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Money Grows...

When deposited here. The small sum necessary to open an account with

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Hill, Watts & Co.

soon has to be represented by several figures. The desire to save grows with the account. We help to increase the amount by paying

3 Per Cent Interest on Savings

Set aside part of your income and put it in a safe place. Then you will have it for days of necessity.



MALICIOUS SLANDER

PRESIDENT MAKES LABELS JOURNAL'S STATEMENT

As to His Position on More Time For Pool Room.

To the Public:— I wish to state that the publication in the Journal last week relative to President Hakes being in favor of granting the pool room more hours for operating, is false, and I believe was willfully and maliciously published for an untruth. I wish to say further that what I said was by request of Mr. Westbrook and so stated to the Council that was, that he had no card tables and allowed no minors, which I thought was my duty to announce as requested. H. W. HAKES.

DID NOT ACCEPT

THE RESIGNATION OF REV. G. L. SPRAGUE.

Baptist Church So Voted. Union Church Movement at Standstill.

The church and society members of the Baptist church met on Monday evening to consider financial matters. There was an evident desire manifest to retain the services of the present pastor. After this meeting the church members convened and voted unanimously not to accept the resignation of the pastor. A committee waited upon him at the parsonage on Monday evening to convey the sentiment and desires of the church.

The pastor has the matter under consideration. In the meantime, the movement for a union church or for united action is at a standstill. Of the wisdom of such action, liberal supporters of church work, outside and inside of both, are convinced; but the question of church property is an obstacle; and some church members, while theoretically favoring the movement are practically opposed to it. However no ill has come of the agitation; and good fruit may be borne later on.

OVER FORTY YEARS.

Geo. W. Kitchen Lived in Lowell. Burial Sunday.

Mr. George W. Kitchen died in Lowell, Friday, Jan. 22, 1904. He was born in Norfolk county, Ontario, Canada, Dec. 25, 1842.

At the age of nineteen, he came to Lowell, Mich., where in 1859 he married Miss Mary Johnson, who with their son George survives him. Their daughter died in 1865 at the age of 18 years.

Mr. Kitchen was a member of the M. E. church, which he joined in the year 1886. He had been in poor health for three years and a great sufferer; but he passed away peacefully, trusting in the Lord. He was a kind father and loving husband, and he will be sorely missed in the home from which he has been taken. The funeral services were held in M. E. church on Sunday afternoon, and the sermon preached by the Rev. Chas. Nease, was from the text chosen by Mr. Kitchen, Matt. 25: 34. The body was laid to rest in the Oakwood cemetery.—[Com.]

MRS. HORACE HATCH

Laid to Her Rest Last Friday in South Boston.

Harriet A. Payne was born in Granby, Oswego county, N. Y., Mar. 11, 1846. She was married to George Dann in 1866 and came to Saranac in January, 1867. Mr. Dann died the following year.

She was again married to Horace Hatch October, 1870, and they located in Keene on the farm where they lived happily together until two years ago last August, when Mr. Hatch passed away.

Mrs. Hatch joined the M. E. church in 1870 and was a faithful member of the same until Jan. 20, 1904, when she was transferred to the church triumphant. She was a consistent Christian, one that backed her profession by her life.

She leaves to mourn their loss a stricken church, a host of relatives and friends, one daughter, Myrtle Hatch of Keene, two step-sons, Wilton Hatch of California and Orin Hatch of Keene, and one step daughter, Mrs. Fannie Kneese of Coral, Mich. The funeral was conducted at the home Jan. 22 by Rev. J. H. Westbrook. Interment in South Boston cemetery.—[Com.]

METHODIST.

The subject of the sermon on Sunday morning Jan. 31, will be, "Catching Men." And in the evening the fifth sermon in the series on Stumbling Blocks to Religion in Lowell, "The Stress of Business Life and Methods."

The topic for the Epworth League Meeting on Sunday evening, Jan. 31 is, "Christian Stewardship," and Miss Jessie G. Nease will have charge.

The boys of the B. B. L. had a fine banquet on Saturday evening last. Thirty six boys and girls were present and enjoyed it.

The Sunday school will soon have some new song books and the same books will be used in the evening services.

Preaching service this Thursday evening at 7:30.

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

See those stocking bargains He per pair at Godfrey's.

VOTING CONTEST

WHO GETS THE \$60 TALKING MACHINE?

Record of Votes Cast up To-Day Noon.

The votes up to noon today in the Victor Talking machine contest are given herewith:
Ethel White.....211
Howard Walsh.....59
Prof Selbert.....1

WE MAY HAVE TWO

PROSPECTS GOOD FOR ROAD TO GREENVILLE.

Cascade to Get Grand Rapids & Ionia.

This morning's Grand Rapids Herald has the following:

Two electric lines instead of one may be built out of Grand Rapids this year by the persons promoting the Grand Rapids & Ionia railway. The second interurban would extend from here to Belding and thence to Greenville. Within 30 days Engineer Kline of the Grand Rapids & Ionia company will lay out the line from Grand Rapids to Greenville.

"We have decided to build a branch from the Grand Rapids & Ionia line north to Belding and Greenville," said President E. M. Hopkins of the company promoting that interurban.

"We have not yet determined, however, at just what point it will leave the line between here and Ionia. It will depart at one of three places near Cascade, at Lowell or at Saranac. If it should leave near Cascade it will pass north through Ada and then to Belding. Our engineer, Mr. Kline, will make the selection before March 1.

"The second line will be known as the Grand Rapids, Belding & Greenville. We are considering a proposition to construct it simultaneously with the Grand Rapids & Ionia line, although we may decide not to build until next year.

"Plans for the power house are unformed. We may decide to have separate power houses located midway between each line, or we may decide to erect one large one just east of Ionia.

This question, together with that of whether the line shall be operated by third rail or trolley system, will be settled at a meeting to be held in Detroit within 30 days, at which time the profile of the Grand Rapids & Ionia line will be presented to the directors.

Yesterday President Hopkins, Secretary Westcott and John Hopkins were engaged receiving delegations from Cascade and Ada.

To the Cascade people E. M. Hopkins said that the line would pass through their township provided they would donate the eight miles of right of way. To this a reply was made to the effect that all of the necessary land with the exception of two small strips had been secured and that this property could be secured at a moment's notice. To the Ada delegation Mr. Hopkins said that the line would go through their village if the Cascade right of way was not secured.

LIVED IN LOWELL 29 YEARS.

Eldridge W. Rice Laid to Rest Yesterday.

The funeral of Eldridge Ward Rice was held at the Congregational church yesterday conducted by Rev. G. L. Sprague. He was 73 years of age and had lived in Lowell 29 years. Until stricken with paralysis a few years ago, he was a familiar figure on the village streets, being often employed by the street and sidewalk commissioners.

Mr. Rice was born at Hartland, Niagara county, N. Y., Jan. 15, 1830, and five years later moved with his parents to Gaines, this county. In 1858 he married Miss Anna Eliza Bentley of South Boston and to them were born six children, five of whom with the mother survive. These are: Mrs. Will Snyder of Battle Creek; Mrs. Gifford Johnson, Mrs. James Campbell, Ella Rice and Myron Rice of Lowell.

MARRIAGE LICENCES.

Benjamin Donovan, 46, Grattan; Margaret Bowler, 36, Grand Rapids; Milton Yoder, 29, Bowne; Mary Blough, 28, Campbell, Mich.; Austin Byrne, 27, Grattan; Bernice Houlihan, 22, Vergennes.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to extend to our kind friends our grateful appreciation of floral tributes and also to the choir for their kindness and especially to Mr. Mange and family for their devotion and sympathy during our recent bereavement.

Mrs. Mary Kitchen
Geo. E. Kitchen and wife.

S. P. Hicks has been attending the monthly meeting of the County Board of Auditors this week. Bills from the Sheriff's department were not deep; and the Herald quotes Mr. Hicks thusly: "The sheriff's force should know by this time that the Board means business. We will not sanction any bills of deputies for assisting the humane officer, for the latter is paid by the humane society. The deputies must keep within their own provinces if they expect this board to order their bills paid."

All records broken in shoe sales, D. F. Butts.

Golden Eggs

This is a time of the year when hens should yield better dividends than Standard Oil Stock. These dividends can be largely regulated by what you feed your hens. We have

A Guaranteed Egg Producer

And know by actual experience that this is true. You had better begin at once to make your hens lay and prove this to your own satisfaction while

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The use of DR. HESS POULTRY PANACEA and the feeding of our select BALTIMORE OYSTER SHELL is apt to yield a 500 per cent dividend. Isn't this worth investigating. Call at our store and we will show you the way to do it.

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-ee-doodle-do;" and the old maid says: "Any old dude'll do." But she

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

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Each the best of its kind.

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Cakes too numerous to mention.

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Cost

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"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.

There is love and there is justice. Justice is for one's self, love is for others.—R. L. Stevenson.

In these days of automobiles and rapid transit street cars the poor pedestrian seems to occupy the position of a standing joke. He comments the Los Angeles Times. He is made ridiculous by his efforts to get out of the way, and in even laughed at when he is run over. Yet the rights of the pedestrian are paramount to all others, it being his own fault if he does not assert them.

Certain export sales continue record breakers. For the first nine months of 1903 they ran \$117,000,000, against \$104,000,000 for the corresponding nine months of 1902, and only \$122,000,000 for 1901. The high price for this year is shown by the fact that the first 90,000 came back to the country from the exportation of 2,500,000 pounds of cotton, whereas in 1902 we had to send away over 2,000,000,000 pounds to bring us back the \$122,000,000.

The reasons which make it impossible for the locomotive to compete successfully with the trolley in one or another form of intracity traffic and an urban service will gradually narrow the sphere of its usefulness, and it requires no great stretch of the imagination to predict that it will ultimately disappear altogether, prophesies the New York Times. This will be gradual, no doubt, but it seems to be inevitable. Its last practical function will be in drawing trains over long stretches of country furnishing little traffic but separating populous and important sections. The locomotive has performed a service of incalculable value in the world for something over a century, and will last with its modern equipments it is at least a second century of life, but all within its second century.

It is not only a second century of life, but all within its second century. It is not only a second century of life, but all within its second century. It is not only a second century of life, but all within its second century.

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THE MICHIGAN NEWS

Showing What's Doing in All Sections of the State

The Deering Sisters Yaw. Penance for disobeying their parents is thought to have been the cause of the extraordinary seizure of the two Deering sisters, the last of whom, Miss Susan, died in Buchanan, the other, Miss Susan, died in Buchanan, the other, Miss Susan, died in Buchanan.

Land Commissioner Wilder predicts that the present fiscal year will be the last of the kind. He estimates that the receipts will total \$400,000 before it closes. The increase this year is largely due to the policy of the commissioner and Auditor General, who are according to the latter, more than heretofore.

The Detroit police department is continuing its investigation into the condition of the city. It is continuing its investigation into the condition of the city. It is continuing its investigation into the condition of the city.

South Haven is to head for \$100,000 for public improvements. Grand Marais logging camps are closed on account of the season.

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NEWS OF THE WORLD

A Brief Chronicle of All Important Happenings

Muskegon liquor law enforcement is violating the alibi law, will introduce blackball charges as defense. Orley Beckwith fell 30 feet while walking on the Kalamazoo river bridge in Nottawa, but landed in snow, and may recover.

Between 125 and 150 men were employed Monday by an explosion in the shaft of the Harwick Coal Co. near Cheswick, Pa., and it is believed that many of them were either killed or maimed.

The house passed 200 pension bills Monday in the Senate. The House passed 200 pension bills Monday in the Senate. The House passed 200 pension bills Monday in the Senate.

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THE RIGHT DOCTOR

By JULIA ELEANOR ANDERSON.

When I met her on the steamer coming back from foreign shores, a bright maiden did I deem her. And with English was her tongue, she was bright in conversation. When we spoke of other nations that was a truth dimmed.

She had a foreign education. I knew the language of each land; I was dumb with admiration. Though I could not understand, I was dumb with admiration.

She could read me quite a sermon in the history of France. When she spoke of Isabella German I identified great ignorance.

All day the clouds hung low and heavy, as though reluctant to yield their precious contents to the dusty, sun-parched earth. But at last, unable to contain themselves any longer, they broke against the sky.

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WITH VETTERALS

For a Hero's Grave.

The summer sets its resonance again. The forest looms with verdant green and blue, and the wind and sun are warm and bright.

They laid upon his breast a crown of thorns. His roses withered, but he was not moved. For one who braved so many storms he was a hero.

Started Sheridan on Famous Ride. The man who started Gen. Phil Sheridan on his famous ride to win back a battle that was lost, lives in Warrenburg, a village in this county.

Prof. Bunge of the University of Bale, who has been making researches in the field of physics, has just published an interesting report on the subject.

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For Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, etc.

A Perfect Cure for All Throat and Lung Troubles.

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Is none too good for those who buy their GROCERIES here.

Everything in season, and prices within reason.

Orders by 'Phone promptly attended to.

McCarty & Co. Grocers.

Fine Rigs

Elsworth's Zebras were recalled a few days ago to the minds of all who remember the incidents of the early days of the war.

The younger generation little know the conflict, trial and persecution endured by their fathers for the preservation of the blessings which they now enjoy.

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From Our Point of View

"FROZEN to death while drunk"—two cases reported in Tuesday's dailies. "It comes high; but we must have it."

MAJOR HARRISON having been held responsible for the Iroquois disaster, may conclude that he who aspires to be President should be faithful in lesser things.

HAVING got a bargain in her new bridge, Miss Grand Rapids would not be pleased to have the townships build a system of good roads with that city as the center. Good scheme—if she can work it.

The Detroit Times has an editorial spasm because Vermont is to hang a woman for the murder of her husband; and says: "It is bad enough to kill a man by legal means; it's a thousand times worse to kill a woman." Nonsense! A woman criminal is not a whit better than a man guilty of the same offense. If she puts her own head into the noose she knew was there, let her hang!

The boom of W. R. Hearst for the Democratic nomination for president has passed the point of mirth-making on the part of the conservative wing of the party. Armed with a big barrel, metropolitan newspapers widely scattered from New York to California, backed by an indomitable will, abundant capabilities and the vigor of youth, with his avowed and deadly enmity for the trusts, Mr. Hearst is a candidate to be respected.

PROF. ANDREWS of Nebraska university favors adding that institution to the tail of Rockefeller's kite; and in an address defends that old robber and his crushing out of competition, which has resulted in more misery for America's poor. To add to his infamy, this golden calf worshipper predicts with approval that "Society, as it becomes more enlightened, will snuff out the lives of sickly and deformed infants." Such a man is not fit to be a teacher; but he might do for pig-sticker in the Chicago slaughter pens.

DID YOU EVER have a cow that would give a good mess of milk and then put her foot in it? Ever see a man give his boy a new suit and then abuse the lad for wearing out the old? Ever hear a preacher deliver a good, liberal sermon in the morning and kick it all over at night? Ever hear a man advocate independence, morality and right action and then see him straddle the fence and squint both ways when put to the test? Ever hear men plead for a measure they expected to profit by and see them oppose it when another might have benefited? Ever hear people pretend to be Christians and see them act like common, every-day sinners, or worse? Yes, if you have kept your eyes and ears open, you've seen and heard it all. Great guys, doesn't it make you tired!

BROUGHT UP on brick pavements and stone walls, our great cities produce numerous "Smart Alexes" who in their ignorance feel themselves vastly superior to their betters, in the rural districts and smaller towns. Some of these half-baked become editorial tools of corporation daily newspapers. Just such a weeping on the Detroit Journal wrote an insulting screed against the Michigan Press association last Friday, while its members were guests of that city. Referring to the incident, a prominent citizen who has often been urged to become mayor of Detroit said: "Editorially, the Journal is the weakest paper in the city." There are many men in the M. P. A. who could fill the Journal editorial chair far better than the weaking who rattles around in it; while he, poor thing, knows as much of the duties and responsibilities of the country journalist—who owns, manages, edits and prints his own paper—as a hog does of Latin.

A PROMINENT Detroit man of State reputation said to us Saturday that he had talked with a Wall street magnate about Roosevelt a day or two before. The New Yorker said: "If money can defeat Roosevelt, we are going to do it." For a few minutes the Michigan man administered a tongue-lashing that must have astonished the money market citizen, for as soon as the latter could get in a word he remarked: "I didn't suppose I was going to stir up such a cyclone. Is that the way Western people feel about it?" THE LEDGER is interested in the proof offered of what we have long suspected and now believe, that the money power and trust makers are fighting the President. This justifies the declaration of many good Democrats that they expect to vote for Teddy in the next election. Roosevelt does some provoking things, notably the raiding of his little Cuban war friends over hundreds of superior, time-tried and fire-tested officers; but that his conduct of affairs on the whole has been favorable to the people and against the criminal aggressions of public enemies is evidenced by the attitude of Wall street. Teddy stands by the common people; and if the latter are wise, they will not permit him to be defeated by the briberies, intimidations or machinations of the robber trusts.

Where the Michigan Press Association was entertained. D. B. Davidson and F. M. Johnson attended the meetings of the Michigan Press Association at the Wayne Hotel, Detroit, Thursday and Friday of last week. The former returned Saturday morning, but the latter left Detroit at 4 p. m. that day and was 12 hours getting home, being delayed all along by snow drifts. The Wayne entertained in the style, its hospitality being crowned with an elegant banquet tendered by Miss

Coons' 5th Annual Red Mark Sale!

Begins Saturday, January 30, 1904.

In presenting this, our 5th annual RED MARK SALE, we are giving the people of Lowell another chance to secure mens' and boys' clothing at about the manufacturer's cost. Our aim in our Red Mark Sales is not to make profit but to close out our Winter stock.

Red Mark Prices Mean Goods Cheap.

Our goods are the best makes and reliable always and you get them at Red Mark prices, CHEAP.

The Red Mark Prices will be in Plain Figures

Table listing clothing items and prices, including Mens' Oxford Dress Overcoats, Mens' Black Clay Worsteds Suits, Mens' Suits (All Wool), and Mens' Genuine Harris Cassimere Pants.

Table listing accessories and smaller items, including Caps, Mittens, Heavy Wool Sox, and Fleeced Underwear.

All Staley Goods excepted in this sale. No Suspenders given with suits during this sale. These are every one bargains, but there are many others. You are sure to find what you want at a very satisfactory price. Come to-day. High-class goods at Red Mark Prices don't stay with us long.

This 5th Annual Red Mark Sale Closes, Saturday February 20th, 1904.

A. J. COONS.

THE LOWELL MARKET REPORT. [Corrected Jan. 27, 1904.] Table listing market prices for various goods such as Wheat, Corn, Eggs, and other commodities.

ABERDEEN LETTER

A GOOD DESCRIPTION OF THAT LIVE TOWN, Its Climate, Scenery, Industries and People.

The following letter to Warren Little from his daughter Mae at Aberdeen is published as a matter of interest to her many friends and to our readers in general.

DEAR PA: You asked for a description of our surroundings so I will give it as best I can. Aberdeen is a town with a population of eight thousand people. It is built on the tide lands of Grays Harbor about sixteen miles from the coast. It is called the second Venice. The buildings and roads are built about three feet from the ground on account of the tides which come and go every twelve hours.

The harbor is pear-shaped being six miles across at its widest and about one-half mile at Aberdeen where its depth is from thirty to seventy feet. The Chehalis and Wishkah rivers empty into the harbor at this point. The tide lands are intersected with sluices which vary in width from six to forty feet, some of them being large enough for navigation in high tide, and others are being used for log storage.

Before the fire in October, Aberdeen was a pretty place, but the fire swept out six blocks of the business part of town. Two weeks later it caught fire again near the preceding district and swept out another block. Most of the business men put up temporary shacks and continued to do business. The city officials have decided that no buildings shall be erected, within a prescribed distance, unless built of stone or brick. At present there are six new buildings in progress and it is expected in the near future to have as pretty a town as there is on the coast. They are progressing rapidly with an electric road from here to Hoquiam, a neighboring town, a distance of four miles.

Lumbering and fishing are the principal occupations. There are ten saw mills, and others are being built, all with planing mills in connection. One of the largest mills has seven engines, one of five and six horse power. The average output is four hundred thousand shingles per day and the mill is again near the preceding district and swept out another block.

Some Old Friends Back Again. So many requests have been made for a return of Happy Hogan's old-time favorite, the "Old-time" supplement of The Press, that we have decided to reprint it. The Press will be ready for mailing next Sunday. Happy Hogan's guileless old smile will greet you then, and his pictured adventure is one that will convince all.

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A New Year's Load Furniture complete at all times and all orders can be filled promptly and with entire satisfaction to the purchaser. 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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Scrawny Girls

With Hollow Cheeks and Slab Complexions May Again Be Plump and Rosy

Food does not digest and consequently there is no new blood. The body becomes a furnace without fuel. It begins to eat itself. The tissues, the muscles, the strength built up in the past, now go to support life. The once beautiful and healthy girl becomes emaciated, angular, hollow cheeked and stoop shouldered. Her complexion is yellow and wrinkled. She is a soured old woman.

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Taxes Now Due. Townships taxes are now due and may be paid at A. L. Coover's store, Harry J. Coons, at Treasurer Lowell Township.

WANTED—Faithful person to call on retail trade and agents for manufacturing household necessities, business, local territories, and other agents. Position permanent, business successful. Enclose self addressed envelope. Superintending Travelers, 808 Monon Bldg., Chicago.

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DR. M. CLAYTON GREENE Graduate of University of Michigan and Post Graduate Course at New York Polytechnic Medical School and Hospital, New York City. Office—LOWELL, MICH.

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On Saturday, January 30, we Commence our

Annual Cotton Sale

Shall sell all Cottons in bleached and unbleached, in all widths, at Wholesale Prices, whether it is 1 yard or 100 yards you want to buy.

The Last day of the Sale will be Saturday, February 6th.

A. W. WEEKES.

ATTENTION!

Your attention is called to the statement of the financial condition of this bank found elsewhere in this paper. On four different dates in each year, selected without previous notice, a statement of the condition of each incorporated bank in Michigan (except National banks) is called for by the Commissioner of Banking. We beg you to scrutinize our statement closely and if you are impressed with the same and have any banking business to be done we would be greatly pleased to have you call and we will try to attend to your needs in a careful and consistent manner.

THE LOWELL STATE BANK.

Heard About Town

Shoe sale at Godfrey's.
Cotton sale at A. W. Weekes.
Neal Palmer has gone to Alpena to work.
Thirty days of bargain in shoes D. F. Butts.
Mrs. Amos Smith has been ill the last few days.
Slaughter sale on felts and rubbers at Godfrey's.
Salted peanuts 10c per pound at Sherman's Bazaar.
One lot felts and rubbers. Clearance sale \$1.50 at Godfrey's.
This sale lasts 30 days only, better buy now D. F. Butts.
Mrs. Jno. Scott spent part of last week in Grand Rapids.
Mrs. Jessie Engles visited in Grand Rapids friends last week.
Men's warm mittens. The 50c kind only 30c at Godfrey's.
Special sale of graniteware. 200 pieces at 10c each. Sherman's Bazaar.
Mrs. Mary Welch of Ionia visited her friend, Miss Ella Finch, Sunday.
Alanson Bostoff has returned from a five week's visit with friends in Ohio.
Mrs. Milo Hart is entertaining Mrs. Denton and daughter, Miss Mamie, of Grand Rapids.
Mrs. Amos Rowe of Banff, N. W. Terr., Canada, is visiting her niece, Mrs. F. R. Ecker.
Miss Bessie Balcom of Ionia is here spending the week with her sister Miss Fannie Balcom.
J. B. Nicholson attended Grand Lodge F. & A. M. in Lansing Tuesday and Wednesday.
Overcoats, overcoats. Now is the time to buy overcoats. They are dirt cheap at Godfrey's.
Mittens, mittens, who's got the mittens? Godfrey has 'em, best 50c ones for 30c. Come and get them.
Mysteriously disappeared, Silsby's barber, Bert Dille, left between two suns for some unknown reason.
H. H. SILSBY.
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Seekins of Grand Rapids visited their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Adams Monday and Tuesday.
Miss Bessie Faulkner was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Matter of Grand Rapids last week and is now visiting her brother and family at Delton.

Meetings to discuss the question of local option will be held at South Boston M. E. church Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Feb. 2, 3 and 4.
Joseph Gum, whose illness and removal to Muskegon were mentioned in our last issue, died at the home of his daughter there and was brought back to Lowell for interment last Friday.
There will be a dance given at Hartwell's hall Cannonsburg on Friday evening, Feb. 5, 1904. Floor managers: Fred Howard and Jim Laughlin. Committee: Ed. Downes and Pat G. Fingleton. Bill to dance 50c, horses to hay extra. All are invited.
The school board has concluded that running a school for six pupils in this sort of weather makes education come high; and has arranged to have the children of the South Ward transported to the West Ward in the morning and home in the afternoon. This has been a problem for some time; and the solution seems the best possible at this time.
A surprise party was given Mrs. F. T. King Friday evening in honor of her birthday, forty friends being present. Mrs. Wiley and Mr. Ruben won head prizes at pedro. Mrs. McDannell and Dr. Greene were consoled. Light refreshments were served after the games and the occasion was a pleasant one.

Dr. Hodges, dentist.
Sheet music sale at Stocking's.
Annual cotton sale at A. W. Weekes.
Attend Butts' 30 day sale and save money.
Slaughter sale on overcoats at Godfrey's.
Mrs. G. G. Towsley was in Grand Rapids Tuesday.
The last day of Weekes' cotton sale is Saturday, Feb. 6.
Choice cream candies 10c per pound at Sherman's Bazaar.
Attend Godfrey's clearance sale for bargains on clothing and shoes.
Weekes' cotton sale commences Saturday, January 30.
Look around and you'll see them at Butts' 30 day sale.
Dr. E. A. Hodges and Mr. McKay spent Tuesday in Grand Rapids.
Clearance sale on shoes, the \$2.50 kind for men and women only \$1.98, at Godfrey's.
Wool stockings for boys and girls only 1c per pair at Godfrey's. Come and get them. They more than double the price.
Mrs. F. E. Hodges is erecting a two-story frame dwelling in Highland avenue, near Madison avenue, Grand Rapids, to cost \$1,800.

The following have received increases of pension: Christopher Stinchcomb, to \$12; Jas. Halpin to \$17; Eugene H. Cambell, \$10.
Joe Ganzel, who managed Ionia's champion ball team last year, will take the entire team to Lake Linden, U. P., the coming season. Billy Barber, of Lowell, remains with the team as catcher.
Cards are out announcing the marriage of Amos O. Andrews to Miss Mayme Culver at Detroit Jan. 31, and that they will be at home at 275 Second avenue after March first. Glad our friend "Peanuts" is going to settle down.
Elizabeth Esterle of Verzeunes has brought suit in the Circuit court for \$5,600 damages against Dr. M. C. Greene, for alleged improper treatment of the hip broken by her fall in this village about a year ago. The doctor is receiving letters from his medical friends congratulating him upon the large amount of advertising which will accrue to him.

Unusual Bargains in Watches Clocks and Jewelry for 30 days...

—at—

Williams THE JEWELER.

Miss Nora Olds spent Sunday in St. Johns.
Miss Irene Stone is spending a few days at Ionia.
Bargains in boys' fleece-lined underwear at Godfrey's.
We have the only Winter shoe for men, the Zero shoe. D. F. Butts.
Mrs. A. A. Crippen of Grand Rapids has been visiting Lowell friends.
Old Settlers meeting at office of Secretary Hicks Feb. 3 at 2:30, p. m.
The Clover Leaf club will meet at the home of Mrs. Lois Eggleston on Tuesday, Feb. 2.
The Ladies Aid society with Mrs. Lois Eggleston next Wednesday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Cogswell entertained Hugh McKenzie of Manistique several days last week.
S. C. Johnson recently returned from a two months visit with relatives at Thompsonville.
Mrs. Dwight Brooks entertained the Ladies Aid society at her home south of Lowell yesterday afternoon.
D. G. Look has had 25 tickets for the Lincoln Club banquet Feb. 12, and all but three have been taken.
Miss Emma Bamford has bought the millinery stock and business of Miss H. Tindall at Rockford, but does not take possession until Spring.
Ashley Thomas, aged 70 years, died Jan. 22 at his home in Cascade. Funeral was held at the home Monday, Rev. J. H. Bennett officiating. Deceased leaves a wife and one daughter.
Mrs. Sarah A. Benham of Bowne died Jan. 18 at the U. B. A. hospital, Grand Rapids, at the age of 77, and was buried at Bowne Center Jan. 20. She leaves one son.

Mrs. Grace E. Quillan, aged 26, wife of Richard Quillan of Ada township, died Jan. 20, of tuberculosis. Funeral services were held at Parnell Saturday, conducted by Father Byrne.
Lowell Sir Knight and Lady Mac-cabes to about the number of 300 had a big time at the opera house last evening. Public installation, a great feed and a general good time.
Don Lambertson, charged with shooting Scott Thomas had an examination in a Grand Rapids justice court last week and the evidence served to show that there was no malice. Examination adjourned to February 2.
Barney Fingleton, who was accused of being accessory with Mrs. Flood in the murder of John London, was acquitted by a jury that was out less than half an hour. Mrs. Flood is now in the Detroit House of Correction serving a life sentence for the crime.

All signs indicate a period of very high water when the Spring break comes. If anything can be done to lessen the danger it is none too soon to consider it. The guarding of bridges and dams and breaking up of ice jams at danger points should be attended to at the right time.
C. T. Wooding of Aberdeen, Wash., is reported to have been stricken with paralysis recently and taken to a hospital in that city. He was formerly president of the old Lowell National bank and was associated with our late citizen, M. N. Hine. Mrs. Wooding was Nannie Knapp, sister of S. B. Knapp.

This has been a hard time for rural mail carriers, with zero weather and large sections of road snow-drifted from fence to fence. George Golds on Route 49 smashed his cutter Monday in an upset and A. M. Gibbs of No. 52 wrecked his wagon top Tuesday. Carrier Courtright came back with a sick horse after a start of several miles Tuesday. Yesterday all the Lowell carriers succeeded in making their rounds.

Attend Godfrey's clearance sale and save money on clothing and shoes.
Slaughter sale on Mackinaw coats at Godfrey's.
Men's fleeced lined under shirts 25c each at Godfrey's.
Look at the shoes in our window at \$2.50 D. F. Butts.
Don't forget, that every shoe is marked down. D. F. Butts.

A Deep scheme.
Towne—It's funny, Borroughs is forever preaching to his friends about the necessity of saving their money.
Browne—Well?
Towne—Well, he's the last fellow in the world who should preach that.
Browne—Not at all. The more his friends save the more he has a chance to borrow.—Philadelphia Press.
Not So Big.
"When he first proposed to me, he seemed a big fool and I refused him."
"And then?"
The dear young thing looked shyly down.
"Well, he lost 20 pounds right away after that," she faltered.—Detroit Free Press.

A DRUMMER'S TALE.

BY ALEX RICKETTS.

"Say," asked the talkative commercial traveler, as he preferred being called, "did you ever strike a town that was terrorized by what they de-ludingly called a Town Improvement society in the midst of its annual spring spasm?"
"No," I replied, yawning wearily, "I don't believe I ever have. Why?"
"There wouldn't be any belief about it if you had, you'd know it—know it just as sure as you'd know inflammatory rheumatism if you had that, and say, you put up a supplication, or a gross of 'em would be safer, every day you live that your steps will never be led into one of 'em, such ding-blatted, finicky, foolish towns, I mean," he advised, with such fervid earnestness that one of the buttons flew off his vest. "Pray—that you'll get sent to the Philippines, or the penitentiary, or even the scaffold, but be forever kept out of such a town if you value your peace of mind above a one-cent canceled postage stamp."
"What's the matter with them?" I asked, smiling superciliously at his heat.
"Everything, everything that's heart breaking and nerve-racking and brain-twisting, everything that goes to make a toad's life under a harrow one round of joyless and futile unrest," he replied, sadly and solemnly.
"You seem to have had some experience," I suggested, curiously.
"I have. Oh, yes, I have," he agreed, emphatically. "I struck one town like that the other day, and I never expect to be the same man again. I've had to use gallons and gallons of hair dye ever since so's my customers can recognize me; talk about hair turning white in a single night, mine turned white in the daytime. The giddy whirl began when I sauntered out of the post office and threw a circular I'd received away in the street. I didn't mean any harm. I had no intention of disfiguring the town beyond repair. It was not a deep laid and diabolically ingenious plot of mine to ruin the fair fame for neatness possessed by that community. I simply didn't want that circular. It did not seem to be of enough value to me or to my posterity to warrant my filing it away in the family archives. So I disposed of it in the natural, usual way. But I was immediately pounced upon by a large and brawny policeman, a whole lot brawnier around the waist than anywhere else, and run in before the mayor, who casually fined me a five-spot for littering up the streets with waste paper. Say, I don't call a poor little innocent four by six circular of a cough balsam much of a litter, do you?"

"Well, when I got out of the mayor's office I leaned up against a tree to kind of catch my breath and figure things out a little, and I'll be josh-swizzled if that same cop didn't jump me again, run me back again, and I was promptly fined five more for brushing the whitewash off that tree. I offered to whitewash the whole blasted police force, and throw the mayor in himself for good measure for the same amount, but I only got fined five more for contempt of court for my pains. I ain't exaggerating a mite.

"You can bet high," he continued after a long sigh, "that when I made my escape after that I didn't take any more foolish and reckless chances of violating any more of their hospitable ordinances, not me. I just wiped my shoes clean with my pocket handkerchief, and tiptoed tenderly down the exact middle of the street, taking all the pains in the world not to damage or deface, or even touch any of their things except the dirt under my toes, and that just as lightly as my two hundred avoidpols would let me, and holding my breath all the way for fear I'd be again arrested and run in and fined some more for not harmonizing with the landscape, or having something inartistic about my general style of architecture. I'm sticking to the facts.

"But somehow, or other, after all my trouble, I must have got kind of careless when I saw my hotel almost in reach and let my mind wander from the necessary and prudent precautions I'd been taking to the charming time I'd been enjoying, and somehow I must have got to thinking out loud. Any-way, darned if the next thing I knew I wasn't grabbed by that ubiquitous copper and skated off to his honor, the mayor, once more and fined ten this time for swearing out loud in public. This is straight goods I'm giving you.

"Well, I refused to move from that office after this. I just sat meek and humble, and you bet silent, in one corner of it reading over and over again, so's not to think of anything else, a text hung up on the wall—it was 'The Lord Loveth a Cheerful Giver,'—until a message I'd sent brought the

trunk. Then I had him load me into it, lock the lid down good and fast, cart it down to the station and ship me out of town on the first train that went anywhere. If I hadn't had sense enough to think of that, I reckon I'd be there yet getting run in and paying fines.

"But I'm going back there some day. Yes, sir, I'm going back to that town the minute I'm a millionaire. I am. And I'm going to pile their streets chin-deep with waste paper, and I'm going to throw mud all over their confounded whitewash, and I'm going to take about a thousand pirates along with me to holler cuss words all over the place, and do it right. That's what I'm going to do, you hear me," he concluded, with a peaceful and happy smile at the blissful prospect.—N. Y. Times.

Freight Hauls in America.
The railways of the United States haul 1,000,000 tons of freight a year for each employe.

Patents Issued in 1902.
The report of the commissioner of patents for 1902 shows a total of 49,490 applications for patents, including designs, and that 27,776 patents, including designs, were issued.

Governed by Autocrats.
The South African colonies and islands owned by Germany have no local legislature or even crown council. Each is ruled by an autocrat appointed by the emperor.

Nearly Reaches Pompeii.
The new lava stream from Vesuvius reaches to nearly half a mile from Pompeii, and varies in width from fifty to sixty yards.

Grave of John Paul Jones.
John Paul Jones, founder of the American navy, is buried in the tenement quarters of Paris and weeds grow over his grave.

Submarine Boat.
A submarine boat to hold 12 persons, driven by a gas motor, has been tried at St. Petersburg with favorable results.

German Lunatics.
The lunatic asylums of Prussia contained, in 1891, 80,027 persons, 36,358 of them being females.

Expelled Monks Go to Belgium.
The expelled French Carthusian monks have settled in Belgium, where they have bought an old abbey.

Number of Bank, 111.
Report of the Condition of the LOWELL STATE BANK
at Lowell, Michigan, at the close of business, **January 22nd, 1904.**
as called for by the Commissioner of the Banking Department.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$ 30,021.11
Bonds, mortgages and securities	111,398.75
Premiums paid on bonds	4,775.65
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	6,700.00
Items in transit	\$17,158.23
U. S. Bonds	10,000.00
Due from banks in reserve cities	25,731.68
U. S. and National Bank currency	3,634.00
Gold coin	4,522.00
Silver coin	928.50
Nickels and cents	181.00
Checks, cash items, internal revenue accounts	140.14
Total	\$215,133.49

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Surplus fund	5,000.00
Undivided profits, net	1,772.04
Commercial deposits	52,328.61
Savings deposits	20,444.69
Savings certificates	37,532.13
Total	\$152,438.47

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF KENT, ss.
I, W. E. MARSH, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. E. MARSH, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of January, 1904.
My commission expires Sept. 14, 1906.
DAVID G. MARSH, Notary Public.

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