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FIVE CENTS.

A WONDERFUL GROWTH

During the past five years our business has experienced a wonderful growth. Notwithstanding this favorable condition, we are not disposed to let this growth stop. We therefore solicit your business.

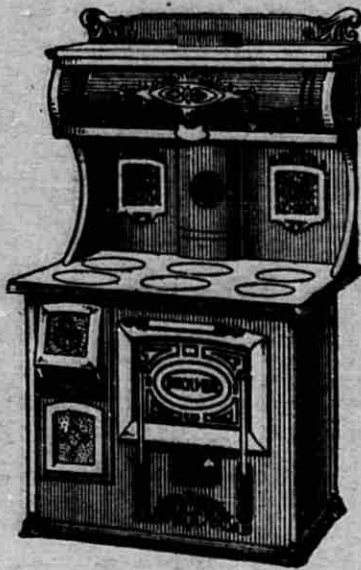
CITY BANK, HILL, WATTS & CO.

QUICK MEAL STEEL RANGE EXHIBIT

Will take place at R. B. Boylan's store during the Week Commencing, Monday, Dec. 15, '02.

A special representative from the Quick Meal Factory will be in attendance to explain its numerous merits.

Hot biscuits and coffee served during the exhibit. Coffee made from J. H. Bell's "Old Government" Java, bought of McMahon Bros. Biscuits made from "Pure Gold" Flour, manufactured by King Milling Co. Only during this exhibit, a beautiful set of seven pieces of Dresden China cereal and spice jars will be presented to every purchaser of a Quick Meal Range, the price of the range however will be just as low as ever.



Please be sure to come.

Yours respectfully,

R. B. BOYLAN.

OLD RESIDENTS GONE

ROBERT HUNTER, MRS. G. W. CROSBY AND MRS. MILTON B. HINE.



Mrs. G. W. Crosby.

Died, at her home in Vergennes, Friday eve., Dec. 5, 1902, Mary Antoinette, wife of G. W. Crosby, aged 69 years, 9 months, 13 days.

Mrs. Crosby had been ill for several months and only three weeks ago returned to her home from a sanitarium at Kalamazoo, where she had been for medical treatment since May last.

She had long been a resident of Vergennes, coming here with her parents from New York state about 1836, being the first white family to settle between Ionia and Grand Rapids.

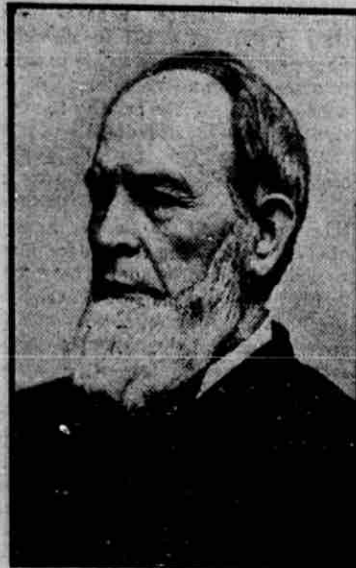
Of her immediate relatives she leaves her husband and one sister, Mrs. L. B. Lull of Sparta.

"Why should we mourn the loved and lost? 'Tis only earth that calls them dead; The dividing stream is safely crossed—Bath not our great Redeemer said—

"I go bright mansions to prepare That where I am ye too may come; Grief, pain or woe, ne'er enter there 'Tis rest, sweet rest beyond the tomb."

—[Com] Mrs. Crosby was for nine years correspondent for THE LEDGER from

Vergennes. She was faithful and indefatigable in her work for the advancement of the interests of the paper and of her own community. She was generous to a fault and was always ready to sacrifice for those whose cause she espoused. She richly deserves to be remembered as a thoroughly good woman, a noble distinction indeed.



Robert Hunter, Jr.

Robert Hunter, Jr., died Dec. 5, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. G. Tucker, in Pittsburg, Pa., where he had been visiting. The body was brought to Lowell; and funeral services were conducted at the residence of the deceased's daughter, Mrs. L. H. Hunt, conducted by D. B. Davidson, assisted by Revs. Nease and Sprague. Interment at Oakwood.

Mr. Hunter was born in Yorkshire, Eng., Sept. 20, 1819; and came with his parents at the age of nine years to New York state, where in 1839 he married Caroline Peck, of Butler.

They removed to Lowell, March 31, 1855; and this remained their home until they were separated and again united by death.

Mr. Hunter was justice of the peace for nearly forty years; held the office of supervisor of Lowell five or six terms, and officiated one term as chairman of the board of supervisors, always taking an active interest in the affairs of Lowell and vicinity.

Mrs. Hunter departed this life Sept. 7, 1896; and of the six children born, Arvine, Annie, Jennie, Carrie, Emma and Jessie, only three survive: Mrs. Hunt of Lowell, Mrs. C. M. Vinton of Wakonda, S. Dakota, and Mrs. Tucker of Pittsburg. A sister and brother, Mrs. Elizabeth Hunter of Strathroy, Ont., and Grant Hunter of Grand Haven, are still living.

Those from abroad attending the funeral were: H. H. Hunter and Julian Mosher, of Mt. Pleasant, Dr. H. B. Peck of Reed City, Mrs. Josie Phillips and Mrs. Baloom of Kalamazoo, Mrs. Tucker and daughter, Evelyn, of Pittsburg, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miles, Mrs. C. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Bradford and Mrs. O. A. Robinson, of Grand Rapids.

Mr. Hunter's long public life was a sufficient testimonial of the esteem in which he was held; but if others were needed, they were furnished by the presence at his obsequies of a large number of old people, many of whom had known him for nearly half a century.

Mrs. Milton B. Hine.

Mrs. Polly Ann Hine, widow of Milton B. Hine, died at Ypsilanti Dec. 6, 1902. Funeral services were conducted at the residence of A. W. Hine in Grand Rapids by Rev. D. E. Hills of Greenville.

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If you want a thoroughly reliable Stove, Steel or Cast Iron Range please look into the merits of

Garlands

before you buy.

GARLANDS are made of the best material that can be had, by workmen of long experience, possess every desirable feature to be found in other goods of their kind, (besides many features not to be found

in any others), and cost you no more than other high-grade Stoves and Ranges.

A good stove is THE HOUSEWIFE'S BEST FRIEND, and as it is purchased but seldom during a lifetime, care should be taken to secure a good one.

THE BEST IS ALWAYS CHEAPEST IN THE END.

A full line of GARLANDS, as well as all dependable goods in the Hardware line, can be found at our store, and we always give honest value for your money.

SCOTT & GAMBELL.

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CLOCKS.

Five new stock of the best makes. Good 8 day, half-hour strike, with alarm, from \$3.00 up. Fancy Clocks for one-half the price asked by agents selling on installment plan. I will give you easy terms of payments also. The very best Nickel Alarm Clocks ever sold for \$1.00 each. Also fine assortment of gold plated and porcelain clocks. Get my prices before buying elsewhere.

WATCHES.

Stock includes all standard makes in both solid gold and filled cases, with your choice of movements. Get my prices

GOLD RINGS.

Finest assortment of set and plain gold rings ever shown in Lowell. Diamond rings sold at very close prices. See those extra heavy wedding rings for ladies—newest thing out. I solicit a comparison of prices.

R. D. STOCKING, Jeweler, Lowell, Mich.

All Aboard for Oliver's

To Pick Out Your Present Before The Assortment Is Broken.

Some people wait until the last minute to buy their Christmas things. A bad plan. Not but that we can satisfy you, or rather that

You Can Satisfy Yourself Here at Any Time.

But 'tis better to be before the rush. The selection is easier, Jewelry of tasteful design is here in abundance.

Our Watch Stock

is the admiration of all who see it. If you are looking for reliable watches at right prices, we shall see you at our store.

In our CUT GLASS selections can be found many pieces suitable for Christmas gifts.



In CHINAWARE we have many dainty and useful pieces and at prices to fit all purses.

We have a well selected stock of SILVERWARE, both STERLING and PLATED. All reliable makes and all guaranteed.

We also have a nice stock of Pocketbooks, Stationery, Toilet Cases, Perfumes, Celluloid and Silver Novelties.

We always have a complete line of Kodaks and Supplies.

You are invited to call and look over our lines of goods.

Yours for business,

A. D. Oliver

SPECIAL.

We have just received from R. H. Lane & Co., Toledo, O., a consignment of

Ladies' Warm-Lined Toilet Slippers

Taking every pair they had left at the end of the season's business. These same slippers are selling in every town in Michigan for \$1.25. We bought them at a price so that we can and \$1.25 will sell them for 75c. per pair until the last pair is sold. They are handsome, durable and warm; and come in colors, black, wine and green. They would make Christmas presents that any lady would be glad to get.

This is an opportunity that you cannot get every day in the year. We hope that all who are looking for something of this kind will take advantage of this special sale. In connection with the special sale, we want to say there is no kind of slippers for men, women and children but what we carry, at prices that won't scare you out of the store without buying.

The Old Reliable Shoe House.

A. J. HOWK & SON

Citizens Phone No. 79.

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HOLIDAY OPENING

SATURDAY, DEC. 13

A splendid assortment of the latest novelties in Holiday Goods direct from the great markets, personally selected by us. Come now while the assortment is complete. We will mark and reserve goods for you.

New Monte Carlo Coats, Furs, Fascinators, Opera Shawls, Golf Gloves.

Largest line of Handkerchiefs ever shown in Lowell, ranging in price from 1 cent to \$1.50 each.

Tamoshanters, Toques, Mittens, Waist Patterns—Waist Designs, Dressing Sacks,

Children's Fur Sets, etc., etc. We haven't time nor space to mention a hundredth part of our attractions. They must be seen to be appreciated. Come and see, won't you.

J. B. NICHOLSON, LOWELL, MICH.

Steal Grandma's Glasses,

and bring them to us and we will put up a duplicate pair in our modern frames, and they will make the most satisfactory present she could have. Then after Christmas we will change the lenses without charge to give the best vision.

WILLIAMS.

DEATH OF THOMAS B. REED

Ex-Speaker of the National House Passes Away in Washington After a Brief Illness.

URAEIC POISONING WAS THE CAUSE.

His Wife and Daughter at the Head of the End-Cam—Remains Taken to Portland, Me., for Burial—Epitaph of the Career of the Dead Statesman.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Ex-Speaker Thomas B. Reed died at ten minutes after midnight Sunday morning. At 12 o'clock word came from Mr. Reed's room direct from Dr. Gardner, the family physician, that Mr. Reed was dying. A complete condition of uraemia had set in which it was impossible to relieve.

Dr. Gooden, an eminent specialist in uraemic diseases, arrived from Philadelphia shortly before 11 o'clock and extreme methods were advised by him to carry the patient through the crisis. These were at once used, but without avail.

There were at his bedside Mrs. Reed, her daughter Katherine, Dr. W. C. Gooden, of Philadelphia, Dr. H. H. Gardner and MacDonald, of this city.



THOMAS BRACKETT REED.

A large number of Mr. Reed's friends were in the lobby of the hotel anxiously awaiting for news from his bedside.

Many Sympathetic Callers.

During the entire day there was a stream of sympathetic callers at the Arlington hotel, where the body of Mr. Reed lay awaiting removal to the railroad station. Among the prominent and Mrs. Roosevelt, members of the cabinet and of the senate and house of representatives and of the diplomatic corps. Many persons in private life also called. Neither Mrs. Reed nor her daughter saw any of the visitors, who simply left their cards.

Remains Taken to Portland. The remains of Mr. Reed left here Sunday afternoon for Portland, Me., his former home, where the interment will take place on Tuesday afternoon. Accompanying the body were Mrs. Reed, the widow; Miss Catherine Reed, the former speaker's daughter; Hon. Amos L. Allen, Mr. Reed's successor in the house of representatives; Mr. Asher C. Hinds, Mr. Reed's parliamentary clerk while speaker, and Mr. Augustus G. Payne, of New York, a lifelong friend. At Mrs. Reed's request there were ceremonies of any kind here, and at Portland they will be of a simple character.

Sorrow in Portland.

Portland, Me., Dec. 8.—The news of the death of Thomas Brackett Reed received here with universal sorrow. Mr. Reed was born in Portland, was educated in the schools of this city and here was always his home as he retained his residence in Portland after he resigned his seat in congress to enter upon the practice of law in New York. He was personally known to a great number of the people of the city and there are scores living here to-day who have been his lifelong friends.

LONG IN PUBLIC LIFE.

Career of Mr. Reed began in Maine Many Years Ago.

Thomas Brackett Reed was born October 18, 1839, in Portland, Me. For almost 40 years he was prominent in the affairs of his state or the nation. He began public life as a paymaster in the navy during the civil war. Later he served his state in the legislature and as attorney general. When he was elected to congress in 1876 he began the first of 12 terms in that body. He retired from public life in 1899 and resumed the practice of law in New York city. Following is an epitome of his career:

- Graduated from Bowdoin college. Maine state legislator, 1860-1862. Acting assistant paymaster, U. S. Navy, 1862-1864. Member of the state legislature, 1864-1866. City solicitor of Portland, 1866-1872. Elected to congress, 1876-1879. Re-elected, 1881-1883. Re-elected, 1885-1887. Re-elected, 1889-1891. Re-elected, 1893-1895. Re-elected, 1897-1899. Re-elected, 1901-1903. Re-elected, 1905-1907. Re-elected, 1909-1911. Re-elected, 1913-1915. Re-elected, 1917-1919. Re-elected, 1921-1923. Re-elected, 1925-1927. Re-elected, 1929-1931. Re-elected, 1933-1935. Re-elected, 1937-1939. Re-elected, 1941-1943. Re-elected, 1945-1947. Re-elected, 1949-1951. Re-elected, 1953-1955. Re-elected, 1957-1959. Re-elected, 1961-1963. Re-elected, 1965-1967. Re-elected, 1969-1971. Re-elected, 1973-1975. Re-elected, 1977-1979. Re-elected, 1981-1983. Re-elected, 1985-1987. Re-elected, 1989-1991. Re-elected, 1993-1995. Re-elected, 1997-1999. Re-elected, 2001-2003. Re-elected, 2005-2007. Re-elected, 2009-2011. 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FIFTY-TWO men lost their lives in the construction of Cleveland's new water-works tunnel. It is unfortunate necessities should be met so costly, but the returns from this sacrifice will benefit millions of people in untold years to come. How about the young lives uselessly sacrificed every year without adequate benefit to any one? It is brave and noble to die for humanity; but it is foolish and wicked to gamble against fate, with promising young lives as the stakes.

OUR new serial, "The Kidnapped Millionaire," which begins in this issue, is a literary treat such as is rarely offered to readers of a country weekly. The story, which is a particularly live one in this day of millionaire combines, has already been brought out in book form and is having a great sale. The name of the author, Frederick U. Adams, is a guarantee of quality, and the eccentricities of some of the Kidnapped Millionaires, whose real names are but thinly veiled, afford much amusement. Who, for instance, can read of Mr. Pence and his lamented lost nickel, without thinking of a certain Sage? The story will be printed in liberal installments. If you have a friend who has been talking "any old thing" for thirty years, do him and THE LEDGER a favor by calling his attention to this new enterprise.

WE ARE in receipt of another offer from Snow & Co., patent lawyers and patent editorial writers. For the regular insertion of a two inch patent ad, they will send each week a sheet of ready-made editorial, "Neutral, Republican or Democratic." The man who blew hot and cold with the same breath isn't in it with these fellows, who can give you three different opinions on any one topic, without stirring a hair, all for 20 cents worth of space. It is a very convenient thing for newspaper men who haven't brains enough to do their own writing; and is good enough for readers who haven't intelligence enough to discriminate between an honest opinion and the expression of a corporation tool, ground at 10 cents per inch, regardless of God, man or the devil. We will lay this stuff by, and any of our readers who have any curiosity in the matter may examine it at their leisure.

A Cold Wave. The forecast of sudden changes in the weather serves notice that a hoarse voice and a heavy cough may invade the sanctity of health in your own home. Cautious people have a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure always at hand. E. H. Wise, Madison, Ga., writes: "I am indebted to One Minute Cough Cure for my present good health, and probably my life." It cures coughs, colds, grippe, bronchitis, pneumonia and all throat and lung troubles. One Minute Cough Cure is the pili-grim, draws out the inflammation, heals and soothes the mucous membranes and strengthens the lungs. L. H. Tait & Co.

Town talk matches, a big box for 5 cents at McMahon's.

THE Pilgrim for December is a superb number of that splendid magazine, containing about forty finely illustrated articles, covering nearly the entire range of literature. It must be seen to be appreciated; and the opportunity is afforded at this office. We club it with THE LEDGER at \$1.10 per year for both publications. Probably, greater value was never offered for the price.

CHRISTMAS CANDLES! A fine assortment at 10, 20, 30, 40 and 60c per pound. A nice line of Towneys for Christmas gifts at

Smith's Bakery.

What's in a Name? Everything is in the name when it comes to Witch Hazel Salve. E. C. DeWitt & Co., of Chicago discovered some years ago how to make a salve from Witch Hazel that is specific for piles. For blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles, eczema, cuts, burns, bruises and all skin diseases DeWitt's salve has no equal. This has given rise to numerous worthless counterfeits. Ask for DeWitt's, the genuine. L. H. Tait & Co.

CHURCHES & SOCIETIES. Baptist. The primary department is increasing so rapidly that two new teachers are required. The little ones are all now engaged in a fishing contest. Prayer meeting is held regularly on Thursday evening at 7:30. All friends and strangers welcome. Committees have been appointed and preparations are being made to have one of the best Christmas entertainments in many years. An ordination council of the Grand Rapids association of Baptist churches has been called to meet with the Lowell Baptist church on Tuesday, Dec. 16, to consider the advisability of ordaining pastor, G. L. Sprague.

Methodist. Quarterly meeting services next Sunday morning. Love feast at 9:30 a. m., and the Sacrament of the Lord's supper after the sermon. Theme of the morning discourse, "Walking With God." In the evening the text will be "Go up thine old hill." The topic for the Epworth meeting on next Sunday evening is, "Our Fellowship." The Quarterly Conference meeting will be held on Monday morning, Dec. 15, at 8 a. m. at the hall in their portion for the cause of Education by next Sunday evening.

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A Holiday Store from Top to Bottom. Our entire line of holiday goods is now on display and you are invited to come and see the goods as early as you can. Make a list of those you wish to buy for—bring the list with you and inspect the actual goods.

The Economy of Our Prices Never More Striking Than Right Now. We have a magnificent stock this year and are especially strong in those lines that please best, as we have learned from experience. We would like to give you some detailed information about the goods, but cannot here—and we would much rather show you the goods.

Come early and get the best selections, D. G. LOOK, Lowell's Leading Drug and Book Store.

WALK-OVER SHOES WEAR

THEY'RE MADE RIGHT, THAT'S WHY THEY WEAR RIGHT. \$3.50 and \$4.00



No slip-shod shoemaking accepted here. They are made with honest leather and built right. That is why you get extra good value.

D. F. BUTTS, LOWELL.

FRESH GROCERIES! WE KEEP A COMPLETE STOCK AT LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES. Highest Market Price for Butter and Eggs. Very Respectfully. GEO. W. MCKEE, 7 bars Soap, 25c, Lowell, Mich.

Dr. M. Clayton Greene, Graduate of University of Michigan and Post Graduate course at New York Polytechnic Medical School and Hospital, N. Y. city. Office—LOWELL, MICH.

Get Your Auction Bills Printed at the Ledger Office.

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Always Something New. E. R. COLLAR.

HOME NEWS

Vergennes Station. The angel of death has once more entered our midst and taken from us our loved one, Mrs. G. W. Crowley, who was one of our first correspondents and was always faithful until sickness prevented. She will be greatly missed by us and the community at large. Her companion has our heartfelt sympathy in his loss. Election of officers and trustees of the Christian church Dec. 20 at 2 p. m., at the church. Dan Stouffer has moved into Mrs. A. Dickson's tenement house. Mr. Jones is moving into Mr. Cannon's tenement house.

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Take Notice and Save Trouble. Broadway St. Sewer Tax must be paid at once. Taxpayers, please give it your attention at once and save further trouble. CLYDE COLLAR, Village Treas.

SHOES AND RUBBERS! Our stock is one of the largest in the city and our prices are the very lowest, quality considered. Our Holiday slipper never sold at 5c per pair, from 10 cents to \$2.00. Our "Footwear" shoes are the most popular in the state. Our Rubbers (Buckskin brand) are the best in the world, every pair warranted. THE E. A. GIBSON CO., Cor. Canal and Lape Ste., Grand Rapids, Mich.

Keep Your On US from now until Jan. 1st, for bargains in Holiday Goods. Now just for a starter we give you

Chamber Sets at the following bargain prices: A nice set, No. 1 quality, for \$1.39 and up to \$7.50. Don't fail to see them—'twill do your eyes good.

Dinner Sets, we warrant we guarantee, from \$3.50 up to \$5.00. Also have a complete line of Books, Games, Toys, Sleds, Toilet Cases, Mirrors, anything and everything people want for Christmas. See our 10c Table. Special prices to Sunday Schools and school teachers.

Yours for business, Collar's Bazaar.

Ring-ing the Christmas Belle...

most look in Williams' window to learn what's what in proper furniture for their girls' hands. Williams' present stock of RINGS was never equalled in Lowell. It isn't that the quality of his RINGS is so, but the variety so extensive, as that the patterns are so surprising. These RINGS of Williams' speak the last word of art in ornament. And the prices are so verified as the RINGS, and every single RING will seem to you to be worth their face. Let Williams speak for you. If you want to pay for it. d. B. Williams...

Dr. Porter's Cough Syrup Cures all CHRONIC COUGHS.

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In our line of selling Dry Goods in the ever present. We have long since discarded old ways and old prices and taken on new ways and new prices. Many merchants, who have achieved marked success and an enviable reputation by a long and consistent career of well doing, are apt, as the years roll by, to moderate their zeal and lapse into lethargy. Their reputation slowly but surely takes on a reminiscent hue. The old-time fire is lacking. They seem inclined to rest upon their oars, relying upon momentum already acquired. The prices we quote are on the best things to be had. We do not buy poor stuff for the purpose of having something to make a low price on, but make it on the best.

The very best dark Fancy Prints, 4c.
The very best Indigo Blue Prints, 4c.
The very best Grey and Black Prints, 4c.

The very best Apron Gingham, 5c
The very best Table Oil Cloths, 12c.
The very best Outing Flannels, 8c.

We have three times as many Handkerchiefs, Furs and Rugs as can be found anywhere else, as you will see by looking, they make useful and elegant Christmas presents. See our fancy Linen Pieces and Towels, our fine Table Linen and Napkins. We are making special prices on Cloaks.

A. W. WEEKES.

Lowell State Bank

LOWELL, MICH.
Organized under the general Banking Law of this state.
Capital \$25,000.00

Commercial and Savings Departments.

OFFICERS.
CHAS. MCCARTY, President
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DIRECTORS.
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E. L. Bennett

All the reliable Patent Medicines advertised in this paper are sold by D. G. Lock—the Lowell Drug and Book Man.

HOME NEWS

Palmer's Perfumes. Only at Look's.

Mrs. Will Cogswell and son, Everett, returned Saturday to their home at Remus.

Hearth Bread—Children cry for it, made only by Smith, the baker.

Jas. Gibson and family are moving into the Devello Watters house.

Fancy china and lamps and in fact a full line of the best holiday goods ever shown in Lowell. At Lawrence's Bazaar.

Martin Hine went to Grand Rapids Monday to attend Mrs. M. B. Hine's funeral.

Miss Maud Fuller's hair dressing parlors with Eggleston & Lawrence will be opened Wednesday, Dec. 17.

Estey and Farrand organs, the world's best, sold by E. D. Stocking.

The pension of Newell Hotchkiss of Lowell has been increased to \$12 a month.

Try Boston Brown Flakes at McMahon Bros.

Dr. H. B. Peck of Reed City, S. C. Bradfield and Mrs. O. A. Robson of Grand Rapids attended Mr. Hunter's funeral Tuesday.

Lawrence's bazaar is a busy place these days.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Chase entertained a party of young people Tuesday evening with a candy pull. Fling and music were indulged in.

Lawrence's bazaar is headquarters for carrom boards and flinch cards.

The Lowell Dancing club will give a party at Train's opera house this Thursday evening.

Two-bracket lamp complete with chimney for 24c at Lawrence's Bazaar.

Lost—Dec. 2, a small, black and tan female dog, wearing nickel collar. Finder please notify C. A. Burrows, Ada, R. F. D. No. 1.

Our readers are responding generously to the special rate arrangement we have made with the Chicago Weekly Inter Ocean whereby for \$1.40 both it and this paper may be had for one year. This is a big special deal.

What's nicer than a fountain pen for a Christmas present? Buy the Parker Lucky curve at Look's, 75c to select from.

Mr. Garver has wonderful dramatic ability, splendid descriptive powers and a commanding presence. He never fails, while reciting the story of a book, to hold the undivided attention of his audience.—Oakland (Cal.) Tribune. At Train's opera house in Epworth League course, Wednesday evening, Dec. 17.

Ladies watch chains at Williams'.
Men's Non-Snag one buckle sock rubber for \$1.00 a pair. This is less than the wholesale price today. A. J. Howk & Son.

All the latest books for holiday presents at Look's.

The sets of dishes that Lawrence sells for \$5.50 are full dinner sets, not short sets.

Eddy Tent, K. O. T. M., will give a masquerade ball at the opera house, Tuesday evening, Dec. 30. Music by Lowell orchestra. A costumer will be in attendance.

Silver thimbles at Williams'.

Call and see that sheep-skin boot with the wool on that Butts is selling.

The Odd Fellows of Ada announce a dedication ball at their hall on Wednesday evening, Dec. 31. Music by Robinson & Hartwell orchestra. Bill including supper and horses to hay, \$1.50.

Try our teas and coffees for good results. McMahon Bros.

Six piece chamber sets for \$1.44. At Lawrence's Bazaar.

When you want the correct time set your watch with Stocking's Regulator. It is correct.

Women's fur trimmed Juliettas 1.00, 1.25 and 1.50. D. F. Butts.

The dear girl wants a nice ring and she says she won't be satisfied unless it comes from Williams'.

Eggleston & Lawrence are showing a nice line of fancy goods for holiday work.

J. H. Cramer advertises a big sale of farm stock, vehicles, machines, tools etc., on the Seth Robinson farm, north of Lowell, west side, Tuesday, Dec. 23, at 10 a. m. Free lunch with hot coffee at noon. Keg of cider on tap. N. F. Gould, auctioneer. One thousand and bills were printed at this office. Big sale, big time.

Secret lockets and chains at U. B. Williams'.

It excites the wonder of the world, a magic remedy, liquid electricity that drives away the suffering and disease. Rocky Mountain Tea 35c. D. G. Lock.

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Ladies and gents rings at Williams'.

See the 99c hats at Eggleston & Lawrence's.

E Stout's patent Lambertville Snag Proof rubbers, one or two buckles, for \$1.75. A. J. Howk & Son.

Only 99c! Hats at Eggleston & Lawrence's.

School Notes.

Junior class will furnish a program for Central building Friday afternoon.

A supply of apparatus is being secured for the High school.

A good deal of absence because of colds.

The report cards were given out last week for the third month.

The regular monthly teachers' meeting was held Thursday of last week.

Drawing is to be introduced soon in all grades below the ninth.

Do not sell your poultry until you see us. We pay the highest prices for either live or dressed poultry. John Giles & Co.

THE LEDGER, the Pilgrim Magazine and Grand Rapids Herald, all one year for \$1.70. Well, what do you think of that?

"A Chain is No Stronger than Its Weakest Link."

but this does not apply to our line of watch chains. Each link in our chains is gold soldered and they are strong enough for all kinds of usage. They represent the product of the leading manufacturers.

Our ladies' chains have the latest designs in gold slides set with best quality stones while our gents line comprises all the styles for their wear. See the line at

U. B. Williams.

If You are Not Particular— Well—Anything Goes.

But if you are particular about the Watch you buy; Particular about the Jewelry you buy; Particular about the Silverware you buy; Particular about the Repairing you have done; In fact, if you are Particular about anything connected with the Jewelry business, we solicit your patronage.

WE are PARTICULAR about the above things and like to deal with people with particular notions.



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and the burial was in Oakwood cemetery, Lowell, Dec. 9.

Polly Ann Hartwell was born in Orangeville, N. Y., Jan. 9, 1828. In 1845 she came with her father's family to Cannonsburg and was married to Milton B. Hine Jan. 3, 1850. He was born in Delaware county, N. Y., Feb. 2, 1828 and removed to Michigan in 1847. After their marriage they settled near the mouth of Bear Lake in Cannon where they lived about 30 years. He was a successful farmer, for many years the president of the Kent County Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and in 1876 was elected State Senator. In 1880 they removed to Lowell where he died Sept. 2, 1881, and was buried at Lowell by the Masonic fraternity, conducted by Grand Rapids Commandary of which he was a member. The funeral sermon was preached by his old time friend, Rev. D. E. Hills, who officiated at the funeral of Mrs. Hine Dec. 8, 1902.

Mrs. Hine had six sisters and two brothers. All the sisters have married and died before her. One brother was killed in the war of the Rebellion and one brother, Chas. Hartwell, of Cannonsburg, is the only survivor of her father's family. Of her own family she leaves to mourn her death, Carrie E. Hine, of Chicago, Clara Adelle Bostwick, of Grand Rapids and grand-daughter, Miss Lina Bostwick, now attending school at Ypsilanti.

From 1880 until five years ago, Mrs. Hine has been a resident of Lowell. Wherever she has lived she has made hosts of friends and none knew her but loved her. She was a faithful, devoted wife, a loving and indulgent mother, a kind sympathetic friend and neighbor. —[Com.]

Ball band rubbers will wear you longer than any other rubber on earth, as you know if you have tried them. If you don't know it, try a pair. A. J. Howk & Son.

Silverware at Williams'.

Don't decide on your Christmas purchases until you have seen Look's line.

A free local in THE LEDGER goes with every auction bill job printed at this office.

Before buying a clock or gold ring better get prices at R. D. Stocking's.

Buy your cut glass of E. D. Stocking.

Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank the kind friends and neighbors who assisted me in the time of sorrow and bereavement.

G. W. Crosby.

Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat SPECIALTY,

G. G. TOWSLEY, M. D.

Office: GRADEN BLOCK, LOWELL, MICH.

Our November Sale

was the largest month's business we ever did—all on account of our good values and being ready and willing to show everybody our goods. Our store can be truly called an uncommon store, a place where the "hard-to-please" find

Choice, Rare Patterns and Quality

found nowhere else, and well worth going miles to see. A store where so many BROTHERS do the work, all looking out for each others welfare and the interests of their customers.

We shall endeavor to make this month of December the greatest success to ourselves and our customers of any month we ever experienced, by giving

BETTER VALUES

as we are in better position to do so. We have a big trade that comes from the north, east, south and west, and we figure that it is our VALUE GIVING that has earned it for us. We can earn our expenses by making one small profit off from each customer easier than our competitors can with their small trade and high prices.

LOOK AT THESE:

We sell boys' good weight, fleece-lined undershirts and drawers for 15c per garment. Heavy weight, fleece-lined undershirts and drawers for 25c per garment. Come and get them.

Men's good weight fleece-lined undershirts and drawers, 25c per garment. Heavier ones at 38c, 45c, 50c, 65c and 75c per garment. Come and get them and keep warm.

Good winter caps for men and boys, only 25c each.

Woolen socks for men, 10c, 20c, 25c, 45c and 50c per pair. Come and get them. They will keep your feet warm.

Heavy weight all wool Kersey pants for men, sizes from 32 to 48 waist, prices \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00 per pair.

Boys' all wool Kersey pants, heavy weight, sizes from 27 to 31 waist, prices \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75.

Boys' corduroy knee pants, age 4 to 16 years, price 45c to \$1.00 per pair.

Boys' and men's sweaters, all sizes, prices from 25c to \$5.00 each.

We are having a great run of Mackinaw jackets and duck coats. Mackinaws from \$1.50 to \$3.75 each; duck coats from 85c to \$2.50 each.

Men's, women's and children's Boots, Shoes and Rubbers at the lowest consistent prices. Come and see them.

SUITS AND OVERCOATS

for men and boys, away down cheap to make room for our shoe department which is growing every day.

Come and see these bargains in ready-to-wear clothing for men and boys, it will pay you: Boys' 2 piece suits for \$2.00, worth \$3.00; we want to close them out, come and get them. Men's suits for \$4.50, worth \$6.50. Men's suits for \$7.50, worth \$10.00. Men's suits for \$8.50, worth \$12.50. Come and get them, they are great values; about 30 suits in each lot to select from. I want to sell them.

Come and buy our fur overcoats, the best in town for the money, price \$15.00 to \$32.00 each.

We defy competition, we admire opposition, and under no condition will we budge from our position as the leading clothiers, furnishers and shoers of Lowell.

Yours truly,

THE GODFREY CLOTHING AND SHOE HOUSE

LOWELL, MICH.

Township taxes are now due and payable at my store. U. B. Williams, Township Treasurer.

For good hats at 98c, see Eggleston & Lawrence.

I'll brave the storms of Chilkoot Pass, I'll cross the plains of frozen glass, I'll leave my wife and cross the sea. Rather than be without Rocky Mountain Tea.

Dissolution of Co-Partnership.

The co-partnership heretofore existing, being the firm of Loveland & Force, composed of Ralph A. Loveland and George H. Force, of Lowell, Mich., has been dissolved by mutual consent. All matters pertaining to said co-partnership will be settled at their former office now occupied by Loveland & Hinyan.

Dated Lowell, Mich., Dec. 11, 1902.

Ralph A. Loveland
Geo. H. Force.

100 Foot Rests! 100 Foot Rests!

Regular price 60c. Our price will be 39c. Sale to begin Dec. 20. Be sure and come early as 100 is the number. No more.

Yeiter & Wadsworth.

Automatic lift sewing machines at F. D. Stocking's.