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**GOES TO BENTON HARBOR**

Lowell Man is Chosen Cashier of New Bank in That City. Leaves Soon.

William E. Marsh has been elected cashier of the newly organized State Savings Bank of Benton Harbor and will leave for that place early in January, his resignation at the Lowell State bank, of which he has long been cashier, taking effect December 31.

He will retain his interest in the bank and will continue on the board of directors for the present.

Mr. Marsh has been a resident of Lowell for nearly six years, during which time he has taken an active interest in the welfare of the community. He leaves many friends here who will wish him and his success in their new home.

Mr. Marsh will be succeeded officially in the Lowell State bank by David G. Mange, who has been connected with that institution for the past fourteen years, and who needs no introduction or recommendation to the public.

The new bank at Benton Harbor, a city of about 10,000 population, was organized in October some of the principal men of the city being interested, and will open for business in February.

**NEW PASTOR WELCOMED**

Rev. W. D. Ogg Greeted by Packed House at Union Meeting.

The Congregational church had its seating capacity well tested Sunday evening, the occasion being a union meeting in honor of the new pastor, Rev. W. D. Ogg. Services in the Methodist and Baptist churches were taken up and Pastor Bready and Rev. Parmeter who was supplying at the latter church, joined in the services. Rev. Mr. Ogg is a rapid-fire orator, evangelist in his manner, in the very prime of life and full of zeal and enthusiasm. He announced a meeting of church workers on the following evening for organizing and that after this week mid-week meetings would be held. Evidently there will be "something doing" at the Congregational church hereafter.

The LEDGER extends the glad hand to the new pastor and assures him of its co-operation in all efforts for the public good.

Rev. Ogg was converted to Christ at the age of twenty-one, entered the Moody Bible Institute two years later and was under the instruction of such eminent bible scholars as W. W. White, Prof. R. A. Torrey, Dr. C. I. Scofield and many others. He was set apart to the work of the gospel ministry by the Moody church of Chicago and has held pastorates in the following churches: Chicago Hebrew Mission, Chicago, Ill., Congregational church of Chokto, Minn., Union church of Mellon, Wis., Presbyterian church of Hendrum, Minn.

**GENUINE ECONOMY**  
FOR  
**CHRISTMAS BUYERS**

WE have sold holiday goods for many years. We have given the matter careful study. We have endeavored each year to select our stock as to afford both satisfaction and saving to our customers.

We believe that this year we have been more successful than ever before. We believe we have come nearer to having just what people want, of having goods that will please both giver and recipient. We know our

**Prices are Right,**  
that quality considered, they are the lowest to be had.  
Largest stock of Books and Bibles shown in Lowell

**Stationery in Fancy Boxes**  
Palmer's Perfumes—Fancy Calendars—Mirrors—Comb and Brush Sets—Post Card Albums—Military Sets—in fact presents suitable for any member of the family.

**Come Soon and See**

Special for Saturday.  
Liggett's Saturday Candy  
50c quality. Only  
29 Cents

**D. G. LOOK,**  
THE  
REXALL DRUG STORE

**Annual MINCE PIE SALE**  
On Saturday, Dec. 14, '07.

We will sell our regular 15c mince pies for 10c each.

We do this in order that you may be induced to try one and become acquainted with their good quality and delicious taste.

**Weldon Smith**  
The Baker  
Our Potato Bread Keeps Moist.

**SERVED IN CIVIL WAR.**

Geo. B. Avery One of the Old Soldiers Buried Friday.

George B. Avery, one of Lowell's pioneer residents, passed away Wednesday evening, Dec. 4, 1907, at his home in this village. Funeral services were held at the residence Friday afternoon conducted by Rev. Russell H. Bready and burial took place in Oakwood cemetery.

Deceased was born in Litchfield, Conn., June 10, 1829. At the age of five years he removed with his foster parents to Hume, N. Y. Here he spent his early life, later removing with his parents to Michigan.

At the outbreak of the Civil war he enlisted in Company F, Second Michigan Cavalry, serving faithfully three years. After being honorably discharged he returned to Lowell, Mich., where on June 10, 1865, he was united in marriage to Helen Haner. To this union were born four sons, two having died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Avery have spent their married life in Lowell, and are widely known. Mr. Avery was a kind husband, a loving father and a good neighbor. He leaves to mourn his loss a loving wife, two sons, Sherman B. and Arthur J. of this village, and a host of friends.—(Com.)

**OUR OLD HOME FRIENDS**

Interesting Paragraphs About People and Places You Know.

James Edgar Covert of Seattle, Wash., died at his home in that city, Tuesday, Dec. 3. Deceased, who is well remembered by many neighbors and friends in Keene and vicinity, was a native of Orleans county, N. Y., and born April 6, 1841, came with parents to Michigan when a child of 2 1/2 years. He was the youngest of 14 children of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Covert, who settled in Keene on the old "Covert place" 65 years ago. Married Eliza Godfrey of Vergennes, is survived by a wife and two daughters, the daughters are Mrs. Minnie Munger and Mrs. Fern Johnson of Dawson City, Alaska. Three sisters, Mrs. Melissa Sparks of Keene, Mrs. James Beattie of Saranac, Mrs. Henrietta Gibson of Detroit, and three brothers, Peter Covert of Carleton Center, Barry county, born Jan. 1, 1817; Benjamin R. Covert, the old Democratic wheel horse of Ionia, and Wm. M. Covert of Belding, are yet living. There are also numerous other relatives throughout this section.—[Saranac Local.]

Mrs. Allen Bancroft of Lowell entertained at her home on Thanksgiving day the following guests: Mrs. Miller and daughter Jennie and Mrs. Denise and son Allison of Grand Rapids, Lewis Lee of Ohio, Lon King, of Dispatch, N. Y., Mrs. Nancy Denise, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Denise of Caledonia, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bancroft and family, and Rev. and Mrs. Renshaw of Alto, Wm. Hicks of Lowell. A sumptuous five course dinner was served, and after full justice had been done to the good things provided some very fine music was discoursed as a fitting close to a very enjoyable day.—[Alto Solo.]

Shot by two friends, Ernest Lade, of Woodbury, aged 18, is dead as the result of a hunting accident. He was hunting rabbits with Lloyd Ray and Lawrence Shiels on Tuesday. He was on the opposite side of a brush pile when a rabbit ran out and both men fired, both charges taking effect and killing Lade instantly.—[Saranac Advertiser.]

Samuel Chambers will have an auction sale at his farm residence one mile south of Lowell on Tuesday, Dec. 17, and a fine large list is offered, including horses, cows, vehicles, harnesses, fodder, implements, tools, stoves, etc. Sale begins at 10 A. M. Usual terms. Gould auctioneer. Sale genuine, on account of Mr. Chambers' falling health and eyesight. See bills printed at LEDGER office.

Miss Winnifred Leary, accompanied by Miss Maude Kenyon spent Thanksgiving with the former's parents in Lowell. Miss Maude returned Saturday morning and Miss Winnifred Saturday evening.—[Freeport Herald.]

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Pratt of Keene, took the 8:20 passenger train for Chicago, Wednesday morning, expecting to stay about ten days and incidentally to attend the big International Stock Show.—[Saranac Local.]

Howard Payne, salesman for Marks Ruben of Lowell, was Thanksgiving guest of Saranac friends and again on Sunday. There are always attractions at Saranac. We don't blame the boys.—[Saranac Local.]

Mr. and Mrs. E. Hoag and daughter of Lowell, spent Thanksgiving with S. R. Hunt and Geo. Morgan and their families. All ate Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Hunt.—[Freeport Herald.]

Mr. and Mrs. J. Simpson of Lowell who have been visiting their son Fred Simpson and family and their daughter Mrs. John Wright for the past two weeks returned home Saturday. [Lake Odessa Wave.]

F. C. Wood and family are preparing to move to Oklahoma in January, being obliged to make a change in climate on account of the ill health of Mrs. Wood, and expect to settle at Thomas.

Mrs. Thos. Rouse is ill with grip.

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**Avery E. Field, "Maker of photographs"**  
Successor to F. B. Rhodes.

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In variety and at prices to suit all ages, tastes, conditions and purses may be found at our store:

**Sterling and Plated Silverware**  
Don't buy such goods of strangers or you may get a "gold brick."

**Gold Clocks, Novelties, Fancy China, Cut Glass.**  
Any of these make suitable presents sure to be appreciated.


**Phonographs and Records, Kodaks and Supplies**  
These will pay big dividends in satisfaction all the year round. Then look at our

**Pocket Books, Comb and Brush Sets, Watches, Jewelry, etc.**  
The entire stock of best quality, latest designs, lowest prices and guaranteed as represented.

**A. D. Oliver**

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We can offer you FANCY CHINA, Berry Sets, Salad Bowls, Sugars and Creamers, Bon Bon Dishes, fancy Plates etc., in great profusion. Parlor Lamps in elegant designs and lowest prices Toilet Sets, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Manicure Sets etc., to delight the most fastidious. TOYS, TOYS TOYS of every description, Iron Toys, Tin Toys, Wooden Toys, Games etc. Everything in Toy Land. Come early and avoid the rush.



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

**Our 6th. Annual December WATCH SALE**

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Our prices this year for various reasons have been figured on a basis that recognizes neither cost nor competition. We have the goods, they are new and up-to-date and if you want to buy a watch it will pay you to see us.

Our line of cut glass, Sterling and plated silverware is also the best in town. Solid gold Rings. Largest line and lowest prices.

Our line comprises the largest assortment of high class goods to be found and prices lower than any competition on same quality of goods.

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Depends a great deal on a comfortable home and to be comfortable must be warm, and the way to get the warmth and to keep it so day after day is to use COAL—hard coal—the good clean kind we sell. Phone us your order.

Our Motto: "What we say we do, we do do."

**EARL HUNTER'S**  
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100 BEST QUALITY VISITING CARDS with Your Name Beautifully Printed in Engraved Script. Mail Orders Solicited and Promptly Filled and Mailed Postage Paid. Samples Free. Stamps Taken. Call or write Lowell, Ledger.

BRIEF REVIEW OF A WEEK'S EVENTS

RECORD OF THE MOST IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS IN ITEMIZED FORM.

HOME AND FOREIGN NEWS

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

CONGRESSIONAL NEWS.

An annual tax of one dollar on every barrel of beer brewed in the United States, for the creation of a "permanent investment fund" of \$50,000,000, yearly for the development of the country's waterways, is the proposal carried in a joint resolution introduced in the house by Mr. Acheson of Pennsylvania.

The annual message of President Roosevelt was read in both houses of congress, and practically no business was attempted by either body beyond listening to the message.

Senators Aldrich and Crane, two of the Republican leaders of the senate, after a call on President Roosevelt announced that they were convinced he was not a candidate for third-term honors.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Oscar II., king of Sweden, died in the palace of Stockholm, surrounded by his family, while weeping through his hands outside. The entire country mourned the death of the beloved sovereign. The crown prince succeeded to the throne as Gustave V., took the oath of allegiance and issued a proclamation.

Three persons were burned to death and another injured during a fire in Boston. The dead are: Mrs. Mary Joubert, aged 38; Charles Joubert, aged nine, and Emile Joubert, aged five.

William Stewart, proprietor of a restaurant in East Iowa, Kan., was brutally murdered by his partner, W. H. Christian, who said he was in love with Mrs. Stewart.

Frank Chick, of Nashville, Tenn., killed his wife and fatally wounded himself.

After shooting his wife in the head, Harry Weber, 21 years old, a harness maker of Lisbon, O., sent a bullet into his own brain and died instantly.

One of Van Dyke's great masterpieces, "The Erektion of the Cross," has been stolen from the church of Notre Dame, at Coblenz, Belgium.

New Berlin, a town 18 miles east of Jacksonville, Ill., was visited by a fire early Sunday morning. The loss is \$75,000.

Marshall Brinson was killed at Middleville, Ga., by a negro who had done something for which the officer reproved him and summoned him to appear in court. The murderer escaped.

The law against Sunday amusement was strictly enforced in New York.

The federal grand jury investigating land frauds in New Mexico, returned indictments against R. B. Hobart, N. S. Dornay, Edward W. T. Stewart, and Robert B. Hill for alleged perjury.

Joseph H. Orthwaite, former congressman from Ohio, died at his home in Columbus, O.

The steamer President Grant, with Secretary Taft and the members of his party on board, left Cuxhaven for New York. The party will visit Boulogne and Plymouth on the way home.

J. Dalzell Brown, a prominent financier of San Francisco and general manager of the California Safe Deposit & Trust company, which closed its doors early in November, was arrested on a charge of felonious embezzlement. A warrant also was issued for the arrest of W. J. Barnett, a leading lawyer and a director of the banking company.

A Dutch steamer and an English bark collided near Folkestone and seven of the former's crew were drowned. Lillian Wulff, eight years old, was kidnapped from in front of her home in Chicago by a well-dressed woman, whose motive is not known.

A daughter was born to Mrs. E. Parnalee Prentice, daughter of John D. Rockefeller.

Elihu Root, Jr., son of the secretary of state, married Miss Alida Stryker daughter of President Stryker, of Hamilton college, Clinton, N. Y.

Marcellus Hopkins, president of the Chicago South Side Elevated road, died of pneumonia.

Mrs. Louisa M. Taft, mother of the secretary of war, died at her home in Milbury, Mass.

Road graders near Helena, Mont., unearthed the bones of a large mastodon.

Minister Hayashi told a committee from emigration agencies in Tokio that the government intended to limit closely all emigration to the United States and Canada.

Theodore P. Shonts, president of the Toledo, St. Louis & Western Railroad company, was elected president of the Chicago & Alton.

Prof. Jeffrey O. Hrbeck, professor of Germanic and Slavonic languages at the University of Nebraska, died of peritonitis.

Five companies of the Twenty-second infantry, stationed at Fort McDowell in San Francisco and four companies of the same regiment at Monterey, were dispatched to Goldfield, Nev., by Brig. Gen. Fred Funston, commanding the department of California, in compliance with orders received from the war department.

Capt. William Cox, the representative of Gov. Sparks in Goldfield, stated that he had information from the Mine Owners' association that an attempt would be made very soon to reopen the mines with nonunion men. Nine companies of regulars went into camp at Goldfield.

Ambassador Bryce has been summoned to England for a conference and is not expected to return to America.

The late George F. Porter, millionaire of Minneapolis, in his will left \$100,000 to Miss Stella M. Blochen, his confidential stenographer.

Joseph and Floyd Randall, brothers, aged ten and eight, and Ernest Donelle, aged 12, were drowned at Flint, Mich., while crossing Flint river on the ice.

Four hundred miners are known to have been killed by an explosion of black damp, or methane, in mines Nos. 6 and 8 of the Consolidation Coal company of Baltimore at Monongah, W. Va. Five men escaped, more dead than alive, through air shafts.

Carling's restaurant in St. Paul was partly destroyed by fire and a woman employe was burned to death.

Flames destroyed the big implement warehouse of David Bradley & Co. at Council Bluffs, Ia., the loss being \$225,000.

The sentence of the three Americans, Richardson, Mason and Hare, who were to be shot at Chihuahua for the murder of two other Americans whose insurance they attempted to collect, was commuted to 20 years' imprisonment.

James Bartlett Hammond, head of the Hammond Typewriter company, was declared sane and given his freedom.

The jury which will try the case of George A. Pettibone for complicity in the murder of former Gov. Frank Steunberger was completed and sworn in at Boise, Idaho.

Mrs. Mary Stet of Altoona, Pa., was murdered by a burglar.

Maj. William L. Geary, U. S. A., died in the army general hospital at the Presidio, San Francisco. He was the first American child born in San Francisco, his father having been the last alcalde and the first mayor of that city.

President Roosevelt entertained at dinner a number of bear hunters from the Louisiana cane brakers.

The secretary of the treasury has accepted bids for the Panama canal bonds to the amount of \$25,000,000. The average price of all the bids accepted is 103.

The Southwest Bridge company of Joplin, Mo., with a paid-up capital stock of \$265,000, one of the largest manufacturing enterprises in the district, went into the hands of a receiver.

The Fort Pitt National bank, one of the older financial institutions of Pittsburgh, Pa., was closed by order of the controller of the currency.

The State bank of Admire, Kan., and the Bank of Stotesbury, at Stotesbury, Mo., closed as a result of the failure of the National Bank of Commerce of Kansas City.

D. H. Perry, of Salt Lake City, prominent capitalist and Democratic national committeeman from Utah, died at Los Angeles, Cal.

The "Jim Crow" bill passed the Oklahoma senate and will become effective in 60 days after being signed by the governor.

Twenty bandits attacked a monastery near Pskov, Russia, but were repulsed. Six monks were killed.

The steamer St. Marys of the Maryland, Delaware & Virginia Railroad company, was burned at Hallowing Point, on the Patuxent river, in southern Maryland.

In the federal court at Topeka, Kan., demurrer to the indictment of Secretary H. H. Tucker, Jr., charging him with using the mails to defraud in his efforts to promote the Uncle Sam Oil company, was sustained, and Tucker was freed.

Rice hall, at Washburn college, Topeka, Kan., was destroyed by fire, the loss being \$100,000.

Murdered by "Black Hand" enemies, it is believed, Gottlieb Voogel, 50 years old, was found shot to death in a freight doorway of the La Salle street station at Chicago.

The British turbine torpedo boat destroyer Tartar has beaten all records for her class by steaming 35,952 knots an hour against the tide.

Encouraged by the success of other Russian artists in America, Mlle. Arzhefskaia, the foremost actress in Russia, has decided to bring a company to the United States in January and present a series of modern Russian plays.

Viscount Kaneko cabled President Roosevelt as follows: "The whole empire is rejoicing at your strong recommendation that America should participate in our exposition and I thank you on behalf of and with the authority of the people of Japan."

By means of a writ of habeas corpus, Antonio Thompson and his wife, of Los Angeles, Cal., secured possession of their 16-year-old daughter Marie from a band of gypsies encamped on the western outskirts of St. Louis.

The boom of Senator Philander C. Knox, of Pennsylvania for the presidency, was formally launched at a banquet in Washington, when the Pennsylvania Republican congressional delegation placed itself squarely on record in favor of the Pennsylvania senator as president Roosevelt's successor.

A man supposed to be Harry Jones, the alleged murderer of Mr. and Mrs. William Van Winkle, of Fairport, Ia., is under arrest at Coal Valley Ill. Van Winkle and his wife were beaten to death.

Police Commissioner Bingham announced that he would enforce strictly the Sunday closing law in New York and that no form of public entertainment would be permitted.

Mrs. Clara Bloodgood, the actress, committed suicide by shooting in her room at the Hotel Stafford at Baltimore, presumably because she feared an attack of nervous prostration.

Five men terrorized the town of Carney, Okla., blew open the bank safe and escaped with \$4,000.

A jury in Topeka, Kan., found the International Harvester company guilty of being a trust and entering into an unlawful combination to control the price of harvesting machinery and to force dealers to handle its products exclusively.

President Roosevelt instructed Gen. Funston to dispatch a sufficient force of regulars to Goldfield, Nev., to control the situation there. This action was taken upon receipt of telegraphic request from the governor of Nevada.

The National Bank of Commerce, the second financial institution in importance in Kansas City, announced its suspension after a steady run of six weeks, during which the bank had paid off \$19,000,000 of its deposits, reduced its loans \$3,500,000, cut down its cash resources \$11,750,000 and sold \$2,000,000 of high-grade bonds.

John Nahon, a wife-beater, was sentenced to five years in prison and fined \$1,000 by Justice Dowling in New York.

V. B. Nethaway murdered his wife on a Union Pacific train at Norfolk, Neb., and later blew out his own brains.

An insane man entered the state house in Boston and fired three shots, probably fatally wounding Edward Cohen of Lynn, president of the state branch of the American Federation of Labor; seriously wounding Dennis D. Driscoll, of Boston, secretary of the same board, and injuring with the muzzle of his revolver Arthur M. Haddell, of Boston, former president of the Central Labor union.

Antonio Thompson and wife, of Los Angeles, who recovered their daughter from a band of gypsies at St. Louis, were arrested on a charge of having sold the girl to one of the gypsies for \$500.

Maj. W. T. Seward, a doorkeeper of the United States senate, dropped dead while entering a revolving door of the capitol.

The Cinarud liner Mauretania cut down the east-bound transatlantic record by 21 minutes.

James J. Hill told the rivers and harbors convention that railroads favored the development of the country's waterways because the roads could not take care of the rapidly increasing traffic.

Prominent officials of the national government, governors of states, representatives of foreign powers, members of the senate and house of representatives and leaders in all walks of civil life in America participated in the opening of the convention of the National Rivers and Harbors congress in Washington.

The Cornell association football team probably will play in South America next summer, the management having received an offer of expenses and 75 per cent. of the gate receipts for a series of three games with the football of the Province of Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Nicolo de Fallo, a well-to-do merchant of Philadelphia, fatally wounded a 14-year-old girl while in a jealous rage, shot her mother and committed suicide.

Vesta Field and Jessie Bryan, chorus girls in the "Merry Widow" company at Chicago, were arrested for shoplifting and confessed their guilt.

Peter F. Reller, said to be a secret-service agent, obtained a confession from John Worthington, a fellow prisoner in San Francisco, that he was one of the robbers that held up a Great Northern train in Montana and took between \$50,000 and \$60,000 in coin. The other two robbers have been captured.

Secretary of War Taft and his party left St. Petersburg for Berlin.

The report of the treasury department to congress by Secretary Cortelyou, showed that total receipts of the government from all sources were \$336,725,339, against expenditures of \$762,488,753, leaving a surplus of \$55,236,586.

Crazed by cocaine, Wash Mussay, a negro, ran amuck in Augusta, Ark., shooting seven white people, two of whom were women. The negro was finally corralled in the courthouse yard and shot to death.

Before the superior court of Monaco, Vere St. Leger Gould and his wife, Marie, were convicted of the murder of Emma Levin at Monte Carlo last summer. The court found that Mrs. Gould was the chief instigator of the crime and sentenced her to death by the guillotine, and that Gould was less responsible because under the influence of liquor at the time the murder was committed, and sentenced him to imprisonment for life.

Henry Osborne Havemeyer, president of the American Sugar Refining company, died at his country home, Merrivale Stock Farm, at Commack, L. I., of heart failure, following an attack of acute indigestion.

Gen. Luis Saenz Pena, ex-president of the Argentine Republic, died at Buenos Ayres. Gen. Pena was born in 1839. He was elected president October 12, 1892.

The war department has laid in the winter supply of coal for the various army posts throughout the country at prices about 25 per cent. higher than last year.

THE STATE IN GENERAL

ONLY A FREAK EXPLOSION SAVED OLIVET POSTOFFICE FROM ROBBERY.

BAY CITY'S DRY SUNDAY

Saloonists Are Mad and Want Everything Closed Up on the Sabbath Unless They Can Sell Booze.

Mixed the Cash.

Three men made a bold but unsuccessful attempt at robbing the postoffice in Olivet between 2 and 3 o'clock Sunday morning and sheriffs, deputies, other officers and citizens are scouring Eaton and Calhoun counties in search of the trio. The attempt resulted in the loss of Postmaster Green's safe for the second time by a similar method in five years, and only an explosion freak saved \$1,500 government cash. The burglars first invaded the blacksmith shop of Guy Bracey, where they secured tools with which they pried open the back door. Nitro-glycerin was used on the safe and the explosion, which blew off the heavy door, was heard in nearly every part of the village. The inner door was broken and part of it was wedged against the strong box so that the \$500 cash and \$1,000 worth of stamps could not be secured. It took the postmaster and another man two hours to get the piece of door out.

Bay City's Dull Day.

Bay City saloonkeepers have observed the Sunday closing law very religiously for the last three weeks as the result of a few prosecutions started by a local manufacturer of lumber. The liquor men are very sore over his interference with their business and are putting up a "holier" about paying for "rights" and say they should be protected. With this fight comes the advent of the Anti-Saloon league starting an active campaign against the liquor traffic for the first time in local history. The saloonmen have done business nights, Sundays and holidays without interference for so many years that some of them, at least, think that it has become a vested right with them. Being forced to close they are now talking of compelling everyone else to observe the Sunday law. This town thus becomes the center of attack on saloons in this section of the state. The anti-saloonists will first try to get Bay City in line and then will advance on the traffic in the surrounding country, working to the north, which like this, has for many years been free and easy in regard to grog.

To Succeed Glazier.

Vernon T. Barker, president of the Home Savings bank, Kalamazoo, announced Wednesday morning that he would be a candidate for the appointment as state treasurer to succeed Frank P. Glazier, if the latter resigns. Barker recently announced that he would be a candidate for election to the office.

He has begun an active campaign to become Glazier's successor, and is circulating petitions and obtaining endorsements, to be presented to Gov. Warner. Barker is a self-made man and has the confidence of the financial interests in that city. He is a member of the executive council of the Michigan Bankers' association.

Advised to Go.

Another message from Mrs. Ellen G. White, head of the Adventist church, has been received in Battle Creek, and was revealed at a secret prayer meeting held in the home of Joseph Parrott. It was planned carefully to keep it a secret. Mrs. White practically called Dr. Kellogg a devil, whose environments threaten the heavenly chances of all local Adventists. Accordingly she insists that good church people sell their homes and move away as soon as possible. She even advises them not to buy anything except food, before leaving.

Three Boys Drowned.

A day's outing in the country had for its tragic sequel Saturday a triple drowning accident, of which the victims were Joseph and Floyd Randall, 10 and 8 years old respectively, and Ernest Boutelle, 12 years old, of Flint.

The two brothers and their companion were on their way from one piece of woods to another, and in attempting to cross the Flint river at a point about two miles and one-half below the city the thin ice gave way under their weight and all went down together.

Bucket Shop Busted.

Ionia's bucket shop, which opened October 1, is again closed, and a number of local investors are wondering where their cash is. B. C. Dean opened the shop. At first business was slow, but Saturday, Monday and Tuesday markets were at low ebb, and many invested. Wednesday night it is alleged that Dean packed his grip and left. Nothing has been seen of him since. His partner, Charles Wheeler, is said to be in Grand Rapids.

George Ross, 12, the son of David Ross, of Burt, lost his left hand Wednesday when a gun exploded, making the amputation of the member necessary.

Saginaw doctors and surgeons have asked the council for permission to violate the automobile speed laws in urgent cases.

Raising apples in Michigan is a business that pays and the "poor farmer" idea is a joke. This fact stuck out like a wart in the sessions of the Michigan State Horticultural society. George Tucker, Pennville, modestly admits to selling 1,000 barrels of apples at \$4 a barrel, and even fails to deny that he has cleared \$15,000 in five years on eight acres of orchard. Tucker went to Battle Creek to hear speakers tell how to get more money out of his land.

Too Many Marriages.

George Mack, more popular with the ladies than he is with the police, and arrested in Cheboygan on a larceny charge, was taken to Bay City. In Bay City a more serious charge than that of theft awaits him. Mack is the man who is suspected by the police to have a wife in Detroit, one also in Bay City and one in Saginaw. He is known to have had a wife in Cheboygan. Mack says that he never had a wife in Detroit, and that his Cheboygan wife divorced him a year ago. If this is true, and there is no Saginaw spouse, the man may not have involved himself with the law in marrying a Bay City girl of 17. The Bay City girl is Flossie Bradshaw.

While living with Flossie, Mack paid ardent court to Miss Leah Harris, engaged himself to her and then flaked after the wedding guests had assembled. Miss Harris has no case against him, but she has been having an interview in Bay City with Flossie, and it is supposed there that Flossie is on Mack's trail.

Mack is a character. His parents have nothing to be said against them. But the son, who is 35 years old, has made himself notorious. He is a voluminous writer on matrimonial topics. He has written hundreds of letters answering "ads" in matrimonial papers.

Guilty as Charged.

"Guilty as charged," was the verdict in the case against former Patrolman Isaac W. Lewis, charged with the murder of Police Captain Holzappel, of Jackson, February 5. The jury deliberated only a little more than an hour. Judge Parkinson immediately sentenced the ex-police man to imprisonment in Jackson prison for the rest of his natural life.

In passing sentence, the judge laid the crime at the door of the drink habit.

"It is appalling," he declared, "to witness the effects of drink upon the youths. A great proportion of crime has its beginning with young men playing with intoxicants."

"The bad feeling and envy which led up to the murder of Capt. Holzappel would never have existed but for drink."

Charlotte's Fire Loss.

Saturday morning fire completely destroyed the plant of the Cove Manufacturing Co., of Charlotte, and the bean elevator of Moll & Thompson, at a loss of about \$18,000. The fire was discovered about 2 o'clock a. m. by a woman living a block from the Cove plant, and it was not until 6 that the blaze was under control. The bean elevator was filled almost to its capacity, and the entire stock was lost, from fire and water. The entire loss on both plants is insured for \$9,500.

MICHIGAN BREVITIES.

Michigan took 31 gold and silver medals at the Jamestown exposition for prize exhibits.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Garber, of Charlotte, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary Monday.

Ray F. Myers, son of Mrs. James Myers, of Flint, was drowned in the Columbia river, Kalama, Wash.

Milo Furman, of Muskegon, slipped on the ice and his gun went off, the charge taking effect in his thighs. He may die.

In his sermon Sunday the Rev. W. P. Lovett, of the Wealthy Avenue Baptist church, Grand Rapids, advocated capital punishment.

After following his parents to Bay City on foot from Metz, Valentine Duckakza was bought a ticket to Detroit and he will go there to live with his uncle.

Joseph Murray, of Bay City, gave the residents of Durand quite a scare Tuesday morning when he fell before several trains and later he fell before being drunk.

The common council of Kalamazoo Monday night granted an extension to the Belt Line Railway Co., which insures the entry of the Grand Trunk road into Kalamazoo.

It has just come to light that the brindle bulldog owned by H. B. Davis, of Kalamazoo, who was killed by a burglar, was poisoned four days before his master was murdered.

The salary increases of Marquette prison officials were held up by Adj. Gen. Bradley, because they had not been approved by himself and the state treasurer, as required by the new law.

Thought to have died 20 years ago, John Gallagher returned to visit his mother in Port Huron. He went to Flint to view the grave of a man killed in a wreck and buried under his name.

Victor Alden, of St. Joseph, who was shot in the head some time ago by Lester Wycoff, is said to be well on the road to recovery. If he lives he will always carry the bullet near his brain.

The body of William McDowell, the Detroit, who died in the Pere Marquette depot, Saginaw, of alcoholism, was sent to Harrisburg, Pa., with the picture of his dead mother enclosed in the casket.

Through the efforts of the Merchants and Manufacturers' association the Automatic Faucet & Spigot Co., of Seattle, Wash., will move its plant to Saginaw. Andrew J. Ketelson, of Saginaw, is the principal owner.

William Moless, a farmer residing at North Bessemer, was killed while felling trees on his farm. A large elm in falling lodged against a hemlock, which Moless proceeded to remove. When partly cut the hemlock split and let the big elm down on the cutter, crushing life out instantly.

Harry Davis, 24, of Port Huron, has asked the circuit court to dismiss the bill of his wife, Edna Davis, 18, asking for a divorce. The husband's attorney claims that the wife cannot be given a divorce at this age. The young wife may secure a separation, however, without being granted a decree. She is suffering from consumption.

Charles Thompson, a Pere Marquette brakeman of Saginaw, visiting in Ludington, shot off the greater portion of his left hand by the accidental discharge of a gun while chasing a rabbit near the outskirts of the city. The mangled hand was amputated half an hour after the accident.

King Oscar is Dead.

Not such deep, universal mourning for the loss of a beloved friend has ever before fallen upon Sweden as that under which the whole country is now bowed because of the passing away of King Oscar, who for 35 years has reigned over the nation with a rule so wise and kindly as to endear him to his people as few monarchs in all time have been endeared to their subjects.

The death took place at 9:15 Sunday morning. It had been known for two days that the end was but a matter of a very short time, and at 5:15 Sunday morning the court physician summoned members of the royal family, the premier, ministers, high officials and gentlemen of the king's court, and in the silent death chamber they watched four hours until he breathed his last.

The king was unconscious all that time and the end was peaceful, simply a transition from a deep to a deeper sleep. Aged Queen Sophia, his beloved consort for more than 50 years, was heart-broken because he could not wake to bid her farewell.

Michigan's Big Poultry Show.

The Michigan State Poultry association hold their fourteenth annual show at the Light Guard Armory, Detroit, January 11 to 16, 1908. This show is to be of great educational value, which will be due largely to the high quality of the show throughout and the systematic manner in which it will be conducted. It will be one of the largest shows held in America this year. There is to be given 40 beautiful silver cups and nearly 400 valuable specials, such as dining tables, tea sets, barrels of flour, etc., besides large cash prizes. Correspondence is being received from all over the United States and Canada.

MICHIGAN BRIEFS.

Unable to raise money to feed the animals, Port Huron will sell its zoo.

Andrew P. Gleason was thrown from his wagon and picked up dead. Investigation showed, however, that heart failure had caused his death before he fell. He was 73 years old.

Stanley Mitchell, of Republic, was found by section men about two miles from town in an unconscious condition, from a gunshot wound in the head. He had evidently leaned on his gun, which was in some way discharged, part of the charge tearing off part of his hand and part entering the brain. He lived but a few hours.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit—Cattle—Extra dry-fed steers and heifers, \$4 75/55; steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200, \$4 40; steers and heifers, 800 to 1,000, \$3 75/62 1/2; steers and heifers that are fat, 500 to 700, \$2 50/3 25; choice fat cows, \$3 35/42; good fat cows, \$3 00/3 25; common cows, \$2 75/3; common, \$2 50/3; choice heavy bulls, \$3 25/43 50; fair to good heifers, \$2 75/3 25; stock bulls, \$2 25/3 75; choice feeding steers, 800 to 1,000, \$3 25/43 50; fair feeding steers, 800 to 1,000, \$3 00/3 50; choice stockers, 500 to 700, \$2 65/3 25; fair stockers, 500 to 700, \$2 50/3 25; stock heifers, \$2 25/3 50; milkers, large, \$3 00/3 50; choice heavy, \$4 00/5 50; common milkers, \$2 00/2 50. Veal calves—Market steady. Last week's prices: best, \$7 75/75; others, \$7 25/67; mottled cows and springers, steady.

Sheep and lambs—Market opens steady. Will close trifling lower; best lambs, \$10 00/12 00; fair to good lambs, \$5 25/5 50; light to common lambs, \$4 75/5 00; fair to good butcher sheep, \$4 75/4 50; culls and common, \$2 25/3 25.

Hogs—Market 50c higher than last Thursday. Range of prices: light to good butchers, \$4 90/5 15; pigs, \$4 90/4 45; light corks, \$4 90/4 95; roughs, \$4 15/4 25; 1-2 off.

East Buffalo—Cattle—Best export steers, \$5 00/5 55; best 1,000 to 1,500-lb. shipping steers, \$1 10/11 50; best 1,000 to 1,100-lb., \$4 40/4 50; best fat cows, \$3 25/3 55; fair to good, \$2 75/2 85; trimmings, \$1 50/1 75; best fat heifers, \$3 75/6 1/2; medium, \$2 75/3 25; common, \$2 10/2 60; best feeding steers, \$3 75/4 25; best stockers, \$3 00/3 25; common stockers, \$2 50/2 75; it is almost impossible to sell these light common stockers, as no one seems to want them; export lambs, \$4 12 1/2; bobbing lambs, \$3 75/4 25; stock bulls, \$2 50/3 50. Good large fresh cows sold about steady. Others \$2 per head lower; strictly choice, \$1 75/2 00; good, \$1 60/1 75; medium, \$2 30/2 50; common, \$2 00/2 25.

Hogs—The market opened 10c 1/2 higher and closed strong. All sold; mediums and heavy, \$5 25/5 50; light and Yorkers, \$5 25/5 40; pigs, \$5 10/5 15; roughs, \$4 50/4 75.

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# SCIENCE AND INVENTION

## MOTOR CYCLES FOR FEET.

Wheels Which Can Be Used on the Ordinary Roads.

Attempts have been made from time to time to extend the sport of skating to ordinary smooth roads. The reason that roller skates cannot be used on macadam roads is because the rollers are of such small diameter that they drop into every depression and unevenness of the road and check the progress of the skater.

What is necessary, then, is a skate with large wheels. But these, if placed directly under the skater's feet, will raise him dangerously high. However, the difficulty seems to have been solved by a Swiss inventor, Mr. M. Koller, of Winterthur, who has designed the skate shown in the accompanying illustration.

It will be observed, continues the Berlin correspondent of Scientific American, that the skates are each provided with a single wheel which is about a foot in diameter. The skater's foot is supported below the center of the wheel, and in order that the tread may come directly below the center of the skater's foot the wheel is set on a slant. The wheels are dish-shaped, comprising a disk of corrugated metal connecting the hub with the rim, and also a series of tension spokes which serve to stiffen them. The foot support is suspended on a hanger attached to the wheel axle, and it is provided with a pair of braces extending upward to support a strap which is fastened around the skater's leg above the ankle. To prevent the wheels from rolling backward a brake is attached to the foot support and bears against the inner periphery of the wheel rim. This brake is normally out of action, but is automatically set as soon as the



A Skater and One of the Skates with Motor Attached.

wheel starts to reverse its direction. If desired, this brake may be thrown out of action completely to permit the skater to perform various fancy figures.

In addition to the brake just described, the wheel for the left foot is provided with a rearward-extending arm which the skater may use as a drag to retard his motion. The wheel for the right foot is provided with a similar drag arm which also has in connection with it a brake block that bears against the inner periphery of the wheel when the drag arm bears against the ground, thus furnishing the skater with a quick-acting brake for use in emergencies. The inventor also proposes to use a motor in connection with each skate wheel, which will be attached in the manner indicated in the diagram. The wheel will be driven by belts running from the power shaft of the motor to a pulley groove on the felly of the wheel. Fuel for the motor can be supplied from a tank strapped to the back of the skater. It is claimed that wheel skating can be learned in a very short time, beginners having acquired the knack of using them with safety in a few minutes.

### Roof Ventilators.

One can hardly look out of a window in contemplation of the roofs without seeing a number of metal-hooded ventilators, which have come into general use for the purpose of creating an air current in lofts or air chambers. The only disadvantage connected with their use is that in case of fire they act as a chimney and aid materially in the spread of the flames. In a recent improvement made in these ventilators, the hood is held in an open position by a lever movement controlled by a fusible link. In case of fire this link is melted, and the hood is allowed to fall of its own weight, and in doing so it closes the passage and cuts off the draft.

### Not Lost in Arctic.

Rumors of disaster seem inevitable in arctic exploration. Recently we referred to the probable loss of W. S. Bruce, who was prospecting for coal fields in eastern Spitzbergen. There was strong presumptive evidence that he and his companions had been lost, but word now comes of their safety.

## THE PARENT OF RADIUM.

Prof. Boltwood of Yale Announces an Important Discovery.

The isolation of a new radioactive chemical element, which appears to be the immediate "parent" of radium, or the substance from which that element is derived, is announced by Prof. Bertram B. Boltwood of Yale in The American Journal of Science. Over a year ago Prof. Boltwood announced that his experiments indicated the separation from uranium of such a substance, and he has now been able to prove that it is identical with one



BERTRAM B. BOLTWOOD

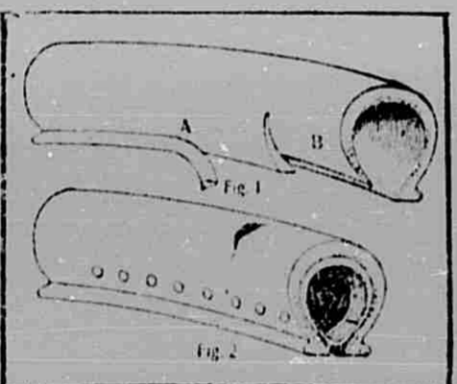
of the radioactive elements hitherto known. He has accordingly given it the name "ionium," because, in common with other radioactive substances, it possesses "ionizing" power, or ability to separate gases into their ultimate constituents. Says Prof. Boltwood:

"Experiments which have been carried out with a view to obtaining a quantitative separation of this new element from small quantities of very pure uraninite have given results which are in good agreement with one another and which indicate that the activity of the new element in equilibrium with radium is about 0.8 of the activity of the radium itself with which it is associated. This is about the value to be expected if the new substance is intermediate between uranium and radium. \* \* \* Strong evidence has, therefore, been obtained of the existence in uranium minerals of a new radioactive element, \* \* \* which produces no emanation and which resembles thorium in its chemical properties. It is without doubt a disintegration product of uranium and is in all probability the immediate parent of radium. \* \* \* Further experiments are in progress which it is hoped will afford additional information as to the properties and chemical behavior of this new body."

### REPAIRING TIRE CASINGS.

How Considerable More Wear Can Be Got Out of Them.

An old tire casing that may not be in a condition to warrant the repairing by a regular repair man can be put in condition to get several hundred miles of service from it, says The Motor News.



Repairing Tire Casings.

Way. If it is blown out, carefully clean the inside of the cover with gasoline for a about five inches each side of the hole. Then take one of your covers that is in bad condition and cut a section about ten inches long out of the best part of it, cutting the bead. A, figure 1, from it and trimming it with a sharp knife at the edges to a thin edge, as shown at B. Carefully clean the outside with gasoline and when ready apply three coats of solution to the inside of the shoe to be repaired, allowing each coat to dry well, also about two coats on the outside of the repair piece, and apply together as you would a patch on an inner tube.

Rivet the patch to the tire casing by using small copper rivets or split rivets in a single row, about one inch from the bead (figure 2), placing the rivets about one and one-half inches apart. After this is done canvas should be cemented to the inside of the casing, covering the entire patch so as to make a smooth surface for the inner tube.

### Two Warships for Russia.

It is stated that the Russian admiralty has decided on the construction of the Baltic works of two battle-ships of 25,000 tons, to be completed within two years. They will be armed with ten 12-inch and six eight-inch guns.

### Snails as Sheep Food.

English sheep are sometimes fattened on snails.

# THE AMERICAN HOME



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This is a wooden house built on the story and a half plan, having four rooms down stairs and four rooms on the second floor. One feature about this house that will strike every woman favorably at the very start is the amount of closet room. A great many good sized houses are not convenient because they lack proper storage. Clothing and other accessories and necessities accumulate with the years and it is necessary to have some place to put extra things when they are not in use.

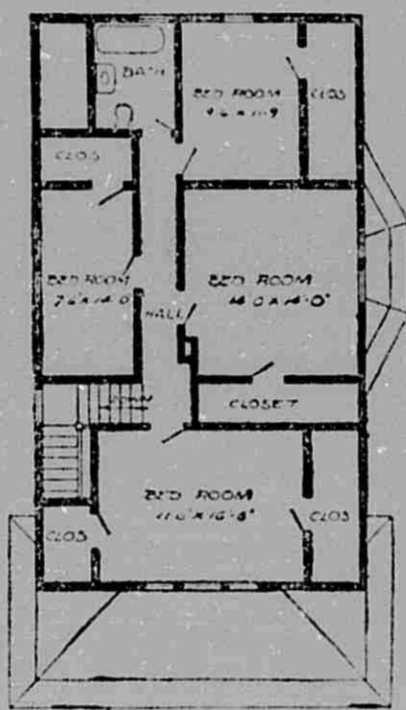
A woman used to consider herself lucky if she had one clothes closet, or clothes press, as it used to be called in New England. In fact the word press was quite expressive, because such accommodations were usually made movable and they were so small that when a woman hung up three dresses she had to press the door shut, if she ever got it shut; but builders of houses have grown liberal with advancing years until now the best architects can make plans with accommodations of this kind without the slightest twinge of conscience.

Some plans lend themselves better to a suitable supply of closets than other houses that are equally roomy. In this case advantage is taken of the low space under the roof near the eaves. Closets built like this have sufficient head room to get inside at the door and the sloping wall offers an advantage to hang things on because you have one set of hooks over another set and the articles will hang free, so this waste room when worked into clothes closets is an actual advantage, in fact it is a great inven-

ishable food articles naturally belong in the ice box.

No regular pantry is provided in this plan, but a high kitchen cupboard with large doors which reach well to the ceiling takes its place. As a supplementary storage for dishes, etc., the built-in sideboard or china closet in the dining room is a first class auxiliary.

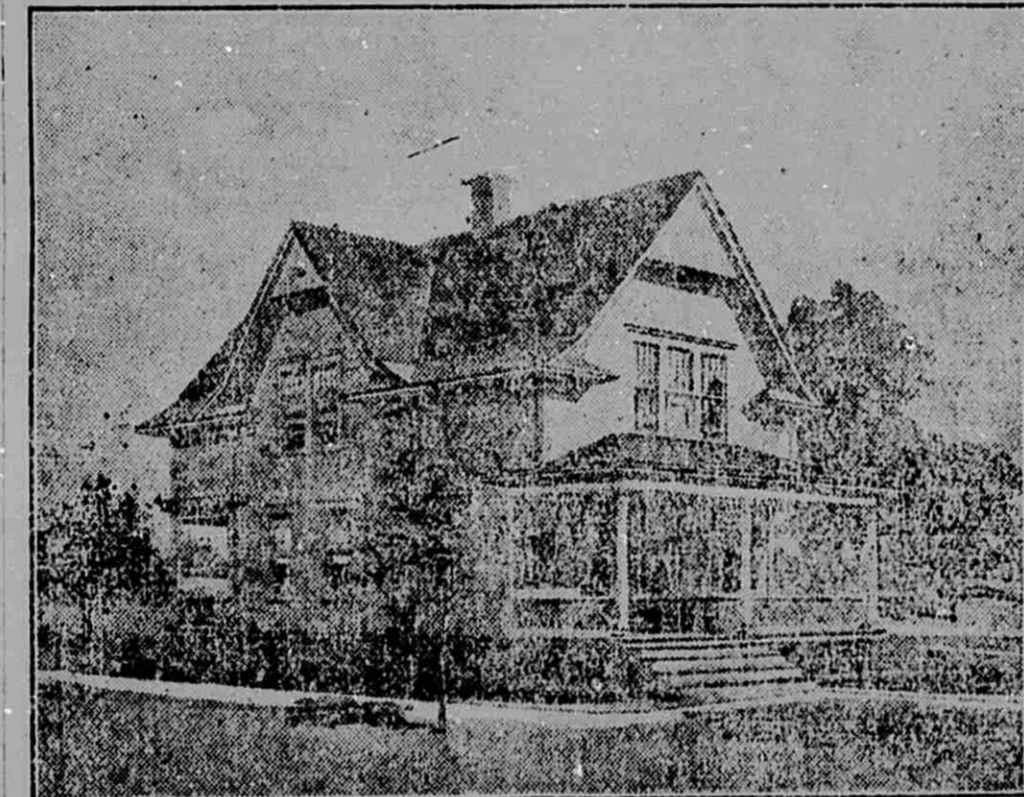
Then the stairway to the cellar is in a very convenient place and this cellar way is a good place to keep jellies and canned fruits. The kitchen or ordinary pantry is not suitable for jellies because they are too dry, and the cellar often is too damp. A set of shelves in a cellarway like this often



Second Floor Plan

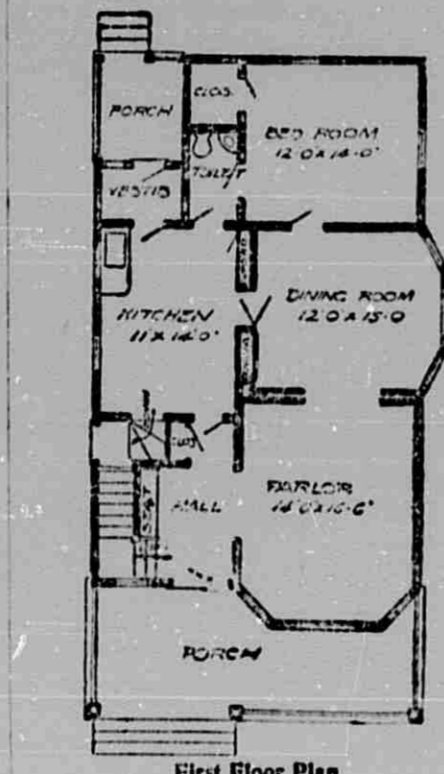
just fills the bill by providing shelves for jellies where they neither dry out nor mould. There is a great deal in having such conveniences. It lightens the work sometimes fully one-half when a woman has places for things conveniently arranged to save steps and time.

The grade entrance to the cellar is



tion. The space over the front stairway is lessened on the same principle. In an ordinary two story house there is a lot of waste room over the front stair, but this plan gets around the difficulty.

Every woman likes a convenient kitchen. It means the saving of steps at the busiest moment. Commencing in this house with the back porch the arrangement is especially good. For a summer workshop a porch like the one shown if carefully screened with wire netting will prove a great comfort in hot weather. Women who have such workrooms keep an easy chair, often a rocker without arms, where



First Floor Plan

they can sit comfortably, practically outdoors, in the shade while they prepare fruit and vegetables for cooking or to do the family mending.

The entrance from the porch is not directly into the kitchen but through the vestibule, which has a recess for the ice box on one side and shelves for cold storage on the other side. Such a vestibule relieves the kitchen of a great deal of dirt and many packages of kitchen supplies. It makes a first class storage for soap, bleaching, starch and dry groceries of many kinds on the shelves, while per-

another good feature. It makes a convenient entrance to the kitchen as well as to the cellar. A grade entrance costs but little when building and it is a convenience as long as the house is occupied. A house as large as this needs a furnace, and this grade entrance is worth a good deal just to get in wood, kindling, etc., and to get the ashes out as they accumulate. An easy entrance to the cellar is an inducement to keep the cellar in good order, while an awkward cellarway is a producer of litter because the temptation is strong to pile up the ashes instead of carrying them out.

Building the kitchen, the toilet down stairs and bathroom upstairs all close together is a money-saving arrangement, a saving in time, in plumbing materials and it is better altogether because the connections, angles and lengths of pipe all work to advantage. In selecting a house plan it pays to look into all these little details. Every foot of pipe costs money and a doubtful connection is likely to make trouble at any time. Owners of houses are not supposed to be experts in plumbing, but a little forethought may be applied in a common sense way if you take time to think it over.

I always like to see a front hall and front stairway, because it is the most satisfactory entrance to a house both upstairs and down. In this hall there is a seat by the side of the stair, which adds to the appearance, and there is a good closet for coats which is a great convenience. The living room in this house for a large family, as it contains five bedrooms and the living rooms are quite large. It is twenty-eight feet six inches wide by forty-three feet long, exclusive of the front porch. While prices of labor and building material vary in different parts of the country and it is difficult to make a satisfactory estimate it may be said that a house like this should be built complete for \$2,300, where conditions are all favorable.

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The man who expects a preacher, he has never seen, inside of whose church he has never stepped, to whose support he has never contributed a red cent, to hire a livery rig and drive seventeen miles into the country over measly roads in a blinding storm, to officiate at the funeral of an utter stranger for nothing, who refuses even to pay the livery bill, is well—with due regard for our sensitive readers, we will simply call him a mighty poor cuss! He is a brother of the one who expects large favors of the newspaper of which he has always stolen the reading and which he never helped in the slightest degree except by his enmity. When death enters his family he wants the longest obituary, mails the editor a photograph and wants the picture printed in the paper, and follows it up with a card of thanks and resolutions of condolence, all of which cost good hard cash, but for which the publisher is expected cheerfully and thankfully to pay and keep shut. Both of these poor devils are consins to him who fastened his shirt to a wart on the back of his neck to save buttons. They are too stingy and mean to live and they walk around merely to save funeral expenses. Their souls would rattle about in a mustard seed like a pea in a bass drum; and we have wasted valuable space in describing them. May the good Lord have mercy on their miserable carcasses.

MAYOR REYBURN of Philadelphia says the President has been spanked, and that he will have to be spanked again because of his recommendation that the government pay campaign expenses and thus avert the evils of private and corporation contributions. Politicians are so rotten in Philadelphia and Pennsylvania, that the mayor probably finds it a relief to scold about national affairs. What with their state house scandals and the robbery of taxpayers, Pennsylvania officials would do well to finish a big job of house cleaning at home, or some one besides Roosevelt may get spanked.

THANKS to the many friends who have complied with our request for payment of subscription arrearsages. But still there are many others. Will not these few contribute a little to a merry Christmas for your old home editor by cashing up very quickly? We need the help and your compliance will be greatly appreciated.

CAPTAIN HOBSON of kissing fame, now a member of Congress, proposes to pension Confederate veterans, the Constitution of the United States to the contrary notwithstanding. He will be old enough to know better long before his bill becomes a law.

BEWARE the trap! A Battle Creek man has had his assessment raised from \$31,000 to \$1,000,000 on account of his testimony in court as to his property. What Lowell man could stand such a raise?

TREASURER GLAZIER is not the first to try being a good fellow with other people's money. A whole lot of them are doing time and no doubt will give him a royal reception when he gets his just deserts.

If you don't think enough of your town to say a good word for it, get out of it.

ONE of the foremost Republican daily newspapers in the West, The Portland Oregonian, announces that it has ceased to be a party organ and will hereafter be independent. This does not mean that the editors will cease to have opinions, or that these will be absolutely free from bias. Nor does it mean that the writers will be less human and less liable to err. It does mean that they will stop taking orders from party bosses; that they will no longer wait for the platforms to be made before discussing live issues; and that they will cease to condemn men and measures merely because claimed or advocated by a particular party. The world is growing better, more liberal and more tolerant. Men are becoming less partisan and more patriotic. To such a world and to such men, the independent newspaper is a necessity. Welcome, The Oregonian!

"WE GOT Sucked in," said a Lowell business man who had just paid \$200 for a fake advertising scheme. There is no class of advertising so effective and so cheap as legitimate newspaper publicity. Buy cards, handbills or circulars, and your troubles have just begun. Distribute them on the street and most of them remain there. Give them to a boy, and find many of them under the sidewalk long afterward. Drive—you couldn't get over the territory covered by THE LEDGER in 6 months. Use the mails and your postage would cost more than a good advertisement in the paper. Give us your copy, order whatever space you want to pay for, and we will print and circulate your message for you putting it right into the homes of your patrons. Try all the schemes you like; but in the end you'll find nothing better than the old home newspaper.

The Grand Rapids city council voted unanimously to refuse to permit Mormon elders to preach their doctrines on the streets of that city. While the freedom of speech and conscience are not to be easily denied in this country where those rights have been so dearly purchased, the ridiculous origin and base and bloody history and vile practices of Mormonism, all within the memory of many people still living, will justify the action of the council in the minds of most people.

The striking miners at Goldfield, whose places will be filled by non-union men, will have but little sympathy from the people. The strike as a remedy for labor troubles has been discredited. The public—upon whom the burden always falls—is weary.

AS LONG as Michigan declares a nomination on the Republican or any other ticket, equivalent to an election, just that long there will be scandals in public office. The thing for our citizens to do is to quit massing in one party.

The Republican national Convention to be held in Chicago next June promises to be one of the mightiest contests in the history of that party.

AT THE Christmas time it is well to remember that while charity may begin at home, it should not stop there.

No. of Bank 111.

## The Lowell State Bank

At Lowell, Michigan, at the close of Business, December 3, 1907, as Called for by the Commissioner of the Banking Department.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts	\$ 65,333.69
Bonds, mortgages and securities	99,125.32
Premiums paid on bonds	140.00
Overdrafts	212.87
Banking house	4,500.00
Furniture and fixtures	2,000.00
Savings interest	201.88
Items in transit	2,017.50
Due from banks in reserve cities	65,684.46
U. S. and National Bank	
Currency	11,961.00
Gold Coin	3,500.00
Silver Coin	3,337.83
Nickels and cents	55.13
Checks and other cash items	84,798.44
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$200,181.53</b>

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus fund	5,000.00
Commercial deposits	\$ 50,015.48
Savings deposits	127,262.80
Savings certificates	22,908.16
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$200,181.53</b>

State of Michigan, County of Kent, ss. I, D. G. MASON, Ass't. Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

D. G. MASON, Ass't. Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of December, 1907.  
My commission expires April 4th, 1911.  
JESSE TOMSBITT, Notary Public.  
Correct—Attest:  
Charles McCarty, Directors  
Wm. E. Marsh  
Frank T. King

### PARNELL.

Mrs. Frank Doyle of Bowne is visiting her daughter Mrs. James Costello. Miss Lena Malone is visiting her sister, Mrs. Will Hanna in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Ervin Bullis of Grand Rapids is visiting relatives here.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Coran, Friday Dec. 6, a daughter.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. John McCabe, Dec. 5, a son.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. John Kehoe, Nov. 24, a son.

P. Bresnahan has returned from a trip to Chicago.

### BADLY MIXED UP.

Abraham Brown, of Winterton, N. Y., had a very remarkable experience; he says: "Doctors got badly mixed up over me; one said heart disease; two called it kidney trouble; the fourth, blood poison, and the fifth stomach and liver trouble; but none of them helped me; so my wife advised trying Electric Bitters, which are restoring me to perfect health. One bottle did me more good than all the five doctors prescribed." Guaranteed for blood poison, weakness, and all stomach, liver and kidney complaints. by D. J. Look druggist, 50c.

### SOMETHING SHOULD BE DONE

#### What is Causing the Increase of Catarrh in Lowell?

In spite of the best efforts of medical men, catarrhal troubles are increasing not only in Lowell, but all over the country.

Catarrh is a germ disease, and to cure it germ life in the breathing organs should be destroyed, and to do this no other treatment has such positive and beneficial action as Hyomel.

When the mucous membrane is irritated and raw and the tissues weakened, there is an ideal lodging place for catarrhal germs. Breathe Hyomel and see how quickly it soothes the membranes, vitalizes the tissues and destroys all the disease germs, rendering catarrh no longer possible.

There is no dangerous stomach drugging when Hyomel is used; no tablets or liquid mixtures destroying digestion.

Breathed through the neat pocket inhaler that comes with every Hyomel outfit, the healing balsams penetrate to the most remote air cells of the throat, nose and lungs, destroying the catarrhal germs so that quick recovery follows.

M. N. Henry agrees to refund the money to any purchaser who does not find that it does all that is claimed for it. The complete outfit costs but \$1.00.

### MME. QUI VIVE BACK FROM PARIS.

Mme. Qui Vive, who writes entertainingly and chatily on beauty and other feminine topics in THE CHICAGO RECORD-HERALD, has recently returned from Paris, where she went to study beauty as the French see it. It is safe to say that it will take her a year to give her readers all the new ideas she gathered abroad. Feminine readers will be glad to learn that these are to appear from time to time in her well-known department, "The Woman Beautiful," in THE RECORD-HERALD. The immense popularity of Mme. Qui Vive's articles is largely due to the fact that her advice is of real value to women and is given in a delightfully original style. Even mere men are known to read with secret chuckle the piquant epigrams with which she heads her column every morning. Her wholesomeness and remarkable versatility have made her an eagerly looked for visitor in thousands of American homes.

The unique Sunday Magazine of THE RECORD-HERALD in text, illustrations, paper and presswork is a rival of the best independent periodicals. It has the real magazine quality.

Miss Clara Ferris and Mrs. Zella Cogswell were the guests of Lowell friends over Sunday.—[Belding News.

Miss Maude Ellison and Miss Ina Bradford of Keene went to Alma last Saturday where they intend to spend the winter.—[Belding News.

R. Bradish of this city, accompanied by his brother, O. F. Bradish of Greenville, went to Lowell last Tuesday to visit their sister.—[Belding News.

TO RENT—ROOMS IN LEE BLOCK, also a house. Mrs. J. E. Lee. tf

# For a Man's Christmas

You know how difficult it is to pick out the right Christmas present for a man; even if you ask him he can't tell you what he wants.

There's a way to suit him perfectly; buy his Christmas presents in a man's store where men's things are sold; the store where he buys his own stuff when he wants any.

This is the store for it; You'll find us prepared to show you the right things for any man's Christmas. You may be the man yourself.

How would a Hart Schaffner & Marx fine overcoat do? Say at \$18.00 or \$20.00. A little unusual as a holiday gift, but all the better for that, maybe.

A box of Holeproof socks 1/2 doz. \$2.00. Guaranteed for six months without darning —A pair of Fur Driving Gloves \$2.50 to \$5.00.—An Elegant Silk Muffler 50c to \$1.50.—A Sweater Coat \$2.50 to \$4.00.—A Furlined Cap 50c to \$1.50.—Fine New Neckwear just received for Christmas 25c to 50c.—A pair of silk lined dress gloves, Black and Colors. \$1.00 to \$2.00.



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## A. L. COONS



## Williams' Special Watch Sale

IS NOW ON

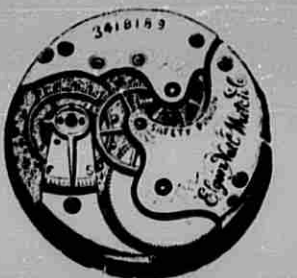
December 2nd to December 31st

Make this a Watch Christmas. Our small prices this month will enable you to give a lasting and an ideal present. IT'S YOUR OPPORTUNITY. Over 100 solid gold and gold filled cases to select from, Elgin, Waltham, Hamilton, Hampden, Illinois, South Bend, Rockford movements in all grades. Our guarantee and best judgment goes with every watch we sell. Don't buy a watch until you see our line. We always consider Quality first and Price second in selling a watch. This sale gives you the Maximum of quality at the Minimum of Price. We have a watch to fit all pocketbooks however slim

Williams THE JEWELER.

Lowell,

Michigan



# CHRISTMAS IS ALMOST HERE

and if you wish to see the most complete line of

## HOLIDAY GOODS

Ever brought to Lowell, just take the time to look over W. S. Winegar's line. Whether you buy or not you are welcome.

Dolls and Games for the Little People, Books and Things for Big Folks

Toilet Articles, Pocket Books, etc. for everybody. Don't forget the 10 cent pictures. They are going fast. Remember the souvenir Post Cards of Lowell. They are fine.

Yours for Business,

## W. S. WINEGAR

## FOUR.... and a Basement LOORS and More

Stocked with everything désirable in

## Household Furniture

Parlor and Bedroom Sets, Lounges, Rockers, Book Cases, Writing Desks, Tables, Stands, Hall Trees, Side Boards, Etc. Etc.

In variety and at prices to suit the most exacting buyer. Those beautiful

## METALIC BED STEADS

are gaining in popularity. They are ornamental and healthful and give an air of refinement to the Chamber. Provided with one OF OUR COMFORTABLE MATTRESSES, they make a desirable outfit. One third of your life is spent in bed, why not in a good one?

## YEITER & WADSWORTH

Lowell, Michigan

Furniture Dealers and Undertakers. Phones in Both Residences and Store.

## Cheap Reading Matter

**LEDGER Clubbing Rates for 1907-8 Present Money Saving Opportunities.**

It has been difficult to arrange our clubbing list this season owing to the fact that many papers have raised their rates and others will do so on account of the rapid increase in price of print paper. We will accept subscriptions at the following rates with the understanding that if an outside paper has raised its price in the mean time the subscriber may choose between paying the advanced or having his money refunded:

Ledger and New York Tribune Farmer.....	\$1.50
Ledger and New York Tribune-a Week Tribune.....	1.75
Ledger and Michigan Farmer.....	1.50
Ledger and Grand Rapids Daily Herald, rural routes only.....	2.50
Ledger and Detroit Twice-a Week Journal.....	1.65
Ledger and Detroit Daily Journal, rural route only.....	3.50
Ledger and Detroit Daily News rural routes only.....	3.50
Ledger and Grand Rapids Daily News.....	2.25
Ledger and Grand Rapids Daily Press, rural routes.....	2.50
Ledger and Success Magazine.....	1.65
"Big Four" Combination—Ledger, Woman's Home Companion, Review of Reviews and Success Magazine, total value \$6.00, our price only.....	3.65
Ledger and American Boy.....	1.65
Ledger and Cosmopolitan Magazine.....	1.65
Ledger and Woman's Home Companion.....	1.65
Ledger and Farm and Fireside (twice a month).....	1.15
Ledger and Chicago Daily Farmers and Drivers Journal.....	4.00
Ledger and Goodalls Farmer 24 page weekly.....	1.15
Ledger and Toledo Weekly Blade.....	1.25
Ledger and American Magazine.....	1.65
Ledger, American Magazine, Review of Reviews, and Woman's Home Companion total value \$6.00 our price only.....	4.00
Great Family Combination—Ledger, American Magazine, Delnetor, World's Work, McClures Magazine, total value \$7.00 our price only.....	4.65

Aside from above combinations, we can make Ledger subscribers special, money-saving prices on almost any newspaper or magazine published.

The clubbing arrangement involves a great deal of labor and expense and is purely a matter of accommodation to our subscribers, paying postage and expense of remittances out of our own pocket. Our only revenue is from our regular subscription price and we must insist that all persons taking advantage of these offers shall pay all arrearages and a year in advance for THE LEDGER. Save this list it may not appear again.

## Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Specialty.

G. G. TOWSLEY, M. D.

Office over McCarthy's store Lowell, Mich.

## Dr. J. P. Draper, V. S.



Treats all diseases of Horses and other Domestic animals.

Calls promptly at tended to day or night.

Office at Residence, Jones house second north of old Lowell Hotel. Phone—144

## Harley

## Maynard

## PLUMBING

And all work in connection with City Water System.

Phone 182

## Peckham's Croup Remedy Guaranteed

under the Pure Food and Drugs Act of June 30, 1906 Serial No. 111. It is the children's medicine for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough. Mothers, get a bottle today, you may need it tonight! 25c. Ask your druggist about it.

## Hoffman & Son, Plumbers & Contractors

Modern bath room outfits a specialty. We install hot water and steam plants, Range Boilers, Stoves, Cistern and Well Pumps, Hydrants, and connect with city water mains, also make sewer connections. We have 30 years experience and guarantee our work. Call and see us before going elsewhere. One door south of Lowell State Bank, Lowell Mich. 423 We do all kinds of repair work.

HOME MEDICAL LIBRARY, 6 books in set, handsomely bound, fresh from press, one set only, for sale at LEDGER office at half-price. A bargain for some one.

## LETTER FROM MONTANA

Former Lowell Man Writes of the Mountains.

Columbia Falls, Mont., Nov. 28, 1907.

Dear Ledger and Friends: I have decided to write a letter on this Thanksgiving morn and let those who are interested know of my whereabouts and occupation etc. When I was in Lowell three or four years ago today I would not think of writing letters, as that important foot ball game held me heart and soul. But now times have changed. Instead of football today, the boys from far and near gather to have what we call a turkey shoot an amusing and good kind of sport. There are fifteen names taken or registered for every target shot at; and the person coming the nearest to the bull's eye or hitting it, becomes the owner of a turkey. These targets are at a distance of fifty and one hundred yards respectively and of about the size of a silver dollar. It costs twenty cents per shot and the person furnishes his own rifle, which is generally a Winchester, Marlin or Savage. He must also have his ammunition. Altogether it is rather expensive sport, but no one seems to hesitate on that account as wages have been extremely high, common work fifty and sixty dollars per month and board. To continue must say we had just such a shoot as I have explained a day or two ago, and there must have been seventy-five or eighty dollars spent shooting at targets, furthermore I had the honor to win the only hundred-yard target shot at, which spelled TURKEY in big letters for me. Today however I do not expect to attend the contest as big flakes of snow are chasing each other to and fro covering earth's surface with winter's first coat. Those grand mountains that I could not leave anymore are hidden entirely.

It was only about a month ago that I made a trip to the summit of the highest one around this locality and I have never begrudged the amount of exertion it took to get there. It was one of those ideal fall days that myself in company with a fellow by name of Birch started from Columbia Falls on bicycle for the base of this mountain. It was a trip of five miles by bicycle, then the remainder of the journey was climb, slip, crawl and a fall now and then as a little excitement. We started our climb through a dense growth of scrubby fir, spruce and larch or tamarack timber, then as we kept our progress up we suddenly emerged into a great strip of dead timber whose skeleton-like forms surely made one feel as if he was away from all civilization. Of course we had to cross the belt and here was where our real work came in. Of course in all dead timber there is plenty of wind-falls and right in this particular place they simply lay like jack-straws and all seemed to lie one way as a some terrible wind had swept them down. We had to crawl on all-fours sometimes, then circle around the many large boulders all the time gaining a little on our object. To understand our task I must inform you that we were going up a very steep incline all the time. Some places were so abrupt that we had to spend some time picking out a safe way up. After steady climbing for five hours and all worn out we arrived at the apex of the mountain nothing to eat, (having devoured the two or three sandwiches we started out with) and no water in sight as the stream we had partly followed up the mountain, had gone dry long before this. We were however rewarded with the sight before us. Flathead Valley lay before us like a well kept garden so level did it appear and the Flathead river resembled a silver ribbon winding in and out through ranches and timber until lost to sight. To the east of us it was a much different sight in this direction it was mountain peak after mountain peak many covered with perpetual snow and where the foot of man never tread. So many shapes and sizes it was almost bewildering, some like castles, others as sharp as church spires and many hundred times higher. To the north it was the same and across the valley to the west were mountains, in the south my view was partly hidden but I could see Flathead Lake. I am afraid I have gone the limit. I just noticed the number of the page. To make a long story short I arrived home late in the evening worn out, clothes torn and having lost my companion on the very summit of the mountain before starting down. Later I found out he reached home all right. I am working in the store here Main Mercantile company. Have a good wife and dear baby girl, with myself in good health, so I have many things to be thankful for. Yours Respectfully, D. M. Langworthy.

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## DOCTOR TO WED NURSE.

IONIA, Mich., Dec. 7.—A marriage license was issued here today to Dr. A. B. Spinyne, who runs the sanitarium at Belding, and Miss Jennie Jackson, formerly of Ionia and daughter of Comfort Jackson, but who has been living at the sanitarium as nurse for some time. Spinyne some years ago got a divorce from his first wife and married his stenographer, who died a year later leaving one child.—[Grand Rapids Herald.

## WEST LOWELL.

Seward Onan has his new barn nearly completed.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stinton has returned from Grand Rapids where she has been visiting relatives.

School opened here last week with Miss Edith Pennington of Aito as teacher.

Arthur Green has a new double buggy.

The Ladies' Aid society of the church of Christ will meet Dec. 19, at the home of Mrs. W. R. Mullen for dinner.

## LOCAL.

Too late for last week.

Ozle Pardee and his party of eight returned from their hunting trip Thursday with sixteen deer.

Mrs. Wayne Pardee of Lowell visited at the homes of James Pardee and Mrs. N. Ford Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. H. Ludlow died at her home at Freepport Nov. 26. The funeral was held Nov. 28, at two o'clock at the United Brethren church of which she was a member. Burial was made in the Freepport cemetery.

Mrs. W. Pardee and Mrs. N. L. Ford and children spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mrs. Ford's son Robert Ford in South Lowell.

Lewis Seese started for Kansas Monday to visit his mother and other friends.

W. Olthouse and family of Freepport were guests at the home of their parents Mr. and Mrs. H. Seese Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. N. L. Ford and children were Sunday guests at the home of their uncle John Ballard at North Bowne.

A number from here attended the sale at Miss Coffman's Saturday.

John Thayer traded his farm for a house and lot at Freepport owned by R. Whitford.

Mrs. A. Erb is on the sick list this week.

Herald and LEDGER "Bargain Days"—Dec. 28, 29, 30 and 31. \$7.55 value for \$3.00.

## CANADIAN HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS via Grand Trunk Railway System

Single Fare, plus \$2.00 for the round trip, to certain Canadian points on all trains December 20, 21, 22 and 23, valid returning to leave destination to and including January 13, 1908. For fares and further information call on your local agent or write to GEO. W. VAUX, A. G. P. & T. A., Chicago, Ill. 3w

## The Double Track Highland of the Grand Trunk Railway System.

Is a desirable route from Michigan to the Middle states and commercial centers of Canada and New England.

Solid, wide, vestibule trains of coaches and sleeping cars to New York, Philadelphia, Buffalo, Toronto Montreal and Boston.

For rates, timetables, etc., call on any Grand Trunk agent or write to GEO. W. VAUX, A. G. P. & T. A., 135 Adams St., Chicago. 1f

## ORDER FOR PUBLICATION.

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 23rd day of November A. D. 1907. Present, Hon. Harry D. Jewell Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of John Woodcock deceased. H. W. Hakes having filed in said court his petition, praying for license to sell the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described.

It is further ordered, That the 23rd day of December A. D. 1907, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, he and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition, and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said court, at said time and place, to show cause why a license to sell the interest of said estate in said real estate should not be granted.

It is further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given 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. (A true copy.)

Roy M. Watkins Harry D. Jewell Register of Probate. Judge of Probate.

## ORDER FOR PUBLICATION.

Walker and Fitzgerald Attorneys for Petitioner.

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 19th day of November A. D. 1907. Present, Hon. Harry D. Jewell, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Alpheus Burch Deceased. Olive Blass having filed in said court her petition, praying for license to sell the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described.

It is ordered, That the 13th day of December A. D. 1907, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition, and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said court, at said time and place, to show cause why a license to sell the interest of said estate in said real estate should not be granted.

It is further ordered, That public notice thereof be given 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. (A true copy.)

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## Notice to Creditors.

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

In the Matter of the estate of John Vandenberg deceased. Notice is hereby given that four months from the 3rd day of December A. D. 1907, have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased to said court, at said time and place, to show cause why 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 3rd day of April A. D. 1908, and that said claims will be heard by said court on Friday the 3rd day of April A. D. 1908, at ten o'clock in the forenoon. Dated December 3, A. D. 1907.

Harry D. Jewell, Judge of Probate.

## Railroad Trains Leaving Lowell.

PERE MARQUETTE. For Saginaw: 7.50 a m, 5.55, p m. For Grand Rapids: \*10.43, a m, \*3.50 p m, 8.45, p m. For Belding: 10 a m, For Freepport. 3.50 p m.

\*Connect at Elmdale for Detroit

GRAND TRUNK.

Time Table in Effect Sept. 29.

East bound: 7.06 a m, 9.49, a m

3.06 p m, 7.15, p m.

West bound: 8.32, a m, 12.16, p m

5.17, p m, 8.37 p m.

No Sunday trains except special excursion as advertised.

A. O. Heydlauff, Agent.

## CALLING CARDS.

Just received 12,000 calling cards, eight different styles in "flannel fabric" and "Puritan plate," in sizes for mesdames, misses, gentlemen and professionals. Can print them in latest designs of script or in old English. Price, 25 for 20c, 50 for 30c, 100 for 50c.

Make your selections at the office of THE LEDGER.

## The Right Kind of Reading Matter

The home news; the doings of the people in this town; the gossip of our own community, that's the first kind of reading matter you want. It is more important, more interesting to you than that given by the paper or magazine from the outside world. It is the first reading matter you should buy. Each issue of this paper gives to you just what you will consider

## The Right Kind of Reading Matter

Going like hot cakes, these

## IDEAL DOOR PLATES!

in Oxidized Copper with your name printed in Gold

## Free to Ledger Subscribers

We have secured a quantity of the Ideal Door Plates in oxidized copper frame and glass fronts, which we will present to our subscribers—while they last—who pay all arrearages and one year in advance and to new subscribers who pay \$1.00 for a year for THE LEDGER. No discrimination, everybody served alike, only first come first served, and continued while the supply holds out. In all cases we

## Print Your Name in Gold

making indeed in name and in fact an "Ideal Door Plate." If you take more than one paper, you can have your friend's name in one and make him a present of the paper and door plate too. Get your subscription and order in now, as they will be printed in order received. As this is a gift pure and simple, the printing will be done as our other and regular business permits, but there will be no long delays. Those who cannot call at the office for their door plates must enclose 3 cts. for postage. Remember—free to LEDGER subscribers—all others must pay 50 cents. If you are already paid in advance, pay another year ahead. The money is only worth 3 or 4 cents a year in the bank while we offer you a valuable prize for the use of it.

## The Lowell Ledger Michigan



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The Final Household Encyclopedia of Medicine, Disease, Sanitation, Hygiene, Physical Culture and Long Life

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Before this physicians have discouraged such works, and rightly. Now that a really standard household medical library is at hand to aid in the work of showing intelligent people how to live vigorously and happily, the best physicians are welcoming it with the highest praise. It is written so that any man, any woman and any household can understand and use it. Associated with Dr. Kenelm Winslow, a former Harvard Professor, in this work, is a notable board of 23 eminent specialists—landmarks in the medical profession.

## EVERYBODY CAN UNDERSTAND and USE IT

Every important illness, small and great, is described as clearly and concisely as possible, and under each disease the reader is instructed what to do, whether to consult a physician, what to do until the physician comes, and what to do if a physician cannot be had. The remedies and treatment resulting from the very latest scientific knowledge are given; all data concerning prescriptions, etc., have been rigorously revised and safeguarded by the most famous specialists.

We are not book publishers and we do not have to make a profit out of this set other than the widened recognition of the REVIEW OF REVIEWS as the magazine most closely up to the times, a magazine that consistently helps in living and thinking. The six handsome volumes would be cheap at ten dollars, and this will be their price when they are put on sale at the book stores.

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REV. W. D. OGG.

New pastor of the Lowell Congregational church. See first page.

LIVINGSTONE-POTTER WEDDINGS.

The marriage of Austin Livingstone of Clarksville, and Miss Jennie M. Potter of Saranac was solemnized this morning, Thursday December 12, at the Lowell Methodist parsonage. Rev. Russell H. Bready officiating. Leone A. Alexander of Lowell acted as best man, and Mrs. Myrtle A. Alexander as bridesmaid. Mr. and Mrs. Livingstone will make their home near Clarksville.

SAVED THEIR LIVES.

Narrow Escape of Geo. Walker's Family Whose Home in South Boston Burned.

George Walker's residence in South Boston burned to the ground with all its contents at six o'clock this morning, the family barely escaping with their lives. There was some insurance.

The fire was discovered by Mr. Mr. Walker's daughter Lena who was awakened by the smoke and looked down the stairway to find the ground floor filled with smoke and flames. Mrs. Walker was slightly burned about the face and neck, otherwise the family escaped without injury. Mr. Walker's father who slept downstairs was roused and helped out through a window. It is not known how the fire started. The house was one of the oldest in the township, having been built about sixty years.

DEATH OF MRS. CHAS. SILCOX.

Mrs. Chas. Silcox, an old pioneer of Bowne township, died Tuesday, November 26, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank McNaughton of Bowne Center. The funeral was held from the M. E. church at Bowne Center, on Friday, November 29, Rev. Richtmeyer conducting the burial services. Mrs. Silcox was 80 years old, and has been a resident of Bowne township for many years. She was a woman of strong character and bright intellect, which won her lasting friendship, and will be greatly missed by her many friends.—[Alto Solo.]

HEARD ABOUT TOWN

Charles Jones is ill. Dr. Keyes, dentist, phone 156. John Yarger was in Lansing Tuesday. Mrs. G. H. Uglow has been ill this week. A. Talbot of Grand Rapids is visiting J. E. Tinkler and family. Dainty boxes of elegant stationery at Henry's drug store. Rev. Bready delivered a lecture at Dewitt Friday night. John Rhodes has gone to Iowa to live with his father. Mrs. C. G. Perry entertains the Sunshine club this afternoon. Remember, call 35 for bus and baggage McQueen & Watters. Orton Hill is making a business trip to Reading, Pa. Clifton Bradish of Cedar Springs spent Sunday with his father here. Toys, dolls and games for the children at Henry's drug store. A. E. Winters of Ada visited at the home of Milo Johnson Thursday. F. P. Hakas just returned from a ten days' trip to New York City. All the staple and best new books at Henry's drug store. Born—at Elmdale, Wednesday, Dec. 11, to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lee, a son. S. A. Ware and family have returned from Stockton, Cal., to their old home in East Lowell. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Parker and family visited in Vergennes over Sunday. Ira Howe of Eagle has been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Carr. Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Pierson of Hadley were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Nicholson over Sunday. Axel Fletcher who has been located at Nampa, Idaho, for some time has gone to LaGrande, Ore. Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Ronan of Grand Rapids visited at the home of Mrs. M. McMahon last week. Competition makes good service, don't forget to call 35 for bus and baggage. Noah Thomas and wife of Bowne visited at the home of Pliney Russel Tuesday.—[Lake Odessa Wave. Frank Byrnes returned to his work in Grand Rapids Monday after visiting his parents near Lowell. Our 25c to 50c and \$1.00 assortment of desirable Christmas gifts makes buying easy at our store. Henry, the druggist. Mrs. Lura Vining expects soon to move Mrs. Sandell's house, and they will have rooms together. The Spartan society will meet with Mrs. S. P. Hicks Wednesday afternoon Dec. 18. The gentlemen are invited to supper, 5 to 7 o'clock. A marriage license has been issued to Jesse Frost of Lowell township and Corlita Wagor of Webster, N. Y. The latest novelties in Christmas post cards at Mrs. White's. Hand work. Select your card, wording and colors. Rev. Bready was called home from Ashley to perform the Livingstone-Potter wedding ceremony and leaves this afternoon for North Star. Mrs. Ralph Nixon and baby of Bancroft are here to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Orton Hill. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Blakeslee of Carson City visited at the home of the former's sister Mrs. Benj. Morse Saturday and Sunday. Miss Bertha Bergin returned to Ypsilanti Saturday having sufficiently recovered from her injury to resume her normal work. Unclaimed letters at Lowell post-office for: E. Wallace, Frank Wilson, Edith Broom, Mrs. Howard Brooks, Ellen Belle Walker, Mrs. J. Welch. Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Helmer and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Potter of Grand Rapids, were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. Orren Green of Keene.—[Saranac Local. The infant son of Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Magdanz died Friday night, having lived but four days, and was buried in Oakwood cemetery Saturday afternoon. Would like to get washings and plain sewing to do at home, second house, south of Marks Ruben's residence, across the road. Mrs. Alfred Tomlinson. Mrs. Hattie Williams of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Jensen and Shelly Monks of Grand Rapids were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Monks instead of Henry Blough as stated last week. George McGee has traded his farm of 240 acres in Vergennes to Charles L. Kelly of Grand Rapids for property in that city and at Elmdale but retains possession until May first. Rev. Russell H. Bready is away this week to deliver four lectures, the first of which was given at Middleton Tuesday evening. This will close his lecture work for this season. John Rhodes was given a farewell party by his young friends at the home of Chris Gehrler Friday evening and in the afternoon was presented with a signet ring by the high school. The Lia Ring company gave a peasing entertainment last evening under the auspices of the Methodist Ladies' Aid society. Mrs. Metzger, Lia Carl, has a beautiful voice and her songs both Italian and English won ready applause. Mrs. Cherryman's impersonations and her rendition of Patay were fine specimens of humor and of pathos and were highly appreciated. Miss Stone, the harpist, was encored repeatedly. One of her responses was "Annie Laurie" which she played very touchingly, captivating her audience.

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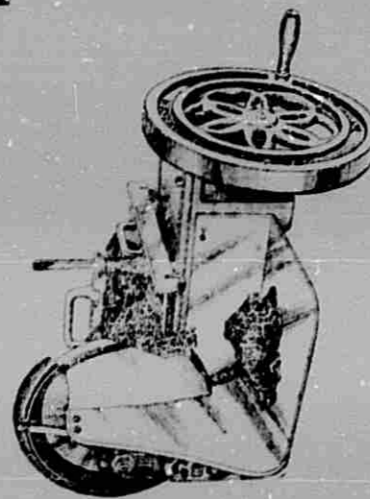
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\$15.00 for Suits and Overcoats that have been selling regularly for \$17-\$18 and \$20. This week only

Furnishings

We have one of the finest lines of furnishings that can be found anywhere and articles that make suitable gifts for Christmas.

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Churches and Societies

METHODIST.

Methodist Episcopal church, 10.30 public worship, and sermon, subject, "Asleep in Church." Sunday school at noon, 7 p. m. evening worship, and address by Rev. A. Fuller, the blind minister. He has been blind for fifty-two years.

Soon after New Years a directory of the supporters of the church will be published. This list will be made up from this year's books, and will also include the supporters of the church who are not members.

The people are still responding with clothing to be distributed for the needy. In certain cases provisions are needed, if you will send pounds of provisions the total will be large enough to make some families happy for Christmas.

SOBRIETIES.

Regular communication Cyclamen chapter No. 94, O. E. S., Friday evening, Dec. 13.

Annual communication Lowell Lodge No. 90, F. and A. M., Tuesday evening, Dec. 17.

CONGREGATIONAL.

Subjects for the coming Sunday at the Congregational church are as follows: Morning: "Salvation—Realization and Identification." Evening: "Why the atonement for sin was provided." The time of our meetings is 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., to which everyone is invited.

Congregational Ladies' Aid society elected the following officers for the coming year at their meeting Monday: President, Mrs. H. J. Coons; vice president, Mrs. Orton Hill; secretary, Mrs. D. G. Look; treasurer, Mrs. Fred McKay.

KEENE M. E. CHURCH.

Bible school at 1:30 Sunday afternoon, church service at 2:30. Sermon by the pastor Rev. G. K. Fairbanks whose subject for next Sunday will be "Our Partial Knowledge."

BAPTIST.

Rev. I. Van Westenbrugge of Grand Rapids will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday. Sunday school at noon. Let there be a good attendance to practice music for Christmas. Last Sunday evening we were pleased to take up our service to attend the Congregational church and welcome the new pastor, Church Clerk.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our neighbors and many friends for their kindness shown us during the sickness and death of our husband and father, and also those who furnished the music and floral tributes. Mrs. Geo. B. Avery and family.

FLYNN-NASH WEDDING.

On Wednesday evening, November 27, '07, occurred the wedding of Miss Ella Flynn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Flynn of Bowne Center to John Nash, Jr., also of Bowne.

The wedding was held at the home of the bride's parents, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Isaac Weaver. They were attended by Miss Olive Holcomb as bridesmaid and Wm. Flynn, brother of the bride, as best man.

Both are popular young Bowne people and their many friends extend congratulations.—[Alto Solo.]

THE LOWELL MARKET REPORT.

Corrected December 12, 1907.

Table with market prices for various goods like Wheat, Oats, Corn, Rye, Bran, Middlings, Corn Meal, Baled hay, Flour, Eggs, Butter, Lard, Beans, Apples, Potatoes, Timothy, Milk, Beef, Veal, Sheep, Lamb, Calves, Pork, Fowls, Hides.

A Sherlock Holmes.

"You are angry, madam." "How do you know? You have just come in." "I met your best friend leaving the house in a new and stunning costume."

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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 dollar sizes are sold by all good druggists.

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#### Umbrellas

All our umbrellas are made with Steel Rods and Paragon Frames. Special prices for Christmas buyers. All styles of Handles. All Grades of Coverings. \$1.00 grades, Special at 80c. \$1.50 grades \$1.15. \$2.00 grades \$1.35. \$2.25 grades \$1.69. \$2.50 grades \$1.89. \$3.00 grades \$2.25. \$3.50 grades \$2.75. \$4.00 grades \$3.15.

#### Waist Patterns

Fancy waistings in Waist Pattern lengths. Light Colors, each neatly tied with Holly ribbons. Special values at 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

#### Rugs as Gifts

A popular Gift at a Reduced Price 27x54, Sanfords' Axminster Rugs the \$2.50 kind \$1.85; 36x60 Smiths, Axminster Rugs. the \$4.50 kind \$3.42 27x54, Royalty Wilton Velvet Rugs the \$2.75 kind \$1.98.

In the suggestions offered in this announcement you will find a number of appropriate articles which are particularly acceptable. In practically all lines we have made special price reductions for the season.

#### Attractive Back Combs at Attractive Prices

In all the newest STYLES a large assortment at 25c. All 50c values 42c 75c values 62c. \$1.00 values 79c \$1.50 values \$1.20 \$2.00 values \$1.69

#### Knit Shawls

Fine Quality All Wool Shawls at Greatly Reduced Prices. Large size, all wool, raised fancy stitches, fancy borders, heavy fringe, Regular \$2.25 values. Special at \$1.75. Good size, fancy stitch, fancy center fringed borders, colors black and white, regular \$1.75 values. Special at \$1.25. All wool, fancy raised stitch, fancy center fringed borders, regular 75c values. Special at 60c.

#### Sofa Pillows

An excellent assortment of sofa pillows—fronts and backs—put in the pillow, sew them up and they are ready for use. At 25c and 50c.

#### Bargains in Ribbons

Three-thousand five-hundred yds. of the finest grades of all silk Taffeta and Satin ribbons in a complete assortment of colors; We offer such price reductions as: 25c values at 18c. 20c values at 15c. 15c values at 12c. 10c values at 7c. 5c values at 3c.

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Hand Bags in all the newest Shapes and Leathers. A very good value in black and brown leathers at 50c. A better Bag in black only, at 75c. Our line at \$1.00 is a most complete one. A very good leather lined bag comes at \$1.00. Very special price reductions on the better grades. \$1.50 values at \$1.25. \$2.50 values at \$1.98. \$3.50 values at \$3.00. \$4.00 values at \$3.50. \$2.00 values at \$1.69.

#### Carpet Sweepers for Christmas Gifts

Very practical gifts. Genuine BISSELL'S CARPET SWEEPERS as low as \$1.95. The American Queen a \$3.50 value. Special at \$2.65. The Grand Rapids, a \$3.00 value. Special at \$2.30.

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Special prices on Bedspreads for Christmas gifts. 72x80, Marseilles patterns, special at 98c. 72x84, Marseilles patterns, special at \$1.25. 72x84, Regular \$2.00 value, special at \$1.69. 76x88, Regular \$2.50 value, special at \$1.98. 80x90, extra heavy weight, marseilles pattern, regular \$3.25 value. Special at \$2.48.

#### COMMON SENSE

Leads most intelligent people to use only medicines of known composition. Therefore it is that Dr. Pierce's medicines, the makers of which print every ingredient entering into them upon the bottle wrappers and attest its correctness under oath, are daily growing in favor. The composition of Dr. Pierce's medicines is open to everybody. Dr. Pierce being desirous of having the search light of investigation turned fully upon his formulae, being confident that the better the composition of these medicines is known the more will their great curative merits be recognized. Being wholly made of the active medicinal principles extracted from native forest roots, by exact processes original with Dr. Pierce, and without the use of a drop of alcohol, triple-refined and chemically pure glycerine being used instead in extracting and preserving the curative virtues residing in the roots employed, these medicines are entirely free from the objection of doing harm by creating an appetite for either alcoholic beverages or habit-forming drugs. Examine the formula on their bottle wrappers—the same as sworn to by Dr. Pierce, and you will find that his "Golden Medical Discovery," the great blood-purifier, stomach tonic and bowel regulator—the medicine which, while not recommended to cure consumption in its advanced stages (no medicine will do that) yet does cure all those catarrhal conditions of head and throat, weak stomach, torpid liver and bronchial troubles, weak lungs and hang-on-coughs, which, if neglected or badly treated lead up to and finally terminate in consumption.

Take the "Golden Medical Discovery" in time and it is not likely to disappoint you if only you give it a thorough and fair trial. Don't expect miracles. It won't do supernatural things. You must exercise your patience and persevere in its use for a reasonable length of time to get its full benefits. The ingredients of which Dr. Pierce's medicines are composed have the unqualified endorsement of scores of medical leaders—better than any amount of lay, or non-professional, testimonials. They are not given away to be experimented with but are sold by all dealers in medicines at reasonable prices.

#### BOWNE.

Mrs. J. S. Thomas returned last week from Lansing and will remain at home until after the holidays. J. S. Thomas accompanied his wife. He has been with his son-in-law Guy Smith and family near Freepport the past year.

Mrs. Geo. Markley was taken quite ill Tuesday but is better now.

Mrs. D. A. Sinclair of Harris Creek is visiting her daughter Mrs. Corwin Porritt and family.

Mrs. Robt. Johnson was in Grand Rapids Friday and Saturday.

Percy Boulard and family of Grand Rapids spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. Boulard's parents Lewis Boulard and wife.

William Stauffer and wife attended the funeral of the former's sister-in-law at Caledonia Sunday.

Oren Johnson, an old resident of Bowne, died at his home east of Freepport Saturday morning Dec. 7, 1907. Interment was made at Freepport cemetery, Monday afternoon.

James Nash and wife of North Dakota are visiting relatives and friends at Bowne Center.

A reception was given John Nash Jr. and his bride formerly Miss Ella Flynn, at the home of his parents John Nash and wife when fifty of their friends from Alto and Bowne gave them a granite shower and other valuable gifts.

The Ladies' Aid society held their meeting with Mrs. J. S. Thomas Wednesday all day. Receipts were over \$7.00.

The men of the M. E. church met Wednesday afternoon and put in some extra hitching posts and a railing for the conveniences of anybody attending church.

A colored evangelist from Quincy, Hillsdale county, is holding revival meetings at this place. He is a fine speaker. Come and hear him.

A. J. Porritt was in the valley city Saturday.

Sunday visitors at the home of E. F. Benton were Minor Shoop and wife of Carlton, Lewis Skinner, wife and son, of North Irving.

Rev. Richtmyer and Evangelist George Jackson were in Grand Rapids Monday.

#### KEENE CENTER.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Reed and son and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Reed have been visiting relatives at Beaverton.

Proceeds of the annual meeting and dinner of the Keene Ladies' Aid society at Grange hall December 4; Dinner, \$15.31; mite boxes, \$37.35.

Mrs. Dorothy Carr spent a few days with her cousins in Grand Rapids last week.

Mrs. T. Daniels is spending a few days with her daughter Mrs. Mark Brown at Otisco.

B. F. Wilkinson was called to St. Johns on legal business Tuesday.

Mrs. Jennie Strong and Mrs. Orabel Choate spent Friday with Mrs. Ed. Kennedy.

Mrs. Mary Carr returned Monday to her home at Lowell after spending a few weeks with Keene relatives.

Mrs. Ed. Cave has been entertaining her mother Mrs. Hummel and two brothers from Lake Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Alts Titus visited the latter's brother Erven Ridgway near Saranac Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Lee were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bowen and Herbert Bowen near White's bridge Sunday.

Mrs. Morgan Titus spent Thursday and Friday of last week at Lowell, at the home of Newell Raymond whose daughter Nina is ill.

The pastor's subject for next Sunday's sermon will be: "Our Partial Knowledge." Sunday school at 1:30, church service at 2:30.

The children of Keene No. 8 will have a Christmas tree and give a program at the Keene church Friday evening Dec. 20 at eight o'clock. A collection will be taken to defray the expenses of the evening. Everybody is invited. The program will be as follows: "Jolly Student"—song by the school; "The Earthquake," recitation—Willie Daller; "Winter Jewels"—Leola Cave; Eskimo song—two girls; Fairy drill—six girls in costume; "Merry Christmas Belle"—song by

#### Used by Millions



school; "A Scene in Ticket Office"—dialogue by school; "A Secret With Santa," recitation—Charles Davonport; Japanese song and drill—four girls in costume; "A Boy's Complaint," recitation—Lee Lampkin; "Night Express"—song by school.

#### ADA.

Rev. I. B. Lille of Freepport, a former pastor here, is expected to preach in the congregational church Sunday Dec. 15.

William Sebanek was home over Sunday.

John Palmer of Chicago was here several days last week, looking after his property, as burglars had broken into the house and taken a quantity of goods.

Mr. and Mrs. James Malona have moved into the John Lester house.

Mrs. Laura Turabal's farm implements will be sold by auction today.

#### RECORDS.

Mrs. Jay Ellis entertained friends from Saginaw last week.

Miss Mary Fuller had a telephone placed in her home last Monday.

Mrs. J. McLeod spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Joe McLeod at Saranac.

Charles Oatman of Lewisville called on Mr. Pattison Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Vanderlip and little grandson of Alto spent Sunday at the home of Walter Clark and family.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Dean and Elmer Dean are attending State Grange at Saginaw this week.

Messrs. Frank Clark and Herman Vanderstolp were in Grand Rapids Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Clark of Morse Lake spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Campbell.

Mrs. D. G. Wood returned from Grand Rapids Saturday evening, after spending the past three weeks with Mrs. Dan Wood, accompanied by her daughter Mrs. Edward Chapple and little son.

Sylvanus Knickerbocker of Alto is doing papering and plastering for J. McLeod.

Mrs. Dr. Haskin is convalescing.

Miss Mattie Patterson entertained at dinner Sunday at her home "Pleasant Ridge" in honor of Mrs. Archibald Wood's twenty-first birthday anniversary. Dinner was served at two o'clock, covers being laid for eight, after which all repaired to the parlor where they listened to several piano selections.

Herald "Bargain Days" December 28, 29, 30 and 31, making the following remarkable offer to the reading public:

- One year of The Grand Rapids Herald.....\$3.00
  - One year of The National Home Journal..... 1.00
  - One year of The Dressmaking at Home..... 1.00
  - One year of Spare Moments..... .50
  - One year of The Mother's Magazine..... .50
  - Three months of The Cosmopolitan Magazine..... .30
  - One year of The Farm News..... .25
  - One year of The Lowell Ledger..... 1.00
- This is a total value of \$7.55 and is offered to the citizens of Lowell on December 28, 29, 30 and 31 for Three Dollars. Send your money on one of these "Bargain Days" to the office of the Lowell Ledger for the entire combination of six great national magazines, one great daily newspaper and your home weekly.

# The Quality Store Marks Ruben Lowest in Price

## OUR COUNTRY COUSINS

**NAPT LOWELL.**  
Raymond Jones went to Greenville Tuesday to work.  
Homer Hubbel of Grand Rapids and Miss Anna Sparks of Ionia spent Tuesday at the home of J. N. Hubbel.  
Gibson Jones left yesterday for a visit at Greenville and other places.  
A number from here attended a sale near Clarkville yesterday.  
Mrs. John Carey and Mrs. S. Y. Carey entertained Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Conkito and daughter Carrie and Philip Jones Tuesday in honor of Mrs. Conkito's birthday.

**SOUTH LOWELL.**  
Frank Willet is spending this week with relatives at Stanton.  
Mrs. Hufford of Manstee is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Pettit.  
J. C. Merriman of Sanilac county visited relatives in this vicinity last week.  
A. Hood is on the sick list.  
Mr. Howe visited at the home of F. O'Harrow Tuesday.

The New England supper was a great success. Mrs. S. Pettit received the quilt. Proceeds from the quilt and supper were \$53.35.  
E. P. Sweet has nearly lost his sight from the cataracts growing over his eyes. He expects to go soon to have an operation to have them removed.

**Sleepy Hollow-Bowne.**  
Mrs. Lucy Sinclair spent Sunday with her daughter Mrs. Corwin Porritt.  
Nick Myers of Grand Rapids visited James Barnes Wednesday and Thursday and went hunting.  
Miss Edna Heler is on the sick list. Miss Addie Sinclair was home last week slightly ill.  
James Porritt spent Sunday with Alvin Bergy.  
Mr. Engege has returned to Six Lakes after spending a week with his sister Mrs. Isaac Silcox.  
Charles McCarthy and wife of Grand Rapids spent last week with the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. John McCarthy.  
Mrs. Catherine Devine of Caledonia visited Mrs. Catherine Gougherty Saturday.

**MORSE LAKE.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hilton and son Paul of Grand Rapids spent Thursday with their parents Mr.

and Mrs. Charles Winks.  
Eddie Ballard of North Bowne spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of his aunt Mrs. Nina Hartley and attended church at Morse Lake Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blakeslee were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clark and daughter Esther and Bert and Hazel Kinyon.  
Freeman Whitmeyer is husking corn for Alexander Ogilvie.  
Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Hartley attended the wood bee at Mrs. Nellie Ford's home at Logan last Thursday.  
Silas Toby of Freesoll, Mason county, Michigan visited at the home of his cousin Chas. Winks last week. He worked for the Huated brothers in the nursery on the farm now owned by Chas. Winks thirty-eight years ago.  
Willie Ballard spent Sunday at the home of his aunt Mrs. Nina Hartley.  
Mr. and Mrs. Mark Cobb and children of Bowne spent Sunday at the home of S. J. Skelding.  
Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Yetter and children attended a reception at Freepport last Wednesday given in honor of Mrs. Yetter's brother Guy Reuter whose marriage occurred recently.

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# The Wings of the Morning

By LOUIS TRACY  
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## Synopsis.

CHAPTER I—The Sirdar, having among her passengers Iris Deane, daughter of the owner of the ship, and Robert Jenks, who is working as a waiter, is wrecked. II—All are lost save Miss Deane and Jenks, who are cast ashore on an islet in the Pacific. III—Jenks recovers stores and weapons from the wrecked vessel. He finds the skeleton of a European on the island. IV—A cave on the island is fitted up as a habitation. A chart of the island, mysteriously marked, is found on the skeleton. V—Jenks finds a hollow filled with human skeletons, the remains of a hunting party. He is rescued from an octopus by Iris while recovering rifles from the wreck of the Sirdar. VI—Jenks tells Iris that his real name is Anstruther and that, through the machinations of Lord Ventnor, he has been unjustly dismissed in disgrace from the English army. Lord Ventnor has been mentioned on the Sirdar as affianced to Iris.

## CHAPTER 6 (continued)

Had she seen the look of fierce despair that settled down upon Jenks' face as he turned to his task of guiding the raft ashore she might have wondered what it meant. In any case she would certainly have behaved differently.

By the time the sailor had safely landed his cargo Iris had cooked their midday meal. She achieved a fresh culinary triumph. The eggs were fried. "I am seriously thinking of trying to boil a ham," she stated gravely. "Have you any idea how long it takes to cook one properly?"

"A quarter of an hour for each pound."

"Admirable! But we can measure neither hours nor pounds."

"I think we can do both. I will construct a balance of some kind. Then, with a ham hung to one end and a rifle and some cartridges to the other, I will tell you the weight of the ham to an ounce. To ascertain the time I have already determined to fashion a sundial. I remember the requisite divisions with reasonable accuracy, and a little observation will enable us to correct any mistakes."

"You are really very clever, Mr. Jenks," said Iris, with childlike candor. "Have you spent several years of your life in preparing for residence on a desert island?"

"Something of the sort. I have led a queer kind of existence, full of useless purposes. Fate has driven me in to a corner where my odds and ends of knowledge are actually valuable. Such accidents make men millionaires."

"Useless purposes!" she repeated. "I can hardly credit that. One uses such a phrase to describe fussy people, alive with foolish activity. Your worst enemy would not place you in such a category."

"My worst enemy made the phrase effective at any rate, Miss Deane."

"You mean that he ruined your career?"

"Well, er—yes. I suppose that describes the position with fair accuracy."

"Was he a very great scoundrel?"

"He was and is."

Jenks spoke with quiet bitterness. The girl's words had evoked a sudden flood of recollection. For the moment he did not notice how he had been trapped into speaking of himself, nor did he see the quiet content on Iris' face when she elicited the information that his chief foe was a man. A certain tremulous hesitancy in her manner when she next spoke might have warned him, but his hungry soul caught only the warm sympathy of her words, which fell like rain on parched soil.

"You are tired," she said. "Won't you smoke for a little while and talk to me?"

He produced his pipe and tobacco.

"That is a first rate pipe!" she declared. "My father always said that a straight stem, with the bowl at a right angle, was the correct shape. You evidently agree with him."

"Absolutely."

"You will like my father when you meet him. He is the very best man alive, I am sure."

"You two are great friends, then?"

"Great friends! He is the only friend I possess in the world."

"What! Is that quite accurate?"

"Oh, quite. Of course, Mr. Jenks, I can never forget how much I owe to you. I like you immensely, too, although you are so—so gruff to me at times. But—but—you see, my father and I have always been together. I have neither brother nor sister, not even a cousin. My dear mother died from some horrid fever when I was quite a little girl. My father is everything to me."

"Dear child!" he murmured, apparently uttering his thoughts aloud rather than addressing her directly. "So you find me gruff, eh?"

"A regular bear when you lecture me. But that is only occasionally. You can be very nice when you like, when you forget your past troubles. And pray, why do you call me a child?"

"Have I done so?"

"Not a moment ago. How old are you, Mr. Jenks? I am twenty—twenty last December."

"And I," he said, "will be twenty-

eight in August."

"Good gracious!" she gasped. "I am very sorry, but I really thought you were forty at least."

"I look it, no doubt. Let me be equally candid and admit that you, too, show your age markedly."

She smiled nervously. "What a lot of trouble you must have had to—to give you those little wrinkles in the corners of your mouth and eyes," she said.

"Wrinkles! How terrible!"

"I don't know. I think they rather suit you. Besides, it was stupid of me to imagine you were so old. I suppose exposure to the sun creates wrinkles, and you must have lived much in the open air."

"Early rising and late going to bed are bad for the complexion," he declared solemnly.

"I often wonder how army officers manage to exist," she said. "They never seem to get enough sleep, in the east at any rate."

"So you assume I have been in the army?"

"I am quite sure of it."

"May I ask why?"

"Your manner, your voice, your quiet air of authority, the very way you walk, all betray you."

"Then," he said sadly, "I will not attempt to deny the fact. I held a commission in the Indian staff corps for nine years. It was a hobby of mine. Miss Deane, to make myself acquainted with the best means of victualing my men and keeping them in good health under all sorts of fanciful conditions and in every kind of climate, especially under circumstances when ordinary stores were not available. With that object in view I read up every possible country in which my regiment might be engaged, learned the local names of common articles of food and ascertained particularly what provision nature made to sustain life. The study interested me. Once, during the Sudan campaign, it was really useful and procured me promotion."

"Tell me about it."

"During some operations in the desert it was necessary for my troop to follow up a small party of rebels mounted on camels, which, as you probably know, can go without water much longer than horses. We were almost with- in striking distance when our horses completely gave out, but I luckily noticed indications which showed that there was water beneath a portion of the plain much below the general level. Half an hour's spade work proved that I was right. We took up the pursuit again and ran the quarry to earth, and I got my captaincy."

"Was there no fight?"

He paused an appreciable time before replying. Then he evidently made up his mind to perform some disagreeable task. The watching girl could see the change in his face, the sharp transition from eager interest to angry resentment.

"Yes," he went on at last, "there was a fight. It was a rather stiff affair, because a troop of British cavalry which should have supported me had turned back owing to the want of water already mentioned. But that did not save the officer in charge of the 'Twenty-fourth lancers' from being severely reprimanded."

"The Twenty-fourth lancers?" cried Iris. "Lord Ventnor's regiment?"

"Lord Ventnor was the officer in question."

Her face crimsoned. "Then you know him?" she said.

"I do."

"Is he your enemy?"

"Yes."

"And that is why you were so agitated that last day on the Sirdar, when poor Lady Tozer asked me if I were engaged to him?"

"Yes."

"How could it affect you? You did not even know my name then?"

"It affected me because the sudden mention of his name recalled my own disgrace. I quitted the army six months ago, Miss Deane, under very painful circumstances. A general court martial found me guilty of conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman. I was not even given a chance to resign. I was cashiered."

He pretended to speak with cool tranquility. He thought to compel her into shrinking contempt. Yet his face blanched somewhat, and, though he steadily kept the pipe between his teeth and smoked with studied unconcern, his lips twitched a little.

And he dared not look at her, for the girl's wondering eyes were fixed upon him, and the blush had disappeared as quickly as it came.

"I remember something of this," she said slowly, never once averting her gaze. "There was some gossip concerning it when I first came to Hong Kong. You are Captain Robert Anstruther?"

"I am."

"And you publicly thrashed Lord Ventnor as the result of a quarrel about a woman?"

"Your recollection is quite accurate."

"Who was to blame?"

"The lady said that I was."

"Was it true?"

Robert Anstruther, late captain of Bengal cavalry, rose to his feet. He preferred to take his punishment standing.

"The court martial agreed with her, Miss Deane, and I am a prejudiced witness," he replied.

"Who was the lady?"

"The wife of my colonel, Mrs. Costobell."

"Oh!"

Long afterward he remembered the agony of that moment and winced even at the remembrance. But he had decided upon a fixed policy, and he was not a man to flinch from consequences. Miss Deane must be taught to despise him, else—God help them both—she might learn to love him as he now loved her. So, blundering toward his goal, as men always blunder where a woman's heart is concerned, he blindly persisted in allowing her to make such false deductions as she chose from his words.

Iris was the first to regain some measure of self control.

"I am glad you have been so candid, Captain Anstruther," she commenced, but he broke in abruptly:

"Jenks, if you please, Miss Deane; Robert Jenks."

"Certainly, Mr. Jenks. Let me be equally explicit before we quit the subject. I have met Mrs. Costobell. I do not like her. I consider her a deceitful woman. Your court martial might have found a different verdict had its members been of her sex. As for Lord Ventnor, he is nothing to me. It is true he asked my father to be permitted to pay his addresses to me, but my dear old dad left the matter wholly to my decision, and I certainly never gave Lord Ventnor any encouragement. I believe now that Mrs. Costobell lied and that Lord Ventnor lied when they attributed any dishonorable action to you, and I am glad that you beat him in the club. I am quite sure he deserved it."

Not one word did this strange man vouchsafe in reply. He started violently, seized the ax lying at his feet and went straight among the trees, keeping his face turned from Iris so that she might not see the tears in his eyes.

As for the girl, she began to scour her cooking utensils with much energy and soon commenced a song. Considering that she was compelled to constantly endure the company of a degraded officer, who had been expelled from the service with ignominy, she was absurdly contented. Indeed, with the happy inconsequence of youth, she quickly threw all care to the winds and devoted her thoughts to planning a surprise for the next day by preparing some tea, provided she could surreptitiously open the chest.

## CHAPTER VII.

BEFORE night closed their third day on the island Jenks managed to construct a roomy tent house, with a framework of sturdy trees selected on account of their location. To these he nailed or tied crossbeams of felled saplings, and the tarpaulins dragged from the beach supplied roof and walls. It required

the united strength of Iris and himself to haul into position the heavy sheet that topped the structure, while he was compelled to desist from active building operations in order to fashion a rough ladder. Without some such contrivance he could not get the top-most supports adjusted at a sufficient height.

Although the edifice required at least two more days of hard work before it would be fit for habitation Iris wished to take up her quarters there immediately. This the sailor would not hear of.

"In the cave," he said, "you are absolutely sheltered from all the winds that blow or rain that falls. Our villa, however, is painfully leaky and drafty at present. When asleep, the whole body is relaxed, and you are then most open to the attacks of cold or fever, in which case, Miss Deane, I shall be reluctantly obliged to dose you with a concoction of that tree there."

He pointed to a neighboring cinchona, and Iris naturally asked why he selected that particular brand.

"Because it is quinine, not made up in nice little tablets, but as nature. It will not be a bad plan if we prepare a strong infusion and take a small quantity every morning on the excellent principle that prevention is better than cure."

The girl laughed.

Curiously enough, the lifting of the veil upon the man's earlier history made these two much better friends. With more complete acquaintance

there was far less tendency toward certain passages which under ordinary conditions could be construed as nothing else than downright flirtation. Thenceforth for ten days they labored unceasingly, starting work at daybreak and stopping only when the light failed, finding the long hours of sunshine all too short for the manifold tasks demanded of them, yet thankful that the night brought rest. The sailor made out a programme to which he rigidly adhered. In the first place, he completed the house, which had two compartments—an inner room, in which Iris slept, and an outer, which served as a shelter for their meals and provided a bedroom for the man.

(To be continued)

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Yours sincerely,  
The LEDGER.

### GRATTAN CENTER.

Luther Elkins arrived home from Ann Arbor last evening.  
C. M. Slayton and wife celebrated their golden wedding Friday. There was a large company present and all enjoyed a splendid dinner and a good time. The company presented Mr. and Mrs. Slayton each with a fine rocker. Their son who lives in Detroit sent them a five-dollar gold piece as a souvenir of their golden wedding.  
Mrs. Fannie Brooks entertained friends from Belding Sunday.  
Miss Lena Rhodes took an overdose of medicine Saturday night which nearly caused her death. Dr. Spencer was called and revived her. Her mother was called home from Grand Rapids.

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### LOWELL DISTRICT NO. 2.

John Engle is so far improved as to be able to be out.  
Mrs. John Andrews and little son James Lee of Grand Rapids visited at the home of J. C. Andrews from Friday until Monday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Myron Quay of East Lowell have moved onto the Porter farm recently vacated by Wilson Washburn.  
Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Shear and Mrs. R. H. McCaul of Lowell were Sunday guests of W. Washburn and family.  
Mrs. A. L. Pant is suffering with rheumatism.  
Miss Anna Evans was home from her school near Grand Rapids over Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Carter of Lowell visited Mrs. L. A. Carter one day last week.  
Oren Evans was in Grand Rapids Monday.  
Miss Ina Davids was home from Grand Rapids over Sunday.  
Mrs. Oliver Simpson entertained her brother Mr. Rittenger of Chicago last week.

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### FALLSBURG.

Carl Colvin of Cedar Springs is visiting his grandmother Mrs. Emma Beckwith.  
Mesdames Norton and Matice of Grattan visited their brother James Stanton last Thursday and Friday.  
Frank Beckwith is in Grand Rapids serving on the jury and DeWitt Stanton is attending to his farm work here.  
A number from here attended the dance at the home of Elmer Richmond in Vergennes Friday night.  
Mr. Burglusk of Saranac came Sunday for a visit at the home of Wallace Halsted.  
Louise Bieri who has been working in Keene and Freda Bieri of Lowell are at home for the present.  
David Garfield who lives at the plant visited at the home of W. Haisted Monday.

### LOGAN.

Mrs. A. Erb is in very poor health. Ray Seese has been detained from school by sickness the past week.  
George Needham of Grattan has been a guest at the home of his daughter Mrs. N. Ford a few days the past week.  
Mrs. Edwin Pottruff of Lowell visited at the home of her mother Mrs. N. Ford from Tuesday until Friday.  
Mr. and Mrs. E. Stahl and daughter Florence were at Lowell Saturday.

The lady friends of Mrs. N. Ford gave her a surprise Friday and a very enjoyable time was spent.  
Special meetings began at Bowne Center Dec. 5. A colored evangelist is present.

Robert Ford and Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hartley of South Lowell and Edward and Wm. Ballard and sister Helen of North Bowne came and helped Mrs. N. Ford with a wood bee Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Seese and daughter Thirza spent Sunday at the home of W. Olthouse at Freeport.  
Mr. and Mrs. H. Seese and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Blough were at Lowell Saturday.

Edwin Heintzelman of Isabella county visited his daughter Mrs. Itay Parkenson Sunday.

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### Lowell Center.

Luther McConnell is still very ill.  
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blakeslee visited the latter's father and mother in South Boston Sunday.  
Carl Havens entertained his friend Lew Madison Sunday.  
Mrs. A. H. Lawrence of Belding is making an extended visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Alex Ogilvie.  
David McConnell is entertaining his brother Dr. Thos. McConnell of Chicago.  
Mrs. M. H. Lawrence of Greenville is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Alex Ogilvie.  
Mrs. L. H. Merriman is recovering from a short illness.  
Miss Letha Blakeslee has been spending several days with Miss Hazel Kinyon and was joined by her brother Philo who spent a day there.  
Mr. and Mrs. James Holmes recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jay in West Lowell.

Fred Tillyer of West Lowell called on Luther McConnell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Slamma visited friends near Logan Sunday.  
Lew Yelter has bought a span of horses.

### SEELY CORNERS.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Burras entertained their son-in-law Elmer Paine of Great Falls, Montana, and their son Fred a few days last week.  
Sherman Reynolds has purchased a new buggy.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Vanderstolp of Morse Lake spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Seely.

The Snow Sunday school is preparing a fine Christmas program.  
Mrs. Cella Ollman and little daughter Viola left Saturday for an indefinite visit with relatives in Chicago.

Mr. Vanerka and family have moved to their new home recently purchased of Charles Kotek.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Blakeslee of Lowell spent a couple of days of last week with their daughter Mrs. S. F. Seely.

Henry Hesche has bought a new driving horse.

Miss Winnie Osborn is assisting Mrs. Herman Vanderstolp of Morse Lake with her household duties.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hesche attended the United Brethren Ladies Aid society meeting at West Lowell held at the home of Mrs. Seward Onan.

The neighbors and friends of Chas. Kotek met at the Grange hall Friday evening to give him a parting handshake and their best wishes for his future success ere his departure for his former home in Chicago.

Mr. Oatman has sold his team to Edward Stauffer of Grand Rapids

**PRATT LAKE—SOUTH BOSTON.**  
There will be baptismal services at the M. E. church next Sunday conducted by the pastor Rev. Braund.  
T. H. and J. T. Parsons expect to go to Tennessee next week to look at land.

Miss Mae Chase of this place was married to Verne Rowley of Keene at Ionia by Rev. Cogswell Saturday Nov. 30. We extend heartfelt congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Glasgow and baby of Bowse spent Sunday at the home of M. C. Kellar.

The second number of the lecture course will be an entertainment given Friday evening of this week by Mrs. Osceola Poller of Fairplains, reader, who presented "If I Were King" last year and was well liked by people here.

Mrs. F. W. Morton entertained Mesdames J. C. West and H. S. West of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Gibbs of Sodus, N. Y., over Sunday, the last two being on their way to California to spend the winter.

Mrs. and Mrs. P. C. Freeman left Tuesday morning for the State Grange to be held at Sagnaw.

A. V. Wright has returned from Tacoma, Wash., and will remain in Michigan for a while.

The M. E. Sunday school is invited to join in the Christmas tree and exercises at the Congregational church.

### CASCADE.

Evangelist Wheeler late of New York is here conducting revival meetings at the Church of Christ in this

village. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Mrs. Wm. Bevins of Hart has been visiting old friends and relatives in Cascade and Grand Rapids. She was formerly Miss Grace Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Niles visited the latter's father C. M. Denison at Ada Dec. 2.

Miss Mamie Hendricks and Leonard VanStee spent Thanksgiving day with Mrs. P. S. Kennedy and family at Whitneyville.

Mrs. A. S. Davis of 25 Henry street, Grand Rapids, visited Mrs. C. M. Denison at Ada last week and the latter accompanied her to the city where she visited her daughters and her friend Mrs. Thompson over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott J. Thompson have moved into their new home at 94 Terrace avenue, Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Denison of Ada and Mrs. Davis of Grand Rapids dined with Mrs. Emily Murray and called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Westbrook last Thursday.

Thomas Nippres has had a telephone placed in his home.

Rev. J. G. Wilson filled Rev. Wheeler's pulpit at DuPlain Sunday.

Mrs. Chauncey Patterson is recovering from a severe attack of pneumonia.

Rev. J. G. Wilson attended a church rally at Ionia Saturday.

T. Nippres and family entertained Mr. and Mrs. Charles Matson and son Jay of Grand Rapids Thanksgiving week.

### VERGENNES STATION.

The annual meeting of the Christian church will be held at the church

Saturday afternoon Dec. 21 at two o'clock for the election of officers and trustees and for any other business that may come up. Carrie Porter, clerk.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Herrington went to Cannonsburg last Thursday.

Miss May Rice, our school teacher, is seriously ill at the home of Wm. Condon. Her mother Mrs. Nellie Rice and sister Alice of Grand Rapids are with her.

Erwin Wade is home again from the hospital in Grand Rapids, very much improved.

Mrs. L. Moan and son returned to their home in Lansing last week after a visit with the former's sister-in-law Mrs. Wm. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson visited at Belding Monday of last week.

Harold Buchanan of Lowell spent Sunday with his father at the home of Charles Wilson.

Mike McAndrews and Chris Kropp were in Ionia Friday.

The graveling of the roads here and at Moseley is about finished.

The Crusade meetings will be continued another week. There have been a number of conversions.

Frank White of Lowell spent Sunday with his sister Mrs. W. Purdy. Capt. Haytt attended prayer meeting at Lowell last Thursday.

Miss Ella Gross of Hastings is visiting her aunt Mrs. H. D. Weeks.

Manly Jones of Grand Rapids was here on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Frost moved to Smyrna last week.

E. Ring went to Grand Rapids Tuesday morning.



## Make This a Sensible Christmas

Our store is full of beautiful articles that will make useful and pleasing Holiday Gifts. The following are but hints of the great variety of up-to-date gifts in all our many lines that await your inspection and pleasure:

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Christmas Bells and Carpet Sweepers. Big bargains in Fancy Towels.

Buy early and avoid the rush of the last few days before Christmas, also have the advantage of early selections. We will lay your bundles by for you to call for later if you wish. No trouble to show goods.

# E. R. COLLAR

# SERIAL STORY

## Mr. Barnes, American

By Archibald Clavering Gunter  
A Sequel to Mr. Barnes of New York

Author of "Mr. Barnes of New York," "Mr. Potter of Texas," "That Frenchman," Etc.

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### SYNOPSIS.

Barnes, a wealthy American touring Europe, rescues the young English lieutenant, Edward Gerard Anstruther, and his Corsican bride, Marina, daughter of the Pacific from the murderous vendetta, understanding that his reward is to be the hand of the girl he loves, Enid Anstruther, sister of the English lieutenant. The four fly from Atlantic to Marseilles on board the French steamer Constantine. The vendetta pursues and as the quartet are about to board the train for London at Marseilles, Marina is handed a mysterious note which causes her to collapse and necessitates a postponement of the journey. Barnes gets part of the mysterious note and receives letters which inform him that he is marked by the vendetta. He manages an American detective and plans to beat the vendetta at their own game. For the purpose of securing the safety of the women Barnes arranges to have Lady Chartris lease a scullid villa at Nice to which the party is to be taken in a yacht. Captain Anstruther, Marina's father, is believed to be Giorgio Danella, a man passing the house and Marina is thought to have given him a sign. Marina refuses to explain to Barnes which fact adds to his later suspicions. Barnes plans for the safety of the party and returns to the Corsicans. The Corsicans, serving their party to the local landing is followed by two men. One of the persons is supposed to be Giorgio Danella. They try to murder the Americans. The cook on the yacht, a Frenchman, is suspected of complicity in the plot. The party anchors at St. Tropez. The yacht is followed by a small boat. The cook is detected giving signals to the boat. Barnes attempts to throw him overboard, but is prevented by Marina and Enid.

### CHAPTER VI.—Continued.

"And why, to-night, against the regulations of my vessels," adds Anstruther, "he kept this galley five unlighted so that the light shining through his open porthole indicates to the felucca what craft it is to pursue."

Marina puts these questions to the cook and translates the following answer: "The fire was necessary. After 4 pm on shore to get it, I sent a telegram, as I promised, to Monsieur Duprez, who had come to me in Marseilles and said: 'Bring on the Seagull. The Cafe Vefour will want you as soon as their grand chef Meudon goes to Paris. To engage you, they must know where you are. To miss your services would be a blow for the great restaurant. So they can communicate with you, telegraph me immediately on landing from each port the yacht stops, that they can get you the instant Meudon leaves.' He gave me money for this. Therefore the moment I am on shore, I telegraph simply: 'St. Tropez, I am here, Lebeouf.' Soon I received a return message: 'Hold the yacht three hours.' I have vegetables to buy, also flowers. That takes time, after the market is closed, I don't hurry. What matters if a pleasure yacht leaves a little later? From Marseilles I receive no further answer. The chef of the yefour has not yet gone, so I come on board. This night, the morning watch went coffee. Monsieur Graham says give it to them, so I leave my fire unbanked. It was very hot; I open the porthole of my galley. That's all. Voila, what I have done is simply business. I am a great cook. The Cafe Vefour wishes to engage me; that is all."

"Aha," cries Enid generously: "you see the chef simply expected to get a good position in the kitchen of a leading Marseilles restaurant."

Listening to this, Edwin and Barnes go into consultation. Probably the memory of his magnificent cuisine makes them tent to the artist. "I believe the little beggar is innocent," says the sailor.

"Simply a matter of vanity," remarks Burton. "He thought they wanted him very much for the Cafe Vefour."

"If we don't put the little chap on shore, we must trust him," remarks the American. "Then he says briefly to Marina: 'Please show Lebeouf what danger he has placed upon us by his telegram.'"

And this being explained to him by the beautiful women, both fair ones almost speaking together, Lebeouf begins to comprehend the plot against even their lives, the little Frenchman breaks out excitedly and gallantly in a mixture of polyglot: "Mille, ten merces, murder you, angels of mercy? Nevalre! I, Felix Lebeouf, will defend you both with my life!" He seizes and kisses their hands. "Zeze assassins shall answer to me for making me zezir instrument. No more telegrams while I am a Seagull. 'Zat I swear to you,' and the little fellow's eyes glow with gratitude as they rest upon the gentle creatures who, as they have stood between him and marlinpike and pistol, have seemed divine in mercy.

But despite the innocence and fealty of Monsieur Lebeouf, Edwin and Barnes leave his galley dismayed.

"We must settle exactly how we

proceed," whispers Barnes to Edwin, the two ladies having retreated to the stern. "What do you propose?"

"Why, as not only a sailor but a man of common sense, I propose to get away from these sneaky devils as far as possible; crack on everything, round Sardinia, drive for the Strait of Gibraltar and up the Atlantic and Bay of Biscay to England."

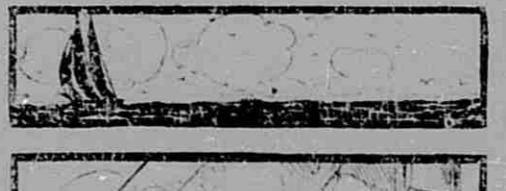
Barnes glances over the stern—far away in the gloom of the coming morning is the felucca. "There's practical proof that the vendetta is ever following us," he says, simply. "That cruel craft is sent to dog us to any port where we may land. In England, you will be too prominent to escape notice. Besides, do you or I want to live our lives always looking over our shoulders for some enemy behind us? No, there is one way—my original plan."

"Get the ladies concealed and guarded as carefully as possible with Lady Chartris at Villefranche, then you and I turn about and meet these devils, and, if necessary, destroy them; at all events, destroy the man who has the money, that permits these assassins to follow us to the ends of the earth."

"By heaven, you are right," answers Edwin. "Now the best way to do it?"

"Over this they hold consultation, and the result is that next morning when they are off Porto Ferrajo, still finding the felucca in sight, they take the following action: That day, sailing well beyond the famed island of Monte Cristo, the night coming on dark and heavy, Anstruther put out every light on the vessel and turns about, and the next morning, piloted by Graham, who knows this sea, they are alone at anchor in a little cove, sheltered by the sterile rocks of Gorgona.

Here the English officer changes the appearance of the Seagull almost entirely. Paint pots are got out and she soon has a black hull; Miss Anstruther, who is now interested in the matter, painting a new name, the Wildfowl, on a piece of canvas, that is tacked over the stern. Then both tourists of the vessel are sent down on deck and a log-of-mutton mauls that Graham reports in the vessel's sail locker, is bent on the main boom, the gall being removed. In addition, the rigging is overhauled and made



Miss Anstruther Who is Now Interested in the Matter, Painting a New Name, the Wildfowl on a Piece of Canvas.

more sleek and slouchy like that of some careless merchant trading schooner.

So the next day, beating out upon the sea between Elba and Corsica, is a very different vessel to the brilliant pleasure craft that left Marseilles. Upon its deck are people also changed.

The intimacy of a yachting excursion to young men and young women who love each other, generally makes the deck of the craft under soft suns fanned by refreshing breezes, high upon a heaven, but haunted by the supposed deft letters of Cipriano Danella, the Seagull is an inferno.

"The deck of this vessel has become," Edwin muttered gloomily to Barnes, "nigh unto hell. Can't you see?" he whispers despairingly, "that every day Marina grows more anxious and more nervous? My God, it is for me."

This remark is made to the American as the two men sit smoking between the main and the foremast late the next evening.

"Did you notice," adds Anstruther, with a sigh, "she had no appetite?"

"You mean your sister?" says the American.

"Certainly not, Marina! My wife didn't eat a mouthful."

"Neither did Miss Anstruther?"

"Nonsense! Enid was enthusiastic over our parlez-vous cook's culinary triumphs."

"Yes, with her lips, but not with her teeth," mutters Burton, grudgingly. "Womanlike, she cried out about the mignon and omelette scuffle and affected to eat—but—"

"But stored away no cargo," suggests Anstruther. "So much the better for you, old man! When a girl gets off her food she's hard hit in some other part of her anatomy than her stomach. My sister's a good sailor, so it isn't sea sickness affects her."

"Sea sickness!" jeers Barnes, savagely. "Can't you see that every hour Enid grows more cold and more naughty to me, punishing me because I didn't wed her that day in Marseilles, when even Emory, the cold-blooded Yankee detective, shuddered and said it would be a crime for me to marry with this devilish threat I carry in my pocket against any woman who is unfortunate enough to become my wife?"

"It concerns my sister; supposing you show it to me!" suggests Edwin.

"Supposing you show it to me?"

comes to them in a clear voice from the neighboring cutter.

"My God, you overheard?" Barnes faces his beautiful fiancée as she steps from the large boat that, after the merchant fashion, has now been stowed on the deck amidship.

"Certainly! Hoping I had done your love an injustice, I have been trying to overhear some such revelation as this for the last few days." The girl's eyes are blazing now, tender with love and hope.

Then she breaks forth almost passionately. "You owe this to my love for you. Since you seemed reluctant to wear me as your bride, to accept my wifely devotion, my pride has suffered so much that you, Burton, cannot deny me the sight of that letter so that I may again trust the ardency of your desire to make me yours."

"Best give it to her," remarks her sailor brother, grimly.

"You advise it, then?"

"Yes, she will never rest without it now, if I know Enid of old."

Barnes silently places the accursed threat against the woman whom he dares to marry and her offspring in the hand of his betrothed.

She carries it to the binnacle light and reads it carefully twice over. Then she returns to them, her eyes brilliant with determined devotion, yet swimming with tenderest love. "You let such a chimera as this little piece of paper, the ravings of some maniac on revenge, stand between you and my love?"

"No, no; this threat—you have had proof enough—is a menace all our lives. I desire to put its author where he can do no harm to you before I wed you."

"Before? After you wed me!" cries his fiancée, in exalted mood. "Let us together face and annihilate this fiend."

"But remember this is an undying feud. Think what my self-reproach would be if I let your love for me bring miserable death to you, my adored," whispers Barnes.

"My death couldn't happen, sweet heart, unless you died also, Burton," she says simply.

"I demand of this gentleman," she continued, who says he loves me, that he weds me the moment we go on shore at Nice even if it brings me into the unhappy feud proclaimed against him. No, no; don't refuse me, Burton," she whispers, determinedly. "It is the last chance. You wed me then or never wed me! If you cannot trust me with your woes, I'll not take part of your joys."

More enamored than ever with the charming girl who will risk death to be his bride, Barnes silently extends his arms, and she falling into them, the yacht's deck becomes a heaven to these lovers.

The next day the sun again rises bright over the Mediterranean. The felucca is never sighted. Monsieur Lebeouf serves meals fit for a fairy princess in the salon, and Enid and Barnes have such appetites the cook is delighted.

A few days later the Seagull, under the name of the Wildfowl, drops her anchor in the little bay at Villefranche, coming in, not like a sprightly yacht, but like a slow, lumbering, carelessly sailed and inadequately handled merchant craft.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

### Couldn't Stick Him Again.

A bishop accosted in Fifth avenue by a neat but hungry stranger, took the needy one to a hotel and shared a gorgeous dinner with him, yet, having left his episcopal wallet in the pocket of a different episcopal jacket, suddenly faced the embarrassment of not possessing the wherewithal to pony up. "Never mind," exclaimed the guest, "I have enjoyed dining with you, and I shall be charmed to shoulder the cost. Permit me." Whereupon the stranger paid for two. This worried the prelate, who insisted: "Just let me call a cab and we'll run up to my hotel, where I shall have the pleasure of reimbursing you." But the stranger met the suggestion with: "See here, old man! You've stuck me for a bully good dinner, but hanged if I'm going to let you stick me for carriage!"—Rebooth Sunday Herald.

### What He Wanted.

An Italian recently entered the store of a Portland street hardware and paint dealer, says the Boston Record, and in his broken English asked the clerk: "John—a, you got—a de machine make—a hot—a cold?" The clerk tried hard to understand what the customer wanted, but was unable until he started taking him around the store and pointed out individually every conceivable apparatus pertaining to heating in the store. Finally the Italian spied a small spring balance suspended on an upper shelf with the indicator displayed. "John—a, see dis—a one," he said, "Just de sam—a kind, wid nummers; make—a hot—a cold. You got one?" He wanted a thermometer.

### A Convincing Argument.

"Permit me, judge," said the gratified young attorney after the decision in favor of his client had been handed down, "to thank you most sincerely. I assure you I was highly gratified to note the close attention you gave me while I was making my argument."

"Yes, I was deeply interested in your talk. You convinced me that it is possible to be at once a fool and in the right."—Chicago Record-Herald.

### A Killing Look.

Hyman—Miss Lennox is not a very handsome girl, but I can tell you she looked killing, for once, at the ball last night.

Crawford—Did she?

Hyman—Yes, you should have seen the look she gave me when I tread upon her train.

# IN THE LIMELIGHT

## DICTATOR OF PORTUGAL



Joao Franco, premier of Portugal, is the man of the hour in that turbulent country, having been appointed dictator by King Carlos I. in the hopes that he may preserve the present dynasty.

Undeterred by riots and rumors of uprisings, undismayed by reported disaffection in the army and navy, Franco, after having scraped off the barnacles that were clogging the ship of state, has a firm hold of the helm, and, with the aid of the king, proposes to put the country on a sound financial basis.

Franco is fighting a giant's battle against the proud aristocrats of the bluest of Portuguese blood. He has saved the country millions of francs by limiting the barnacles to one job apiece, instead of eleven or twelve, which many of them used to hold in order to maintain their estates and their station in life. The aristocrats are in revolt against the king and the premier, and away off in Austria, Dom Miguel of Braganza, the pretender to the throne of Portugal, is awaiting a call to rule over the dissatisfied—if they win. The ultra liberals are seizing the opportunity to foment disorder in the hope that Portugal may become a republic.

Premier Franco has been busy dousing a number of rumors. He has told Europe through the Paris and London press that the king has not banished the crown prince, and that the army and navy are not dissatisfied. Whether he will win his battle against the older order will depend on the staying qualities of the monarch and the attitude of the army and navy. It is said the rank and file of the people are with the new premier and that they look upon him as the possible savior of the country.

Premier Franco is in the early forties. He is a man of few words and his enemies consider him morose and dyspeptic. He is said to be a little fussy about the state of his health, but otherwise he is so absorbed in his work as premier that he has had no time to formulate a political platform.

## WOULD AID WORKINGMEN

Henry Phipps, the former Pittsburg steel magnate who gave \$1,000,000 for the erection of modern tenement buildings for the poor of New York and who is now proposing to build a city of Edison cement houses near New York, is the son of a poor English cobbler and started life literally without a cent. His parents were unable to keep him at school until he had finished his education, and he went to work at the age of 12 as errand boy for a jeweler, at the modest stipend of \$1.25 a week. He was unfortunate enough to accept a counterfeit \$10 bill from a customer. Threatened with the confiscation of his wages, he set out to trace the man down and recover his money, which he did.



When his employer went out of business Phipps borrowed 26 cents from his brother and advertised for a new situation. He got one with an iron firm, but he was not content with the work of the day, for after it was over he would walk three miles to help a blacksmith named Klemen who had a forge in Duquesne. Two years later he started in business with Klemen and Thomas Carnegie, a brother of Andrew, and the latter afterwards bought out a 40 per cent interest in the business. Phipps spent his share of the proceeds in a walking tour through Britain and France.

Phipps was later appointed to look after the interests of Thomas W. Miller, when the latter formed his Millvale forge into a limited liability company and he took some stock in it with money borrowed from Miller. He it was who induced Andrew Carnegie to come in. From this small beginning grew the gigantic steel corporation. Carnegie was so pleased with Phipps for letting him into such a good thing that when Miller tried to freeze him out later, Carnegie stood by him and forced Miller out.

Phipps is today the possessor of at least \$50,000,000. He has as many millions as inches almost. Physically Phipps is smaller than Andrew Carnegie. In manner he is soft-spoken, nervous and as alert as a chamois. In mind he is cautious, shrewd, plodding and acquisitive. Of late years, his health being broken down by overwork, he has lived mostly in Britain, having bought an estate and rented a deer forest in the Highlands of Scotland.

## MAY BARE SOCIETY SECRETS



Anrei Batonyi, the noted Hungarian master and who, who says he has brought three suits for \$250,000 damages each for the alienation of the affections of his wife, was married to Mrs. Francis Burke-Roche in July, 1936, much to the astonishment of the swell set at Newport. Mr. Batonyi says he wants \$500,000 from his wife's father, Frank Work; \$500,000 from Frank K. Sturgis, Mr. Work's former partner, and \$500,000 jointly from these two and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Cooper Hewitt, the latter being Mrs. Batonyi's sister. Mr. Batonyi is the son of a wealthy landed proprietor in Hungary. He quarreled with his father and became a professional whip in New York. As Miss Frances Work his wife was a great belle in New York society. She married James Boothby Burke-Roche, brother of

Baron Fermoy, in 1889, but got a divorce in the state of Delaware and was given the custody of her three children. She met Mr. Batonyi at the New York horse show four years ago and engaged him to take care of her fine stable. She became attracted by the dashing whip, and, as he is of good family and well educated, she married him. Recently they separated and Mr. Batonyi accused his father-in-law and his wife's sister of alienating her affections.

Batonyi, speaking of the suits, said: "In proving that these persons alienated the affections of my wife, the former Mrs. Burke-Roche, and mother of Mrs. Arthur Burden, I will be able to tell society secrets that will make a good many millionaires and the exclusive families wince. The public knows very little of the facts underlying my action. When I have told my story on the witness stand it will create the greatest social sensation this country has ever known, and I predict that there will be a great social upheaval. I propose to lay every fact bare, no matter how much misery it spreads. I am not to be fought off. No money can tempt me."

## RELEASED FROM PRISON

Fr. Petroff, the Russian priest who has just been released from a monastic prison, to which he was consigned to prevent him from taking his seat as a member of the duma, is one of the very few priests of the Orthodox church who dare to preach to the people the gospel of Christ. The Russian church is the creature of the state and confines itself to preaching to the people the czar's infallibility, that the voice of the czar is the voice of God, and that to disobey him is a heinous sin.



Fr. Petroff, in his younger days, was a prime favorite in the highest court and official circles, but when he awoke to his duty he went to preach to the people from the sermon on the Mount. The Holy Synod promptly deprived him of his pulpit, and appressed the paper, God's Truth, which he had been publishing. He became a vagrant preacher. His sermons were reproduced in all the liberal papers in Russia and did more to arouse the people to spiritual life than any other Russian clergyman. He ran for the second duma and won by an immense majority, but neither the state nor the Holy Synod wanted to see him take his seat, and he was thrown into the Cherevintski monastery. As part of his punishment there, he was compelled, standing up, to chant psalms and repeat prayers for seven hours each day, with the eyes of spies constantly upon him.

There has been a determined effort in the Holy Synod to unfrock him, but his wide popularity and his influence in high circles have saved him thus far from being made a religious outcast. This was the fate that befell the other five liberal priests who were elected to the same duma. Now that it has been dissolved and a new duma elected, Fr. Petroff has been released.

## NEW STRENGTH FOR OLD BACKS.

No Need to Suffer Every Day from Backache.

Mrs. Joannah Straw, 526 North Broadway, Canton, S. D., says: "For three years I suffered everything with rheumatism in my limbs and a dull, ceaseless aching in my back. I was weak, languid, broken with headaches and dizzy spells, and the kidney secretions were thick with solids. I was really in a critical condition when I began with Doan's Kidney Pills, and they certainly did wonders for me. Though I am 81 years old, I am as well as the average woman of 50. I work well, eat well and sleep well."



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## SOMETHING OF A CYNIC.

Papa Had Extreme Views on the Subject of Marriage.

Miss Marie Cahill, the actress, chose the chorus girls for her new play, "Marrying Mary," by measurement. The Bertillon system was employed.

"By this excellent system of measurement," said Miss Cahill the other day, "one gets, in a chorus girl, the real thing. Mirage is avoided. You know what a mirage is? Quite sure? Well, at any rate, I'll point out its meaning to you with a story."

"A boy looked up from his book one night.

"Father," he said, "what is a mirage?"

"The father answered glibly from behind his paper:

"The union of a man and woman (ill death or the law them do part."

"But," said the boy, "that's marriage, ain't it?"

"Same thing, sonny; it's the same thing," replied the father. "A man imagines he sees wonders and delights where there is nothing. Fight shy of 'em both, my boy."

## CURE FOR ECZEMA DISCOVERED.

Dr. J. E. Currier Tells How It Can Be Used by the Patients Themselves.

(From Detroit News.)

"Eczema, tetter, ringworm and other skin diseases are spreading," says Dr. J. E. Currier in the Doctor's Guide, writing about a new and wonderfully successful cure for skin affections.

"I apply plain pure citrox, dissolved in hot water, twice a day. You who know how stubborn tetter, ringworm and eczema can be, will be amazed to see how soon this stops the itching, dries up the eruption and cause a growth of new healthy skin. I now tell my patients to get a package of pure citrox at the drug store and dissolve a teaspoonful in two tablespoonfuls of hot water, as this solution must be made fresh each time and used warm."

"I am having better success than ever before. A case of tetter on the hand that had run six months, citrox cured in a week; and a young woman whose back was a mass of pustules was cured in two weeks. I could cite many others. Be careful to get the pure drug put up in small sealed packages, as the common kind sold in bulk is not fit for medical use."

It will interest women to learn that this well-known drug's value for skin diseases was discovered accidentally by the doctor's wife.

## How He Did It.

Early in the morning session, when the pupils were feeling bright and happy, the teacher thought it a good plan to give them sentences to correct, both as to grammar and sense. She accordingly wrote on the blackboard:

"The hen has four legs. He done it."

Thoughtful little Ignatius, at the foot of the class, pondered deeply, and at the end of 15 minutes' time, allowed for correction, he wrote:

"He didn't done it; God done it."

## Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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The Englishman kept quiet for a few minutes, when, seeing his attendant reading, he blurted out: "Why don't you shave me, sir?"

"You will have to go up the street for your shave," quietly replied the barber. "We only lather here."

**Not for Vacation Use.**  
 It seemed to Bobby that there was no end to the advice and instructions his mother gave him when he was starting off with his father for a week's trip.

"Now I want you to be sure you have everything you need," she said, opening his bag in spite of his assurances that it held all a boy could possibly require. "Why, Bobbie, where is your hairbrush? You were forgetting it!"

"No, mother, I wasn't forgetting it," said Bobby, looking dejected. "I thought you said I was going on a vacation."

- Daily Thought.**
- A little fun.
  - A little play.
  - A little laughter.
  - Day by day.
  - A little school.
  - And we'll confess.
  - A little bit of waywardness.
  - A little grief.
  - A little woe.
  - As down the later years we go.
  - A little love.
  - A little strife.
  - A deal of hope—
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# The Hypnotizing of Lizzie

By George T. Pardy

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"I've done most all I can for you," said Capt. Babbleton, emphatically, "and it's up to you to help yourself some."

"Show me how," said the mate, desperately. "I'm willin' to take any kind of a chance."

"You've had a barrel of 'em," returned the captain, sternly. "Here you are, Jim Blake, six feet two and a fine figure of a seaman, standin' next to me for command of the Arklam, which is the swellest steam freighter on the lakes, and yet you ain't got the nerve to go in and win a 20-year-old slip of a girl, even with her father a backing you up."

"Wot's the use of it all when she don't want to be won?" queried the mate, disconsolately.

The indignant captain turned purple.

"But me if ever I see such a chicken-hearted swab," he roared. "Here I brought Lizzie on this trip to Buffalo, a' purpose, so as you'd be thrown together a lot, and wot's come of all my trouble?—nothin'!"

"I done my best," said the mate, sulky. "Didn't I take her to a show last night?"

"You did," retorted the captain, with fine scorn. "You did, but wot did you buy three tickets for and ask me along?"

"She said you'd like to go," said the mate, feebly.

"You shouldn't have minded her," returned the captain, testily.

"I wish I was like that ere magician we saw at the theater that did all them hypnotizing tricks," sighed the mate. "Women like chaps that can do wonderful things, and t'was fair surprising the way he put folks asleep and made 'em hop around. She thought he was all right, too; talked about him all the way back to the boat."

Capt. Babbleton smacked his thigh vigorously. "That's a good notion, Jim," he exclaimed. "Wot's the matter with you turnin' hypnotist in a amateur way and makin' a hit with her?"

"Wot, me?" ejaculated the startled mate.

"Yes, you," returned the captain, complacently. "You kin, fake up an exhibition on the trip to Chicago. We'll square a couple of the boys to help you out and I'll stand half the expense."

The mate looked doubtful. "It might work," he asserted, "but I dunno." "It's got to work," returned Babbleton, firmly. "I know a smart, young chap on Seneca street, a performer himself, as kin put us on a few tips. This thing's got to be put through, Jim Blake, and you know me. I'll never let my daughter marry that lubber of a young doctor in Chicago that's gone on her, long as I kin get her a good sailorman for a husband."

Miss Lizzie Babbleton was a shrewd young woman, and soon after the Arklam started on the return voyage she became aware that something unusual was on foot, for her worthy father was unable to conceal his exultation and strutted about with an air of portentous mystery. Therefore she was not altogether surprised when informed of the treat in store for her, although expressing due astonishment upon hearing of the newly-acquired powers of Mr. Blake.

Capt. Babbleton, satisfied with the effect of his revelation, hastened to the cook's galley, where the mate was perspiring freely while engaged in the task of rehearsing his "subjects." They were three in number, two deck hands and the cabin boy and, all things considered, performed their parts very well, stimulated by the prospect of coming rewards. Before Lizzie's admiring gaze, Mr. Blake induced his assistants to slumber, awoke them by virtue of mysterious passes and gentle touches of his hands, and caused them to obey extraordinary orders, whereby they mewed like cats, hopped gravely around the cabin on all fours and indulged in other antics usually confined to the brute creation.

"Ain't that clever work?" inquired the captain, when the performance had ended and the "subjects" returned to their own quarters. "That leather-headed young sawbones I'll never see the day he kin do such stunts, Liz!"

"It's wonderful," agreed his daughter, ignoring the last part of her parent's remark. "Now that I notice it, dad, Mr. Blake has eyes exactly like the magician's that we saw at the theater. And now I want him to hypnotize me."

The startled mate glanced at his superior and that gentleman interposed hastily.

"Couldn't be thought of, Lizzie," he said. "It might be dangerous. You're only a girl, y' know, not like them strong fellows."

"Nonsense," retorted Miss Babbleton. "The man in the theater put two girls to sleep and neither of them was as big or strong as I am."

The captain persisting in his refusal, the aggrieved maiden took refuge in a flood of tears, whereupon her dismayed parent withdrew with the mate for a conference.

"You must pretend to try, Jim," said the captain, "and then tell her she's got too much will power for you. Mebbe that'll flatter her."

Blake protested, but his commander was insistent and led him back to the cabin, where Miss Babbleton, smiling radiantly, composed herself for the or-

deal. The mate waved his hands in mystic fashion and stared into the girl's face until his protruding orbs seemed ready to start from their sockets. To his unbounded amazement the head of his "subject" sunk back suddenly, her eyes closed and a gentle snore issued from her dainty nostrils. He gave vent to a horrified exclamation, which was echoed by the captain.

"You've done it, by gum," said Babbleton, hoarsely; "it's your eyes, Jim; she allowed they were like the magician's. I don't half like it, though—here, Liz—wake up!"

He shook the girl vigorously, but there was no response.

"Lemme try," said the mate, secretly proud, yet afraid of the success of his experiment. He touched her face gently and Miss Babbleton sat up and gazed at them inquiringly. The captain pointed proudly to Mr. Blake, who was breathing hard and flushed with triumph.

"Jim did just wot you asked him, Liz," he said, jubilantly. "Only him could wake you, too. I tried and you wouldn't budge an eyelid."

"I never thought he was so clever," remarked the girl, admiringly, and the modest mate turned a still deeper crimson.

It was evident that Miss Babbleton was favorably impressed by Mr. Blake's wonder-working powers, and her demeanor towards him for the remainder of the voyage caused her father intense delight. The Arklam was about five hours' sail from Chicago when she insisted upon her suitor again testing his hypnotic strength. After much persuasion, he yielded and the "subject" went promptly into a heavy trance. Much to the dismay of the amateur magician, however, she refused obstinately to awaken.

"This is a pretty mess," said the agitated captain to his no less nervous subordinate. "I've read of folks dying in them there trances." The horror-stricken mate swore feebly but could offer no suggestion, and when the Arklam tied up at the Chicago docks, the female passenger was still slumbering.

"I'm going to send for that medical swab she's so fond of," said Babbleton, desperately. "He'll fix her if he can and keep mum about it. I gess we trust a stranger."

Half an hour later Dr. Nicholas Marston entered the patient's state room. Soon afterwards he emerged and sought the anxious commander and mate.

"Miss Babbleton is conscious but not quite out of danger, captain," he said, sternly. "And now I have a proposition to make to you. Consent to our marriage and I'll not report this case to the authorities. Refuse, and the law must take its course. I suppose you are aware that there is a heavy penalty attaching to all such willful attempts on human life, and a jury would be apt to take a severe view of the matter."

The agitated captain seized the physician's hand and wrung it fervently.

"Say no more, my lad," he exclaimed. "You've saved her and she's yours!"

Miss Babbleton, standing behind the half-closed door, laughed softly as she heard her parent's acknowledgment of surrender.

## COLORED WOMAN'S BIG DEAL.

### Trusted Servant Makes a Remarkable Financial Transaction.

One of the most remarkable financial transactions recorded in years in Philadelphia took place one day recently. An elderly colored woman, poorly dressed, entered one of the large banks in the financial district and insisted on seeing the president himself. No one else would do, and the attendant was eventually obliged to conduct her to that official's private office. Arrived there, the old woman, with much simplicity of manner, asked whether the financial disturbance was passed, and was smilingly assured that it was. Thereupon to the amazement of the financier, she drew from the folds of her dress a bank book and 26 bills, each of the denomination of \$1,000, and asked that they be placed to the credit of her "master's" account. The book was in the name of one of the oldest and wealthiest customers of the bank, a retired and superannuated merchant, who nowadays rarely leaves his house, but who had every confidence in an old domestic.

## Thoughts Far Away.

Mr. Edison is one of the most absent-minded of men, and a story relating to this weakness tells of a visit the inventor made to the office of the tax collector, says the Boston Herald. Standing in line with a score or more of taxpayers in front of him, Edison's mind reverted to an important experiment on which he had been engaged. When his turn came at the window to which he had moved mechanically he was aroused by a clerk asking his name. He looked at the man vacantly.

"I could no more have given it then than I could have flown," he confided later to an acquaintance.

Luckily an official who recognized him and knew of his forgetfulness came to his rescue.

## RECIPE FOR CHILI SAUCE.

Better Than Any Variety to Be Found in the Stores.

A chili sauce is made by a western housekeeper, which will be found much better than any ready-made variety to be had in the shops.

Chop fine six large green peppers, from which the seeds and white pulp have been removed, and four large onions. Cut into small pieces 24 large ripe tomatoes. Put them together in a kettle, mix thoroughly, and add three tablespoonfuls of salt, eight tablespoonfuls of brown sugar, six cups of vinegar, two teaspoons of cinnamon and one of cloves. Boil it gently one hour, then seal in pint cans.

Following is a cucumber pickle recipe: Pare and slice two dozen cucumbers and one dozen small onions. Sprinkle them with salt, and allow them to drain well in a colander. Then place them in a bowl, adding one quart of vinegar, one cup of olive oil, one-quarter of a cup each of black and white mustard seed, one teaspoonful of celery seed and one-quarter teaspoonful of powdered alum. Mix thoroughly and seal in pint cans.

## GOOD PICKLE OF TOMATOES.

Can Be Made of the Green or Ripe Variety, as Desired.

While tomatoes are procurable, a very good pickle may be made from the recipe of an old New England housekeeper.

Chop one peck of green tomatoes and arrange them in layers in a stone crock, sprinkling each layer with salt, using in all not more than a cup of salt; let them stand over night, and in the morning strain away the liquor and add to them about two quarts of vinegar, to which has been added a tablespoonful each of cloves, cinnamon, ginger, and allspice, and six chopped green peppers, the seeds and white pulp having been removed. Bring the whole pulp to a boil, then simmer slowly for four or five hours, adding, a few minutes before it is done, two and a half pounds of brown sugar.

Quite a different result may be obtained by substituting ripe tomatoes for the green. In consistency, they will be a little flatter and a little rougher than the ordinary tomato catsup.

**To Clean Furs.**  
 Ermine, white fox and all other light furs that have been packed away during the summer months should be cleaned before putting them on to wear. Sawdust and plaster of paris should be mixed half and half, heated until blood warm, and then rubbed into the skins several times. Then put the fur out of doors to air. With darker furs use bran. Divide a pound of bran into two portions and place one in the oven to heat. Spread the fur on a paper on the table and rub it well over with the cold bran. Shake out the bran and brush the fur with a soft hat brush. Then rub the hot bran in the fur evenly. Then shake it and brush it until the fur is free from both dust and bran.

**Salted Almonds.**  
 First put the almonds after they have been shelled into boiling water until the skins can readily be removed. Dry carefully. Put a piece of butter in a pan and while melting stir in the almonds glaze. Then place the pan in the oven. Be careful and stir often so as to color the nuts without scorching. When slightly brown take them out, spread on white paper and sprinkle with table salt. They should be eaten cold. A plain salad of lettuce with French dressing may be served before the dessert.

**Care of House Plants.**  
 Don't be afraid to scrub the plants brought in for the winter. With a brush, water, soap and an infusion of tobacco every leaf and stem should be scrubbed to remove insects. The bathroom spray is excellent to use in rinsing, which should be thorough. A frequent drenching and occasional meals of flower food will make up to the plants for the loss of outdoor life and they will repay with vigorous growth and bloom during the winter months.

**Crumpets.**  
 Take one quart of dough from the bread in the early morning, break three eggs, separating whites from yolks, whip both to a light froth, mix into the dough and gradually add lukewarm water till the consistency of griddle cakes. Beat well and let rise till breakfast time, then have the griddle hot and well greased, pour on the batter in small cakes and bake brown.

**A Good Way to Rip.**  
 I found in ripping the worn facing from the bottom of a dress skirt that I accomplished the task with greater ease and speed and less danger of cutting the goods when I pinned the skirt to my knee and held the facing firmly with my left hand, and with a sharp knife ripped from instead of to ward me.

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 In gathering a sleeve or any other portion of a garment an inconceivable amount of time can be saved by running two threads, knotted at each end Draw in opposite directions. The material will fall into perfect folds and can be straightened by drawing firmly from top to bottom when it is ready to put into garment.

**Pineapple and Peach Cocktail.**  
 This is a sweet course for the beginning of a dinner. The fruit is cut into small pieces, maroons are added, and sherry or lemon juice poured over. Add a little powdered sugar, mix, make very cold and serve in cocktail glasses.

## RATHER A POINTED REBUKE.

Minister's Amendment to Usual Grace Fitted Circumstances.

A Pennsylvania divine formed one of a house-party in Philadelphia where the younger son, in accordance with what the clergyman observed to be his constant habit, as soon as he had seated himself at breakfast immediately possessed himself of a large slice of bread, the quality of which he proceeded to test by a liberal mouthful.

The minister, a stickler in such matters of propriety, gazed blandly at him for a moment or so; then he folded his hands and closed his eyes in preparation for grace.

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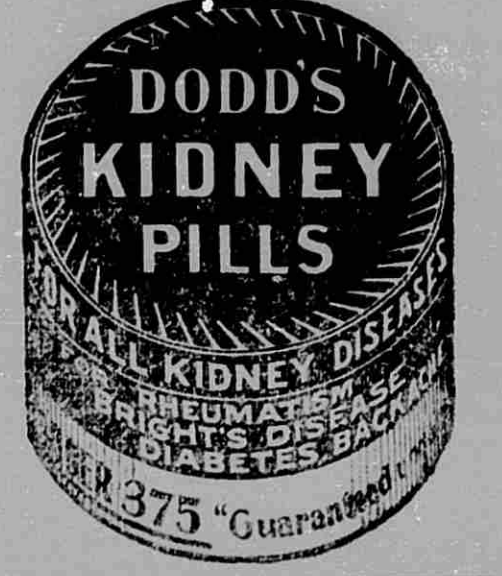
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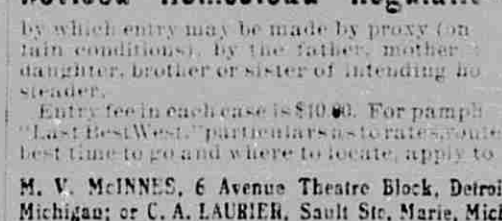
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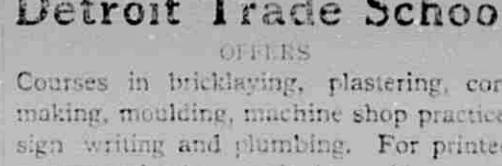
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# A. W. Weekes

"The New  
Larger Store"

**LIBERALITY COURTESY**

**Our Financial Statement**

The statement of this bank as called for by the State Banking Commissioner may be found on another page of this paper. Your attention is especially called to the strong cash reserve which we maintain to protect our deposits. Your business is respectfully invited.

**Resources over \$260,000.00**

**The Lowell State Bank.**

**ACCURACY STABILITY**

## HEARD ABOUT TOWN

Dr. White, dentist, phone 151.  
Twelve pages of THE LEDGER this week.  
Big selection of 25c books at Look's.  
Chicken pie dinner every Thursday, City bakery.  
Sheet music special for one week at Stocking's.  
Miss Mae Moore was in Grand Rapids yesterday.  
Harold Hastings of Saginaw was in town Tuesday.  
Fern Herrington of Freeport was in town yesterday.  
B. C. Needham of Grand Rapids was in town yesterday.  
Perfumes the right kinds in beautiful Christmas packages at Henry's.  
Investigate the prices on Look's line of sensible practical Christmas gifts.  
Will McGee of Grand Rapids spent a few days last week with Gordon Delaney.  
Miss Alta Fallas entertained a small company of children Tuesday evening.  
Special Saturday to let you know we lead and others follow, one pie and a loaf of bread 15c. City bakery.  
Mrs. Wm. Compton and son W. S. Compton of Shelby and Mrs. W. Inman of Ionia were here to attend the funeral of Geo. B. Avery.  
Vergennes Ladies Aid society will meet with Mrs. Geo. M. Parker in Lowell Thursday, Dec. 19, for dinner. Everybody invited, the men included.  
Miss Edith Bloom who has been spending a week with her uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. James Gullford left yesterday for her home at Bennington, Kan.  
Mr. and Mrs. Otis Lohberg of Bloomingdale and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lohberg of Miner Lake visited their cousins Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Johnson last week.  
Mrs. Rich suffered a painful operation Monday, the removal of a growth which had formed on a finger of the left hand caused by breaking off a needle in the finger seven weeks ago.  
A warrant was issued from Justice Creswell's court in Grand Rapids Monday morning for the arrest of Marshall Ransford of Lowell on a charge of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than the crime of murder. Complaint was made by William Klumpp who alleges that he interfered at Ransford's home Saturday night to prevent him from beating his wife and that Ransford turned a gun on Klumpp but the weapon was wrested from him before he could use it. We understand that the warrant was served upon Ransford in Grand Rapids yesterday.

Largest stock of children's books at Look's.  
Dr. O. C. McDannell spent last Thursday in Chicago.  
Farmers having paring apples to sell, telephone Lowell canning factory. Edwin Fallas.  
Miss Lotta Johnson spent last Friday at the home of Chas. Cutler in West Lowell.  
Will Hull has been confined to his bed at Ewen, Mich., for the past six weeks with rheumatic fever.  
Henry Rauch has returned from Norfolk, Va., having been working at the Jamestown exposition.  
Mrs. Fred Davis of Harbor Springs visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Tredelick over Sunday.  
D. G. Look has a few of those souvenirs left and if you didn't get one last Saturday ask for one next Saturday.  
Sparrow's Empress chocolates, the candy that is pure and delicious. In all sizes of holiday packages at Henry's drug store.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wolf of Freeport spent Sunday at the home of their son Chas. Wolf and visited Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Macham Monday.  
Bring your shears and scissors to Charles' barber shop for sharpening. They have machinery on purpose for such work.  
Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Chambers of Elmdale are spending two weeks on their farm near Lowell before going to Toledo for an extended visit with their daughters.  
Sheet music special. One week only. All the latest pieces 12c each, McKinley edition at 7c, 50c folios 19c to 38c each. R. D. Stocking.  
Messrs. James Scott and Ransom Vaughan attended the laymen's banquet and conference of the Grand Rapids Baptist association at the Eagle hotel in that city Monday evening.  
Mr. and Mrs. Orton Hill will open their home Monday evening Dec. 16 for a reception for Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Ogg. Everyone is invited to come and give them a welcome.  
After completing the regular ten-page run on THE LEDGER last week, we were obliged to print a supplement containing nearly 100 inches of local reading matter.  
Spencer and Warren Higby are visiting relatives at Charlotte. Their mother Mrs. C. M. Higby will join them next week and they will leave for Little Falls, Minn., where they intend to make their future home.  
L. J. Post attended the State Horticultural meeting at Lansing last week, investigating the apple and spraying problems a little further, with a view to planting another orchard. Mr. Post thinks a two-days round-up convention can be called here next year.  
The assets of the defunct Belding-Hall Manufacturing company were conveyed to the Assets Realization Company Saturday for \$317,750. As the concern's liabilities amount to \$750,000 this means that creditors will receive approximately 50 cents on the dollar.

Henry Rauch is visiting his sister at Ionia.  
Largest line of hand-bags and back-combs at Stocking's.  
Glenn Perkins and Terry Yarger of Freeport visited friends here Saturday.  
Get a mince pie for 10c next Saturday at Smith's bakery.  
Stocking's special sale of watches beats them all.  
Mrs. Geo. Enz spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Kinyon at Lowell.—[Lake Odessa Wave.  
Delicious mince pies regular 15c kind for 10c each on Saturday next at Smith's bakery.

New line local souvenir post cards just received at Look's.  
Mrs. Mary Sandell is spending several weeks with her son at Belding.  
Mrs. Charles Kraft who has been quite ill for several weeks is recovering.  
Crepe paper for holiday decorations 6c per roll at Henry's drug store.  
Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Pratt have returned from a visit with relatives at Belding.  
Gay Mitchell of Grand Rapids visited his uncle Isaac Mitchell Saturday.  
Saturday special at Look's—Liggett's genuine Saturday candy—50c quality only 2c.

**CHRISTMAS SURPRISE  
for Everybody**

A Holiday stock that is first in variety and quality and lowest in price.  
Our Beautiful display of gifts meets all requirements for old or young.  
The fathers, sons, daughters, grandfathers, grandmothers and the tiny tots have all been remembered in the selection of this the

**Largest and Most Complete  
HOLIDAY STOCK  
Ever Shown in Lowell**

most complete Holiday Stock Ever Shown in Lowell.  
Remember our up-to-date stock is in close touch with the times, meets your every want and is not higher priced.  
Come to Headquarters. You are welcome whether you wish to buy or not.

**Norton Henry the Druggist.  
Negonce Block**

## SPECIAL SALE

Best quality of Blue and White Ware. Every Piece is triple coated and White Porcelain lined for

**Three Days Only  
Friday, Saturday, Monday  
December 13, 14, and 16, '07**

1 and 1 1/2 Pt White Porcelain lined Pans, Regular 15c then, 10	
2 Pt. White Porcelain lined Pans regular 18c then 12c	
3 " " " " " " " " 20c " 15c	
2Qt. " " " " " " " " 55c " 40c	
3 " " " " " " " " 60c " 45c	
4 " " " " " " " " 70c " 50c	
8 " " " " " " " " 90c " 60c	
4 " " " " " " " " 40c " 25c	
5 " " " " " " " " 45c " 30c	
3 " " " " " " " " 45c " 35c	
4 " " " " " " " " 50c " 40c	
5 " " " " " " " " 65c " 50c	
2 " " " " " " " " covered Pails 30c " 20c	
10 " " " " " " " " Dish Pans 60c " 40c	
8 " " " " " " " " Tea Kettles \$1.10 " 80c	

A choice lot of 25 cent ware at 15c.  
Remember for three days only at.

## Edelmann's Hardware