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\$250,000 ELECTRIC

PLANT TO BE BUILT IN FLAT RIVER AT LOWELL

This Year. Work Will Begin at Once.

The Grand Rapids Edison company, owners of the Lowell Water & Light plant and of the rights of the West Michigan Electric company, have decided to build a \$250,000 dam and electric plant on its Flat river property, just north of this village. It is proposed to raise a plant that will generate 100 horse power. Work will be commenced at once and it will probably take about a year to complete it.

This is the project conceived and started by Church & McDannell in the early nineties, work on which was stopped on account of the panic of 1893.

The Edison company proposes to generate electricity for transmission to Grand Rapids, which will greatly increase its facilities for taking care of the growing demands for electric light and power in that city.

At the annual meeting of the above named company the following directors were elected for the coming year: Daniel McCoy, Thomas F. Bechtel and George Bundy of Grand Rapids, Daniel McCool, B. F. Becker and Wm. Wright of Newaygo, Gordon Bigelow of Milwaukee, H. N. Higginbotham and H. D. Higginbotham of Chicago, K. K. McLaren of Jersey City, N. J., and E. R. Coffin of Schenectady, N. Y.

At the director's meeting held Saturday the following officers were elected: President, Daniel McCoy; vice president, Daniel McCool; secretary and treasurer, Thomas F. Bechtel. A. F. Walker was elected general superintendent.

A VERGENNES CASE

A SUFFERING WOMAN DESERVES HER AID.

Mrs. Peter Esterly's Sad Plight—A Case For Charity.

The attention of THE LEDGER has been called to the case of Mrs. Peter Esterly, who has been lying in the home of Valentine Giebes, of this village since December 15, with a broken hip, from a fall on the icy street.

Being in that vicinity when the accident occurred, the unfortunate woman was carried to the Giebes home where she has been kindly cared for.

Our information is that Mr. and Mrs. Esterly, old residents of Vergennes, are poor people, who have always been proud to be self-sustaining. On the day of the accident, the old lady was coming to town to pay her taxes, with money secured by selling apples at 8c. per bushel, and she was happy in the prospect of paying this public debt.

Further, that Mr. Giebes is a laboring man, depending upon day's work for the support of his family. In kindness of heart, they took in the suffering woman and have cared for her, and Mrs. Esterly keenly feels her dependent condition. It is felt that it is not right for the burden to fall entirely upon these worthy people and that Esterlys being old and poor, have a right to expect something from the township in which they have paid taxes so many years.

Doubtless, the failure to look after the case is due to an oversight; but there can be no further plea of that sort after this publicity.

Let the proper officers look after the case, or give reasons why not.

Friends of this paper are earnestly requested to trade with LEDGER advertisers. You can not do better.

Judged by Clothes.

Asher (Okla.) Altruist: Hodja, the famous Turkish jester, once went to a feast clad in a very old and ragged tunic. He received very little attention and no place was made for him at the table.

He at once hurried home, put on his best and most gaily embroidered tunic and appeared again.

He was given a seat of honor at the table.

As soon as the first dish was served he took a large spoon and began ladling the food in his sleeve.

"What are you doing?" asked the guests. "I am feeding the tunic," he said. "You have no welcome here for me, but only for my clothes."

This may not be right, but it is human nature.

People judge you by your clothes, therefore, buy your materials of a reliable up-to-date house, where quality and correct judgment count.

YOUNG AND OLD.

DEATH OF MRS. PRICE (NEE MARY LOOK.)

At Ithaca Tuesday. Burial at Lowell Friday.

Mrs. C. A. Price died at Ithaca, Tuesday, at 4 p. m., aged about 30 years. Funeral services will be held there this afternoon.

Mrs. Price was a Lowell girl, living here about eighteen years ago, and known as Mary Look. She was a niece of our townsman, D. G. Look, who went to Ithaca this morning to attend the funeral.

The body will be brought to Lowell for burial; and will lie in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Look tomorrow (Friday) from 1 to 4 p. m. Friends wishing to call may do so.

LOUIS BOLTER AT REST.

Old Lowell Resident Aged 83 Years.

Died, yesterday morning, Jan. 28, Louis Bolter, aged 83 years, a former resident of Lowell Services were held this afternoon at the home of his nephew, Clarence Farham, in South Boston, where he has resided the past few years.

Mr. Bolter was a familiar figure on our streets, and will be missed at the Congregational church, where he was a regular attendant for many years.

CUT OFF IN HIS BOYHOOD.

Isaac Leece of South Lowell Dies of his Injury.

Isaac Leece, son of Mrs. John Leece of South Lowell, who accidentally injured his knee about a week ago, died Monday at the age of seventeen years. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at Bowne Center church.

MRS. FRANK HOOVER

Of Keene, At Rest from Her Long Suffering.

Mrs. Frank Hoover died yesterday after a lingering illness of consumption, aged about 30 years, at her home in Keene.

We understand the funeral will be held at St. Mary's church, Lowell, Saturday, Jan. 31, at 9 a. m., Rev. Fr. Reid, of Grand Rapids, officiating.

Sale of Thoroughbred Horses.

Twenty-two thoroughbred horses, and other property of the late John M. Mathewson, are to be sold at auction, Thursday, Feb. 5, beginning at 10 a. m., on the premises one half mile south of Lowell, by H. Nash, executor. N. F. Gould, auctioneer.

A good opportunity is here offered to horse breeders to obtain for themselves at a nominal figure as compared to the actual value of the thoroughbred horse for breeding purposes. A good strain of such breeding is indispensable in a good driving or trotting horse or for market. Do not fail to avail yourself of this opportunity. H. N.

School Notes.

School was dismissed Monday and examinations are being held.

Miss Alice Morris has returned.

The Seniors were royally welcomed and entertained at the home of Will Lind last Thursday evening. It was a good introduction to the year's gatherings.

Miss Iva Masten entertained her sister, Miss Florence, of Grand Rapids, last week.

Hearth bread, you bet. Every day at noon. Smith's.

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All at prices that will save you money.

Stocking's Music Store,

Lowell, Mich.

BUTTS'

SEMI-ANNUAL

Shoe Sale

IS NOW ON.

Don't Fail to Attend.

We are Pleased to Announce to the Public Our

THIRD ANNUAL DRESS GOODS SALE,

Saturday, Jan. 31st, to Saturday, Feb. 7th. '03.

This will be our effort of efforts to supply our customers with seasonable Dress Goods at prices that are bound to please. Come early and avoid the rush. Those who have attended our previous great values, know what to expect.

Black and Colored Dress Goods in all weaves. Also a large line of new Waistings for spring.

J. B. NICHOLSON.

ANNUAL COTTON SALE

Begins Saturday, Jan. 31, and Ends Saturday, Feb. 7.

We shall include in this special sale nothing but cottons, Bleached and Brown, in all grades and widths. We never could do two or three things at a time and do any of them very good. This is the reason we have our Dress Goods Sales, Linen Sales and Cotton Sales separately. We can do them better one at a time, and so this coming week shall make the biggest effort of our life on Cottons.

WE HAVE MORE COTTONS THAN SOME FOLKS HAVE HAY, and shall sell them about as cheap. Shall sell Lonsdale Bleached for 7c. and all other kinds in same proportion.

A. W. WEEKES

It Is a Proud Child

who has a bank account of his own. Open one for him in our Savings Department and he will get into the habit of saving. It will be better for him than a college education. Call and get one of our little Home Savings Banks for your child.



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But We
Keep The
Key.

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

HOME NEWS

Shoe bargains at Godfrey's.
Mrs. Julia McConnell is quite ill.
Mrs. A. F. Hinchey is visiting in Grand Rapids.
Mrs. H. S. Schreiner spent Friday in Belding.
Cotton sale at A. W. Weekes'.
F. R. Ecker spent Tuesday in Grand Rapids.
Miss Emma Lasby spent part of the week at Alto.
Miss Winnie Johnson has been home from Olivet.
Save money on graniteware. Collar's Bazaar.
Miss Nina Brown of Belding is ill with scarlet fever.
Mrs. Thos. Gardner is very ill with typhoid pneumonia.
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Winegar are settled in their new home.
For bargains in clothing and shoes, go to Godfrey's.
Mrs. Peterson, of Grand Rapids, visited Mrs. F. R. Ecker Tuesday and Wednesday.
Mrs. Ed. Taylor, of Grand Rapids, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Wait.
C. S. Judson and family, of Canonsburg, spent a few days of last week with his sister, Mrs. Henry Lampman.
Weekes' cotton sale lasts till Saturday, Feb. 7.
Misses Donna Wisner and Carrie Davidson spent Monday in Grand Rapids.
D. R. Whitney returned Saturday from his trip through the western states.
Washboards, tubs and brooms, Jan. 17 to 31. Collar's Bazaar.
Mark Brown, of Otisco, Mrs. T. Daniels and son Frank, of Keene, visited Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Schreiner Sunday.
Mrs. R. D. Crane and daughters, Bessie and Mildred of Katrie, Ind., visited her uncle, Wm. Miles, the first of the week.
J. G. Stutz, a member of the theatrical company which played "Was She to Blame," at Train's opera house, several weeks ago, committed suicide at Lake Mills, Wisconsin, recently.

Fur overcoats cheap at Godfrey's. Messrs. M. M. Perry and F. T. King were in Grand Rapids Monday.
M. N. Hine is visiting in Grand Rapids this week.
Weekes' cotton sale commences Saturday, Jan. 31.
Miss Lida Boyd of Ada is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Adams.
E. S. Adams and family spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. A. C. Auble in Cascade.
Buy dishes Jan. 17 to 31 and save money. Collar's Bazaar.
Miss Lila Lawrence visited Miss Sadie Kinsey in Grand Rapids this week.
Rev. J. G. Munge returned last Thursday from a four months' tour through Illinois and Missouri.
Perfection has been reached at last in electric-weld fence. See it before you place your spring order. R. B. BOYLAN.
Messrs. W. S. Winegar and R. B. Boylan attended Grand Chapter in Detroit last week, representing Hooker Chapter, of Lowell.
Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Adams have returned to their home in Lowell after an absence of two months, much of which time was spent in touring Indiana and Kentucky. Jack's health is improved and he is again in charge of THE LEDGER's job department, work in which is booming.

Canvas gloves at Godfrey's.
Emil Arndt of Lansing spent Thursday and Friday with Itolan Mack.
Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bedford, of Greenville, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. T. King.
Just arriving, a new lot of cutters at Brown, Sehler & McKay's.
Mr. and Mrs. Rowland Ryder entertained Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moon of Ionia over Sunday.
Mrs. Ella Scott and Mrs. Hiram Robinson were guests of Mrs. Edmund Lee last week.
Remember the eminent specialist, Dr. Woolsey, will be at Hotel Waverly, Wednesday, Feb. 4. Cure guaranteed so you run no risk ad.
Mrs. Marian Lovewell and son, Eddie, of Woodland Center, are spending the week with her aunt, Mrs. S. Brower.
J. H. Hamilton, proprietor of the Lowell Granite and Marble works, has \$5,000 worth of cemetery work booked for spring delivery.
Delmer Johns and Wm. Gramer are spending several days with relatives and friends at Manchester and Chelsea.
Bargains in the shoe line at Godfrey's.
Mrs. A. G. Ball returned Wednesday to her home in Mason after a week's visit with her father, Homer Avery.
Annual cotton sale at A. W. Weekes'.
Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Morse of Lowell Center celebrated the birth day anniversary of both on Sunday by very pleasantly entertaining about twenty relatives and friends.
Bargains in overcoats at Godfrey's, come and get them.
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Weyrick are settled in their new home, recently purchased of Fred Barnes, and are well pleased with their bargain.
Allen Morse has resigned his position with Ecker & Foster, by whom he has been employed more than a year, and accepted a position in Mt. Pleasant.
Spanish Coconut home-made candy. Smith's Bakery.
Last Wednesday, five Lowell ladies, Mesdames Chas. McCarty, E. O. Wadsworth, H. S. Schreiner, S. Brower and M. S. C. M. Bosworth enjoyed a sleighride to the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Daniels in Keene, where a fine dinner was served them.

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A fine line to select from at very interesting prices.
Purses 25c to \$2.25.
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Don't miss Weekes' Cotton sale, you can't afford to.
Mrs. Hendricks (Lyon) of Grand Rapids was here on business part of the week.
Mrs. M. A. Carr went to Belding to-day to visit her daughter, Mrs. Will Cogswell.
Gee whiz! Ulster overcoats at Godfrey's, going at \$3.50 each.
Dr. M. C. Greene was in Detroit and Ann Arbor Monday and Tuesday.
W. A. Watts represented the local lodge, F. & A. M., at Grand Lodge in Detroit this week.
Mule skin mittens 15c at Godfrey's.
The Sayles meat market, recently started in the Clark building, has gone out of business.
Mrs. J. O'Heron was brought home Saturday from Reed City. She is quite comfortable.
Mrs. Ed. Weatherby and Mrs. Ella Sharp, of Grand Rapids, have been visiting Mrs. Orton Hill this week.
THE LEDGER wants live correspondents at Bowne Center, Smyrna and Parnell. Bright school girls preferred.
Mrs. M. A. Carr spent Monday with relatives in Grand Rapids and was entertained at the new Power's Ope a House in the evening.
Still on hand, a fine line of fur coats, also robes and blankets. Rather than carry them over, we are selling them at attractive prices. Brown, Sehler & McKay.
Frank Richmond, Prescott, Wash, V. H. Church, Columbia, S. C. and John Young Milwaukee, have our thanks for subscription remittances.
Members of the Old Settlers' association are requested to meet at the office of S. P. Hicks Monday next, at 4, p. m. Important business.
We understand that the Spraker building, now owned by Samuel Vinton of Grand Rapids, has been rented to J. H. Cramer for saloon purposes.
The Vergennes Dancing club will give its annual masquerade ball at the opera house, Lowell, Thursday evening, Feb. 19. Music by Robinson & Hartwell's orchestra.
We want to hear from every Ledger correspondent every week with all the news, much or little. Help us to make this the best local paper in Western Michigan.
Geo. L. Beckworth of Saranac made this office a pleasant call yesterday and paid down six plunks on subscription. He says the world is using him finely, and we're mighty glad of it.
Today is the sixtieth anniversary of President McKinley's birth; and millions will wear a carnation in his honor. This was his favorite flower; and the annual remembrance is to be perpetuated.
Subscribers at distant points who have had trouble in receiving their Ledgers are hereby notified that the publisher and Lowell postmaster are looking the matter up. Some careless railway clerks are apt to get "jacked up."
The Boys Union is without a home, the building formerly occupied by it having been leased by U. B. Williams, who will occupy it as a jewelry store. Doubtless other quarters will be secured for the Union, as the work is too good to be dropped.

A MIGHTY AUTOCRAT.
The Power of the Tsar of All the Russias All-Prevailing in His Wide Domain.
No one can grasp the fundamental state of things in Russia without realizing that there the will of the czar is as the will of God. His land and his subjects are his, to dispose of as he may. In a Russian battle, not so long ago, the artillery, imperatively needed in front, was stopped by a deep ditch. The soldiers flung themselves in until the ditch was full, and the artillery galloped over their bodies, says Youth's Companion.
In the world of business it is quite the same. A Russian administrator was discussing with Sir Henry Norman the military capabilities of the Trans-Siberian railway, and Norman said:
"There wouldn't be rolling stock enough to convey masses of troops in a short time."
"Every engine and carriage in Russia would be put there if necessary," was the answer.
"But that would disorganize the whole commerce of the country, and bring tens of thousands to ruin."
"You don't understand," said the official. "If the czar gave the word to take every railway carriage in Russia, and run it across the Siberian railway and throw it into the China sea at the end, who should prevent him?"

AMMONIA FOR BURGLARS.
A Brooklyn Druggist's Encounter Suggests a Weapon Which Becomes Popular.
A druggist in Brooklyn was held up in his store and happened to have a glass of ammonia on the counter, which he dashed into the visitor's face, and the fellow ran, smashing through a glass door, doing himself great mischief. He had a companion so amazed he hesitated when a second glass of the elixir hit him squarely in the nose with another dose of the aromatic fluid and paralyzed him with pain and terror on the spot, so that he was taken a helpless prisoner. The druggist advertised bottles of liquid fire prepared for burglars, and the medicine became fashionable, says a recent report. The holdfast robbers were for awhile discouraged. The burglar bomb ought to be prepared for action by an enterprising firm, the bottles of assorted sizes and used according to directions, which might be blown into the glass. The banks should be equipped with the bomb. They are at short range much more certain to go to the right spot than pistol shots.

WANT COLUMN.
Advertisements of "Wants," "For Sale," etc., run under this head at 3c per line per issue.
Dry beech and maple wood for sale. Enquire at Jones' livery barn. House to rent. S. P. Hicks.
WANTED, BASSWOOD, BLACK ASH and ELM TIMBER, 8 inches and up in diameter, 1/2 larger than 16 inches to be split in halves. Must be sound, 5 feet long and not too many knots. Will pay \$1 per cord delivered at the D. & M. depot, Lowell. See A. Keefer.
PEACH TREES. Yes sir, we have them from home-grown stock, budded from bearing orchards. Also a fine line of apple, cherry, pear and plum trees, ornamental vines, small fruits, etc. N. P. HUSTON & CO., Lowell, Mich.
Horses for sale—Cheap span work horse 1200 and 13"0, 14 years old, \$125. Black mare, 14 years old, weight 1000, \$35. Also 2 new milch cows, \$40. ED. HOAG.

WASH THE BANK NOTES.
Treasury Official Advises Bankers to Clean Them with Soap and Water.
"If the bankers of the country only knew the great difference a little soap and water makes in a dirty bank note there would be more clean money in circulation," said a treasury official recently. "If you have never seen the operation, just spread a soiled note out upon a marble slab and use a small brush that has been well scaped, and go to work scrubbing, lightly, of course. But a few strokes is necessary to secure a clean note. I give my personal attention to all the paper money brought into my household, and I tell you I feel repaid for the little work it causes."
"I can see every reason why there should be a person employed in the banking houses for this particular duty," continued the official, according to the New York Mail and Express. "Certainly the neglect in doing so gives ample cause for complaints from the patrons concerning the dirty, oily notes that are too frequently handed to them. They may be full of germs, which, of course, are dangerous; and this risk could be easily eliminated by the simple use of soap and water."
Backwash!
Caller—I've found that there dory that y'r wife is advertisin' five dollars reward fer.
Gentleman—You have, eh?
Caller—Yep; an' if ye don't give me ten dollars I'll take it to 'er.—N. Y. Weekly.

Simply Inexpensive.
La Fiancee—I am sorry to hear papa is speculating so heavily.
Le Fiancee—So am I. Really, it is almost criminal for a man to speculate with money that ought to be saved for his son-in-law.—The Bits.
An Artist.
"I understand she's an artist."
"An artist! Why, that doesn't begin to describe her. She's a genius. You ought to see the way she can make over a last year's gown or hat."—Chicago Post.
Particular About That.
"Miss Kitty—Darling," he began, "I—"
"Sir, interrupted the young woman, "you will oblige me by not passing so long between my first name and my last."—Chicago Tribune.
Just as Well.
She—Do you believe automobiles are as dangerous as they're said to be?
He—Oh, sure. A fellow can get engaged in one of them as easily as he used to in the old-fashioned buggy.—Pack.

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