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AVERAGE CIRCULATION IN 1904 1359

A Check Book



Is a handy thing to have if an account is in dispute. You put it in evidence and show you paid the disputed bill in the regular way by one of your checks and the disputant feels

Like Two Cents

He ought to anyway for being so careless as to ask payment a second time. Do you always pay by checks? If not get a check book at our bank counter and do so in the future. You will thank us for the advice and save money besides.

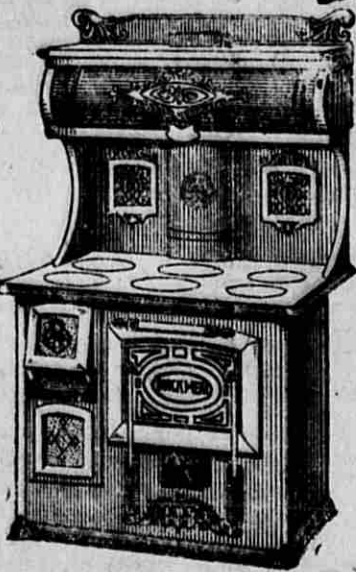
The City Bank, Hill, Watts & Co.

To Close...

Three No. 15 ROUND HEATERS which burn hard or soft coal or wood at..... **\$6.25**

Good size BASE BURNER Wood Heater at A beauty for the parlor. **\$9.90**

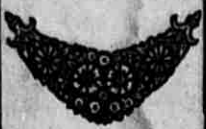
A STEEL RANGE fully guaranteed for..... (No \$60 or \$70) **\$24.90** (steals about this.)



All stoves sold on easy payments. Yours,

R. B. Boylan.

Watches
Clocks
Jewelry
Silver-
ware
Fancy
China
Kodaks
and
supplies



JEWELER AND OPTICIAN.

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

"One Good Turn Deserves Another"

Patronize the man who helps to build up your town, one who tore down an old rookery, eye-sore of years' standing and erected in its place a creditable and substantial business house.

Weyrick's Meat Market

Is a credit to Lowell. That's what they all say, no matter where they come from. Always the best of everything you would expect to find in a first class, up-to-date city market.

PIONEER SCHOOLS

SOME REMINISCENCES OF EARLY DAYS IN LOWELL.

Log School Houses, Pioneer Teachers and Some Tough Pupils.

One of Lowell's best known pioneers Mrs. Susan McDeld, came to this village with her mother, Mrs. Jacob Snell, in 1851, her father having come the year before and bought their home. In 1861 she was married to U. B. Williams. Her home has been here ever since, and she is a prominent member of the Old Residents' Association. Nearly two years ago she married S. H. McDeld, who had come some time previous. Mrs. McDeld kindly furnishes us with the data of the early history of the Lowell schools as she remembers the facts.



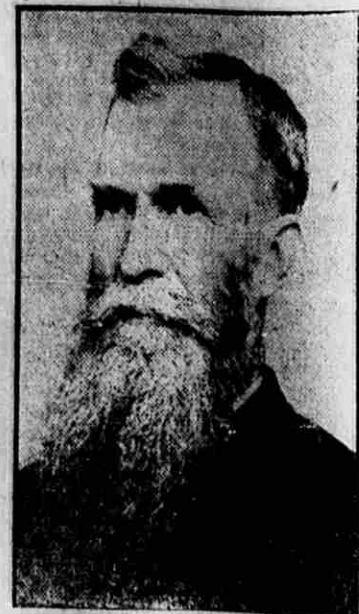
MRS. SUSAN McDELD.

The Lowell school district was organized in 1837, and in 1838 a little log school-house was built on the bank of Flat river, two blocks north of the Lyon block. Miss Caroline Baird was the first teacher. In the winter of 1838 the school board bought a cook stove and provisions, and she lived in the schoolhouse. In January, 1839, she was married in the schoolroom, to Caleb Page who came to Fallasburg from Windsor, Vt., in 1837. This was the first marriage among the white settlers of Lowell, and all adults in the village were invited. The logs were hidden under evergreens, the windows were draped with white and green, the fire-place was decorated and everything was scrubbed clean in honor of the occasion. After the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. Mr. Richards, a Methodist circuit preacher, a feast was spread for the entire company.

The second school was taught by Harry Upham, in the north wing of Mrs. McDeld's house, then owned by him and rented, with the exception of the schoolroom, to the family of Chas. Smith. This building, by the way, was the second frame building in the settlement.

During the next summer Clarrinda Robinson taught in a rude shanty east of Flat river near the site of Robt. Marshall's cooper-shop. This little building was put up with as few nails as possible, of lumber that was seasoning for some permanent structure, and was torn down for that purpose soon after. There were about twelve pupils attending it.

In the winter of 1851 the school was held in a log house on the hill where N. B. Blain's house stands, and was taught by a man named Cole. The next summer the first frame school-house was built. This was a red building, with one good-sized room and an entry, on the site of the Methodist church. Miss Adaline White of Whitneyville was the first teacher in the new building, and was succeeded, the next winter, by Harriet White, who afterwards became Mrs. John Hooker. The school must have been a hard one, for each teacher seems to have kept it but one term. Octavia Richards, now Mrs. D. L. Eaton, was the next to take charge of it, and she taught through the summer of 1853. During the next summer, that of 1854, Celia Richardson had charge of the school.



N. P. HUSTED.

The first teacher of whom we have record was Rev. Elias Mudge, who, during a few years of 1837-9 conducted a select school up stairs above W. R. Blaisdell's hardware, which stood where Chris Bergin afterward built his grocery. With the aid of an assistant, Mr. Mudge began teaching

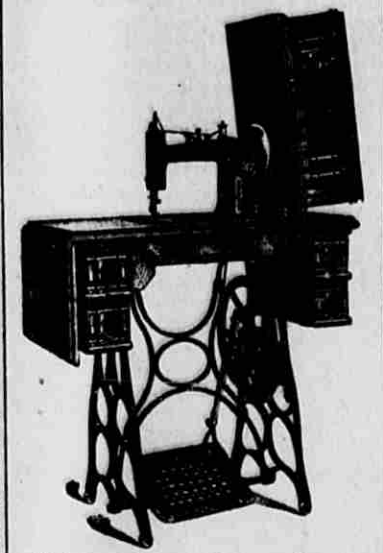
the public school in the red building, in the fall of 1850. But there was some trouble and he resigned his position. N. P. Husted had been teaching at Otisco that year, but, having finished his term, he accepted the position for the remaining six weeks. Mr. Husted claims to have rid himself of fifteen or twenty pupils within a day or two of his taking charge, by means of the rod. We wonder if they were glad to get away. There were a number of other teachers, for school was held in the red building until the erecting of the central school house in 1862. When this was built the Methodist society bought and fitted up the abandoned red one for a church. It was used as such until the building of the brick church when the little red schoolhouse was moved away. Minion.

THE PRIZE MACHINE

TO BE GIVEN AWAY BY THE LOWELL LEDGER

To the Lady Who Gets the Most Votes in This Contest.

The initial vote as recorded at noon today is as follows:
Mrs. Cora Chase..... 117
Mrs. Frank Finch..... 58
Mrs. Dottie Henderschott..... 2



This is a picture of the prize sewing machine being contested for. It is worth working for.

The votes will be counted every Thursday noon and announced in the Ledger each week. Those expecting to compete for the prize should get in their votes at once. The "still hunt" has always failed. Keep the ball rolling. That's the only way.

Liberal commissions paid to workers who secure new subscribers. Fifty two votes coupons with every dollar paid on subscription during the contest. The subscriber gives the voter to whom he pleases. The solicitor gets them if he can.

It has a full set of attachments, four side drawers, large center drawer, drop leaf and cover; and the regular price is \$35.

The same general plan will be followed as in our previous contests. This time it is confined to private individuals. Societies and organizations will not be invited to compete.

If our readers know of worthy women who need sewing machines, they can help the one of their choice to secure one by their votes and influence.

Beginning in this issue a coupon good for one vote will appear in each copy of THE LEDGER, and for every dollar paid on subscription a coupon good for 52 votes will be given; with every 50c, 26 votes; and with every 25c, 13 votes.

The ballot box will be in its former position at the foot of our stairway beginning Friday morning and voting may begin.

Those who have already paid their subscriptions in advance can secure coupons of value to correspond with the time paid ahead.

Good work and right prices at the Gem laundry. Denick & Son. House to rent. Inquire of H. S. Schreiner.

Buy that overcoat now at Coons' Red Mark sale.

When in need of laundry work, call up Citizens' phone 185.

Miss Nina Hillar visited in Grand Rapids over Sunday.

Miss Matie E. Stone spent the latter part of last week in Grand Rapids.

If you don't like to laugh, stay away from Train's hall January 19.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hinyan and little son Forrest spent Sunday at Alto.

Mr. Stern of Kalamazoo visited Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hakes last Wednesday.

Born—in South Lowell, Jan. 8, to Mr. and Mrs. William Klahn, a 9 1/2 pound son.

Born—in South Lowell, Jan. 10, to Mr. and Mrs. Juo. F. Rittenger, a daughter.

Coming, Edward H. Frye, appearing in his celebrated monologue, David Harum.

Born, in Keene, Dec. 31, a twelve pound girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Scheldt.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Parker of Freeport have been spending several days with the families of Mrs. M. Parker and Ed. Hoag.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Loveland returned Saturday from a two weeks' trip to Washington, D. C., Columbus, O., and Atlantic City, N. J.

All cars on the Pere Marquette system are being equipped with electric lights in place of acetylene and oil lamps which have been in use. The cars are being refitted as fast as they go through the shops.

Cough Danger

There would be little reason to feel alarmed about Coughs if there wasn't something back of the cough.

That something is a congested condition of the lungs, a serious irritation of the membranes of the air passages and a dangerous lowering of vitality. This condition demands the prompt use of an effective remedy.

LOOK'S TAR-PINE COUGH BALSAM

goes to the root of the trouble, removes that, and nature does the rest. It cures promptly and thoroughly because based on correct principles.

We manufacture and guarantee every bottle.

A Liberal Size Bottle 25 Cents.

LOOK'S

You Know Where. Drug and Book Store

OVERLOADED

In looking over my stock previous to taking inventory I find that I bought too heavily; and must unload and turn this bran new stock into cash as quickly as possible. To do this I will use the knife on prices in

Expensive Watches, Clocks, Silverware
Sewing Machines and Organs.

Thus offering great inducements to cash customers.
Victor Talking Machines and Talk-O-Phones.

R. D. STOCKING.

My Potato Bread

pleases you tell your friends.
If not, tell me.

WELDON SMITH, The Baker.

The Great Majestic Range.



A Majestic Malleable Iron and Steel Range will last a lifetime, properly handled, and you will say after using one that the price paid was the best investment you ever made. The first cost of a Majestic Malleable Iron and Steel Range is just a little more than a cast iron or a cast iron and steel range, but there are good reasons for it. Call and let us explain more fully.

Scott & Winegar

Great January Combined Sale

BEGINS SATURDAY JANUARY 14, 1905

First—Winter stocks speeding away.
Second—Annual sales begin.
Third—A welcome to Spring.
This Trio we consolidate, to set on foot a month of wonderful selling.

What is a Bargain?
Come here Saturday and you will find this question answered to your complete satisfaction. A few hints are given in this space.

DRESS GOODS CHEAPER THAN YOU EVER BOUGHT THEM
1.01 Plain and Fancy Mixtures
1.01 Zibeline and Melton
26 in Black Granite

VERY SPECIAL LINEN SALE
35c all Linen Damask 68 in
80c all Linen Damask 32 in
1.10 all Linen Damask 72 in
Napkins, Doilies and Towels all go in this sale.

ALL COTTONS REDUCED IN PRICE
We can save you money on cottons.

Ladies Suits at less than half price.
15.00 Ladies Suits, black, brown and blue—\$7.00
11.00 Ladies Suits, black and mixtures—5.00
8.20 Ladies Suits, black and mixtures—4.00

E. R. COLLAR.
Children's Cloaks so cheap you will surely carry them away.

1 Lot of Ladies Jackets 98 cts
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From Our Point of View

The question asked by our South Lowell scribe is not to be lightly answered by one unacquainted with the circumstances. It is a serious thing to expel an unruly pupil; to permit such an one to interfere with the work of from twenty to forty pupils is still worse. Evidently, the boy does not appreciate his privileges, or he would behave himself. Perhaps a few days of hard work at the home woodpile will bring him to his senses. When he is ready to conduct himself like a young gentleman, he should be given the opportunity to return. Since the death of the Coldwater school boy resulting from a strapping administered by the superintendent already a doubtful remedy, that city, corporal punishment, although a doubtful remedy, has fallen into extreme disrepute. Owing to the low wages paid, the teaching of district schools is hardly qualified to "snare the heels" of sturdy boys who spend six months of the year with plow handles and pitchfork. On the whole, we believe that children should be made to understand that school work is the most important business they will ever engage in; that there is no room in it for rowdiness or Wild West shows; and that, if they are to enjoy its inestimable benefits, they must first learn OBEEDIENCE. Failing in this, the young bully or tomboy should be "excused" until there is evidence of reform. A teacher, especially the young and inexperienced school "marm," has a difficult task, in which she needs the support of school officers and patrons in the exercise of her needful authority. It is better to give this, even though all is not to our liking; than to ruin the whole school by destroying its authority and discipline, without which no school is worthy the name.

INDIANA has a new governor and he may refuse to harbor Taylor who is wanted in Kentucky to answer to a charge of complicity in the murder of Governor Goebel. Let him go back and face the music, as any poor, friendless galoot would have to do.

GOVERNOR FOLK of Missouri says lobbying is a crime. Correct. Then why not indict the whisky ring lobby that killed the pure food bill?

THE Pennsylvania press would deserve more sympathy had it not assisted in the election of the ridiculous Governor Pennypacker.

IN A previous decency, the Colorado legislature has finally seated Governor Adams. "Oh, Lord! Hit 'em again!"

THE press of truth. And his story had been told in a way that, surely, was in favor of it being true. Stuart had seen him, had listened to what he had to say, and had formed the opinion that he was neither lying nor bragging. Dobson, the man who to the Senator's mind was ridiculous and incapable, had been told everything, and he, too, had come to the same conclusion. Dobson was an honest one, and that, of all other men, he who in some mysterious manner, knew the murderer's face, was the most likely to eventually bring him to justice. Only, he thought, that the Senator should be made to divulge where and when he had seen the man, and he was also very anxious to know what the Senator had to say in his own mind concerning the place of the murder in the park and Lord Penly's garden (although he remembered that he could find in his own mind no connecting link between the place of the murder and the garden of Lord Penly's garden (although he remembered that he could find in his own mind no connecting link between the place of the murder and the garden of Lord Penly's garden).

THE Canadian Parliament threatens to enact a law making it a criminal offense to pass United States money in the Dominion; and our former townsman, E. S. Adams, sends us a copy of the London Free Press containing a marked article announcing the movement, and asks to hear "From Our Point of View" regarding it. Our friends across the border say that they have been bothered for years when traveling in this country by the discrimination against and discounting of their currency; but the last straw was the experience of thousands of Canadian tourists at the St. Louis fair, where their money was either refused or subjected to a discount of from 5 to 10 per cent. The proposed measure is, of course, retaliatory in its nature, like much of the tariff legislation in both countries; and, while perfectly natural, as was the ancient code with its, "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth," it shows the folly of maintaining antagonistic relations between the two nations, and argues for annexation. We are in fact one race of free and enlightened people, mutually dependent for many of life's necessities. We are separated only by rivers, lakes and imaginary lines. Funds should be as free as the winds and blowing; and we should have an interchangeable or common currency. With hundreds of thousands of United States farmers pouring into the Canadian northwest, the sentiment for annexation is bound to grow; and we may hope to live to see all America united under one flag. If that shall be planted on the graves of petty statesmen—on both sides of the border—who in their spiteful little souls now plan retaliatory laws, so much the better.

"Lo, the poor Indian!" An Indian burying ground at Kansas City is to be dug up and the bones of hundreds of Potawatomi removed to Indian Territory. How long they will be allowed to remain there, God only knows. Lowell had within her village limits a burial mound sacred to the departed Ottawas, which should have been appropriately marked and protected for all time to come. A few years ago, it passed into strange hands; and the mound was plowed, scraped down, bones scattered in all directions, and the ground planted to potatoes. It used to be said, "There's no good Indian but a dead one." To that should be added this: There's no rest for a redskin, living or dead.

"THERE are no atheists today," declares Dr. Victor C. Vaughan of the University of Michigan; and doubtless, he is right. Men's conceptions of God differ; but human reason finds no rest until based upon a belief in a Supreme Ruler. First Great Cause, Law Maker—God. Happily, the day has gone by when men desiring to be classed as intelligent or religious buried anathemas and vile epithets at men whose ideas of God differed from their own. And right here, a question: Among all the gifts to humanity of the Nineteenth Century, can you name one greater than this—RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE?

HAVING been instrumental in killing the Board of Auditors' law, which was designed to protect the public from official graft, Lawyer Frank A. Rodgers now deems it safe to demand over \$600 for services which, according to Supervisor DeGraaf, he promised to render for \$100. In the name of common decency, Mr. Board of Supervisors, STOP THE STEAL!

"PARTISANSHIP is a good thing sometimes, but patriotism is a better thing all the time."—Governor Folk in his inaugural. There! What have we told you about the man who ALWAYS votes his ticket straight? He certainly is not an ideal citizen.

The Grand Rapids Post has had another change in management; and is already so improved as to be hardly recognizable. The new Post is a good thing to hitch to.

EXCURSIONS VIA THE PERE MARQUETTE

Reduced rate tickets on sale first and second Tuesdays of each month until April, 1905. See agents for Rates and Routes.

DR. ANDREW B. SPINNEY
FURNISHES OF DETROIT.
REED CITY SANITARIUM
"THE OLD RELIABLE SPECIALIST."

DO YOU WANT FREE CONSULTATION AND CORRECT OPINION OF YOUR CASE?
If you are poor your treatment is free. If you are discouraged and we can cure you, we will wait for you until you are well.

Mortgages, Land Contracts, Telephone and Bank Stock Bought.
JOHN B. MARTIN
60 Monroe St. Grand Rapids

THE LOWELL MARKET REPORT.
[Corrected Jan. 11, 1905.]
Wheat—No. 1, 1.16 per bushel
No. 2, 1.12
No. 3, 1.08
No. 4, 1.04
No. 5, 1.00
No. 6, .96
No. 7, .92
No. 8, .88
No. 9, .84
No. 10, .80
No. 11, .76
No. 12, .72
No. 13, .68
No. 14, .64
No. 15, .60
No. 16, .56
No. 17, .52
No. 18, .48
No. 19, .44
No. 20, .40
No. 21, .36
No. 22, .32
No. 23, .28
No. 24, .24
No. 25, .20
No. 26, .16
No. 27, .12
No. 28, .08
No. 29, .04
No. 30, .00

Periodic Pains.

Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills are a most remarkable remedy for the relief of periodic pains, backache, nervous or sick headache, or any of the distressing aches and pains that cause women so much suffering.

Notice of Sales printed free in this column for people who get their auction bills printed at The Lowells office.
G. T. Hatch will sell at public auction the Horace Hatch farm and adjoining house and lot in Keene, 2 1/2 miles north and 2 1/2 miles east of Lowell, also a large lot of horses, cattle, vehicles, machinery, etc., on Friday, Jan. 20, beginning at 10 a. m.

Our Country Cousins

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R. E. Hubbard called on his brother J. N. Friday.

Frederick and wife of Lowell visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Godfrey, Sunday.
Fitz neighbors and friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. Lewis assembled at their home last Wednesday evening and gave them a pleasant surprise. At the close of a musical and literary program Mrs. Warren, in behalf of the company, presented Mr. and Mrs. Lewis with a fine toilet set as a token of the love and esteem in which the couple are held. J. N. Hubbard then made a few remarks, after which the musical program was resumed. The program was well received and the evening was a very enjoyable one. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis were very pleased to receive the gift and to have their friends gathered around them.

Charles Andrews of Grassland visited his friend, Calvin Porter, Tuesday and Wednesday. Mr. Andrews will go to Dakota, to join their three sons. They have lived in the West for three years and have made many friends, who greatly regret their departure. The best wishes of all go with them.

Mr. South and Miss Lydia Brighton of Lowell were guests of H. Seese and family Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Ford spent Sunday with C. Demming and wife at Ada.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Chaffee and daughter returned last Thursday from a two weeks visit with relatives in the Grand Rapids vicinity. Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Boynton, Geo. Boynton and Miss Ethel Ward spent New Year's with relatives in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Denny visited from Grand Rapids and reports a pleasant time.
Lonnay Watson visited in the burg over Sunday.

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Mr. Wm. S. Crane, of California, Mich., suffered for years from rheumatism and lumbago. He was finally advised to try Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and it effected a complete cure. This liniment is for sale by A. D. Sturges.

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Myron Kjer was in Iowa on business Wednesday.
Mrs. Maude Warner and son Cecil visited friends in Grand Rapids last week.
Mrs. Ira Buck has returned from a visit with her children in Grand Rapids.

"Young men and women wanted to learn telegraphy. Railroads need operators badly. Total cost six months course at our school, including tuition (telegraphy and typewriting) board and furnished room, \$80. This can be reduced. Make us a loan. Write today. Dodge's Institute, Monroe St., Valparaiso, Ind. 4622

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Dr. Hodges, dentist. Try our teas. C. H. Alexander. Use Yale Coffee from C. H. Alexander's.

Charlie Bergin is visiting friends in Grand Rapids.

Men's heavy wool pants \$1.10, at Coons' Red Mark sale.

Miss Ione Swan is visiting in Grand Rapids this week.

John Burg is spending his vacation at his home in Bowne.

Mrs. Will Price and daughter Helen of Vassar are visiting Lowell friends.

New milk cow and calf for sale. Inquire of W. W. Pullen at Howk's store.

Ligouri McGee has gone to Grand Rapids this week attend business college.

Miss Irene Bergin has been spending a few days with friends and relatives at Parnell.

Miss Ethel A. Brown of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with her friend, Ola M. Johnson.

Mrs. O. J. O'Dell spent a few days of last week with her mother in Grand Rapids.

Miss Bertha Lee has returned to her school at Elk Rapids after a two weeks' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Bancroft of Detroit spent Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. H. O. Barnes.

L. H. Stevens of Grand Rapids visited at the home of Rev. A. H. Sturgis Monday.

Leave your laundry at Tinkler's barber shop. American Steam Laundry, Harry Lake, agent.

Several thorough-bred white leg-horn cockerels for sale. Your choice for \$1.00. Inquire at this office.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. McQueen and two children, Albert and Cecelia, are visiting relatives at Woodbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Bergin, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lally and John Bergin attended the funeral of a relative at Howell Monday.

Miss Lizzie Terwilliger and Mrs. Frank VanLeuven of Newaygo visited Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Oliver this week.

Miss Lizzie McMahon, who is having a several weeks' vacation, is spending a few days with friends in Grand Rapids.

Miss Ethel Westbrook, who has been ill since her return to Albion last Tuesday, has recovered sufficiently to attend her classes.

Weldon Smith is in Saginaw this week attending a meeting of the Michigan Association of Master Baker. Weldon is secretary of the association.

Our old resident Henry W. Booth, has received an appointment as assistant janitor at the capitol at Lansing. He went Monday to take the position.

I'll brave the storms of Chilkoot Pass I'll cross the plains of frozen glass, I'd leave my wife and cross the sea, Rather than be without Rocky Mountain Tea.

Mrs. Chas. Althen has received the sad news of the death of her sister, Mrs. S. T. Beers, at Lincoln, Ill. Mrs. Beers had many friends in this vicinity, who will regret to learn of her decease.

Now is the time when the far-seeing business man will divide his profits with his patrons rather than carry heavy stocks over to another season. Printer's Ink will connect the seller with the buyer to their mutual advantage. Two barrels of it just received at THE LEDGER office.

In spite of their "smoothness" in keeping things quiet we have finally heard of the marriage of Lloyd Snooks of Saranac, and Miss Mary Aldrich of Lowell, and congratulations are now in order. It happened Christmas eve at the home of the groom, the ceremony being performed by Rev. A. B. Johnson.—[Saranac Local.

With a mail order for job printing received at this office last week was enclosed a sample of a job issued by another "printing" office and underscored with these words: "We don't like this. Give us something different." That's the distinguishing feature of printed matter issued from this office. It is up-to-date, and consequently "different" from the stereotyped and botch work turned out by some alleged printing offices.

Red Mark sale on gloves and mittens.

If you want clean linen, try the Gem laundry.

Mrs. B. J. Peck leaves for Modesto, Cal., next Tuesday.

Closing out guns very cheap for cash. R. D. Stocking.

Mrs. Newell Raymond has been on the sick list for a few days.

Second week of the Red Mark sale of clothing at Coons'. Don't miss it.

The average circulation of the LOWELL LEDGER in 1904 was 1,350. If Laundry called for and delivered twice a week. Give us a trial.

Denick & Son.

Mrs. S. Brower entertained several lady friends to a dinner Tuesday, in honor of her birthday.

Friday, Feb. 3, is the date for the annual banquet of the Gridley Republican club of Ionia county.

Dr. A. B. Spinney will be at the Waverley House Friday, Feb. 20, from 7 a. m. to 5 p. m. See ad.

A farmers' institute will be held at Cascade Grange hall February 2, and one at Caledonia February 3.

Howard Bartlett received yesterday from his wife at Los Angeles, Cal., a box of roses and carnations.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Bennett leave today for Pomona, Florida, where they expect to remain for three months.

Harry Goodell and his uncle, Fay Goodell, of Detroit, left this week for Minnesota, to work that state in the interests of the Michigan Ladder company.

F. T. King returned yesterday from a week's trip to Hawkins, Wis., where he was looking after the lumbering interest of himself and his Lowell partners.

Judge F. D. M. Davis, at the solicitation of 34 members of the Ionia County Bar association, will be a candidate to succeed himself as circuit judge.

Miss Grace Daniels returned Wednesday to her home in New York City, after a two weeks' visit with her grandmother, Mrs. Eliza Wells, at the home of Merritt Sayles.

An inside stairway leading from the north-west corner, has been built in Train's hall for fire escape purposes. When fitted with electric lamps it may be accepted by the fire escape committee.

The man or woman anywhere between 20 and 100 years old who can hear Mr. Frye's masterpiece, David Harum, without much laughter mingled with the greatest admiration is ready for transition to a quieter and more congenial sphere.

The fortunate holders of ticket No. 357, which drew the set of dishes at Clyde Collar's, were Mr. and Mrs. Clare Norton of Smyrna. They are young housekeepers to whom the dishes made a pleasing gift, and Mr. Collar is very much pleased that they should have been the recipients.

There has been a decided improvement in the temperature at Train's hall on public occasions during the past two weeks; and at the last lecture patrons were comfortably warm. Those who have been staying away on account of the cold may now venture out.

Leslie G. Cook has purchased of Fred O'Hara, of Lowell, the 60 acre farm which the latter bought a few months ago of Becket Lewis. Consideration \$2,400. Mr. Cook will remain where he is at present located until he is ready to build a house on the new place.—[Portland Review.

The Epworth Popular Course committee has secured Edward H. Frye in his monologue, David Harum, for Jan. 19. Admission 15c. to holders of course tickets; others 25c. Present your course ticket when buying your ticket for the Frye entertainment, as it will have to be punched.

Lovers of David Harum, Edgar Noyes Westcott's most widely read novel, will attend Mr. Frye's new monologue at Train's hall January 19th. Secure your tickets for David Harum at Post Office or D. F. Butts' store. There will be no reserved seats.

The Board of Supervisors convened for the regular January session Monday. It is thought the county is about \$40,000 better off than it was a year ago and it is hoped will be out of debt by the end of the year—this by dint of heavy taxation. Supervisor Detreat thinks the county is extravagant and ninety-nine out of a hundred Kent County taxpayers will swear he is correct.

MARRIAGE LICENCES.
Don M. Miller, 33, Mary Churchill, 36; both of Alto.

Pre-Inventory Sale
Of Watches, Clocks
Jewelry and Silverware

Before taking inventory on our stock we are going to conduct a clearing out sale for the purpose of turning as much as possible into cash. If you need anything in this line we can save you money. All of our sales have been money savers for the buyer and this will be the biggest of them all.

A Few Prices.

Eight or Waltham movement in best nickel case \$4.48

Eight or Waltham movement, 20yr gold filled case \$9.47

Guaranteed American movement, best nickel case \$2.49

LADIES WATCHES

Eight or Waltham movement in 30 yr case \$9.98

1847 Rogers Bros. Knives and Forks—each \$3.25

All our goods are reliable and guaranteed. Our stock is full of very desirable bargains.

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BE SURE TO VISIT OUR

Special Cotton and Ladies Muslim Underwear Sale.

Sale Closes Friday Evening, January 20, 1905.

A few Ladies and Children's Coats left to go at ONE-THIRD OFF.

J. B. NICHOLSON, Lowell, Mich.

CHURCHES AND SOCIETIES

SOCIETIES.

The Clover Leaf club will meet with Mrs. H. J. Coons Tuesday, Jan. 17th.

The Success club held its second meeting of the season at Train's hall Monday evening, seventy-two people being present. The usual program of games, supper and dancing was followed and the evening passed very pleasantly. Prizes were won as follows: First, Mrs. J. F. Thomas; second, Mrs. F. B. McKay; consolation, Miss Helen King; gentlemen's first, Joe Kelly; second, A. L. Peck; consolation, Norton Henry.

Lowell Lodge No. 115, I. O. O. F., at its regular meeting last Thursday evening, installed the elective officers for the term beginning January 1 as follows: N. G., E. S. White, V. G., J. R. Lynn; R. S., S. B. Avery; F. S., W. Williams; T., Allen Godfrey. Regular meeting every Thursday night at 7.30. Visiting brothers always welcome.

The G. A. R. and W. R. C. held a joint installation last Thursday evening, fifty were present, this number being much less than it should have been on account of the roughness of the night. After the ceremonies the ladies spread a banquet, to which all did full justice. The W. R. C. gave their Penny Drill, in which all present were asked to join. Miss Maud Andrews played the organ while the company marched around the hall, each person being expected to drop a penny into the collection box on the altar as he passed it. This collection is used for flowers for the sick, and the ladies were much surprised to find, instead of pennies, a box of nickles.

W. C. T. U.

The Lowell Union will meet with Mrs. B. Needham Friday, Jan. 13 at 2 o'clock.

CONGREGATIONAL.

Theme for next Sunday morning "The growth of that which Prof. Drummond designated as the greatest thing in the world."

Evening subject, "The turning point in Paul's life."

Christian Endeavor meeting at six o'clock Sunday evening.

Thursday evening meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. U. B. Williams.

The Spartan society of the Baptist church gave a band tea yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. M. Barnes.

The Sewing club held a very pleasant meeting at the home of Mrs. Frank Coons last Thursday evening.

United Brethren.

The new United Brethren church at West Lowell will be dedicated Jan. 22, 1905, Bishop H. T. Barnaby of Gaines officiating. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

BAPTIST.

Services of some kind are held at the church every Sunday morning, at the usual hour, to which all members, as well as outsiders, are invited. Sunday school and Young People's meeting are also held at twelve and six o'clock respectively.

METHODIST.

Love feast at 9:30 a. m., Sunday followed by communion service. In the evening Rev. G. D. Chase, presiding elder, will preach. Sunday school League as usual.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank kind friends and neighbors for sympathy and help during our bereavement, caused by the death of little Ruth. We also wish to thank the minister and singers for their tender sympathy shown.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lynn, Hattie Lynn.

Big cut on sweaters at Coons' Red Mark sale.

OBITUARY.

Little Ruth Armstrong was born Friday, July 17, 1903 and died Saturday, Jan. 5, 1905, at the age of one year five months and twenty-one days. Her short sweet life has been as a visit of an angel from the heavenly land to where she has only returned to await the coming of those who so deeply mourn her departure yet realize that our sorrow is her happiness. Although she suffered much she was so sweet and patient that to know her was to love her. She is now at rest, "for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." She won many friends during her short life and how much she will be missed God alone knows.—[Com.

PARNELL.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gehan, a son.

Mrs. Martha Roup of Marion is visiting her father, James Gehan.

Miss Irene Bergin of Lowell spent Sunday with Mollie Doyle.

James Abraham is on the gain.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Owne Howard, a son.

Mrs. Tommie Malone visited in Grand Rapids last week.

Mrs. Mike Malone is on the sick list.

Mrs. Dan Doyle and son Joe, of Freeport, spent New Year's with her daughter, Mrs. James Costello.

Mrs. Emanuel Doyle and children of Grand Rapids visited at Miss Sarah Doyle's last week.

School commenced last Monday after a two week's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Walsh visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Byrnes Sunday.

Wedding bells will soon ring for Patrick Fingleton and Miss Elizabeth Quillan, their names being published Sunday for the first call.

Miss Helen Weeks of Grand Rapids is visiting her mother, Mrs. R. A. Weeks.

Miss Maggie Byrnes is assisting Mrs. O. J. Howard in her household.

D. G. Look manufactures and guarantees very bottle of his Tar-Pine Cough Balsam. A liberal sized package 25c.

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From Friday morning until Thursday evening

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Any \$5.00 Florsheim shoe shown in the window

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Any \$3.00 Shoe shown in the window

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Buy the above and save money.

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Great Bargain Sale of Printed Envelopes

Just received at The Ledger office a case of good, white XXX envelopes, regular business size, 6 1/2. While they last we will sell them to you at 25c per hundred and print your return card, name, business and address

Free of Charge

We cannot pay postage or express at this rate. Call at the office or send. If you come Fridays or Saturdays we can probably print them "while you wait;" otherwise we will have them ready when you come again. Bring or send the money. There's no "tick" in this. Come a running, you rural routers. There's only 20,000 and they won't last long at this price.

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