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.. MONEY TO LOAN ..

We wish to make a few more mortgage loans. The property offered must be first-class and located in this vicinity.

Our Terms are Liberal.

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SUGAR MAKERS' SUPPLIES.

We will offer you while they last a No. 1, 12 quart Tin Sap Bucket at \$12.25 per 100. Syrup Cans correspondingly cheap.

We have a few Heaters left at cost. Now is the time to buy.

Yours Respectfully,

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MUSIC

Is the fourth great material want of our nature—first food, then raiment, then shelter, then music.—Bovee.

Lyon & Healey's Celebrated Washburn Guitars and Mandolins

and others of lower grade and cheaper prices, also

Violin Strings and Trimmings, Harmonicas, Auto Harps, Victor Talking Machines and Records,

Columbian Zithers, Harmonicas, and Metallochords, all sold at FACTORY PRICES, saving the transportation charges to customers.

A. D. OLIVER,

WATCHES, CLOCKS AND JEWELRY.

THANKS AWFULLY!

I desire to thank the "reverend" head-cater of the Lowell journal for his "compliment" in the last issue of his greatest paper on earth. It was the second favor of the sort I have had in return for the good money I paid him. Now, I have not had "great experience in business of all kinds," I just know a little about the meat business, and my friends tell me I have run

A GOOD MEAT MARKET.

That I shall continue to do, and still solicit the patronage of the good people of Lowell. Advice from head-caters who hire their editorials written in Washington not wanted.

A. L. WEYRICK.

GOOD-BYE, CARL.

SURPRISED BY HIS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS.

The Whole Community Would Like to Have Been There.

Carl English was given a farewell party last Friday evening by his Sunday School class and a few invited friends.

He returned from a neighbor's after tea with his sister, Miss Louise Budway, and came in the back door. The electric lights were suddenly turned on and the bewildered man stood in the midst of a happy company.

When Carl had recovered from his surprise, music was furnished, at request of the guests, by Misses Anna Maynard, Emma and Ethel Wesbrook, Jessie Nease, Pearl Keene, and Messrs Carl English (with his mandolin), and Arthur Wesbrook.

Mrs. Collar, in behalf of the class, with a nice little speech, presented Mr. English with a framed picture of his class. In response he read an interesting letter from his wife.

The evening was spent pleasantly and refreshments were served.

Those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames Fred Oliver, E. B. Collar and Sherman Haas; Mesdames A. Jay, J. M. Meyers, Elmer White, D. F. Butts, Johns, E. Moffit, Buchanan, E. M. Sayles, Butler, and P. Zystra; Misses Carrie Avery, Effie Potter, Martha Packard, Rose Noble, Emma Bostoff, Emma Ransford, Libbie Rolf, Ada and Ida Halpin, Bertha Austin, Celia Lewis, Edith Mange, Jessie Nease, Emma and Ethel Wesbrook, Pearl Keene, Anna Maynard, Eva Harrington Athol and Beulah Meyers; Messrs. Clarence Collar, Arthur Wesbrook and Delmer Johns.

Mr. English, little daughter Zella and Miss Louise Budway are awaiting their car and expect to start next week to join the rest of the family at Portland, Oregon.

TWO OLD MEN GONE.

U. Milliman of South Boston.

Uriah Milliman died Feb. 13, at his home in South Boston, of senility at the age of 75 years.

Services were conducted at the house, Feb. 16, by Dr. Flint of Clarksville, assisted by Rev. Stacey also of Clarksville.

The remains were taken to Palmyra, N. Y., for interment by Mrs. Milliman, escorted to the station by Lowell lodge No. 90, F. & A. M. His early home was in New York and he has lived here since his marriage, 12 years ago.

Patrick Leonard of Ada.

Patrick Leonard, aged 78 years, died Feb. 13, at his home at Ada. Funeral services were held Sunday at the Parnell church, conducted by Rev. Fr. Byrne. Burial at Parnell. Deceased leaves a widow and no children.

Violets and Gardening in Florida—Raging Blizzard in Michigan.

Winter struck Lowell in dead earnest Monday night. Mercury registered from 15 to 20 degrees below zero in different localities. A blizzard began raging Tuesday night and on Wednesday afternoon is still with us, head on. Snow is drifting badly; but the Pere Marquette and Grand Trunk have made their runs as usual. It's good weather for staying at home and hugging the fire unless you have urgent business elsewhere.

Now read this:

Miss Emma Wesbrook has received a letter from her friend, Miss Lottie Colson, written from Pensacola, Florida, Feb. 13 and enclosing a bunch of violets picked the same day. People were making gardens and setting out trees. Interesting items for us with a Michigan blizzard raging.

Blain Out on Bail.

Grand Rapids Press, February 17.

Norman B. Blain, the secretary of the Lowell Building and Loan association, who was arrested in Lowell yesterday afternoon by Deputy Sheriff Johnson, charged with the embezzlement of the funds of the association, was arraigned in the Justice court this morning and demanded an examination. He stated to the court that he knew of the contents of the complaint and waived the reading. Judge Watt fixed bail in the sum of \$500 and Ernest A. Stowe of the Tradesman company became security.

PRESIDENT PERRIN

OLD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION ELECTS OFFICERS.

Preparations for the Annual Re-Union March 12.

The annual business meeting of Old Residents' association was held Feb. 12, at the office of S. P. Hicks. The following were in attendance: J. C. Train, H. Nash, W. P. Perrin, J. A. Lyon, S. B. Parker, S. B. Knapp, S. P. Hicks.

The following officers were elected: President, W. P. Perrin; vice presidents, A. S. Stannard; Wm. Parker, C. C. White, M. A. Holcomb, John Headley, Chas. Buttrick, Nathan Gould, Frank Chase, W. J. McCarthy; secretary, S. P. Hicks; treasurer, J. E. Lee; marshal, H. Nash.

W. P. Perrin, the new president of the association is one of the oldest and most highly esteemed pioneer citizens of the Grand River valley. He is 85 years old and has been a resident of this vicinity 65 years, living in Lowell, Vergennes and Bowne. The association has honored itself in honoring Mr. Perrin.

J. C. Train, chairman of the committees of arrangements, is getting in line the various committees appointed at a recent date to have charge of the annual re-union to be held March 12. A memorable meeting is promised.

IOTT CONCERT COMPANY

At Opera House, Tuesday, February 24. A Rare Treat in Store.

The next number of the Epworth League lecture course is that of the Geo. H. Iott Concert company, at the opera house, Tuesday evening, Feb. 24. A rare treat is in store for those who attend. Carl S. English has heard Mr. Iott sing, and the fact that he has decided to start for the west one day later than he intended to, so as to hear the noted singer again, is proof that Carl thinks he can sing. Mr. English says: "If his voice is clear you will not be disappointed."

Agnes Pringle, violinist, delighted a Lowell audience on a former occasion. Her return will be welcomed. Charlotte Selleck Tarrant, harpist, comes highly recommended, and J. Franklin Cavery, in his "chalk talk," is sure to please.

School Notes.

Exercises were given in the high school in memory of Lincoln's birthday by pupils from different grades. S. P. Hicks made an interesting address on Washington, D. C.

Pupils of the West Ward will give a program at the Central building to-morrow afternoon.

Miss Rhea Peck was absent from school last week and this on account of illness.

An arithmetic contest will soon be held among the fourth grades of the East, West and South Wards. Schools dismissed yesterday because of the cold.

Preparations are being made for another athletic entertainment.

Each grade from fifth to eighth inclusive is divided into sections, A and B. Pupils having good records being advanced to A.

The Third annual Literary contest will be held some time during April. Misses Louise and Myra spent Friday, Saturday and Sunday in Lansing.

A Cold Bath.

Jacob Calier fell into the river Tuesday morning and was soaked in the icy water to his ears. He was working on the flood gates of King Milling Company's dam. He was helped to the office, warmed up, wrapped in a blanket and sent home. He came down to his work two hours later apparently no worse for the cold bath. As mercury registered below zero that morning, the shock of the sudden plunge may be imagined.

Kerekes Case Now on.

The trial of Bailey Kerekes was resumed at Ionia Monday. Up to noon today nothing new of importance has developed. The prosecution has not finished its case yet, and the trial will probably continue to next week. S. P. Hicks of Lowell is assisting R. A. Hawley in the defense.

The Grand Rapids Post issued under the new management Saturday was hardly recognizable, so vastly was it improved. There is room in Grand Rapids for a clean, reliable, independent-democratic newspaper; and we believe the new proprietors will demonstrate it.

The LAMB WIRE FENCE

is made of the best quality of galvanized hard steel wire and is the most durable and efficient wire fence on the market—a trial will convince you.)

THE PRICE IS LOW

at present, but as the prices on the raw material is advancing, so must it on the fence very soon. Take advantage of this opportunity and order now.

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Special prices on the celebrated

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Guitars and Mandolins

Be sure and get my prices before purchasing.

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200 Pairs

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SHOES,

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This Offer Ends March 1st.

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New Dress Ginghams, White Waists, Dress Trimmings, Dress Percales, Dress Prints.

A lot of REMNANTS of DRESS GOODS and SILKS left from our SALE to close out at cost.

New Ideas Patterns, 10c.

J. B. NICHOLSON, LOWELL, MICH.

From Our Point of View.

INJUSTICE OF "JUSTICE" AS ADMINISTERED.

We have received from LaCrosse, Wis., an insurance paper containing a picture and flattering write-up of General Will White, late of Grand Rapids, Mich., and announcing that the gentleman is in the life insurance business.

Now, we have no grudge against Mr. White. Personally, we wish him well. But, THE LEDGER believes thoroughly in the good Jeffersonian doctrine, "equal rights to all and special privileges to none," and in the absolute equality of rich and poor and high and low before the law.

In Port Huron, the treasurer of a fraternal life insurance society defaulted with \$60,000. That same week, a poor man in the same city stole a pair of boots. The first had influential friends, and many months afterward is still at liberty, while the poor thief was jerked to Jackson inside of the week. Such rank injustice smells to Heaven.

An officer of a co-operative association in Flint, used up the funds, wrecked the association and swindled the members. Because "he was a good fellow," he has been discharged, on payment—by some one else—of a measly fine of \$500. A judge who thus abuses his high office should be deposed and punished.

As for White. He had favors uncounted showered upon him. He had every opportunity to be one of the first and best men in the best State in the Union. He returned evil for good and betrayed the confidence placed in him by his fellow citizens.

Consequently, THE LEDGER has no bouquets for General White, and no use for the paper and ink picture, except for kindling. They should make a hot fire.

FURTHER evidence of the favoritism shown rich criminals is found in the case of Frank Andrews, the Detroit bank wrecker. Although supposed to be a prisoner, he acted as chief escort and entertainer for the legislative junketers while at Jackson prison.

He has a "soft snap" and is getting fat. The moral of it all is: Steal big or not at all. A loaf of bread or a pair of boots won't do. Get above \$50,000 if you want the honors of a first-class criminal.

AFTER fifty years of NOMINAL prohibition, Vermont has voted to adopt the license system for regulating the liquor traffic. This should cause the most ardent advocate of prohibition to think. The principle of prohibition is right, but does it prohibit? Vermont says no. One of the arguments in favor of the change is: "It will reduce the number of saloons 75 per cent."

IT ISN'T every day we can agree with Senator Hanna; but when he says: "I believe the American people have a profound contempt for Baer," he hits the nail on the head and drives it home.

SOME people who make great pretensions to piety, have no scruples whatever against stealing money, in the form of time, that other people pay for. Employers of labor are swindled out of many dollars worth of time in this manner by thoughtless or unscrupulous persons. Laboring men who "know which side their bread is buttered on," will give such folks the cold shake during working hours.

"DIVINE RIGHT BAER" proposes to have all the socialists colonized on an island by themselves. Amend the motion by substituting coal barons and trust makers for "socialists," and it will carry by a large majority.

CONCERNING the trouble in the Potter's Corners school, THE LEDGER has no information save that furnished by its Keene correspondent. It may be stated as a general proposition, however, that no school can be properly or profitably conducted when the authority of the teacher or teachers is not upheld by the officers and parents. Every district should employ the best teachers possible and then support them loyally. No school that is run by its pupils is worth attending or paying taxes for.

AS TO the Journal's mean fling at the three clergymen who conducted union meetings for three weeks, THE LEDGER has to say that it is certainly a poor return for the earnest labor for the public good, freely given by those gentlemen. If Brother Davidson would confine himself to either printing or preaching, he might perhaps do a fairly acceptable job. Either of these callings is large enough to demand ALL of the best efforts of a capable, trained man. THE AVERAGE man who tries to spread his talents over both fields, will make a FAILURE of both. The jack of all trades may fill the bill in some cases, but not in these.

A FIRST-CLASS BAKERY

Is what we claim to have. Our goods are always fresh and the best that pure materials, combined with the baker's skill, can produce. OUR BREAD you will find always uniform in quality, and CAKE and COOKIES are the best, and considering high prices of butter and eggs, we think cheaper than you can make. Call in and let us convince you.

WELDON SMITH, THE BAKER.

A Social Dance

Will be given at Mason's Hall, Grattan, Monday Eve, Feb. 23. The Tri-Weekly New York World and THE LOWELL LEDGER both of our papers, for \$1.00, 4 papers a week, 30¢ papers. For 10¢ more, we will add the Pilgrim, a dollar magazine. "Well, did you ever?" "No, I never."

OUR BUSINESS MEN.

Fifth of a Series of Illustrated Articles. Harmon Nash, One Of Our Oldest Dealers.

Harmon Nash, son of Ira Nash and Judy A. Fero, was born in Steuben county, N. Y., October 24, 1835. He came with his parents to Vergennes in 1845 and received his early education in the common schools of this vicinity, attending quite regularly until early manhood.

Until 1865, Mr. Nash was principally engaged in farming. For one year he clerked in a drug store with C. R. Hine. Following this, he was associated with William Boyce in the manufacture of axes and machine fixtures, until 1870 when his partner died. Mr. Nash continued the business alone until 1888, when he engaged in the agricultural implement and carriage business at the former stand. This business has continued prosperously to the present day.

Mr. Nash is a pronounced Democrat of the old school but has never sought office, notwithstanding which he has been elected Justice of the peace and member of the town board, discharging the duties of office faithfully and well. He is a member of Lowell Lodge, No. 90, No. 5, at Grand Rapids. In lodge and chapter he has served as secretary alternately for about fifteen years. He is now serving his second term as president of the Lowell Building & Loan association. When the Old Residents' association was formed, March 22, 1887, Mr. Nash was elected secretary and has continued in active membership ever since.

Mr. and Mrs. Nash, while not yet ready to call themselves "old people" are now enjoying the fruits of industrious, frugal lives. Our readers will join Tax Levason in the hope that they may be spared for many years to the community of which they have been a part for a half-century.

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Don't Neglect Coughs.

Nature might cure your cough without aid, but you can't afford to chance it. A cough that is left to "cure itself" is slowly overcome at best, and there is apt to be some weakness left to make the next cough come easier.

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Liberty Paint, absolutely pure, in paste form, costs you \$1.40 a gallon, and linseed oil costs you 40 cents a gallon, and the two together make two gallons of paint that YOU KNOW is pure and lasting, for \$1.80 or 90 cents a gallon.

Is there any sense in paying \$1.80 and \$2.00 a gallon for inferior, ready mixed paint, when you can buy Liberty guaranteed paint for 90 cents a gallon?

HONEST GOODS MADE BY SKILLED WORKMEN. We sell in only six gallon crates. Club with your neighbor if you do not need six gallons.

Write today for the finest selection of color cards ever issued. FREE Remit \$8.40 and you will receive (freight prepaid) six gallons of concentrated paint, any color you desire.

Active men and women, who can give reference, can secure good positions representing us. A SPECIAL PROPOSITION FOR PAINTERS. Eureka Paint and Equipment Co., Liberty, Indiana.

COLLAR'S MID-WINTER CLEARING SALE.

Having just completed our inventory, we find many goods that we must clear out and make room for the New Spring Goods. We have been in business a good many years, and no matter how hard we try to keep the stock clean there are always sure to be left over broken lines and sizes—these will be closed out at an

AMAZING SACRIFICE—The Slaughter is Terrific.

We must have the cash. These few items tell the price story: 1 Lot 10 and 12 c. Dress Goods, Plain and Fancies, at 5 c. per yard. 1 Lot 20 and 25 c. Dress Goods, Plain and Fancies, at 15 c. per yard. 1 Lot 40, 45 and 50 c. Dress Goods, Plain and Fancies, at 25 c. per yard. Fine Dress Gingham, 10 and 12 c. kind, 6 c. \$1.00 Mocha Kid Gloves, guaranteed, 60 c. Many other Bargains too numerous to mention. One consolation is, our customers get a benefit; so "It's an ill wind that blows nobody good."

Citizens' Phone 193.

Our Country Cousins.

Society Corners. Mrs. Orono, of Newaygo, with her little son, are the guests of her sister, Mrs. W. Reynolds.

Quite a number from here attended the lecture at the new Whiteville church by Rev. Brady of Grand Rapids. The subject of his address was "Youth, the Golden Gateway of Life." The speaker handled the subject in a manner that delighted the audience and held their undivided attention from beginning to end.

Mild weather and lack of sleighing has greatly interfered with the plans of those who were filling their ice boxes. The contest in the Ladies Aid society closed last Wednesday. Mrs. E. E. Clark's side receiving 620 counts and Mrs. Peck's side 625.

A box social will be given by the Ladies Aid society at the home of Orville Reynolds Feb. 25. Ladies to bring lunch for two. Every one invited.

Chas. Richards, who has been suffering from several weeks with a broken limb, is said to be improving. Mrs. Martin Schneider, Sr., is in very poor health at present. Ladies Aid society of the Episcopal church will meet with Mrs. James Green Feb. 19.

Nearly Forfeits His Life. A runaway almost ending fatally, started a horrible ulcer on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all doctors. Arctic Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally good for burns, bruises, skin eruptions and piles, 25c at Look's drug store.

Pratt Lake. Dr. U. Millman died at his home after a long illness. His body will be taken to New York for burial. Rev. Manning of Pratt Lake and Kruse of Cassopolis called at the home of Rev. Otian of Baraboo Thursday.

The North Ball school had a Valentine box sale Friday. Each one received many tokens. Little Gladys O'Brien has the scarlet fever.

A. M. Andrews made a business trip to Moseley recently. Miss Mable Johnson returned home a week's visit with friends.

Miss Jennie Andrews has closed her school on account of small pox. The gentleman who she boarded having it. Rev. Manning has gone to Byron Center to look after his store. His nephew, who had charge of it has the measles.

Mrs. F. W. Morton gave a dinner party in honor of Mrs. Ada Hatch. Luther of Lansing, Thursday, to a few of her old school mates. The Ladies Aid sewed about thirteen pounds of carpet rags, three aprons, a dress waist and some other work for Mrs. M. O. Keller one day last week. There were sixteen in number.

James Phelps of East Lowell was the guest of H. D. Webb's Sunday. The L. O. T. M. and K. O. T. M. initiated five new members each last week. There is talk of building a Macabee hall here in the near future.

Mr. Landing of Keene is a guest of Chas. Keach. Mrs. Carrie Coon returned Sunday after a three week's visit with Lowell relatives. A very enjoyable time was had at the Grange hall last Wednesday when sixteen ladies of Lowell Hive dined with the ladies of Alto Hive.

Burr Davis has purchased a new span of horses weighing 3640. Ed Hapeman of East Lowell visited his parents Sunday.

Escaped an Awful Fate. Mr. H. Haggins of Melbourne, Fla., writes "My doctor told me I had consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. I surely saved my life." The great cure is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases by Dr. G. L. Hook druggist. Price 50c and \$1. Trial bottles free.

West Lowell. Miss Whelan of Lowell was the guest of Mrs. W. Mann over Sunday. Mrs. H. Mullin is the possessor of a fine new organ, purchased from R. D. Stocking of Lowell.

Mrs. J. Cary and family of Lowell were the victims of a surprise party last week Tuesday evening. About thirty from here attended. Refreshments were served and the evening was pleasantly passed with cards and games.

H. Anderson and family of Lowell spent Sunday with C. Cary and wife. A large party of young people were entertained Friday evening at the home of J. Green and wife in honor of their daughter, Sadie. A very pleasant time is reported.

Removal sale now on at Williams.

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Section 8 of an ordinance of the Village of Lowell relative to nuisances, etc., passed Sept. 14, 1873, provides that it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to deposit ashes in the streets of said village, hotel parlors.

LOWELL—Hotel Waverly, 10 a. m. to 7 p. m., Wednesday, March 4th. SARANAC—Commercial Hotel, Thursday, March 5th.

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Heard About Town.

A 4 off shoe sale at Godfrey's.
Mrs. Orton Hill visited in Grand Rapids Tuesday.
Mrs. A. L. Peck is visiting her friends in Kalamazoo.
Best 8 day clocks at \$1.88, \$1.98, \$2.23 at Williams'.
Mrs. A. D. Trumble is visiting her daughter in Cedar Springs.
Mrs. O. C. McDannell went to Grand Rapids Monday.
H. Nash has been in poor health for several weeks.
Valentine day was quite generally observed by Lowell young folks.
Two-hundred pairs of Misses and child's shoes at 98c per pair.
D. F. Butts.
Born—In Lowell, Monday, a 9 pound son to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ford.
Mr. and Mrs. Martin Simpson of Ionia visited over Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Althen.
The City Bank pays 3 per cent on savings deposits.
Ecker & Foster are building their new store house, opposite the planing mill.
Mrs. David English of Saranac is spending several weeks with her niece, Mrs. A. L. Peck.
Mrs. Allie Althen of Columbus, Ohio, is recovering from a severe illness.
The Lowell exchange of the Citizens' Telephone company has 326 phones in use, instead of 200, as implied by an item in our last issue.
Mesdames A. G. Steketee of Grand Rapids and J. E. Tower of Fallsburg were guests of Mrs. J. D. Harvey Wednesday.
James Kreiss, who has been employed by A. L. Weyrick for the past several months, returned to his home at Grand Rapids Tuesday.
A 4 off shoe sale at Godfrey's.
Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Collar were the happy recipients of a fine coffee cooker Friday evening, the same being given them by the members of the east side pedro club.
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.
Dr. Morris, of Belding, occupied the Congregational pulpit Sunday, his brother, Rev. S. T. Morris, being absent on a business engagement at Calumet.
Frank Coons is now regularly employed as mail clerk on the railroad between Cleveland and Chicago six days on and six off. He has been home this week, but leaves Friday night for another week.
Dr. Woolsey, the eminent specialist, has a new advertisement in this issue. Do not fail to read it and call on him at Hotel Waverly, Wednesday, March 4. Cures guaranteed so you run no risk. See advertisement. No cure, no pay.
Mr. and Mrs. Will Murphy entertained Friday evening with a finch party in honor of Miss Effie Burns. Prizes were won by Miss Louise Murphy and Jim McMahon. Miss Burns and Carl Bergin secured the consolations.
The whole town was alarmed Saturday night at 11 o'clock by a frantic ringing of the fire bells, all on account of a small blaze in a potato car. This thing can be overcome. Some night when there is a fire, it may be hard to wake people up.
FOR SALE—C. O. Lawrence's beautiful residence, situated in one of the best parts of the village; also the dwelling on Main street known as the Reading Rooms.
C. O. Lawrence.
Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Collar very pleasantly entertained the East side pedro club last Friday evening. Delicious refreshments were served. Prizes won: Lady's head prize, cut-glass olive dish, by Mrs. H. W. Hakes; consolation, box of bonbons, Mrs. L. T. M. Foster; Gentleman's head prize, cut glass carving knife-rest, R. B. Boylan; consolation, F. R. Ecker.

Misses shoes 98c. Butts.
S. O. Littlefield spent Saturday in Grand Rapids.
Dr. Dutt of Belding visited his mother Saturday.
Miss Nellie Carey was home from Ionia a few days last week.
F. M. Hecox of Ionia was in town doing business yesterday.
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Blough are spending a week at Freepoot.
Mrs. A. P. Hunter visited at Greenville, Thursday.
Will Lind spent Friday and Saturday at Lake Odessa.
Mrs. Jas. H. Shafer left this morning for her home at Mason.
Mrs. Blanche Dickson and Miss Inez Moye visited at Saranac last week.
Miss Esma Lasby, who is employed at Alto, spent Sunday with her mother.
Misses and child's shoes at 98c per pair at Butts'.
Mrs. Lois Eggleston and son, Willis spent a few days in Saranac and South Boston.
Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Lawrence and daughter, Ariel, visited his sister in Ovid last week.
We hear that a South Boston lady refuses to talk over the phone for fear of catching small pox.
Auction bills printed on short notice at THE LEDGER office. We have lots of work ahead; but there are three presses. Will use one for you at any time. Work and prices both right.
The City Bank wants to make a few more loans on good real estate.
Students home over Sunday were Marion Hill and Bernice Ecker from Kalamazoo, Lotta Ruben and Art Hill from Grand Rapids.
Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Culver and son, Clare, were called to Grand Rapids Wednesday by the death of their sister, Mrs. J. E. Culver.
Trade with LEDGER advertisers.
The Caledonia News has now in operation a Cattrell & Babcock drum cylinder press. Brother Whitney is giving his patrons their money's worth, and deserves his prosperity.
An exchange says the biggest trust on earth has been discovered at last. It is the country news paper trust. It trusts everybody, gets cussed for trusting, mistrusted for cussing, and if it busts for trusting, gets cussed for busting.
Henry Jones has received through S. P. Hicks, agent for the commercial Union Insurance company, \$400, the full amount of the policy carried by him on his residence and its contents, burned December 24.
A very pleasant time was enjoyed by all who attended the picnic tea at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Harvey Friday. A musical program by Misses Keene and Griffith was the feature of the evening. Proceeds \$5.
A 4 off shoe sale at Godfrey's.
FOR SALE—A desirable residence in this village. Good house and barn, modern improvements. Inquire at LEDGER office.
Public Sale of Farms:
There will be offered for sale on the premises in the township of Keene, Ionia county, Michigan,
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 1903.
The following described farm, the property of the late Jennie Holden:
"The east half of the north-east fourth; and the east half of the east half of the south-east fourth of Section nineteen (19); and the south-west fourth of the south-west fourth of Section twenty (20), Town seven (7) north, Range eight (8) west; containing one hundred and sixty acres more or less." And also a house and lot in the Village of Fallsburg, Kent county, at the same time and place.
The farm lies 1 1/2 miles east of Fallsburg, 6 miles from Lowell, 8 miles from Saranac and 12 miles west of Ionia.
Sale to begin at 1 o'clock, p. m.
Terms cash. JAMES CRAIG, 919 Austin st., Kalamazoo. Execut.

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

AND SOME OTHERS ARE WONDERING

About the Union Meeting and Crowded Saloons.
EDITOR LEDGER:
We have been surprised that the "wondering" of "some of Lowell's business men" should find expression in the manner in which it appeared in the editorial column of last week's edition of the Lowell Journal. That little editorial implies more that it seems to do at first reading. It makes us wonder who went from the stores and other places of business into the saloons that they should be unusually crowded. And further, if there was a "crowded condition of the saloons during the meetings," consequent on "the early closing of the stores," then according to the reasoning of that editorial, the stores ought to be kept open as long as the saloons are kept open.
We all know that the saloons are doing much "harm," and much may have been done during the meetings but no fair minded person will lay the blame on upon the "clergymen" who asked for, or the business men who complied with their request in closing their places of business early. And here is another cause for wonder; why is it that those business men who "are wondering" do not put their thought and influence against those places which according to their own acknowledgment are doing much harm? Should their own children be ruined they will think and may then want to act.

Then there is another side to this question. The business men, many of them, have homes and families and should have some time to spend at home with their families; and they also need some time for social life without taking it out of the hours when they should be sleeping. Many of the business men have said that they would be glad to have all the business places close, throughout the winter season, at the time they were closed during the meetings. Why not do it and save the expense of extra lighting and heating and have time for other things? The business man does not want to be enslaved by his business.
One of the Wonderers.

Bargains in fine watches at Williams'.
The Rebecca ladies will give a pedro party at I. O. O. F. hall Tuesday evening, Feb. 24. Refreshments will be served. Everybody invited.
The Spartan society of the Baptist church will be entertained by Mrs. A. M. Barnes Wednesday, Feb. 25, from 2 to 5 p. m.

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It will pay you to call and investigate my prices on everything in this line.
This is a BONA FIDE sale to turn the stock into money and you can look for bargains.
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