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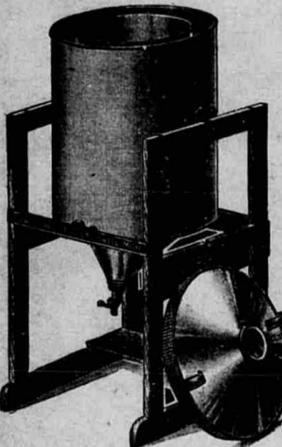
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In all kinds of ways, at all kinds of time and all kinds of prices for all kinds of people at

WEYRICK'S

OLD PIONEER GONE. New Voting Contest.

HOMER P. WATTERS LIVED EIGHTY-EIGHT YEARS.

Fifty-Five Of Which Were spent in Kent County.

Homer P. Watters died at his home in this village April 26, aged 88 years, 6 months and 7 days. Funeral services were held at the home Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Charles Nease, assisted by Rev. J. H. Westbrook. Interment at Oakwood.

Homer P. Watters was born in Otsego Co., New York, Oct. 19, 1814. Left alone at the age of eleven years to make his own way in the world, he remained in his native state until about the age of twenty-two when he came to Michigan, while it was yet a territory, locating near Detroit where he lived for ten years.

On the eleventh of October 1837 he was married to Laura, daughter of Stephen and Anna Gardner, who survives him. To them were born twelve children, all of whom grew to manhood and womanhood, and seven of whom are now living.

In 1848, seeking to make a home for his family, he immigrated to Kent county where he purchased a farm in the unbroken forest, six miles from the then little hamlet of Grand Rapids, building a log house and there taking up the life and hardship and self-denial which was the lot of the pioneers of Michigan.

Since that time, for a period of fifty-five years, his life has been closely identified with the interests of the "Grand River Valley." Always a man of rugged health and splendid constitution, he cleared and improved several farms and entered heartily into the life of the early settlers sharing their privations and joys, and delighting in the cordial friendships which seemed to be a part of those times. Ever a man of sterling integrity, he held his truthfulness and honor as his dearest possessions and by his hatred of deceit and loyalty to what he believed to be right, he gained and held the esteem and friendship of all who have known him intimately through his long life. In his later years and with growing feebleness, he developed great gentleness and thoughtfulness and as his active duties ceased, he dwelt much on the necessity of upright, conscientious living, and of being ready to meet the problems of eternity. And now that he has met the last "enemy," death, and taken that step into the Beyond which separates him from those who love him, we can gladly trust him to the love of the Infinite One. —[Com.]

Jacobi Made a Big Haul.

Deputy Game Warden Jacobi had Clare Ford, Geo. Lewis, Clyde and Charley B. Francisco, Wm. Bliss, J. D. Ford, Geo. Frost and Russel Larabee before Justice Hicks Tuesday for spearing by jack light on Murray lake. His Honor made the fines as light as he could, \$5 each, including costs.

Keene Loses Another Old Resident.

Mrs. Wetherby, an old resident of Keene, died Monday April 27, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Abbey, aged 90 years, 4 months and 5 days. Funeral services were held at the house Wednesday, Rev. J. H. Westbrook, pastor of the Vergennes and Keene Methodist churches, officiating.

SCHOOL NOTES.

The High school Literary contest will be held two weeks from tomorrow evening.

Teacher's meeting is being held this afternoon. Those teachers who visited neighboring schools will give suggestions, based upon observations, for the improvement of our schools.

Friday afternoon Prof. Thomas read in the High school a list of 100 primer words, which has been given in a number of the large schools of the United States. All but ten of the seventy-five papers were marked 99 or 100.

Joe Kelley will return next week from Muskegon to join the senior class.

A field meet will be held with Freeport about the last of May.

Parents' afternoon will be given in the grades of the Central building next Wednesday. All parents who come will be given a good idea of the work the pupils are doing.

Do not forget that Nicholson has a special sale of Henrietta undershirts Friday and Saturday.

LQST, Tuesday eve., between Giles' store and lower Grand river bridge, new horse blanket. Leave at VanDyke's store and get reward.

HANDSOME WEBSTER'S INTERNATIONAL DICTIONARY FOR TEACHER

Receiving Most Votes. The Authentic Unabridged Revised and Enlarged.

THE LEDGER will conduct another of its successful gift voting contests and has selected for the prize an elegantly bound, new edition of Webster's International Dictionary. This will be awarded to the teacher receiving the most votes, in a contest conducted as were our spoon and bicycle contests.

The prize is now on exhibition at THE LEDGER office. It is the regular \$10 volume and will be esteemed a prize indeed by the fortunate teacher who secures it.

Every copy of THE LEDGER will contain a coupon good for one vote. With each year's subscription at \$1.00, will be given a coupon good for 52 votes, for six months, 50c, 26 votes; for three months, 25c, 13 votes.

All whose subscriptions are paid to January 1, 1904, will be given a 52 vote coupon at this office.

A ballot box will be found at the foot of THE LEDGER office stairway Saturday morning and subscriptions coupons will be ready.

Now boys and girls, go to work for your favorite teacher and make this the best contest yet. Liberal commissions given. Good workers make good wages. No trouble to get subscriptions.

There is no territorial limit to the candidates in this contest. Village and district school teachers are alike eligible.

WOOL GATHERING.

Sheep Shearing Festival at South Boston Last Week.

The Sheep Shearing Festival, Stock Show and Fancy Work exhibit which was held at South Boston Grange Hall April 22, was a Success despite the cold weather that prevailed. There was a good turnout and a fine exhibit in each department. The dinner was one of the kind that the ladies of South Boston know so well how to serve.

The following officers were elected: President, E. F. Cilley; 1st Vice President, Levi Fletcher of Boston; 2nd Vice President, Levi Barnard of Berlin; 3rd Vice President, W. W. Woodman of Keene; 4th Vice President, E. E. Church, of Campbell; 5th Vice President, Henry Graham, of Lowell; Secretary, W. S. Allen of Saranac. —[Saranac Advertiser.]

HEARD ABOUT TOWN.

Special sale of petticoats Friday and Saturday at Nicholson's.

J. D. Hart left Wednesday evening for Wisconsin, where his father is working.

Mrs. G. A. Brown and little son visited in Grand Rapids the first of the week.

E. J. Hemingway, of Hadley, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. J. B. Nicholson.

Special sale at Nicholson's Friday and Saturday. Of what? Ladies undershirts.

Francis Schlatter and wife, divine healers, will be at Hotel Waverly Friday morning, May 1. adv.

Frank R. Ecker, daughter Freda and Miss Grace Walker were in Grand Rapids on business Tuesday.

Wm. L. Jones and Miss Nelle P. Sargent were married Monday evening, April 27, at the home of Rev. Ira P. Jones.

Francis Schlatter and wife, divine healers, will be at Hotel Waverly Friday morning, May 1, from 8 to 12. Treatment free to those not able to pay. Free lecture at 9 o'clock. adv.

Yesterday afternoon a warrant was issued for the arrest of Mrs. Nancy Jennie Flood charging her with the murder of John London. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict implicating "a person unknown." Fingleton's testimony points to Mrs. Flood as the guilty person.

The farm residence of Harvey Haines in Cannon township was burned with nearly all its contents. Only Mrs. Haines and her daughter-in-law were at home at the time and the fire had too much of a start for them to put it out or save many of their belongings. The fire caught from sparks from a defective chimney. Loss about \$700, with no insurance.

A motion has been made in the Circuit court to dismiss the criminal case against Norman B. Blinn who is charged with embezzling the funds of the Lowell Building and Loan association. One of the grounds given for asking that the complaint be quashed is that the complaint is insufficient and charges no criminal offense. It is also urged that the examination in Justice court did not show up a sufficient case against the respondent. —[Grand Rapids Press, April 23.]

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- 1st—Milk and water are NOT MIXED.
 - 2nd—Will raise cream quicker than submerged cans because it has ventilation.
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 - 4th—There is plenty of room to use ice if you wish too.
- There are a dozen other reasons why the "Arras" is the best—come in and see for yourself.

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Fishing Time...

Is here and so is Stocking with the best stock of Fishing Tackle you ever saw. Trout season opens May 1. Get ready brother. See my splendid new

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Oxfords and Boots Correct in style and fit. Sold only by

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It is about like this: One sack of flour will make about 5 bakings of 5 loaves each and cost about as follows:

1 sack flour.....	60c
5 cakes yeast.....	10c
1 1/2 lb. butter.....	25c
1 1/2 lb. sugar.....	8c
Fuel [5 bakings, 5c each].....	25c
5 qts. milk.....	25c
Labor.....	00
Cost 25 loaves.....	\$1.53

Which is the cheaper? Another thing, Hearth bread is always good.

Cost of 25 loaves Smith's Hearth.....\$1.25

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The Baker

Your Coal For Next Winter

Don't place your order yet. The undersigned having bought the wood and coal business of Eugene Cambell is after your fuel trade. Don't order your new supply without seeing

WOOD AND COAL NOW READY FOR DELIVERY...

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LONDON WAS ORDERED

Mrs. Jennie Flood and Bernard Fingleton are Both in Jail.

THE ADA TOWNSHIP TRAGEDY WAS NOT A SUICIDE AS AT FIRST SUPPOSED.

Mrs. Flood Held Insurance Policies on Lives of Fingleton and London. Inquest Begins Monday.

From the Grand Rapids Post, April 29. More than 100 people, some from the country and others whose curiosity has been aroused by the newspaper stories concerning the death of John London, crowded the Ada Farmers club room at the county building this morning to attend the inquest conducted by Coroner LeRoy.

Mrs. Nancy Jennie Flood, the woman whom the officers of the sheriff's force suspect the murder of John London, was the first witness. It was arranged that she should be brought from the county jail alone and returned there after her testimony had been taken before Coroner LeRoy.

From the Grand Rapids Evening Press of Thursday, April 23. Unless Coroner LeRoy and Deputy Sheriff Verkerke, Gates and Pettis are much mistaken, the shooting of John London on the Bernard Fingleton farm in Cannon township, Tuesday afternoon, was not accidental.

From the Grand Rapids Evening Press of Thursday, April 23. The only missing link to the final decision that London was murdered was the inability to find a motive and if he had a considerable sum in his possession which has not been accounted for, the officers would probably unhesitatingly characterize the killing as a murder.

Deputy Sheriffs Gates and Verkerke, with Coroner LeRoy, started for the scene early this morning, prepared for a forced drive. It was reported that Jennie Flood, who lives on East Fulton street beyond the city, was there at the time and it is stated by her and Fingleton that both went to the barn to hitch her horse.

While they were there the shot was heard and running into the house they found the body sprawled out on the chair. The first movement of chair caused the corpse to roll to the floor.

Spring Sale Starts!

Marks Ruben opens the season with the finest exhibit of Clothing, Hats and Furnishings ever shown in Lowell, or in the history of its Leading Clothing Store.

WELL! Here we are at start of Spring, ready to please in everything—Clothing as fine in every way; clothing that stands the light of day—ready to wear for man or boy; clothing for child that brings him joy; the handsome patterns most stylishly made, compare them with others for you will not be afraid. You'll say exactly what all others exclaim "I see after all, that there's much in the name."

Well! It looks as if our Ad-man had the Spring fever, but he hasn't said all we want to say about our Spring line. We haven't room to say all the good things about it that it deserves. We will add descriptions and prices and let you find out for yourselves how excellent they are.

- Men's Suits: Four button cutaway sack brown cheviot, good lining, ages 15 to 20. Former price \$10. 7 90. Boys three piece knee pant suits three button cutaway, small check, brown cassimere. Ages 10 to 14. Former price \$5.50. 4 25.

- Furnishings: 20 doz black and white stripe work shirts, double front and back and double stitched. 35c. 15 doz plaid work shirts double front and back. Former price 50c. For this sale only 35c.

- Youth's Suits: Four button cutaway sack suit of gray mix cheviot well made, has good lining, ages 16 to 19. Former price \$3.50. 4 25. Four button cutaway sack, dark gray cassimere with fancy stripe, has good lining and well made. Ages 10 to 14. Former price \$2.75. 5 25.

This Sale Commences Saturday, May 2nd, 1903. MARKS RUBEN.

under which she is placed. At 11 o'clock this morning she was still a prisoner in the jail. Strenuous efforts to deny his guilt whenever questioned relative to the first story—that he was at his barn and that Mrs. Flood was in the house when the shocking fatality took place—has been abandoned. He has confessed that he was at the scene of the tragedy and that he must be liberated soon. He asked yesterday what chances there were of his being admitted to bail, but when informed that there would be no opportunity of that kind until after his arraignment, he gave a despairing cry and sank back on his iron bed.

MORRISON'S HIGH OFFICIALS OUSTED

James H. Tyner, Assistant Attorney General of Post Office Department, Loos Position.

DISMISSED BY POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Abstract of Important Papers from the safe by Mrs. Tyner and Refusal to Return Them to Commissioner—Public Asked to Suspend Judgment Until Facts Are Known.

Washington, April 24.—A most sensational development of the investigation of post office department affairs occurred just before the department closed Thursday, when Postmaster General Payne announced the summary dismissal of James H. Tyner, assistant attorney general of the post office department, coupling with the announcement the starting of a suit against the latter for the safe in the latter's office had been abstracted by Mrs. Tyner, wife of the discharged official, with the assistance of others. The postmaster general states that Mrs. Tyner has refused the demand of the government for the return of the papers and records in the safe in the latter's office had been abstracted by Mrs. Tyner, wife of the discharged official, with the assistance of others.

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Regular special meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Lowell held in the Council Rooms on Monday evening, April 30, 1903. Meeting called to order by President Hakos.

Present Trustees, Collar, Look, Nicholson, Smith and Winger, absent Lee. On motion by Trustee Smith the Street Committee was empowered to investigate the cost and advisability of changing the grade of sidewalk in front of post office.

On motion by Trustee Nicholson the report was accepted and the committee discharged. The Finance committee to whom was referred the report of Jno. H. Cramer, reported same back with out recommendation, and on motion by Trustee Look, the bond was rejected.

Yess, Collar, Look, Nicholson, Smith and Winger, absent Lee. On motion by Trustee Look the Street Committee was instructed to examine into the condition of all sidewalks in the village and report on all needed reconstruction and repairs.

On motion by Trustee Winger the following bills were allowed: Yess, Collar, Look, Nicholson, Smith and Winger, absent Lee.

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THE GIANT

Have Seriously Affected Original Draft of Declaration of Independence—Removed from Sight.

Washington, April 25.—The declaration of independence is to be seen more by the public. An order has been issued that henceforth the historic manuscript shall be kept under lock and key in a great fire and burglar proof safe. The declaration will never be exhibited again at any of the great international fairs.

Attorney General May Act. The postmaster general has certified to the attorney general for such action as the document by Andrew Allen, persons involved in the abstraction of the papers from the safe of the assistant attorney general for the post office department. The postmaster general's letter makes no recommendation beyond submitting the case for such action as the department justice might deem necessary and proper.

Papers Returned. Washington, April 25.—An immense mass of papers was submitted to Postmaster General Payne and Assistant Postmaster General Bristol Saturday afternoon for Gen. and Mrs. Tyner, who represented that these papers were the documents taken from the safe in the office of Gen. Tyner by Mrs. Tyner and others.

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Excursions via the Pere Marquette

SAGINAW & BAY CITY, SUNDAY MAY 3. Train will leave Lowell at 8:45 a. m. Rate \$1.75. See posters or ask agents for particulars.

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Commercial Credit Limited. Cut this out. This cut is a very useful one. It is a small size and can be carried in your pocket. It is a very useful one. It is a small size and can be carried in your pocket.

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FARM IMPLEMENTS of all kinds. Also Buggies, Wagons, Robes, Blankets, Etc. H. NASH. The goods are guaranteed and the prices are right.

Attention Farmers and Horsemen! I have three very fashionably bred stallions. They are first-class individuals and sires of first-class colts. One is the

SON OF "ALLERTON" the greatest sire of his age, and one is a son of "SPHINX" the best son of the great "ELECTIONEER." The third one is by a producing son of "DIRECTOR," a sire of extreme speed. All three of these stallions are particularly well bred on their dam's side. The records will show that there is no better breeding. For terms, etc., call on or address J. T. Webber, Agent, Lonla, Mich.

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From Our Point of View

CARNEGIE'S gift of \$600,000 to Booker Washington's Tuskegee school for Negroes is his wisest and best.

LOOK out for another million for the Chicago university and another twist on the eggs in the mouths of its teachers. Gasoline has gone up another notch.

IS THERE no remedy for the lawlessness by which we are surrounded? Murder after murder and robbery after robbery have been committed in this part of Michigan recently; and no one has been punished. Must we simply wait for the next bolt to strike?

The right of all people to assemble for lawful purposes is not safely to be interfered with. Those who do not know this—young or old—should be instructed. Persistent disturbing of public meetings will not be tolerated. A pointer for the boys who sanded the Union windows Saturday evening.

IF IT is true, as claimed, that the sheriff's office is costing \$38,000 a year, the people of Kent county are paying for their parsimony. Of course, "the gang" does not want the office run on a salary basis. As long as its hands are rammed elbow-deep in the public funds, it wants no petty salary of \$3,000 or \$5,000—not it. But the people—"Oh, d-n the people."

A TEN inch advertisement in this paper costs but one dollar. No printer would print a thousand bills of that size for a less sum and the bills are still in the hands of the advertiser. To place them in the homes where they go, would cost several times the price of the advertisement, and then most of the bills would be thrown into the streets with scarcely a glance. This paper goes into more than a thousand homes in village, township, county and on rural routes. In every one, it is read by every member of the family, a constituency of at least five-thousand people. And yet, there a very few people who begrudge the small charge we make for this service.

AS WILL be seen by the "Proceedings" printed elsewhere in this paper, the Village Council is considering the advisability of lowering the new cement sidewalks in front of the Post office. It is unnecessary to say that the project for lowering it was before it was made. There is certainly need of reform in our methods of making streets and sidewalks. The policy of "Every man for himself and the devil take the hindmost" has done as much to injure this community as any one thing. If there any possibility of securing a street and sidewalk grade, it should be done before it is everlastingly too late.

THE LEDGER takes no stock whatever in the pleas of those who would re-establish the old Sunday "blue laws" of a century and more ago. It believes in the largest liberty of thought and action compatible with law and order and good citizenship. At the same time, we believe in a decent respect for the feelings and opinions of our fellow men; and that the setting apart of one day in seven for rest and public worship, is wise and should be conformed to as nearly as possible. But no one, who has seen the grimy toilers of great city factories and "sweat shops," modern slaves of hard masters, will deny that under the present social system, those poor creatures are bound by the law of self-preservation to get out into God's pure air, sunshine and verdure on the only day possible. Just so long as men, women and children are compelled to toil ten, twelve, fourteen hours a day, six days in the week, year in and year out, in unsanitary shops and factories, for bare subsistence, just that long will the Sunday excursion trains and the suburban electric cars of the large cities be crowded. The remedy must be found in a new social order that will permit the idle rich to fatten on the miseries of the toiling poor. In our rural communities, however, such excuses have little weight; and there is absolutely no apology for people who bang around with shot guns on Sundays, for those who parade the streets with fish poles just in time to meet the throng of church goers; or for those who are not satisfied with doing or patronizing a bad business six days a week, but insist upon maintaining a Sunday back-door trade also. "A decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that" these things should not be.

CHURCHES AND SOCIETIES.

CONGREGATIONAL. The pastor will preach at both services next Sunday. Morning service at 10:30, evening at 7:30. Subject for the morning, "The Christian's Joy." Evening subject, "How We Got Our English Bible." The Christian Endeavor meets at 6:30 and the subject is "Lessons from the Parable of the Prodigal Son." Leader, Miss Martha Perry. The teacher's meeting and class for Bible study will meet on Monday evening at 7:30 to 9:30. To all for any of these services the public will be welcomed.

METHODIST. The room for the month of May, in Epworth League meetings will be held at the home of Mrs. E. A. H. and the subject for next Sunday evening is "Confidence in God." Miss Pearl Keene and Miss Myrtle Taylor will have charge of the meeting. The Juniors will have for their topic, "The Martyr Stephen." The Topics that will be used by the Pastor, next Sunday are: "Streams or Springs that Gladden," "The Young Dreamer." This last will be the first of a series of practical lessons from the lives of young men and women. The room used by the primary department has been repaired and thoroughly cleaned and made quite attractive for the little folks and with three devoted teachers that the department of the Sunday school will flourish. Parents see that your little ones are in the Sunday school.

W. C. T. U. Central Union meets with Mrs. Hooker, May 3. Subject, "The Line of Work Most Needed in this Community." Leader, Mrs. Davidson. Report of the District convention will be given.

SCENE OF DISORDER. Members of the Illinois House in Riot Over Action of Speaker—Charges of Bribery Are Made.

Springfield, Ill., April 24.—Sensational charges of attempted bribery in connection with the Mueller municipal ownership bill were made by Speaker John H. Miller in the house yesterday. Just before the evening adjournment Speaker Miller charged that he had been approached by parties who had intimated to him that he could make money by allowing a roll call on the Mueller bill, or permitting its passage. This sensational charge was made at the close of a day marked by the most riotous scene that was ever witnessed in the Illinois legislature. The speaker was mobbed by a number of members while he was in the chair. There was a free fight, and, after the adjournment at the close of this riotous proceeding, the speaker left the chair. The majority of the members remained and reorganized the house, and went through the motions of performing legislative functions for an hour or more. The attack on the speaker was made because he refused to grant a roll call on several amendments which were offered to the committee municipal ownership bill. In the afternoon, a conference committee consisting of friends of the speaker and supporters of the Mueller bill arranged a compromise by which Speaker Miller was to accede to the demands of the Mueller people for a roll call on all matters connected with that measure.

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AS WILL be seen by the "Proceedings" printed elsewhere in this paper, the Village Council is considering the advisability of lowering the new cement sidewalks in front of the Post office. It is unnecessary to say that the project for lowering it was before it was made. There is certainly need of reform in our methods of making streets and sidewalks. The policy of "Every man for himself and the devil take the hindmost" has done as much to injure this community as any one thing. If there any possibility of securing a street and sidewalk grade, it should be done before it is everlastingly too late.

THE LEDGER takes no stock whatever in the pleas of those who would re-establish the old Sunday "blue laws" of a century and more ago. It believes in the largest liberty of thought and action compatible with law and order and good citizenship. At the same time, we believe in a decent respect for the feelings and opinions of our fellow men; and that the setting apart of one day in seven for rest and public worship, is wise and should be conformed to as nearly as possible. But no one, who has seen the grimy toilers of great city factories and "sweat shops," modern slaves of hard masters, will deny that under the present social system, those poor creatures are bound by the law of self-preservation to get out into God's pure air, sunshine and verdure on the only day possible. Just so long as men, women and children are compelled to toil ten, twelve, fourteen hours a day, six days in the week, year in and year out, in unsanitary shops and factories, for bare subsistence, just that long will the Sunday excursion trains and the suburban electric cars of the large cities be crowded. The remedy must be found in a new social order that will permit the idle rich to fatten on the miseries of the toiling poor. In our rural communities, however, such excuses have little weight; and there is absolutely no apology for people who bang around with shot guns on Sundays, for those who parade the streets with fish poles just in time to meet the throng of church goers; or for those who are not satisfied with doing or patronizing a bad business six days a week, but insist upon maintaining a Sunday back-door trade also. "A decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that" these things should not be.

SCENE OF DISORDER. Members of the Illinois House in Riot Over Action of Speaker—Charges of Bribery Are Made.

Springfield, Ill., April 24.—Sensational charges of attempted bribery in connection with the Mueller municipal ownership bill were made by Speaker John H. Miller in the house yesterday. Just before the evening adjournment Speaker Miller charged that he had been approached by parties who had intimated to him that he could make money by allowing a roll call on the Mueller bill, or permitting its passage. This sensational charge was made at the close of a day marked by the most riotous scene that was ever witnessed in the Illinois legislature. The speaker was mobbed by a number of members while he was in the chair. There was a free fight, and, after the adjournment at the close of this riotous proceeding, the speaker left the chair. The majority of the members remained and reorganized the house, and went through the motions of performing legislative functions for an hour or more. The attack on the speaker was made because he refused to grant a roll call on several amendments which were offered to the committee municipal ownership bill. In the afternoon, a conference committee consisting of friends of the speaker and supporters of the Mueller bill arranged a compromise by which Speaker Miller was to accede to the demands of the Mueller people for a roll call on all matters connected with that measure.

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GRATTAN CENTER. E. J. Mason will give a May party at his hall May 29, and a fine time is expected. Hopgood's full orchestra of five pieces will furnish the music. Bill \$1.00.

ROBBERIES. A startling incident is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters, to my great joy, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim. No one should fail to try them. Only 50c. guaranteed at Look's drug store."

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Cross 2-Horse Cultivator. Empire Drill, Lever Drag, the J. I. Case Threshing Machine, wagons, combination racks and everything else in agricultural implement line. Best value for your money is what we aim to give.

John Kellogg

One door West of Hotel Waverly, Lowell.

Paint and Wall Paper

It will pay you, before buying. for the Spring House Cleaning to inspect our splendid new stock which comprises latest and handsomest patterns with durable qualities and low prices. If that is what you are looking for, call on

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Are You Coming Down

town Saturday. If you are we invite you one and all to call in and inspect the newest and snappiest line of up-to-date footwear ever offered for sale here. Commencing with infants shoes right along up to the largest shoes made. We can show you all the late styles upon the market to day. For dress purposes every

Patent Leather

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Wall Paper 2c Per Roll

To make room for our new Fall stock, we will close out 1000 rolls of wall paper—remnants, at only 2c per roll. Fine opportunity to paper up cheap. Regular price of these papers from 10c to 20c. This sale will last one day only. Saturday, May 2. Remember the date. A. D. Sturgis. East side Druggist, Lowell.



A Knight of the Highway

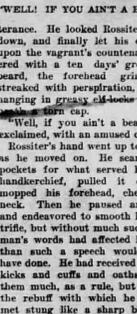
By CLINTON SCOLLARD, Author of "A Man at Arms," "The Son of a Tory," etc.

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CHAPTER I. THE NEER-DO-WELL. The powerful locomotive which drew the freight-train came to a sudden stop. Something in the nature of a spasm, so human was it, communicated itself from car to car, and each in turn ceased to move.



At any time the September sun had been in a caggy heaven, all day the parched earth had given back to the sky the fumes of heat; and yet Rosier had clung to his over-lie retreat in the shade of the train, while it was in motion.



"Well, if you ain't a beauty!" he exclaimed, with an amused chuckle. Rosier's hand went up to his face as he moved on. He searched his pockets for what served him as a handkerchief, pulled it out, and mopped his forehead, cheeks, and neck.

"You damn tramp!" he shouted, and raised his hand as though about to hurl a missile. Rosier ran, dodging as he went, but nothing save a harsh guffaw followed him from the next car.

OHIO SENATOR MAKES A REPLY TO THE MANUFACTURERS' ATTACK ON THE LABOR ORGANIZATIONS.

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SAYS UNION IS AN AID TO EMPLOYERS.

Civil Federation Has Passed Unions. As Rosier drew near, and it became evident that he was seeking the saloon, the two loungers stepped back to allow him to enter, scanning him with leering curiosity as he walked toward the bar.

"What hour can it be?" he muttered. "Rather late, I judge, by the fact that there are so few people here."

"With your permission I want to allude to the recent utterances of the president of an organization known as the Manufacturers' association, I have nothing personal against Mr. Parry. I have the highest respect for that gentleman, because I know a great deal of his personnel, and I know that it is composed of liberal, high minded men."

"I am glad to hear that," replied Rosier, who now recalled that it was the season of the hop-harvest, when there was a large influx of men into Illia on their way to the hop-fields, a dozen miles or so back among the hills.

"I wish it thoroughly understood that I am not against the individual workman getting the highest price for his labor, nor am I against industrial organizations which permit, nor am I against organized labor per se."

"A costly fire." The Crose, Wis., April 22.—One of the most disastrous fires ever caught here, the Crose completely destroyed the Park store at Front and Main streets and damaged the McMillan building, a three-story brick building, and the railroad's millinery store. The loss is placed at \$200,000.

THE BEAN CROP.

Michigan Farmers Urged to Sow Good Seed—Product of Last Year Inferior in Quality.

FINER RIGS.

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PERE MARQUETTE

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There's nothing doing a thing thoroughly of all the salives you ever heard of, Buckner's Arnica salve the best. It sweeps away and cures burns, sores, bruises, cuts, boils, ulcers, skin eruptions and piles. It only costs 25c, and guaranteed to give satisfaction by D. G. Look, Lowell, Mich.

Midland, Mich., April 27.—W. H. Foster, living three miles south of Coleman, Midland county, was perhaps fatally injured by an explosion of dynamite, a stick of the stuff having been exploded in his chimney pipe.

Nothing has ever equalled it. Nothing can ever surpass it. Dr. King's New Discovery For Consumption, Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, Asthma, and all Lung Diseases.

Ladies! Simplify your house cleaning cares by turning the laundering of your LACE CURTAINS over to us. Work called for and delivered. The Gem Laundry Clark Bros.

Don't Rip Everything in your house or hurry or sweeping out from your carpet, parlor, or bedroom, is being cleaned and papered. DeWitt & Son. Painters and Decorators. We can save drop clothes over your carpets, sweeping out from your parlor, or bedroom, is being cleaned and papered. DeWitt & Son.

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Cement Work.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and renders ambitious, heavy, weary and cheerless unless it disappears from the kidneys and bladder and not to a made man or woman.

Don't let your money go to waste. First-class references. Give us your work. We will spend it here and it will return to you in trade. Hire some outsiders and when the job is done they take the money out of town where you will never see it again. Gibson & Sons. All work guaranteed. City Phone 389.

99 Cents a Gallon for Liberty Ready Paint

Can you afford not to paint your house, or make the interior brighter? Direct from factory to consumer and a five years guarantee backed by a million dollar company with every cent. We will deliver in your town (we pay the freight) six gallons of concentrated paint, any color, or assorted colors, which when you add six gallons of linseed oil will make twenty gallons of pure linseed oil paint costing you 99 cents a gallon. No turpentine or driers needed. The most profitable paint consumers proposition on earth. 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? We sell in only six gallon crates. Club with your neighbor if you don't need six gallons. FREE Write today for the finest selection of color cards ever issued in Michigan. Remit \$8.40 and you will receive (freight prepaid) six gallons of concentrated paint, any color you desire. Active men and women, who can't spare the time, secure good positions representing us. A SPECIAL DISCOUNT FOR PAINTERS. Eureka Paint and Equipment Co., Liberty, Indiana.

The Newest Things in Dry Goods *Second to None*

Wash goods in every sense of the word. Wash goods to satisfy the longings for a pretty dress. Wash goods to meet the necessity for a cool costume. Wash goods that are cheap enough to permit anyone to buy just what she prefers without much outlay; and finally wash goods that wash. The sum of the excellence is this—pretty, cool, cheap, absolutely fast color.

Timely Bargains

We have a splendid selection of sheer, white muslin underwear, chosen because of its remarkable money's worth. They are skillfully made, perfectly finished and tastily trimmed. You may take your pick of this lot at about cost of plain material, cost of making thrown in. We are selling a **Model Night Gown for 75c**. A well made, generous sized, prettily trimmed gown that should sell for \$1.00.

The Best Yet

You may buy our 25 cent hosiery with your eyes shut. If it doesn't prove to be the best quality you have ever set your eyes on for the price send them back and we give you all you paid for them. Your hosiery may as well be correct as otherwise when it costs no more. You may as well buy regular made Maco, double soles and heels, reinforced seams and all that, when the cost is the same as for common stockings.

A. W. WEEKES.

Heard About Town

Read Look's adv. of wall paper this week.

Plymouth Rock eggs for sale. 25c a setting. ART HOWE.

Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Littlefield drove to Saranac Sunday.

For a clean shave or neat hair-cut call on BARNES BROS.

Ed. Kinney of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with Lowell friends.

Marks Ruben and W. E. Marsh spent Sunday in Middleville.

Ladies' colored umbrellas and fancy parasols. M. Ruben & Co.

Mrs. David Munge visited in Grand Rapids Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. M. A. Carr made a business trip to Grand Rapids Monday.

Your after dinner smoke should be a "LaGrande." BARNES BROS.

A. L. Knapp has rented the J. H. Hull house on Washington street.

Theodore Mueller is giving his residence a new coat of white paint.

Charles D. Blakeslee started for Wyoming Monday on a prospecting trip.

Weldon Smith gives a recipe for making bread. See his adv. on first page.

Mrs. Archie Knapp and baby Virginia spent yesterday in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. H. A. Auble of Cascade spent last week with her cousin, Mrs. E. S. Adams.

Will Burdick of Ithaca visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Burdick, Sunday.

I. W. Halstead is improving his house with white paint and an addition at the rear.

Miss Vesta Smith entertained Miss Cora Uren of Grand Rapids Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. Burnett and family have moved into their new home, vacated by Dr. Cambell.

Mrs. Jno. Potter and baby went to Marshall Monday, intending to spend the Summer there.

Mrs. R. VanDyke and daughter Beatrice, and Miss Cora Howe spent Tuesday in Grand Rapids.

Harley Deik has purchased the old Burnett place adjoining his home and is repairing it for tenants.

Mrs. A. A. Avery and Miss Minnie Avery spent Sunday with Mrs. Cassie Moffit at her farm home in South Lowell.

A bag containing \$27.05 in pennies was turned in to one of the Lowell banks Monday, supposedly slot machine money.

Mrs. Houghton returned this week from her trip through Washington, Nebraska and California and is visiting Mrs. B. J. Peck.

L. B. Lyon, a former Lowell resident, now of Pentwater, was here on a business trip and shaking with old friends yesterday.

E. A. Cambell and son, Dr. A. E. Cambell left Sunday for the western states on a prospecting tour. Their wives will occupy the former's home.

Frank E. White graduated Tuesday with a class of 170 from the Chicago College of Dental Surgery. He and Mrs. White are expected home this week.

Miss Bessie Tate, who graduates this year from the Mt. Pleasant Normal school, has accepted a position as kindergarten teacher in Corunna.

R. I. White, who is taking a post graduate course at Ann Arbor, finishing in June, has accepted the superintendency of the Caro schools at a salary of \$1,000 per year.

J. O. Chapin, writing from Chadbourne, North Carolina, says that locality has been visited by a severe hail storm. The damage is estimated at \$100,000, of which \$3,000 fell to J. O. The season has been peculiar. Spring opened four weeks earlier than usual; but it is now cold.

A large union congregation listened to a strong sermon on Sabbath observance by Rev. S. T. Morris at the Methodist church Sunday evening. The increasing desecration of the day of worship and rest was deprecated and appeals made for more regular church attendance. The sermon was warmly commended on all hands.

Just as good, some dealers will tell you, but insist on Shaker Paint for your homes. It's got to be good. See Satisfaction Guarantee on every package. For sale by

D. G. LOOK.

Miss Ethel Thomas is clerking for J. B. Nicholson.

New Idea magazine 5c. May number in. J. B. Nicholson.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Collar visited in Grand Rapids Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Morgan will rent Mrs. Wm. Burnett's house.

BICYCLE in good repair to trade for a good boat. LEDGER office.

The long felt want is filled by smoking a "LaGrande." BARNES BROS.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Moffit of Caledonia visited Mrs. Cassie Moffit Saturday.

Remember that you buy Coat's spool cotton for 4c of M. Ruben & Co.

Mrs. Frank Knapp of McBride spent Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. John Wright.

Colored ladies—excuse me—ladies' colored umbrellas and fancy parasols at Ruben & Co.'s.

Mrs. M. McMahon and family are moving to Grand Rapids. Miss Lizette will remain here at present.

Do not forget that Nicholson has a special sale of "Henrietta" undershirts Friday and Saturday.

Mr. Willard, formerly of West Lowell, but who is now living with his daughter, Mrs. John Brown, at Kalkaska, is dangerously ill and with little hopes of his recovery.

Louis Morse has opened a bicycle repair shop over Rouse's blacksmith shop and is ready to clean, enamel, braze or repair your wheel promptly. Tire vulcanizing a specialty. Puncture work done while you wait. 3w

A strike occurred at the new electric dam Thursday. Twenty-eight men working on the high riverbank, where the canal starts, who were receiving \$1.50 per day, struck for an advance of 25 cents. It was refused and a gang of sixty men will be imported to take their places. Some of the strikers returned to their work a day or two later.

One night recently, on a street less than 1,000 miles from this office three drunken men went home and whipped their wives. If those women married drinking men against the advice of wise parents, they have only themselves to blame for their misfortunes; but this selling of hell and damnation by the glass is a fine business!

At a meeting of the Lowell High School Alumni held at the office of S. P. Hicks Friday evening, Arthur White was chosen secretary and Arthur Avery corresponding secretary. It was decided to hold the annual meeting and banquet Thursday, June 18. Prof. J. F. Thomas, S. P. Hicks, Mrs. Orton Hill, Mrs. J. E. Lee, Miss Donna Wisner, and Clarence Collar were chosen a committee to make arrangements for the meeting.

Compare houses painted with Shaker Paint with those painted with other brands. For sale by

D. G. LOOK.

OUR BUSINESS MEN

Seventh of a Series of Illustrated Articles—N. P. Husted, One of the Old Timers.



Noah P. Husted, the veteran nurseryman, whose portrait adorns this page, was born in the town of Ledyard, Cayuga county, N. Y., Dec. 1, 1835, was raised on a farm and came to Michigan and to Lowell in the Spring of 1855, and here he has remained ever since. Like the Oceanic peach he has good staying qualities. Mr. Husted was educated at the State Normal and taught school in Lowell, at Saranac and Otisco, and through a long life of study and observation has justly attained the reputation of being one of the best informed men in Kent county.

For more than forty years he has been in the nursery business in Lowell, and during this present season his orders have been received from a wider territory than ever and his patrons have been informally pleased at the fine quality and excellent condition of the stock received from him.

Although, "N. P." is like good wine, the older the better, he feels that it is time to ease up a little and will soon depart from his old rule "We employ no agents," and will entrust his soliciting to a few select and reliable men.

That old Noah may live till 1893 is the wish of his friend, THE LEDGER.

Special sale on petticoats Friday and Saturday at Nicholson's.

FOR SALE, cheap, set of blacksmith tools, nearly new. G. W. Rouse.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Boylan entertained the Science club at their home last evening.

Wayne Pardee's condition is slowly improving, and there is now a prospect of his recovery.

Henry and Otto Hasse, two Grand Rapids boys, have confessed to the accidental shooting of little Charlie Pohlman and of placing his body on the railroad tracks to conceal the evidences of their crime.

Honored by Yale.

Mr. V. C. Wolcott, our leading grocer, always anxious to secure for their patrons the best of everything, have not overlooked that great essential of human happiness good coffee. They are agents for the famous Yale coffee which are composed of the finest varieties grown, blended by an expert of thirty years experience and roasted by an entirely new process, i. e., by the famous gas roasting method by which the aroma is preserved in the bean to a greater extent than is possible by the old style coke roaster, which draws off in roasting many of its essential qualities. While this enterprising firm has a full variety of these goods at prices to meet the requirements of every one desiring a good cup of coffee, they recommend particularly the blend of Select Mocha & Java which assures the consumer better satisfaction than any known coffee and while it is a few cents higher in price than some others represented as being just as good, when you buy this you have the satisfaction of knowing there is none better.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Special meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Lowell, held in the Council Rooms on Tuesday evening, April 28, 1903.

Meeting called for the purpose of considering liquor bond of R. E. Heffron.

Meeting called to order by President Hakes.

Present, Trustees Collar, Lee, Look, Nicholson, Smith and Winegar. Full board.

On motion by Trustee Look the liquor bond of R. E. Heffron with Jas. D. Harvey and Ralph B. Loveland as sureties was approved.

Yeas Collar, Lee, Look, Nicholson, Smith and Winegar.

On motion by Trustee Nicholson, Council adjourned.

T. A. Murphy, Clerk.

Progressing Slowly.

George—How does your suit with Miss Beattie progress?

Jack—I am pursuing a waiting policy.

"Es?"

"Yes, I'm waiting for her to—er—change her mind."—N. Y. Weekly.

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This is the season to plant your seed of savings. Make the

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the soil and with the aid of one of our little banks you can surprise yourself how rapidly your savings will grow. One dollar will start the account.

Just Look

Annual Sale

I have been in business just a year and have no fault to find with the patronage I have received and now for

15 Days

I will give an annual sale on everything in my store. Just come in and see the nice Spring line of FURNITURE, CARPETS, PICTURES AND PICTURE MOULDINGS. I know you will be pleased and I assure you it will please me.

Courteously yours,

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LOWELL, MICH.

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We do, and some shoes, too—because our goods are satisfactory and we are emphatically and absolutely **Lowest in Price**



The Godfrey Clothing and Shoe Men.

To Our Friends and Customers

WE will be pleased to greet you in our new store where we think we are better prepared to serve you than before. We think we have the finest collection of Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silverware, rich Cut Glass, etc., ever shown in Lowell and are satisfied to leave it to your consideration.

We shall continue the same policy that we have built our business up on—"Honest goods at honest prices"—what is good to build a business up on is good to retain it.

We shall endeavor to extend all the courtesy possible, believing that it is better to keep a customer than gain a new one; and will be prepared at all times to "make good" anything unsatisfactory.

Trusting to merit a share of your trade, we remain

Yours truly,

Williams THE JEWELER.

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