according to the Vezera Posta, whose editor was a member of the former Macedonian committee, has sent an ultimatum to the brigands giving them six days to accept a specified sum as the ransom for Miss Stone. If this amount is not accepted within the time mentioned Mr. Dickinson's offer will be withdrawn. The ultimatum to the brigands, according to a dispatch from Sofia to the London Daily Telegraph, specifies £12,000.

Mrs. C. M. Teller, mother of Senator Teller, is dead in Morrison, Ill., aged 93.

Army officers discredit the story of conspiracy to secure the independence of Alaska.

Lieut. Hildebrand gets two years in jail in Berlin for killing Lieut. Blackowitz in a duel.

Floods have caused a three weeks' armistice between rebels and government troops in Colombia.

G. A. Larkin, of West Superior, Wis., shot and killed while hunting with W. Kirk, left a written statement exonerating Kirk.

German Ambassador Von Holleben says the kaiser feels the utmost friendliness for the United States and has no intention of doing anything unpleasant.

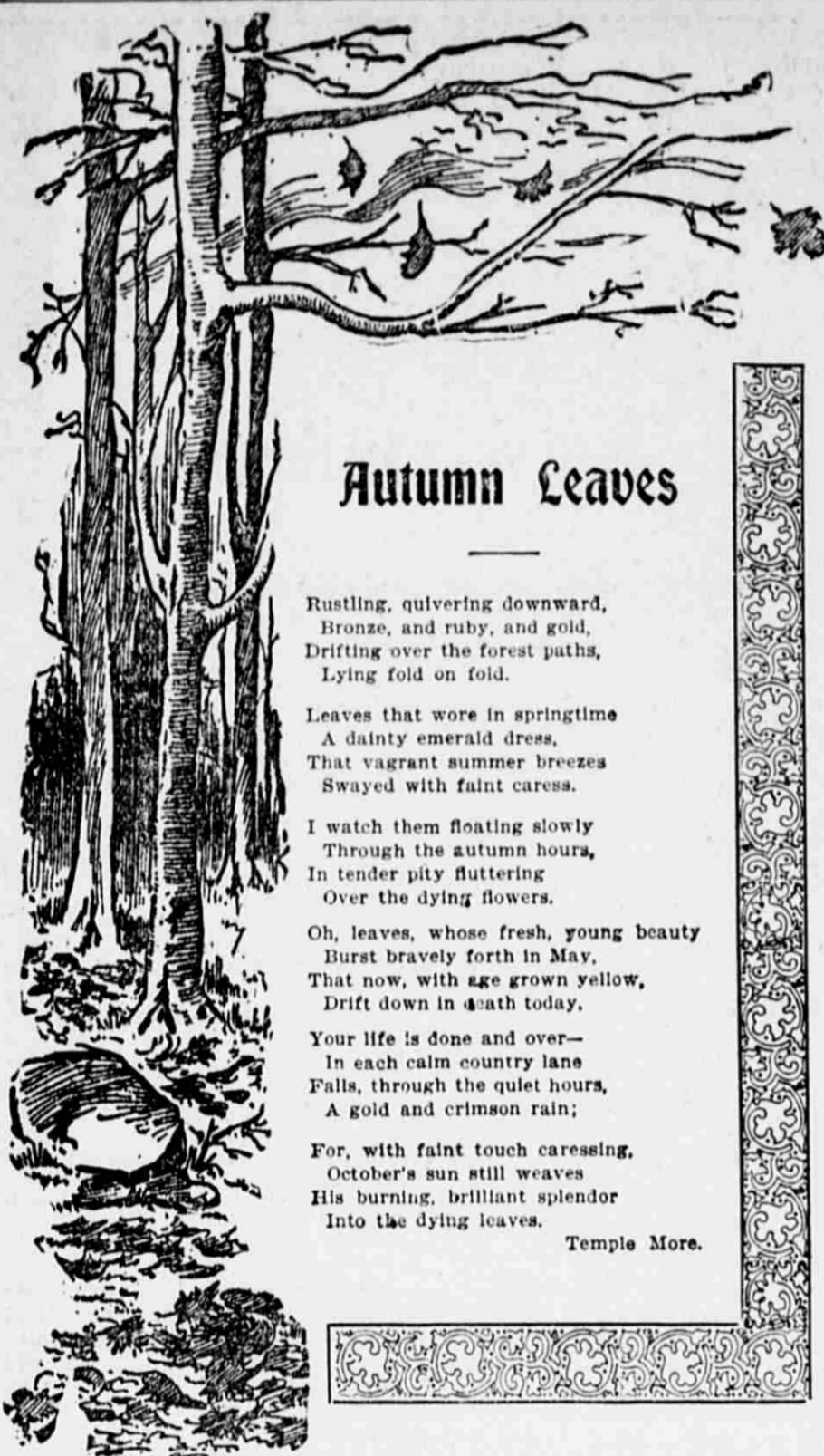
John Ruska was fatally burned by hot slag accidentally dumped on him in Homestead, Pa. Two companions were badly hurt.

Not less than 80 Americans of large means are at present engaged in developing mines, building railroads and furthering other big enterprises in Korea.

Salisbury says: "England is, I believe, the only country in which during a great war eminent men write and speak, publicly, as if they belonged to the enemy."

Mrs. Chas. Bass, of Vernon, Ill., left her two small children locked in the house while she went to a neighbor's. The house burned and the children perished. Mrs. Bass in attempting to save her children received burns from which she will die.

The residence of H. A. Garrett, of Akron, O., was wrecked Thursday by an explosion of natural gas. Mr. Garrett was terribly burned, and his wife, who was sick in bed, was thrown against a wall with such force that she will probably die.



Autumn Leaves

Rustling, quivering downward,
Bronze, and ruby, and gold,
Drifting over the forest paths,
Lying fold on fold.

Leaves that wore in springtime
A dainty emerald dress,
That vagrant summer breezes
Swayed with faint caress.

I watch them floating slowly
Through the autumn hours,
In tender pity fluttering
Over the dying flowers.

Oh, leaves, whose fresh, young beauty
Burst bravely forth in May,
That now, with age grown yellow,
Drift down in death today.

Your life is done and over—
In each calm country lane
Falls, through the quiet hours,
A gold and crimson rain;

For, with faint touch caressing,
October's sun still weaves
His burning, brilliant splendor
Into the dying leaves.

Temple More.



Looting of China.

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Wun Sock leaned over the hearth and drew with his bow a melancholy tune out of an old violin. Again and again he drew the bow across the instrument, holding a particularly deep note, bending forward slightly and looking intently at a spot on the hearth. The room was dimly lighted by a tallow dip. Weird enough were the surroundings—the figures of dragons on the walls, Joss perched on a shelf, the giant shadows cast by the flickering light—without the accompaniment of unearthly music. Twenty minutes, half an hour, forty minutes, and then, with an exclamation of Chinese disgust, he laid the violin down, took up a large cork from the shelf, fitted it in a hole in the hearth and blew out the tallow dip, and, after a few puffs at the resistless pipe, threw himself on his cot and slept.

A few minutes later Chip In opened the door of the little joint and tiptoed softly in. Lighting the tallow dip and seeing the violin lying there, he began where Wun Sock left off, first taking the cork out of the hole in the hearth. Chip In drew forth the same monotonous tune, even more dismally than his predecessor. Twenty minutes, half an hour, forty minutes, and then, with an execration, he repeated Wun Sock's actions, throwing himself on the cot next to his worthy contemporary, while that gentleman emitted a snort which may have signified gross displeasure at the confusion aroused by Chip In, or intense confusion at some hallucination superinduced by the pipe.

While Wun Sock was muttering incoherent monosyllables to himself, in staid slip gin, and, judging from his wavering gait and the reverse position of his hat, he had been a partaker of the cup that inebriates but does not inevitably cheer. He made his way



From the hole emerged an object—unsteadily over the hearth by the light of the street lamp, and looked about in a bleared sort of way, accidentally touching the violin with his hand. Instinctively recalling a forgotten injunction, he took up the instrument. Long he drew the bow across the strings and long he held the monotonous tone with

the tenacious bow, playing, however, with somewhat more feeling than the others. The light from the street lamps shone dimly through the little square panes of glass to the hole in the hearth. Sip watched closely with only the aid of this. The violin continued to wail and moan. Then from the hole emerged an object, moving almost indistinguishably, first its head, then neck, and finally writhing its whole form out upon the hearth, standing erect and almost touching Sip Gin with its nose—a cobra of immense size. Sip continued to draw the bow as imperceptibly as possible. Suddenly, with a movement as quick as the flash of a sabre, he dropped both bow and violin and grabbed the reptile just behind the head. With a shriek he awoke Wun Sock and Chip In, while the struggles of the infuriated monster, together with Sip's already too unsteady head, nearly carried that gentleman off his balance. A light being produced, he regained his equilibrium, while his companions uttered exclamations of intense gratification at the victorious although somewhat inebriated Sip.

In his rage the serpent's head was flattened out, resembling a hood, on the back of which were the spectacular marks, and the brownish-olive form wriggled in a desperate effort to escape. Quickly it was thrust into a box, and while it was venting its rage on the interior Sip pulled himself together and adjusted his disheveled raiment. The rest of the night they sat up to discuss a conspiracy.

Wun Sock conducted a prosperous laundry near the barracks, his business having increased with the influx of the Americans. Sip Gin was an all-around sport, who spent most of his time and money in the gambling joint which is at present the scene of this narrative, and of which Chip In was said to be the sole proprietor. Wun Sock had by artful competition forced Hop Hi, a rival laundry man, to the wall, for which piece of mercantile courtesy he incurred that Celestial's unmitigated enmity. Hop having migrated to Bombay, returned the compliment in the form of this cobra, neatly ensconced in a box, which Wun Sock, in delight and ignorance of its contents, took around to Chip In's to open before that heathen's usually admiring eyes. Upon forcing the lid the serpent made a pass at him, and but for the tool with which he opened the box, and which he still held in his hand, the result would surely have been fatal to Wun Sock. In the excitement, during which they all retreated, the cobra made good his escape, taking refuge in the hole in the hearth, which they promptly stopped up with a cork.

Knowing the power of music to charm these reptiles, a violin was procured, and for six nights they met at the joint and vainly extended an invitation to the cobra to emerge from the hearth and be again immured within the walls of his box. It remained, however, for Sip Gin, inspired to sentiments of tenderness by the influence of a soothing liquid, to draw the bow with sufficient witchery to charm the otherwise indomitable creature and coax him from his lair. Once out, it was a one-shot victory, a shoot-or-be-shot chance, and Sip had drunk

just enough to give him a reckless abandon and steady nerve to complete the feat with glory.

With such a potent agency of death in their possession and a means whereby to deal an everlasting blow to the enemy, of which a Chinese is never entirely without, these Celestials immediately bethought how to use this deputy of the devil to the best advantage. Each recited his list of those whom he would be pleased to annihilate, but it was difficult to select the most eligible.

Lam Chop, the restaurateur, just then happened in and was let into the secret. He smiled to himself. Wun Sock with five enemies, Chip In with seven, Sip Gin with three, while he, Lam Chop, had only one—an enemy who had spoken evil of him to all his race—Chin Lip, the barber. "But be not vindictive," said Lam Chop, as he rubbed his sleeve across his face to hide a smile. "Let your enemies live and list to the chance of a lifetime. The government of Uncle Sam will give \$5,000 for Aguinaldo, dead or alive." Lam Chop knew his hiding place and his disguise. "Think of 5,000 of Uncle Sam's big dollars, that buy ten times as much as our brass money! Back to China we can go and live like Li Hung Chang."

Great was the idea, but how was it to be executed? Lam Chop would tell them. On the night of the full moon Wun Sock was to carry his venomous burden, boxed neatly, with the lid merely latched, to a deserted hut on the outskirts of Manila. There Aguinaldo took refuge after nightfall and slipped out early every morning disguised as a coolie. He would see the box and naturally open it; death would result and the reward be sure to follow.

Wun Sock on the day appointed hastened to do the bidding of Lam Chop. At sunset he went to the house, deposited the box in a conspicuous place and decamped. Next morning three Chinamen could be seen walking along the road leading to the outskirts. Lam Chop did not appear at the hour appointed to bring the body of Aguinaldo to the government of Uncle Sam; so, after waiting half an hour, the three decided to go without him. As they approached the hut their countenances beamed with anticipation. Wun Sock pushed open the door slowly and peeped in. There Aggy lay stretched out on the floor. The box open and empty. Sip Gin then took a peep, and lastly Chip In. Making sure the cobra had escaped, they fled in and turned the body over, when all fell back aghast. It was Chin Lip, the barber! After their consternation subsided they rifled his pockets and fled out.

A nice trick Lam Chop had played on them! He, who had said "Be not vindictive and let your enemies live," had used their weapon for his own ends. It galled their Chinese souls. However, they would make Lam Chop pay for his little trick. They looked for him, but he was not to be found. He had vanished. The accumulated wealth of Wun Sock, Chip In and Sip Gin had been detached from its hiding places and had gone along, too. He had sold his restaurant the day previous to a mutual friend, who reported that Lam Chop laughed so loud and so long that it was only by chance that



It was Chin Lip, the barber, he caught his parting words, which, referring to his victims, were, "Three muchee gullible fools!"

House Ventilation in Bombay.
Most of the new houses in Bombay have a fine show of windows on the outside, but no corresponding opening to allow a current of air to pass through. The mean annual temperature is 79.13 degrees Fahrenheit, and the mean relative humidity 77 per cent. The mean annual range of temperature is 46.9 degrees, but there are periods during the rains when the diurnal range of temperature does not exceed 2 degrees, and, unless there is wind, ventilation is practically stopped, because the outer air and that in the buildings are reduced to nearly one temperature. With the thermometer at 82 to 84 degrees, and the air heavily charged with moisture, the surplus heat of the human body escapes too slowly, and much discomfort ensues. As it is not possible to dry the air in an ordinary house, the usual remedy is to produce a current by means of a punkah, and although the influence of this is very local, it has been found that in the worst Bombay weather life is made tolerable in its current. The chief drawback of the punkah is the punkahwalla. He is dirty, unreliable, especially at night, and his work, counting day and night, costs 24 rupees per month for a single punkah.—Collier's Magazine.

You might as well talk to an echo as to a person who always agrees with you.

A SQUAW'S ATTIRE.

SOME WEAR SUITS WORTH A THOUSAND DOLLARS.

Oklahoma Indian Women among the Most Extravagant Dressers in America—Much Money Spent in Purchasing Costly Ornaments for Their Clothing.

It has just cropped out in social circles that the Oklahoma Indian women are among the most extravagant dressers in America. The fact is worth presenting to those who look to Paris for their fashions. There may come a time when Paris looks to Oklahoma if things go on in this way. It is a fact, very narrowly known, that many women of the Kiowa, Comanche, Arapahoe and Ponca tribes have dresses costing from \$750 to \$1,500 apiece. They are not made in what we should call the latest styles; the decorations are what count.

The squaws' money is nearly all spent in purchasing costly ornaments for their clothing. These ornaments are in the shape of jewelry and precious stones, elk teeth and pearls. It is nothing out of the common to see an Indian girl walking around over her reservation with \$500 worth of elk teeth tied to her dress in decorative style. Again, a two-karat diamond is no curiosity to these dusky belles. Most of the dresses are made from soft buckskin lined with silk or satin. Red satin is a great favorite for dress lining and shirt waists among the Indian women. Yellow silk is another of their favorites, but violet was the prevailing color this year. Next year the Indian woman who leads the fashion will decree a new and flashy color to be the up-to-date thing, and, of course, all of the women will follow her. Society as we name it is a thing unknown among the reservation Indian women, but they have a certain envy of social standing just the same. When they come to the small towns on trading days there may be assembled several hundred of the women from various parts of the country, and they gather in the agency and talk over events among themselves, gossip upon the scandals and rail against the whites for hours at a time. It is during this function that they may be seen in their best dress, and each one tries to outdo her neighbor in ornaments. The more elk teeth one has on her dress the more popular she is at these weekly meetings at the agency buildings. They examine each other's dresses carefully and freely express to the wearer opinions upon the quality and cost. If the dress meets with the disapproval of one, she has no hesitation about saying so to the owner of such dress, who retorts as she sees fit. Sometimes open quarrels ensue at these sessions because some woman has been too bold in her criticism. Before they go home they take a vote on the dresses, and the owner of the best is crowned leader of fashion for the next week, and all must refrain from criticising her dress.

During the ensuing week there is a great race to outshine her garments, and this is generally accomplished, no matter how hard she may have striven to hold her place in the lead. The squaws do not have to work as hard as is generally supposed. They do little outside their houses, as the Indians who have an income from the United States do not farm. All of the money due the women is paid direct to them, and they spend it to please their own tastes, which means for dress. The fashions they follow are very amusing to the white people, but with them it is a serious business, and the women are as much interested in their shopping as a white woman would be at the counter of one of the largest millinery houses in New York. Civilization is steadily growing with these people, and the ways of the whites show in many matters besides those of dress. Most of the young married couples of the Kiowa and Comanche tribes have comfortable houses instead of tepees. They are well educated, having been forced to attend government schools. To these new manners of life the young men and women take kindly, but the older class will have none of them. They continue to live in tents, as do full-bloods of other southwest tribes. The young Indian wife of today is clean, a fairly good cook and tidy with her house. She is not yet well versed in the art of decoration and red and green are predominant colors in all her rooms, whether in harmony or not. The house has good furniture, but it is strangely arranged. The lounge is a favorite piece of furniture, and one sees it in every Indian household, always in the parlor. If the Indians have a piano or organ it goes into the bedroom. The young buck's best saddle goes into the parlor, and in many houses it is hung upon the wall. Red ribbons are tied to everything, even the tail of the cat, for no Indian household is complete without a cat and dog.—San Francisco Call.

Only at First Sight.
She—Do you really mean to say the engagement is broken off between Jack and Miss Rusling? He—Yes, I heard it straight from Jack. She—How strange. I thought it was a case of love at first sight. He—So it was, but you see they have known each other some time now.—The King.

A Suggestion.
"No, I'm not very well impressed with the house," said the prospective tenant. "The yard is frightfully small; there's hardly room for a single flower bed." "Think so?" replied the agent. "But er—mightn't you use folding flower beds?"—Philadelphia Press.

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Miss Cora Howe is on the sick list.

Dr. Elsworth is recovering from his recent illness.

Get your sage and poultry seasoning at VanDyke's.

U. B. Williams was in Detroit the first of the week.

"Gee whiz! See the bundles of clothing coming from Godfrey's."

James H. Andrews of Lowell has been granted a pension of \$6 per month.

R. R. Eaton, M. D. Diseases of women, children and accouchement a specialty.

A fresh line of canned goods and fine table condiments for Thanksgiving at VanDyke's.

A marriage license was issued to Roy E. McArthur and Fannie E. Bookey, both of Grattan.

Mrs. H. VanDerwall and two children are spending Thanksgiving with friends in Grand Rapids.

Cash paid for all kinds of hardwood logs. Custom sawing done.
J. H. CARY,

R. R. junction, Lowell.

The familiar form of "Sid" Bradfield, now of Grand Rapids, was seen on our streets one day last week.

W. S. Godfrey is after the clothing trade with the best goods at the lowest prices. "It's no wonder he has the best trade."

James Chambers and daughters, Addie and Rose, leave today for Macon, Mich., where they will spend the winter with relatives.

A. B. Ransford, formerly of this place, but for several years a resident of Grand Rapids, has been spending several days with old Lowell friends.

Dr. A. E. Cambell was down town Tuesday for the first time since his recent illness. He will soon be ready for business again, if he suffers no relapse.

It is very good and natural to see the smiling face of A. H. Peckham on our streets again. Not many moons ago his life was almost despaired of. Now he looks as if many years more would be easy.

John Beery returned, last week, from Traverse City, where he has been working for the past three months. This is only his third visit home since April, and now he has work at Grand Rapids for an indefinite period. He has quite regained his health and is looking well.

J. H. Cary has purchased the Lowell Furniture company land, at the junction of the Grand Trunk and Pere Marquette railroads and will build and run a sawmill there. He will buy all kinds of logs and do custom work, doing a general hardwood lumber business. Get your logs ready. He will be ready to buy about Dec. 15.

Mrs. George Morse was in Grand Rapids Friday.

Mrs. Clayton Gunn was sick several days last week.

F. P. Mason of Ionia visited his parents here last week.

Miss Tassa Burnett of Saranac visited in town Monday.

Mrs. M. J. King, who has been sick for some time, is better.

Fresh celery, lettuce and bayanas for Thanksgiving at VanDykels.

Miss Effie Potter has moved from Ann Arbor to Sandusky, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Stell of Shepherd are visiting A. E. Ryder and wife.

Mrs. F. W. Dickinson of St. Paul is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Craw.

Buy your lamp from C. O. Lawrence. The best in Lowell for the money.

Get your Malaga grapes cranberries and nuts for Thanksgiving at Vandyke.

Mrs. Charles Watters of Grand Rapids is a guest of her aunt, Mrs. H. Robinson.

Misses Edith and Mary McAlvery of Saranac were recent guests of Miss Lizzie Soucier.

Mrs. E. Moffit entertained her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Klingensmith of Middleville, over Sunday.

Miss Martha Thompson was out of school part of last week on account of illness but is able to teach again.

Mrs. F. D. Black of Grand Rapids and Mrs. L. S. Roell of Greenville spent Sunday at I. Halstead's.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Pierce are entertaining the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Hills of Holland.

W. S. Winegar's hunting party arrived home last week with a credit of 11 deer, of which Will claims two.

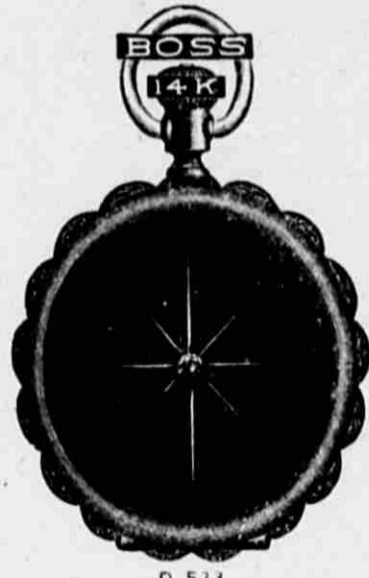
Mrs. G. E. Keller of Lakeview and Miss Pearl Abbott of Saranac were guests of W. E. Pierce and wife last Thursday.

The first number of the Epworth League lecture course, filled by the Hungarian orchestra at Train's opera house Tuesday evening, was an unqualified success in every particular. Nothing better may ever be heard in Lowell. The audience was large and appreciative; and altogether the opening was auspicious.

Court Hicks was busy Tuesday with a jury trial in case People vs. Brace, in which J. L. Smith accused Arthur Brace and son Roy of hunting on his premises without permission. Karl Mapes, of the prosecuting attorney's staff, appeared for the People and J. M. Mathewson for the defense. The jury rendered a verdict of "Not guilty."

Last Friday the neighbors and friends of Miss Helen Babcock gathered at her home to celebrate her 58th birthday anniversary. A photograph was taken of the group and a bountiful dinner was served. Mr. H. A. Barrett acting as toast master. Miss Babcock was the recipient of some very nice and useful presents and the day was pleasantly spent.
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Phila Clark W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. W. L. Merriman, Tuesday, Dec. 3. Leader, Mrs. M. J. Painter; topic, "Temperance Literature."

Dr. Merriman of Alto made this office a pleasant call, Tuesday and two big cart wheels dropped kerthud into the till as he closed the door. Come again, Doctor.

D. G. Look informs us that the matter of securing a settlement with C. J. Church, whereby the Church bank creditors will receive 20 per cent of their dues will be closed up this week.

Miss Nina Hiler is visiting in Grand Rapids. Mrs. Dr. Wiechman of Bonduei, Wis. is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Agnes Wiley. Mrs. H. C. Meyers of Alma returned to her home Tuesday after a visit with her father, Rev. I. B. Jones. Mrs. Loa Lampman and sister, Mrs. Meyers, were in Grand Rapids Saturday.

Going to California.

On account of failing health, John Mills is about to close out his business here. He and his daughter, Ada, will go to California about New Years to remain a year, when it is expected the entire family will move there.

Mr. Mills has been a resident of Lowell twenty-five years and the removal of himself and family will be regretted by many old friends.

He will have an auction sale of his wagons, buggies, blacksmith and wagon making tools, Saturday, Dec. 14, as per bills, beginning at 10:30 a. m. His business stand and residence are also for sale, making good openings for the right people.

THE LOWELL MARKET REPORT

Thursday, (to-day) Nov. 28, 1901.

GRAIN.
Wheat—75c per bushel.

PRODUCE.
Butter—17 @ 19c per pound.
Eggs—20c @ 22c per dozen.
Lard—10 to 12c per pound.
Honey—10 @ 12c per pound.

VEGETABLES AND FRUITS.
Potatoes—70 @ 74c per bushel
Onions—1 00 @ 1 25 per bushel
Apples—75 to 1 00 per bushel

FRESH.
Corn and Oats—\$25 per ton
Bran—\$19 per ton
Corn meal—24 00 per ton
Middlings—20 00 per ton

MEATS.
Beef, live weight—2 50 to \$3 50 per cwt
Beef, dressed—\$5 00 @ \$6 00 per cwt.
Veal dressed—\$6 00 @ 6 50 per cwt.
Sheep, live weight—\$2 50 @ \$3 00 per cwt.
Lamb, live weight—\$3 50 @ 3 75 per cwt.
Pork alive—\$5 00 @ 5 25 per cwt.
Pork dressed—6 00 @ 6 50 per cwt.

POULTRY.
Spring chickens dressed—8c per pound
Chickens, feather dressed—7c per pound
Ducks feather dressed—9c per pound.
Turkeys feather dressed—9c per pound.
Geese feather dressed—8c per pound.

HIDES AND TALLOW.
Beef Hides—60c per pound for green
Calf Skins—No. 1, 7c per pound
Tallow—3 1/2c per pound.

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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular special meeting of the Lowell Village Council held in the Council Rooms on Monday evening, Nov. 18, 1901. Meeting called to order by President VanDyke.

Present Lee, Look, Nicholson and White absent Flanagan and Watts.

The Finance Committee recommended that the taxes of Augusta Hauser be reduced (\$1.25) one and twenty-five one hundredths dollars as the property upon which the amount was levied was sold to the P. M. Railway Co.

On motion by Trustee Look the recommendation was concurred in and the tax remitted. Yeas Lee, Look, Nicholson and

White absent Flanagan and Watts. On motion by Trustee Look the following bills were allowed. Yeas Lee, Look, Nicholson and White absent Flanagan and Watts.

STREET FUND	
S F Edmonds	\$28 00
J E Lewis	7 60
E L Bennett	12 00
	\$47 60
GENERAL FUND.	
S F Edmonds	8 00
F Winters	1 50
M Scott	5 00
Lowell Ledger	9 73
	24 23
L & P FUND	
Buckeye Electric Co	47 60
Henry Compton	29 40
R Williams & Co	1 90
Freight	1 44
Electric Appliance Co.	53 42
	133 66

On motion by Trustee White Council adjourned.

T. A. MURPHY, Clerk.

Special meeting of the Lowell Village Council held in the Council Rooms on Tuesday evening, Nov. 19, 1901. Meeting called to order by President VanDyke.

Present Trustee Lee, Look, Nicholson Watts and White, absent Flanagan. Meeting called for the purpose of listening to the report of the Street Committee. The Street Committee made a report recommending the repairing of certain sidewalks within the village.

On motion by Trustee Nicholson the report was accepted and adopted and notices ordered to be served upon the owners or occupiers of such premises to repair their walks within 24 hours after service upon them of such notice.

On motion by Trustee Look Council adjourned.

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Blue-black, double front, fleece lined Overshirts. Our price 45c each.

Brown Jersey Overshirts, fleece lined. Our price 35c each.

See our "beats-em-all" fleece lined Undershirts and Drawers for men. Our price 25c per garment. Our better grades for 45c, 50c, 75c and on up to 1.50 per garment.

Our boys fleece lined for 15c, 25c and 35c.

See our Men's fleece lined gloves for 10c. Gee Whiz, they're warm.

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See our heavy sweaters for 45c each.

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