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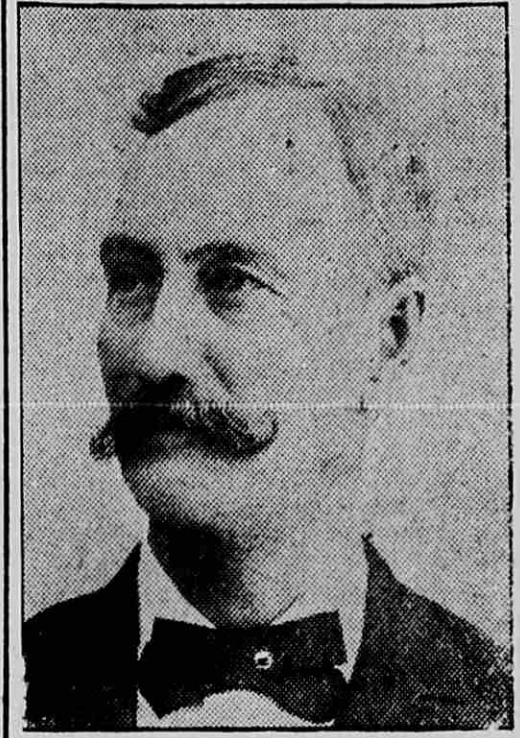
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## HONORED CITIZEN GONE.

J. Edwin Lee Buried Yesterday. Was Village Trustee Eleven Years.



J. EDWIN LEE.

J. Edwin Lee, a prominent citizen of Lowell, passed away early Monday morning after an illness of two weeks. Funeral services were held at the home yesterday afternoon, Feb. 6th., at two o'clock, conducted by Rev. S. T. Morris of Grand Rapids, and burial took place at Oakwood cemetery under the auspices of Lowell Lodge No. 90, F. & A. M., of which he was a member.

Mr. Lee was the son of Solmon and Harriet Lee, who were among Kent county's earliest settlers, having emigrated from New York, of which state the mother was a native. The father was born in Connecticut. The family settled in Vergennes and Edwin was born in that township May 11, 1846. He made his home there until 1868, when he came to Lowell. Two years later, Oct. 5, 1870, he was married to Miss Helen Boyce of this village and they settled here, in the house which has been their home during the thirty-six years of their married life. He was for many years engaged in the meat business, retiring from active work about seven years ago. He built the block which contained his market and which was partially burned early this Winter, and was, up to the time of his last illness, superintending the work of repairing and remodeling.

Mr. Lee was for eleven years, from 1894 to 1905, a faithful and conscientious member of the village council, working always for the interests of the community and standing for the principles which he considered right, regardless of criticism and complaints, though willing to acknowledge himself wrong if proven so. He was called, by the councilmen, "Father of the Lowell lighting plant," having been chairman of the light and power committee and having personally bought of the farmers the right of flowage, the work being done entirely for the benefit of the village, with no thought of remuneration for himself.

Deceased was a member of the Grand Rapids Knight Templars as well as of Lowell Lodge F. & A. M. and was a firm believer in the Masonic order. He failed in health more than a year ago but had partially recovered, so that he was able to be about the village until the illness which began two weeks ago and gradually weakened him. Though suffering intensely during the last days of his life, he was conscious all the time, and shortly before the end rallied and regained his voice sufficiently to leave with his family the memory of a kind and loving talk and a last farewell. He leaves his wife, one daughter, Mrs. Frances Doyle of Lowell, one son, Dr. S. S. Lee of Calumet, and three brothers, Leverett and Eugene Lee of Vergennes and Charles Lee of Grand Rapids. Dr. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Parks of Grand Haven and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Miller of Grand Rapids were in attendance at the funeral.

## FIRE SOON CHECKED.

Home of Jas. Malcom and Family Partly Burned Saturday.

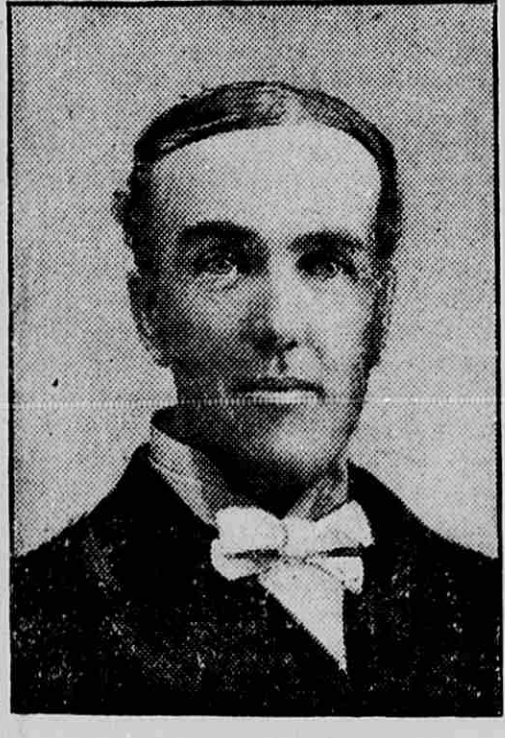
About ten-thirty Saturday morning fire broke out in Mrs. Ida Chandler's house on Hudson street, occupied by James Malcom and family, but owing to the quick work of citizens and firemen the house was only partially burned and practically all the household goods were saved. The structure, a two-story one, was insured for \$600.

Mrs. Malcom and her mother were alone and were unaware of danger until, happening to open the pantry door, they were confronted by clouds of black smoke. The origin of the fire is uncertain. The blaze was kept inside the house with the exception of one outbreak in the roof, and was soon extinguished.

Dr. Snyder, dentist, phone 156.

## REV. BUTLER RESIGNS

To Accept Call From Congregational Church at Wheatland, Wyo.



REV. JAMES E. BUTLER.

Rev. E. Butler last Sunday presented his resignation as pastor of the Lowell Congregational church to take effect the latter part of March. Mr. Butler has been troubled by sickness in his family for several years and has been searching for a climate which would be beneficial. He thinks Wyoming fills the bill and has accepted a call from the Congregational church at Wheatland in that state. His departure is delayed by the present illness of Mrs. Butler's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Butler will leave many warm friends in Lowell who will leave many warm friends in Lowell who will regret their departure, and wish them health and prosperity in their Western home.

## LAST OF THE FAMILY

Death of Mrs. Wm. Stone. The Third Within Two Weeks.

The death of Mrs. William Stone, aged 63 years, which occurred last night at her home southeast of the village, is the third in the family within two weeks, her mother and husband having been buried on the last two successive Sundays. No arrangements have yet been made for the funeral services.

The family have lived in Boston township thirty-six years, having emigrated from New York, and were held in high regard throughout the community. Mrs. Stone was the last member of the family, as there are no children. At the time of her husband's death, last Thursday, she was very ill with pneumonia, and, being weakened by the shock of his loss, she failed rapidly in spite of the loving care of her friends.

## SIXTY-TWO YEARS

Resident of Fallasburg. Death of Mrs. Colvin Aged 64.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Colvin died at her home at Fallasburg, Mich., Saturday, Feb. 2, 1907, after an illness of nine days, at the age of 64 years. The funeral services were held at the house Tuesday at one p. m., conducted by Rev. Russell H. Bready, interment taking place in Fallasburg cemetery, beside her husband.

Mary Ellen Beckwith was born Sept. 11, 1843, at Ionia, Michigan. The following year she came with her parents to Fallasburg, which has since been her home. She was married in 1864 to James Colvin, who passed from this life three years ago. Nine children were given to this union, five sons and four daughters, of whom eight are living to mourn the loss of a loving mother.

Mrs. Ella Joseph, Charles A. and Carl of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Alice Farr of Cedar Springs, Fred of Blanche, Idaho, Ross J. of Arizona and Carrie and Edith of Lowell, their son Bert having died seven years ago at Boise City, Idaho. She also leaves three brothers and three sisters, Mrs. Ida Dutton and Mrs. Adell Bollinger of Concordia, Kansas, Mrs. Fannie Alger of Vergennes, Edgar Beckwith of Cripple Creek, Colorado, George Beckwith of Petaluma, California, and Sidney Beckwith of Vergennes.

Mrs. Colvin is widely known throughout the community where she has lived so many years, and being of retiring nature will be greatly missed by those who knew her best.

## AUCTION SALE.

Samuel Wingler, having sold his farm 4 miles north of Lowell, near Watters schoolhouse, will sell his farm stock including horses, cows, pigs, chickens, tools, implements, vehicles etc., on Tuesday, Feb. 26th., beginning at 10 a. m. Free lunch at noon. See bills printed at the Ledger office.

## LOOK'S Drug and Book Store

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A WEEK'S NEWS IN CONDENSED FORM

RECORD OF MOST INTERESTING EVENTS TOLD IN BRIEFEST MANNER POSSIBLE.

HOME AND FOREIGN ITEMS

Information Gathered from All Quarters of the Civilized World and Prepared for the Perusal of the Busy Man.

CONGRESSIONAL NEWS.

The national house committee on interstate and foreign commerce decided to make a favorable report on the Livingston resolution providing for an investigation of the New York cotton exchange by the department of commerce and labor.

The interstate commerce commission severely arraigned the Standard Oil company, accusing it of nearly every crime that a corporation can commit.

The house representatives restored to the agricultural appropriation bill the provision for free distribution of seeds.

Senator Rayner, of Maryland, assailed President Roosevelt for his activities, declaring he usurped governmental functions not conferred on him by the constitution.

Representative Wadsworth, of New York, in vindicating himself and the agricultural committee for the work done last session on the meat inspection bill, assailed President Roosevelt's course.

California congressmen had a long conference with the president and said the outlook was good for a satisfactory solution of the Japanese school trouble.

Congressmen from the middle west argued for the lake-to-gulf deep waterway project.

MISCELLANEOUS.

President Roosevelt approved Admiral Davis' entire action in connection with his visit to Kingston, Jamaica, to render aid to the stricken city, and in addition requested the secretary of the navy to express to Admiral Davis his heartfelt commendation on all that he did.

In an address delivered before the National Geographic society, Senator Perkins, of California, declared a conflict between the United States and Japan was inevitable.

Edward P. Hippie, a brother of the late F. A. Hippie, who ended his life after the wreck of the Real Estate Trust company, of which he was president, committed suicide at his home in Philadelphia with a revolver.

The Nebraska senate killed the anti-Christian Science bill. The bill made it necessary for Christian Science practitioners to secure a physician's license.

Eight buildings in the center of the business district of Harrisburg, Pa., were either destroyed or badly damaged by a fire, involving a loss estimated at \$250,000.

The six-story building of the Troy Waste Manufacturing company, of Troy, N. Y., was burned, the loss being \$300,000.

Mrs. Russell Sage gave \$1,000,000 to Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at Troy, N. Y.

Capt. Arthur Jackman, a well-known Arctic navigator, died at St. John, N. F., aged 64. He was in command of the ship which carried Commander Robert E. Peary to Greenland in the latter's first expedition in 1886.

Ernest G. Krause, one of the wealthiest men of Cleveland, O., died suddenly following a stroke of apoplexy, aged 52 years.

The Missouri senate committee reported favorably a bill providing for a stamp tax of 25 cents on every transaction in stocks, grain, cotton and provisions for future delivery.

Col. J. C. Edmonds, superintendent of schools of Bastrop, Tex., was assassinated on the street and R. A. Brooks, an attorney, was arrested for the killing.

Charles H. Everly, formerly teller in the St. Louis Union Trust company, pleaded guilty to a charge of embezzling \$5,000 from the trust company, and was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

The seizure of large quantities of oleomargarine was begun by St. Louis internal revenue officers and more than 1,000 pounds of the product has been confiscated.

Henry Magruder, son of the Confederate general, John Bankhead Magruder, is dead in Rome.

Henry Bradley, an aged negro who said he once belonged to Davy Crockett, is dead at Nashville, Tenn.

McKinley's birthday was appropriately celebrated in Washington and other cities.

Reports that Count Leo Tolstoi was dying were contradicted by his son.

Two men were killed by an explosion that destroyed a powder mill near Fontaine, Ind.

Charles Behrens was indicted for embezzling \$42,000 of the funds of a bank at Huntington, Ind.

The Portland (Me.) poorhouse is caring for Mrs. Steele, formerly Miss Jessamy Bret Harte, daughter of the author, Bret Harte. Mrs. Steele is said to be without means and is ill.

In the will of George B. Nutt, who died in Pittsburg recently, a bequest is made that his entire estate, estimated at \$31,000, is to be spent for toys and gifts for the poor children of Allegheny county at the death of his wife.

The Arizona legislative assembly passed and the governor signed a bill previously passed by the council repealing the statute permitting the licensing of gambling in Arizona.

Henry C. Sergeant, an inventor of international reputation, died at his home in Westfield, N. J. The United States patent office had issued to him more than 50 patents.

Mrs. John McCausland, her brother-in-law and her children, were killed by escaping gas in their home in Dayton, O.

The British steamship Clavering went ashore near Hartlepool, England, and 29 of the crew were drowned.

Thirty masked men horsewhipped Jesse Phelps, of Morgantown, Ky., who is accused of cruelty to his three-year-old child.

Charles Marvin, one of the most famous drivers and trainers of horses in America, died at Lexington, Ky.

John H. Quirk, convicted of manslaughter for killing W. A. Dowell, a Minneapolis newspaper man, was sentenced to 15 years in states prison.

Several hundred men and boys attempted to lynch a negro in the business section of Pittsburg because he fought a newsboy.

Secretary Loeb announced that the Panama canal contract had not yet been let to W. K. Oliver or anyone else, and that all bids might be rejected.

Twenty-five Catholic soldiers at Columbus barracks threatened to mutiny because they were ordered to attend church services.

Secretary of the Treasury Shaw, addressing the Missouri Society of New York, criticized the pending currency legislation.

The worst blizzard of the winter struck North Dakota, adding greatly to the difficulties of the food supply situation.

Evidence tending to show that the operations of E. H. Harriman on the coast constitute a violation of the interstate commerce law was brought out before Commissioner Franklin K. Lane at San Francisco.

Fire at Columbus, O., gutted the six-story brick building on East Gay street, occupied by the Peebles Merchandise company, an installment house, entailing a loss estimated at \$100,000.

A band of terrorists shot and killed Victor Gruen, the chief of the secret police of Warsaw, Russian Poland as he was driving in a cab. The murderers escaped.

The will of the late Senator R. A. Alger leaves all of his estate excepting \$20,000 to his widow and five children.

An order has been issued directing an increase of the rural guard of Cuba from 6,000 to 10,000 men.

St. Louis post office inspectors arrested Joseph Enisley, aged 25, on the charge of having robbed the Cotter (Ark.) post office of a mail pouch containing more than \$3,000 in cash and valuable jewelry.

Mrs. George Brink, of Evansville, Ind., was fatally burned by the explosion of a can of gasoline.

The Federal Signal works, of Green Island, N. Y., employing between 700 and 800 men, was almost entirely destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at about \$200,000.

Because the Bell Telephone company insisted on increasing the working hours of the Toronto telephone girls from five to eight hours a day, about 400 girls went on strike.

Fire destroyed the North side car barns in Chicago and 90 cars were burned.

Three more jurors in the Thaw case were summarily excused, two without explanation and one on a physician's certificate. Their places were filled.

The grand jury at Springfield, O., returned an indictment against Matilda Bailey and Martin Myers, on the charge of assault with intent to kill in burying alive the baby of their 17-year-old granddaughter, Mary Bailey.

Sir John See, ex-premier and colonial secretary of New South Wales, is dead at Sydney.

The bill prohibiting Sunday baseball was killed by the Kansas senate.

Solomon Turk, the oldest explosive powder manufacturer in this country, died at New York. He was twice Democratic mayor of Dubuque, Ia.

Grover Cleveland was elected chairman of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents.

Robert E. Gill, a Cleveland, O., broker, was convicted of running a bucket shop.

S. C. T. Dodd, solicitor for the Standard Oil company, died at Pinehurst, N. C. He was born in Franklin, Pa., February 20, 1836.

One man was killed and six injured when an Omaha street car jumped the track and derailed into a drug store.

Charles L. Stevens, grand master of Michigan Masons, died of heart disease at Detroit.

Mrs. Kate Krakowski McKenna of Niagara Falls, N. Y., was robbed of \$6,000 worth of diamonds while at church.

Byron Webster, former editor of the Marshalltown (Ia.) Statesman, died at Marshalltown. He was the first editor to suggest the name of Grover Cleveland for the presidency upon the election of Mr. Cleveland as governor of New York in 1884.

The heaviest snowfall in years crippled the transportation and communication systems of Berlin and a large surrounding district.

The grand jury in New York returned an indictment against the so-called theatrical trust charging conspiracy and restraint of trade.

Gen. William Shakespeare, soldier, editor, lawyer and banker, died at his residence in Kalamazoo, Mich., from wounds received in the civil war.

President Roosevelt will deliver an oration at the dedication of the McKinley memorial monument at Canton, O., the last week in December.

Lieut. Ralph W. Drury and Private John Dowd of the Ninth United States infantry were found not guilty of the murder of W. H. Crowley, at Pittsburg Pa.

It was stated that at least 2,000 cars loaded with merchandise for the northwest were stalled at Minneapolis and many more at other points.

While testing a new fire escape on a sorority house at Madison, Wis., Miss May Douglas, of Winona, Minn., fell from the third story to the ground and was probably fatally injured.

Every building in Vandalia, Ill., was shaken by an earthquake and many persons were aroused from deep sleep. The shock was accompanied by a loud rumbling.

A fifth attempt to wreck trains on the Kansas City, Clinton & Springfield railway was made one mile south of Osceola, Mo. A section foreman found eight railroad spikes between rails.

The mill of the Economic Gold Extraction company, located in Eclipse Gulch, near Victor, Col., was destroyed by fire. The plant was installed at a cost of \$500,000.

Indian Inspector James McLaughlin, of Washington, has secured an agreement with the Rosebud Sioux Indians for the throwing open by the federal government of nearly a million acres of land in Tripp county, S. D.

Twenty-three Mexican revolutionists under sentence of imprisonment for five to eight years, were released from jail at Monterey, Mex., by sympathy.

Edmund E. Price, well-known criminal lawyer and playwright of New York, died suddenly.

Secretary Taft authorized the superintendent of the West Point Military academy to take the entire corps of cadets to the Jamestown exposition.

Students of Lawrence university attending a banquet at Kaukauna, Wis., were attacked by roughs and burnt with sulphuric acid.

Capt. George B. Boynton, sentenced to six months on Blackwell's island for complicity in a plan to counterfeit the silver dollars of Venezuela, was pardoned by the president.

Stockholders of the Santa Fe Railway company voted for the issuance of \$98,000,000 in bonds.

Two men were killed by the explosion of a locomotive near Fort Wayne, Ind.

State Senator S. A. D. Keister, of Wyoming, died of appendicitis at Chadron, Neb.

Socialists in Warsaw undertook and carried out the execution of a bandit who made an unsuccessful attempt to secure \$500 from the Commercial bank of Warsaw.

Eighty or more men were entombed in the Stuart coal mine near Fayetteville, W. Va., by a terrific explosion. Rescuers could not enter the shaft and it was believed not one of the miners would be taken out alive.

Late estimates of the dead in the Stuart mine disaster placed the number at 60.

Mrs. Nancy White, a negro, 103 years old, the oldest woman in western Pennsylvania, is dead at her home in New Haven, Pa. Up to three years ago she worked as a washerwoman.

The grand jury of Allegheny county, Pa., returned six true bills against the Pullman Palace Car company, alleging the sale of impure milk and cream to its patrons.

It was reported from the Vatican that the offerings of Peters' Pence this year are smaller than usual.

Martial law was declared in Valencia, Spain, following the food-tax riots and a strike of workmen. Serious trouble is feared.

Maj. Austin Cushman, who was private secretary to President Fillmore, died while attending a Masonic celebration in Boston. He was 80 years old and a prominent G. A. R. man.

Dudley Chase, ex-chaplain of the United States army, is dead in Philadelphia, aged 91. He was a son of Dr. Philander Chase, an early bishop of Illinois.

Five men were killed and 11 were hurt by an explosion of powder in the Johnson City and Big Muddy coal mine at Johnson City, Ill.

The mine disaster at Saarbruecken, Prussia, resulted in 148 deaths, according to an official report.

The hydrographic office at New Orleans announced that the Gulf stream had made important changes in its course.

Harry Allen, who was prominent in the movement to make Kansas a free state, died suddenly at the National Soldiers' home at Lansing, Kan.

Eight persons were injured, two fatally, by a railway collision at Crowder City, I. T.

SIDE LIGHTS ON MICHIGAN

HARD LABOR FOR LIFE IS THE SENTENCE GIVEN JOSEPH EHRLICH, JR.

CASH IS WANTED NOW

Allegan's Grange Store Case Results in Verdict of Not Guilty—To Purchase the Fish Hatcheries—Various Matters.

Leola Kelley's Murderer.

"Guilty of murder in the first degree." This verdict, delivered before a packed courtroom Saturday afternoon, brought the climax to a day filled with impressive scenes. It was some time before Joseph Ehrlich, Jr., the convicted murderer of Leola Kelley, of Adrian, found his voice to answer to the question of the court: "Have you anything to say why sentence should not be pronounced upon you?" "I have not," he finally replied in a low tone. "The sentence of this court is that you be imprisoned at Jackson in solitary confinement at hard labor for life."

The prisoner received the sentence apparently unmoved. Trembling with fear, his eyes riveted on the immense crowd which followed, Ehrlich was led to the jail across the street from the courthouse. The jury was out only half an hour. Two ballots were taken, the first resulting 11 to 1 for a verdict of first degree murder.

Fighting County Treasurer.

The fight between the board of supervisors of Gratiot county and Harvey R. Munson, county treasurer, has reached the supreme court. The board has demanded that Munson file a surety bond, and has designated the bank in which he shall deposit county funds. It has refused to accept the bond he submitted signed by a number of wealthy residents of the county. Judge Wisner, of Flint, who heard the case in the circuit court, refused to interfere with the orders issued by the supervisors. Munson has now secured an order for the board to show cause February 12 why Munson's bonds should not be accepted and why he should not choose his own depository.

It has been the custom for Gratiot county treasurers to deposit the county funds so that the county got no interest. If any interest was paid it went to the treasurers. It is to break up this practice that the present fight is instituted.

Not Guilty.

"Not guilty" was the verdict of the jury in the Allegan Grange store conspiracy case in which M. V. B. McAlpine, Edward Horen, A. P. Holmes and Dante Webster were defendants. The jury was out eight hours, returning the verdict at 1:30 Saturday morning. The charge against the four men was that they conspired to defraud the store out of several thousand dollars.

Judge Seal, in his charge, instructed the jury to, if possible, find a verdict of guilty or not guilty and avoid a disagreement, owing to the heavy expense of the trial to the county.

The prosecution, which was conducted by Charles B. Ward, former assistant prosecuting attorney of Grand Rapids, who prosecuted the Grand Rapids hoodlum water deal cases, was weakened by the confession of Henry A. Dibble, its leading witness, who turned state's evidence, that he was a perjurer.

Tax Non-Resident Fishermen.

Rep. Charles E. Ward, of Shiawassee, believes it would be a good scheme for Michigan to require non-resident fishermen to pay a license fee for permission to angle in the lakes and streams of the state. He has just returned from a visit to the several fish hatcheries of the state.

"It costs about \$40,000 a year to operate those hatcheries," said Mr. Ward, "and I do not think any reason can be advanced as to why fishermen coming here from other states should not bear a portion of the expense the people of the state are put in to order to keep the streams and lakes stocked with fish. There is really more reason why a fisherman should pay a license than a hunter. We may do something along that line during the session."

To Purchase Michigan Hatcheries.

Representative Grosvenor reported favorably from the committee on merchant marine and fisheries, an omnibus bill for the establishment of fish hatcheries in several states. It contains a provision authorizing the secretary of commerce and labor to purchase the fish hatchery of the state of Michigan at Sault Ste. Marie, for \$12,000. It also provides for another fish hatchery and fish culture station at Charlevoix and cost \$10,000. A third provision is made providing for a fish hatchery in Michigan, the site of which is to be selected by the secretary of commerce and labor. For this \$20,000 is appropriated.

F. W. Pierce's three-story building in Owosso was unroofed Saturday night. Levi Lytle, of Kerby, tells that he has sheared 250 sheep this year. This is believed to be the earliest clip in Michigan.

Martin A. Ryerson, of Chicago, who built the \$300,000 public library for Grand Rapids, has been left \$750,000 under the will of his mother, Mary A. Ryerson, who died in Pasadena, Cal., January 8.

Julius S. Barber, a veteran merchant, aged 86, for more than 50 years a resident of Coldwater, surprised his friends by taking a bride—Mrs. Violet Doane, of Jonesville. Mr. Barber was a boon companion and neighbor of the late Gov. Lane.

CHARLES L. STEVENS. HURRY AND WORRY

Charles L. Stevens, grand master of the grand lodge, F. & A. M., of Michigan, past grand high priest of the grand chapter, R. A. M., and one of the most prominent Masons in the state, collapsed in the street about 6 o'clock Wednesday night, and died in the home of Mrs. Mary Edgington, 80 High street west, 20 minutes later.

The Thaw Case.

The case of the people against Harry K. Thaw was presented to the jury Monday in less than two hours of the morning session of the trial, and in the afternoon Attorney John B. Gleason began the opening address for the defense.

This indicates District Attorney Jerome's intention to make the lawyers for the defense prove the innocence of their client, and means that the great fight will come on rebuttal.

Packers Quit.

Certificates were filed in Little Rock Monday with the secretary of state showing the withdrawal from Arkansas of the Hammond Packing Co. and Morris & Co., of Chicago.

Judgment was recently entered against the Hammond Packing Co. for \$10,000 because of an alleged violation of the Arkansas anti-trust law and suits are now pending against Morris & Co. and four other firms on the same charge.

Chief of Police Eaton, of Monroe, has received a check for \$50 from the Detroit United Railway for the capture and conviction of Edmund Paradis, of Toledo, who stole \$20 worth of brass from the company's car. Paradis is serving a term in the Detroit house of correction.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit—There was a heavy run of cattle, Goddard's of Michigan cows no lower, but were very scarce. We quote: Extra dry-fed steers and heifers, \$5; steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200, \$4.50@4.65; do., 800 to 1,000, \$4.40; steers and heifers, fat, 500 to 600, \$3.25@3.75; choice fat cows, \$2.50@4; good fat cows, \$3.25@3.40; common cows, \$2.25@3; canners, \$1@1.50; choice Jersey bulls, \$3.00@3.75; fair to good bologna bulls, \$3@3.40; stock bulls, \$2.50@3; choice feeding steers, \$3 to 1,000, \$2.75@4; fair feeding steers, \$2 to 1,000, \$2.25@3.50; choice stockers, \$3 to 1,000, \$2.00@3; fair to good milking cows, \$2.50@3; stock heifers, \$2.50@3; milkers, large, young, medium age, \$3.50@5; common milkers, \$1.80@3. Choice calves were active, but at a decline of about 25c per hundred from the opening prices a week ago. Best grade, \$7@7.75; others, \$4@8.50.

Sheep—No fat sheep and lambs was very heavy, but everything was disposed of before dark. Choice grades were from 10c to 15c lower and common fully 50c lower than they were a week ago. A few bunches of extra good stuff brought as high as \$7.25 per hundred, but bulk of sales for lambs was at \$7.25 under. We quote: Best lambs, \$7@7.25; fair to good lambs, \$5.50@7; light to common lambs, \$5@6; fair to good butcher sheep, \$4.50@5; common, \$3.50@4.50.

Hogs—In the hog yards the trade was active and everything was disposed of quickly at prices 25c to 30c per hundred higher than at the opening last week. Bulk of sales were at \$6.75, but a few extra fancy grades brought \$7 per hundred. Range of prices: Light to good butchers, \$6.50@7; pigs, \$7; mixed, \$6.50@7; roughs, \$5.50@6; 6's, standard, \$5.50@6.

Chicago—Market strong; common to prime steers, \$4@7; cows, \$2.75@5; heifers, \$2.60@5.25; bulls, \$2@4.50; calves, \$2.75@5; stockers and feeders, \$2.75@4.40. Hogs: Choice heavy shipping, \$6.75@7; light butchers, \$6.25@6.75; light mixed, \$5.90@6.25; choice light, \$4.50@6; best fat cows, \$1.40@1.65; pigs, \$6.40@6.80; bulk of sales, \$6.00@6.75.

Sheep—Market for sheep strong and lambs quiet. Choice, \$5@5.25; yearlings, \$4.00@4.80; lambs, \$3.75@6.50. East Buffalo—Best export steers, \$3.40@6.15; best 1,200 to 1,300 lb. shipping steers, \$5@5.50; best 1,000 to 1,100 lb. steers, \$4.50@5; best fat cows, \$1.40@4.5; fair to good, \$2.25@3.75; trimmers, \$1.75@2; best heifers, \$4.50@6; medium to good, \$3.50@4.25; best feeding steers, \$4@5; do., \$3.50@4; common stock steers, \$2.25@3.50; bologna steers, \$2.25@3; stock bulls, \$1.25@4.75; bologna bulls, \$2.25@3.50; stock lambs, \$2.50@4.50. The cow trade was from \$3@6 lower than last week; good extra, \$2.50@1.75; medium to good, \$2.25@3.30; \$1.80@2.50.

Hogs—Market active and higher; mixed mediums and heavy, \$7.10@7.15; light mixed, \$6.70@7.20; pigs, \$7.40; roughs, \$6.15@6.20; stockers, \$4.75@5.25. Sheep—Market dull and lower; native lambs, \$7.00@7.75; western lambs, \$7.50@7.60; cuts, \$6.50@7; western, \$5.50@6; 6's, \$6.50@7; yearlings, \$6.25@6.50; ewes, \$7@8.25; closed until and 25 cars unsold. Calves—Steady. Best, \$9.50@9.75; medium to good, \$8.50@9; heavy, \$8.90@9.50.

GRAIN, ETC.

Detroit—Wheat: Cash No. 2 red, 78c; May, 3.00 bu. at 81c; 1,000 bu. at 82c; 5,000 bu. at 82c; 10,000 bu. at 82c; 20,000 bu. at 82c; 30,000 bu. at 82c; 40,000 bu. at 82c; 50,000 bu. at 82c; 60,000 bu. at 82c; 70,000 bu. at 82c; 80,000 bu. at 82c; 90,000 bu. at 82c; 100,000 bu. at 82c. Corn: Cash No. 2, 2 cars at 46c, closing at 45c asked; No. 3 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 4 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 5 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 6 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 7 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 8 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 9 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 10 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 11 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 12 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 13 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 14 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 15 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 16 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 17 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 18 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 19 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 20 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 21 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 22 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 23 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 24 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 25 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 26 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 27 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 28 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 29 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 30 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 31 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 32 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 33 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 34 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 35 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 36 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 37 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 38 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 39 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 40 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 41 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 42 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 43 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 44 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 45 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 46 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 47 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 48 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 49 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 50 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 51 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 52 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 53 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 54 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 55 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 56 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 57 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 58 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 59 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 60 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 61 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 62 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 63 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 64 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 65 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 66 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 67 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 68 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 69 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 70 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 71 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 72 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 73 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 74 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 75 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 76 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 77 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 78 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 79 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 80 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 81 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 82 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 83 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 84 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 85 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 86 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 87 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 88 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 89 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 90 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 91 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 92 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 93 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 94 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 95 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 96 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No. 97 yellow, 1 car at 46c; No.



# SERIAL STORY

## DUKE OF DEVIL-MAY-CARE

By HARRIS DICKSON  
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CHAPTER XVIII.—Continued.

Anita looked up at him steadily, her lips half parted, but dumb and expressionless as if she had not heard. "There's another thing I wanted you to know," he blurted out, desperately afraid that his courage might fail him before he told it all. "When they arrested me this morning I knew nothing about Mrs. Ashton, and thought, of course, it was on this charge from Vicksburg. I made up my mind at once not to talk until you went home—it might drag your name through the newspapers. They would be saying that I came down here to see you, coupling your name with that of a fugitive from justice, and I could not endure that."

"I was standing in front of Pedro's cafe that night when you and Alice and Mrs. Ashton got out of the cab; I saw you go into the hotel. After that I walked the street all night. That's how I happened to see the ambulance—but thought nothing of it in connection with your party. Early that morning I tried to get that pig-headed Frenchman to take you a note, or to arrange it so I could see you. He said it would ruin the reputation of his house, and we nearly had a row about it. Of course I could not afford a brawl with him, so I went away. I think now he must have been suspicious of everybody because he had sent Mrs. Ashton to the post-house."

Anita looked away a moment, and the tears began to crowd into her eyes.

"Now," he stood up very straight, for he had cast the burden from his conscience, "that is all, everything. Let me sit here a minute and try to forget; I am very tired."

He took a seat wearily. Anita saw his head droop forward, saw him cover his face with his hands.

"Anita," his voice was very low, but she heard it; "I ought not to have come to you, and troubled you with this. I have nothing now to offer you, not even myself. But I did want to see you, just this once before—before I go—back."

Without a moment's hesitation she slipped over and knelt beside him. This was her place, beside him; out of all the world he had come to her; he was hers, and she had the right.

She knelt beside and comforted him as naturally as if she had been his wife for half a lifetime; she kissed his forehead so gently that he was scarcely conscious of it. He only felt the purity, the sanctification of her love, was only conscious of his soul's redemption.

He drew her closer to him, kissed the lips that quivered and did not turn away, kissed the eyes that had only sympathy and pardon in them.

"You mustn't make a coward of me," he murmured, and gently untwined her arms. Then he rose and stood for a moment looking down upon her as she knelt beside the vacant chair.

"Good-by," he said, moving toward the door.

"No, no, no," she sprang up with a cry, almost a scream. He turned and caught her as she came flying to him. Vainly she battled to control herself; her whole tense body relaxed and gave way in his arms.

"You must go, go," she whispered—"go, and—take me—"

Once she had formed the determination, once she dared breathe it to him, she pleaded desperately, boldly, defiantly—pleaded for a woman's very life.

"Yes, yes, you must take me. I could not bear to stay here while you were wandering in that dreadful country. I wouldn't even know where you were; you might be ill—no one to nurse you—you might die. I can't let you go; I can't, I can't."

The slender fingers were clasped like cords of brass behind his neck, so unyieldingly she held him. The round young arms touched his throat, and the throbbing of her pulses maddened him.

His heart stood still, then bounded upward with one great burst of exultation.

"Take me, Noel; I'll be no trouble, indeed I won't, I promise—and the blinding mists swim before her.

A new and boundless world stretched out suddenly before him. He saw a new land, a new life—vast mountains, the surging seas, the wild free birds—and love. He grew stronger, his brain cleared, and life glittered with a newer glory. The strength of his arms crushed her to him, and Anita knew that she had won.

He loosed her slowly, led her to a chair and took his seat beside her. It could be done, of course it could be done; but he must think.

"Yes, yes," he began, excitedly, "it can be done, easily done. But we could not smuggle your trunk out of this house. If you haven't a bag I'll

borrow Joe's without letting him know it."

"I have one," she nodded. He seemed to steady himself, and became quieter under this precious responsibility.

"Then pack it at once, just the things you need most, nothing more, a few trinkets maybe. I'll come for it myself, to-night, to this door."

"Now let me see," he went on, more calmly, "to-morrow is Monday. You've never been here at Mardi Gras? No? Everybody will be on Canal street at 12 o'clock watching the arrival of Rex. Where were you going to see the parade from? Club gallery? Boston, of course? All right. I'll meet you at the corner of Baronne and Canal, just as you get off the car. You must manage to give them the slip some way—a girl can be clever enough for that; we will get lost in the crowd, and take a cab as far as the levee. You know I must keep out of sight as much as I can. A lot of people have seen me in New Orleans, and I might be arrested. This morning I did not care, but—"

Suddenly there came a knock on the door. He turned pale to his very lips, and sprang erect. Every knock on the door and every step on the street would frighten him now.

"Come in," Anita called.

Duke could feel himself trembling as the door opened. Mrs. Chaudron stood on the threshold and smiled.

"Anita, you must ask Mr. Duke to dine with us this evening at seven. Just the family, no company; we are all so tired."

She smiled again and vanished.

Duke turned to Anita and laughed recklessly. "All right, I'll do it; we might as well die game." Then he sat down again, completely unnerved, as one who has passed through a moment of terror. For a few minutes he sat there silently, thinking.

"Yes," he said, half to himself, "I

through the windows of several barber shops before venturing to shave; he had taken his car at an out-of-the-way corner, instead of on Canal street.

Then, after running the gauntlet to the end, he found his hand trembling nervously as he laid it on the latch of Mrs. Chaudron's gate. He stopped and laughed at himself. Even if he were a few minutes late there was no necessity for such a panic. He paused at the gate, just to show himself that he was not afraid, then walked steadily up to the door.

Anita contrived to meet him and have the first word; it was done so carelessly and unexpectedly that Joe, who was coming down the stair, thought it an accident.

"It's all right," Duke whispered to Anita, "we sail to-morrow at two o'clock."

"The things are packed—back yonder—in a bag," Anita answered with a nod toward the little room; and the man understood.

Joe met them as they were entering the drawing-room.

"Hello, Noel," he said, "where have you been all day?"

"Loafing around; getting rested." He tried not to laugh outright, but he could not help thinking how dumfounded Joe would be to-morrow.

Duke glanced about the Chaudrons' dining-table, glittering with glass and silver, redolent of pink carnations, sweet with the intangible atmosphere of home.

He chatted with Mrs. Chaudron, spoke naturally as he could to Alice; he sent back a laughing retort to pretty little Miss Derosset, talked frankly with Woodford Vance and smiled at sober-sided Joe across the table.

But he felt nothing, he thought of nothing, he cared for nothing except the girl beside him, the girl with the black lace gown and the throat of dazzling white—the girl whose eyes



"I CAN'T, I CAN'T," believe I'll do it; it would be much safer. There are thousands of maskers on the street; I'll get me a black domino—"

"Good! Good!" Anita clapped her hands gleefully, as the April sun that bursts out through a storm.

Duke looked at the girl and wondered at such childish effervescence mingled with so much of resolution and courage. But he did not even smile.

"It would be safer," he said, rising quietly from his chair, "and we will take no unnecessary risks. Good-by, I must go now. I have a lot of things to do—and the ship's captain, make all arrangements, and get back here by seven. Oh, by the way," he turned from the door, "as I'm coming here to dinner, maybe I'd better take your things with me when I leave. Then we'll have nothing to hamper us to-morrow. Hide them right here, under this sofa."

He had kissed her good-by for the last time, and the last time after that, then for the very last time, and had opened the door. She stood looking at him so smilingly that he closed the door again.

"Anita," he held the girl's face tightly between both his hands, "Anita, look at me, child, do you realize what this is that you are going to do?"

She did look at him, fairly, honestly, bravely.

"What else could I do?"

### CHAPTER XIX.

WHEN WOMAN'S COURAGE FAILS. During the most turbulent period of his life in South America Duke had never known what it was to feel uneasy or apprehensive. But this precious hope, new-born into his heart, brought fear and prudence with it.

At every turn he had been vigilant and suspicious. His eyes had roved warily about the levee as he searched for Capt. Paturzo; he had watched every man who entered John's House while he talked with his seafaring friend; he had peered cautiously

sparkled and snapped—the girl who had the single jonquil hidden in the midnight of her hair.

"I wanted to wear this gown—just once," she whispered, eagerly. "Everything else is ready."

"Ready," Duke's heart beat gloriously at the word. She was ready to follow him into the unknown wilderness of the world; ready to follow him beyond the seas, out of the shadow of her flag, beyond the sound of her mother tongue; she was ready to forsake her native land, her kin, the companionship of her friends; ready to renounce them all, and fly with a fugitive from her country's justice. The man's reverent soul bowed itself in humility at the altar of a woman's sacrifice.

Anita had balanced every refinement of this life around her upon the tip of her slender fingers. Love and exile had outweighed them all. He turned his head slowly toward her as he might have done homage to a saint. She laughed an excited little laugh, and touched his hand beneath the table. Anita was very happy.

Duke's tongue unloosed. Joe thought the wine had exhilarated him, he talked so brilliantly, but he noticed that the claret went untasted, his chablis was untouched, and he had turned down his champagne glass.

Joe wondered at the color in his face, the infectious enthusiasm in his voice, his buoyant spirits.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

### Chancellor Day's Ambitions.

James Roscoe Day, chancellor of Syracuse university, is the largest man in Syracuse, standing six feet four inches in his stockings and weighing 260 pounds. He has been at the head of Syracuse university for 12 years, in which time he has met with marked success, the institution having grown under his guidance from a small college with a handful of students to a great university with over 3,000. His ambition is to make it a rival of the University of Chicago.

# VALENTINE DAY IN THE WOOD

Carolyn S. Bailey

On Candlemas day in the chilly gray weather  
The bear and the woodchuck crept slowly together,  
With long backward looks o'er the snow colored ground,  
To see if their shadow were lurking around.

But twisting and turning each sleepy old head  
No shadow they spied, "We must go back to bed."  
Gried Bruin! But, no said the woodchuck, I pray,  
Let's stay and get ready for Valentine day.

So off they went, hawking through meadow and farm,  
So softly the sleeping woods spread no alarm,  
They stole two goose feathers and what do you think!  
They squeezed elder berries and made them some ink!

They stripped off the bark from a friendly birch tree,  
An old inch worm cut it as square as could be.  
The edges they bordered with dainty ground-pine,  
And wrote for each creature a gay valentine.

Not one was forgotten, not even the snail;  
The hare had a lipse from the least cotton-tail;  
The owl had a heart from the coquettish bat,  
The woodchuck's tail served as a painf brush for that.

The east-wind played postman as well as he could,  
And scattered the valentines far through the wood;  
But when they were finished, what do you suppose!  
The bear wore a blot on the end of his nose

And wears it to-day, and look you will see  
The woodchuck's tail inky, as ink can be!  
For Candlemas day in the chilly gray weather,  
The bear and woodchuck wrote love-notes together.

# GEORGIE'S VALENTINE

LITTLE GEORGIE wanted to send some one a valentine, and when his mother suggested that he might mail one to his father he met the suggestion with enthusiasm. She went with him to the store where they were sold and he finally selected one—a hideous caricature of a man with a large bald head. It so happened that Georgie's papa was bald, and for that reason the little boy thought the one selected would be very appropriate. It was accordingly placed in an envelope and addressed in large printed letters by Georgie himself to his parent. Of course, when the father came upon it in his mail he recognized the scrawl of the writer and chuckled at his small son's deep craft. That night when he arrived home the father had forgotten

about the valentine. The little boy wondered why his father did not mention it. Finally, at the tea table, he asked: "Papa, did you get a valentine to-day?" "Yes, I did," said the father, feigning to be angry, "and I'd like to know who sent me that horrid picture of a bald-headed man! If I find out, I tell you there will be trouble!"

Georgie took his father's simulated anger in real earnest and seemed greatly disturbed by the turn affairs had taken, but did not say any more about the valentine. After the meal he followed his mother into the kitchen and whispered to her: "Mamma," he said, craftily, "I think we better not tell him about the valentine until his hair grows out again!"

# SOME VALENTINE SUGGESTIONS

VALENTINES make pretty valentines if artistically treated. As a foundation cut a piece of blotting paper three inches by twelve. Make several sheets of the same size and cover the upper one with crepe paper of a good tint. Over the crepe paper lay a heavier paper of a contrasting tone from which has been cut a scroll design, through the openings of which the crepe paper will show. Outline the edges and scrolls with gilt and tie all together with a small bow at one end. The heavier paper may cover only one end of the blotter leaving the crepe paper plain beyond except for the design of gilt which follows the edge.

A small memorandum tablet may be made quite dainty enough for a valentine. Take a piece of heavy cardboard and paste a small block of leaves one side of the center. Punch holes near the top on each side through which to tie ribbon for hanging, and decorate the cardboard in any desired fashion. A pretty head of a child or one of the many types of the American girl makes a good decoration, or if you cannot paint these a small picture, such as has been suggested for calendars, could take its place, and the scroll and outline of gilt be used for farther decoration. The tablet should have a small engagement pencil attached to one side by a length of ribbon for convenience in writing. The tablets are most convenient articles to have in one's room or anywhere about the house, there are always so many lists to be made out of things with which it is quite useless to charge the mind.

Those who neither paint nor draw may still make acceptable valentines, by substituting the needle for the brush or pen. There are many small articles which may be embroidered, and these will prove of even more permanent value.

# CELEBRATE LOVE'S DAY

IT IS the little things that add joy and lightness to daily living. Remembering birthdays and anniversaries and sending a valentine to a friend when the annual feast of the amiable old saint comes round in the calendar are little acts which help along happiness and keep alive the flame of affection. The husband of 20 years who mails a modest lace paper heart to his wife on his way home the night before, and then watches her fluttering delight as she opens her mail the next morning keeps alive a tender feeling of sentiment that smooths the rough places of daily living. The wife who sends a valentine to her husband is more than repaid for the recollection of tenderness.

Of course the young folk keep the festival in mind. But there is no reason why the little god of first love should monopolize all the joys of it. The valentine sent for friendship's sake oftentimes contains a deeper feeling than that sent in the enthusiasm of young fancy. Sorry is the day when we feel too old to send a valentine or cease to get merriment out of the occasion. Don't forget the little folks. Does anyone recall the time when the day passed and the mail brought valentines for everyone but you? What a heartache followed on that bit of carelessness. So spend this evening cutting paper hearts and writing jingles and remembering all your friends.

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## From Our Point of View

ONE of the worst features of the present tariff law, is the tax on lumber, which has made a few millionaires at the expense of all the people, at the same time denuding the country of its wealth of timber, letting loose the devastating floods of Spring, which are followed by the scorching drouths of Summer. And now with timber nearly gone, a lumber trust doubling the already exorbitant prices of building material, while the state and national governments are talking of planting new forests and preserving here and there a tract of timber land, the tariff against Canadian lumber and wood pulp is still maintained; and the stand-patters would leave it so. This is one of the things for which Senator Burrows is in part responsible; and "From our point of view," it is not greatly to his credit.

IN THE death of J. Edwin Lee, Lowell loses a loyal friend and a hard fighter and tireless worker for public interests. As father of the municipal light and power plant, his faith in its success never wavered and his zeal in its support never weakened. He was one of the never-say-die kind; as manifested to the last in his persistent struggle with a fatal disease, and his continued care for the material welfare of his family. In his social nature, he was genial and kind; and his friendship followed his confidence. We have known Mr. Lee well for many years in a fraternal and business way; and shall miss but never forget him. To the bereaved family, THE LEDGER extends its sincere sympathy.

WITH New York state letting contracts for a \$100,000,000 enlargement of the Erie canal and Congress appropriating \$75,000,000 for river and harbor improvements, interest in waterways will revive greatly. The New York railroads being swamped with business have withdrawn their opposition to the Erie project; and the enlargement of the Chicago drainage canal to provide a deep waterway from the Lakes to the Gulf is now being advocated by no less a person than James J. Hill, the great railroad and steamship magnate. These internal improvements for the development of our domestic commerce are of vastly greater importance to the United States just now than a subsidized ocean traffic.

IF THE Northwestern railroads are, as they claim, unable to haul fuel in and grain out of that country of awful winters, they should in all humanity cease to urge people to leave comfortable homes in the East to settle where the accommodations are utterly inadequate to present demands, to say nothing of the coming needs of hundreds of thousands of others, who are rushing pell mell to that land, where to-day a blizzard rages with mercury 30° below zero and farmers are burning barley and fence posts to keep from freezing. One North Dakota town reports: "No freight trains since December 28 and all fuel gone including gasoline." How now about government ownership?

IF THE people of Lowell learned nothing more from Rev. Dr. Loveland's splendid lecture on "Old Fogies," it is to be hoped they will not forget that progress is as essential to theology as to the arts, sciences, mechanics and business pursuits. There can be no standing still, for the world moves on. Shall we move forward manfully with the procession or be a drag at the rear? It's up to us. The idea of the consolidation of several weak churches into one strong, union organization, which the lecturer so ably advocated, should bear fruit right here, along lines advocated by Revs. Morris Sprague, and Butler.

BOSTON and New York are greatly interested in the digging of a canal across Cape Cod, which will shorten ocean travel between those cities by seventy miles, at the same time saving ships and men from a perilous trip. Cape Cod has had 150 wrecks to its credit in twenty years. With the removal of this risk and loss, Boston looks for cheaper coal and freight rates on products from the South. Living expenses are so very high in the East, that the people, like drowning men, grasp at straws.

THAT the brains of Congress will not submit to the insane attacks of Madden & Co. upon the freedom of the press, is further evidenced by the statement of Representative Overstreet to the effect that the bill proposing drastic changes in the regulations governing the transmission of second class mail matter will not be passed at this session, nor, in his opinion, at any future time. The enemies of the press may find themselves in the position of the small boy who "Bit off more than he could chew."

IS GEO. B. McLELLAN mayor of New York by fraud? Thousands of voters think so; and the recommendation of Governor Hughes for a recount is the right thing. The new governor declares that his obligation is to the whole people; and not to a party or a machine. Evidently he intends to be something besides a figure-head.

BARON KANEKO, a former Japanese envoy to this country, says that "War with the United States is unthinkable, as Japan's moral system insists that a finger shall never be raised against a benefactor." Some of those Californian hot heads had better go to school to this little brown man.

ONE of the best things to be credited to President Roosevelt is his withdrawal from public sale of the remaining coal lands of the country. The "Divine Right" fellows have gobbled the lion's share; but the "Big Stick" has saved the remnant.

WITH Columbia river frozen up, mercury at 13° above zero, 6 inches of snow and wood costing \$7.00 per cord, our good friend English and others in Washington will excuse us while we shake hands with ourselves for remaining in Michigan.

THE Detroit News tells of a grocer in that city who failed in business because he "Couldn't say 'No'" to destitute people who asked to be trusted. The poor fellow, like many another, had more charity than judgment.

WE WOULD like to see it freeze hard enough to stop the Thaw news with which the city papers are filled. Why so much publicity for a murderer? Simply because he is rich?

IF THE idea of government ownership of railroads continues to grow, it may be found that Bryan was not so far wrong after all.

THE newspapers which made some of the Smart Alecks who are trying to stifle a free press, had better undo their work.

### NO OVERCOATS IN ALASKA.

Army Officer Says It Is Not Safe to Wear Them There.

"You do not find anyone wearing overcoats in Alaska, even in the winter," said Maj. F. M. M. Beall, recently returned from that territory.

"The principal thing to be careful about is keeping the head, hands and feet warm. In that part of Alaska where I have been the only transportation is by dog sleds and to follow them one has to drop into a log trot beside the sled.

"An ordinary suit is plenty thick enough to keep you warm and an overcoat is dangerous in that temperature. Trotting alongside a sled wearing an overcoat would make you perspire and the bitter cold would freeze the perspiration.

"The men there wear a fur cap that covers every part of the head and face except the eyes and there is only a little peep-hole for them. Wool-lined mitts are worn on the hands and moccasins with woolen stockings on the feet."

Maj. Beall has been three years in Alaska, commanding Fort Gibbon, the garrison consisting of two companies of the Third United States infantry. He is now on leave of absence.

"Fort Gibbon is 900 miles up the Yukon river and 75 miles south of the arctic circle," he said, "and the river is frozen up most of the year. In that time dog sleds are used, but when the river opens steamers come up frequently. Sometimes the rough characters traveling around the country take possession of a river steamer and it's part of our work to restore order and recapture the steamer.

"The chief work of the soldiers at Fort Gibbon is to keep the telegraph lines going."

### NO EVIDENCE OF AUTHORITY.

Officer's Voice Lacked Quality That Imposed Obedience.

The late General Shafter was accustomed to tell of a neat retort made by a volunteer soldier to an officer during the Cuban campaign.

Near Siboney, one night after a march, it chanced a few of the "boys" of a Tennessee company had pitched their tents in close proximity to the tent of an officer of another company. The "boys" were somewhat noisy, as taps had not been sounded.

"Shut up, out there!" shouted the officer, angrily.

"Who are you?" asked one of the "boys."

"I'll soon show you if I come out there!" was the response.

The "boys," however, continued their racket to such an extent that the irritated officer soon appeared upon the scene and read them a terrible lecture, winding up with the threat to report the men to their colonel. "Don't you men know enough to obey a superior officer?" demanded he, testily.

"Yes, sir," respectfully answered one of the men. "We should have obeyed you at once if you'd had shoulder straps on your voice."

### The Lowell State Bank

at Lowell, Michigan, at the Close of Business January 26th, 1907, as Called for by the Commissioner of the Banking Department.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$ 90,063 70
Bonds, mortgages and securities	98,211 02
Premiums paid on bonds	300 00
Overdrafts	17 69
Banking house	4,500 00
Furniture and fixtures	2,185 50
Items in transit	240 00
Due from banks in reserve	
City	\$ 34,479 50
U. S. and National Bank	8,456 00
currency	1,965 00
Gold coin	980 05
Silver coin	980 05
Nickels and cents	107 73
Total	\$ 48,719 18
Checks and other cash items	1,044 45
Total	\$245,322 01

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000 00
Surplus fund	5,000 00
Undivided profits, net	3,307 55
Individual deposits	\$ 37,014 48
Savings deposits	124,208 22
Savings certificates	50,791 29
Total	212,014 49
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.	
Witness my hand and seal of office this 30th day of January 1907.	
My commission expires September 12, 1910.	
DAVID G. MASON, Notary Public.	

Correct Attest: Charles McCarty, E. L. Bennett, Fred J. Lyster, Directors.

### OUR COUNTRY COUSINS

ADA.

Mrs. J. Boynton is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg.

The social announced to be given at the home of J. Cranston by the Y. P. S. C. E. on Thursday evening, Feb. 14th, has been postponed.

Major Dickenson was in Grand Rapids last week.

Francis Carle is very ill with pneumonia.

Mary Clinton is on the sick list. Mrs. Ella McKivett of Grand Rapids visited over Sunday at the home of Jerome Cranston.

A sleighload of Ada men went to Grand Rapids on Tuesday to vote for the re-election of E. Clements as secretary of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance company for Kent county.

The Union young people's meeting held at the Congregational church on Sunday evening was exceptionally interesting and profitable.

### Rising From the Grave.

A prominent manufacturer, Wm. A. Fertwell, of Lucam, N. C. relates a most remarkable experience. He says: "After taking less than three bottles of Electric Bitters, I feel like one rising from the grave. My trouble is Bright's disease, in the Diabetes stage. I fully believe Electric Bitters will cure me permanently, for it has already stopped the liver and bladder complications which have troubled me for years." Guaranteed at D. G. Look's druggist. Price only 50c.

### RECORDS.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clark and daughter Esther attended the Vanderstol reunion at the home of Mrs. Clark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Vanderstol, in Grand Rapids township Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Frank Streeter visited her daughter, Mrs. Ella Burt, at Ada the latter part of the week.

Douglas Moffit of Alaska, who has been seriously ill with pleurisy, is recovering.

Charlie Boyce and sister Rebecca of Middleville were visiting relatives in this vicinity last week.

George Winslow of Alto visited Wm. Patterson Monday.

McCORDS. Mutual Benefit society held an apron sile and chicken pie dinner at the hal Tuesday.

Revival meetings are in progress at the Whitneyville church conducted by the Crusaders.

Mr. and Mrs. J. McCord were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oatman at Lewisville Wednesday.

Dan McGregor and Carl Thomas, who left for Washington Jan. 22, are snow-bound in North Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Dean, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dean, Mrs. M. B. Thomas and Mrs. Frank Wood attended Pomona Grange at Bowne Center Wednesday and Thursday.

### A Habit to Be Encouraged.

The mother who has acquired the habit of keeping on hand a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saves herself a great amount of anxiety. Coughs, colds and croup, to which children are susceptible are quickly cured by its use. It counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia, and if given as soon as the first symptoms of croup appear, it will prevent the attack. This remedy contains nothing injurious and mothers give it to little ones with a feeling of perfect security. Sold by M. N. HENRY.

### CASCADE.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lawyer entertained the Cascade Ladies Aid society January 31st.

Verne Coger received a gold watch as a birthday gift from his parents on Jan 28th, his 21st birthday anniversary.

Mrs. Peter Kennedy and children of Whitneyville visited Mrs. Edgar Johnson Jan. 30th.

Mrs. M. Kennedy is visiting in the Valley City.

Misses Bertha and Alice Wesbrook of Grand Rapids called on Mrs. Thompson Friday afternoon.

Miss Belle Foster visited Mrs. G. B. Prescott last Wednesday.

E. F. Randall visited his mother, Mrs. Peer, in Grand Rapids Jan. 29th and 30th.

Merton Orllp has bought Mr. Francis' farm known as the C. Henry Brown farm.

Misses Bessie Slater and Alice Gelb attended the funeral of Wilber Wride at Ada Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hulbert entertained the Ladies Aid society at dinner Thursday, February fourteenth.

### LOGAN.

Sevey Misher and Lydia Hoffman started Thursday for Pennsylvania to visit relatives.

S. Stahl and family were at Lowell Wednesday.

George Perkins of Freeport has a gang of men cutting and drawing ice from the Logan lake to Freeport.

Alven Weaver has bought the Christian Keller farm in Campbell township.

Stephen Weaver and two sons, Semiah and Alven Weaver, were at Lowell Tuesday on business.

Westly Blough and family of Freeport were guests at the home of Semiah Weaver Wednesday.

Cyrus Blough and family of Elm Dale visited at the home of Mrs. Spikler Wednesday.

Thirza Seese is ill with measles.

Ida Livingston of Freeport was a guest at the home of her uncle, M. Thomas, Sunday.

Orren Johnson of Freeport is very ill from the third stroke of paralysis with little hopes of recovery.

Mrs. Site was called to the home of her daughter in Campbell township one day the past week to help care for her grandchild who is ill with scarlet fever.

John Cartcher and family of Freeport spent Sunday at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. C. Hooper.

A. Weaver of Bowne Center was a guest at the home of A. Eash Sunday.

There is much illness with measles at Freeport.

### Clark & Alexander

Dealers in Hides, Pelts and Furs

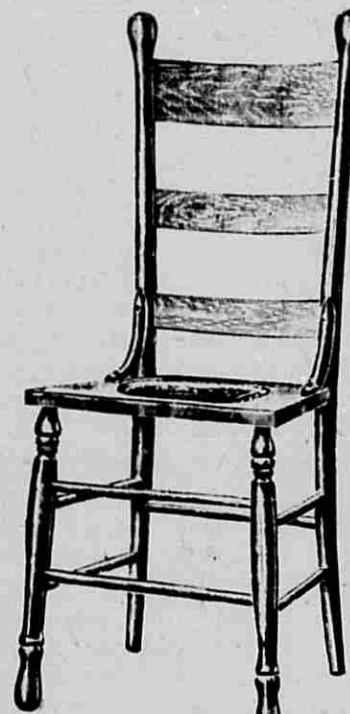
We pay the following prices for Furs on fair assortment:

SKUNK Black \$160 Short stripe 90c Long stripe 40c White 20c RATS Winter large 25c Fall 15c Kits 4c

COON Large \$160 Medium 90c Small 40c

MINK from \$2.00 to \$6.00 as to size and color

Highest prices for Hides and Pelts



## Dining Chairs Like the Cut for 69c Each

We have joined the Interstate Furniture Dealers Association having a membership of over 2000. A secretary is employed to buy the outputs of

different Factories and members order through him, cash in advance.

By this arrangement we are enabled to buy from 10 per cent to 20 per cent cheaper than ordinarily, which benefit we propose to give to our customers. Watch our ads. for bargains.

## Yeiter & Wadsworth

### Sealed Proposals for Monroe street Sewer Bonds.

The village of Lowell in the County of Kent and State of Michigan, will receive sealed proposals at the office of the village clerk in said village, until 5:00 P. M. February, twenty-eighth, A. D. 1907, for the purchase of four bonds of \$82.05 each, drawing interest at six per cent per annum, one bond to mature Jan. 1, 1908, and the other three to mature serially on first day of January in each year thereafter.

These bonds are to be known as Monroe Street Sewer Bonds, and the proceeds from the sale of said bonds is to be used for defraying the expenses of the said Monroe street sewer.

The Common Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By order of the Common Council of the village of Lowell, Mich., Jan. 21, 1907.

T. A. MURPHY, CLERK.

The Lowell Ledger and Michigan Farmer, both weeklies, one year for \$1.50. Those who have already paid for THE LEDGER can get the Farmer of us for 50c, regular price 75c. If

Come one and all, try Meyers' real potato bread.

### Choice Groceries.

We believe the people want the BEST Groceries at the right prices; that they want the BEST Groceries ALL THE TIME; that they want to trade where their small wants are given as particular and cheerful attention as their large orders; that they want PROMPT SERVICE and Satisfaction Guaranteed—and UPON THESE PRINCIPLES we have built up our business.

We name a few of the choice things we have on hand, just to tempt your appetite a little, and remind you where you can find a large and most complete stock.

### Relishes

Choice crisp Celery, Grapefruit, Lemons, Bananas (nice and ripe), Florida Sweet Oranges, California Navel Oranges, Tangerines, Sauer Kraut and Bermuda Onions.

### Pickles

Dill Pickles, Sour Pickles, Sweet Pickles, Sweet mixed Pickles and Bulk Olives.

### Cheese

Gov. Warner's new Cheese. " " old " Swiss Cheese, Limberger Cheese, MacLaren's Cheese in jars and Royal Cheese in jars.

### Fish

Smoked California Salmon, Smoked White Fish, Smoked Halibut, Bloaters, Trout, Salt California Salmon, Salt White Fish, Choice Family Mackerel and Holland Herrings.

### Dried Fruits

Cluster Raisins, Layer Raisens, Seeded Raisins, English Currents, Fancy Prunes and Fancy Apricots.

### Canned Dainties

Mushrooms, Lobsters, Shrimps, Chicken-Tamale, Chila Con Carne, Pumpkins, String Beans, Peas, Pineapples, Peaches, Corn, Salmon and Tomato-soup.

Phone us your order. Phone 14

### McCarty Bros.

Lowell, Mich.

### Administrator's Sale.

By virtue of authority and license to me granted at a session of the Probate Court for the County of Kent held on the 22d day of December 1906, in the matter of the estate of George W. Parker, deceased, I shall offer for sale to the highest bidder at the front door of the horse barn on said premises, on the

Sixteenth Day of March, 1907, the south-east quarter of Section 3, township of Lowell.

Sale to begin at one o'clock, p. m.

JOHN S. BERGIN, Administrator of said estate.

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WOOD WANTED—20 CORDS OF green stove wood. Call at Ledger office and make terms.

### THE LOWELL MARKET REPORT.

[Corrected Feb. 6 1907.]

GRAIN.	
Wheat.....	73c
Oats.....	38c
Corn.....	44c
Rye.....	60c
Buckwheat.....	65c
FEED	
Corn and oats per ton.....	\$22 00
Bran per ton.....	22 00
Middlings per ton.....	24 00
Corn Meal per ton.....	20 00
PRODUCE	
Flour per cwt.....	2 20
Eggs.....	20
Butter lb.....	20@22
Lard.....	10@12
Wool.....	27@31
Beans.....	80@1 05
Potatoes.....	8 50@9 50
Clover.....	8 00@9 50
Alsyke.....	8 00@9 50
Timothy.....	2 00@2 50
MEAT	
Beef, live weight, per cwt.....	\$2 75@3 75
Beef dressed.....	6 00@7 00
Veal dressed.....	8 00@8 25
Sheep live weight.....	4 00@5 00
Lamb live weight.....	6 50@7 50
Calves live.....	5 00@6 50
Pork alive.....	6 75
Pork dressed.....	8 00@8 25

### Woman's Trials.

The bitter trail in a woman's life is to be childless. Who can tell how hard the struggle may have been ere she learnt to resign herself to her lonely lot? The absence of this link to bind marital life together, the absence of this one pledge to mutual affection is a common disappointment. Many unfortunate couples become estranged thereby. Even if they do not drift apart, one may read the whole extent of their disappointment in the eyes of such a childless couple when they rest on the children of others. To them the largest family does not seem too numerous.

In many cases of barrenness or childlessness the obstacle to child-bearing is easily removed by the cure of weakness on the part of the woman. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has been the means of restoring health and fruitfulness to many a barren woman, to the great joy of the household. In other, but rare cases, the obstruction to the bearing of children has been found to be of a surgical character, but easily removable by painless operative treatment at the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., over which Dr. Pierce of the "Favorite Prescription" fame presides. In all cases where children are desired and are absent, an effort should be made to find out the real cause, since it is generally so easily removed by proper treatment.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the best and safest laxative for women.



**Common Colds are the Cause of Many Serious Diseases.**

Physicians who have gained a national reputation as analysts of the cause of various diseases, claim that if catching cold could be avoided a long list of dangerous ailments would never be heard of. Every one knows that pneumonia and consumption originate from a cold, and chronic catarrh, bronchitis, and all throat and lung troubles are aggravated and rendered more serious by each fresh attack. Do not risk your life or take chances when you have a cold. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will cure it before these diseases develop. This remedy contains no opium, morphine or other harmful drug and has thirty years of reputation back of it gained by its cures under every condition. For sale by M. N. HENRY.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Kent.  
At a session of said court, held at the probate office in the city of Grand Rapids, in said county on the third day of January, A. D. 1907. Present: Hon. Harry D. Jewell, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Adelbert Green, mentally incompetent, Mary E. Stowe having filed in said court her petition alleging said Adelbert Green to be a mentally incompetent person and praying that herself or some other suitable person be appointed as his guardian. It is ordered, That the 1st day of February A. D. 1907, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, That notice thereof be given by personal service of a copy of this order upon said Adelbert Green and upon his nearest relatives and presumptive heirs at law who reside and may be found within said county, at least fourteen days previous to said day of hearing.

And it is further ordered, that notice thereof be given to all others of his nearest relatives and presumptive heirs at law by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Lowell Ledger, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

HARRY D. JEWELL, Judge of Probate.  
Alvin E. Ewing, Register of Probate.  
A true copy.

**Notice to Creditors.**

State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Kent.

In the matter of the estate of Frederick J. Williams, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that four months from the 31st day of December A. D. 1901, have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased to said court for examination and adjustment, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court, at the probate office, in the city of Grand Rapids, in said county, on or before the 1st day of May, A. D. 1907, and that said claims will be heard by said court on Wednesday, the 1st day of May, A. D. 1907, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated December 31 A. D. 1906  
HARRY D. JEWELL, Judge of Probate.

**Mortgage Sale.**

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Real Estate Mortgage made by William E. Stevenson and Anna C. Stevenson his wife, of the County of DeWitt, State of Washington, and State of Michigan, to William J. Knapp of the Village of Chelsea, Washington County, Michigan, and which mortgage is dated the 1st day of April A. D. 1901 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Kent, and State of Michigan, on the 11th day of April, 1901, in Liber 271 of mortgages, on pages 314 & 315.

It is expressly covenanted and agreed in said mortgage by and between the parties thereto, that should any default be made in the payment of the interest or any part thereof, or any installment of principal or any part thereof, on any day when the same is made payable, and should the same remain unpaid and in arrears for the space of thirty days, then, and from that date, that is to say, after the lapse of said thirty days, so much of the aforesaid principal sum of Fifteen hundred dollars as remains unpaid, with all arrears of interest thereon, shall at the option of said party of the second part, his executors, administrators or assigns, become due and payable immediately thereafter, at the period above limited for the payment thereof may not then have expired, anything herein before or in said note contained to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

Said default has been made in the payment of said principal and interest on said mortgage, and more than thirty days have elapsed since said default was made, and said mortgage is here by declared to be payable.

The amount due on said mortgage at this date, of principal and interest, is the sum of \$105.82, and a reasonable attorney fee as stipulated for in said mortgage, together with all legal costs.

No proceedings at law or in Equity have been instituted to recover said debt or any part thereof. NOTICE is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and in accordance with the statute in such case made and provided, said mortgage will be foreclosed by the highest bidder, on Friday the 18th day of January, A. D. 1907, at Ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, at the North front door of the Kent County court house in the City of Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, said Court house being the place where the Circuit Court for the said County is held.

Said premises as described in said Mortgage, as follows, to-wit: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated and being in the City of Grand Rapids, in the County of Kent, and State of Michigan, the description as follows, to-wit: The West one fourth (1/4) of the East half (1/2) of the North east one fourth (1/4) of the South West quarter (S. W. 1/4) of Section Thirty two (32) Town Seven (7) North, Range Eleven (11) West.

Dated October 16th, 1906.  
WILLIAM J. KNAPP, Mortgagee.  
SEYMOUR S. KALMBACH, Attorneys for Mortgagee.

Business Address, Chelsea, Mich.  
The above sale is hereby adjourned until the 25th day of January, A. D. 1907, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day at the same place described in the above notice.

HARMON COWENS, Under Sheriff, Kent County, Mich.  
Dated January 18, 1907.

The above sale is hereby adjourned until the 25th day of February, A. D. 1907, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day at the same place described in the above notice.

HARMON COWENS, Under Sheriff, Kent County, Mich.  
Dated February 1, 1907.

**Neighbors Got Fooled.**

"I was literally coughing myself to death, and became too weak to leave my bed, and neighbors predicted that I would never leave it alive; but they got fooled, for thanks be to God, I was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery. It took just four one dollar bottles to completely cure the cough and restore me to good sound health," writes Mrs. Eva Unsapler, of Grovetown, Stark Co., Ind. This King of cough and cold cures, and healer of throat and lungs, is guaranteed by D. G. Look druggist, 50c and \$1.00 Trial bottle free.

**'PHONE US**  
And we will call for your Laundry

and deliver it. Good work guaranteed. Family washings by the dozen pieces Washdays: Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

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Phone 216

**For Every Man Who Chews**

Every man wants his chewing *clean*, above all things—always fresh, tasty and sweet. And it's for these very qualities that

**TIGER**  
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has become so popular. Tiger comes in neat air-tight, dust-proof packages, packed in tin canisters to keep it from the contaminating dust and odors to which unsealed tobaccos are subjected. Thus it reaches you absolutely clean, with the true fragrance of its sweet tobacco unchanged—just as it left the factory.

Buy Tiger for your next chew.

**5 CENTS**

For 1 1/2 oz. (guaranteed by the United States Government) of the best chewing tobacco you have ever chewed.

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Fits conveniently in your pocket

**Can't Be Separated.**

Some Lowell People Have Learned How To Get Rid of Both.

Backache and kidney ache are twin brothers.

You can't separate them. And you can't get rid of the backache until you cure the kidney ache.

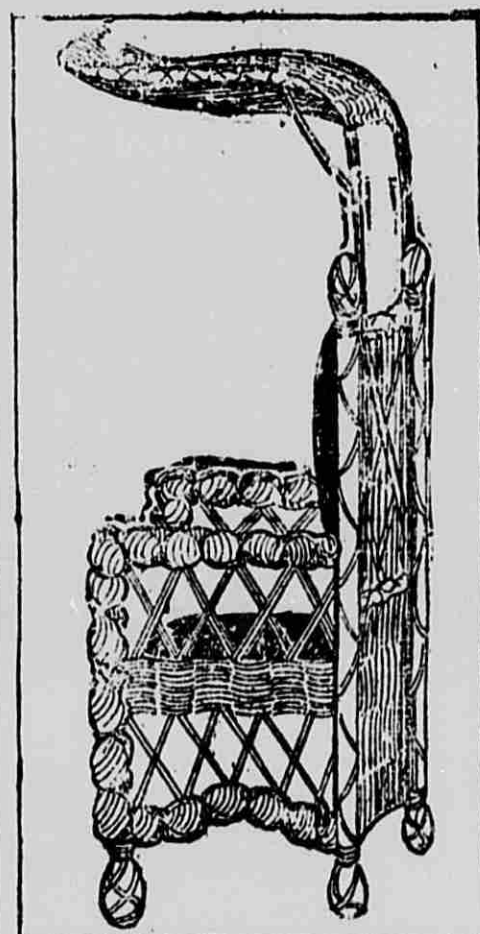
If the kidneys are well and strong, the rest of the system is pretty sure to be in vigorous health.

Doan's Kidney Pills make strong, healthy kidneys.

Mrs. Charles Wolfe, living near Monroe Street, Lowell, Mich., says: "Mr. Wolfe had suffered quite severely with a dull, heavy, backache and his kidneys were in a general weak condition. He heard Doan's Kidney Pills favorably spoken of, and read the statements of people of good standing and repute in the newspapers and upon this information and knowledge, procured Doan's Kidney Pills. After using them for about ten days, the backache and pains ceased and there has been no recurrence of the trouble since."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

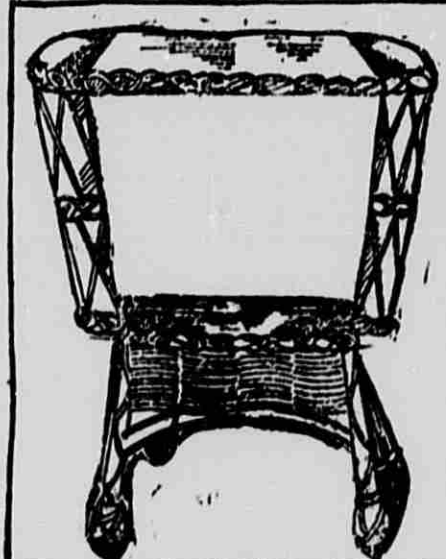
Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.



**ARTISTIC FURNITURE.**

Especially Attractive When Wall Paper and Draperies Match.

Combined with the willow, and usually in natural tone, deal wood is used with most artistic results in the fashioning of tables and stands, etc., and the quality of usefulness in many of the new productions is as pronounced as the simplicity and beauty of design. The newest table for veranda or sitting room as pictured here is of willow with smooth deal top and under shelf to correspond and two deep pockets on either side to hold work, papers or



magazines. A chair on this order, that is with deep pockets, made its appearance some years ago proving a genuine favorite, and the table is likely to become just as popular. The willow is in natural color.

A decided novelty is the lawn chair here illustrated, with canopy top that is removable when so desired. This is an English importation. It is a very comfortable chair and the canopy top makes it much cooler than its predecessors of the hooded variety.

With regard to draperies, it is the fashion to have everything match—that is, wall paper, window and door hangings, couch and cushions covers and the like. This matching arrangement has been the rule to some extent in the past, but it is destined to become more general if the plans of the wall paper manufacturers and drapery designers do not fall through. The most tempting and exquisite patterns are seen in the season's out put of wall coverings

and draperies, and even the housewife in whom the matching propensity is not a conspicuous trait will find it difficult to resist the attractive combinations on view for this season. A most effective design is here described. The foundation color in both paper and draperies is cream serving as a background for a design of apricots and leaves in natural hues. Floral motifs predominate in these wall coverings and hangings and it is possible to carry out every reasonable scheme of color effect.

**How Six Million Live.**

Consul-General Wynne furnishes an interesting compilation from the Statistical Abstract for London, 1905. The 6,500,000 persons in Greater London live in 928,008 houses. The population 100 years ago was just one-fifth of what it is now. Though the number of births was nearly double the number of deaths in 1904, the birth rate is steadily declining. The postal figures show that in 1905 there were 1,028 post offices in London, and 2,435 public telephones working. The total imports at London in 1904 amounted to \$849,086,000, and the total exports \$462,299,000. Some idea of London's wealth is shown by the assessed income tax value in 1904 in the administrative county, houses representing \$219,264,000, trades and professions \$364,045,000, profits of companies and other interests \$698,511,000, salaries (corporate bodies) \$115,944,000 salaries (army and navy) \$103,674,000. In 1905 there were 2,993 motor cars and 1,852 motor cycles in London. Licenses to drive were granted to 8,070 persons, the fees received amounting to \$36,800.

**Use for Spider's Silk.**

Several small articles of wearing apparel have been made of silk woven from spiders' webs, and they were found to be more durable, lighter in weight, and more pleasing to the touch than articles made of the ordinary kind of silk. Spiders' silk is not likely to become popular, however, because spiders cannot be cultivated profitably owing to their enormous appetites.

The spider ought not to be regarded as an enemy to mankind, for it does a great service as a destroyer of insects. The speed with which it can gobble up a house fly is amazing. It has been calculated that a man, eating at the same rate as a spider, would require "a whole fat ox for breakfast, an ox and five sheep for

dinner, for supper two bullocks, eight sheep and four hogs, and, just before retiring, nearly four barrels of fresh fish." It is, however, a wasteful feeder, and often only sucks the juices of its victim, discarding the more solid parts.

**PRESERVED HER LANGUID CALM**

True Aristocratic Indifference Shown by New York Woman.

During the performance of "Martha" at the Metropolitan opera house, in New York, at a time when Caruso was caressing the top of the proscenium arch with his liquid notes, something like a flash of white light shot from one of the upper boxes of the orchestra. A lady in the box from which the flash seemed to have started languidly placed her hand to her throat and said to a gentleman at her side:

"How annoying!"

The gold fastening of a diamond necklace she wore had parted, and the string of gems, probably a score of them, worth \$10,000 or more, had fallen into the lap of a lady in an orchestra seat and thence to the floor. The gentleman in the box, when the situation was explained, calmly arose, stepped to the rear, called an usher and whispered some instructions to him.

In the meantime the lady upon whom the string of diamonds had descended was following the performance and the music.

To her came the usher, after an appropriate interval. He inquired in a whisper if anything had dropped from the boxes. The lady drew aside her skirt and pointed to the necklace on the floor. The usher picked it up, carried it back to the box and the incident was closed.

None had been disturbed save the direct actors in the little side event, and they made no noise. It was simply an incident in life in New York. It couldn't happen anywhere else.

**THEN HE WANTED TO SLEEP.**

Mrs. Bloombumper Had Found Cure for Husband's Insomnia.

"My husband is dreadfully troubled with insomnia," said Mrs. Bloombumper. "He wakes up about 2 o'clock every morning, and then he can't go to sleep again. He tosses about until daylight, and growls and fusses so that I can't get any sleep myself."

"My husband used to be troubled that way," replied Mrs. Cawker, "but I discovered a remedy which never fails."

"Oh, do tell me about it."

"Well, I noticed that my husband always slept the soundest when it was time to get up. No matter how wakeful he had been all night, just as soon as rising time came he went to sleep and slept like a log."

"That's just the way with Mr. Bloombumper, exactly. But tell me what you did."

"Well, when Mr. Cawker woke up in the night and began to toss about and say he couldn't get a wink of sleep, I simply went across the room, pretended to look at that clock, and said, 'Oh, that's all right; you don't need to go to sleep again. It's time for you to get up.' That always put him to sleep in a minute."

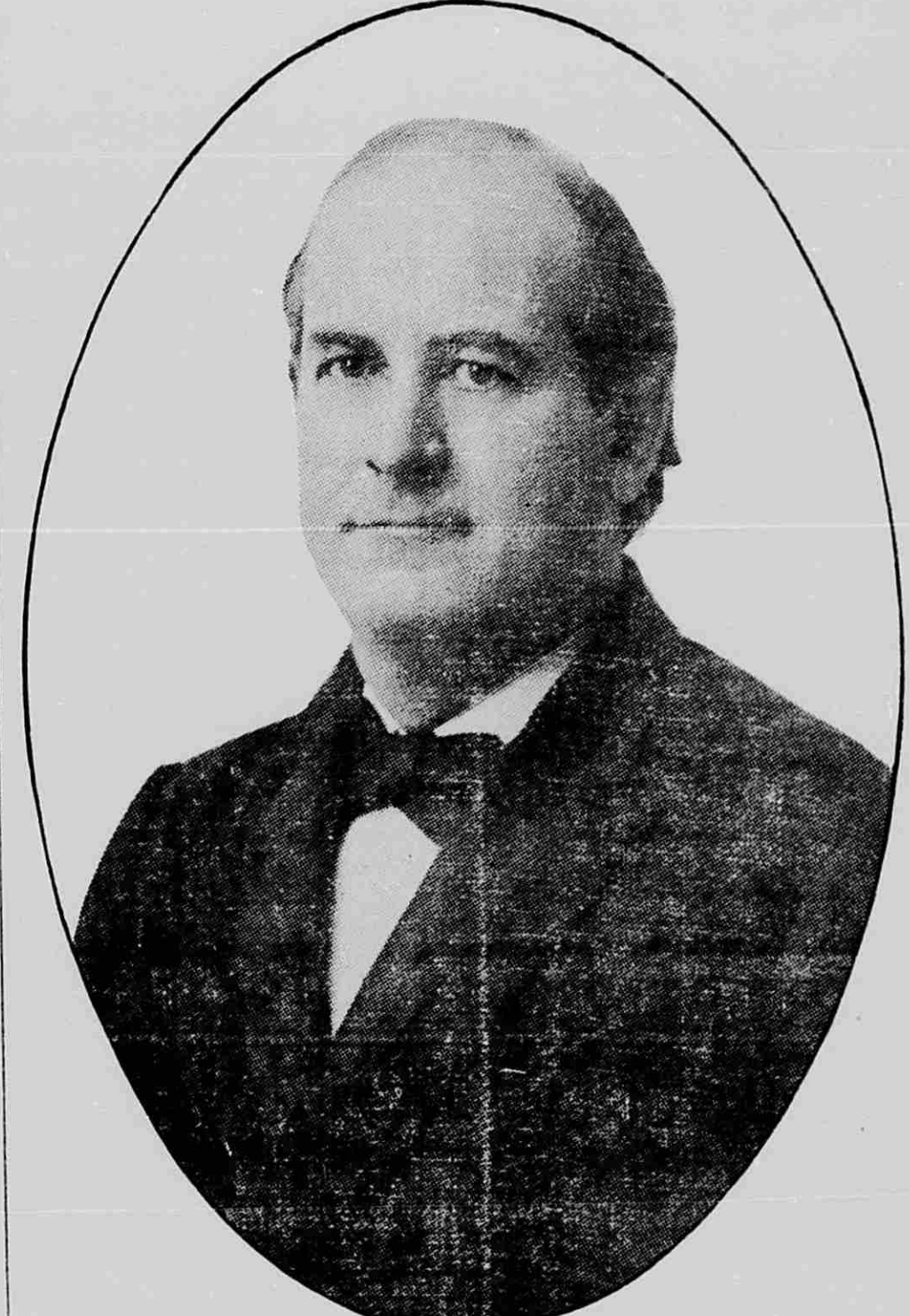
**Their Status.**

Parson—I look upon all divorced men as merely a higher order of beasts.

Outsider—Just "lucky dogs," I suppose.—N. Y. Times.

**W. J. BRYAN SPEAKS IN LOWELL SEPT. TWO.**

Date Fixed After Much Difficulty by Organ Chautauque Committee. Deal for Pipe Organ to Be Closed. Great Labor Day Celebration.



WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN.

The Board of Trustees of the Methodist church at a meeting held last Monday afternoon closed a contract with the Slayton Lyceum Bureau for William Jennings Bryan on Labor day, September 2, when he will speak at Island Park on the program of the Organ Chautauque. The Board will now seek to arrange special rates on the railroads. Rev. Brady in the final deal had considerable difficulty in securing a definite date, so great is the demand for Bryan next Summer. So Lowell is fortunate in securing the Great Commoner and Labor day will see a big time in Lowell this year.

The other three attractions on the Organ Chautauque program will be announced as soon as secured. The trustees also appointed the committee to negotiate for the pipe organ: Rev. Brady, W. A. Watts, E. R. Collar, H. J. Coons.

**PHYSICIANS DISAGREE**

Different Opinions on Cooper's Remarkable Success Held by Cincinnati Medical Men.

Cincinnati, O. February, 6. The astonishing sale of Cooper's preparations in this city has now reached such immense figures that the medical fraternity at large have become forced into open discussion of the man and his preparations.

The physicians as a whole seem to be divided with regard to the young man's success in Cincinnati—some being willing to credit him for what he has accomplished, while others assert that the interest he has aroused is but a passing fad which cannot last, and which will die out as quickly as it has sprung up.

The opinion of these two factions is very well voiced in the statements made recently by two of a number of physicians who were interviewed on the subject.

Dr. J. E. Carass when questioned about the matter said: "I have not been a believer in proprietary preparations heretofore nor can I say that I believe in them at present. But I must admit that some of the facts recently brought to my notice concerning this man Cooper have gone far towards removing the prejudice I had formed against him when the unheard of demand for the preparations first sprang up in this city. Numbers of my patients whom I have treated for chronic liver, kidney and stomach troubles have met me after taking Cooper's remedy and have stated positively that he has accomplished wonderful results for them. I notice particularly in cases of stomach trouble that the man has relieved several

cases of years standing that proved very obstinate in treatment."

"I am the last man on earth to stand in the way of anything that may prove for the public good simply through professional prejudice, and I am inclined to give Cooper and his preparations credit as deserving to some extent the popular demonstration that has been accorded them in this city."

Another well known physician who was seen took the opposite view of the "Cooper-mania," as he called it, which now has the city in its grip. He said: "I can only liken the present state of affairs to a certain kind of hallucination. For want of a better name I might call it 'Cooper-mania.' The people of Cincinnati seem to be firm in the belief that this man Cooper has health corked up in a bottle."

"Some of them imagine that he has completely cured them of various ills judging from their statements. It is beyond me to say why the city has gone crazy over the man. It may be safely put down, I think, to one of the passing fads that so often attack the American public."

"Sooner or later the people are bound to regain their senses and will then realize the reputable physician is the one to whom their health had to be entrusted."

In the meantime Cooper meets several thousand people daily, and only smiles when statements of the above character are quoted to him. His charitable work still continues to be very extensive.

**German Fashion of Roasting Duck.**

Pick and clean and singe a duck. Rub well with salt. Make a dressing of bread crumbs, apple sauce and Sultana raisins. Be careful to use enough bread crumbs to thicken the apple sauce thoroughly. Then raisins in quantity to taste.

Fill the duck, after mixing the dressing thoroughly. Roast in the oven to a good brown color. Baste often. Make a sauce of chopped livers, pour over the duck and serve hot.

**Breakfast Puffs.**

One cupful of flour, a teaspoonful of salt, one cupful of milk, one egg—white and yolk beaten separately. Mix salt with flour, add part of the milk, and stir until you have a smooth paste; add the remainder of the milk with the yolk, and lastly the white beaten into a stiff froth. Cook in hot buttered gem tins until the puffs are brown and puffed.

**How They Vote in Paris.**

"In Paris only one-fifth of the voters go to the polls and cast their ballots," said R. G. Graham, an American who has lived in Paris as a business man for several years past. "This is not because they cannot vote, but because they do not care to. Everybody in the city is interested in politics, but when the time to vote comes few care to go to the polls."

"The man who wins is most often the man who promises everything. For instance, in my district last time a man was elected who promised to put a new shed on the market. I know of another deputy who was kept in office 15 years because he promised to add an extra sardine to the daily rations of the soldiers. There are so many soldiers that that made a big difference. They did not get the sardine, but he continued to promise and kept office."

**DR. M. CLAYTON GREENE**  
Graduate  
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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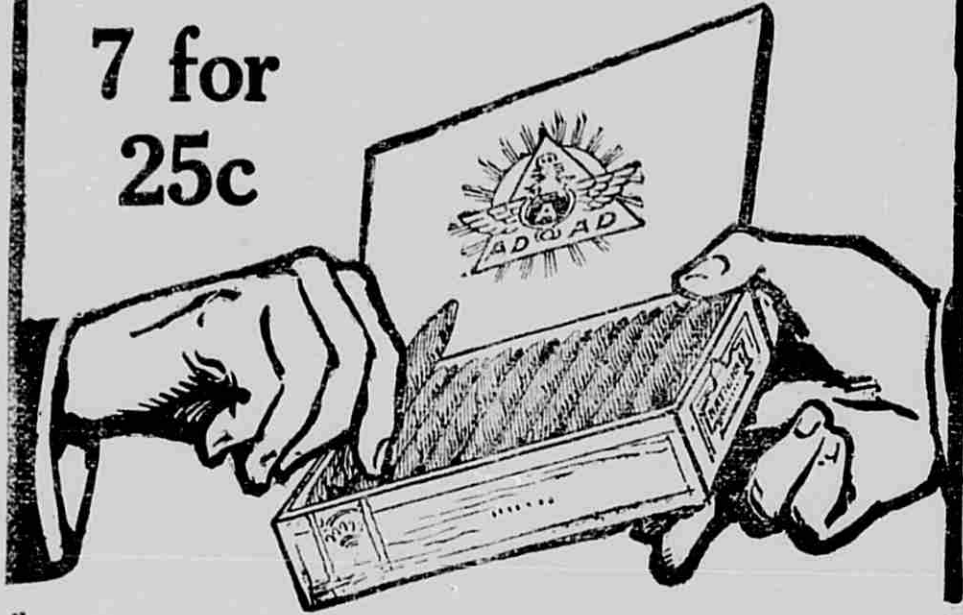
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Heard at the Dance.



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She—What is she, a snake?

The oldest university in the world is at Peking. It is called the "School for the Sons of the Empire." Its antiquity is very great, and a grand register, consisting of stone columns, 320 in number, contains the names of 60,000 graduates.

Poor Financing.  
"Maria, we'll have to give up that summer trip. My account at the bank is already overdrawn."

"Oh, John, you are such a wretched financier. Why didn't you put our account in a bank that had plenty of money?" — Chicago Tribune

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**HOME-TRADE CLUBS**

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**PATRONIZE HOME MERCHANTS**

The Great Danger to Local Interests That Are Found in the Mail-Order Systems—Educate the Public.

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Why should we trade at home? Why should we consider home in any way more than any other place unless it pays us financially? First, because it is our home. The pride we should take in the prosperity of our home town and our neighbors should be sufficient inducement to give them the preference. Second, because beyond all doubt or question, it pays from a money point.

The greatest menace to the country merchant to-day is the mail order business, and with the decline of the country merchant comes inevitable loss to the citizens of both town and country. What at first was considered a great convenience and an exhibition of commendable enterprise has grown to be one of the crying commercial evils. The success of the mail order house is the result of constant, extensive and intelligent advertising. It is not by persistent swindling as some tell us, for no business was ever built up in that way. The home merchant can do no better than to adopt the same method, the judicious use of printer's ink.

While the merchants are the heaviest immediate losers, and could do

quanting the community with what he has to sell and with the fact that people could obtain at home, where they could personally examine them and return them if defective in any way, goods at as low a price as any catalogue house can sell them, every man and woman is to blame who sends away for goods; and everyone who fails to raise his voice in favor of home trade. The editor holds the most responsible position and should be the leader in this movement.

The remedy has been outlined in a general way. We will suggest the first steps. Let merchants buy at home—they cannot consistently ask others to trade with them when they do not patronize their brothers in trade. The editors should patronize home, and even at considerable personal sacrifice refuse foreign advertising for lines of goods in competition with the home merchant. The editor deserves more credit than he receives. Many a well-to-do farmer or city man would think himself perfectly justified in sending away for all his groceries and clothing if he thought he could save ten dollars thereby on a year's purchases, but most editors forfeit many times that much every year by refusing advertising from distant firms in the same lines of business as his home merchants; and sometimes the home merchant even then declines to advertise.

Trade-at-home clubs might be organized, with mottoes something like "Club," or "I Patronize the Home Merchants," or "I Buy Nothing from Mail Order Houses," for members to display. The acceptance and displaying of such a card might constitute a person nor member.

Much of the trading away from home is due to thoughtlessness and ignorance of business principles. Many persons consider only the first

**VIKING and I.**

By Elizabeth Gladden Wood.

There was mourning in our neighborhood when the Gerald Devos Witherspoons left for a six months' tour abroad. Now they have returned and the festivities of the season will begin. There will be euchre and bridge whist and kaffee klatches and a general exchange of confidences that will exceedingly enliven those who have not passed the summer on the other side. The tints of life will be deepened, and the little rifts which have made for unhappiness will disappear and be forgotten. Ambitions, small and great, will again awaken, and unless all signs fail, the way of the transgressor will be hard.

An old stager like myself, who has fought her own battles through many a tempestuous year, who can ride rough shod over most things that get in her way, who can tell a hawk from a handsaw when she has to, never hankers after a bicycle built for two, and never worries over what John will say when she buys a bonnet.

True, there are times in the twilight, when I get to thinking as we sit by the fire, Viking and I—with my pot of tea. And I say to Viking—"My boy, you are growing old. Sooner or later you must leave me, and what shall I do then?"

Viking looks up at me with his sooty brown eyes as he rests his nose on my knees, and I pat his head musingly, forgetting what is and what has been until a monitory poke brings me back to the tea and the fire and to Viking, and I say as cheerfully as I can—

"We won't cross that bridge till we come to it, will we, my boy?"

We have grown old together. I understand Viking and he understands me, and though the Past I saw by the freight held many pictures in which he had no part, his true dog friendship has brightened my pathway for many a year.

I can never get another Viking.

And now Mrs. Gerald Devos Witherspoon has come back—back to bridge and euchre and coffee—to heart burnings and envy, to gayety and gossip, to fuss and feathers and furbelows—and what is more than all, to the undisputed leadership of "our set."

Mrs. G. D. W. has attained her present position at the cost of considerable effort. But there are others. As soon as an east wind touches Mrs. W. (G. D.) she will shiver and wilt, and when the south wind comes back, there will be another set and another leader and another leader to the old set. And some will say, "Who is Mrs. W. (G. D.)?" And the sad thing will be that Mrs. W. (G. D.) will not know it until her crown of leadership is forcibly removed. She will reach up for her laurels and they will not be there. Her tears will avail nothing, nor will her sighs touch the obdurate hearts of those who followed in her train when the soft south wind fanned her brow.

The sun may beat with unrelenting fervor upon my head and I say the shadows will fall at evening. My mid-day guests make merry over my prosperity, but Viking and I sit alone in the twilight, and when the black night is upon me and the storm threatens my leaky roof.

What a blessing to a forlorn old maid is a faithful and loving dog. Never once has my hand been raised against Viking and never once has his heart turned from me. Never has he failed to greet me joyously at my coming or sorrow when I said my short farewell, and never have I failed to be thankful for his watchful care and the great, warm heart that beats under his shaggy coat.

Viking is not waiting for me to die that he may have the little I leave behind. But if Viking should die first my tears would fall and my heart be sad for many days, for I should have lost my best friend.

I should raise no stone over his grave, for I think me of the origin of the tombstone. I remember that long after the cave men had passed into the darkness, there came others and still others, each generation more and more civilized than the one before it, until thought came, in a measure, to take the place of animal appetite.

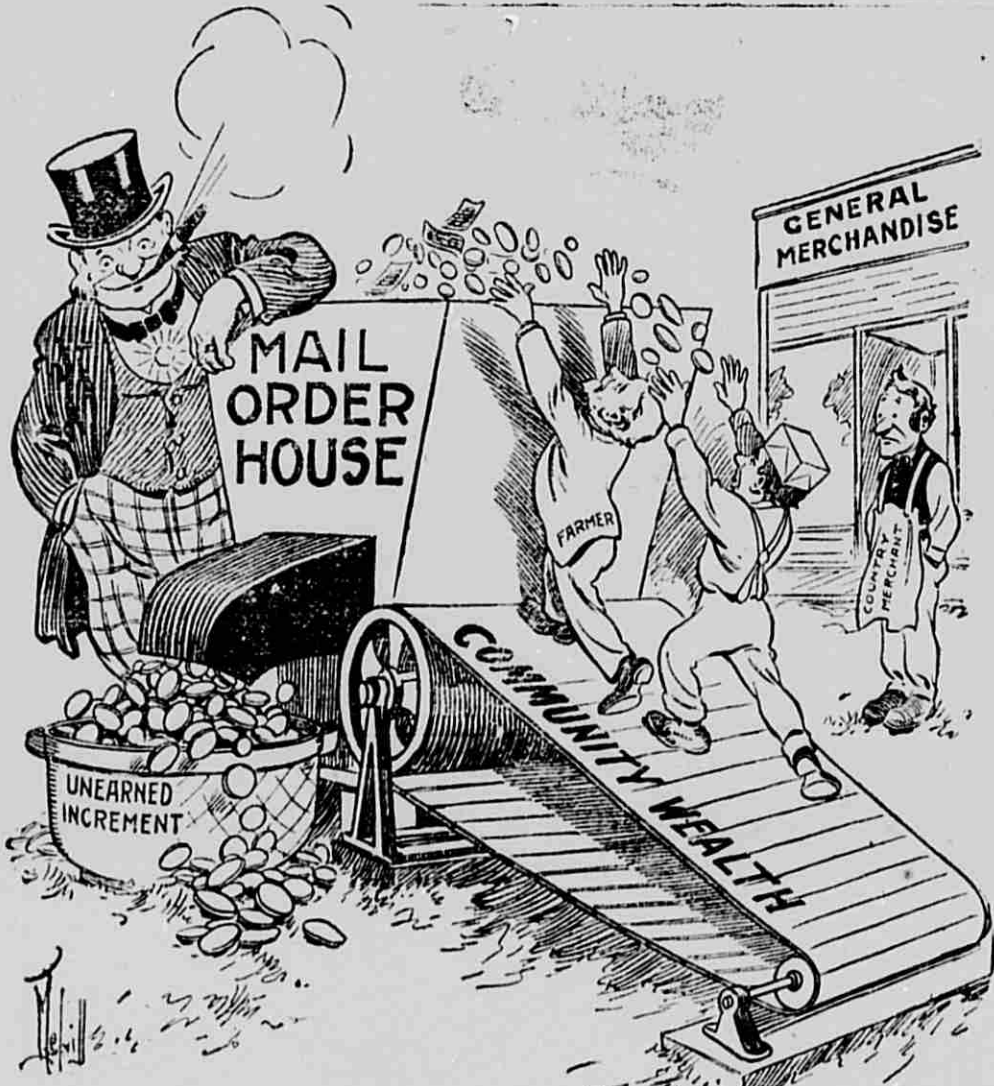
The human race began to bury its dead with forms and rites. The mound was no longer solitary, and the cairn or rude pile of stone gave place to the rough stone. Then somebody smoothed and carved the rough stone and placed on the shining surface a graven record of virtues that never existed in the heart of the sleeper below, and sentiments that the dead man never knew or felt when he was alive.

And the reason of it all lay not in the loving heart of the bereft relict but in the trembling fear of those who were left behind—the fear that was the origin of the tombstone. If you have never thought of the matter search the records and you will find that the reason why your friends or your ancestors' friends placed a stone over their dead was not as a mark of respect, but to ensure the living against the return of the departed—literally, to keep him down. So when you see a monument that towers high and massive, you may say to yourself—

"Poor shade! How very anxious your former friends must be that you shall never again come back!"

How brave we are! How warm and true are our friendships! How becoming is our mourning, and when we go into mitigated grief what lovely shades of heliotrope and purple we will wear!

I prefer Viking.



Are you operating the tread mill to pour the wealth of your community into the bottomless hoppers of the mail-order house? Are you driving your local merchants out of business? If you are you are killing your town and your own interests.

much toward checking and correcting this growing evil, by liberal advertising and publishing prices, they should not be expected to do it all. Every newspaper should preach home trade, every teacher should instill it into his pupils in the school room, every minister should preach it from the pulpit. The debating societies and political conventions should discuss it. The interests of town and country and newspaper and church, and society generally, are so interwoven and so identical that whatever injures one will eventually injure all. When the merchants are compelled to bring on smaller stocks, and employ less help, and pay cheaper rent, they are not alone the sufferers; the whole community feels the loss. The price of real estate is largely dependent on its proximity to a good town. Rents are dependent on the amount of business. The merchant can move to some other town and establish himself again more readily than can the professional man and many others who have built up business through years of acquaintance and establishment of character. If the farmer, or property owner in town, want to sell out they are the greatest sufferers—they can't move their property to some place where people are booming their town and country by patronizing home.

The remedy lies in education and publicity. In many places that education will come through bitter experience, but, in other communities, where they are quicker to detect the approaching evil, and heed more readily the warnings of the press and friends of home, they may correct the evil more readily.

Wealth and power are corrupting influences and the mail order houses are probably not sending out as honest goods as they once did. They have learned the tricks of imitation and substitution and how easy it is to deceive the public. But, if the mail order man is honest, and his methods of advertising legitimate in every way, his success is of no interest to us and will never benefit our community to the slightest degree. If crops should fail or sickness render us short of money we could not expect him to rush us for a dollar—we must always look to the home merchant for credit a times of adversity.

Who is to blame? The mail order house? Not in the least. We alone are to blame. The near-sighted merchant who has lost trade by not ac-

cost; if they save 25 cents on a ten-dollar order by buying from a mail order house they consider that clear gain. They should be shown that a merchant and his family living in their midst, keeps up a house, pays taxes, adds to the social features, contributes generously towards public enterprises, etc. If by buying at home their town gives support to several more local merchants, creating a better home market, they get back a liberal percentage. Every man and woman takes more or less pride in local affairs and is willing to contribute something toward home improvements, if the matter is fairly presented. That is why I say the remedy lies in education.

Most mail order houses claim they are enabled to sell cheaper than country dealers because they buy in larger quantities and get especially low prices. This is often a base misstatement of facts; let me cite an instance: A stock man from eastern Washington was visiting in Kansas City. One morning, walking with his nephew, who was a clerk in a leading wholesale hardware house, he asked where Bland & Co.'s store was located. "Don't think I ever heard of them," replied the young man. "Oh, yes, I do remember the firm; they have no store, they have an office in (giving the name of the building), but I don't see how they can sell hardware as low as your home merchants, for while we sell them goods at less than retail price, we don't give them as low prices as regular dealers, because they buy in such small quantities, just as they get orders." The stockman was greatly surprised, he supposed he had been dealing with one of the largest firms in the city.

The mail order business has developed so slowly, and works so quietly that few persons realize the magnitude it has assumed nor to what extent it is now sapping the life-blood of many small cities and towns. Even now we hear the excuse given for sending away for goods, that the merchants carry such poor stocks. The wonder is that they carry any.

**The Real Power.**

A 17-year-old boy at Worcester, Mass., has a lung capacity of 300 cubic inches. When he grows up and goes to congress he will perhaps learn that it is not the orator but the speaker who affects the course of national legislation.





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## FULL BACK DARK OXFORD OVE'AT

Mens' full back dark oxford overcoats. Full value \$17.50 we ask.....**\$11.75**  
Extra fine serge lining, silk velvet collar, 52 inches long.

## SERVICIBLE OVERCOAT

Mens' servicable overcoats. Full value \$8 we ask.....**\$4.87**  
Blacks and grays with farmer satin lining and velvet collar—a coat that will stand the hardest kind of wear.

## ULSTER OVERCOAT

Mens' ulster overcoats. Full value \$9.75 we ask.....**\$5.87**  
Black kersey and 52 inches long, storm collars and farmer satin lining.

## ALL WOOL IRISH FRIEZE ULSTER

Mens' all wool Irish Frieze ulster overcoats. Full value \$12.50 we ask.....**\$9.38**  
Extra long, a storm protector with high collar.

## BLACK AND GRAY OVERCOAT

Mens' black and gray overcoats. Just a few in the lot. Full value \$11 your choice at.....**\$6.75**  
Fine kerseys serge lined velvet collar black and grays.

## BLUE BLACK KERSEY OVERCOAT

Mens' blue black kerseys overcoats. Full value \$11.50 we ask.....**\$6.90**  
Just a few sizes left of these splendid coats. Hand padded shoulders, guaranteed lining.

## GRAY FORM TRACING OVERCOAT

Mens' gray form tracing overcoats. Full value \$18.50 we ask.....**\$14.90**  
New styles hand felled lapels, padded shoulders, serge lined, in dark Oxford gray.

## DARK BROWN MIXTURES IN O'ATS

Mens' dark brow mixtures in overcoats. Full value \$13.50 we ask.....**\$8.00**  
A young man's coat one of the best selling coats of the season.

## OUR FAMOUS HOUSE OF KUPPENHEIMER OVERCOATS

Our famous house of Kuppenheimer overcoats. Full value 25.00 and \$30.00 at.....**\$18.50**

Here's coats for fine dressers that can be had only here. Smart as the crack of the whip, built of superb imported kerseys silk velvet collars hand padded shoulders and hand felled lapels serge lined and double stitched seams, full shoulders and form tracing. A gentlemen's coat, blue black, dark oxford gray. Dark gray with fine stripe and plain gray.

## MENS' TOP COATS

Mens' top coats. For \$13.00 overcoats we ask.....**\$7.50**

## For \$16.50 coats we ask.....

**\$12.50**

Medium and light weights tans and dark oxford grays. Smart up-to-date styles.

## WOULD YOU LIKE A \$15.50 OVERCOAT

Would you like a \$15.50 overcoat for.....**\$8.62**

This is our idea of an overcoat sale—poorly made cheap overcoats we leave to others to sell. This lot is practically custom made of fine kerseys in blue blacks, velvet collars, padded shoulders, just a few left.

## Last Week's Bargains are Continued Wherever the Goods Hold Out While We Tell of Good Things Today

- Ladies \$5 gray skirts **2.50**
- Ladies \$6 gray skirts for **3.00**
- Ladies \$6.50 gray skirts for only **3.25**
- Ladies \$8.50 gray skirts for only **4.25**
- Ladies \$9 gray skirts for only **4.50**
- Ladies \$5 blue skirts for only **2.50**
- Ladies \$5.25 blue skirts for only **2.63**
- Ladies \$6.50 blue skirts for only **3.25**
- Ladies \$7 blue skirts for only **3.50**
- Ladies \$5.25 black skirts for only **2.63**

- Ladies \$5.50 black skirts for only **2.75**
  - Ladies \$6.50 black skirts for only **3.25**
  - Ladies \$8 black skirts for only **4.00**
- Our coats that we have left today are composed of children's of different ages and Misses to size 34. Just one or two of a kind and will be sold at the following prices:
- 4.50 coats for only **2.25**
  - 5.00 coats for only **2.50**

- 6.50 coats for only **3.25**
- 8.00 coats for only **4.00**
- 9.00 coats for only **4.50**
- 9.50 coats for only **4.75**
- 12.75 coats for only **6.38**
- 13.00 coats for only **6.50**
- 14.00 coats for only **7.00**
- 15.00 coats for only **7.50**
- 16.50 coats for only **8.25**

# M. RUBEN, Lowell, Michigan

## Our Country Cousins

### CANNONSBURG.

The series of meetings held at the M. E. church has closed.  
Henry Lampman of Lowell and daughter, Mrs. Oberly, of Isabella county spent Thursday with Mrs. Bert Hartwell.  
Mrs. Oberly and her sister, Mrs. Hartwell, visited Mrs. C. S. Judson Friday.  
Miss Sarah Clemens of Grattan was the guest of Miss Minnie Wilson Friday and Saturday returning to her home Sunday.  
Ice cutters are busy.  
Albert Tiffany, who contemplates going West, has sold his farm to Joe Hefferon.  
Jake Eaton, who was employed with the telephone linemen, spent Sunday at home.  
The busy workers met at the home of Mrs. J. Armstrong Saturday.

### Hunting for Trouble.

"I've lived in California 20 years, and am still hunting for trouble in the way of burns, sores, wounds, boils, cuts, sprains, or a case of piles that Bucklen's Arnica Salve won't quickly cure," writes Charles Walters, of Alleghany, Sierra Co. No use hunting, Mr. Walters; it cures every case. Guaranteed at D. G. Look's drug store. 25c.

### VERGENNES STATION.

Leon Weeks is assisting Jud Hapeman with wood cutting in East Lowell.  
Mrs. J. D. Frost is again on the sick list.  
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Austin Byrnes, Friday Feb. 1st, a nine-pound son.  
Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Weeks, spent Sunday and Monday with the latter's parents.  
Hoamer Andrews lost a valuable coat last week.  
Miss Myrtle Condon was buried here last Thursday.  
Lillian McGee is visiting her aunt, Mrs. John McKabe, at Ada.  
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wilson are ill with grip.  
There are sick ones at the home of Asa Fairchilds.  
John McKabe's baby is ill.  
Mrs. R. McGee and Mrs. Doran called on Mrs. Margaret Byrnes Monday.  
Wm. Bovee, who is cutting ice on the pond, fell into the water Monday.  
Mrs. C. R. Porter is a little better.

### The Best Physic.

When you want a physic that is mild and gentle, easy to take and pleasant in effect, take Chamberlain's

Stomach and Liver Tablets. Price 25 cents. Every box warranted. Get a free sample at M. N. Henry's drug store and try them.

### FALLSBURG.

We were glad to notice the familiar face of an old neighbor, Henry Scott, of Grattan on our streets Monday.  
Will Laux and family, who have lately moved from Vergennes to Lowell, are visiting for a week at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Pottruff. Miss Lottie Pottruff is also home.  
Mrs. Ellen Colvin died Saturday, Feb. 2nd., after suffering for nine days with paralysis. Her daughter's Mrs. Ella Joseph, Misses Carrie and Edith Colvin and her son Carl were with her.  
For 63 years Mrs. Colvin has been a resident of this place and though quiet and unassuming she has won a large circle of friends who mourn her loss. Sympathy is extended to the family.  
Mrs. May Chapman of Belding visited her son, Frank Jones and family from Friday of last week until Monday.  
Fred Hooper of Ionia spent Friday at the home of A. Sayles.  
Frank Jones was in Belding last Thursday to visit his mother and sisters, returning Friday.  
A. Quackenbush and son Norman were doing some work for George Pratt in his new home near Saranac last week.  
Mrs. Bert Lillie and little daughter are progressing finely. Mrs. Wasen of Lowell called on them Sunday.  
Arthur Parker was home from Lowell Sunday.

### SEELEY CORNERS.

James Green started Tuesday for Colorado.  
Mrs. O. Reynolds and Mrs. I. J. Tidd were guests of Mrs. Chas. Reynolds Friday.  
Gabe Onan of West Lowell spent Sunday evening at the home of O. Reynolds.  
Mrs. Chas. Reynolds visited at the home of Mrs. C. A. Barrows one day last week.  
Merton Reynolds is now on the sick list.  
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cooley and children were guests of the latter's father Tuesday night and Wednesday.  
Several in this vicinity are taking music lessons of Mr. Hardy of Grand Rapids.  
Mrs. Frank Quiggle, who has been quite ill, is recovering.  
R. D. Philbrick is seriously ill.  
The Ladies' Aid society will meet with Mrs. Levi Burras next Wednesday, Feb. 13th., for dinner.  
**Morse Lake.**  
The Ladies' Aid society social that was to be held at Phil Hartley's home on Wednesday was postponed for one week on account of sickness.  
Mrs. Emeranda Fairchilds is reported no better.  
Geo. Lewis and wife spent Tuesday at the home of Frank Houghton.  
Miss Winnie Hartley is very ill with grip.  
James O. Scott has returned from Grand Rapids. High water and prospects of more made him feel like taking a look at the old home.

There was no preaching at West Lowell Sunday on account of the illness of the pastor.

A sleighload from this place attended the play at Lowell last Wednesday evening.

There was a party held at the home of E. E. Kiel Friday evening in honor of Whitman's 16th birthday.

Frank Clark and family visited at the home of S. J. Skelding last Thursday evening.

Wm. Khaln and family visited his brother at Clarksville last Sunday.

Our teacher spent Saturday and Sunday in Grand Rapids.

Delos Sayles and wife of Grand Rapids visited at the home of Ed Kiel last week.

S. J. Skelding and wife were at Lowell on business Friday.

Albert Gosch and Phil Hartley attended church at Whitneyville Sunday evening.

Wesley Yetter has about sixty cords of wood ready for the buzz saw.

### ITCHING PILES.

If you are acquainted with anyone who is troubled with this distressing ailment, you can do him no greater favor than to tell him to try Chamberlain's Salve. It gives instant relief. This salve also cures sore nipples, tetter and salt rheum. Price 25 cents. For sale by M. N. HENRY.

### ALTO.

"The man that spoiled the music" will be given under the auspices of the ladies of the M. E. church with a fair and supper Friday evening, Feb. 15, at Odd Fellows' hall, fair to commence at 7 p. m. and program at 8:30 followed by supper. The quilt contest will close at 11 p. m. Admission for all 15c which entitles each to one vote on the quilt. All are cordially invited to attend.

Milo Miller and family of North Dakota are visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity.

Mrs. Fairchilds is very ill at the Mrs. Conaway of Grand Rapids is visiting at the home of Wm. Daniels, home of her son Frank.

A sleighload from here attended the Crusade meeting at Whitneyville Wednesday night.

Clarence Miller visited his uncle, Jacob Konkle, and family over Sunday.

### A Valuable Lesson.

"Six years ago I learned a valuable lesson," writes John Pleasant, of Magnolia, Ind. "I then began taking Dr. King's New Life Pills, and the longer I take them the better I find them." They please everybody. Guaranteed at D. G. Look's druggist 25c.

### EAST LOWELL.

William Stone passed away last Thursday at the age of 69, while his wife was very ill, and the funeral services were held Sunday, at the South Boston M. E. Church, Rev. Braund of Alto officiating. A number of relatives from New York and Canada were here to attend the funeral. Mr. Stone was a native of New York, but has lived in this community many years and was a highly respected citizen.

Quarterly meeting services were postponed until Sunday, Feb. 24th. Those who received certificates Friday were Don Wisner, Davis Hobert, June Coles and Ward Hubbel.

Mrs. J. N. Hubbel and son Glenn and S. Y. Carey are recovering from attacks of grip.

Mrs. Wm. Stone is still very ill, and the relatives from the East will remain with her until she is better.

### Lame Back.

This ailment is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles and may be cured by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm two or three times a day and rubbing the parts vigorously at each application. If this does not afford relief, bind on a piece of flannel slightly dampened with Pain Balm, and quick relief is almost sure to follow. For sale by M. N. HENRY.

### KEENE CENTER.

Miss Lela Wood is spending a few days with her sisters, Mrs. J. W. Smart and Miss Fannie Wood.

H. Vanderveen and son Peter visited the former's sister, Mrs. G. Staal, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Myers of Lake Odesa were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Carr Sunday.

B. F. Wilkinson has finished his work as jurymen in Grand Rapids and on Tuesday went to Ionia, having been called on the jury there.

Earl Adams, his mother and Mrs. Grant Adams visited Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Engle in West Lowell last Tuesday.

Miss Jennie Joseph of Lowell spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Daniels and attended the party at the home of Geo. Golds Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bosman, daughter Jennie and son Wilbur visited W. Vanderwood at Clarksville Sunday.

There was a good attendance at the service Sunday night. The meetings continue this week, and every one is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Calhoun of Poters corners visited Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Wilkinson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Raymond and son have been visiting Mrs. Raymond's parents in South Boston.

There will be a children's meeting at the church next Sunday afternoon to which the older people are also invited, and in the evening a regular preaching service will be held. There will be meetings held all next week, and everyone is invited to attend them.

Mrs. George Golds planned a very successful surprise for her husband Saturday evening in honor of his fortieth birthday anniversary. Twenty-four guests were present in spite of the disagreeable weather, and the evening was pleasantly passed with games and social intercourse, and a dainty lunch was served. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Maxfield of Grand Rapids were among the guests present.

## DO YOU GET UP

### WITH A LAME BACK?

#### Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.

Almost everybody who reads the newspapers is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It is the great medical triumph of the nineteenth century; discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid troubles and Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless too poor to purchase relief and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The regular fifty cent and Home of Swamp-Root. Smaller sizes are sold by all good druggists.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

### GRATTAN CENTER.

E. L. Brooks and Frank Randal shipped eight or ten loads of chops last week.

E. E. Lester and Wm. Ward harvested ice last week. The ice was fine.

Several couples from Grattan attended the Goodfellowship party at Hotel Belding Saturday.

Guests at the home of Mrs. George Howard Tuesday were Mr. and Mrs. Lorance and Mrs. Fannie Brooks.

### BOWNE.

John Thomas left Tuesday for Flushing, Mich., for a few weeks' visit with his brother Will.

The valentine remembrance social will be held at the Lower Grange hall at Bowne, Feb. 14th. There will be letters read and articles sold that have been sent for that purpose from friends that have moved away. These articles will be sold to the highest bidder. Supper served during the evening. Come one and all and have a good time.

Mrs. Dora Godfrey visited her mother, Mrs. Colburn, in East Caledonia Thursday.

Glenn Godfrey ate Sunday dinner with Watt Thomas.

Mrs. Fanny Green, who made her home with John Cudihy and wife, died very suddenly last Thursday afternoon with a severe attack of grip. Funeral services were held at the M. E. church at Bowne Center, interment in the Bowne cemetery.

Miss Cecile Holcomb spent Sunday with Gertrude Benton.

Mrs. Lewis Barkley is at Hastings with her mother, who is quite ill.

The Pomona Grange held here last week Wednesday and Thursday was a grand success in every way. About a hundred and thirty attended the first day and about forty the second day. A class of nine took the fifth degree in the evening.

About fifty people attended the party given for John Goggins and wife last Wednesday night. Cards and dancing were the order of the evening. All report a delightful time.

About forty friends passed a very pleasant time at the home of R. F. Benton Friday evening, playing progressive pedro. H. F. Benton and Alice Barkley received prizes for best players. Will Fox the gentleman's consolation, and Watt Thomas the lady's consolation as he had to play lady during the evening.

There were no services at Bowne Center Sunday morning on account of the minister's sickness.

### Mice.

Gum camphor sprinkled around the haunts of mice will keep them away.

## WILL NOT BE CRIPPLED

### TREATMENT SUCCESSFUL

The Maddening Disease, Rheumatism, Eadily Cured With URIC-O.

It might interest Rheumatic sufferers of this country to learn the wonderful work that URIC-O is doing towards the relief and cure of this dreaded disease. Letters of praise are received daily from men and women who have used the remedy with the greatest success. The manufacturers of this wonderful Specific have never solicited a testimonial or a word of praise from people who have used the remedy. Yet, letters like the one given below are being received from both old and young.

Mr. Reuben Whipple, grocery clerk, of Glen Falls, N. Y., says:—I was laid up with severe form of Rheumatism, and was confined to my room for nine weeks. A sample bottle of URIC-O, and one regular bottle has worked a wonderful change in me. I am now able to go about my work again. I recommended the remedy to Mr. John Harris, of East Lake George, who was unable to walk. He had taken every possible treatment, had spent hundreds of dollars, and had found no relief. He is taking URIC-O, and is improving rapidly, and able to be out around. I will continue to recommend URIC-O, as it is certainly a merited remedy.

URIC-O is sold by Druggists generally at 75c per bottle, or it will be sent by the SMITH DRUG COMPANY, of SYRACUSE, N. Y., upon receipt of notice. Liberal size samples and circulars will be mailed free to all who apply for same.

URIC-O is sold and recommended in Lowell by D. G. LOOK.



Springfield Feb 8 1850

Dear Sir

I have been examining your Bill on staying the case some time. There is some confusion in the description of the bond as given in the Bill, which I suppose comes by mistake. It enables me to correct this, before filing the Bill, and on an exactly accurate description of all the facts. I do not think any objection will be necessary pending the suit, and consequently no bond is necessary except the ordinary bond for cost, a bond for which I have written some you. Have the bond filled, and executed by some one for whose responsibility you can stand, and send it back to me. When you are actually in possession of the land at the time it was conveyed by Henry L. Davis, what are we obliged to put in evidence on his part? Can we not prove our case without? Please answer these questions when you write me. Yours as ever

An autograph letter of Abraham Lincoln, writer more than half a century ago to his life-long friend, Thomas J. Turner, of Freeport, Ill., afterward a colonel in an Illinois regiment, is here reproduced as an object of national interest.

The value of this letter to the families to whom it has descended—like an apostolic succession—may be estimated from the fact that it has passed from deathbed to deathbed as a sacred charge in the Turner generations, the

Famous Illinois Tavern.

Where Lincoln, When a Circuit Riding Lawyer, Swapped Stories.

With the demolition of the old Kelley tavern, torn down to make room for a barn, there passed one of the famous old hostleries of Illinois. Built in 1839, the old tavern became the stopping place of all west bound travelers, it being the only hotel between Danville and Urbana on the state road.

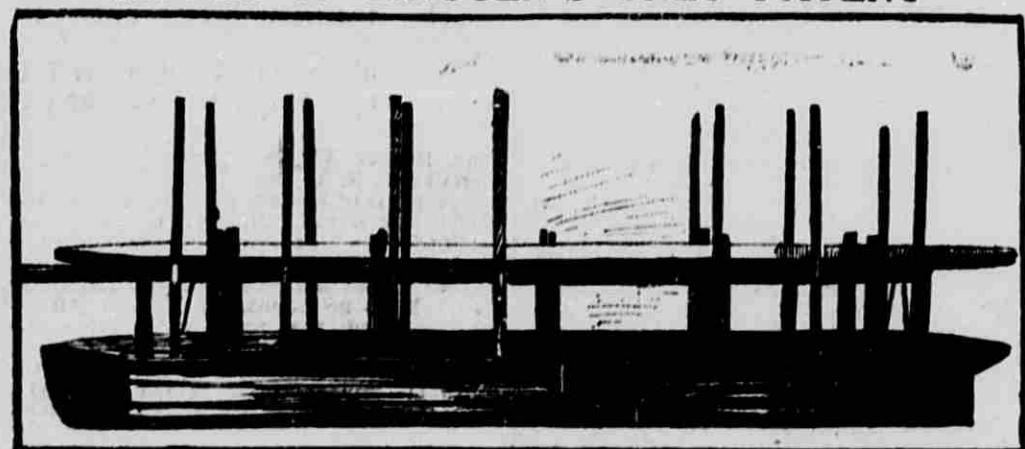
For years it enjoyed great popularity, especially during its ownership by Joseph Kelley, who operated it from 1849 until 1864. During the '50s it was the regular stopping place of the old time circuit riding lawyers, among whom were Abraham Lincoln and Judge David Davis. Both Lincoln and Davis were warm friends of Kelley, whose ready wit and great fund of stories made him a favorite with both men. Kelley was a great story teller, and during the months intervening between the April and September terms of court he searched assiduously for "new stories to tell Abe."

Often Lincoln's coming being heralded about the surrounding country, drew scores of farmers to the hotel, and not infrequently residents of Urbana drove down to enjoy the contest between the two great story tellers. However well equipped with new material was Mr. Kelley he always found himself vanquished by Mr. Lincoln, whose fund of anecdotes seemed inexhaustible. Old residents say that the two champions frequently told stories almost all night, Lincoln sitting in an immense armchair, with wide rockers and a buffalo robe cushion, known to the household as "Abe's chair." The old chair is still in the possession of the Kelley family, one of its most cherished heirlooms.

The old tavern played an important part in the social life of the community. Here during the winter months assembled all the young people for miles around to dance and enjoy themselves. In the yard were held the turkey shoots on Thanksgiving and Christmas, when the pioneers assembled to prove their wonderful skill with their old muzzle loading firearms. Whisky on these occasions flowed freely, and some famous fights have occurred about the old building, but for the most part the early settler was good natured, even in his cups, and no serious damage was done in these encounters.

With the coming of the railroads and the passing of the stage coach the old tavern suffered a lamentable falling off in business, and after a precarious existence it was closed and the building became the home of a tenant farmer. Later it was used for the storage of grain and farm implements. Falling into decay, it has at last been torn down, after an existence of 75 years, many of its timbers going into the new barn.

MODEL OF LINCOLN'S ONLY PATENT



One of the most valuable of the government's unique collection of patent models, the finest in the world, is No. 6,469, granted May 22, 1849 to Abraham Lincoln for method of lifting vessels over shoals. The device consists of the application to a river steamer, of two or more collapsible floats made

man to whom it was written treasuring the series of Lincoln's correspondence in order to bequeath to members of his family souvenirs whose value he foresaw with prophetic eye.

Any letter of Abraham Lincoln's would be of interest to the people of Illinois, especially one written before the period of war and turmoil, when the Springfield lawyer was engaged in the vocations of peace. The owner of the letter—a Freeport man—is now living in Chicago.

As Wallace Saw Lincoln.

Famous Author Wrote Entertainingly of First Meeting.

The charm of Lew Wallace's Autobiography consists not only in the fact that the author was a famous general and famous novelist, but that so many of his recollections are reminiscent of the great.

One of the most fascinating descriptions is that of his first sight of Abraham Lincoln. It was in 1850, at a tavern in Danville, Ill.

Wallace writes as follows: "There was one of the contestants who arrested my attention early, partly by his stories partly by his appearance. Out of the mist of years he comes to me now exactly as he appeared then.

"His hair was thick, coarse and defiant; it stood out in every direction. His features were massive, nose long, eyebrows protrusive, mouth large, cheeks hollow, eyes gray and always responsive to the humor. He smiled all the time, but never once did he laugh outright. His hands were large, his arms slender and disproportionately long. His legs were a wonder, particularly when he was in narration; he kept crossing and uncrossing them, sometimes it actually seemed he was trying to tie them into a bow-knot.

"Altogether, I thought him the gauntest, quaintest and most positively ugly man who had ever attracted me enough to call for study. Still, when he was in speech, my eyes did not quit his face. He held me in unconsciousness.

"About midnight his competitors were disposed to give in; either their stories were exhausted, or they were tacitly conceding him the crown. From answering them story for story, he gave two or three to their one. At last he took the floor and held it. And, looking back, I am now convinced that he frequently invented his repartees; which is saying he possessed a marvelous gift of improvisation.

"Such was Abraham Lincoln. And to be perfectly candid, had one stood at my elbow that night in the old tavern and whispered: 'Look at him closely. He will one day be president and the savior of his country.' I had laughed at the idea but a little less heartily than I laughed at the man.

"Afterward I came to know him better, and then I did not laugh."

Lincoln Then and Now. Tall, swart, ungainly, gaunt, he stood before us, Chaffed by the mob for his unsightliness. Now like a very god he towers over us, Beloved for his tender knightliness. A laughing-stock his figure when we knew him. A shrine for all that's best in us since then. Revering 'em the blessed soil that grew him— A model he for all his fellow men. —Baltimore American.

like bellows, worked from sides of boat by upright poles. When a vessel so equipped strikes shoal water the bellows are inflated by pressure on the poles, which is supposed to raise the boat clear of the bottom. When the bellows are to be deflated a windlass raises the poles.—N. Y. World

TRY THESE FOR A CHANGE.

Two New Dishes With Eggs the Principal Ingredient.

Into a bakedish which has been warmed and generously buttered pour a cupful of milk which has been made a little more than lukewarm. Add a teaspoonful of strained onion juice, set in the oven and, a minute later, drop carefully into the milk five or six eggs, or as many as will lie in the dish without crowding. Sprinkle with salt and pepper and bake until the eggs are "set," but not hard.

Take a pint of the squeezed and strained juice of currants, raspberries or strawberries add a pound of white sugar. Stir until dissolved and bring to a boil. Keep this up for five minutes, taking off the rising scum. Meanwhile, beat six eggs light in a bowl and pour the boiling syrup slowly upon them, stirring all the time. Put back over the fire and cook until it thickens, not permitting the stirring for one second. Turn out to cool, stirring still for two minutes, and when cold set on ice until you are ready to use it.

THREE GOOD WINTER SALADS.

With Foundation of Scallop, Fish, Crab-Meat or Shrimp.

Scallop Salad—Pour boiling water over a pint of scallops, and let them stand five minutes where they will keep hot. Drain, put them on water-cress and cover with French dressing.

Fish Salad—Pick up any cold, cooked fish, or use canned salmon; arrange it in a pile in a dish with quarters of hard-boiled eggs, alternating with lemon quarters around the edge, and mask the fish with mayonnaise.

Crab-Meat Salad—Take a large cup of canned crab meat and add half as much shredded celery; cover with mayonnaise.

Shrimp Salad—Clean the shrimps, and let them stand in ice water an hour; wipe dry, add three or four hard-boiled eggs cut into large pieces, and mix lightly with mayonnaise—Harper's Bazar.

Yorkshire Cakes.

Put two pounds flour into a pan; mix in a small basin one pint of milk slightly warmed, four ounces oiled butter, three tablespoonfuls of yeast, and two eggs; beat all well together with a fork, make a well in the center of the flour, pour in the mixture; let it stand in a warm place for 20 minutes, then mix in the egg and milk, and knead into a dough. Take off pieces, knead into rounds, then roll out flat about one inch thick; put on greased tins, set them by the side of the fire; let them rise about 20 minutes, and bake in a moderate oven. Divide in the center, toast lightly, then butter; put the two pieces together, cut into quarters, and serve on a hot plate.

Attractive Bead Work.

Much is reproduced nowadays in bead work imitative of that done a century ago, when all such industries were considered accomplishments, and the individual tastes of the belles of that day were shown in their handiwork. Bead purses, reticules, bags of all descriptions and card cases were then made in them, the fashion now not only including these, but also belt buckles, in which either fruit or flower is set with a filigree framing of cut steel beads. Fans for all occasions are shown, those with wrought ivory sticks and palleted gauze particularly attractive, and in some the sticks are delicately inlaid with tracings of steel. Such a fan is useful with any evening costume, for there is no color to conflict with the shade of the frock, and the little spangles catch the light in a fascinating way.

Pan Dowdy.

Take a flat earthen or granite ware dish and fill two inches thick with quartered tart apples (pared, of course), having three quarts of apple. Add one cup of sugar, one grated nutmeg, cup of cold water, one-half teaspoon of salt and a piece of butter the size of a walnut. Cover this with a pie crust one inch thick and bake slowly 2 1/2 hours, then cover and place where it will keep hot one hour. Serve with sugar and cream. Do not break the crust into the apple or you will spoil the pastry. When cooked the apple will look red. If you wish it richer use puff paste, but you can make your pie crust as rich as you like.

Wholesome Potatoes.

Potatoes cooked in their skins are much more wholesome and digestible than those cooked without. They may be baked or steamed; in either case a hole should be made in them, that steam may escape in cooking, and thus prevent the skin from bursting. The most nourishing part of the potato is immediately under the skin, so that when we peel them we remove the best part.

Antidote to Poison.

It is a great thing to thoroughly understand what simple antidote to take if one is so unlucky as to swallow poison of any kind through mistake. Sweet oil is to be found in nearly every house, and half a pint of it, taken immediately, is an effectual antidote to almost all poisons. Anybody with a strong constitution should take a larger quantity of this simple remedy.

Coffee Gingerbread.

Stir one teaspoon soda into one cup molasses, add one cup cold coffee, three-fourths cup melted butter or lard, two cups flour. Beat thoroughly and bake in a quick oven.

AILING WOMEN.

Keep the Kidneys Well and the Kidneys Will Keep You Well.

Sick, suffering, languid women are learning the true cause of bad backs and how to cure them. Mrs. W. G. Davis, of Groesbeck, Texas, says: "Back-aches hurt me so I could hardly stand. Spells of dizziness and sick headaches were frequent and the action of the kidneys was irregular. Soon after I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills I passed several gravel stones. I got well and the trouble has not returned. My back is good and strong and my general health better." Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Thinks Little of Chinese Army.

Dr. Morrison, the well-known correspondent of the London Times at Peking, went to see the recent maneuvers of the modernized Chinese army in the neighborhood of Chang-te-fu. He describes them as a repetition of the performance of 1905—a set piece carefully prepared long beforehand by a number of Japanese advisers. The inefficiency of the officers is still conspicuous and the field training of the men inadequate, but the material is good. Dr. Morrison hints that without Japanese officers to direct affairs the contending armies would have been little better than a rabble.

His Practical Idea.

A benevolent old man who lived on his farm in Iowa never refused shelter to any who might ask it of him. His many friends remonstrated with him about this characteristic, knowing that many unscrupulous hoboos would avail themselves of the opportunity, and that there was great danger of the old man being robbed. To these remonstrances the old man replied that he believed in "practical Christianity."

"But," said one of his friends, "this seems very impractical. Suppose one of these men took it into his head to rob you one night?"

"My dear young friend," was the reply, "I bid all enter in the name of God, but I prove my belief in practical Christianity by locking up their pants during the night."

POTENT LIQUOR IS SAKE.

Lafcadio Hearn's Testimony as to Strength of Japanese Wine.

There is no liquor in the world upon which a man becomes so quickly intoxicated as Japanese sake (rice wine), and yet none of which the effects last so short a time. The intoxication is pleasant as the effect of opium or hashish. It is soft, pleasant, luminous exhilaration, everything becoming brighter, happier, lighter; then you get very sleepy.

At Japanese dinners it is the rule to become slightly exhilarated, but not to drink enough to talk thickly or walk crooked. The ability to drink at banquets requires practice—long practice.

There are banquets of many kinds, and the man who is invited to one at which extensive drinking may be expected is careful to start in upon an empty or almost empty stomach. By not eating one can drink a good deal. The cups are very small and of many curious shapes. One may be expected to empty 50. A quart of sake is a good deal; two quarts require nerve to stand. But among the Japanese there are wonderful drinkers. At a military officer's banquet a captain offered me a tumbler holding a good pint of sake. I almost fainted at the sight of it, for it was only the first. But a friend said to me: "Only drink a little and pass it back," which I did. Stronger heads emptied cup after cup like water.—Letters of Lafcadio Hearn.

MAY BE COFFEE

That Causes all the Trouble.

When the house is afire, it's like a body when disease begins to show, it's no time to talk but time to act—delay is dangerous—remove the cause of the trouble at once.

"For a number of years," says a Kansas lady, "I felt sure that coffee was hurting me, and yet, I was so fond of it, I could not give it up. I paltered with my appetite and of course yielded to the temptation to drink more. At last I got so bad that I made up my mind I must either quit the use of coffee or die.

"Everything I ate distressed me, and I suffered severely almost all the time with palpitation of the heart. I frequently woke up in the night with the feeling that I was almost gone—my heart seemed so smothered and weak in its action that I feared it would stop beating. My breath grew short and the least exertion set me to panting. I slept but little and suffered from rheumatism.

"Two years ago I stopped using the old kind of coffee and began to use Postum Food Coffee, and from the very first I began to improve. It worked a miracle! Now I can eat anything and digest it without trouble. I sleep like a baby, and my heart beats full, strong and easily. My breathing has become steady and normal, and my rheumatism has left me. I feel like another person, and it is all due to quitting coffee and using Postum Food Coffee, for I haven't used any medicine and none would have done any good as long as I kept drugging with coffee." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. "There's a Reason." Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. All grocers.

A cheerful lie is often better than the solemn truth.

FILES CURED IN 4 TO 14 DAYS. PAZO OINTMENT is guaranteed to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 8 to 14 days or money refunded. 50c.

Men never fully appreciate the blessings of poverty until after they break into the millionaire class.

Garfield Tea, an unusually practical household remedy; take it for constipation, to keep the liver normal, to purify the blood, to dispel colic, to cure rheumatism, to keep well.

Tannic Acid for the Skin.

One of the most annoying results of eye strain is the baggy condition under the eyes, which is very disfiguring. To restore the condition of the skin tannic acid is generally effectual, using 20 grains to an ounce of glycerine. It is applied to the puffiness with a soft camel's hair brush night and morning.

There is much malaria in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly falling cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven malaria to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment.

Dr. J. C. Cheney, of Toledo, Ohio, is the only Constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, etc. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Jews in Senate Chamber.

Simon Guggenheim will be the sixth Jew to sit as a member in the United States Senate. The first Jew chosen to that honor was David Yuleo, who represented Florida from March, 1840, to March, 1853. He was born in the West Indies and his name was David Levy, by which he was known when he was elected as a member of the house of representatives in 1841. The second Jew in the senate was Judah P. Benjamin, who served from 1852 to 1857. He also was born in the West Indies. He represented Louisiana. Benjamin F. Jonas was born in Kentucky and represented Louisiana in the senate. Joseph Simon was a senator from Oregon from 1898 to 1903. Isidor Rayner was chosen as a senator from Maryland in 1904.

PROFESSOR HAD LAST LAUGH.

Final Erasure Neatly Turned Joke on Students.

President Hadley, of Yale, was talking about his student days. "I remember a stately and venerable professor," he said, "upon whom some sophomores once tried to play a trick.

"The professor, one morning, being unable to attend to his class on account of a cold, wrote on the black-board:

"Dr. Dash, through indisposition, is unable to attend to his classes to-day." "The students erased one letter in this notice, making it read:

"Dr. Dash, through indisposition, is unable to attend to his classes to-day." "But it happened a few minutes later that the professor returned for a box he had forgotten. Amid a roar of laughter he detected the change in his notice, and, approaching the black-board calmly erased one letter in his turn.

"Now the notice read:

"Dr. Dash, through indisposition, is unable to attend to his asses to-day."

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which results for 4 years young men of good character and sound physical condition between the ages of 17 and 21 as apprentices or apprentices for advancement to the rank of midshipman. They are furnished with uniforms, food, and quarters, and are paid in special ratings with suitable pay. Retirement on special service, after 30 years, or after 30 years' service, pay and allowances after 30 years' service. Applicants must be American citizens. First enlistment free to recruit. Upon discharge travel allowance of one cent per mile to place of enlistment. Bonus four months' pay and increase in pay upon re-enlistment within four months of discharge.

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NERVOUS HEADACHES

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Will Cure Most Cases and Should Interest Every Sufferer.

Nobody who has not endured the suffering caused by nervous headache can realize the awful agony of its victims. Worst of all, the ordinary treatment cannot be relied upon to cure nor even to give relief. Some doctors will say that if a person is subject to these headaches there is nothing that can be done to prevent their recurrence.

Nervous headaches, as well as neuralgia, are caused by lack of nutrition—the nerves are starved. The only way to feed the nerves is through the blood and it is in this way that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have accomplished so many remarkable cures.

Mrs. Addie Merrill, of 39 Union Street, Auburn, Me., says: "For years I suffered from nervous headaches, which would come on me every five or six weeks and continue for several days. The pain was so severe that I would be obliged to go to bed for three or four days each time. It was particularly intense over my right eye. I tried medicines but got no relief. I had no appetite and when the headache passed away I felt as if I had been sick for a month. My blood was thin and I was pale, weak and reduced in weight.

"I read about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in a paper and decided to try them. I first noticed that they began to give me an appetite and I commenced to gain in weight and color. My headaches stopped and have not returned and I have never felt so well as I do now."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all druggists or sent, postpaid, on receipt of price, 50 cents per box, six boxes \$2.50, by the Dr. Williams Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

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Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hoarse Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Headaches, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Costive Bowels, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

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That is what they are doing in the Texas Gulf Coast Country. It's easy there, because this land yields double crops—every month is a producing month—a money-making month.

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Let me send you a 80-page illustrated book about the Texas Gulf Coast Country, and tell you about the very low excursion rates for inspection trips.

Write me TO-DAY. Sixteen carloads of people went down on our excursion of January 15th. ACT NOW.

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## KITCHEN COMFORTS

LITTLE THINGS THAT WILL LIGHTEN LABOR.

Folding Settle One of the Greatest Conveniences—High Chair That Will Be Much Appreciated by Hard Worker.

A kitchen which must serve as a maid's sitting-room in the evening should be made as comfortable and attractive as possible. It can be a blue and white room. Around the hearth have blue and white tiles, though the rest of the floor is of wood and covered with a blue and white linoleum. The walls may be painted in buff, and the woodwork white, with a hard enamel finish; the sink of white porcelain. At the windows have white muslin sash curtains.

A folding settle will be found of great convenience. When the back is turned down, a table is formed, but turned up a seat is made with a high back, long enough to accommodate two persons. The top makes a good ironing table. Beneath the seat is a box large enough to hold ironing sheet, holders, etc.

This table is of pine wood, and takes stain readily, and is therefore useful on the veranda or in the living-room of a simply furnished house. If the kitchen is large enough, have a rocker in it.

Another comfort in the kitchen is a high chair. It should be about three or four inches higher than the ordinary chair. In it one can do all her vegetable and fruit peeling, and some of the ironing. This sort of a chair will be greatly appreciated by many a tired maid.

In addition to the furniture already mentioned, the well-appointed kitchen should contain a cabinet, which is really a portable butler's pantry, and for apartments where the space is limited it is most valuable. In the cabinet is room for all sorts of cooking crockery, various drawers for the materials used for baking and for food that is to be cooked.

Very useful for the kitchen are the brass or enameled candlesticks. They are provided with large glass chimneys to keep the flame from flickering.

Useful also is a table or wide shelf covered with zinc, where hot cooking utensils may be placed when taken from the fire. It will be a great saving to your enameled sink. Zinc is easily kept clean by daily washing with soap and hot water.

### FOR IVORY-HANDLED KNIVES.

How They May Be Cleaned Without Being Harmed.

Ivory-handled knives may be cleaned in this way: coat the steel with wax or paraffin, and immerse the handles in a solution of chloride of lime and water, in the proportion of one part of lime to four parts of water.

Leave the knives in this bath for a day, then wash well with warm water and wipe dry. Remove the wax if the ivory is perfectly white and free from stains.

Another way is to dip the handles in a saturated solution of alum and water for one to three hours, then wash and wipe dry. This latter method is far preferable unless the handles are very much darkened and discolored. Polish the blades with putty powder, using a buffer wet with alcohol. This will not stain the ivory.

### Grained Wood-Work.

Grained and varnished imitations of hardwood are best cleaned by rubbing well with cloths wrung out in borax soap-suds, never letting the water touch them. Afterwards they should be rubbed with a flannel barely moistened with kerosene. If there is too much kerosene it will dissolve and blur the colors. Clean hardwood with a flannel wet in turpentine, and rub afterwards lightly with boiled linseed oil. Take off spots with fine sand mixed in oil. Apply it with a leather and rub with clean leather afterwards to bring back the polish.

### Bonbon Receptacles.

These may be easily made from large goose eggs by puncturing the shells at the small end. Slice the top off about half an inch and turn out the yolks and whites. Glue the shell to green cardboard four inches square, on which print in yellow and silver an appropriate couplet. Paint the outside shell silver and decorate it with sprays of forget-me-nots. The inside may be tinted delicately with a coating of pale blue paint. Just before arranging the shells on the table fill them with assorted candies.

### To Wash Lace Ties.

Make a lather of good soap and hot water, then squeeze the lace through and through the latter several times, taking care not to wring it.

Rinse in milk, when the lace will become quite crisp without being too stiff. If a cream shade is desired add cold tea to the milk till the proper shade is obtained.

Iron on the wrong side on some thick soft material.

### To Dry Clean Fine White Lace.

Lay the lace out quite evenly on clean white paper, cover it with powdered magnesia, then put another paper on the top. Leave it inside the leaves of a book for two or three days, when it will look as fresh as when new.

After being cleaned, if the lace is not to use, keep it in blue paper, as this has a preservative influence over its whiteness.

## A LAND PRODUCING

TWO CROPS PER YEAR

Marvelously Rich; Enormous Yield; Farmers Flocking In.

Brownsville, Tex., Feb. 5.—Brownsville is the southern terminus of the St. Louis, Brownsville & Mexico railway. This line was completed in 1904, and has opened up to development a section of the richest and most productive land to be found anywhere in the United States—California not excepted.

There is no more fertile region in all this broad land of ours than that between the Nueces and the Rio Grande. None will produce a greater variety of fruits and vegetables, or produce them more abundantly; and what counts for more, the Gulf coast-country will produce them at times when no other region can. Two crops per year of the staple vegetables is the regular programme. And yet up to the fall of 1904 comparatively little was known of this marvelous fertility. The region has heretofore been given over to cattle raising—ranches of thousands of acres—thus tying up all this vast natural "Winter Vegetable Garden" under the merciless hoof of Texas beef producers.

But this is all changing and changing fast. Eastern and northern farmers and fruit growers are flocking into this country. Towns are springing up—ranches have been cut up into farms—on every hand is the evidence of a new era of prosperity and of development along the line of extensive irrigated farming.

There is an underlying sheet of clear artesian water which has been tapped by hundreds of wells, and more are being sunk daily. This provides a never-failing source of supply for the one element needed to make this country a veritable garden, and there are those who predict great things for this Gulf coast of Texas. I am advised that 16 car loads of people were brought down from different points along the St. Louis, Brownsville & Mexico railway by the Rock Island trains alone on January 15, which was the date of a low-rate excursion.

At this pace the country bids fair to be peopled in short order. And all it needs is people.

In another part of this paper will be found an interesting advertisement regarding this country and how to learn more about it.

### MOUNTAIN GUIDES FAIL HER.

Miss Peck Will Make Another Attempt Upon the Highest Andean Peak.

Miss Annie Peck, whose chief pleasure is climbing mountains, has returned to New York from Peru, beaten in her attempt to climb the highest of the Andes, beaten not by the mountain itself, but the worthlessness of the men she employed as guides and porters on the expedition. She is convinced that she would have reached the summit but for the faults of her men and says she is going back with better mountain men to make another attempt.

As it was she reached a height of 18,000 feet, being then about 2,000 feet above the summit. This was at her first attempt. One of her men deserted and the rest got drunk on the alcohol which was carried as fuel for cooking. Besides they were all afraid of the trip and especially as they approached the top of the mountain, of which they have a superstitious dread. The second attempt was like the first, except that the men gave out sooner and so less progress was made before the attempt had to be abandoned.

### FEARFUL BURNING SORES.

Boy in Misery 12 Years—Eczema in Rough Scales, Itching and Inflamed—Cured by Cuticura.

"I wish to inform you that your wonderful Cuticura has put a stop to twelve years of misery I passed with my son. As an infant I noticed on his body a red spot and treated same with different remedies for about five years, but when the spot began to get larger I put him under the care of doctors. Under their treatment the disease spread to four different parts of his body. The longer the doctors treated him the worse it became. During the day it would get rough and form like scales. At night it would be cracked, inflamed, and badly swollen, with terrible burning and itching. When I think of his suffering, it nearly breaks my heart. His screams could be heard downstairs. The suffering of my son made me full of misery. I had no ambition to work, to eat, nor could I sleep. One doctor told me that my son's eczema was incurable, and gave it up for a bad job. One evening I saw an article in the paper about the wonderful Cuticura and decided to give it a trial. I tell you that Cuticura Ointment is worth its weight in gold, and when I had used the first box of Ointment there was a great improvement, and by the time I had used the second set of Cuticura Soap, Cuticura Ointment, and Cuticura Resolvent, my child was cured. He is now twelve years old, and his skin is as fine and smooth as silk. Michael Steinman, 7 Sumner Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., April 16, 1905."

### Has Right to Damages.

A Baca county man threatens to sue a hunter for \$500 damages because the hunter killed a laying hen. A hen that will lay at this season is worth money, you know.—Denver Post.

### Oats—Heads 2 Foot Long.

The John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., are bringing out a new oat this year with heads 2 foot long! That's a wonder. Their catalog tells! Spitz—the greatest cereal hay food America ever saw! Catalog free!



FREE Our mammoth 148-page Seed and Tool Catalog is mailed free to all intending buyers, or send 6c in stamps and receive free samples of new Two Foot Long Oats and other cereals and big catalog free. John A. Salzer Seed Co., Box W, La Crosse, Wis.

### Universal Atmosphere.

The Swedish savant Ryberg has suggested that the discovery of the element metargon in the air strengthens the theory of the existence of a universal atmosphere extending between the planets and throughout the solar system. This, it is said, was already known to exist in the sun before its discovery, some eight or nine years ago—that is, in the immediate surroundings of the sun, in all comets and in meteorites—from which facts the Swedish scientist infers that it constitutes a common atmosphere for our system.

### Caution.

Imitations have been placed upon the market so closely resembling Allcock's Plasters in general appearance as to be well calculated to deceive. It is, however, in general appearance only that they compare with Allcock's, for they are not only lacking in the best elements which have made Allcock's so efficient, but are often harmful in their effects. Remember that Allcock's are the original and only genuine person plasters—the best external remedy known—and when purchasing plasters the only safe way is to always insist upon having Allcock's.

### Eleven-year-old Sportman.

The heir apparent of the Sirgufa State, a boy of 11 years, has developed a remarkable aptitude for shikar. He began to use a gun when only seven years of age and up to the present time has accounted for seven tigers, six panthers and two bears, not to mention other large and small game.—Allahabad Pioneer.

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Don't be too sure of the man who boasts of being sure of himself.

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When a man makes a show of himself he's not always comedy.

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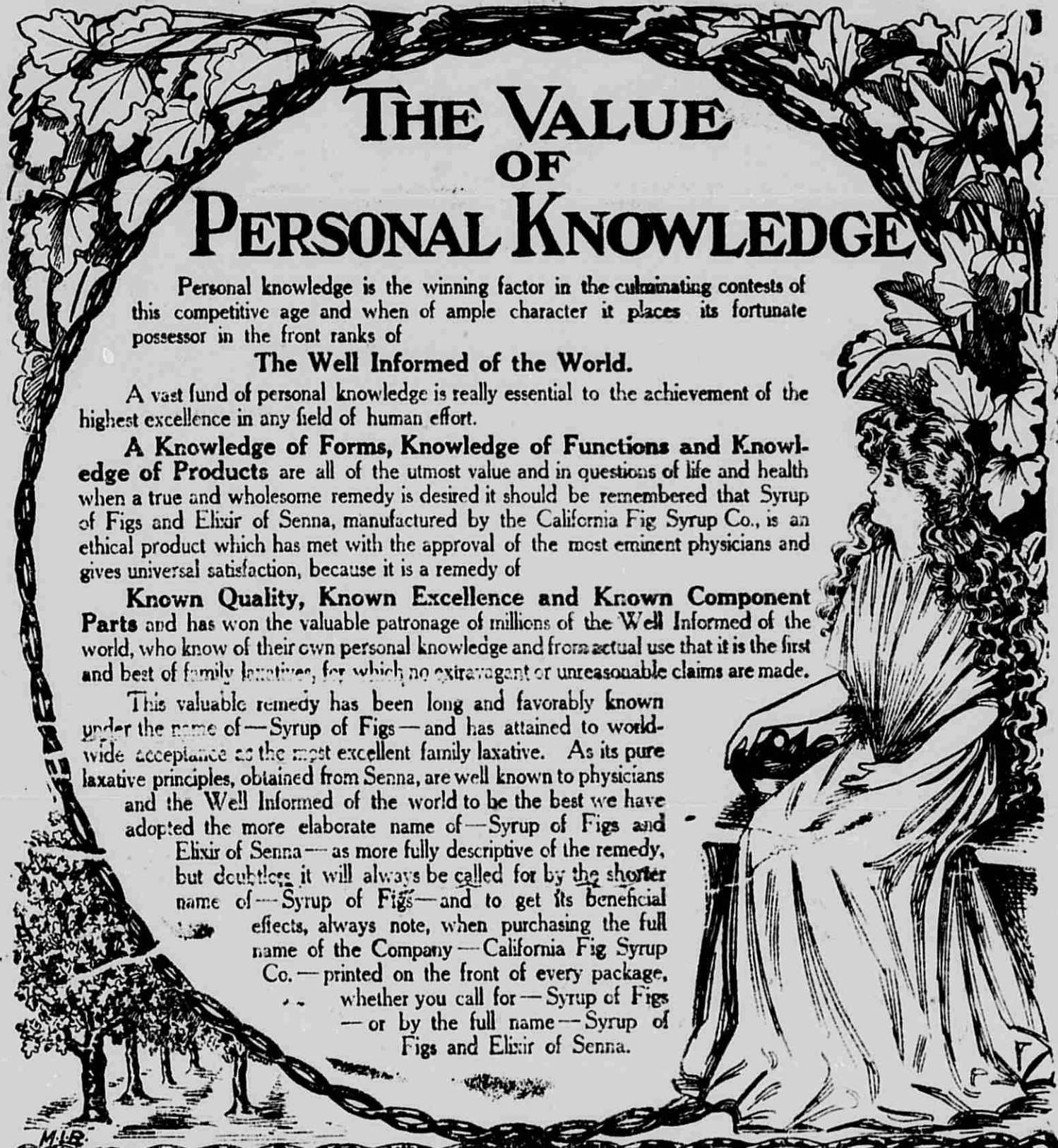
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A Knowledge of Forms, Knowledge of Functions and Knowledge of Products are all of the utmost value and in questions of life and health when a true and wholesome remedy is desired it should be remembered that Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., is an ethical product which has met with the approval of the most eminent physicians and gives universal satisfaction, because it is a remedy of

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The statement of this bank's condition as made to the State Banking Commissioner is found in another part of this paper. Examine it carefully and if you are satisfied with the manner in which other peoples savings are being cared for, we invite you to deposit your savings here. The following comparative statement shows the steady growth of our deposits.

January 26, 1901	\$145,136.93
January 26, 1904	\$176,805.77
January 26, 1907	\$212,322.04

**LOWELL STATE BANK**

## VALENTINES

Thursday February 14 is St. Valentine's day. Remember your friends with a suitable Valentine or Valentine Post card from our complete stock of new and novel designs, ranging in price from **1 cent to \$1.50 each**. Come in and look over our nice assortment. We can please you.

**Henry's Modern Drug Store.**

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Have you seen the 5 and 10 cent bargains at the

## Banner Bargain Store?

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**F. C. Wood & Son.**

### Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank the singers and the friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted me during the sickness and death of my husband. Mrs. Della Aldrich.

A tissue builder, reconstructor, builds up waste force, makes strong nerves and muscle. You will realize after taking Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea what a wonderful benefit it will be to you. 35 cents, tea or tablets. D. G. Look.

**FOR SALE—A GOOD HOUSE AND** burn in Lowell nine-tenths of an acre of land, plenty of fruit. Also forty acres of land, corners with the village of Lowell. Will sell cheap. SWP O. J. Kinyon.

**MY IMPROVED FARM OF 153** acres for sale, also a 46-acre fruit farm, both within 5 miles of Lowell. J. E. Tower, R. R. 49, Lowell Mich. Citizens Phone 865. F21.

**AUCTION SALE—LEWIS** Birman will have an auction sale of farm, stock, implements, vehicles, tools, grain and household furniture, on Friday, Feb. 15, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M. Free lunch at noon. The lot is a large one. Sale on the farm 2 1/2 miles east and 1 mile north of Clarksville, southwest corner of Berlin. See bills printed at Ledger office.

**Estimating the Damage.** That spirit of thrift popularly supposed to pervade New England is amusingly illustrated by the observation of a Connecticut farmer.

The good man had been seriously ill in midsummer, but by reason of his strong constitution he quickly rallied. On being asked in the autumn how he was feeling he replied in a cheerful tone:

"Pretty fair, now, thanks. Anyway, it don't make much difference, seen' that the farm's fixed up. If I'd died in hayin' or harvestin' time, I calculate it'd been \$50 damage to me." Then, after a pause, he added:

"Come to think of it, that's too low a figure—\$65 would be nearer!"

**Few Words Revealed Much.** Hilary K. Adair, the detective, replied to the toast "Detection" at a dinner in Omaha.

"Speeches pregnant with meaning often help the detective in his delicate work," said Mr. Adair. "Often a speech of eight or ten words will reveal volumes."

"Thus I once knew how things stood in a Milwaukee house when I heard a Milwaukee woman say to her husband: 'Jim, do you know you talk in your sleep?' and the man replied: 'Well, do you begrudge me those few words?'"

### Havana Schoolboys Preferred Death to Betrayal of Comrades.

In the Colon cemetery, near Havana, there stands a beautiful and costly marble shaft known as the Students' monument. Gov. Magoon and other American officials attended a memorial service, annually held at the foot of this shaft, in honor of a group of young men who would not "squeal" on their companions. The bishop of Havana officiated. The incident thus commemorated occurred 37 years ago, but the large attendance, year after year, at the memorial service shows that it is still held in lively remembrance.

In a foolish, boyish prank a group of students from the University of Havana vented their hatred and their detestation of a Spanish official by desecrating his tomb in Espada cemetery. The unworthiness of the act is, of course, beyond denial. The authorities sought the offenders with a view to their punishment, but the school stood together in refusing information. Baffled in his attempts to discover the actual culprits, the governor general issued a decree that every tenth boy in the school should suffer death. On November 27, 1869, these lads were lined up in front of a building which then stood between the presidio and the little fortress at the foot of the Prado, and were executed by a detachment of Spanish soldiers.

For 37 years the Cubans have remembered and have honored that little group of boys who would not "squeal," but who chose an ignominious death rather than violate a standard of honor which is as clearly recognized at Eton and Rugby, at West Point and Annapolis, as it was in the University of Havana.

### Spices and Indigestion.

Although the use of spices for the purpose of heightening the flavor of food is almost universal, it is generally recognized that their influence on digestion is detrimental. Some experiments recently carried out tend to prove that while spices stimulate the motor functions of the stomach, they progressively impair the secretory functions, and in the long run inhibit the production of hydrochloric acid. On the whole, therefore, the ingestion of spices hinders rather than accelerates digestion, though an exception may be made in respect of persons in whom slowness of digestion is due to a deficiency of muscular activity on the part of the stomach, and also possibly of the victims of hyperacidity.

## Heard About Town

Dr. Hodges, dentist, ti.  
Mrs. G. W. Bangs is still very ill.  
Mrs. J. McGee is very ill with pneumonia.

See Clark & Alexander's fur price list on page 4.

Miss Rosa Roth was home from Belding Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Watts spent Sunday in Chicago.

R. B. Boylan was in Grand Rapids on business Monday.

N. V. Warner is working at Saranac for several weeks.

Harry Shuter visited at Pontiac Friday and Saturday.

Phil Savies of Grand Rapids was in town last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Jay have moved to Grand Lodge.

Miss Anna Stoutenberg was in Grand Rapids Saturday.

Miss Winnie Leary visited at Saranac the last of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith are visiting relatives at Hastings.

Mrs. C. E. Merriman is visiting her daughter in Grand Rapids.

Miss Winnie White entertained the Sewing club Monday night.

Paul McWilliams visited his parents in Grand Rapids over Sunday.

Miss Alla Lee of Bowne has been visiting her sister, Mrs. R. Vaughan.

Miss Jessie Oliver spent Sunday with Miss Louie Willard in Grand Rapids.

Miss Rena Klumpp has returned to Grand Rapids for the Spring millinery season.

Mrs. D. G. Look will entertain the Sunshine club Friday afternoon of this week.

Mrs. L. C. Hildreth is spending the winter with her daughter at Traverse City.

Jim. McMahon of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with his mother and sister here.

Miss Effie Hayward of Grand Rapids has been visiting her sister, Mrs. E. S. White.

Mrs. Harry Hunter of Mt. Pleasant visited Mrs. Milo Hart over Saturday and Sunday.

The West Side Benevolence society met with Mrs. Walter Morris, Thursday, Jan. 31st.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Culp are moving into Mrs. Lewis' new house on Monroe street.

Mrs. Warren Lillie was called to Lansing last week by the serious illness of her sister.

Arthur Sayles of Marquette is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sayles, in Cascade.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Rogers of Grand Rapids visited Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Smith over Sunday.

Art Hill and Miss Clara Bergin attended a wedding reception in Grand Rapids last evening.

C. O. Lawrence was home from Grand Rapids Monday before "going on the road" again.

A company of about thirty young people enjoyed a waltz party at the opera house last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Art. Biggs returned Friday from a few days' visit with the former's parents at Moseley.

Mrs. Jas. McPherson has been attending the funeral of her brother-in-law, Geo. A. Clarkson, in Detroit.

F. M. Johnson and son R. Roy attended "The Old Homestead" in Grand Rapids last Thursday night.

Misses Florence Phillips and Abbie Redner of Grand Rapids spent Sunday at the home of Jas. A. Scott.

Miss Emma Reed has returned to her home in Vergennes after spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Daisy Biggs.

Unclaimed letters at the Lowell post office for the week ending Feb. 4, 1907: George Latchman, Addie Grant.

A party of young people, about six couples, went to Saranac in a sleigh load Friday evening and attended the dance.

C. R. Hine, who is spending some time at San Antonio, Tex., writes that the weather is fine there—80 degrees in the shade Friday.

Mrs. Q. S. Fulkerson and two sons, Stanley and Fred, of Rhineland, Wis., spent a few days of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Ransom Vaughan.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Macham have gone to Holloway, Lenawee county, to attend the celebration of the 60th wedding anniversary of the former's parents.

Misses Mary and Florence Scott entertained a company of young people at their home Saturday evening in honor of Florence Phillips and Abigail Redner of Grand Rapids.

Miss Bertha Austin returned from St. Louis, Mo., where she has graduated with a class of eleven from St. Louis training school for nurses, and will remain at home for the present.

The Congregational entertainment given at the opera house Friday evening was a great credit to Miss Fallas both in her own singing and that of the children who had been trained by her.

The following teachers attended the Kent county institute in Grand Rapids Saturday: Misses Kate Perry, Winnie White and Jessie Oliver, Messrs. H. F. Clark, LeRoy Stewart and Arthur Avery.

E. R. A. Hunt, who has been at Morend for several weeks, spent Sunday with his wife and daughter here before going to Cheboygan, where he has located. The family will remain with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Winegar until Spring.

H. S. Schreiner and G. V. McConnell have sold their business at Ionia, the former will travel for a firm by which he was previously employed, and his son Will has a position with Holland undertakers. Mr. Schreiner was in town Monday.

Dr. White, dentist, phone 151.  
R. B. Boylan was in Ionia Tuesday.  
A. C. Stone has been very ill this week.

A nice line of 5 and 10 cent goods at Mrs. White's.

Leo Walsh of Grand Rapids was in town Tuesday.

Visit the 5 and 10 cent department at Mrs. White's.

Miss Mae Kimble of Freeport was in town Tuesday.

Miss Leona Blakslee spent last week in Grand Rapids.

Howard Peek was in Grand Rapids several days this week.

Everett Cogswell of Belding was in town one day last week.

Don't miss the 5 and 10 cent bargains at Mrs. White's store.

W. J. Gramer and family have gone to Detroit for a month's visit.

Mrs. S. M. Carr has returned from Belding where she was quite ill.

Miss Berniece Ecker is home from Kalamazoo for a few days.

Born—in Lowell, Sunday, Feb. 3d., to Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Hakes, a son.

Claud Parker is recovering from an illness resulting from an injury to his foot.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Cogswell entertained their daughter, Miss Ida Cogswell, over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Parker entertained a company of twelve at dinner last Thursday.

Marsh and Allen Morse have been attending the lumbermen's convention in Detroit this week.

Mrs. White has opened a 5 and 10 cent bazar in the Kling block and invites your patronage.

Born—in Lowell, Wednesday, Jan. 30th., to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burr, a daughter, Anna Lillian.

Messrs. Frank Wilson and Dan Church of Pocatello, Idaho, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Boylan.

Postmaster C. G. Perry assumed his new duties at the post office Feb. 1st., and will retain the former force.

Miss Alice Tinkler entertained a small company of young people at an impromptu party Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Smith gave the children of the East Ward school a sleighride party Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Marie Cutler returned Monday to her home at Luther after a several weeks' visit with Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Ecker.

George Sherman was home from Grand Rapids to spend Sunday and has been unable to return on account of illness.

Dr. E. D. McQueen and family have rented the apartments over Alexander's store vacated by Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Godfrey.

Are you coughing? Try Look's tar pinecough balsam on our guarantee. Large size bottle 25c at Look's drug and book store.

See the west window at Look's drug and book store for a bargain in box paper. Big box of extra value paper and envelopes for 25c.

Rev. D. B. Davidson has accepted an appointment as pastor of the Baptist church at Alpena and has gone to take up his work, although Mrs. Davidson does not expect to join him for several weeks.

### FAREWELL SURPRISE.

The ladies of the Congregational church and society met at the home of Mrs. W. S. Godfrey Saturday afternoon for a little surprise and parting goodbye. A social time was enjoyed after which the secretary of the society, Mrs. M. C. Greene, with the following address presented Mrs. Godfrey with a beautiful cut glass berry dish: "It is not for us on this occasion to enter upon the career of our loyal member, Mrs. Godfrey, for it is a well known fact as a matter of history. Success has certainly crowned your efforts, thus carrying with you, we believe, the goodwill of this society. This afternoon we face each other as united workers. If wounds there have been, they are healed. We are one, today, one in the proud possession of a glorious past, one in a resolute purpose to meet the duties of the hour and one in an abiding faith in our ex-president. Your untiring energy, discretion and judicious method has enhanced your value. What is our loss will be Hastings' gain. We wish to impress you with sweet memories, therefore in behalf of the 'Ladies' society,' we present you with this token of our appreciation, friendship and kind regard. Hence we will leave you to meditate on this, to us, an important event."

### POSTPONED.

The party for the benefit of the Masonic Home, planned for Wednesday evening, Feb. 6th., has been postponed until Monday evening Feb. 11th.

All Masons and their families, members of the Eastern Star and friends are urgently requested to be present, thus lending their aid to this worthy cause.

The first part of the evening beginning at eight o'clock sharp will be given to cards and the latter part to dancing. Light refreshments will be served. Committee.

### CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank the friends and neighbors for their kindness during the recent illness and death of our loving mother.

Mrs. Will Joseph  
Miss Carrie Colvin.  
Mr. Carl Colvin.  
Miss Edith Colvin.

### TRY IT.

Old fashioned real potato bread, such as good cooks make. We have it. Meyers' City Bakery.

## Churches and Societies

### METHODIST.

Methodist Episcopal Church, 9-30 A. M. Class meeting, 10:30 A. M. morning worship, and sermon by the pastor. Sunday school at noon, 6 P. M. Epworth League, 7 P. M. evening service and lecture, subject: "On the way from the marriage altar."

### CONGREGATIONAL.

"In search of truth," will be the pastor, theme next Sunday morning.

In the evening the subject will be "An accidental imprisonment and a thrilling release."

The ladies of the aid society wish to thank Miss Fallas and her assistants for the excellent entertainment given at the Opera House last Friday evening. The receipts amounted to 22 dollars.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet next Tuesday at 2 P. M. with Mrs. Harvey J. Coons.

### SOCIETIES.

Lowell union W. C. T. U. will be entertained at the home of Mrs. John Wright Friday afternoon of this week. Mrs. Mary Miller will be in charge of the program for the day.

Central Union will meet at the home of Mrs. George W. Rouse next Tuesday for a picnic dinner. A full attendance is desired.

The regular meeting of the Prudent Patriots of Poumpell will be held Tuesday evening, Feb. 12th. All patriots are requested to be present.

The National Protective Legion will hold a special meeting Tuesday night, Feb. 19th. 2w.

## COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Regular meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Lowell, held in the Council rooms on Monday evening, Feb. 4, 1907.

Meeting called to order at 7:30, p. m., by President Look.

Present, Trustees Mattern, Peckham, Perry, Smith, VanDyke and Winegar, full board.

Meetings of two preceding meetings read and approved.

The Street Commissioner's report for the month of January was received and placed on file.

The Sewer Committee reported that the Monroe street sewer had been declared properly constructed and in good working order by the expert employed to examine the same, and recommended that the sewer be accepted. On motion by Trustee Winegar the report of the Committee was accepted and adopted and the recommendation concurred in. Yeas, Mattern, Peckham, Perry, Smith, VanDyke and Winegar.

Moved by Trustee Peckham that \$500 be transferred from the general fund to the Monroe street sewer fund as a temporary loan until the bonds for the construction of said sewer were disposed of. Carried.

The petition of John Kellogg for permission to cut a tree which stands in the street near his property was referred to the Street committee.

The Lighting and Power committee reported that they had under consideration a proposition to place the sale of supplies in the hands of the Superintendent and on motion by Trustee Smith the committee was authorized to enter into an agreement with the superintendent, subject to approval by the council.

On motion by Trustee Smith, the following bills were allowed. Yeas, Mattern, Peckham, Perry, Smith, VanDyke, and Winegar.

**LIGHT AND POWER FUND.**

Citz Telephone Co.....	\$ 40
Doubleday Bros & Co.....	8 00
Chas Morris.....	35 00
Henry Gardner.....	35 00
Thos Morris.....	52 00
F J McMahon.....	100 00
D O Shear.....	3 00
M B Austin & Co.....	123 02
F R Ecker.....	65
R Williamson & Co.....	51 90
Richmond & Bachus Co.....	5 44
Westinghouse E. & Mfg Co.....	27 88
Nat Carbon Co.....	25 00
Nat Elec Supply Co.....	40 74
Scott Hardware Co.....	3 19
Port Wayne E Works.....	171 12
	\$687 35

### STREET FUND.

Jno E Lewis.....	\$ 12 00
Merritt Sayles.....	4 40
L & P Fund.....	112 50
	\$128 90

### GENERAL FUND.

Merritt Sayles.....	\$ 8 00
T A Murphy.....	12 50
H F Lane.....	45 00
L & P Fund.....	3 00
Juo C Roth.....	1 00
Chas Kraft.....	5 00
Earl Hunter.....	2 75
E C Walker.....	3 00
Fire Department.....	19 00
Doubleday Bros & Co.....	9 00
Joseph Owen.....	6 00
Monroe Street Sewer Fund.....	500 00
	\$614 25

Washington St Sewer Fund	
General Fund.....	\$ 118 31
Broadway St Sewer Fund	
General Fund.....	1 16
Monroe St Sewer Fund	
I A. Wood.....	1375 00

On motion by Trustee Mattern, council adjourned.

T. A. MURPHY, Clerk.

It's a good old world after all; if you have no friends or money, in the river you can fall.

Marriages are quite common and, more people there would be, provided you take Rocky Mountain Tea.

D. G. Look.

## HUMMER FOR CONGRESS.

Myron H. Walker Expresses Himself on Congressional Candidacy.

The following letters explain themselves:

Grand Rapids, Feb. 1st, 1907.  
Editor, Lowell Ledger,  
Dear Sir:

Appropos of your mention in this week's issue of the Ledger of certain persons as suitable democratic congressional candidates, permit me to enclose a letter which I have this day written to the Hon. Geo. P. Hummer, which expresses my sentiments in this matter.

Yours respectfully,  
Myron H. Walker.

Feb. 1st, 1907.

Hon. Geo. P. Hummer,  
City.

Dear Sir:

In this week's issue of the Grand Rapids Chronicle, I notice your name mentioned as a fit candidate for congressman on the democratic ticket. I wish to assure you that if you will allow your name to be used, that I believe that you can be nominated and I shall be pleased to do what I can to bring about your nomination election. At this time I feel sure that no more suitable and capable candidate could be chosen by the party and that it would be the best thing for the people if you should be chosen congressman from this district.

I hope that you will not hastily refuse to permit your name to be used but will carefully consider the matter and if the people want you to run, that you will do so.

Yours very truly,  
Myron H. Walker.

### DEATH OF MISS MYRTLE CONDON.

Miss Myrtle Condon died Tuesday, Jan. 29. The funeral services were held at the Alton church, Thursday afternoon, Jan. 31st., at one o'clock, Rev. Russel H. Bready officiating.

Miss Condon was born and raised in the vicinity of Alton and was well and very favorably known by many people. Her father, Lyle Condon, died Feb. 18th, 1892. Her mother died two years ago this coming May. She leaves one sister, Hazel Condon, and two brothers, Frank and Claude Rennels.

The interment took place at the Alton Cemetery.—[Com.

### SOUTH LOWELL.

Mrs. H. Smith has returned to her home at Stanton after spending several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. T. C. Willett, and family.

E. McEwen of Grand Rapids visited his sister, Mrs. E.