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FIVE CENTS.

THE TURNING POINT

Your son and daughter ought each to have

A Savings Account.

Better start them at this bank during the holidays. Such a gift will be treasured and may be the very turning point in their lives. \$1.00 starts the account.

CITY BANK, HILL, WATTS & CO.

GOLDEN WEDDING

ANNIVERSARY OF MR. AND MRS. JOHN SCOTT,

Former Residents of Lowell, now of Grand Rapids.

From the Grand Rapids Herald.

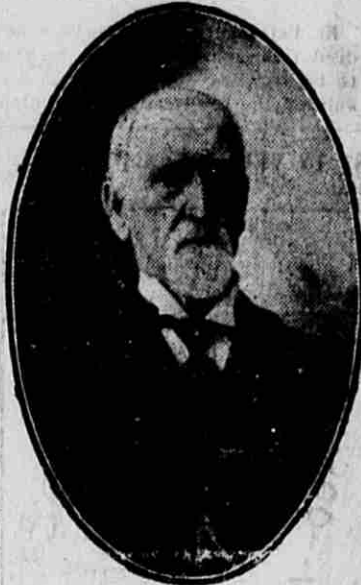
Mr. and Mrs. John C. Scott of No. 85 Sunset avenue passed the milestone of 50 years of wedded life Tuesday, December 18. This well known and highly respected couple have long been identified with the interests and welfare of Grand Rapids, coming here on their wedding journey and settling among the early pioneers of this city.

MRS. FRIES DEAD.

CAME TO MICHIGAN 40 YEARS AGO.

Was a Resident of Keene Township 14 Years.

Died, at her in Keene, Louis county, Dec. 18, 1902 after an illness of over two years, Mariette, wife of William Fries. Brief services were conducted at the home Friday afternoon by Rev. Chas. Nease, pastor of the Lowell Methodist church, and at Greenville Saturday by Rev. Kendrick, pastor of the Methodist church at that place. Interment at Coral.



MR. AND MRS. JOHN C. SCOTT.

Mrs. Scott, whose maiden name was Miss Olive Littlefield, was born in Ohio and came to Michigan in 1838 with her mother, who belonged to the early pioneer family of Dexters. Among those who gave their time to organizing what is known as the Fountain Street Baptist church, Mrs. Scott is one of the few remaining who has been privileged to enjoy its fullness of success.

Her earnest influence was felt in all the activities, especially in the choir and Sunday school, until Mr. Scott's business interests called them to Lowell, where for many years he was engaged in building up a successful hardware business.

Mr. Scott having retired from active business about ten years ago, they returned to Grand Rapids to make this their permanent home.

While Mr. and Mrs. Scott were not able on account of ill-health to receive formally, last Tuesday, many of their friends and neighbors called to offer congratulations and happy returns of the day. The house was filled with beautiful flowers as tokens of appreciation from loving friends.

Through the courtesy of the Grand Rapids Herald we are enabled to present our readers the accompanying portraits of our former townspeople.

Anti-Saloon Meetings.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferris of Grand Rapids addressed meetings in the Lowell churches Sunday, in the interests of the anti-saloon league. At the morning hour, Mrs. Ferris spoke at the Congregational church and Mr. Ferris occupied the Baptist pulpit. In the evening both addressed a union meeting at the M. E. church, where pledges were taken for the support of the temperance work being waged by the anti-saloon league. The speakers are earnest, hopeful and forceful, and are capable of doing a great amount of good.

Mariette Smith was born in Oneida county, N. Y., May 27, 1840. She married William Fries of Wayne county, N. Y., Feb. 1, 1859. To them were born seven children, four daughters and three sons, of whom there survive with the bereaved husband and father: Mrs. H. E. Wright, Mrs. H. M. Dolph and Robert S. Fries, of Greenville, Mrs. Jennie E. Lewis, of Trufant, Mich., and Ruben R., of Keene.

They came to Michigan in 1862, settling at Mt. Clemens, removing to Maple Valley, Montcalm county, in 1868, where in 1872 she was converted and with her husband united with the M. E. church, of which she has continued a member until death. In 1888 they moved to Keene which has since been their home.

Card of Thanks.

To the friends and neighbors who have befriended and sympathized with us in our late sad bereavement and during the long illness of our wife and mother, we tender our most sincere thanks.

Wm. Fries,
Ruben Fries,
Rose Fries.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Husted will spend the holidays with the former's aunt at Marshal.

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

Lowell Maccabees are thanking the Vergennes and Lowell dancing clubs for withdrawing their New Year's dates in favor of the fraternity.

Following are the newly elected officers for Lowell Hive, L. O. T. M.; Com., Mrs. Agnes Wiley; Lieut. Com., Mrs. Roxie Townsend; P. L. C. Mrs. Gertie Crawford; R. K., Mrs. A. Covert; F. K., Mrs. Lois Eggleston; Chap. Mrs. D. A. by; Serg., Mrs. Fanny Lawrence; M. at A., Mrs. A. C. Stone; S., Mrs. Dolla Harkness; P. Mrs. Hattie Morse.

Stoves.

To make room for the increasing trade in steel ranges, will close out our Heaters at cost. We have a good assortment from \$2.75 to \$15.00. Come and get a good heater at factory price.

Yours Respectfully,

R. B. BOYLAN.

THIS BOY AND GIRL

Would like some Christmas presents, and of course OLIVER can supply them for you. A partial list is given below:

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| A KODAK | FOUNTAIN PEN |
| GOLD PEN and | POCKET BOOK |
| PEARL HOLDER | PERFUME |
| FINE STATIONERY | SET RINGS |
| CHASED BAND RINGS | PLAIN BAND RINGS |
| DAINTY WATCH | SUBSTANTIAL WATCH |
| FOR THE GIRL | FOR THE BOY |
| TIE PINS | BROOCH PINS |
| CHATELAINE PINS, ETC., ETC. | |

Yours for business,

A. D. OLIVER.



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 & CABBELL.

CLOCKS.

Fine 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.

Christmas

PRESENTS is something we are all thinking of at the present time; and it seems to us there is nothing you could get for a friend that would be as useful as a BOOT, SHOE or SLIPPER. Christmas presents in his business don't mean simply Slippers, as many a man and woman would be thankful for a nice pair of SHOES, which would be much more useful and durable than some of the things you buy. Children, get your father or mother a nice, new pair of SHOES or SLIPPERS; and parents you do the same and see if it does not give more joy and satisfaction than any Christmas in a long time. "Merry Christmas" to all.

The Old Reliable Shoe House.

A J. HOWK & SON.

Citizens Phone No. 79.

HOLLY-DAY ATTRACTIONS

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.

WORK DONE IN CONGRESS

Second Session of the Fifty-Seventh National Assembly Keeps Busy in Washington.

SUMMARY OF THE DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

The Senate Agrees to the House Resolution for Holiday recess from December 29 to January 2.

Washington, Dec. 16.—A concurrent resolution was agreed to in the senate yesterday providing for an adjournment of congress from December 29 to January 2.

The House Passed the Pension Appropriation Bill.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The house yesterday passed the pension appropriation bill, carrying \$1,148,400, as passed by senate.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The house yesterday passed the bill transferring to the treasury department the department of agriculture for the suppression of contagious diseases among live stock.

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CAR RUNS AWAY

Crashes into Double-Header Freight and Kills Two and Injures Three Men.

Bradford, Pa., Dec. 20.—A car carrying lumber on the Erie Railroad, on the morning of a steep grade and rushed into a double header freight going east.

The car, which was loaded with lumber, crashed into the freight train, killing two men and injuring three others.

The killed: Engineers James Murphy, Kane, Pa., and Charles Dieffenbacher, Erie, Pa.

Injured: Fireman Gray, Kane; Brakeman Davis, Erie, seriously; C. Chiesel, Erie, slightly.

FIGHT BARRED FROM MICHIGAN

Gov. Elias Vothman Sheriff at Detroit to Prevent McGovern-Corbett Contest.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 20.—Gov. A. T. Bliss will not permit the McGovern-Corbett fight which was to have been an omnibus street-hill bill by unanimous consent it was agreed that there should be no further discussion of the measure until the senate reconvenes on January 5.

The militia bill was also discussed. Several minor bills and resolutions were passed.

In executive session the treaty of friendship and general relations between the United States and Spain was ratified.

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Washington, Dec. 2.—The house passed a bill to reduce the duties on the products of the Philippine Islands coming into the United States from 75 per cent. of the Dingley rates.

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ARMY WILLING TO ARBITRATE

European Allies Express Readiness to Accept Proposal of the United States.

President Castro, of Venezuela, Says to Note of the People Urging Him to Terminate Present Difficulty—Minister Bowen Asked to Arrange Terms.

Washington, Dec. 20.—What is regarded here as a good start has been made by the United States toward having the Venezuelan claims settled without war.

Great Britain will welcome arbitration and will not insist on the United States guaranteeing payment by Venezuela.

Germany will consider arbitration, but wants a specific guarantee as to payment and time of payment.

France in Finland Through Which 400,000 Persons Are Destitute and Starving.

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HEAVILY INSURED

Mysterious Death of a Man Who Carried \$500,000 of Life Insurance and Had Applied for More.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 19.—It developed Thursday that R. C. Whyne, a Louisville business man who was found dead Wednesday night in the vicinity of Jacob Park, with a gunshot wound in the breast, carried insurance on his life of \$340,000, and had applications pending for \$500,000 more.

It was upon the fact that Mr. Whyne carried such a large life insurance and was said to be suffering from rheumatism that a theory of suicide is based.

Coroner Kelly said the circumstances were such that the case would require exhaustive investigation.

The inquiry will be held Saturday. Near Mr. Whyne's body when found, but on the opposite side of a wire fence, was a shotgun with one barrel empty and the other loaded and cocked.

His friends and family declare that death was due to an accident and that the gun was discharged while he was climbing through the fence.

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EXPERIENCE WITH PIES

The Women Who Were Making Them Chewed Tobacco, and Got Boys Lost Their Desire.

"All sorts of trades, said the captain, relates the Chicago Inter Ocean, "were represented in the old union army. There were men who could repair watches, who could mend shoes, who could make trousers, who could shoe horses, repair wagons, and run locomotives. I remember on one occasion when a general asked all the men in our brigade who knew anything about managing locomotives to step ten paces to the front. Forty men stepped forward on the instant, and the general, nonplused, said simply: 'The hell you say. Very well, let me see you fix that old engine down there.' In half an hour the engine was ready for business.

"The Twentieth Illinois, however, took the prize for novelty in occupations. There were two men, Henry C. Payne and Martin Bechtel, who, after Shiloh, made a medicine of yellow dock and some other roots, which they sold to the natives as a cure-all for ague, malaria, fever, headache, backache, and what they were fond of calling general debility. They sent them for bottles, and they sold gallons of this medicine before the boys learned that they were doing. Then they dubbed their doctor and the name clung to them, not only in the army, but after they came home, and the last that I knew of them they were 'Dr. Payne and Dr. Bechtel.'

"We had some rare old experiences in campaigns after Shiloh. While we were at Britton's Lane, or near Britton's Lane, at one o'clock, on the Hatchee river, I went out with 15 men on an expedition with several objects in mind. One of them was to have some pies baked. It would find any of the native women who knew how to bake pies. We took 25 pounds of flour with us, and coming to a farm on which there was a good-sized orchard, and where we found one man and several women, we left the flour to be made into pies on shares. The women were to furnish the apples and bake the pies, and we were to furnish the flour, and the pies were to be divided equally between the soldiers and the bakers. We left the flour there, and proceeded on our excursion, which was to carry us several miles further, and the pies were to be baked by the time we returned.

"We came back at the time agreed upon, but were informed that the pies were just ready for the oven. The apples had been pared and sliced, and a tall, slovenly woman was kneading the dough, and with her mouth watering. We decided to wait until the pies were baked, and take our share with us. We stacked arms, and sat down to wait for the pies. The woman was very kind, and she was very good. We were very hungry, and we were very tired. We were very happy, and we were very content. We were very satisfied, and we were very pleased. We were very grateful, and we were very thankful. We were very fortunate, and we were very lucky. We were very happy, and we were very content. We were very satisfied, and we were very pleased. We were very grateful, and we were very thankful. We were very fortunate, and we were very lucky.

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MERRY Christmas and happy New Year to all our readers.

THE 5,000 readers of this paper can not be reached by advertising in the Blatown Bugle.

A MODERATE advertising appropriation distributed over the entire year brings far better results than extravagant expenditures a few weeks in the busy season.

REV. MR. COWSER'S talk on "Men Who Have Influenced Me," would please an audience especially interested in the speaker; but it hardly deserves to be styled "a lecture."

THE billion dollar trusts are doubtless shaking in their shoes, having learned that Congress has appropriated \$500,000 with which to fight them. That joke Knox can all.

LAST week's LEDGER contained an unusual number of typographical errors, for which the editor was hardly responsible. Four times in one article we wrote it "sanitarium."

In the proof the word was spelled wrong each time; but each was carefully marked. In spite of all, the intelligent compositor put it "sanitarium" every time. There are occasions when a polite vocabulary seems meagre.

It is intimated that Senator Alger will use his new office to join in the persecution of General Miles; but it is hoped that Mr. Alger is too good and great a man to engage in such despicable work. All Michigan has been glad to see Mr. Alger honored; but every old soldier who served under Miles and thousands of their friends would resent any such prostitution of the senatorship.

It is high time for public officials to set the lesser lights at good example by stifling these petty spites and jealousies.

MR. FERRIS, Anti Saloon League lecturer, claims to be an optimist; but he is rather pessimistic as to the attitude of the press on the temperance question. He is not acquainted with the country press, or he would know that nine-tenths of the owners are good, temperance men. The city papers are largely controlled by corporations; and honest, independent expressions need not be expected from them; but the conscience of the State is represented by the rural press; and there is no better body of men anywhere than those same country editors.

THAT is a good story about Mrs. Roosevelt which tells of her rebuke to the snobs who snubbed a former saleslady at a reception recently. Some wealthy noddle-heads stuck up their noses on the approach of a woman whom they recognized as having been employed in one of the great department stores. The president's wife claimed acquaintance with the lady and spent some time in pleasant conversation with her, much to the humiliation of the codfish fools who had snubbed her.

bed her. Hurray for Mrs. Teddy. She's a good enough Democrat any how.

HERE, now! The city papers have been having deadlocks of fun with the brethren of the rural press, and particularly with what they deem the trivial nature of country correspondence. The Detroit To-Day of Saturday prints an eleven line item about a Detroit juror who had a violent fit of coughing in court. Over it was a three inch "scare head," conveying the startling news: "Had a Pill in Throat," in letters half an inch long. "Trivial," indeed! When our Elderberry Corners' correspondent reports that "John Butternut is building a new corn-crib," she has "scooped" the pill reporter of To-Day; and the fact is not heralded in wood letters and red ink either.

Revolution Imminent.

A sure sign of approaching revolt and serious trouble in your system is nervousness, sleeplessness or stomachic apnea. Electric Bitters will quickly disperse the trouble.

It never fails to tone the stomach, regulate the kidneys and bowels, stimulate the liver and clarify the blood. Run down systems benefit particularly and all the usual attending aches vanish under its searching and thorough effectiveness. Electric Bitters is only 50c and is returned if it does not give perfect satisfaction. Guaranteed by D. G. Look, druggist.

Grattan-Vergennes.

James Downes, John Gary, Ida and Eugene Lally, and Winona and Cassius Mason, who were attending school at Big Rapids, returned home for a brief vacation during the holidays.

There were four carloads of potatoes shipped from Moseley last week. George Frost went with them to keep fire.

George G. Sage, while hunting last Sunday, accidentally shot his hand. It is feared his hand cannot be saved.

J. O. Winger and wife of Moseley are visiting relatives in Ohio.

What's in a Name?

Everything is in the name when it comes to Wick Ham Salve. E. C. De Wit & Co. of Chicago discovered some years ago how to make a salve from Wick Ham that is specific for many ailments.

For blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles, eczema, cuts, burns, bruises and all skin diseases DeWitt's salve has no equal. This salve gives rise to numerous worthless counterfeits. Ask for DeWitt's, the genuine. L. H. Tait & Co., Logan.

The East Boston school closed Friday for two weeks vacation with a Christmas tree and exercises.

Miss Ida Hogan returned to her home in Grand Rapids to spend the holidays.

Joseph Misher and wife returned to their home in Pennsylvania last week.

J. Snyder, wife and son took in the excursion to Canada to spend the holidays.

O. Ed and wife of West Campbell spent Sunday with Mr. Ash and family, who start for Indiana Wednesday to spend Christmas with Mr. Ash's mother.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Keweenaw.

Mrs. Carrie Scott is keeping house for Mrs. E. N. Sparks, while the latter is in Canada.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Kahn, a son, Dec. 18.

Vacation now until after holidays. During that time the teacher, Miss Griffith, will attend the State Teachers' meeting at Saginaw.

George Gardner has gone to Canada to visit his parents.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Ray Gave and Edith Converse on Christmas day.

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

CHRISTMAS CANDIES!

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

Smith's Bakery.

That ever happened. You will miss the familiar flavor of fly-specks and dirt, if you get your apricots, raisins, prunes, etc., from this elegant device. Call and see it.

R. VanDyke.

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

Dr. Porter's Cough Syrup

Cures all CHRONIC COUGHS.

TO WHAT THE FAD FOR FURS MAY BRING US.



SEE AND SAVE

There is no use wasting money even though our impulse to be generous is quite apt to be strong at Holiday time. See that if in our lines you cannot find the HOLIDAY TOKEN that will meet all the requirements. If you can, you will buy at less prices than you can hope to match and you will get worthy quality.

TOILET ARTICLES BRUSHES PERFUMES

BOOKS, including late fiction and best juvenile books; GAMES, EBONY NOVELTIES, CELLULOID GOODS, BRUSH SETS, TOILET SETS, FOUNTAIN PENS, GOLD PENS, GIFT STATIONERY.

For the men. PIPES, CIGARS by the box. RAZORS, SHAVING SUPPLIES, BRUSHES, etc.

Look's Drug and Book Store.

SLIPPERS ARE SELLING.

We are showing a much larger and better line than ever before. The prices are such that won't make you think the elephant has stepped on your pocket book.

LACES FOR BELTS, ALL COLORS

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

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.

Christmas is Coming By Leaps and Bounds.

and we are ready for it with a fine line of useful and ornamental Holiday goods. Prices marvelously low. Come early, make your selections. FUR BOAS AND MUFFS that will delight the most exacting. Another new lot of MONTE ARIOS just arrived, finest shown.

HANDKERCHIEFS. HANDKERCHIEFS. Handkerchiefs for these goods and the largest shown in Lowell. We can surely suit you. Another big lot of PHOTOTONES just received. They are beauties. Price to and 15c. Make your selections of these fine pictures before they are all gone. Bisell carpet sweepers, just the thing for your wife's Christmas present. Table Linens, Napkins, Towels, Pillow Tops and Pillows. Other goods too numerous to mention. No time for hesitation now.

Always Something New. E. R. COLLAR.

Established in 1883. A LEATHER DRESS SUIT CASE makes an excellent CHRISTMAS GIFT.

We wish you to come and see the fine line of these goods we have in stock. They range in price from \$1.50 to \$15.00.

GROSKOPF BROS. 19 Canal St. Grand Rapids, Mich.

MORRISON'S Cloaks. Suits. Furs.

Christmas Hints for the Women Folks.

WAISTS—Silk Waists, Electric Seal, Coat Seal, Persian Lamb, 125.00 to 150.00.

SKIRTS—Black Silk, Black Cloth, Grenadine, Walking, Storm and Dress Skirts.

NECKWEAR—Fancy Collars and Ties, Silk Ruffs, Chiffon Ruff, the newest, daintiest things.

PETTYCOATS—Silks, all colors, Jacquets, Top Coats, Monte Carlo, Storm and Traveling Coats for dress and street wear.

Whatever is needed, buy at MORRISON'S. One price to all. Marked in plain figures. Every kind the best of its kind.

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,

in ware we guarantee, from \$3.50 up to \$15.00. 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.

U. B. Williams...

If Public Interest.

To Know the Care for any form of Nervousness or Hysteria Needs But to Read the Following.

Mrs. Thomas Keyes of Ionia, Mich., says: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills as a good tonic and building up medicine. I have suffered severely for a long time from nervous trouble and last fall was very poorly when I got some of Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills and have used several boxes and feel that they have done me a lot of good in building up my strength and helping me in a general way."

Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills are sold at 50c 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. For sale at Look's drug store.

A Frightened Horse.

Running like mad down the street dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable safe handy and there is none so good as Stockin's Arnica Salve. Burns, cuts, sores, eczema and piles, disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25c at D. G. Look's drug store.

IN DISTANT PLACES.

France has more than 4,000,000 acres of vineyards. It is a notable fact that most of the subjects of King Edward VII. are Hindus.

The Russian mercantile marine consists of 745 steamers and 1,393 sailing vessels.

In all Egypt there are only 1,211 medical men, of all nationalities; 804 of these are European and 407 are natives.

Marcellus includes in its population about 100,000 Italians, who have no schools of their own.

The United immigrants in Argentina, who give up their native language and adopt that of their new home.

German farms occupy nearly 1,000,000 acres in Central America, on which over 30,000,000 coffee trees are planted.

At Pinar, near Dresden, is the largest camellia in Europe. It is 160 years old, about 80 feet high and has 40,000 blossoms each season.

Twenty villages and 13 plantations have been established on the 11,840 acres of land acquired during the last 30 years by Jews in Palestine.

Since 1900 the wages of laborers in Naples have doubled, but the taxes have trebled. Even now wages are only from 10 to 15 cents a day.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS CURSIONS.

Via Grand Trunk Railway System. One and one third fare for the round trip. Going dates Dec. 24, 25 and 26, 1903 and Jan. 1, 1904. All tickets valid returning any day to and including Jan. 2, 1904. For further information call on your local agent or write to Geo. W. Vanz, A. G. P. & T. A., Chicago, Ill.

The happy fellow who will be with all the most market delicacies for the season for the

Ring-ing the Christmas Belle...

most look in Williams' window to learn what's what in proper furniture for the dear girl's hands. Williams' present stock of RINGS was never equaled in any previous showing in Lowell. It isn't that the quantity of his RINGS is so, and the variety so extensive, as that the patterns are so surpassing fine. These RINGS of Williams' speak the best word of art in ornament. And the prices are so venal as the RINGS, and every single RING will seem to you to be worth more than Williams will ask you to pay for it.

U. B. Williams...

Make your wife a Christmas present of one of those fine washing machines sold by Brown, Seiler & McKay.

People are finding that we have a solution for every holiday problem. Come and see if we cannot solve yours. D. G. Look.

Cold Weather caught us

with a large line of Carriages and Driving Wagons on hand. We are setting them cheap in order to reduce our stock before inventory time. Carriages with rubber tires, \$40.00, upwards.

What About Cutters?

We have a full line of Portland Sewell Body Cutters, and the best line of speed cutters in this part of the state. We can also supply you with any new bobs, or bobs alone, suitable for any vehicle. Bells and chimes, as well as all kinds of harness goods at desirable prices. Fur robes, \$100, upwards. Come in when you are in town.

SMITH & SCHANTZ, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. 13 W. Bridge St., and 10 and 12 N. Front St.

BOOKS

One of the best presents you can make is a good book. We have a fine large line of

Including the latest popular editions which have met such enormous sales, as well as the cheaper editions of the old standard works. Also see our

Family Bibles, Diaries, Perfumes and Medallions.

Toilet Articles, Celluloid Novelties, Carom Boards, etc. W. S. WINEGAR.

Ladies, a box of our choice cigars would make your gentleman a most acceptable gift.

CUT GLASS and SILVERWARE.

A very choice selection of the finest pieces, and, being bought direct from the manufacturers, I can safely guarantee my prices to be lower than elsewhere. A nice piece of cut glass makes a present that never fades or wears out and is the correct thing just now.

GOLD CHAINS. Solid Gold Ladies' Chain, \$35.00. Best make of high grade filled chains, from \$8.00 to \$8.00.

STERLING NOVELTIES in large variety, suitable for presents. Go a little out of your way, if necessary, to reach the place. It will pay you

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

Here We Are Again

with all the most market delicacies for the season for the

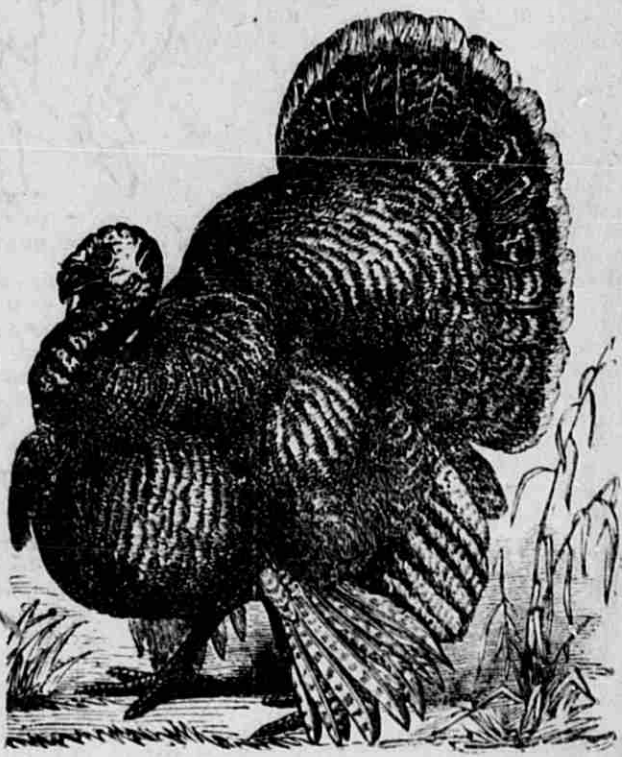
Holiday Family Reunion Tables.

Turkeys, Chickens, Ducks, Geese, Oysters, Beef, Veal, Pork, Mutton, Ham, Bacon, Sausages, Cooked Meats, all kinds; Fish, salt and fresh, including fresh salt-water fish from the Atlantic; also Mince Meat, Canned Goods, etc.

Our Business is Growing

if you haven't been a customer of ours, you'll find out why by calling on

"If you get it at Weyrick's it's right."



A. L. Weyrick & Co.

We Are Doing Business

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
Geo. W. Parker, Vice-President
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E. L. Bennett

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

HOME NEWS

Trade with LEDGER advertisers.
Mrs. Lois Eggleston spent Saturday in Grand Rapids.
Dick Morse and family will spend Christmas in Grand Rapids.
Get a 15c lunch at Smith's Bakery.
Mrs. S. O. Littlefield spent Christmas in Grand Rapids.
Mrs. M. A. Carr will eat Christmas dinner with her son at Ithaca.
Special prices on dinnerware and chamber sets until January 1, at Lawrence's bazaar.
Prof. J. F. Thomas will spend the vacation at South Bend, Ind.
Miss Anna Maynard will spend the holidays in Kalamazoo and Marshall.
Hearth Bread—Children cry for it made only by Smith, the baker.
Will Lally has returned from Jennings to spend the vacation with his family.
Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Winegar will spend the holidays with their daughters in Akron, Ohio.
Do not sell your poultry until you see us. We pay the highest prices for either live or dressed poultry. John Giles & Co.
Mrs. Guy Norton entertained relatives from Grattan last week.
Ed. Flynn, a Lowell teamster, was thrown from a wagon last week and his face badly cut.
J. W. Phillips and family of Lowell, recently moved from Freeport to Lansing.
Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Burnett and daughter Tessa of Saranac spend Christmas with Mrs. Wm. Burnett.
E. Stout's patent Lambertville Snag Proof rubbers, one or two buckles, for \$1.75.
A. J. Howk & Son.
Mr. and Mrs. Archibald and daughter Florence are spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Hildreth.
Cliff Hatch and family have moved into the apartments in the Lowell Boy's Union building, having fitted the same for occupancy.
Only Palmer's unrivaled perfumes. No cheap department store perfumes at Look's.
Jas. Anderson and Jno. Meyers are preparing to start a feed-mill and feed store, next door east of the Lowell Specialty company's factory.
We were credibly informed that there were 27 Quink Meal Steel Ranges sold at R. H. Boylan's last week. The best is none too good for the people of Lowell and vicinity.

135 Medallions from 25c to \$8.00 each at Look's.
Mrs. M. A. Carr spent Tuesday in Grand Rapids.
Mrs. G. B. Balcom went Saturday to Sinoce, Canada for an extended visit.
Special prices on hunting coats, guns and ammunition now at R. D. Stooking's.
Mr. and Mrs. John Wright left Tuesday for a month's visit at Mc-Bride.
Mrs. H. S. Schreiner and son Will go to Holland to spend Christmas.
Special prices on dinnerware and chamber sets until January 1, at Lawrence's bazaar.
A. L. Peck, traveling salesman for the Lowell Specialty company, is spending the holidays with his family here.
Henry Cutler and Misses Cutler and Walker of Luther spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Ecker.
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.
Charles Kopf has gone to Hastings where he has accepted a position in the electric light and power plant; and his wife will join him there this week.
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.
Start the new year right by a prompt renewal of your subscription to THE LEDGER. If all would do this it would be a "happy new year" for the publisher.
Estey and Farrand organs, the world's best, sold by R. D. Stooking.
Archie Knapp and family will spend the holidays with Rev. and Mrs. L. N. Pattison at Sturgis.
Mrs. E. Pearson of Chicago, who is visiting her father, Chas. Morse, called on Freeman Winters and found him recovering from an illness.
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The case of George Stark, administrator with will annexed, of Loran Lewis, vs. Charles B. Peat, was tried in Justice Hick's court, Dec. 23, and judgment was rendered in favor of the administrator.
THE LEDGER for Jan. 8 will be a chronology number for the year 1909. Those wishing extra copies will please place their orders early. Both local and foreign events will be recorded, making the number valuable for reference and of permanent value to advertisers.
Following are home for vacation: Misses Beate Tate and Bessie Kinyon from Mt. Pleasant, Winnie Johnson from Olivet, Marion Hill from Kalamazoo, Belle Dawson from Grand Rapids, Florence King from Detroit, Lena Yeiter from Lansing and Hattie Blakeslee from Benton Harbor.
Try our teas and coffees for good results. McMahon Bros.
Dec. 18, Patrick McGann was led to Justice Hicks' office by Marshall Hand, having been a little enthusiastic as a result of imbibing too much corn-juice. Mr. McGann pled guilty; the court investigated and made the fine \$20 or 60 days in jail. Mr. McGann promptly paid.
Try some of our new breakfast foods. McMahon Bros.
Jas. Malcolm was accused of partaking too freely of the cup that inebriates and becoming thereby a little hilarious. He was brought before Squire Hicks and upon reflection admitted he was guilty. A fine was assessed at \$18 and costs or 15 days at Chapman's boarding house, Grand Rapids.

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.



Silverware at Williams.
F. R. Ecker made a business trip to Grand Rapids Monday.
Frank White is home from his dental studies in Chicago.
Town talk matches, a big box for 5 cents at McMahon's.
Miss Minnie Behl entertained Miss Jean Roe, of Grand Rapids, Saturday and Sunday.
Will Taylor, of Grand Rapids, was shaking hands with old friends Monday.
Ladies and gents rings at Williams.
Remember the Maccabee masquerade ball Tuesday, Dec. 30th, at Train's hall. Music by the Lowell orchestra.
Born, in Lowell, Dec. 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Seward Aldrich, a son.
The Boys Union room has been neatly re-papered and painted and looks very neat.
Gents watch chains at Williams.
Miss Vernie Brown of Belding will spend a week of her vacation with Lowell friends.
For nice canned goods try the Golden Niagara brand at McMahon's.
Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Tomlinson and two sons, Frank and Jesse, of Battle Creek, will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. L. T. M. Foster.
Before buying a clock or gold ring better get prices at R. D. Stooking's.
Messrs Fred Foster and Elmo Soules, of Hastings, are spending the week with the former's brother, L. T. M. Foster, and with the family of Benj. Soules.
75 Parker's Lucky Curve fountain pens at Look's. An insurance policy with every one.
Miss Adell Peasely, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Nicholson, the past three months, returns Wednesday to her home at Lexington.
Corn sheller and feed cutter, best machines, low prices. Brown, Sehler & McKay.
Born, in Lowell, Dec. 19, to Mr. and Mrs. Anton Kallinger, a son. The LEDGER will convey the tidings to far off Austria, where the father is visiting.
For high grade teas and coffees try McMahon Bros.
Eddy Tent, K. O. T. M. has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Com., B. McLean; Lt. Com., Frank Pickard; R. R., Lewis Ayres; F. K., Arthur Howk; M. at A., L. P. Morse; Chap., Joseph Yeiter; Sarg., Lewis Jones; 1 M. G., Calvin Rogers; 2 M. G., Al. Morse; Sentinel, Hiram Hawley; Picket, Alaska Jay; Physician, M. C. Greene.
The dear girl wants a nice ring and she says she won't be satisfied unless it comes from Williams.
HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE—a bargain. Fred L. Barnes.

Silver thimbles at Williams.
Harold Oliver spends part of the week in Grand Rapids.
Any brand of men's buckle Artics for \$1.25 a pair. A. J. Howk & Son.
F. N. White was in Grand Rapids on business the first of the week.
If you want good pure spices try the BellSpices at McMahon's.
Benj. Murray and wife and Mrs. Mary Clough, of Bailey, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Morse.
Ladies watch chains at Williams'.
George Brown and family, of Flint, are spending the Christmas holidays with Dr. and Mrs. O. C. McDannell.
20 styles of fancy box stationery to select from at Look's.
Receipt of subscriptions is hereby acknowledged from Chas. Krum, Grand Rapids; J. O. Merriman, Chicago; Mrs. A. Shoup, Carson City; James Chambers, Moscow; and Mrs. E. H. Snyder, New Orleans. The latter says: "No fire this morning and the doors and windows are all open, in this land where 'The birds are always singin', and everything's in bloom'.
Secret lockets and chains at U. B. Williams'.
Officers elect of Joseph Wilson Post No. 87, G. A. R.: P. C., Benj. Morse; S. V. C., John H. Hillaker; J. V. C., John R. White; Adj., W. H. Eddy; Q. M., Daniel Pratt; Surg., Jesse Frost; Chap., Wm. B. Aldrich; O. D., Wm. E. Andrews; O. G., John F. Hatch; S. M. and Q. M. Sergeants to be appointed; Delegate to State encampment, Wesley Wheeler; Alternate, Levi Burras. Installation, January 14. Several new members will be mustered in Wednesday evening, December 24.
The largest assortment of games shown in Lowell at D. G. Look's.
Great tonic, braces body and brain, drives away all impurities from your system. Makes you well. Keeps you well. Rocky Mountain Tea. 35c. D. G. Look.

CHURCHES & SOCIETIES.
Methodist.
The theme for the morning sermon next Sunday is, "Redeeming the Time." In the evening the subject of the discourse will be, "The Man Whose Heart is at His Right Hand and the One Whose Heart is at His Left Hand."
Thursday being Christmas we ought to have a large attendance at the prayer meeting. The theme of the short sermon that evening will be, "What Christmas Means to Us."
Baptist.
Our Christmas entertainment will be held Wednesday evening, December 24. Everyone is invited.
Services Sunday, Dec. 28. The morning theme will be: "Crowded out;" and at 7:30 in the evening: "The Sealed Book." All welcome.
The B. Y. P. U. will meet at 8:30, p. m. Subject, "Our Heavenly Home and the Way." Every member should be present.
We want to make your holiday buying satisfactory this year. We have the goods and make the prices that will insure this result. D. G. Look.

Take Notice and Save Trouble.
Broadway St. Sewer Tax must be paid at once. Tax-payers, please give it your attention at once and save further trouble. CLYDE COLLAR, Village Treas.
Kodol Dyspepsia Cure.
Digests all classes of food, tones and strengthens the stomach and digestive organs. Cures dyspepsia, indigestion, stomach troubles, and makes rich red blood, health and strength. Kodol rebuilds worn-out tissues, purifies, strengthens and sweetens the stomach. Gov. G. W. Atkinson, of W. Va., says: "I have used a number of bottles of Kodol and have found it to be a very effective and indeed a powerful remedy for stomach ailments. I recommended it to my friends."
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The public at large being the jurors sitting in this case have rendered the verdict that you can go to H. W. Hakes' New Furniture store, and see a new stock of up-to-the-minute, in all the latest designs of
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Courteously yours,
H. W. HAKES.

Marriage Licences.
Thomas N. Booky 23, Grattan; Ora Watkins, 21 Grattan.
Josiah Berkey, 27, Sumneret county, Pa.; Mattie Blough 25, Bowne Center.
Clarence Baker, 24, Alto; Nettie F. Ellis 19, Alto.
Edwin L. Timpeco, 44 Bowne; Nellie E. Winks, 28, Lowell.
Ransom Miller, 23, Bowne township; Matilda Weaver, 20 Campbell township.
Automatic lift sewing machines at R. D. Stooking's.
Vergennes Station.
Election of Trustees and officers of the Christian church were as follows: Trustees Orren Ford, Abbie Holmes, Alice Brown, A. A. White and D. A. Church, President, Helena White, Treasurer, Clara Andrews, Clerk, Carrie Porter.
Frank Keech has bought his father's grocery stock and will carry on business at the same place. We wish him abundance of success.
Election of officers for Sabbath school Sunday, Dec. 28. All come and help along the good work.
Dorus Church and wife were in Grand Rapids Friday.
Henry Keech left Monday morning for a visit to his sister at Thompsonville, Mich.
Mr. and Mrs. Wiggins expect to spend Christmas at Fairplains with his sister.
O. Howk and family have moved in with her father, Mr. Wiggins.
O. R. Porter was at Belding last week Friday on business.
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. D. G. Look.

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