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The Safest Place

For your money is a good bank. Everybody knows this, at least, they should. But many people keep putting off opening an account until they can start with a big sum. And somehow or other they never seem able to accumulate the desired amount. The way to save money is to put it where there is no temptation to spend it.

The City Bank, Watts & Co.

Such a place and invites you at this Christmas season to open an account with it. A small sum only is necessary to start. Frequent if small additions you will soon have the amount you have been trying to save, and couldn't. Try it, and see.

A Few Things We Sell

- Tank Heaters
- Feed Cookers
- Felt Roofing
- Gravel Roofing
- Woven Wire Fence
- Soft Coal Heaters
- Hard Coal Heaters
- Wood Heaters
- Steel Range, best on Earth
- Cook Stoves, good second hand
- Heating Stoves, good second hand
- Nickel Coffee Pots
- Nickel Tea Pots
- Nickle Crumb Trays
- Nickle Pitchers
- Nickle Chafing Dishes
- Wood and Coal

Yours,

R. B. BOYLAN.

Watches
Clocks
Jewelry
Silver-ware
Fancy
China
Kodaks
and
supplies

IF YOU want good goods, the best that money can buy, goods that are of superior workmanship and quality, goods that are up-to-the-times, goods that are sold under a guarantee to be perfect, goods that will please you in every particular, come to us—we can please you in every way.

Come in any time and see the different lines we carry. You are always welcome, whether you buy or not.

A. D. OLIVER

JEWELER & OPTICIAN.

Christmas Perfumes

All the favorite scents—the latest fads in perfumes—especially for Holiday Gifts.

Beautiful Cut Glass Bottles

Perfumery is a safe gift for anybody to anybody. Pure extracts—one drop sufficient. By the ounce or bottle. Sweets to the Sweet

We also have a fine line of Toilet Sets, Cigar Cases, Purse and Box Paper.

A. D. STURGIS.

DIED OF INJURIES.

AMIL BIEHLER OF IONIA FELL UNDER TRAIN.

Survived Amputation of Leg Only 24 Hours.

Amil Biehler of Ionia died at the Lowell house Tuesday morning, at about two o'clock, from injuries received from a fall under the wheels of a passenger train at the Grand Trunk station Sunday night. He was on his way home from Grand Rapids, left the train when it stopped here, and, in boarding it again, slipped under the baggage car, injuring his leg. He was taken to the Lowell house and Dr. McDannell amputated the leg Monday morning. Remains will be taken to his mother's home at Ionia.

Justice Perry impaneled the following jurors: S. P. Hicks, Chas. McCarty, B. Smith, Ruben Quirk, Wm. R. Andrews and Daniel Pratt. They viewed the body and adjourned until next Monday.

A special to the Grand Rapids Herald from Ionia has this:

He beat his way to Ada and paid his fare to Lowell, when he left the car. As he attempted to get aboard the baggage car again he slipped under the wheels. He was 24 years old and a son of George Biehler, night-watchman at the Ypsilanti Reed Furniture company's factory. He had been to Grand Rapids to spend the day with his girl, but against advice of his mother, who is prostrated.

OBITUARY.

John M. Evans was born in Burford, Canada, in 1812. He departed from this life Dec. 7. He came to Michigan in 1844 and has spent the most of his life since in Ionia county.

He was a Universalist in faith, belonging to the church in Portland. He was an earnest, temperate, honest and upright man in every detail of his long peaceful life. Cheerful and kind in disposition, and thus leaving a rich inheritance to his children and grand-children.

He had six children three of whom are living. A son, Charles, in Montana, Mrs. Krum and Mrs. Gott, with whom he has had a restful, happy home for twenty-five years. He celebrated his ninety-second birthday the 17th of November last. He attributed his long virtuous life, to the training of a faithful Christian mother.

The funeral was held from the Bailey church Friday, Dec. 9, 1904, at one o'clock. Interment in the cemetery near the church. Services were conducted by Rev. J. H. Westbrook.

HEARD ABOUT TOWN.

Gold pens in ebony and pearl holders from 25 cents each and up at Oliver's.

Ladies and Gents chains, fobs, buttons, pins, rings, etc., at Oliver's.

Get your Christmas candies, nuts and fruits at VanDyke's.

You can't afford to miss Look's sensational sale of ladies' purses.

Warm footwear at Godfrey's.

For boys, ages 8 to 16, D. B. coats, \$1.00 each. Come and get them at Godfrey's.

Watch right! and prices right too! at Oliver's.

A well selected line of cut glass at prices to fit all purses at Oliver's.

John Holland fountain pens all sizes and prices at Oliver's.

Lost.—A Poland China brood sow. Went astray Dec. 5. Reward for any information leading to her recovery. Willard Hunter, Citizens' phone 70-5 rings.

Married, at the Parsonage, last evening, by Rev. A. D. Sturgis, Fred M. Pike of Easton to Ida E. Oursch of Vergennes.

Call at Weyrick's market Saturday and sample the goods of the National Biscuit Co., whose demonstrator will be there.

C. H. Alexander has bought and took possession of the Wolcott grocery business Monday, at the old Bergin stand, where he will be glad to welcome his old friends and former patrons of that store. Everybody is assured of the glad hand and a square deal.

Julia Steel has begun a replevin suit in Circuit court, through Attorney James McBride, to regain possession of horses, cattle and hogs to the value of about \$600 from Sylvester P. Hicks of Lowell. She understands that Mr. Hicks took the live stock on a chattel mortgage, denies that she gave such paper.—(Grand Rapids Press. Mr. Hicks made a loan to Mr. Steel and took a chattel mortgage signed by Mrs. Steel and as supposed by his wife. It is now claimed that the latter's signature was forged by her husband, who is now sick.

Four Bargain Days.

The Grand Rapids Herald has designated Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Dec. 27-30, as "Bargain Days." On those days you can get the Daily Herald, without the Sunday edition, and the American Farmer one year for \$2.00. Or instead of the Farmer you can have "The Beauties and Wonders of the Greatest Exposition," a paper bound book 7x9 inches. Add 60 cents to the above for the Metropolitan magazine. If you wish to renew for the LEDGER, bring your subscriptions to us and we will forward you the Herald order without any additional cost. THE LOWELL LEDGER.

MASONIC RECEPTION.

NEARLY THREE HUNDRED ENJOYED PROGRAM.

Rev. G. L. Sprague Delivered the Principal Address.

Masonic hall was the scene of a very pleasant gathering Monday evening, when Lowell Lodge No. 90, F. & A. M., gave a reception to the wives, mothers and sisters of the members of the Eastern Star. A company of 275 people met under the bond of fellowship and friends and acquaintances greeted each other cordially. A reception committee of the following welcomed the guests: Messrs. and Madames Warts, Greene and McDannell, Misses Audie Post, Myrtle Raymond and Mary Ecker and Messrs. Earl Hunter, Frank Daniels and Chester G. Stone.

At a little after eight the company were ushered into the lodge room and seated so as to face the Master's station, around the altar, which was decorated with carnations and smilax. The first part of the program was then given. The music was excellent and the speeches and addresses were carefully prepared and very much appreciated. The presence of Rev. G. L. Sprague now of Meadville, Pa., who joined the lodge last Summer, and his address on the true value of the fraternity was a special treat. J. W. Stacey of Grand Rapids responded to a call from the chair with a few pleasing impromptu remarks.

After Mr. Sprague's address the greater number of the guests were escorted to the dining rooms, where the tables were decorated with carnations and smilax and a dainty banquet was served. They were again assembled in the lodge room and the remainder of the program given, after which the second tables were filled. The rest of the evening was devoted to social greeting.

The program follows:

FIRST PART.
Mandolin and organ

Messrs. Barnes and Stocking Invocation, Rev. James Westbrook Solo, "Then You'll Remember Me"

Mrs. A. G. Peckham Welcome address, J. F. Thomas Response, Miss Donna Wlaner Trio, "Stars The Night Adorning"

Mesdames F. McMahon, A. McMahon and Murphy.

Paper, O. E. S., Mrs. J. B. Nicholson Solo, (a) "Absent"

(b) "Just a Wearyin' for You" Mrs. J. F. Thomas

Address, Rev. G. L. Sprague

SECOND PART.
Music, Mandolin and organ

Messrs. Barnes and Stocking Quartette, "Come Where the Lilies Bloom," Mesdames Peckham and Thomas, and Messrs. Hicks and Nicholson.

Paper, "The Masonic Goat" H. A. Peckham

Recitation, "The Woman Who Wanted to be a Mason" Mrs. J. F. Thomas

Song, "Jaunita," I. O. O. F. Glee Club—Messrs. Ryder, Roth, Roth, White, Maynard and Morgan

Closing, "God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again"

CHURCHES AND SOCIETIES

CONGREGATIONAL.
Next Sunday morning's subject will be "The test of the true discipleship."

Evening subject "Launch out into the deep."
Christian Endeavor meeting at six o'clock.

METHODIST.
"Thoughts on Worship" will be the subject at the morning service. In the evening "Trifles."

The Epworth League service will be led by Pearl Keene and Nina Hiller, subject, "The New Testament Standard of Experience."

There will be a cottage prayer meeting at the home of Wm. Jury next Friday evening.

W. C. T. U.
The W. C. T. U. union will meet with Mrs. Chas. McCarty Friday, Dec. 16, at 2 p. m. A fine program is being prepared. Visitors always welcome.

At the last meeting a very interesting report on the county convention was read, by Mrs. Basset of the Central Union.

SOCIETIES.
Regular meeting of Cyclamen Chapter, O. E. S., Tuesday evening, Dec. 15.

Buy your footwear of Godfrey. Leather coats cheap at Godfrey's.

Holiday slippers—Butts sells them. Gold pens, pearl holders at Williams.

Stock reducing sale of furniture at Hakes.

Don't forget Will Stone when your clothes need pressing and cleaning.

See Weyrick's offer of Christmas candy, one pound with every pound tea sold.

"You will surely miss the train if your watch runs dry." Get yours at Oliver's and be on time.

Laundry called for Mondays and Wednesdays. Will Stone, agt., Baxter Laundry.

Patent leather shoes make a nice present, one that will be useful. Our line is complete. Our styles are latest. Our prices are right. D. F. Butts.

F. W. Davey, who has moved to Detroit sends his address, "215 Harper Avenue." Frank is a mighty good fellow and leaves a host of friends in Lowell.

For Sale, good new mitch cow, also Quick Meal range practically new. For particulars call 12-2 rings Citizen's phone.

The Gifts You Want are Here.

We have sold holiday goods for many years. We have given the matter careful study. We endeavor each year to select our stock so as to afford both satisfaction and saving to our customers. We believe that this year we have been more successful than ever before. We believe we have come nearer to having just what people want, of having goods that will please both giver and recipient.

We know our prices are right, that, quality considered, they are the lowest to be had. Here are some lines that will help to suggest the extent and variety of our stock. Books, Bibles, Albums, Music Rolls, Perfumes, Handkerchief and Glove

Boxes, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Comb and Brush Sets, Mirrors both single and triplicate, Box Papers, Fountain Pens, Medallions, Purse, Gold Pens and Holders, Smoking Sets, Shaving Sets, Ink Wells, Traveling Sets, Fine Toilet Articles of all kinds. Come early and get the first choice.

Don't miss our sensational sale of Ladies Purses commencing Friday morning and continuing until the entire line is sold.

Look's Drug and Book Store.

You Know Where.

SPECIAL SALE of Watches and Clocks

During December. Also a full line of Diamonds Rings and Jewelry of all kinds. Select your Silverware now and leave for marking before the rush.

Victor Talking Machines and Records.

R. D. STOCKING.



Our Candy stock is fresh and pure.

We carry a fine line of Lowey's Bon Bons.

We also make a nice line of home made candy.

Our Potato bread is gaining in favor. Have you tried it? It is the sweetest and tenderest bread we have ever made.

WELDON SMITH,
The Baker.

Merry Christmas AND Happy New Year

TO ALL.

Remember, Our Store is Full of Useful Things for Presents.

Note a Few of Them:

Razors
Razor Straps
Shears
Scissors
Jack Knives
Pen Knives
Table Knives and Forks
Nickel Ware
Enamel Ware
Silver Ware

Skates
Bread Mixers
Food Choppers
Carving Sets
Table Cutlery
Enameled Roasters
Fine Coffee Pots
Fine Tea Pots
Liquid Veneer

Scott & Winegar

Come to our store for...

Christmas Things

We made a trip to Chicago last week for the sole purpose of buying Fancy Dry Goods for the Holidays where we bought freely of many of the choicest articles in the fancy Dry Goods line to be had. Owing to the lateness of the season for the wholesaler we bought many of the best things below usual prices, which advantage we shall divide with our customers.

We have handkerchiefs for 1c up—
Our 25c ones look like 50c ones seen elsewhere.

See our Waist Patterns—they are beauties.

Ladies Fancy Collars the choicest line we have ever shown.

\$4.50 Rugs for \$3.00 and \$3.00 ones for \$2.00.

Kid Gloves for presents—the best \$1.00 kind to be had.

If you want to give an elderly person a \$5.00 present get a pair of our All Wool Buffalo Blankets—the kind that doesn't shrink.

Come to our store anyway whether you want to buy or not.

A. W. WEEKES.

THE LOWELL STATE BANK.

LOWELL, MICH.
Established 1891.

The coming year should be started right. If you are not a depositor of any bank, start an account at this bank at the beginning of the new year.

Savings Accounts Bear 3 Per Cent Interest

Ladies' fur-trimmed Jullets, all colors.
D. F. Butts.
New Years party at Train's hall, Jan. 2, music by Lowell orchestra.
Have you cold feet? Try a pair of warm-lined shoes with the cold-proof insoles.
D. F. Butts.

See Butts' show window for holiday slippers.
When you have freight at the depot call up J. D. Kelley & Sons.
Mrs. Milo Hart was called to Saranac by the serious illness of a sister-in-law.

Holiday sale at Godfrey's.
Men's all felt, high-top shoes with rubber heels, \$2. D. F. Butts.
A complete line of slipper soles at Butt's shoe store.
Read Wedrick's Christmas adv., in this paper.
Get your oranges, figs and grapes for Christmas at VanDyke's.
Fancy cluster raisins, stuffed figs and dates at VanDyke's.
Mercury took a very sudden drop Monday night and Tuesday morning. The lowest reported was 12° below zero.
There are many articles in our stock that will make suitable Christmas gifts. Our prices are the lowest. At Godfrey's.
Mrs. Dwight of Grand Rapids is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. S. P. Hicks, who has been confined to the house for the past four weeks.
See those new style White sewing machines just received at Stocking's.

Auction Sales.

Notices of Sales printed free in this column for people who get their auction bills printed at THE LEDGER office.

Fred Wingeler will have an auction sale, including 23 cows, 10 calves, 35 sheep, colts, 2 brood sows 10 shotts, on Thursday, Dec. 29, at 10 a. m., on farm 1 mile east and 1 mile north of Bowne Center.

Celery, lettuce and radishes for your Christmas dinner at VanDyke's.
Warm shoes for cold feet at Godfrey's big clothing store.



The Modern Santa Claus

Is at our store. If you can't call write or phone. We can talk with you anywhere if the wife is not "too hot."

Just in today—fine line of new dress goods in whites, creams, browns and blacks. Yes, we have some of these new plaids for waists.
Can show you an all linen large napkin for \$1.00 per dozen.

A few long coats left, the very latest at a cut price. You pick out your coat and we'll give you the price.

A lot of new furs. Foxes? Yes, lots of them.

A new lot of rugs and table covers just bought for the Xmas trade.

Handkerchiefs! H!! H!!

J. B. NICHOLSON

LOWELL, MICH.

DON'T THINK

Because we have the Best and Cheapest

China

in Lowell that we have neglected our Holiday line. We are in shape to give you bargains in all lines.

Toys, Books,
Games, Mechanical Toys,
Albums, Toilet Cases
Dinner Ware and
Chamber Sets

Don't Fail to See Our China Dinner Set
Given Away Christmas Eve

Come and look our stock over.
Yours for business,

COLLAR'S BAZAAR.

The Ledger

Would make a good gift to some distant friend...

Christmas Presents For Everybody at Sherman's Bazaar

See The Real Live

Celluloid Department



Handkerchief Boxes Glove Boxes
Toilet Sets Albums
Cuff and Collar Boxes
Jewel Boxes Photo Boxes
Smoking Sets, Etc.



Wash Tubs Carpet Sweepers
Drums Go Carts
Doll Cabs and Beds, Etc.



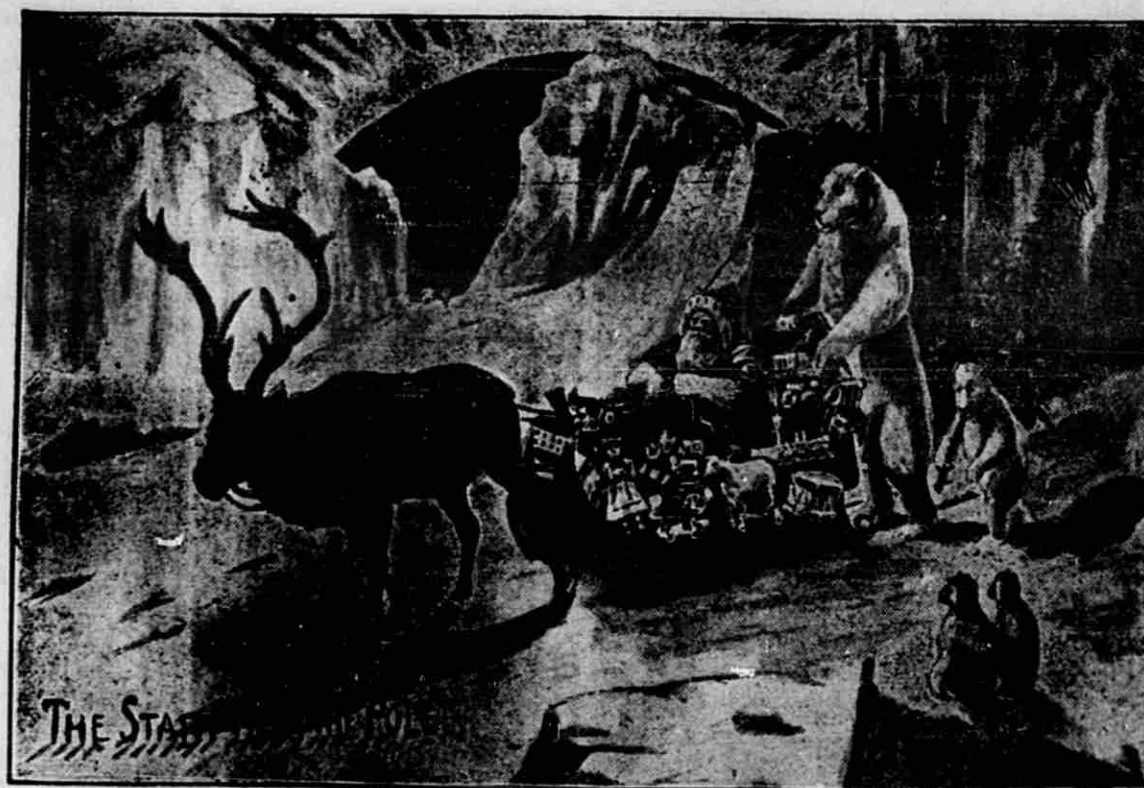
Dressed Dolls
Doll Heads
China Limp Dolls

JEWELRY DEPT.

Brooches
Rings
Stick Pins
Bracelets
Shirt
Waist Sets

GLASS DEPT.

Water Sets
Wine Sets
4 pc. Sets
Berry Sets
Jelly
Dishes
Spoon
Trays
Celery
Trays
Etc.



Blocks
Books and Games for the Children
A complete line.



Candy Department.

Cocoanut BonBons Ice Cream Kisses Norfolk Creams Chocolate Fudge Vanilla Fudge
Chocolate Creams Salted Peanuts

All 10 Cents Per Pound.

SHERMAN'S BAZAAR

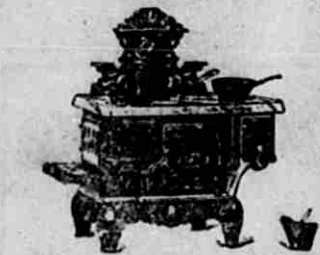
Santa Claus, Saturday
Dec. 24th. He will
give FREE Candy to
the Children.

Fancy China



STATIONERY

We have an elegant line of Tablets and Box Papers Extra values in Children's Box Paper



Stoves Engines
Magic Lanterns Horns Etc.



Winter Green Wafers

Others we cannot mention on account of space