

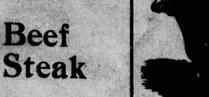
We Wish you a happy New Year...

And want to thank you for the liberal patronage you have bestowed upon us during the past year -as it has been our banner year in the jewelry business and we ask a continuance of the same during the New Year just starting; and we shall endeavor to merit the same by keeping only first class, up-to-the-minute goods, such as has characterized us during the year just passed. Yours for 1904 Jewelry,

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"Bread and Butter and Tea"

May do for some folks but everbody likes the fat, julcy and tender



Everything in meat that's fit to eat and so very sweet, you'll find it a treat.

That WEYRICK Sells

S. T. Morris, officiating clergyman, was pastor of the Congregational church in Lowell when Mrs. Giles was singing there, and eminently qualified for the sad task.

Daisy Odell was born in Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 9, 1879, only daughter of Simeon and Kate Odell. At the age of fourteen she came to Lowell, where she lived four years with her aunt, Mrs. I. B. Malcolm, attending the public school.

In the Spring of 1897 she returned to Nebraska and remained with her mother during the Summer. In November of that year George Giles joined her at her mother's home. They were married there and came back to Michigan, arriving in Grand Rapids on Thanksgiving day.

They have since made their home in Lowell, where she has made many friends by her pleasant, cheerful disposition.

She sang in the Congregational church for several years. Of late she has been taking vocal lessons in Grand Rapids of Instructor Murphy, who had a high opinion of her voice. On the evening of her sudden death she was on her way to Detroit, intending to have a pleasant visit with a friend.

She leaves her mother and brother Chas. of Lincoln, Nebraska, aunt, Mrs. I.B. Malcolm, and uncle, Adelbert Odell, of Vergennes.

Funeral services were held at her home in this village yesterday forenoon, Rev. S. T. Morris officiating. Burial was made in Oakwood cemetery.

Since the writing of the account which follows, two of those reported as injured have died. Gerrit Mot-man of Grand Rapids died Tuesday morning at U. B. A. hospitable, af-ter many hours of terrible suffering, leaving a wife and five small child-ren

Yesterday morning Conductor Geo. Neil of Saginaw died, making the number of dead from the wreck twenty-three. He leaves a wife and two little girls.

The other victims are improving and it is believed that there will be no more deaths.

Grand Rapids, Dec. 28 .- A head-on collision occurred at six p. m. Saturday between two Pere Marquette railroad through No. 6's engine like a wedge, passenger trains near East Paris, six separating the gear from the boller miles east of here. Twenty-two persons and standing the latter on end like were killed and 29 injured.

brakeman, head, body and right leg injured; Henry Marcus, New York City, president of the E. H. Marcus company, left leg fractured and injured about the shoulders; E. B. Moon, Grand Rapids, fireman train No. 5, injured about head and body; Mrs. H. Kent, Grand Rapids, injured internally; C. N. Botsford, Farmington, Mich., mail clerk train No. 6, badly cut about head; Mrs. H. O. Gray, Grand Rapids, badly bruised about head and hips; H. O. Branch, Sunfield, Mich, badly injured about head and shoulders; George Crammond, Grand Rapids, injured about head and leg and collarbone broken; Andrew Sprague, Allegan, Mich., injured about head and body; Miss Gale Sprague, Allegan, injured about head; Claud Brown, Grand Rapids, leg broken; Mrs. H. R. Streeter, Grand ledge, Mich., badly cut about head; Howard Minor, Grand Rapids, left arm broken; W. J. Barber, Muskegon Heights, Mich., injured about head and face; Rev. James Humphrey, pastor Church of Christ, Lansing, Mich., badly cut about face; Timothy Qualey, Grand Rapids, seriously injured about back: J. T. Gould, Grand Rapids, badly cut about hands and shoulders; John Ross, Lansing, injured about legs and arms: Henry T. Bole, Grand Rapids, leg badly injured: Ada Keller, Clarksville, Mich., left leg injured. Wind Blew Out Signal Light. It was the most disastrous wreck in the history of the Pere Marquette system

and instead of being caused by man's carelessness or mistake, is charged to the high wind which extinguished the red signal light in the order board at McCord's station, where the westbound train was expected to stop and receive new orders. Two minutes before the train rushed by McCord's the light was burning, says the operator there. but in that brief interval the blizzard that was raging extinguished it, and train No. 5 flashed by the station to crash into east-bound train No. 6, near East Paris. The trains, which were two of the finest on the system, were reduced to a promiscuous pile of broken and twisted timber and metal, with dead and injured pinned down and crushed by the fragments of the heavy cars. Five cars and two large locomotives were jammed into a space ordinarily occupied by three coaches and the wreckage was strewn across the railroad right of way from fence to fence.

The Engines Wrecked. west-bound engine drove The (Continued on page 8)



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We make our own mince meat and vouch for its goodness.

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After a very large Fall Stove trade, we still have a complete line of Sample Stoves on our floor that we are offering at

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PREPARING TO

would seem to indicate that Gen. Reyes and Dr. Herran are awaiting only as a matter of form and diplomatic courtes; etting forth the reasons why this government cannot accept their view of the Panama situation, before severing diplo-natic relations with the United States.

Isthmian Fleets Reenforced. The fleets of warships on both sides of the Isthmus of Panama will shortly be reenforced by sev-eral vessels now on their way to that quarter. The gunboat Topeka, of the Atlantic training squadron, left Key West Sunday for Colon, by way of Kingston, as convoy of the torpedo boat idistroyers Truxton and Stewart, which has a management of the source of the sector of th Isthmian Fleets Reenforced.

Brig, Gen. Elliott. Navai movements in the direction of the isthmus have been almost equally active on the Pacific coast. The gun-toat Petrel, bound for Panama, arrived be used while hot and buds dormant. at Acapulco, Mexico, on the 26th inst. and undoubtedly has left there by this time. The flagship New York, the gun-boat Bennington, the torpedo boat destroyer Preble and Paul Jones and the collier Saturn have been fitted out at San Francisco for service in the vicinity of Panama and it is expected that all Houghton, Dec. 28 .- A party of min-

No Significance in Move.

Sails for Panama. San Francisco, Dec. 29.-The United States cruiser New York sailed yesterday for Panama. It is understood that she is to become the flagship of Admiral Glass. The gunboat Bennington came down from the Mare Island navy yard to await the arrival of the torpede

quantities.

Alfred Perkins died suddenly home of Pro shortly after arriving from Boston in die from internal injuries. company ith his only daughter.

ease, aged 69. He was widely known for his historical writings and as a corpor-

month to hear the case

cinnati Southern railway early Satur- I place. day morning.

HANGED IN EFFIGY. Ann Arbor Mershant Displays His Dis-

pleasure at Gov. Bliss' Act in Paroling Andrews.

Ann Arbor, Dec. 28 .- Swinging in the big display window of a music store on Colombian Representatives at Wash- the most prominent corner in the business district hung a life-sized effigy of Gov. Bliss. Pinned to the breast of

believed that while the reply of Mr. ings bank, of this city, who was re-Hay has not been made, sufficient in-formation has been obtained by the Co-has arrived in Detroit. In a brief state-would be scarcely probable to conceive

SAN JOSE SCALE.

on the Pest-Buy Sulphur by the Car Load.

Benton Harbor, Dec. 28 .- The large fruit growers and druggists in this sec-

the Caribbean coast of the isthmus. The unboat Castine arrived at Colon Sunsunboat Castine arrived at Colon Sun-lay from Philadelphia none the worse for her recent grounding on a bar in the Delaware river. The big collier Caesar has left Culebra for Colon with coal for the fleet. The converted cruiser Dixie left League island Morday for Colon with the Panama marine brigade, num-bering about 600 men, in command oi Brig. Gen. Elliott. when thoroughly dissolved add the When thoroughly dissolved add the Naval movements in the direction of sulphur and the lime and boil one-half

DEAD IN BURNED MINE. Three Men Perished in the Isle Royal

Shaft-Their Bodies Are Recovered.

of Panama and it is expected that all of them will start south in a day or two. No Significance in Move. mine and found the bodies of Charles

ONE LIFE LOST.

States commissary sleighs from Fort Wayne, bearing a party of soldiers and | Danville, Ill., Dec. 29.-Catherine Mc-Victim of Herri Failure. New Haven, Cov., Dec. 25.-Gen. View Haven, Cov., Dec. 25.-Gen.

sicial with his only daughter. Access who were summoned pro-death due to heart failure. Historical Writer Dead. rtford, Conn., Dec. 28.—Roy. Dr. the cars while switching at Riverdale, the cars while George Edward Street, pastor emeritus of the Congregational church at Exeter, N. H., died here Saturday of heart dis-was a single man and his place of borhood barn. residence is not known here.

his historical writings and as a corpor-ate member of the American board of commissioners of foreign missions. To Rehear Dreyfus Case. Paris, Dec. 25.—The Dreyfus com-mission Thursdry unanimously recom-mended a revision of the case by the criminal branch of the court of the the supreme court, mended a revision of the case by the supreme court, mended a revision of the case by the criminal branch of the court of the the supreme court, mended a revision of the case by the supreme court, mended a revision of the case by the criminal branch of the court of the case by the criminal branch of the court of the case by the criminal branch of the court of the case by the supreme court, mended a revision of court baild that the allegations are and signed friday by foreign functions and a decree of divorce was granted, the supreme court, and a decree of divorce was granted, the supreme court, and a decree of divorce was granted, the supreme court of the case by the criminal branch of the court of the case by the supreme court, the court held that the allegations of the case by the supreme court, the court held that the allegations of the case by the supreme court, the court held that the allegations of the case by the supreme court, the court held that the allegations of the case by the supreme court, the court held that the allegations of the case by the supreme court held that the allegations of the case by the supreme court held the the the court of the case by the supreme court held that the allegations of the case by the supreme court held the criminal branch of the court of cassa- The court held that the allegations of tion. The court win assemble next extreme crueity were substantiated.

Two Killed.

Y RECONSIDE **REPLY TO JAPA**

Russia Has No Intention to Be Stub-



Translator Dead.

Indian Chief Killed.

the east and central states.

change of policy here. Two dispatches received from the isthmus advise the navy department that there is "no news" to report. It is understood that a party of 20 marines has been retained at Yaviza for purposes of observation.

They probably will sail to-day. They probably will sail to-day. American Apples in London. London, Dec. 25.—One of the interstee they same see and will be formen. James season is the enormous quantity of American and Canadian apples are so plentic ful that they are used as window deco-rations. Owing to the scarcity of the European crop this American produced quantities. Mark Mark Sleighing Pirty. Detroit, Dec. 28.—One of the United quantities. Mark Mark Sleighing Pirty. Detroit, Dec. 28.—One of the United quantities. Mark Mark Sleighing Pirty. Detroit, Dec. 28.—One of the United Subscent of a Will Scatter and Miss Patterson, They mark and Miss Patterson, American and Canadian apples are so plentic ful that they are used as window deco-rations. Owing to the scarcity of the European crop this American produced quantities. Mark Mark Sleighing Pirty. Detroit, Dec. 28.—One of the United States commissary sleighs from Forty. Detroit, Dec. 28.—One of the United States commissary sleighs from Forty. Detroit, Dec. 28.—One of the United States commissary sleighs from Forty. Detroit, Dec. 28.—One of the United States commissary sleighs from Forty. They mark and Decedenced quantities. Mark Mark Sleightag Pirty. Detroit, Dec. 28.—One of the United States commissary sleight from Forty. And Decedenced States commissary sleight from Forty. Mark Mark Sleightag Pirty. Detroit, Dec. 28.—One of the United States commissary sleight from Forty. Mark Mark Sleightag Pirty. Detroit, Dec. 28.—One of the United States commissary sleight from Forty. Mark Mark Sleightag Pirty. Detroit, Dec. 28.—One of the United States commissary sleight from Forty. Mark Mark Sleightag Pirty. Detroit, Dec. 28.—One of the United States commissary sleight from Forty. Mark Mark Sleightag Pirty. Detroit, Dec. 28.—One of the United States commissary sleight from Forty. Mark Mark Sleightag Pirty. Detroit, Dec. 28.—One of the United States commissary sleight from Forty. Mark Mark Mark Mark Mark Sleighta

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Treaty Signed.

THE LEDGER, LOWELL MICH. THURSDAY, DECEMBER, 31 1903

ACTIVE HOLIDAY TRADE. It 's the Main Feature of the Present Business Condition-Favorable Outlook.

Cuiombian kepresentatives at Washington Making Arrangementatives at Washington Making Arrangementatives at washing a life-size data function the stress of th

by which the Russian requirements comparison with 1902. An encourage may be met and satisfaction given to ing sign is the improvement in col he official communication of Mr. Hay Fruit Growers of Michigan Make War Japan. A rumor has been circulated lections. Railway traffic was not se- ners were dispensed to thousands of here that the United States govern- riously impeded by recent storms, ow- poor at the Coliseum, where tables have been taken at Ashland, the ob-

A WINTRY CHRISTMAS.

Cold Wave Sweeps Over Several

States-Wind Causes Serious

Damage in St. Louis.

St. Louis, Dec. 26 .- Almost zero

St. Louis, Dec. 26 .- Christmas dincovering the entire floor of the vast area were set with turkey and its ac- ur-bearing seals. The heads of the ordinners were sent to the homes of as a sealer; ex-Lieut. Gov. Fifield, of Wis many more destitute families. The consin, and J. S. Robbins, of Rhinetom, distributed Christmas dinners to places. 25.000 of New York's poor at the Grand Central palace Friday. Beginning at ten o'clock, 5,000 baskets, each containing a satisfying dinner for a | Work of Years by an Inventor Is Deamily of five persons, were distributed. Friday evening 5,000 of the city's homeless poor sat down to tables laden with turkeys, cranberry sauce

DEFIES WHOLE STATE.

ceives a Bullet.

Cripple Creek, Col., Dec. 29.—After defying the military strike order to at him through the glass door. When astrous fire. it was learned that he had been wounded the soldiers made a rush forward, broke down the door with the butts

Care of Old Soldiers.

Washington, Dec. 25.-According to vass the vote. a report made by Brig. Gen. George H. Time Limit Expires January 7. London, Dec. 26.—The Daily Mail of inspection of the various branches Twelve Other Guests of Burning Hot-
tel in Menominee Escape
by Jamping."Failures this week numbered 284
in the United States, against 209 last
year, and 22 in Canada, compared with
21 a year ago."minister of foreign affairs, to Baron
de Rosen, the Russian minister, in re-
sponse to Russia's reply to the claims
of Japan, had a paragraph to the effect
that only two weeks would be allowed
for an answer. This period expiresold soldiers have been cared for. The
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minister annual per capita expense of 20 per cent. during the
past three years, ascribed to the gen-
eral advance in the cost of food
products.as I could not live with him, I killed
him." Such is the remarkable state-
ment made by Mrs. Kate Ludwick, the
young Polish girl, of Bronson town-
ship, who is charged with the murder
of her husband after three weeks of
married life.

Steamboat Sunk.

government printing office The claim is made that the machines cannot do Offer Friar Land Bonds. Washington, Dec. 28 .- Announce ment is made that bids for the new To Strengthen the Navy. Washington, Dec. 29.-Senator Hale, \$7,200,000 will be received up to three

chairman of the committee on naval p. m. January 11. Allotments will be affairs, said Monday that it is the in-made February 7, 1904.

States will have a more powerful navy than any other nation except night. It is thought they were asleep.

ta Des Moines

formation has been obtained by the Co-lombian representatives in the inter-views they have had with the secretary to enable them to forecast its conclu-sions. The preparations going on for closing up the affairs of the legation would seem to indence in mel will be satisfied." the government may suggest changes | reports are somewhat conflicting in

SEEING IS BELIEVING.

No Significance in Move. It was stated at the navy department Monday that the arrival of the mariner from the Prairie from Yaviza to Ban Obispo, a point on the Panama railroad as told in press dispatches from Colon, is but a movement directed by Admiral Glass in the execution of a general pol-izy, and was not directed from Washing-ton. It is stated further that the move is without significance as suggesting any-change of policy here. Two dispatches trace ive from the isitance from them. It will be necessary to build a road to bring the

destroyers Preble and Paul Jones, which she will convoy to Panama. They probably will sail to-day. They the thirteenth guest, James Beady, They probably will sail to-day.

steel producers look for much new Kobe correspondent says it is reported of the national soldiers' home, it was I could not get a divorce. My parents "Failures this week numbered 284 minister of foreign affairs, to Baron old soldiers have been cared for. The as I could not get a divorce. My parents compelled me to marry the man, and, as I could not live with him, I killed

eral knowledge of other tongues.

ceeded by Chitto Harjo, who was second

CASE IS POSTPONED.

mer City Clerk Lamorenus of Grand Rapids Will Be a Witness for the Prosecution.

Grand Rapids, Dec. 28 .- Isaac Lamo-New York, Dec. 26 .- Bradstreet's weather prevails in St. Louis and vi- reaux, former city clerk, stood mute says: "Activity in holiday trade, with cinity. The day opened comparatively when arraigned in the superior court sales equal to or in excess of last year warm and cloudy, but in the afternoon on the charge of conspiracy in connecat most markets; quiet in wholesale a decided change set in, the sky clear- tion with the notorious water deal, and

saociation Being Formed at Marquette to Undertake Their

Propagation.

Marquette, Dec. 28.-Preliminary steps for the formation of the "Lake Superior Seal Propagation society" companiments. In addition baskets ganization are to be Seben Malaroff, a containing materials for Christmas Russian, with 30 years' experience as day was observed generally in all lander. It is estimated that 10 male municipal, corrective and charitable and 40 female seals in the lake will ininstitutions, as well as those of a pri-crease to 1,000 in 2⁴ vears. The Apostle stands, together with Isle Royale and vate nature by special dinners. New York, Dec. 26.—The Salvation the rocky shores of Lake Superior, Army, in keeping with its annual cus- would, it is believed, be ideal breeding

UNDONE BY FIRE.

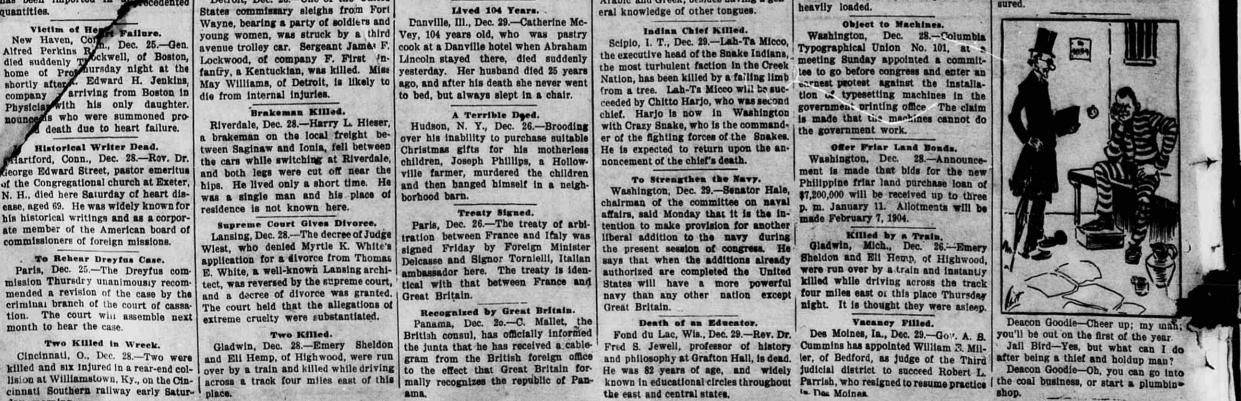
stroyed on the Eve of Final Test at Lansing.

Lansing, Dec. 28 -Bion J. Arnold, and other good things of the season. he Chicago engineer and inventor, sustained a heavy loss here in the destruction by fire of his new alternating cur rent compressed air motor, which, it Ex-Congressman Glover Has a Battle | was said, bid fair to revolutionize rail with Colorado Militia and Re- way transportation. The motor wat eady for the fine test, which was thave been made in a few days surrender his revolvers, John M. Glo-ver, a former congressman from Mis-neuri, fought a spirited battle with a squad of soldiers at the entrance to his office and the soldiers shot 20 times office and the soldiers act the office when the same fire.

Bond Question Carried. Muskegon, Dec. 28 .- The propositi to bond the city for \$100,000 as a bonus fund for the use of the chamber of comforce of numbers. The raid on the office of Glover, who is a well known attorney, was caused by a letter he had sent by a special messenger to Col. Verdeckberg. In his letter Glover referred to Gov. Peabody as a "cheap anarchist." He admitted were blank. Ten years ago a similar fund was created for the use of the chamber of commerce to induce estabhaving arms and ammunition in his possession and denied the authority of the milita to demand them eration, and now employ 3:000 men. The council will meet Thurstay to can-

> Her Reason for Murder. Coldwater, Dec. 28 .- "I am a Cath-

A Thriving Industry.



Blind During Attacks Of Heart Failure. Would Appear To Be Dead.

THE CANDY

CHILD

What Happened to a Little

Boy Who Ate Too Much

By R. W. DUTTON

doesn't want to be life dat chile."

Aunt Matilda paused to note the ef-

him. Dey hunt high an' dey hun

POLITICAL FEAST.

Held at Midland on the 29th

of January.

low, but don't find him, an' oil sots

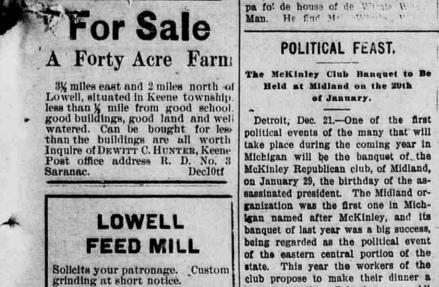
Dr. Miles' Heart Cure Relieved and Cured.

"I have no hesitation in saving that De "I have no hesitation in saying that Dr. Miles' Heart Cure is all that one can wish it to be. I was troubled with heart disease for fifteen years. I have tried many different remedies but until I tried Dr. Miles' Heart Cure I could fi d no relief. I was subject to headaches and had tried your Pain Pills and they were so effective I thought your Heart Cure might help me. I would have attacks at times so severe that I would be stone blind for the time theins. During these bind for the time being. During these spells I would be to all appearances dead. I took the medicine strictly as directed and I can truthfully say that I am completely currd. I advise all that are treubled with heart dis-

my fellow sufferers."-S. E. Purdy, Atkinson, Nebraska. "I first felt the effects of a weak heart in the fall of 1836. I saw an advertisement in the Sioux City paper in which a man stated his symptoms which scemed to me to indicate a trouble similar to mine. I had a soreness in the chest at times, and in my shoulder, an in the chest at times, and in my shoulder, an oppre sive choking sensation in my throat and suffered from weak and hungry spells. I was truly frightened at my condition and procured sig bottles of Dr. Miles' Heart Cure. Since taking my that bottle I have never here hethered by any of the old disagree. His ma an' pa tell him of able symptoms and now am well and co

All druggists sell and guarantee first bot-de Dr. Miles Reme ics. S nd for free book on versous and Heart Discusses. Address De Miles Medical Co. Elkbast Ind

The Detroit Free Press is the Great est newspaper published in Michigan and should be taken in every home. Order it for next Sunday. If you eve it a trial you will always want said, "when dis chile's ma an' pah i



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Fragging Pains

CHICAGO, ILL., Oct., 2, 1902.

I suffered with falling and con

gestion of the womb, with severe

pains through the groins. I su

nd rushing of blood to the brai What to try I knew not, for seemed that I had tried all ar

seemed that I had tried all and failed, but I had never tried Wine of Cardui, that blessed remedy for sick women. I found it pleasant to take and soon knew that I had the right medicine. New blood

and after using eleven bottles was a well woman.

mander Buch

Mrs. Bush is now in perfe

health because she took Wine of

Cardui for menstrual disorders

bearing down pains and blinding headaches when all other remedie

failed to bring her relief. Any

sufferer may secure health by tak-

ing Wine of Cardui in her home

The first bottle convinces the pa-

tient she is on the road to health

For advice in cases requiring special directions, address, giving symptoms, "The Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

WINEGARDU

to course through my vei

2825 Keeley St.

opponent of Senator Burrows, will also be asked. DEATH OF MRS. ANGELL.

> University of Michigan Is Closed Out of Respect to Memory of President's Wife.

more interesting affair than ever. All

the avowed candidates for the next re-

publican nomination for governor will

be invited, including Fred M. Warner,

Justus S. Stearns, George B. Horton

and Gerrit J. Diekema. Senators Alger

and Burrows will be both invited, and

William Alden Smith, as a possible

Ann Arbor, Dec. 21 .- Mrs. James B. Angell, wife of the president of the University of Michigan, died at her residence here Thursday from pneumonia after a brief illness. The university was closed out of respect for her memory and the president's pereavement, and will not be reopened Gilbert? Wasn't it rather sudden?" life in college work. She was married at last sight."-Chicago Record-Herald. to President Angell in 1845. Mrs An-James D. Angell, of the University of come out of curl so .- Tit-Bits. Chicago, Mrs. A. C. McLaughlin, of Washington, and Alexis C. Angeil, of

Wanted Information. "Gentlemen of the jury," said the this world!" pneumonia, even indirectly, was the to go where you will cook in the next cause of the man's death, the prisoner world?"-Yonkers Statesman.

Detroit

cannot be convicted." An hour later a messenger came from the jury room. lord," he said, "desire information." "On what point of evidence?" "Why so?"

Tit-Bits.

THE LEDGER, LOWELL MICH. THURSDAY, DECEMBER, 31 1903

ettin' befo his fire smokin' his pipe,

an' when de chile's pa 'splain matters

Mr. Wizzle Wuzzle puff out er big

room, an' when it die 'way over in de

corner was dat chile. Dat is, what was

de chile, fo' he had done turned into

sorts of t'ings.

inary to one of those stories with which she so often delighted them, and he tell de chile's pa to come to see

fect of her words upon the little ones. he done. Ne, indeedy!" "-Washing-

on Star.

"Dis chile dat I speaks of," contin-

CONGRESS ADJOURNS.

sembly Take a Holiday Recess Until January 4.

er mixture of candy an' cake, an' all Washington, Dec. 17.-By the decisive vote of 57 to 18 the senate yesterday "Of course, chil'ren," solemnly 16- passed the bill carrying into effect the marked the old woman, as she noticed reciprocity treaty with Cuba. The the surprise of the little ones, "it was treaty provides for a reduction of 20 dat chile, an' den ag'in it wasn't. De per cent from the rates of duty under Aunt Matilda was busily engaged in the kitchen, putting the finishing iouches to the innumerable delicacics designed to grace the Christmas table. The children of the household were in-The children of the household were in-teresting spectators of the old woman's work, being present by special permis-istra of their mother. "What you chil'ren wants to do to- kin be done fo' er y'ar at de leastest. day recess from December 19 to Janu-

to-morrow. 'Cause of you does, you know well nuff dat when Mr. Wizzle passed instead a resolution requesting Wuzzle say no indeedy, dat it is no the postmaster general to transmit to is liable to be like er chile dat I has in mind, an' de Lawd knows dat you In mind, an' de Lawd knows dat you The little ones well i new that these say dat ef he was a mind to, he could The house at 12:30 p. m. adjourned unwords of Aunt Matilda were prelim-inary to one of those stories with

Since taking my first better I not the first, and about to years been botherd by sup of the old disagree-able symptoms and now am well and com-sider my cure permanent."-Lewis Anderson, add and all wrong, an' at dere is er time fo' eatin' as well as er time fo' Chris'mus eve come 'round, an' de children and himself. The crime is bechile's ma an' pa both wisit Mr. Wizzie lieved to have been due to despondency his ma an' pa say den ef dey didn't de same pipe, an' after family purse and the near approach of Wuzzle. Dey find him settin' befo' de over the impoverished condition of the zist. Why, dey even see de Wizzle Wazzle Man bout him, but Mr. Wizzle say dat he is sho' dat de chile done ary in their thoroughness and there Start the New Year right by sub-scribing for THE LEDGER. Wuzzle he say dat he ain't gwine to do anything fes' yit, an' fo' to let de chile keep jes right on ef he wants to. Farm for Sale 160 acres 1½ miles Northwest of owell. Well watered, with good is more a side in bed; way, dere was de leetle boy, standin' right befo' his ma an' pa, an' in his right self. Cloud of smoke den ever, an' when dat die 'way, dere was de leetle boy, standin' right befo' his ma an' pa, an' in the darkness of early morning en-

> a confession of his guilt and has applied to Gov. LaFolette to change the sentence to murder in the second degree, thus setting him free.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.-Six persons were asphyxiated by illuminating gas and the coroner concluded that the cases were all accidental. In most instances a window was open in each room in which the gas was escaping, and the coroner called attention to the fact that it is popularly supposed a fatal result cannot ensue where fresh air also has a

Business Is Good. New York, Dec. 19 .-- R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: "Busiress is decidealy better than at any recent date, and the improvement is not confined to activity in holiday goods. although the best reports con-

entrance cern t'cse lines."



all chil'ren dat persists in doin' what

A Curlous Custom.

In the Scatting, int island of Dago the

opic have a curious custom of putting

Twas Ever Thus.

Purchased with her papa's rocks' But the old man always goes Around in ten-cent cotton socks.

SMART LITTLE BOY

Mabel wears fine silken hose,

-Cincinnati Engl

Visitor-Well, Jack, and what are you going to be when you grow up? Jack-A bachelor.-Chicago Chronicle

> A fellow in good old Terre Haute t out at election to vaute; When his party won out He gave a great shout And came home as full as a gaute. -Muncle (Ind.) Star.

Political Naute.

Took Their Time. "So Edith is really engaged to young until after the holidays. Mrs. Angell, "Yes. They have been much towho was born in Providence, R. I., gether, but neither one seemed to care was the daughter of a famous college much for the other until Edith left president, Alexis Caswell, of Brown for home. Then they were engaged." university, who had spent his whole "It must have been a case of love

Sweet Young Thing. gell presided over the American lega- Cecil (sentimentally)-Don't you feel tion of Peking, China, while Mr. Angell gloomy when the sky is overcast with was United States minister to that gray, when the rhythmic rain sounds a country. She was also a prominent dirge upon the roof and the landscape's member of the woman's board of the beauties are hid by the weeping mist? World's Fair at Chicago. Mrs. Angell Hazel (sweetly)-Yes; it's dreadfully is survived by three children-Prof. annoving. It does make oue's hair

> He Was Surprised. "And I'll tell you another thing,"

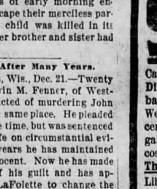
shouted the exasperated wife; "you will never see me cooking as long as I live in judge, as he concluded his charge, "if "Gracious, dear," said the amiable husthe evidence shows in your minds that pand; "do I understand that you expect

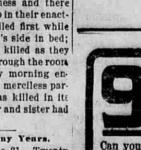
Maria Was Not Attractive. "At the club to-day Margaret read a "The gentlemen of the jury, my paper on Why Are Men Averse to Marriage.' I felt so sorry for her."

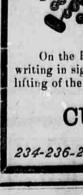
"None, your honor; but they want "Because you only hed to look at her o know how to spell pneumonia."- to get an answer to the question."-| Cleveland Plain Dealer.



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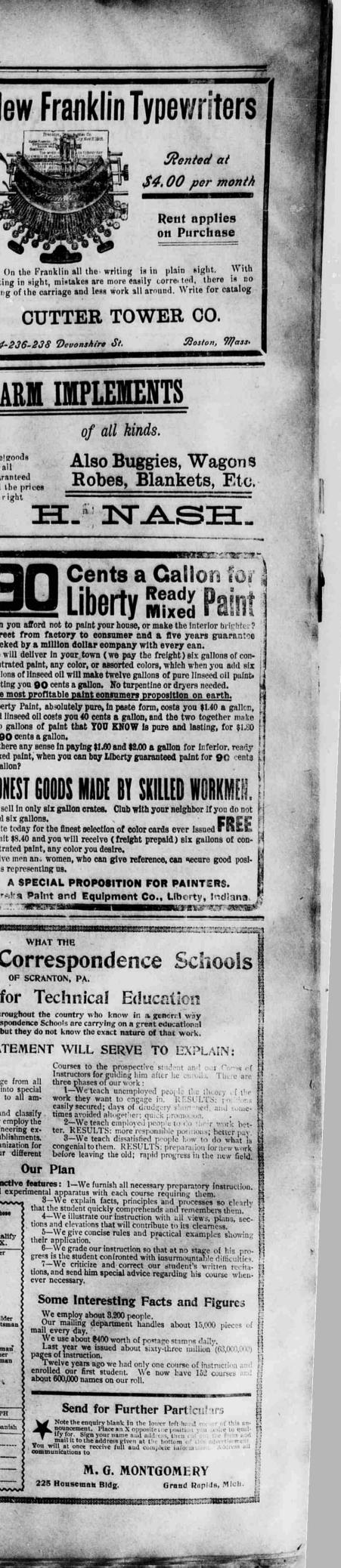


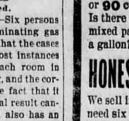




AN AWFUL DEED.

Roscoe Derby Kills His Wife, Three





THE LEUGER, LOWELL MICH. THUHSDAY, DECEMBER. 81 1908. War to the Knife Separate Skirts **Great Sacrifice Sale** The knife to the hilt, that is the ruthless command that has gone forth against fur prices. A pity 'tis that this **Of Ladies' Cloaks** Just what you are looking for. Our strong argument is that-here you get them just a "leetle cheaper" than must be so. You have seldom seen such a worthy lot of Furs and Suits... elsewhere. excellent furs. At record breaking prices prices that will appeal to all who need the goods and know a bargain when they see it. New Cloaks, the latest styles, will go at the E. R. Collar. same great sacrifice. Ohildren's \$3.50 and \$4.00\$2.63 Others in Cloaks will be sold at...... Now About Those Cows Fifty Years of Life Together. From Our Point of View "SWEAR OFF?" Yes! Make good resolutions for the new year. For your own sake and that of those dearer than self, determine to make 1904 the best of your life. You can do it, if you try.

FROM the number of small boys and youths seen smoking cigarettes, cigars and pipes, it is evident that someone is vio-lating the tobacco law. Parents and guardians should assert their rights in this matter.

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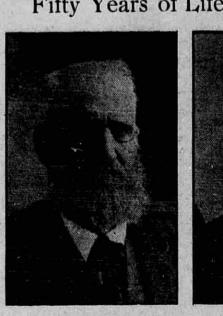
THE demand for the union of Christian people in one cen-tral, non-sectarian church is increasing; and the time approach-es for such a movement in Lowell. There are difficulties in the way; but they can be surmounted: and the Moses who can lead the people to such a consummation, will leave a monument greater and more lasting than those of marble or granite.

THE claim made that for a year not a life was lost by railroad wrecks in Great Britain is remarkable, when compared with the ghastly record in our own country. Stringert is the control of the stringert is the s railroad wrecks in Great Britain is remarkable, when compared with the ghastly record in our own country. Stringent laws and regulations and active governmental and municipal con-trol, are credited with the safety of travel in England; but as long as American law-makers, state and national, travel on free railroad passes, no reform of this kind need be expected here. "WHAT do you think of trying for local option in Lowell?" ueried a friend. Just this: If we can not enforce the laws we have better than at present, it will be useless to adopt more

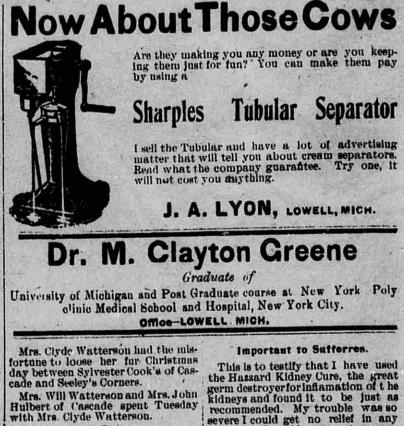
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spent Christmas with their mother in Freeport. John Oberly and wife are spending a week at their son Henry's in South Boston.

Ella Lee is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Chambers.

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Are they making you any money or are you keep-ing them just for fun? You can make them pay by using a

Tubular Separator

J. A. LYON, LOWELL, MICH.

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Important to Sufferres. This is to testify that I have used This is to testify that I have used the Hazzard Kidney Cure, the great germ destroyerforinfiamation of the kidneys and found it to be just as recommended. My trouble was so severe I could get no relief in any position. I could not put on my shoes or take them off. The second dose gave me relief from pain, but it took a week before I was cured of the lameness in my back. took a week before I was cured of the lameness in my back. MRS. E. E. CHASE, Lowell, Mich. The Hazzard Kidney Cure has no equal on earth for Kidney or Bladder disease or Rheumatism. For sale by D. G. Look.

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plete at all times and all orders can be filled promptly and with entire satisfaction to Resolve to pay no more high prices for good furniture. Our figures prove that the best can be bought here for little money.

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PRATT LAKE.

The Christmas exercises at the M. E. church were enjoyed by a large number of Methodist and Congrega-tional people. The tree was loaded with elegant presents. Ruby Parsons has a new piano. Mr. and Mrs. Levi Fletcher spent mas at G. L. Stannard's. Jennie Andrews has been entertain-

Mrs. N. F. Gould found an elegant diamond ring in her shoe Christmas morning, presumably from Santa

the Center school were enjoyed large number. Loyal Taylor has been quite E. W. English attended the stock who is very ill. sale at Pontiac last week. Louie English is enjoying holiday

vacation at home.

mas with her sister, Mrs. Frank meetings.

holidays in Grand Rapids visiting Clarksville.

Lewis Hooper of Ionia is visiting Indiana in the near future.

Mrs. D. Benham of Hastings spent a few days recently with Mrs. Geo. Smith at the dam. Mr. Benham, who is employed at

the dam, spent Christmas with his tamily at Hastings. KRENE CENTER.

Mary Lott is still very sick with typhold fever and Mr. Lott has a trained nurse from Grand Rapids to

Mrs. Amasa Lee is very poorly since the death of her husband. Her daughters are with her yet.

Wilbur Moon Jan. 6. All are invited. Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Parsons, and Ruby and Beulah, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Sneathen and sons attended the wedding of the former's son, Jay T. to Miss Edna Holcomb of Belmont, to Miss Edna Holcomb of Beimont, at her home Dec. 24. Will Fletcher of Pratt Lake. Will Draper of Freeport and Miss Eva Andrews of Moseley spent Christmas with Jennie Andrews. The Christmas exercises at the M. mas tree were the star attractions LOGAN.

The next Aid will meet with Mrs-

Married, at the bride's home in Campbell, Dec. 23, Elvin Hientzelman of this place, and Miss Ada Rounds. Rapids attended the wedding of their brother Elvin last week Wednesday. [Last week's letter.]

H. Seese and wife of Dutton visited Mrs. P. Byrne is on the sick list. The Christmas tree and exercises at their brother John Brighton and wife Tuesday. Samuel Custer and wife went to Canada last week to visit her mother, Mrs. Joe Bergy, who has been very

ill, is improving. Peter Stahl is improving. Married, Dec. 24, John Hostetler and Miss Silva Farver.

Grandma Ford who went to Low-

Indiana in the near future. We re

t SMYRNA. Clayton Hoppough is home from Ann Arbor to spend the holidays. Miss Goldie VanEvery is recovering from her recent illness. Ed Condon and wife ate Christmas dinner with Geo. Rouse in Lowell. The fourther is mother, Mrs. McCullough. Great excitement is felt here on ac-count of the wreck at East Paris Saturday evening. We extend our heartfelt sympanby to Geo. R. Giles of Lowell in the death of his wife in the wreck. The fourther is mother, Mrs. McCullough. Great excitement is felt here on ac-count of the wreck at East Paris Saturday evening. We extend our heartfelt sympanby to Geo. R. Giles of Lowell in the death of his wife in the wreck. The looked toward the train, which was disappearing in a cut between

dinner with Geo. Rouse in Lowell. Mrs. Earl Norton is recovering mence a series of meetings at the the station. rom her recent illness. "You see, it's i

THE LEDGER, LOWELL, MICH., THURSDAY DECEMBER 31, 1908

The sad news has reached us of the death of Mrs. Daisy Giles of Lowel in the Pere Marquette railroad wreck of Dec. 26. She was a niece of Alelbert Odell J. J. Crakes and wife, D. D. Krum, wife and son of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Jonn Krum, and Dell Krum and wife of Lowell ate their Christmas dinner at Silas Collar's. Frankle Fairchilds has been visitng her sister, Mrs. Geo. Kollogg, of Grattan the past week.

VERGENNES.

Bert Bailey of Grand Rapids i home for the Christmas vacation Don Collar and family, Lute Bailey and family and John Krum and whie spent Christmas in Lowell. Several families here entertained their children with a Christmas tree

Thursday evening. Mrs. Kitchen, Miss Ida Kitchen and Lee Crakes spent Christmas at Mr. Potruff's in Sparta. VERGENNES STATION.

Frank Keech has added two new show cases to his store and bought and shipped three hundred dollars worth of fowl. Gotlieb Berrie is home for the

holidays from the Deaf and Dumb school. Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Rigsagger Dec. 20, a son.

H. Keech. J. Mosher is very poorly.

Mr. and Mrs. Watkins of Grattan there are orders." visited Mrs. H. A. White Tuesday. Elder Hudson of Lowell, Presiding Elder Manuel and wife of Reeves Junction, Mr. Ainsley and Rev. Mer-ril., of Chapel, attended quarterly meeting here Saturday and Sunday. Those wlo entertained Christmas guests were: E. Ring, J. Hapeman, Chas. Wilsen, H. D. Weekes, and F. Keech.

Geo. Giles has the sympathy of the whole community in his late bereave-

Fight Will Be Bitter.

Those who will persist in closin, their ears against the continual rec-omendation of Dr. King's New Disomendation of Dr. King's New Dis-covery for Consumption, will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall a little cry of terror she sent her s- termination. Read what T. R. Beall of Beall, Miss., has to say: "Last fall my wife had every sympton of con-sumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had falled. Improvement came at once and four bottles entirely cured her." Guaranteed by D. G. Look Druggist. Price 50c, and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

GRATTAN-VERGENNES.

Chas. E. Jakeway and family spent Christmas in Lowell. Campbell, Dec. 23, Elvin Hientzelman of this place, and Miss Ada Rounds. Will Whitney and family of Irving spent Christmas at E. Hientzelman's cousin, Eva Andrews of Samuel Hientzelman and family and Lizzie Hientzelman of Grand Dio are visiting him. James Costello spent part of last week with friends in Freeport. Frank Flanagan shipped forty-two hogs from Belding Tuesday. J. Mason, wife and daughter Winnie

were in Grand Rapids one day week. Gordon Frost spent Christmas in

Grand Rapids. J. O. Dennis and C. W. Biggs are hauling ties and lumber from F. Vanderbrock's woods to Moseley. A happy new year to all. Archie Sherrard and wife of O wosso are spending the holidays with his brother, Frauk Sherrard, and family. Max Denny and wife spent Christ-mas with her sister, Mrs. Frank Max Denny and wife spent Christ-mas with her sister, Mrs. Frank

mas with her sister, Mrs. Frank Sherrard, in Keene. Frank Maynard and wife ate their Christmas dinner in Lowell with his sister, Mrs. Johnson. Mrs. Abram Voss is spending the holidays in Grand Rapids visiting Abe Yoss was in Grand Rapids Christmas day and on his return trip was accompanied by Miss Cheesebrow of that place, who will remain as a guests of Mrs. Ed Yoss for an in-definite period. John Smith of Detroit was a guest of his brother and wife at the dam until the Tuesday following. John Scott of Lowell visited his sureats, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Scott, Sunday. Miss Jennie Rohere, her event

Miss Jennie Robson has closed school for a two week's vacation. She is spending the holidays at her home in Byron. Tuesday evening about fifty of the neighbors and friends of Mrs. Ange-David Gristwood of Fenwick is

A New Year Conquest 🔍 By CHARLES MOREAU HARGER A Story of the Great Southwest Earl Hunter

REAT clouds of yellow dust, a G dazzling blue sky, sweeping winds, long reaches of level ands-the midwinter southwest, and on the siding the palatial train of the cattle king who was now off among

the ranches looking after sleek and well-bred herds. The cattle king's daughter, whose prospective wealth entitled her to the rank of princess, sat under the striped awning on the rear platform of the train, gazing wearily at the monotonous landscape.

"How long are we to stay here" she demanded of the porter who was industriously trying to keep the leather-covered chairs clean. He did not answer-he did not know. She wen Mrs. Hathaway of Marcellus, Cass bounty, is visiting her brother, W. sat by the window sewing. "Auntie, how long is this to last?"

"Until your father gets back "I'm tired of it-I'm going

She seized a jacket and cap, slipped down the side steps and disappeared behind the squalid depot. A dilapidated livery stable stood in the sunshine. "I want a riding horse-quick!" The man fairly trembled in his anxicty to serve the city girl, and in a toment she was cantering over the sand and sage brush, headed straigh for the green hills in the distance. Away and away she sped, delightin

in the free rush of the wind, the swish of her pony's hoofs through the grass and the exhilaration of the open lands. At last she turned the horse's head

train to join him, and they had not discovered her absence before start

As she looked she saw off to the lef another rider-a wide-hatted ranch



her eyes brightened. Once she stopped and turned as if to leave him. Then

"Oh, Mr. Mason, what shall I do?" Frank Mason, the handsome ranch superintendent, scarcely recognized her, bowing so slightly that it seemed to be merely the motion of his horse.

"What is the matter, madam?" "Don't be mean"-the girl's eyes "But you told me never to speak to

home in Byron.Tuesday evening about fifty of the
neighbors and friends of Mrs. Ange-
line Bovee gave her a pleasant sur
prise. The company were treated to
graphophone music by Frank Jones.
A nice supper was served and an en-
joyable time was had.ance is desired.home on the farm again.
F. S. Bates, wife and daughter
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until midnight--the others think I'm
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Indiana in the near future. We re-
Indiana in the near future. We re-home on the farm again.
F. S. Bates, wife and daughter
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entertained her daughter, Mrs. Laura
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Carter home to spend holiday week.
To-morrow!" The girl fairly David Gristwood of Fenwick is visiting his brother. E. Stinton was seriously injured bome on the farm again. F. S. Bates, wife and daughter Ellen are spending holiday week in Cleveland, Ohio. "It does look serious, doesn't it? Where do they think you are?" "They don't think. Aunty's prob-

Mrs. Effic Rogers and son are spending holiday week with the for-mer's mother, Mrs. McCullough. "To-morrow!" The girl fairly screeched the word. "We must get them now-to-night, don't you under-



"I did not tell you differently," he struggling beast on the ground-then struggling beast on the ground then pleaded. "You remember I was under away toward the station resting on pleaded. "You remember I was under orders." the broad and dusty plain. death of his wife in the wreck. Rev. C. M. Keene expects to com-some creek bluffs a mile or two below one of the benches which stood in the interval on the rear pairform and watched tiny waiting-room; he transformed it ing on the rear paltform and watched the landscape, glistening under the "You see, it's New Year's day and into a settee with blankets from the from her recent illness.
 Mrs. Carl Cowles is on the sick list.
 Frank Condon and wife of Belding visited with his parents Sunday and Monday.
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a huge fellow trotted in front of her weary horse, the girl stared about her "Oh, Frank-Mr. Mason-look!" The young ranchman seemed much excited. "Hurry!" he exclaimed, and

in alarm.

it seemed had risen out of the sod. The ranchman saw something eise

her prisoner. In an instant Mason was by her side, get it."

assurance and had quarreled with him that very morning. Now she was at his mercy-and she found it rather "This is a strange beginning for the

urged his horse into a run. She can- New Year," she broke out. "I wonder tered by his side, alarmed by the when the train will be back." strange apparition of the herd, which "I think it is a good beginning-I'm sure I don't know about that trainthere is no connection with it yet." "I'm sorry I was so

earth mounds thrown up in the level of the plain, the work of prairie dogs "Don't worry, Anna-Miss Seamana." or some other burrowers of the plains. He smiled, cautiously, at her. Before he could caution the girl, her "It is fine of you to care for me and horse stumbled, fell, staggered, went protect me this way," she went on, tumbling in a heap with a broken leg. "and I don't know how to thank you."

Now it was serious. The cattle, "Don't try. This is not the first more curious than ever, scampered time I have seen you-I danced with faster toward the object of their in-terest; the fallen horse plunged and ball." snorted; the skirts of its rider held "I do not remember, but you have

been very good now. I shall not fortugging at the fair burden. When she "I know-but don't you think it

was free he found her helpless from would be a fine thing to have me take a strained ankle, and with tenderness care of you all the time?" he lifted her in his arms and to his She gave a pressure of her handown saddle. Then jumping beside her but no more. Almost at the doer was he turned the nervous animal, drew a rumble, a high note "T-o-o-t!" and his revolver and shot unerringly the the striped awning of the rear car came into view a few feet away.

"Quick-love, will you?" His words were eager, and as he lifted her in his arms once more for a journey to the train she whispered: "Yes."

Almost as soon from the opposite direction came Mr. Seamans and his foremen. He greeted the pair with smiles and laughed at the daughter's injuries when he found they were not serious.

"Stay on with us," he invited Mason. "We'll bring you back before we leave for Chicago."

"How did the train come back so soon?" asked Miss Seamans, rising from her couch. "I thought it was 50 miles to the next station!" "Wireless telegraphy," suggester

Mason. "Shucks," said the sunt, contemptuously. "The engineer pulled it down to the creek to fill the boilers. We weren't gone half an hour."

The girl looked quickly into the laughing eyes of the young ranchman. "I believe you knew it all the time," she exclaimed.

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SPANISH PEGGY A STORY OF YOUNG ILLINOIS By MARY HARTWELL CATHERWOOD

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CHAPTEP L

Abraham Lincoln lay stretched on his stomach, his head supported by his hands, facing the cooper's fireplace. A blaze of shavings and blocks lighted

"the string's pulled in Minter," said in cln. turning his head, as sup-re sed laughter and a shuffle of feet wagon. We children had never seen hanging down. Her other foot was Dick. on the log step disturbed his recitation. such a thing, and we climbed the pretty soon."

oulders, and betraying the fact that his vest was buttoned crooked. Seehis hand through his dark haif, leaving it tossed in every direction.

"How did you know I was home from college, Abe? Dick and I rode ir. from the farm on purpose to see you. This is Dick Yates, one of our boys from the Jacksonville school Dick, this is Abe Lincoln." "How do you do, Dick?" said Abe,

offering his hand. "How do you do, Abe?" said Dick. "And here's our schoolmaster,

Minter Grayham," continued Slicky, presenting the pale occupant of the keg. Minter rose with the dignity of a man who often pronounced words of five syllables. The mounting firelight found reflecting thread ; in Dick Yates' bright auburn hair. The schoolmaster thought him a beautiful young fellow, with modest manners. His features, perfectly modeled and rosy as a girl's, were manly, from full forehead to out-standing chin. Though of a robust wellstanding chin. Though of a robust, well-knit figure for a lad of 18, his head barely reached Lincoln's shoulder as the two stood looking at each other. "I've been telling Dick so much

you," said Slicky. eager friendliness and recognition of PLANT THE BLOWS.

as won."

ride through?"

prietor of the rough study. His tutor merely the ordinary pioneer life of a Peggy."

coaxed into sharing a long bench which the boys drew up before the fire. It was like an invasion of swallows. Abe taked up all the shavings and blocks and brought them to the hearth. A festive spirit filled the place. Nearly all the girls were bareheaded, in linsey dresses. They had stepped out of their homes along the winding road for the mere pleasure of being abroad for the stick, which the woman carried for the stick pleasure of being abroad for the stick pleasure pleasure of being abroad for the stick pl

stead. The state was still so young,

and their knowledge of the wide world so limited, that they and their elders took primitive delight in telling over their own adventures. The oftener a their own adventures. The oftener a you if hard knocks can do it. Where pursued Dick, interested in the case. story was repeated the more dignity are Shickshack and the boy?" it acquired.

sister Nancy. "When daddy was going to move from Carlina he bought a new We children had never seen where the stim shape, and its scanti-ness displayed one moccasined foot the state was scarcely a tota to he owned at the young carter to adopt the Spanish child?" inquired such a thing, and we climbed the curled under the bench, while pointing Shickshack silently admired his devouring at times tender rabbits and

quite cover his ankles, and an open hurt me worse the first night than rate good intrian that moment ap-roundabout hanging loosely from the daddy's punishment did the second."



about you, Abe, that he wanted to see A FURIOUS WOMAN WHACKED

"Are you studying Blackstone?" and raked out the coals and put the ing his sinewy red neck at the top. inquired Dick, indicating the huge eggs to thaw on her best pewter platter. He had also let his hair grow and it book which Minter Grayham held She said when she found the melted made a black thatch upon his head. pewter running all over the hearth she Dick Yates gave Shickshack the He lost his heart and liberty

wolves are in the timber we have to chusetts, from Kentucky and Tennes- I thought you were about 10."

cess. Come in, Nancy and Ann Rut-ledge, and the rest of you." Haif a dozen figures emerged from the night of the village street, bearing the night of the village street, bearing Nancy Green company, laughing and half reluctant; and let themselves be

for the mere pleasure of being abroad and free from the tasks at the end of the day; with the exception of Nancy Green, and Martha Bell Clary, who har inght with Mahala Cameron. A simi-iar group of young people in a French cabin would have cleared the floor cabin would have cleared the floor

would think she was the Indian and hickshack the white.' "I'm nimbler than Sally when I have Dick. . my crutch," laughed the child, still weeping through her laughter, and gy, facing down the accusation vehe- ular Liking for Nest and Larvae trying to swallow her sobs. Ann and Dick Yates helped her to the cooper's bench. Piteous and courageous as the little figure was, the other girls looked "I'm like white folks in New Salem," The badger is a great epicure in eggs, insisted Peggy, repudiating the vague and much of the hostility of gamekeep-tendent Travelers, 606 Monon Bidg. at her with disfavor, and one of the foreign taint. She saw the young Rut- ers to this animal lies undoubtedly in younger Rutledges whispered to Ma- ledges and Mahala Cameron and the fact that it will, when it gets the hala Cameron that "a certain person | Martha Bell Clary looking at her sus- chance, devour a whole nest of partridge

"They haven't come in from hunt- pered Martha Bell to Mahala.

They soon."
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They soon."
Started down hill, and everybody let go but William. The tongue ran into a tree and broke, and left the chain in his hand. T was going to hold on if it killed me, mother,' says he. 'For if' reci on we'd better hurry, any-way." urged the student, and he coortinued repeating as rapidly as he could the remainder of the lesson.
Presently with a click the door turned back on its wooden hinges and turned back on its wooden hing

Lincoln, "of what your mother told me come upon his wife in the act of using ville to-morrow." yet unslung from his back a full games a day off on account of his extreme

> "Come in, everybody," cried young "Me like to talk," said the Sac, fixjoying herself, Shickshack, and we spected you and Antywine would fol- suggested Dick.

The Indian with dignity stepped upon the puncheons, and as soon as he saw Pergy a look of satisfaction re-lieved the tension of his face. She sat still within Ann Rutledge's arm, but gave the men of her family an affectionate glance. Antywine, who had probably been christened Antoine, and was known to bear the name of La Chance, kept shyly in the back-ground, lifting himself with a graceful spring to sit hy the vise on the cooper's high work-bench. But Shickshack strode forward to sit in full council, as became his age and character, Minter Grayham hastily giving him the keg The blaze showed his moccasins roughened by much tramping, and his leggins fringed down the outside

leggins fringed down the outside Abe blushed and Dick blushed, with CRUTCH AS HARD AS SHE COULD STATE COULD AS HARD AS SHE COULD AS HARD AS HARD AS SHE COULD AS HARD AS HA around the breech-cloth girding

his waist, but stood open, show-

 closed.
 "Yes. It's mighty interesting read-ing to me."
 pewter funning all over the hearth she felt discouraged about him!"
 Dick Yates gave Shickshack the grave salutation which he knew an Indian loved. The Sac fastened his eyes on Dick as the chief man at the fre, and the one for whom perhaps it speech."
 He lost his heart and liberty

 "Yes. It's mighty interesting read-ing to me."
 Ann Rutledge laughed, and flung one of her thick auburn braids behind her shoulder.
 Indian loved. The Sac fastened his eyes on Dick as the chief man at the fire, and the one for whom perhaps it "Haven't you any tale to tell of Abe, Minter Grayham?"
 He lost his heart and liberty When he read that lady's paim. Chicago Record-Heraid,

 "Indian loved. The Sac fastened his speech."
 They Surely Will.

 "Haven't you any tale to tell of Abe, Minter Grayham?"
 Minter Grayham, used to having his name prolonged by the soft southers
 Indian loved. The sac fastened his fire, and the one for whom perhaps it to hear the young pale face talking to Perkey under the chatter of other
 Sites, and are killing the man we are inf Old Microbe—That's the case, exactly.

I'd want some advantage. S'pose we name prolonged by the soft southern make a compact to work together on our first case?" name prolonged by the soft southern and shock his head. No one around "You have as much spunk as a boy," "Yes." "What

"William Green!" spoke a girl's voice triviality of any human experience. from the humid spring darkness out-Life in New Salem was full of zest Peggy. "I am 15 years old." side; "have you forget how bad the which they brought from Massa- "Fifteen, Peggy! You can't be 15!

see and Carolina mountains, and from "That's because I am so little for my "Come in, girls!" exclaimed the pro- good English ancestry; though it was age. And my name isn't really part of the week and I'll pay that little cided by the national committee of the "They called you Peggy."

coaxed into sharing a long bench which ing tufted on her long chin, whacked name was set down as Consuelo Lori- "Has Elsic DeVynn ever been abroad?

cabin would have cleared the floor directly for dancing, all the merrier so I couldn't run. But 1 saw this door But I don't know whether he has any, there and -

State of L

"Then you're a Spaniard?" said "I'm not a Spaniard!" denied Peg- Great Epicures in Eggs-Have Partie- | ed bus

mently. "I'm white?" "Spaniards are white."

"I'm like white folks in New Salem," The badger is a great epicure in eggs,

"That's a kind of a pullet," whis- it, says H. A. Bryden, in Longman's. It

"That reminds me, Nancy," said son behind him. That he had almost "No. We must go back to Jackson-

early next morning.

to-night. Sally has just been here en- thing for the young chief's ear." "We can take a walk together now,"

leggins fringed down the outside seams. But Shickshack had compro-mised with the white man's dress by subtituting a roundabout for a from its sheath. [To be continued.]

The Amateur Palmist.

"Please read the lines," she sweetly said,

"What will the doctors do?"

"Done!" said Yates. - "It's as good the cooper's fire-place had a sense of swon." approved Dick. "I like to see a little "Can't tell yet, but I am sure of one girl able to hush up crying." thing; they will call us hard names."-

Would Bear Watching "Well, what did he say?" asked the head of the firm. bill of yours," replied the collector. party at a meeting held in this city.

Quite Convincing

for the mere pleasure of being abroad "Oh, my dear!" said Ann, brushing and free from the tasks at the end of shavings off a little girl whom she stonned talking and listened." "My boss has promised to raise my salary on the first of next month,"

diffectly for datcing, all the merrier for having met unexpectedly. But these children of serious Massachusetts, Tennessee, Carolina, and Kentucky ploncers held experience meeting in-tread. The state meeting in-

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was always tagging Ann," as if resent- piciously. Spanish governors cut no or pheasant eggs. Badgers are said also nig interference with a sister's privi- figure in the imagination of New Sa- to be fond of honey; and knowing the extraordinary craving of their South is certain that these animals have a "I'm not of mixed blood!" cried Peg- particular liking for the nest and larvae blaze of snavings and blocks lighted cobwebby beams overhead, clean staves and hoop-poles standing around the wall, the cooper's work-bench and blocking at his sister with sly enjoythe wall, the cooper's work-bench and tools, the lank, aguish face of a man who sat on a keg beside the hearth, holding a bool: from which the young tudent recited. The shop had part of 's log left out in the side, filled, the main they stating at look of the miline of like all New Salem windows, with the show hat was to a part of the miline they determine the main they indows and they strain their object. In the reflort to control more tears, and smiled at him. Ann kept no ear and strained by logs. People knew that the cooper its or the strain the to access the show dows at the a louke, killed they main the show or this ni, ht had come picking at the "The strain" a pulled in Minter" and the year is more that state Nancy. "When dady was going in the course of the year is more than oubtful. Still, the badger is carnivorous in his tastes, and is not, even by his

"Ne "er mind the boys; they'll go way pretty soon." spokes, and William took hold of the "Maybe the Grove fellows have come" started down hill, and everybody let go

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When in need of

turned back on its wooden hinges and bumped the wall. "I know you, Slicky," declared the "I know you, Slicky," declared the "I know you, Slicky," declared the interrupted scholar without looking. "Come in. Folks wouldn't give you the name of Slicky Green if you hadn't a name of Slicky Green if you hadn't a way of getting what you want." He scooped a double handful of blocks and shavings on the blaze, and, warned by some unusual restraint at the door, hastly drew up his length before the fire. It showed him a slim giant in fire. It showed him a slim giant in blue homespun trousers, which did not muite cover his ankies, and an open muite cover his ankies, and an open work. But is the farming grass well adapted for the purpose? In the first place, one might have thought that it his vest was buttoned crooked. See-ling a stranger on the threshold with Slicky did when he was about ten years the crutch was evident, for he carried Slicky Green added that it was not was wanted at home. Among the men the boy he called Slicky, Lincoln ran old. He brought in some frozen eggs the crutch in his hand, and had not vacation time. 'The two had begged named as taking part in the scheme are the duke of Westminster and other great bag. His gun he rested against the wall within the door. a day of on account of his extreme homesickness and would have to ride early next morning. landowners. They may find no diffi-culty in securing tenants, but small 'squires are not so fortunate. - More-Green. "All New Salem is on a frolic to-night. Sally has just been here enthe conditions of South African agriculture, as different as could be in all re-Shickshack rose up at once. The spects to those in which he has been reared. The more successful he has The Indian with dignity stepped sheath of a long hunting-knife hung been at home, the less inclined he will

Shickshack stood while he drew one position wore a thousand years ago. the costumes that seemed to us the most graceful and the most comfortable, and we cling to these costumes. We love

> "But you-here in America-how often is it-every week-every fortnight?that you change your fashions? Only the other day I met on the street an American naval officer of whom I am fond. He had a parcel under his arm I stopped my carriage. 'Come,' I said, 'let us have a little chat-a comfortable little chat.' "But the naval officer shook his head.

> He said hurriedly: "'No, I cannot. In this parcel there is a bonnet for my wife. Were I to stop and talk, the fashion in bonnets might change before I reached home.""

> Prohibitism Convention. Chicago, Dec. 18 .- The prohibitionist national convention will meet in Kan-



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ed business, local territory, straight salary \$20 per week and expense money advanced. Previous exper-ience unnecessary. Position per-maneut, business successful. Enclose When the apples are sweet, oh I jus HE AVORITE GREE eat and eat Till my buttons are most apt to fly, DY And Daddy . can't see what the trouble can be By Estella Kerr When I say that I don't care for piel T is lovely to ride in the tall poplar tree; When I climb to the tip-top and float Through the sunny blue sky, just as blue as When the leaves of the beech-tree are turning to gold, A LL the reliable patent medi-cines advertised in this pa-per are sold by D. G. LOOK, the Lowell Drug and Book man. When the hazel-nuts dropping keep time, If my bonny green poplar boat. When the butternuts fall and the squirrels are bold. The scarecrow is king of the red cherry-tree, Then games in the forest are A cross-looking chap he is, too! prime! He won't let the birds touch the fruit, PINE BUE ditta month you see. But I'm not afraid, -are you? But my favourite tree only comes once a year, When the others are covered with snow; It springs up in the night in the drawingroom bright. And both apples and nuts on it grow With toys for each child,-so The gum from the spruce-tree is lovely to chew : I know you'll agree In the maple I have a fine fort; That the best one of all is I've chestnuts for bullets .- Between me and the gay Christmas-tree. They hurt when they hit,-It's great THE LAGRANDE TOBACCO STORE and TONSORIAL STAND solicits your patronage. Choice cigars, Tobaccos of all kinds and a clean shave or neat hair cut. Give us BARNES BROS. It is a great deal better for a man Phone 1 are born of repentance; and repent- to resolve a hundred times and fail First class draying call on ance when genuine is a cardinal vir-tue. The self-righteous fellow does tented with his lot of sin and shame. Their New Year's New Year's Resolves R. P. MORSE not resolve to do better because his There is hope for a man just as long Dinner vanity tells him there is nothing as there abides in him desire for what The Hustling RAYMAN wrong in his makeup. He may go along committing blunders every day and doing no end of mischief. Such a deliberation, but a broken pledge to do Better to Make and Break Them Than Not to Make Them at All Pienes, household goods and Baggage. fellow is beyond redemption. Like right is far better than no pledge " O you went to Isabel's New "With difficulty, dear." Special attention given to moving J Year's dinner?" said the bru-OME facetious individual has de- Ephraim of old, he is joined to his at all. ho schold goods to and from outsi aned New Year's day as "a time idols and should be left alone. when men make good resolutions Doubtless there are many thought-There is nothing strange in associa-tion of good resolves with the dawn of I dine with his mother on the first day 'Step this way, please.' We hadn't fined New Year's day as "a time idols and should be left alone.

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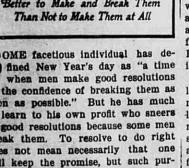
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but to fail, and yet his very efforts to "How righteousness.

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The objection is, if it can be called drive fast." an objection, that men are too much "Then your troubles were ended?" influenced by special occasions for special efforts. There is no more vi. tue in New Year's Day than there is in All Fool's Day. It would seem fool-ishness to wait for any such time or season for a starting period in right living. The present is the time for action, and one day is as good as an-other in the sight of God, as well as of men.

But the man who has put off the day of resolves to be good until the dawn of the new year will strengthen himself and work rightcousness by starting out clean with the year. He will only hurt himself by devoting too much time to resolving. What he

He-Yes; the girl who refused him fore?" be without it in his library. A better book can no where be had for less is said to be worth that amount. -

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and Twentieth Century Home Free and seventy-five cents reduced on perfect Venus, Mr. Duggins. Duggins-Yes, Venus de Milo; she In addition to above we can give you reduced rates on almost never does any work with her arms.- not to breakfast. Then he asked the And driver if he happened to know where Year. N. Y. Herald.

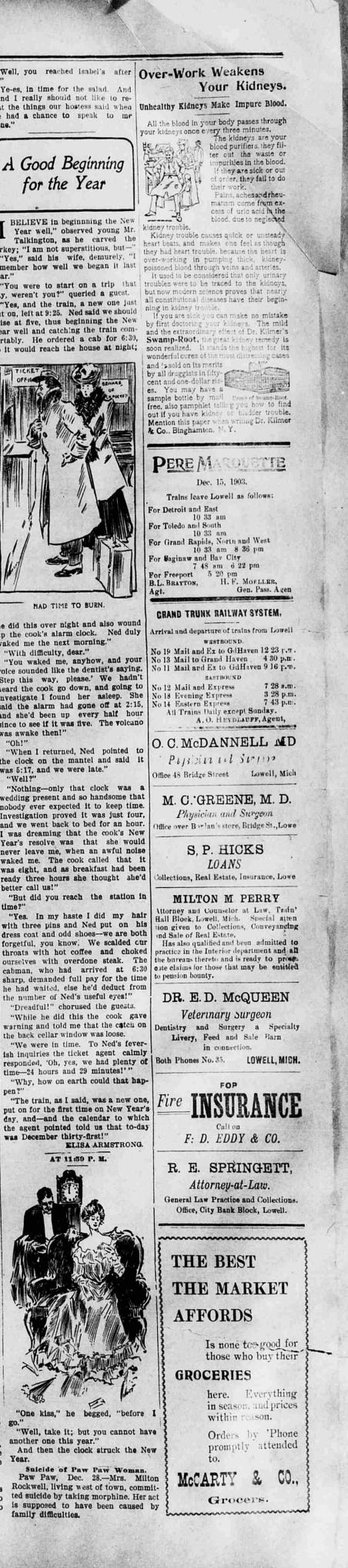


"N-no. I had written down the ad- pen?"

JACK WAS WAITING.

of Isabel's."

"So-"



Mrs. De Style lived." "Nonsense. He-"

most needs is to avoid the pitfalls and The Twentieth Century Home regular price \$1.00. The Lowell Ledger, " \$1.00. The Cosmopolitan " \$1.00. In this connection we offer at a great saving one of the mo snares which formerly overcame him. He has need to change resolves into action. It is his duty to retrospect in order to know himself. Each conquest of self is added strength for future victories. Happy indeed is that New Year's for the man who, having resolved in its dawn to do right, finds at its gloaming A very handsome volume of 500 pages, bound in half-leather, that he has been true to his promises giving the early lives, growth, achievements and successes of the men WILLIAM ROSSER COBBE. who are to-day leaders in the Financial, Merchantile, Manufacturing and

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Annual Dress Goods Sale

AT A. W. WEEKES

On Saturday, January 2nd, We Commence Our Annual Slaughter of Prices on Dress Goods

This sale is not simply for the purpose of cleaning out a lot of old stuff but a genuine deep cut sale on the newest and choicest Dress Goods to be had. We have already received our New Dress Goods for Spring-all these we put in with the rest at a lot off the price. Of course we have some dress goods that are not new but the prices we have put on them are. WE FINISH THIS SALE SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, so don't wait.

A.W. WEEKES.

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potatoes to me:

Quick.

friends.

Mrs. A. L. Peck has been spending several days at Saranac.

Watters Bros. have dissolved part nership, Deloss retiring.

Miss Julia Farrington of Saranac

Lester Combs spent his vacation at Clarksville and Saranac.

Potatoes! Potatoes! Bring your otatoes to me. J. K. Tilden.

Mrs. Emma Swan of Grand Rapids is the guest of her cousin, Mrs Chas.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clark of Mt Pleasant are the guests of old Low

Mrs. F. C. Thomas and little daugh-

ter Marjorie are visiting her mother at Cedar Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Adams spent Thursday and Friday at J. E. Auble's in a family reunion.

Everybody is invited to Lawrence'

grocery store to see the bargains in his east window. Try your luck.

The Lowell hardware stores will

s visiting Miss Rhea Peck.

"Turning the Leaf"

We will be pleased to "turn over a new leaf" when you open a savings account with this bank.

Each new name requires a new leaf in our book and we are ever ready to turn them over. Many new names were added to the list of our Savings Depositors during the past year and if you are not already a depositor we would like to addy our name during the year 1904. Make the month of January memorable in your life by the fact that during that period you began saving.

The Lowell State Bank.

This bank will be closed Friday, "New Years day."



Irene Stone is spending a week at Ionia

Frank C. Thomas is clerking for J. B. Nicholson.

Chas. Fisher of Chicago spent Christmas day with his parents. Jno. Lasby of Muskegon is spend-ing his vacation with his family.

Born,'in Lowell, Monday to Mr. and Mrs. Worthy Willard, a son.

Mrs. E. M. Bailey is spending the holidays with her mother at Lansing.

Earl and Miss Minnie Behler spent their holidays at their home at Alto. Eugene Cambell has returned from Wyoming for an indefinite period.

Misses Nellie and Ella Ford spent the holidays at their parent's at Logan.

F. A. Graham of Harbor Springs spent part of the week with Lowell friends.

Miss Lulu Brown of Grand Rapids spent Friday with Dr. and Mrs. I. B. Malcom.

Miss Ruby Davey of Lake Odes is visiting Lowell relatives during her vacation.

Dress good sale at A. W. Weekes' J. B. Nicholson made a business trip to Detroit yesterday. Mrs. B. C. Needham spent Christ-mas with friends at Alto.

LOST-Fur boa Christmas night in Lowell. Finder leave at Loveland Edward Ballard of Stanwood is & Hinyan's office and receive reward. visiting relatives here this week Our new dress goods for Spring are already here. They go in with the rest at sale prices. A. W Weekes. Miss Eva Fox of Grand Rapids is visiting her cousin, Miss Nina Hiler.

Dr. E. D. McQueen and family have returned from a visit at Sincoe, Ont. Mr. and Mrs. Wilder Lemon of Grand Rapids are visititing relatives here.

close hereafter at 6.30, p. m. except-ing Saturdays, until farther notice. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Craw of Petos Mina B. Jones has sold her house and two lots on Washington street key are visiting his sister, Mrs. H. J. Coons. to Dan Townsend, consideration

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Howe of \$500. Grand Rapids visited his parents last week.

Isaac Retter, wife and son of Gro- few day ton, S. D., are visiting at . Geo. M. Parker. Parker's.

Parker's. Elmo Soules of Hastings visited commences Saturday, Jan. 2 and the families of Benj. Soules and L. T. lasts through the following week. M. Foster over lav.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Blough are vis-Dr. Hodges, dentist. iting at Freeport. Read our clubbing list. Diaries for 1904 at Look's.

Married at the residence of Rev. F. E. Carter, in Grand Rapids, Dec. 23, Art F. Condon and Miss Ada L. The hardwares close at 6:30 after Pottruff. Mrs. Orton Hill was in Grand Rap

The paying of county orders, dis-continued last July, has been resum-ed, but the county is still \$60,000 in debt.

Bangs & Jessup have a handsome new sign; and their floor raised to sidewalk level, a much needed improvement.

A. L. Knapp and family attended a reunion of the Pattison family at Sturgis at Christmas time. The Elder's people are well and happy.

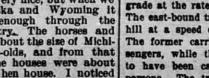
Kent County Farmers' institute, Train's opera house, Lowell, Wednes-day and Thursday, January 13-14. Women's section at Baptist church, Thursday at 1:30. See program in LEDGER of December 17. tf

A TENDER FOOT'S OPINION OF WYOMING.

Mrs. Wm. Miller Writes Her Lowell

Friends From Oregon. Freewater, Dec. 17, 1903

Editor LOWELL LEDGER: I promised my neighbors when I left to write one letter to all through left to write one letter to all through THE LEDGER, with your permission. We left Lowell Monday night on the 8:30 train and Friday at 11:20 our long ride was ended. We presented our tickets to the agent in Chicago and when he returned them he said we would have to change cars twice. As Mr. Brayton had told us we would not have to change at all, we felt rather blue; but when got on the train we found out that the Lowell agent knew the most, for we were train we found out that the Lowell agent knew the most, for we were not off the train until Friday, when we changed cars about 50 miles from here. We had a very pleasant trip through Illinois and Iowa. The country was very nice, but when we struck Nebraska and Wyoming it was dreary enough through the grazing country. The horses and cattle were about the size of Michi-gan two-year-olds, and from that down. All the houses were about the size of our hen house. I noticed in all the settlements they had good school houses and churches. A trav-eling man on the train said that at the time of the creation these two states were not finished and that the good Lord had never thought them J. B. Quiggle, wife and little son of Groton, S. D., have been spending a few days at the home of Geo. M.





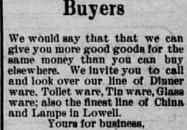
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AWFUL RAILROAD WRECK

(Continued from page 1) a broken, twisted shell. The running

gear was crumpled up like so much twine, great cast steel siderods bent into many shapes, and even the steel tires of the big driving wheels split and sprung from the wheels, landing in some cases ten feet from the engine. The boiler of engine No. 397 turned over several times, and the very force of the twisting impaci seems to have been the means of saving the life of Engineer Waterman. He was flung 40 feet over the fence at the edge of the right of way Moon, his fireman, was slitting on the opposite side of the cab, and he, too, was thrown clear of the pile of wreckage. As the trains came gether the steam domes of each boiler

west-bound train was traveling downgrade at the rate of 60 miles an hour. The east-bound train was climbing the hill at a speed of 40 miles an hour. The former carried probably 75 passengers, while the latter is believed to have been carrying at least 125 about the middle of a long, sweeping curve, three-quarters of a mile west Office Graham Blk of East Paris. On the inner side of the curve is a high embankment, preventing a view of the track ahead. Coroner D. J. B. Hilliker impaneled a jury Sunday and the remains of the lead were viewed. The coroner says the jury will not sit before January I, and, in fact, he is unable to state the day when it will begin the investigation of the accident.



To The January

Collar's Bazaar.



Ear, Nose and Throat Eye, SPECIALTY.

Lowell, Mich

G. G TOWSLEY, M. D.

blew off, releasing their contents, else there would have been added horrors from the blistering steam. According to statements made by officials of the Pere Marquette, the

Mr. and Mrs. F. Lee and children of Grand Rapids visited Mrs. F. T. King over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Lemon of Grand Rapids spent part of the week with Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Joseph.

Segel Kopf, daughter Evlelyn and Miss Edith Koff of Grand Rapids vis-Ited Mrs. Jno. Kopf last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hemingway of Hadley have been spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. J. B. Nich-

Mrs. G. L. Sprague with baby Marjorie has gone to her mother's home at Mason for a recruiting sojourn

D. A. Mote of Lowell accompanied by Miss Leona Blakeslee spent last week inGrand Rapids and attended the play "Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Ritter and son Harry, of Groton, S. D., are visiting Mrs. Benj. Terwilliger and other friends and relatives.

Where is Wm. Joyce? His subscription to THE LEDGER is paid till June but we are unable to find his address. Who knows it?

The Christmas party given Tues-day evening was well attended by forty-five couples. The music was fine and the occasion a pleasant one. Misses Scott and Richardson were in charge.

D. T. Bush and family of Boyne City, Chas. R. Orr and family of Greenville and W. A. Thompson and family of Lowell spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. yester N. Bush. Mr. Bush was presented with a gold watch and chain by the children children.

Weldon Smith has purchased a bakery in Lake Odessa and will run it by proxy. Carl Benham, who has been with him for the past year, will conduct the business with the aid of one day in seven by Weldon.

Miss Maggie Robens, who has long been with her sister Mrs. Weldon Smith, has returned to her home in Grand Rapids, from whence she will accompany her mother to Virginia, where they will spend the balance of the Winter.

A family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Rouse Christmas. Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Lane, of Paris, Ont., Mr. and Mrs. Asa Thomas and Mrs. Patchen of Grand Rapids.

A family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Burdick Christmas. Those present from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. A. Dennis, son and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hoskins, son and daughter, all of Grand Rapids, and Mrs. Ora Gibson of Kalkaska. Messrs. Dennis and Hoskins returned to their work, while their families remained for a longer visit. Mrs. Hoskins and child-ren returned Wednesday. The re-mainder of the party expect to return to their respective homes Saturday.

Mrs. M. A. Kelly and Miss Eva Sheardon of Muskegon are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kelly.

Mrs. Geo. Oberly and baby of Grand Rapids visited her parents, Geo. Blakeslee and wife.

No. 333 draws the China dinnerset. Please show up aud we will turn the set over to you. Collar's Bazaaz.

Everybody is invited to Lawrence's groccry store to see the bargains in his east window. Try your luck,

D. T. Bush and family, of Boyne City, are enjoying the holiday season with Lowell friends and relatives.

John Headworth has severed his connection with J. B. Nicholson and has been employed in Grand Rapids during the holidays.

Miss Maud Anderson returned Tuesday to her home at Mohamet, Ill., after an extended visit with Lowell friends.

Dr. and Mrs. O. C. McDannell en-tertained Messrs. and Mesdames J W. Oliver and F. E. Brown and sons of Grand Rapids Christmas day.

John Lewis has purchased the dray outfit of the late Wm. Gott and is conducting the business. Milo Johnson continues in charge of the team.

J. S. Adams and J. A. Mattern each received Christmas presents (?) of mangled fingers. Jack got his in the cog wheels of the job press and Jake got his mixed-up with the grain

carrier.

Miss Pearl Dannals, formerly em-ployed with Mrs. M. A. Carr, milliner, was married at her home in Flushing yesterday to Will B. Thomas, well-known here. They are in Lowell to-

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Mr. Frederick A. Holcomb, of Coral, Mich. and Marie Sterly, of Harbor Springs, Mich., were united in Marriage at the home of the Rev W. H. Holcomb, brother of the groom, on Christmas evening, by the Rev. Chas. Nease. May they live long, prosper and be happy.

S. P. Hicks is attending the month-ly meeting of the Kent county board of auditors. The effect of the new board is seen in the modest bills presented this month, almost all being allowed as presented. Several im-provements in the court house have

peen authorized, but the expense will be small. Samples of the New York Tri-Weekly World are being given away at THE LEDGER office. That paper is clubbed with THE LEDGER at \$1.65

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Messrs. Fred and Clem Foster of Hastings spent Christmas with their prother, L. T. M., and remained until this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnard Hicks and Mrs. Caroline Sayles from near Adrian are spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Hicks.

Miss Hattle Blakeslee has returned to her school in Benton Harbor accompanied by Miss Minne who will also teach there the rest of the year.

It is probable that Senator Earle of Detroit will attend the Farmers' institute in Lowell Jan. 13-14, and speak on the subject of Good Roads.

The Lowell business men showed their appreciation of the work of the Citizens' "Hello Girls" by presenting them as Christmas gifts, purses, amounting in all to \$40.

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Unusual

Bargains

in Watches

states were not missied and that the good Lord had never thought them worth coming back to finish up. Montana was much better, and so on. The Rockies were worth all the money spent on the trip. They were just grand. Sights enough in the United States.

This country is very nice and pleasant. We drove to Milton yes terday, a very pretty town, con-taining three churches, a school-house and a college. It is pleasant weather now, about what we have in May. Our children have 700 acres

and do not know where they will pasture their cows next summer. They have 400 acres into grain.

Apples are very nice here. We found one station called Big Timber.

We expected to see some nice tim-ber but all we saw were the tele-graph poles, which Mr. M. declared were only half as large as in Michi-igan; but that is Wyoming. Mr. M. takes Viva to school morn-imer.

We are having a very nice time, enjoying every minute. Our son from Canada was here when we came and another one in Montana will be here during the winter Will be here during the winter I will not trespass on your time any longer. Hoping to receive many answers to this, and wishing yourself and all old friends a merry Christmas and a happy new Year, Mrs. Wm. Miller Freewater, Oregon

Freewater, Oregon.

Parsons-Holcomb Wedding.

A pleasant wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Hol-comb, at Belmont, Wednesday even-ing, when their daughter, Edna L., was united in marriage with J. T. Parsons, of Lowell. Promptly at 6 o'clock, to the strains of the wedding march rendered by Mrs. Freeman march, rendered by Mrs. Freeman Parsons, of Lowell, mother of the groom, the party took their places under a beautiful arch, trimmed with under a beautiful arch, trimmed with holly. The bride wore a tailor suit of gray broadcloth with white waist trimmed in applique; and wore a wedding vell. She was attended by her sister, Miss Julia, as maid of honor, dressed in a tailor suit of black broadcloth and waist of white linen. The bridegroup was attended black broadcloth and waist of white linen. The bridegroom was attend-ed by Dan Dinsen, of Cadilac. Rev. R. J. Slee preformed the impressive marriage service. The out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Parsons and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Sneethan, all of Lowell. The young couple took the night train to spend a few days in Indiana. These young people have the con-gratulations of their many friends.— IR ockford Register.

Real Estate Transfers.

nw ½ sec 19, Cannon, \$600. Alden Baird to Sarah Baird, 25a on se%, sec. 14, Lowell township, \$500.

CHURCHES AND SOCIETIES.

CONGREGATIONAL.

Rev. C. D. Moore will preach at the Congregational church Sunday. SOCIETIES.

The Clover Leafclub will meet with Mrs. H. J. Taylor Jan. 5.

The B. Y. P. U., social that was to be given Thursday night has been been postponed.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Springett joined the Eastern Star Monday evening and the occasion was made a social, gastronomic and toast-making success.

Regular meeting of Cyclamen Chap-ter, O. E. S., Friday evening, Jan. 1. Members of Joseph Wilson Post, G. A. R.: You are hereby notified that the installation services of this Post will be held Tuesday evening, January 12, at a special meeting to be held that date. By Order.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our thanks for the munificent Christmas gifts re-ceived from the business houses of Lowell.

Lowell. Our gratification is exceeded only by our pleasure in being made to realize that our efforts to give efficient service are appreciated. Happy New Year. Agnes Perry Hattle Lynn Katherine Lewis

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DENTIST Dr. H. Ostrom Barnes. LOWELL, MICH. Wake Up! Harry Goodell & Co., are in town with the Lowell Steam Laundry. We want the citizens to know that while others say they have the Lowell Steam laundry, that ours is the only one in town. We have purchased the Clark Bros. "Gem" laundry. So come on with your duds and we'll wash them in oursude, and make your wife happy.

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Unclaimed letters at Lowell post office for Walter Penny, Leroy Ritch-inson, Mrs. G. Casner and Mrs. J. Weaver.

We have arranged with The Chica go Weekly Inter Ocean whereby our patrons can secure that sterling good paper, together with our own, at the exceedingly low price of \$1.40 for one year. This is a rare opportunity and should taken immediate advantage

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