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FIVE CENTS.

## Getting Interest...

is exactly like finding money, for it costs no labor. It is like getting something for nothing when your money is deposited in the

**The City Bank, Hill, Watts & Co.**

Your money is safer here than it is at home and the care of it is no trouble. But if you put money here we pay interest at rate of 3 per cent all the time. Nights and Sundays too the savings increase. Try it.



## SPECIAL

To close out a few Extra Heating Stoves at once. Will give Special Prices on the same.

Yours

**R. B. Boylan**

## All Jewelry Looks Alike

To some people, but there is a difference. Some jewelry is made "cheap" to sell "cheap." BUT NOT OURS. In our jewelry stock, quality is the first consideration, and the price the last so you may always be sure that whenever you make a purchase here that you have something that will last and not go wrong after a few weeks usage.

Our stock has just been replenished with everything that's new and up-to-date in all the lines we carry and we can surely please you.

**A. D. OLIVER**

Watch es, Clocks, Cut Glass, Etc.

## "Bread and Butter and Tea"

May do for some folks but everybody likes the fat, juicy and tender

**Beef Steak**



That **WEYRICK** Sells

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

## COUNTY FINANCES.

**OLD KENT \$93,000 "IN THE HOLE."**

Grand Rapids Herald Editor Suggests "A New Deal."

A question that confronts the taxpayers in Kent county is whether an entire new deal would not be desirable in the administration of county affairs. This question is particularly pertinent this year because of the condition of County finances and also because the nomination of the candidate for places on the county ticket will be made under the primary election law, by the people direct, instead of through delegates in conventions. If mistakes are made in the nominations it will be the fault of the people themselves and cannot be blamed upon the "machine" or the politicians or upon convention manipulation.

The report of the finance committee of the board of supervisors, rendered yesterday, shows that at the close of business December 31, 1903, the county was \$92,049.10 in debt. This indebtedness has been accumulated mostly in the last four years, or during the administration of the present county officers. No extraordinary expenses have been incurred by the county during this period except the session of the grand jury. Nocalamities have been suffered, no heavy losses sustained. The county has simply lived beyond its income. The administration of county affairs has been extravagant for the amounts raised in county taxes each year have not been materially less than in former years.

Some of the extravagance may be charged against the board of supervisors and its loose methods of doing business. But the county officials must stand their share of the blame. To what extent the board and the several county officials are individually responsible for the deficit is difficult to ascertain because of the lack of accountability in the management of the county finances. All the money raised by taxation and that comes into the treasury through fees and other sources is placed in a common fund and they all draw from it. This lack of accountability in each department is an open invitation to extravagance and the report of the finance committee seems to indicate that they have all been at it.

The receipts of the county clerk's office from fees, etc., during the year were \$5,086.45, while the cost of its maintenance was \$8,803.20, showing a deficit of \$3,716.75. Under the old system, when the county clerk received a nominal salary and kept the requisites, the office was reckoned worth \$10,000 to \$12,000 a year above clerk hire and expenses and the incumbent grew rich. With double the population, can it be claimed the business of the office has dropped off to a degree that makes it a losing enterprise when conducted on a salary basis?

The receipts of the register of deeds' office last year were \$9,500.50, while the expenses were \$9,803.98, a deficit of \$303.48. While the balance is on the wrong side, the record is much better than was made in the county clerk's office. This office, too, used to be regarded as a rich plum.

The same story is to be told of the treasurer's office, which used to be a bonanza and is now an expensive adjunct to the administration of county affairs.

This is the condition as revealed by the report of the finance committee of the board of supervisors and it should make the taxpayers of the county do some thinking.

The people will nominate their own candidates this fall. Would not a sweeping change be desirable? Is it not time to call for an entirely new deal? If the change is not made, if the same old defect creating officials are re-nominated, will not it be to invite disaster for the Republican ticket in the election next fall?

### SOCIETIES.

#### W. C. T. U.

The Lowell W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. B. C. Needham Friday afternoon at 2:30.

The East side Ladies Pedro club was entertained yesterday by Mrs. A. A. Husted at the home of L. J. Post. After an enjoyable time spent in playing Pedro, in which Mrs. M. Rubens carried off first honors and Mrs. Geo. M. Winegar, second, dainty refreshments were served. At 5:30 they returned to the village.

Clearance Sale at Godfrey's.

Great values for 10c. Collar's Bazaar.

Cut glass at cut price. R. D. Stocking.

Attend Butt's 30 day sale and save money.

Clearance Sale on shoes at Godfrey's.

Gee Whiz, trade at Godfrey's and save money.

Watch bargains still continue at Stockings.

Mrs. A. C. Stone was in Grand Rapids Tuesday.

Now is the time to shoe the children. D. F. Butts.

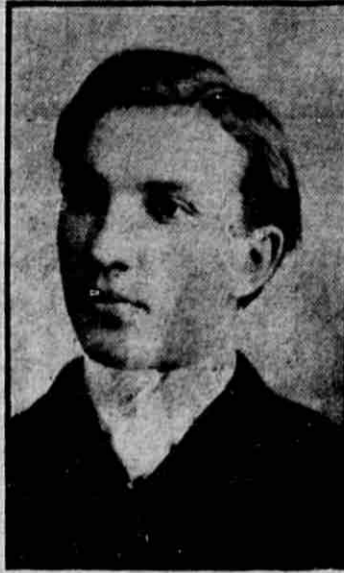
Look around and you'll see them at Butt's 30 day sale.

Miss Edith Vandenberg spent Sunday at her home at Howard City.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Lille visited relatives at Carson City the first of the week.

Mrs. G. L. Sprague and baby Marjorie returned Tuesday evening from a month's visit with her parents in Mason.

### He Has Resigned.



Rev. G. L. Sprague has tendered his resignation as pastor of the Lowell Baptist church, to take effect Jan. 31. It is expected that it will be acted upon at a meeting of the church after the close of the public service Sunday evening.

### Death of Mrs. Phillidia Harris.

Mrs. Phillidia Harris died Tuesday morning at the home of her brother, A. A. Hall with whom she lived. Last week Wednesday on returning home he found her unconscious on the floor and she remained insensible until her death. She had suffered similar attacks of brain trouble before.

Funeral services were held this afternoon at the McBride cemetery South of Lowell.

Deceased was born Sept. 27, 1833, in Stuben Co., N. Y. She came to Lowell in 1870. Her husband died in 1902 and she leaves no family.

### HEARD ABOUT TOWN.

Dr. Hodges, dentist. if

Shoe sale at Godfrey's.

Mitten Sale at Godfrey's.

Overcoat sale at Godfrey's

Best broom in town 25c.

Collar's Bazaar.

Wanted—Plain sewing by the day.

Mrs. BERTHA QUICK.

And Say! Don't forget Butt's 30 day sale!

Thirty days of bargain in shoes. D. F. Butts.

Clearance Sale on overcoats at Godfrey's.

Don't forget that big party is next Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Fred Graham is recovering from a several days' illness.

Ask to see the Zero Shoe. \$3. Sale price \$3.50. D. F. Butts.

Rev. S. T. Morris of Grand Rapids called on Lowell friends Monday

The Kelly shoes for Women are also reduced in price. D. F. Butts.

Mrs. J. D. Harvey entertained Mrs. J. E. Tower, of Fallsburg, Monday evening.

We have the only cushion shoe ever offered for \$4.00, during this sale only 3.50. D. F. Butts.

Mrs. Willis Parnes of Port Huron visited Mrs. D. P. Atwater last Thursday.

Ed. N. Parker is hauling lumber for a new residence on his farm in South Lowell.

If you are thinking of buying shoes it will be to your advantage to attend Butt's 30 day sale.

Miss Grace Truesdill of Muir is spending the week with her cousin Miss Maud Andrews.

Misses Scott and Richardson announce their next big party Jan. 26. Full orchestra and program.

Stop at Godfrey's and get his clearance sale prices on overcoats heavy foot wear Gloves and mittens.

Lost—Black fur, Jan. 13, between opera house and F. T. King's residence. Finder please leave at this office.

Mrs. A. V. Graveline has returned to her home in Detroit after spending three weeks with her sister, Miss Lizzie Soucier, of South Boston.

Mrs. Harriet Hatch of Keene died Wednesday, at the age of 58 years. Funeral services to-morrow forenoon at 10 o'clock. Burial at South Boston.

Chas. H. Pemble returned Saturday from a trip to St. Johns, bringing with him a bride, whose former name was Miss Mary Sturgis. Mr. Pemble has rented the Asa Fletcher house and fitted up a pleasant home.

Dr. H. O. Barnes, who has been showing symptoms visible to the naked eye, disappeared from view Tuesday, and Dame Rumor says he went to Detroit to get a Tower to add to his Barnes. He is said to have rented the Ranney house and the worthy couple are expected to make a home run. They will be at home to their friends after February 1.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Lowell State Bank held January 18th, Charles McCarty, Geo. W. Parker, Frank T. King, E. L. Bennett, F. J. Laver and W. E. Marsh were elected to serve as directors for the ensuing year. The Board of Directors re-elected all the officers of the bank which are as follows: Chas. McCarty, President; Geo. W. Parker, Vice President; W. E. Marsh, Cashier and D. G. Mangle Ass't Cashier.

## Cough Cure that Does Cure

The peculiar menace of the winter season is the danger which arises from Coughs and Colds. There is positive need in every home of some remedy which can be depended upon to cure coughs and protect all members of the family from serious lung troubles.

**Our Tar-Pine Cough Balsam**

very seldom fails to do what is expected of it. Only last week a gentleman said—"Give me two more bottles of your TAR-PINE COUGH BALSAM, it's the best I ever had in the house." Could there be a better testimonial than this?

We are so sure of its merits that we ask the privilege of refunding the money if the remedy fails in every way to please you. A good sized bottle for 25c.

We'll tell you what it's made of if you want to know.

**D. G. LOOK**

Lowell's Drug and Book Store.

## Any Old Organ Will Do.

so some folks think. That reminds us: Uncle Sam says: "Yankee-doodle-do;" The rooster says: "Cock-e-doodle-do;" and the old maid says: "Any old dude'll do." But the

**Estey and Farrand & Votey**

are top notches and the only ones good enough for my patrons Extra inducements to buyers just now.

**SPECIAL SALE OF SHEET MUSIC**

New publications, Latest Songs, Two Steps, Marches, Etc.

**R. D. Stocking**

## ANNOUNCEMENT

I have bought a bakery at Lake Odessa, but that is only a side issue. I am going to continue my business here in Lowell in the same up-to-date manner that I always have and will continue to give my friends and customers my very best efforts and attention. Thanking one and all for past favors and hoping to merit a continuance of your patronage I am

Yours truly,

**WELDON SMITH, The Baker**

## STOVES AT COST

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

**Cost**

Also a large line of second-hand cooking and heating stoves at your own price. Call and see us.

**Scott & Winegar**



RUSSIA YIELDS TO BRITISH THREAT

Great Britain Will Carry Out All Obligations Imposed Upon Her by Her Treaties.

This Statement Made by Premier Balfour Causes Russians to Halt in War Preparations in the Event of a Clash with the United States May Become Involved.

London, Jan. 18.—The surrender of Russia to Japan because of the announced determination of Great Britain to adhere to the ultimatum to the terms of the Anglo-Japanese treaty is reported by the Russian correspondent of the Times.

Opening to general comments of all the important ports in Manchuria, the Russian withdrawal from Russian pretensions to Corea, and the possibility of the Russian withdrawal from a military stronghold, are the most important points in the terms of surrender as reported.

The determination of the czar thus to sue for peace at the cost of a crushing blow to Russian prestige is attributed to the bold pronouncement by Premier Balfour in discussing the Anglo-Japanese treaty in a speech at Manchester last Monday night.

Premier Balfour's Threat. "Great Britain to the fullest extent," said the premier at that time, "will carry out all the obligations imposed upon her by her treaties."

In its leading editorial the following morning the Daily News interpreted this declaration as "a plain and unambiguous threat to Russia." That it was a warning to the government at St. Petersburg was questioned by none. Its decisive effect, if the dispatch to the Times are confirmed, will be regarded as the greatest British diplomatic triumph in recent years.

China Embarrassed. The Port Arthur correspondent of the Daily Mail says China's finances in re-occupying Mukden has complicated Russia's arrangements for the defense of Manchuria. It doubles the difficulties of financing the long line of communications between the boundary and the coast line. There are about 200,000 Russian troops in Manchuria. Half of them are employed in guarding the railway, which is 2,000 miles long.

America May Be Involved. Washington, Jan. 18.—Inflammatory utterances against foreigners in the native press of Corea have brought attention to the attention of the officials in Washington the possibility of an attack upon the Americans in Seoul and Chumpoo in the event of the expected war between Russia and Japan.

While the United States will do its utmost to prevent being drawn into the imbroglio, all possible precautionary measures to secure the safeguarding of American lives and property are being taken under the direction of the navy department.

Dear Hopes for Peace. St. Petersburg, Jan. 18.—The czar's assurance given at the winter palace January 16, on the occasion of the New Year's reception, that he desired and intended to do all in his power to maintain peace in the far east, is regarded by the foreign diplomats as a hostage given to the world for the preservation of peace. While the guarantee that Russia will recognize the open ports and other concessions in Manchuria will, it is thought, place the onus of a rupture on Japan.

Strange New Religion Sect. Boston, Jan. 18.—A new religious sect, known as the "Christian Israelites," has appeared in Boston, with members scattered through Charlestown, Somerville, Medford and Roslyn. Part of the creed for the men is allowing whiskers to grow as long as possible and the hair to such length that has to be combed up like a woman's. They predict the millennium in 1916.

Hanna Declared Elected. Columbus, O., Jan. 14.—In the presence of the joint assembly of the members of the Ohio senate and House Lieut. Gov. Warren C. Harding yesterday declared Marcus A. Hanna re-elected United States senator for the term of six years, beginning March 4, 1905. The two branches in separate session had given senator Hanna the largest majority ever given a senator from this state.

Man Pressed to Death. Springfield, Ill., Jan. 15.—Matthew Maher, aged 35 years, a prominent citizen of Assumption, Christian county, was found frozen to death on the road since between Mowqua and Assumption Wednesday morning.

To Meet in Ann Arbor. Lansing, Jan. 18.—The annual meeting of the League of Michigan Municipalities will take place at Ann Arbor, February 11 and 12, in conjunction with the meeting of the Michigan Political Science association. The convention will be addressed by its president, Mayor John F. Bible, of Ionia, while papers on different municipal problems will be read by Mayors Nellis, of Wyandotte and Charles W. G. Clark, and by Commissioner W. H. Mayors, of Detroit.

Bank Closed. Auburn, Ind., Jan. 15.—The Farmers' bank failed to open its doors yesterday morning and a notice posted from the door promised that bank would pay just dollar for dollar.

Socialist Issue Call. Omaha, Neb., Jan. 15.—The executive committee of the national socialist party in Omaha issued a call for a national convention to meet in Chicago May 1.



Dyspepsia Tablets COMPANY ATTENTION!

You will at once open an active campaign against the common enemy Dyspepsia and indigestion who possess the city of Lowell. Attack the enemy in force and rescue every Dyspeptic now held prisoner. Saturday, January 23d, you will bring to our Headquarters, D. G. Look's drug store all prisoners of Dyspepsia, where each will be furnished Absolutely Free, a full size (20 boxes) of Dyspepsia Tablets.

Free Distribution one day only, Saturday, Jan. 23, beginning at 8 A. M. Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets are Warranted to Cure All Forms of Dyspepsia And Indigestion.

MONEY WILL BE REFUNDED, EXACTLY AS PRINTED ON PACKAGE, IN CASE OF DISSATISFACTION. PRICE 25 CENTS AT OUR STORE OR BY MAIL.

D. G. LOOK, Druggist.

MICHIGAN WINS. Debaters from State University defeated Creek Graders at Minneapolis.

MINNAPOLIS, Minn., Jan. 18.—The debate between the representatives of the University of Michigan and the University of Minnesota at Minneapolis, Minn., on the occasion of the New Year's reception, that he desired and intended to do all in his power to maintain peace in the far east, is regarded by the foreign diplomats as a hostage given to the world for the preservation of peace.

Ann Arbor, Jan. 18.—Prof. M. F. Cooley has been appointed dean of the engineering department of the University of Michigan to succeed Prof. C. F. Green, deceased. Prof. Cooley's salary was fixed at \$2,500 a year.

DEATH OF JAMES H. HOSE. Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.—Senator Hose, who died at his residence in Washington, D. C., on Sunday, Jan. 17, 1904, was a member of the Michigan delegation to the United States Senate.

TRAIN STRIKES STREET CAR IN DETROIT. Thirty-four persons are injured—One Dies.

DETROIT, Jan. 18.—An east-bound Michigan line car carrying many passengers was struck by a Great Trunk passenger train at the Gratiot avenue and DuRoi street crossing.

SOME OLD FRIENDS BACK AGAIN. So many requests have been made for a return of Happy Hooligan, the Katzenjammer Kids and other old favorites of newspaper readers, The Free Press will present them again.

CHAS. BRUNS WILL HAVE AN AUCTION SALE OF FARM STOCK, IMPLEMENTS, ETC., ON SATURDAY, JAN. 23, BEGINNING AT 10 A. M.

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SPORT WITH KINKS IN IT. Queer Things That Have Happened to Players of Golf and Cricket in the Field.

It is a gorgeous story that comes from the golf links of Cairo, and every good golfer will benefit from a gun in his bag of clubs if he wishes to overlook no fine points, says the Illustrated Sporting News.

By neglecting certain simple arts and ordinary precautions a great many pretty girls fail to make the most of their beauty, and by attending to these arts and precautions a great many plain girls make up for nature's unkindness to them.

Every girl should strive to make the best of herself physically, temperamentally and intellectually. For the body, moderate, regular and well-planned exercise is necessary.

Netness in dress is the main characteristic of a well-groomed girl. She is aware that torn facings, ripped skirt linings, spotted garters, loose or missing buttons, open plaided collars, pins where hooks should be, unpolished shoes, soiled or worn-out gloves, untidy lines, rumpled ribbons and belts out of place are characteristic of a girl in no way.

There is a hilly and indefinite locality on the border land of Poland and Raymond known as the Black and White hills, and it is on these hills that a black and white bear was killed.

THE ATTRACTIVE GIRL. She is Not Necessarily a Beauty, But Knows How to Dress Neatly and Becomingly.

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BED OF AN EMPRESS. Empress Josephine Slept in It During Her Uncertain Reign at Fontainebleau.

Particular interest attaches to the luxurious and beautiful bed, a picture of which accompanies this story, and for the reason that Empress Josephine slept in it while she reigned at Fontainebleau.

The heavy curtains with their fringes and tassels, and the cat-fur-like appearance of the whole arrangement are not to our taste to-day, but the interest of the piece is intensely human.

While Josephine was in favor with Napoleon this was the imperial couch, but when misfortune crowded thick upon her it was deserted.

The large rose sachet is used as a corset pad. A half yard of five-inch liberty satin ribbon, preferably pink or white, is gathered into five loops.

French knot. The rose is loosely fastened to the tufted sachet pad, measuring four by five inches, made of ribbon, and the center of each. They are fastened to the ends of a strip of yellow, white or any other color ribbon.

MODERN RACE HORSES. High Average of Speed That Has Been Attained To in the Last Few Years.

The average race of 1903 was run a half second faster than in previous seasons, and when the Suburban and the Brooklyn handicaps were created, they were intended primarily to be endurance races, in which horses should take up strong weights and run respectable times at a moderate pace, says Outing.

There are Roman faces both at the head and foot, together with the narrow and the gilded floral scrolls which are characteristic of the style of the day.

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PROBLEM OF DRY FARMING. Agricultural Department Has Schemes for Raising Plants Without Use of Water.

It is probable that in the near future it will be possible to raise good crops without either natural or artificial irrigation, and that the problem of the west will be solved.

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THE STORY OF MICHIGAN IN PEARSON'S MAGAZINE FOR FEBRUARY

DAVID S. BARRY has told the history of Michigan concisely, accurately and dramatically. No State has a story more romantic.

do YOU KNOW that PEARSON'S enlarges more than 1,250,000 people every month? Features like the following explain its popularity:

Millions of people are interested in the story of Michigan, and in the story of the people who have lived in it.

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SOMETHING ABOUT BOOKS AND BOOK-BARGAINS. Every PEARSON'S Subscriber Enjoys Great Book-Purchasing Privileges.

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SPANISH PEGGY

A STORY OF YOUNG ILLINOIS

By MARY HARTWELL CATERWOOD

The noise of her feet in the heavy coat, for which she had waited so long...

"Well, how do you suppose the boat... The noise of her feet in the heavy coat...

He snatched off his cap, standing erect, manhood of hips and shoulders...

"I have some money that I make in Belleville," she apologized. "Slickshack and the woman have not some..."

ance of knowing how to do things... He was light, he was not dandy...

When Peggy first learned to knit... She pulled the yarn so tight that the stocking...

He snatched off his cap, standing erect, manhood of hips and shoulders...

STROKE SHATTERED MY NERVES.

Dr. Miles' Nerve Put Me On Active List... "I had some money that I make in Belleville..."

HEALTH

"I don't think we could keep... We need a medicine that will cure the stomach, bowels...

NO DOCTOR

is necessary in the home where... THEFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

HEARING THE END.

Chicago, Jan. 18.—Coroner Trager... Another victim of the Iroquois disaster...

FIFTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The time... Another victim of the Iroquois disaster...

UNITED MINES WORKERS.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 19.—The... AN AFRICAN WAR.

WATER-LOGGED.

Washington, Jan. 18.—The senate... CHARLES M. SCHWAB FINALLY ADMITS THAT HIS UNITED STATES SHIPBUILDING COMPANY IS INSOLVENT.

FINE RIGS

Will give you first-class service at moderate prices... Jones' Livery

DR. KING'S NEW DISCOVERY

FOR CONSUMPTION... A Perfect For All Throat and Croup Lung Troubles

SALT RISING BREAD

A SPECIALTY... WHERE YOU WILL GET THE PRODUCE OF DUCKS, TURKEYS, GOOSE, AND CHICKENS

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# Weekes' Linen Sale

On Saturday, January 16th We commence the most interesting Linen Sale we have yet had—the most interesting because we offer more of all kinds of Linens than we have ever shown before and the prices are less too.

A wide all pure Linen	Cream German Damask	89c
" " " " "	" " Irish "	89c
" " " " "	Full Bleached "	89c
68 in. all pure Linen, Full Bleached Damask,	the 75c kind	50c
78 in. " " " " "	" " " " "	75c
and the 1-2 Cream Damasks for 21c to 83c		

We sell the Stevens Crashes, the best made. Some stores will tell you the Absorbent, and name other kinds, "are just as good," but they are fooling and you will know better when you compare them.

We sell the 10c kind for 7 1/2-9c  
" " 12 1/2 " " 9c  
" " 15c " " 11c

We are sure you will buy all the napkins you need and may be more too when you see the low prices we have put on them.

### Sale Ends Saturday January 23.

## A. W. WEEKES.

### The Lowell State Bank

Desires the accounts of firms and individuals. It extends them every reasonable courtesy and facility.

#### COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular special meeting of the Common Council of the village of Lowell, held in the Council Rooms on Monday evening, Jan. 18, 1904. Meeting called to order by President Hakes. Present Trustees: Lee, Look, Nicholson, Smith and Winegar, absent Collar.

The L. & P. Committee reported unfavorably the on the request of George Headley asking that the council extend the line on West Main street so as to furnish him with light. The committee did not think the amount of business in sight on the extension would warrant the expenditure necessary to extend the line.

President Hakes called the marshal and night watch before the council for some instructions in their duties and stated that it had been brought to his notice that the ordinance of the village in regard to drunkenness and disorder and the use of obscene and vulgar language were being violated.

The President stated to the officers that anyone so intoxicated as to be unable to walk without staggering was a disorderly person within the meaning of the ordinance as such as though he were unduly noisy or raising a disturbance and should be arrested and punished.

President Hakes laid particular stress on the matter of persons using obscene and vulgar language on the streets and in public places and particularly instructed the officers to arrest all such persons. The officers were also instructed to take particular note of all saloons or other places which were open after hours or on Sundays or holidays in violation of the law and to make complaints against any that were guilty of violating the law in any way.

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

#### STREET FUND

Jno E Lewis	\$15 00
<b>L &amp; P FUND</b>	
Express	\$ 75
Scott & Winegar	85
R B Boylan	2 82
Jno Gardner	3 50
	\$26 92

R. P. Morse petitioned the Council to pass an ordinance licensing draying within the village.

Motion made by Trustee Look that the ordinance relative to fire wardens passed May 12th, 1884, be repealed. Carried.

Motion made by Trustee Look that the new ordinance relative to Fire commissioners be read and adopted section by section.

Motion made by Trustee Winegar that 1st section be adopted. Carried. Motion made by Trustee Winegar that 2nd section be adopted. Carried. Motion made by Trustee Look that 3rd section be adopted. Carried.

Motion made by Trustee Nicholson that 4th section be adopted. Carried. Motion made by Trustee Winegar that 5th section be adopted. Carried.

Motion made by Trustee Winegar that 6th section be adopted. Carried. An ordinance relative to Fire Commissioners. The village of Lowell ordains as follows:

Sec. 1. That the village president with the consent of the Common Council shall appoint three fire commissioners, whose duty it shall be to act jointly in the examination of chimneys, fire-places, the putting up of stoves and pipes in said village, the keeping or storage of powder or any other combustible substance in said village; the carrying on of any extra hazardous trade or business in said village; and of all public halls where held, school houses, churches, lodge rooms and all other buildings of a public nature where large crowds of people may assemble, with special reference to the safety of their structure, their stoves, furnaces, pipes and chimneys and the means of exit in case of fire. Said fire commissioners may make such orders for the alteration of any chimney, fire place or stove pipe as the safety of the Village against fire may require, and they may make such orders for the removal or destruction of any such powder or combustible substance as may be advisable for the safety or protection of the Village against fire, and may make orders for the removal of any building or structure which may be dangerous to the public safety from fire may require; and when any public hall, school house, church, lodge room, or other building of public nature is deemed unsafe structurally they may make orders for its repair, if repair be possible in their judgment, or if said building is beyond repair, may condemn its use entirely; and may make such orders for the providing of exits and fire escapes to public halls, school houses, churches, lodge rooms and other buildings of a public nature where large crowds of people may assemble as the public safety from fire may require. And said fire commissioners shall have the power and it shall be their duty to remove or destroy any other commodity of whatever kind and value that may tend to cause or increase any fire in said village.

Sec. 2. Any person, company or corporation who shall be the owner or have charge and custody of any such property or commodity deemed to be dangerous or hazardous in causing or increasing fire, or loss of life by fire, who shall not repair, remove or destroy the same, or construct exits or fire escapes immediately upon the receiving the orders of the fire commissioners, shall for each offense forfeit and pay upon conviction thereof the sum of not more than One Hundred dollars nor less than Five dollars in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 3. Any person or persons who shall refuse or neglect to assist when he or they shall be requested by any officer of the Village of Lowell who shall be authorized to make such request, to help extinguish or prevent any fire, or when at any fire to remove or help to remove or protect any property that may be endangered in consequence of any fire in said village of Lowell shall for each and every offense forfeit and pay not more than Fifty dollars nor less than Five dollars in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 4. If any person who shall be the owner or have charge of any property as hereinbefore described and shall neglect or refuse upon receiving the orders of the fire commissioners, to remove, repair or destroy the same or to construct exits or fire escapes, such commissioners shall immediately proceed to cause said property or commodity to be removed, repaired or destroyed or said exits or fire escapes to be constructed as may be for the safety of said village and the cost of said removing, repairing, destroying or constructing shall become a charge against the said owner or custodian of said property, and may be collected by said village of Lowell in an ordinary suit at law.

Sec. 5. The said fire commissioners shall keep an accurate account of their time occupied as said fire commissioners, and the necessary expenses incurred by them in their duties as said commissioners, which accounts shall be allowed by the Common Council at the rate of twenty-five cents per hour per member for

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Sec. 6. If the Fire Commissioners shall refuse or neglect to attend to the duties of their offices as herein specified, upon conviction thereof shall for each offense forfeit and pay the sum of not more than One Hundred dollars nor less than One dollar in the discretion of the court.

This ordinance to be given immediate effect.

Passed January 18th, 1904. President Hakes appointed Frank Ecker, Porter Carr and Sylvester Brewer fire commissioners. Confirmed by Council on motion by Trustee Nicholson.

Motion made by Trustee Winegar that the following resolution providing salary for fire department be adopted. Carried.

Resolved by the Common Council of the Village of Lowell: That the Village of Lowell shall pay the members of the Lowell Fire Department as follows: The chief of said department shall receive the sum of Five Dollars (\$5) per month. Each and every other regular member shall receive the sum of Two Dollars (\$2) per month, irrespective of the number of times the company is called out. And it is further provided that upon failure of any member to attend any fire or supposed fire, to which the company is called out, without providing a substitute satisfactory to said fire company, he shall be fined One Dollar (\$1), said fine to be deducted from his salary from the Village. And it is further provided, that upon any member failing to attend any regular monthly meeting of the said fire company, or upon failing to attend any fire practice when ordered by the fire committee, without an acceptable excuse, shall be fined Fifty Cents (\$.50) for each offense, said fine to be deducted from his salary from the Village.

In pursuance of an ordinance passed June 23rd, 1885, providing for the organization of the Lowell Fire Department.

To take effect Feb. 1st, 1904. Adopted January 18th, 1904. Motion made by Trustee Nicholson to adjourn. Carried.

T. A. MURPHY, Clerk.

Don't forget that every shoe is marked down. D. F. Butts. All records broken in shoe sales. D. F. Butts.

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Influenced by a Bell. The Church of St. Nicolas, in the city of Rheims, is surrounded with pillars. When a certain bell in the tower is rung the top of one pillar swings to the extent of seven inches on each side, although the base is immovable, and the stones are so firmly cemented as to seem like a solid piece of masonry. Notwithstanding that each of the four bells is about the same distance from the trembling pillar, none of the others has the slightest effect on it.

An Original Definition. Twin boys attending school in Brooklyn were asked by the teacher what are twins, when one of the five-year-old youngsters replied: "Couple of fellows that live in the same house."—Brooklyn Life.

The Brutal Husband. "Oh, John, there are some lovely hats in that window." "Yes, I know. They look so well there, that it would be a pity to take any of them away."—Chicago American.

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### Beginning Saturday, Jan. 23.

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Full line of 8-4 and 9-4 Sheetings, Pillow Tubings, Bleached and unbleached 32 in. Sheetings at Special Prices 500 yds fancy Table Oil Cloth to go into this sale at 11¢ yd.

Machine thread.....	04	\$1.00 Percale Wrappers.....	68
Best light prints.....	10	50c Heavy fleeced underwear.....	75
Best leather tick.....	08	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	75
Dark prints.....	04	Two-piece suits.....	48
Heavy fleeced underwear.....	21	50c Heavy fleeced underwear.....	48
" " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	40	50 Inch fleeced blanket (50c value).....	45
Two-piece suits.....	40	55 Inch fleeced blanket (70c value).....	58
36 Inch fleeced waistings, fast colors, 15c value 11¢	11	11-4 heavy blanket (\$1.12 value).....	80
10c Flannelettes.....	07	20 dozen ladies' fleeced hose (15c value).....	11
12c Flannelettes.....	08	Coats machine thread.....	04
36 Inch heavy outings.....	06	Richardson's spool silk (50 yard spool).....	04
36 Inch best outings.....	07	Richardson's spool silk (100 yard spool).....	07
Good outings.....	08	A special number in an undershirt (very heavy, \$1.25 value).....	08
\$1.00 and \$1.25 Flannelette wrappers.....	53		

Bed Spreads? Yes—at surprisingly low prices. Come in and see them. Special for Saturday Jan. 23—Any Ladies' or Misses Coat in stock at just 1-2 price. Ask to see those coats we sell at \$2.11.

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