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Greeting

At this joyous Christmas season we greet you with a wish for a happy and prosperous year, a year that shall mean good for all of us and that shall make for the betterment of our Community and for a kindly and helpful feeling for each other.

THE CITY State Bank LOWELL, MICH.

Many Thanks

To the friends who have given me their patronage and have helped to make this the banner year of our business. It is my aim to have a stock and prices that please. I hope you have been pleased with your purchases in-so-much that you feel like being with me in the future. We shall endeavor to Merit the continuance of your favors.

Trusting that you have had a Merry Christmas I wish you a Happy and prosperous New Year.

Very Truly Yours

A. D. Oliver

Commence the New Year Right

Eat Smith's Baking. Our Potato Bread is our especial hobby. It is the result of year's of experience combined with the most sanitary bake shop in Michigan. It will keep moist longer than any other bread and best of all it is always good always alike always sweet and palatable. Our cake and cooky department is always stocked with the best that pure materials and good workmanship can produce.

Smith's Bakery

Home Made Candy.

We have a suitable frame for that picture you received for Christmas

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

Saw Logs

of all kinds Wanted and Highest Cash Prices Paid.

Lowell Lumber Co.

CHRISTMAS WEDDINGS.

Two Couples United, at Fallsburg and at Moseley.

Arthur W. Parker of Lowell and Miss Lottie Pottruff were married on Christmas day at two-thirty in the afternoon at the home of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Pottruff at Fallsburg, Rev. J. H. Westbrook of Byron Center performing the ceremony in the presence of about twenty-five immediate relatives and friends. The couple were attended by the bride's brother Louie Pottruff and by Miss Edna Cooper of Byron Center. After the ceremony a wedding dinner was served and Mr. and Mrs. Parker came to Lowell to spend a short time with the bride's sister Mrs. Wm. Laux. They will make their home in this village.

A quiet Christmas wedding occurred Wednesday afternoon at one-thirty at the home of Lester J. Stimson at Moseley when Miss Bessie Winn of Parks, Mich., and Wm. Herbst of Jackson were united in marriage the ceremony being performed by Mr. Stimson who is an ordained deacon of the Free Methodist church. Mr. and Mrs. Asa Vandenberg stood up with the bridal couple. After the wedding dinner Mr. and Mrs. Herbst left for the home of the bride's parents at Parks. They will be at home at Jackson January 1.

The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Winn of Parks, parents of the bride, Geo. Lewis, Francis Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Clare Ford, A. D. Stimson and Mr. and Mrs. Asa Vandenberg. The bride and groom were old friends of Mr. and Mrs. Stimson.

FRACTURED HIS HIP.

Martin A. Holcomb of Bowne Met With the Misfortune Friday.

Martin A. Holcomb of Bowne township, one of the pioneer residents, who recently suffered a slight stroke of paralysis, but was able to get about the house with the aid of a cane, got on a box to adjust a stovepipe last Friday when he fell and fractured his hip. His son, D. D. Holcomb was out of the house at the time, but soon came and got him into bed and summoned a physician. It was a very bad fracture, and this in connection with his falling health makes his case a critical one. It is hoped he may have a speedy recovery. [Freeport Herald, Dec. 19.]

Churches and Societies

CONGREGATIONAL.
At the Congregational church next Sunday you are invited to listen to the following subjects: At 10:30 a. m., "Questioning the Days That Are Past," 7 p. m., "Placing Responsibility."

Our bible class will interest you. If you come once you will come again. A good sound biblical reason is given for every position advanced. The great division of scripture as to subject matter furnishes the basis of our present studies. The class meets Friday night of this week at 7:30. Come and welcome to all our services.

METHODIST.
Methodist Episcopal Church, Sunday December 29, 10:30 a. m. public worship, and sermon, subject, "The Street of the City," Sunday school at noon, 7 p. m. service in honor of John's Day. As St. John's Day is observed by Masonry, Lowell Lodge, No. 90, F. & A. M. will attend this service in a body.

The groceries and clothing brought to the parsonage for distribution among the needy have accomplished a great deal of good.

The pastors of the Congregational and Methodist churches expect to unite in January in taking a religious census of the town. A call will be made at each home in the village.

The directory of the financial supporters of the church will be published about Jan. 15. The roll will be made from the treasurer's books of the present conference year.

BAPTIST.
Rev. I. VanWestenbrugge will again be at the Baptist church next Sunday morning and evening. Morning subject: "The Need of a Revival." Evening: "The Price of a Revival." Sunday school at noon. Prayer meeting at the church Thursday evening at 7:30.

KEONA M. E. Church.
Church service at 2:30, subject for sermon next Sunday "The Acceptable Year of the Lord," by Rev. G. K. Fairbanks. Bible school at 1:30.

OTISCO MAN DROPPED DEAD.
BELDING, Mich., Dec. 21.—George Ashley, an old resident and prominent farmer of Otisco township dropped dead at his home last week. He had attended Christmas exercises at the school near by and while doing the chores after coming home he fell to the ground near his windmill and expired at once.

He settled in the township at an early date and was one of the best citizens in the community. He was a brother of the late John Ashley and leaves a widow and daughter. —[State Press.]

A GOOD POSITION.
An up-to-date Health and Accident Insurance Company desires a District Manager for this vicinity. Experience unnecessary. Must give good references. Address Box 1117 Benton Harbor, Michigan.

LAST CHANCE TUESDAY

To Get In on Herald-Ledger-Magazines Bargain Days Bonanza.

A host of Lowell and vicinity people are availing themselves of the opportunity afforded by the Grand Rapids Herald bargain days offer to secure a year's supply of good reading matter for "a song." If you have not already done so, read the bargain days advertisement elsewhere in this paper and act accordingly. The bargain days close Tuesday, Dec. 31. All of the people of Lowell and vicinity, in the village or on the routes, are invited to have a piece of this "bully" pie. \$3.00 pays for Ledger, Herald and magazines. If you are already paid to January 1, 1909, on THE LEDGER, you can have the balance of the combination for \$2.00. If you lack one, two, three or more months of the required date on THE LEDGER, just make up the little balance, pay the other two dollars and "there you are."

W. H. Gamble, circulation manager of the Grand Rapids Herald says: "You may state in the columns of THE LEDGER that if any bargain days subscribers who receive magazines have any trouble in stopping them after the year is up they can refer the publishers to the Grand Rapids Herald, who will guarantee that there will be no magazines forced upon our subscribers."

Mr. Gamble intimates further that any insinuation to the contrary, "is a case of sour grapes." This grows out of the fact that THE LEDGER being the leading paper of Lowell was chosen as the Herald's representative in this place.

Samples of the magazines offered may be seen at this office. They speak for themselves.

Ledger office open when the big red sign shines and on Saturday evening from 7 till 9 for the especial benefit of factory men and others busy through the day. Last warning now! Don't wait too long and then kick! Tuesday, December 31, is your last chance, and it is very doubtful if a like opportunity ever occurs again to get reading matter value to the amount of \$7.55 for the small sum of \$3.00. Nail it now!

P. S. Oh, Yes. Some have asked if they get a door plate too. (Whew! Well, you might as well "Go the whole hog." Yes, we'll throw in a door plate. Hurry up.

HEARD ABOUT TOWN

The King Milling company contributed to holiday "prosperity" last Saturday by advertising to pay \$1.00 per bushel for wheat, several cents above the prevailing market price. It did the business, too; and trade in wheat has since been lively at the Lowell mills.

Janitor Townsend played the part of Santa Claus very successfully at the Christmas exercises at the east ward school Monday afternoon, adding greatly to the enjoyment of his small friends among whom he is especially popular.

Confidence has surely been restored in the Copper country. Dr. S. S. Lee, physician of the Osceola mine, sends THE LEDGER a "Merry Christmas" in the shape of a renewal paid to Nov. 1, 1911. For which, many thanks.

R. E. Springett has purchased as a side issue part interest in the Star theater formerly owned by F. K. Jacobi and it will be continued under the old name under the direction of a competent manager.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamlin Brower and daughter Fern of Boston and Mrs. W. D. Crane of Grand Rapids were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. S. Brower Christmas day.

We wish to thank our patrons for the splendid Holiday trade and substantial increase in our business the past year. M. N. Henry, Druggist.

Mrs. M. Vanarsdale and daughters Maude and Mae were called to Saginaw Saturday by the death of Mrs. Vanarsdale's mother Mrs. Hurst.

Mrs. W. H. Hall and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. Hall and daughter of Grand Ledge are Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Orton Hill and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ransom Vaughan and Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Chambers and family attended a family reunion at Elmdale Christmas day.

Mrs. Phoebe Tate accompanied her son George Tate of Chicago to Grand Rapids Wednesday morning on his return home.

B. L. Brayton of St. Joseph was in town this morning. His wife and children will spend several days with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Schnieder of Akron, O., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Winegar and Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Wadsworth.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Jensen and Shelly Monks of Grand Rapids spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Monks.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora Gibson and Gaylor Haskin of Grand Rapids spent Christmas at the home of Will Burdick.

Our store will close after Jan. 1 at 6:30 every evening except Wednesday and Saturday. A. J. Howk & Son.

Clarence Lewis and family of Grand Rapids spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. John E. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Charles and daughter Edith spent Christmas with relatives at Moseley.

Earl Althaus of Grand Rapids spent Christmas at the home of his brother Carl Althaus.

D. G. LOOK

At Look's Your New Year's Candy

Fenway Candy—The purest, finest candy made—You don't know how delicious it is possible to Make Candies if you have never tasted our Fenway Candy.

Full lbs. 60c.
1/2 lbs. 30c.
Fenway Cocktails. 25c.
Newport After Dinner Mints. 10c.
Swiss Milk Chocolates. 5 & 10c.

Special for Saturday—Monday—Tuesday and New Years Day.

Liggett's Genuine Saturday Candy. 50c Quality only 29c.

A Happy and Prosperous 1908 to all our customers Old and New.

D. G. LOOK

The Rexall Drug Store

STATIONERY

Thanks, Friends,

for your generous Christmas patronage To reduce our stock, we will offer extraordinary inducements to buyers of

New Year's Gifts

in greatly reduced prices until January 1. If you examine the goods and hear the low prices, you will surely buy. Here's a happy and prosperous New Year to all.

R. D. Stocking, Jeweler

New lot of Victor and Edison records just received.

Scott Hardware Co.

We have a fine assortment of new and second hand hard coal stoves. Also soft coal and Wood Heaters that we will sell at Cost.

An opportunity that you should improve if you are in need of any thing we have in the stove line.

Scott Hardware Co.

Health and Happiness

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

Phone 127 Office in Williams' store. WOOD AND COAL

100 BEST QUALITY VISITING CARDS with Your Name Beautifully Printed in Engravers' Script. Mail Orders Solicited and Promptly Filled and Mailed Postage Paid. Samples Free. Stamps Taken. Call or write LOWELL LEDGER.

HARVARD'S OLD CLOTHES.

Students Give Cast Off Raiment to Poor—Where Shoes and Hats Go. Every spring there occurs at Harvard College a curious convention of old clothes, as it might be called, which the cast off garments of hundreds of college undergraduates meet and mingle for the last time before starting out on an odd and practical philanthropy.

Quite a Patriarch. Age is a matter which seems dependent on one's point of view. A New Yorker imprisoned in a tenor studio fell victim to the garbulousness of the artist executioner, and was informed that the latter, recently married, was about to set forth on a visit to the old country.

Misrepresented. Much has been said of the dirt of the peasants of Brittany, and the well known proverb "Ninety-nine pigs and one Breton make a hundred Bretons," and the still more scathing saying, "The Bas-Bretons and the pigs sleep together—I should not have thought the pigs so filthy," will serve to keep up this reputation though the land should be scoured with soap.

A Fortified Monastery. At Solovetsk, in Russia, is a remarkable fortified monastery. It is enclosed on every side by a wall of granite boulders nearly a mile in circumference. The monastery itself is very strongly fortified, being supported by round and square towers about thirty feet in height, with walls twenty feet in thickness.

Wives By Purchase. Wives are still obtained by purchase in some parts of Russia. In the district of Kamyslin, on the Volga, for example, this is practically the only way in which marriages are brought about.

Honoring Family Trades. A singular illustration of the persistence with which the Japanese adhere to their family vocations is seen in an announcement in a Japanese newspaper that a celebrated dancing-master was to hold a service in honor of the one-thousandth anniversary of the death of his ancestor, who was the first of the family to take up the profession.

Keeping the Air Cool. By a somewhat primitive system the town of Thompson Fall, Mont., banishes in the hottest weather to keep rooms at a temperature of 55 degrees. Wells are covered at the top and large pipes tap the current of cold air a few feet below the surface of the ground, conveying it to different rooms in nearby buildings.

Native Tortoise Shell. Tortoise shell, as it comes to market from the West Indies, is coarse, dirty, and lusterless, and only the most skillful and patient manipulation makes it the rich and beautiful material it eventually becomes.

Owens 35,000 Dogs. Probably the owner of the largest number of dogs in the world is a Russian cattle king, who has 35,000 shepherd dogs to look after 1,500 cattle.

The Wings of the Morning By LOUIS TRACY Copyright, 1903, by Edward J. Clode

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 mining 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. VII—Iris is attacked by a party of fierce Dyaks (Polynesian natives.) They are beaten off by Jenks, three however, escaping in their boat. The castaways dread their return.

CHAPTER 7 (continued) He was right. As they came out into the open he saw three men, not two, pushing off a large sampan. One of them was the chief. Then Jenks understood that his bullet had hit the lock of the Dyak's uplifted weapon, with the result already described. By a miracle he had escaped.

"I didn't allow for the sun on the side of the fore sight," he said, "or perhaps I am a bit shaky after the run. In any event they can't go far." A hurrying step on the coral behind him caught his ear. Instantly he sprang up and faced about—to see Iris. "They are escaping," she said. "No fear of that," he replied, turning away from her.

"Where are the others?" "Dead!" "Do you mean that you killed nearly all those men?" "Six of them. There were nine in all." He knelt again, lifting the rifle. Iris threw herself on her knees by his side. There was something awful to her in this chill and businesslike declaration of a fixed purpose.

CHAPTER VIII. THEY looked long and steadfastly at the retreating boat. Soon it diminished to a mere speck on the smooth sea. The breeze kept its canvas taut, and the sailor knew that no ruse was intended. The Dyaks were flying from the island in fear and rage. They would return with a force sufficient to insure the wreaking of their vengeance.

"Thank heaven you failed!" "You think that if I had fired at them they would have retaliated. Yes, especially if I had hit the chief. But it was he who instantly gave some order, and I suppose it meant that they were not to hurt me. As a matter of fact, they seemed to be quite as much astonished as I was alarmed. But if they could hold my hands they could not stop my voice so readily. Oh, didn't I yell?" "You did."

"I suppose you could not hear me distinctly?" "Quite distinctly." "Every word?" "Yes." She bent to pick some leaves and bits of dry grass from her dress. "Well, you know," she continued rapidly, "in such moments one cannot choose one's words. I just shouted the first thing that came into my head." "And I," he said, "picked up the first rifle I could lay my hands on. Now, Miss Deane, as the affair has ended so happily, may I venture to ask you to remain in the cave until I return?" "Oh, please!" she began. "Really, I must insist. I would not leave you if it were not quite imperative. You cannot come with me."

as he might, he could devise no way to avoid disaster during the next attack. This, he felt certain, would take place at night. The Dyaks would land in force, rush the cave and but and overpower him by sheer numbers. The fight, if night there was, would be sharp, but decisive. Perhaps if he received some warning Iris and he might retreat in the darkness to the cover of the trees. A last stand could be made among the boulders on Summit rock. But of what avail to purchase their freedom until daylight? And then—



Had done their work too well.

Intently. Whenever he doubled a point or passed among the trees he crept back and peered along the way he had come to see if any lurking foes were breaking shelter behind him. The marks on the sand proved that only one sampan had been beached. Thence he found nothing of special interest until he came upon the chief's gun lying close to the trees on the north side. It was a very ornamental weapon, a muzzle loader. The stock was inlaid with gold and ivory, and the piece had evidently been looted from some mandarin's junk surprised and sacked in a former foray.

His guess at the weather conditions heralded by the change of wind was right. As the two partook of their evening meal the complaining surf lashed the reef, and the tremulous branches of the taller trees voiced the approach of a gale. A tropical storm—not a typhoon, but a belated burst of the periodic rains—deluged the island before midnight. Hours earlier Iris retired, utterly worn by the events of the day. The gale chanted a wild melody in mournful chords, and the noise of the watery downpour on the tarpaulin roof of Belle Vue castle was such as to render conversation impossible save in wearying shouts.

Luckily Jenks' carpentry was effective, though rough. The building was water tight, and he had calked every crevice with unraveled rope until Iris' apartment was free from the tiniest draft. The very fury of the external turmoil acted as a lullaby to the girl. She was soon asleep, and the sailor was left to his thoughts.

Sleep he could not. He smoked steadily, with a magnificent prodigality, for his small stock of tobacco was fast diminishing. He ransacked his brains to discover some method of escape from this enchanted island, where fairies jostled with demons and hours of utter happiness found their bane in moments of frightful peril.

Of course he ought to have killed those fellows who escaped. Their sampan might have provided a last desperate expedient if other savages effected a landing. Well, there was no use in being wise after the event and scheming

as he might, he could devise no way to avoid disaster during the next attack. This, he felt certain, would take place at night. The Dyaks would land in force, rush the cave and but and overpower him by sheer numbers. The fight, if night there was, would be sharp, but decisive. Perhaps if he received some warning Iris and he might retreat in the darkness to the cover of the trees. A last stand could be made among the boulders on Summit rock. But of what avail to purchase their freedom until daylight? And then—

(To be continued)

THE FARMER'S WIFE

Is very careful about her churn. She scalds it thoroughly after using, and gives it a sun bath to sweeten it. She knows that if her churn is sour it will taint the butter that is made in it. The stomach is a churn. In the stomach and digestive and nutritive tracts are performed processes which are almost exactly like the churning of butter. Is it not apparent then that if this stomach-churn is foul it makes foul all which is put into it?

The evil of a foul stomach is not alone the bad taste in the mouth and the foul breath caused by it, but the corruption of the pure current of blood and the dissemination of disease throughout the body. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery makes the sour and foul stomach sweet. It does for the stomach what the washing and sun bath do for the churn—absolutely removes every tainting or corrupting element. In this way it cures blotches, pimples, eruptions, scrofulous swellings, sores, or open eating ulcers and all humors or diseases arising from bad blood.

To aid in healing old sores, or ulcers, apply Dr. Pierce's All-Healing Salve to them while taking the "Golden Medical Discovery" to purify and enrich the blood. Dr. Pierce's All-Healing Salve is cleansing and pain relieving. It destroys the bad odors arising from suppurating, or running, sores and puts them in the best possible condition for healing.

The "All-Healing Salve" is a superior dressing for all open, running, or suppurating, Sores or Ulcers. For healing open wounds, cuts and scratches it is unsurpassed. If your medicine dealer does not have the "All-Healing Salve" in stock mail 50 cents in postage stamps to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., and you will receive it by return post.

In treating all open sores, or ulcers, boils, carbuncles and other swellings, it is important that Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery be taken persistently to purify the blood and thereby remove the cause of the trouble. It is in the blood that the great battle of health has to be fought. The ulcer and the sore are simply the scarlet flowers of disease, with roots running down into the blood. These roots must be eradicated or the disease will break out afresh. "Golden Medical Discovery" cleanses the blood of all foul and poisonous accumulations, pushes out the dead and waste matter, and thus purifies the entire life current. Disease in the flesh must die out when it is no longer fed by foul blood. "Golden Medical Discovery" effectively cures disease in the flesh by curing its cause in the blood.

If you have bitter, nasty, foul taste in your mouth, coated tongue, foul breath, are weak and easily tired, feel depressed and despondent, have frequent headaches, dizzy attacks, gnawing or distress in stomach, constipated or irregular bowels, sour or bitter rising after eating and poor appetite, these symptoms, or any considerable number of them, indicate that you are suffering from biliousness, torpid, or lazy liver with the usual accompanying indigestion, or dyspepsia and its attendant derangements.

The best agents known to medical science for the cure of the above symptoms and conditions, as testified by the writings of leading teachers and practitioners of all the schools of medical practice, have been skillfully and harmoniously combined in Dr. Pierce's

Golden Medical Discovery. That this is absolutely true will be readily proven to your satisfaction if you will mail a postal card request to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., for a free copy of his booklet of extracts from the standard medical authorities, giving the names of all the ingredients entering into his world-famed medicines and showing what the most eminent medical men of the age say of them.

Cures Woman's Weaknesses. We refer to that boon to weak, nervous, suffering women known as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

Dr. John E. Fife, one of the Editorial staff of THE ECLECTIC MEDICAL REVIEW says of Unicorn root (Hemionus Dica) which is one of the ingredients of the "Favorite Prescription": "A remedy which invariably affords relief to the entire reproductive system. He continues 'in Hemionus we have a sedative which more fully answers the above purposes than any other drug with which I am acquainted. In the treatment of diseases peculiar to women it is seldom that a case is seen which does not present some indication for this remedial agent.' Dr. Fife further says: 'The following are among the leading indications for Unicorn root. Pain or aching in the back, with leucorrhoea; atonic (weak) conditions of the reproductive organs of women; mental depression and irritability, associated with chronic diseases of the reproductive organs of women; constant sensation of heat in the region of the kidneys; menorrhagia (flooding), due to a weakened condition of the reproductive system; amenorrhoea (suppressed or absent monthly periods), arising from or accompanying an abnormal condition of the digestive organs and anemic (thin blood) habits; dragging sensations in the extreme lower part of the abdomen.'

If more or less of the above symptoms are present, no invalid woman can do better than take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, one of the leading ingredients of which is Unicorn root or Hemionus, and the medicinal properties of which most faithfully represents. Of Golden Seal root another prominent ingredient of "Favorite Prescription." Prof. Finley Ellingwood, M. D., of Bennett Medical College, Chicago, says: "It is an important remedy in disorders of the womb. In all catarrhal conditions and general debility, it is useful." Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription faithfully represents the above named ingredients and cures the diseases for which they are recommended.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the original Little Liver Pills, first put up by old Dr. Pierce over 40 years ago. Much imitated, but never equaled. Easy to take as candy.

Advertisement for PRODEAN'S PRICKING CACTUS OIL. Trial Bottle, 15c. 30 cc. Bottle, 50c. No. 275 Guaranteed under the Food and Drugs Act, June 30, 1906. Olney & McDavid, Clinton, Iowa. Every family has frequent use for a good liniment and none can be found that equals in penetrating and healing powers the old reliable KING CACTUS OIL. Since 1888 it has sold on its merits until it is now used from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

A Business Proposition




Did you ever stop to think, Mr. Business Man, that the news of your business is as much a part of the local events as a wedding or a church fair? The ladies are just as much interested in a new fabric you have on the shelves as they are in any home happening. Your store news and announcements in these columns will reach a large circle of eager buyers. This will enable you to sell your goods while they are new and fresh and you will not have to sacrifice later at remnant counter prices. Think it over.

Olney & McDavid, Sole Manufacturers, 113-117 Fifth Avenue, CLINTON, IOWA. Dean's Sweet Ointment Cures Spavin, Ringbone and Curb. All Druggists, 50c per bottle. M. N. Henry the Modern Druggist

THIS SPACE RESERVED FOR


A. W. WEEKES

LIBERALITY  **COURTESY**

---1908---

What has the year 1908 in store for you? Is it sickness and misfortune? Have you anything saved to carry you through these possible misfortunes? If not commence to save your money Jan. 2nd., and keep at it.

The Lowell State Bank.

ACCURACY  **STABILITY**

Heard About Town

Dr. Keyes, dentist, phone 156.

Mrs. Hobart Clark was in Ionia Thursday and Friday.

First class dressmaking. Mrs. Rich in Lee block. Jan. 21.

F. J. Fox of Grand Rapids was in town on business Saturday.

From December 16 to 31 are Herald-Ledger Bargain days.

Miss Alta Fallas is visiting friends in Grand Rapids this week.

Miss Ethel Wooden of Ionia is visiting her parents here.

Herald and Ledger Bargain Days changed to December 16 to 31 inclusive.

Miss Anna Lashy entertained the junior sewing club last Thursday evening.

Mrs. Robt. Stone of St. Johns has been spending Christmas with her mother Mrs. J. Walsh.

Terry Yarger and Glenn Perkins of Freeport visited Misses Ellnor Porritt and Alice Crawford Friday.

C. G. Stone and A. C. Stone and family spent Christmas at the home of Henry Stone in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Nicholson and two children are spending a few days with relatives at Flint and Hadley.

Mr. and Mrs. John Reuter of Freeport and Mr. and Mrs. S. Yetter of Lowell were in the city Wednesday. [Hastings Journal.]

Marion Oliver entertained a company of her little friends Saturday afternoon in honor of her ninth birthday anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Martin are spending the holidays with friends at Pottsville, Hudson, Charlotte and Lansing.

Mrs. Albert Chadwick of Chicago and Mrs. Bertha Walters of Saranac were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dawson last week.

A bill for divorce was filed Friday in the county clerk's office by Charles E. Karchner of Lowell. The complainant charges extreme cruelty on the part of Louise Karchner. [Grand Rapids Herald.]

Justice Nesbitt was called upon to officiate Friday in two weddings. James Tefft and Eva B. Carr, of Keene, came to Ionia for the ceremony, and were sent away rejoicing. [Ionia Sentinel.]

Harry F. Snyder, son of Dr. H. P. Snyder, 177 South Union street, died at the residence of his parents Friday after a lingering illness of diabetes. While the young man had been ill for some time his death came as a surprise to his numerous friends. Funeral will be held from the residence Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. [Grand Rapids Herald.]

Geo. Tate of Chicago spent Christmas with his mother here.

James Scott and family spent yesterday in Grand Rapids.

Miss Irene Murphy of Grand Rapids is visiting her parents here.

Dr. C. L. Keyes spent Christmas with relatives in Grand Rapids.

Remember, call 35 for bus and baggage McQueen & Winters.

Miss Katherine Lewis, has been home from Birmingham for a week's vacation.

Miss Winifred Leary of Freeport is spending her vacation with her parents here.

Twenty young people enjoyed a sleighride to Saranac last Thursday night.

Miss Minnie Meek is spending her Christmas vacation at her home at Sparta and in Grand Rapids.

George Kitchen of Grand Rapids was in town on business last week and called on Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dawson.

Misses Louise Lillie of Hastings and Myra Lillie of Ypsilanti are spending the holidays at the home of their parents Mr. and Warren Lillie.

Mr. and Mrs. John Headworth and daughter Phoebe and Miss Mary Childs of Grand Rapids are Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Cameron.

Dr. White, dentist, phone 151.

John Yarger spent Christmas in Grand Rapids.

Robt. Button and Miss Lizzie Kropp spent Christmas in Grand Rapids.

Miss Rena Klump spent Christmas in Grand Rapids.

Harry Hogan of Grand Rapids was in town Wednesday.

Rev. J. H. Westbrook of Byron Center was in town today.

Lowell Township taxes are now in my hands for collection. M. N. Henry.

Clyde Richardson of Ionia was in town Tuesday.

The Ledger office is open when the big red sign shines.

Mr. and Mrs. David Finagan spent Christmas in Grand Rapids.

Big selection of New Year's post cards at Look's.

Miss Bertha Austin was called to Maple Rapids again Friday.

Leo Walsh of Grand Rapids spent Christmas with his mother here.

Ed. Flynn of Grand Rapids spent Christmas with his family here.

Miss Helen-Look is visiting friends at Detroit during the vacation.

Miss Maude Vanardale is home from Ann Arbor for the holidays.

Mrs. Theo. Mueller and daughter Katherine are spending the holidays in Chicago.

Miss Nellie Carey has been spending Christmas at the home of her parents in Cadillac.

Ralph Nixon of Bancroft joined his wife at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Orton Hill this week.

Will Davidson of Grand Rapids spent Christmas with his sister Mrs. Harold Wastes.

George Walker's home in South Boston, recently destroyed by fire, was insured for \$1100 in the Ionia County Farmers' Mutual, and the loss was adjusted Monday by Secretary Fowle and Director Kysar at \$1084.33.

Door plates ready at Ledger office for: David Finagan, Wm. Klaba, Fred J. Yetter, R. H. Brady, E. E. Church, S. Baird, C. E. Hackett, Geo. F. White, James Carr, Myron Kysar, Geo. M. Parker, Adam Haines, Levi W. Burra, A. A. Dickerson, Albert L. Houghton, Frank L. Houghton, Mrs. C. Johnson, John H. Wright, James O. Sage, Mrs. H. DeVos. Please call or send for them.

George L. Lee has brought suit in circuit court against Jacob Mastenbrook asking for an adjustment of their accounts. He claims that he is engaged in the manufacture of the So-Ray fire kindler and that some time ago he entered a verbal agreement with Mastenbrook by which the latter agreed to put \$500 into the business and get half the profit. Soon after that he sent Mastenbrook up to Home township, Newaygo county. Here he claims that Mastenbrook bought a quantity of timber suitable for manufacture of the kindling. Mastenbrook is since selling this and pocketing the profits, he claims, regardless of the partnership entered into. [Grand Rapids News.]

Carl Basler is home from Ypsilanti for the vacation.

When the big red sign shines LEDGER office is open.

Mrs. H. A. Briscoe and son F. are visiting friends at Litchfield.

Joe Kelly is home from Ann Arbor for the holiday vacation.

Joe Buttrick of Ada spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Hira Frasier.

Unclaimed letters at the post office for: James L. Hart and Mrs. O. Hendershot.

Mrs. Jos. Buttrick of Ada, vicar, has gone to Lawrence, Kan., to spend the holidays.

Miss Mary McGinnis of Grand Rapids has been spending Christmas with her mother here.

Special for Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and New Year's day at Look's—Liggett's Saturday candy—50c quality only 25c.

J. S. Bergin who has been spending several months at Potoskey on business is home for Christmas.

Glenn Barnes who is attending Michigan Agricultural college at Lansing is home for his vacation.

King Milling company presented each of their employees of both mills and the cooper shop with a Christmas turkey.

Mrs. A. L. Knapp and daughter Virginia are visiting the former's parents Rev. and Mrs. L. N. Pattison at Ann Arbor.

Robt. White of Elgin, Ill., is visiting at the home of his father and will be joined by his family who will remain for a few days.

Misses Carrie and Jennie Oliver of Grand Rapids have been spending Christmas with their brother F. B. Oliver and his family.

Mrs. T. C. Owen and daughter Viola of Genesee are spending the holidays at the home of their son and brother D. H. Owen.

Levi Medavie of Dorr, an Indian minister, accompanied by his daughter Miss Sarah Medavie were guests of J. S. Hooker last week.

Mrs. Melvina P. Fletcher of Harbor Springs came Monday for an extended visit with relatives and friends in Lowell and South Boston.

Remember, the Herald Ledger magazine bargain days offer is not confined to rural route readers. Village readers should get in on this.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Robinson entertained the following relatives and friends at a Christmas party: Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Atwater, Mrs. G. W. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Perry and children.

To give factory hands and others employed through the day a chance at the bargain-days offer Tax Ledger office will be open Saturday evening from 7 till 9 o'clock. Don't fail to improve the opportunity.

Miss Anna Royston entertained her sister Miss Margaret Royston who is teaching at Greenville, the first of the week, and they left Tuesday night for their home at Fremont where they will spend the holiday vacation.

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