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THE BANK THAT PAYS 4 PER CENT.

A. W. WEEKES, President
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WE WISH YOU THE SEASON'S GREETINGS

Here we are with a complete line of Watches, Jewelry, Silverware, Cut Glass, Fine and Standard China; also our Eastman Kodaks and Edison Phonographs for Christmas buyers. In fact your search for Christmas gifts at any price is sure to end satisfactorily at this store.

Oliver's Goods and Prices are Right

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| Watches | Dinner Ware |
| Rings | Water Sets |
| Bracelets | Baby Plates |
| Neck Chains | BonBon Dishes |
| Locketts | Whip Cream Sets |
| Broaches | Cologne Bottles |
| Emblem Pins | Candle Sticks |
| Waist Sets | Opera Glasses |
| Tie Holders | Reading Glasses |
| Fobs | Oriental Chimes |
| Thimbles | Mouth Organs |
| Manicure Files | Pocket Mirrors |
| Jewel Boxes | Hat Pins |
| Fountain Pens | Napkin Rings |
| Safety Razors | Meat Forks |
| Fruit Knives | Wine Sets |
| Nut Crack & Picks | Chocolate Sets |
| Carving Sets | Brush & Comb Sets |
| Salad Sets | Automatic Eye |
| Sugar & Creams | Glass Holder |



A. D. OLIVER'S

OUR NINETY-FIRST.....

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF The Lowell State Bank at Lowell, Mich., at the close of business DECEMBER 5, 1911. as called for by the Commissioner of the Banking Department:

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, viz.:	
Commercial Dept.	\$ 81,250 00
Savings Dept.	25,229 08
Bonds, Mortgages and Securities, viz.:	
State and National 3,540 50	
Savings Dept.	175,000 00
Overdrafts 428 30	
Banking houses 4,700 00	
Furniture and fixtures 2,000 00	
Other real estate 6,615 00	
Other real estate 770 00	
Items in transit 12,545 25	
RESERVE	
U. S. Bonds \$10,000 00	
Due from banks in reserve cities \$11,800 75	21,202 45
U. S. and National bank currency 4,125 00	7,000 00
Gold coin 6,615 00	
Silver coin 2,223 65	500 00
Nielsens and cents 271 42	42 10
Checks and other cash items \$19,101 81	\$45,219 55
	61,354 34
Total 140,554 34	140,554 34
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in \$ 25,000 00	
Surplus fund 5,000 00	
Undivided profits, net 7,000 00	
Dividends unpaid 4,225 42	
Commercial deposits subject to check \$ 67,462 46	
Commercial certificates of deposits 22,215 10	
State money on deposit 130,670 80	
Savings deposits, (book accounts) 140,108 02	346,977 07
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Reserve for taxes, interest, etc.	24 07
Total \$401,351 56	
STATE OF MICHIGAN	
COUNTY OF KENT	
I, D. G. MANGE, cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and correctly represents the true state of the several matters therein contained, as shown by the books of the bank.	
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of December, 1911.	
ARTHUR J. NASH, Notary Public	
My commission expires Aug. 23, 1915.	
Correct, attest:	
E. D. McQUEEN	
TOM F. BOYLE	
E. L. BENNETT, Directors.	

LOWELL STATE BANK, LOWELL

CHAS. McCARTY, Pres.; E. L. BENNETT, TOM F. BOYLE, Vice-Presidents; D. G. MANGE, Cashier; A. J. NASH, Asst. Cashier.

DIRT MOVING SOME

Lowell Vicinity Farmers Sell Well and Move to Town

Several prosperous Lowell vicinity farmers have made good sales of their farm property and are moving to Lowell, best town in the country, to enjoy their well-earned rest and competency. Lowell bids them welcome and many years of peace and comfort. Christian Luz has bought of Hiram VanDusen the latter's farm home three miles east of Lowell, together with stock, implements, etc., 109 1/2 acres, at a consideration of \$9,000. Mr. VanDusen and daughter Lydia are moving into their new home in the village and Mr. Luz will occupy his splendid new farm home as soon as vacated.

Mr. Luz had previously sold his 80 acre farm in Keene for \$5,400 to Wm. T. Gramer of Lowell, who with his brother Fred will go out and take charge of same. Catherine Barrows and son Otis Littlefield have moved into their new home in the village, the Oliver cottage, having sold their farm in Cascade, consisting of 80 acres to Raymond Herman for \$6,500.

Wilbur Moon has sold his 150-acre farm, also in Keene, the west half to Frank Karr and the east half to William Higgins both of Greenville. Total consideration \$9,500. Mr. and Mrs. Moon are returning to Lowell and will make their home in the Scott house on Bridge street. Another good farm sale is on the string, but papers are not drawn yet.

CHRISTMAS DOINGS

Programs Planned by Methodist and Congregational Churches

The Methodist Sunday school and choir will give the following Christmas program at the church Sunday evening at seven-thirty. Organ and piano prelude. Scripture reading 19th Psalm. Frances Leonard. Prayer, Rev. Lennox. Quartette, Members of choir. Christmas welcome, Winifred Spencer. Primary chorus, "Waiting up for Santa." Solo, Harold Anderson. "Winter," Erma Ford. "Little Christmas Girl," Muriel Andrews. "Snowflakes," Junior Girls. "Advent Night," Marjorie Lennox. "From out the East Afar," Senior girls. Song by school, page 205 of Sunday school book. Offertory, solo, Mrs. Bertha Strong. Christmas anthem, choir.

Following is the order of exercises to be given at the Congregational church Saturday evening. Song by the school. Prayer. Recitation, Mildred Godfrey. Recitation, Stanley Taylor. Song, Gladys Raymond's class. Recitation, Leah Fletcher. Recitation, Lulu Malcom. Song by school. Recitation, Freda Banks. Recitation, Muri Hiller. Reading, Hazel Geibis. Class exercise, Miss Lampman's class. Recitation, Frances Kellogg. Song by Mrs. Coons' class. Recitation, Edith Fletcher. Song by school.

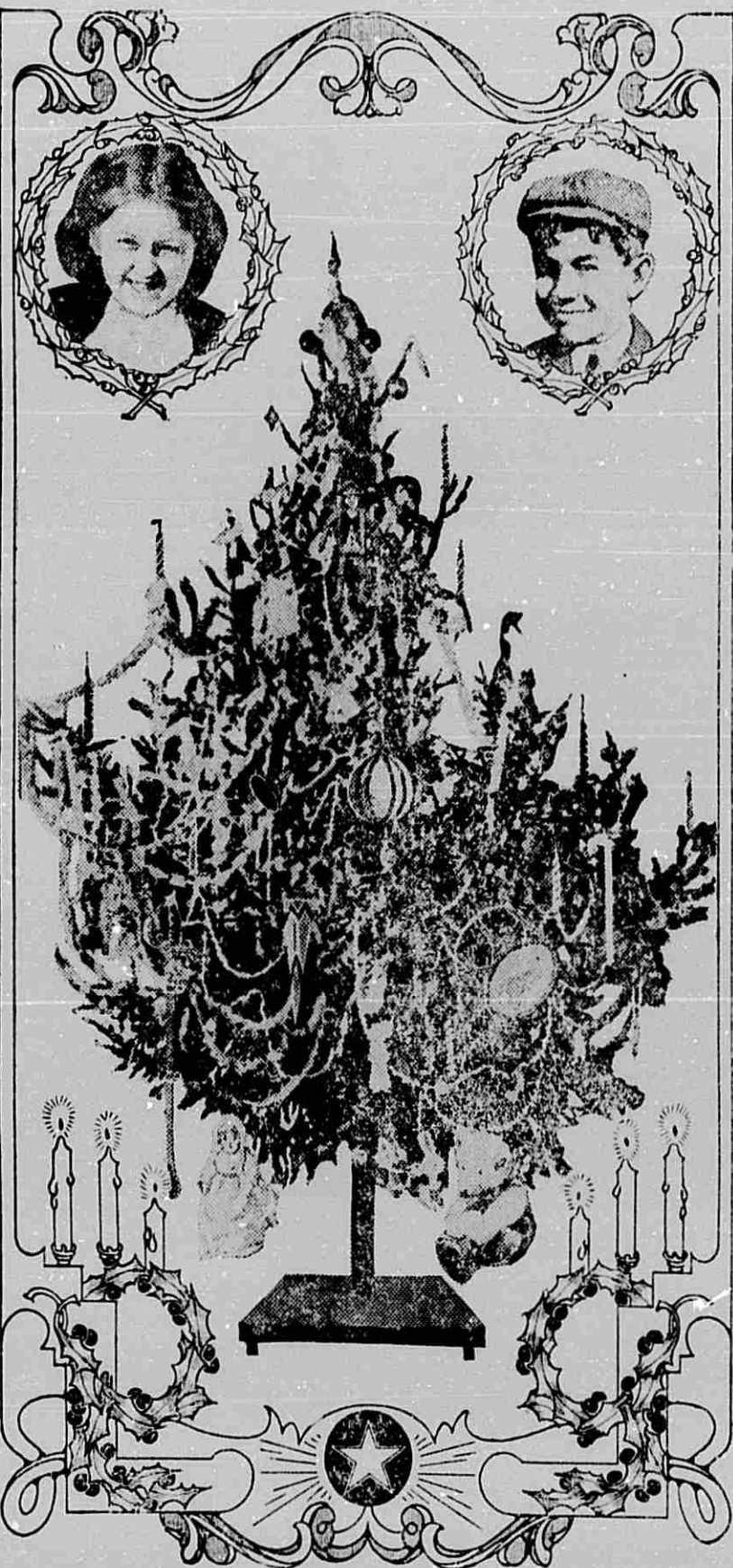
WHITNEY-WOODING

Well Known Lowell Citizen Was Married Yesterday.

A quiet wedding took place yesterday afternoon in Grand Rapids, at the home of Rev. J. T. Husted, pastor of Wallin Congregational church, when Daniel R. Whitney of Lowell and Mrs. Nancy Wooding of Grand Rapids were united in marriage. Only the immediate relatives were present: Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Hodges of Lowell and D. F. Whitney of Calgary, Alberta, daughter and son of the groom, Mrs. Whitfield of Grand Rapids and Jay Whitfield of Chicago, sister and nephew of the bride. After the ceremony the wedding party repaired to the Herkimer hotel where an elegant six-o'clock dinner was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitney will remain in Grand Rapids, occupying apartments at the Herkimer, until the first of the year. At that time they expect to leave for an extended tour of the West, visiting Yellowstone Park and other points of interest both inland and along the coast. Mr. Whitney has been a resident of Lowell since 1898, during much of which time he has been variously connected with the business interests of the village, and his fellow citizens will unite with THE LEDGER in extending congratulations and best wishes.

Vergennes Taxes
A. S. Bennett, treasurer of Vergennes township will at the Lowell State bank on Saturdays until January 6, 1912, to receive taxes.
Subscribe now for 1912.



This tree is loaded with goods bought of LEDGER advertisers, the best business men in the best town on earth. Lowell business men are reporting a cracker-jack holiday trade. LEDGER advertisers say that they have had the biggest trade in their business history; and it will have a glorious whirl Saturday, or all signs fail. Lowell is certainly one of the best trading towns in the country. Big and well selected stocks in all lines, fair prices, courteous treatment and liberal advertising, are the controlling features, to which THE LEDGER with its splendid circulation, both in quantity and quality, has contributed its full share. Late buyers will find helpful hints in the advertising columns of this and previous issues. Come to Lowell Saturday to close up the Christmas buying. You'll never regret it. By the way, that is the time to call at THE LEDGER office and avail yourself of our Bargain Day offers—both with Herald and Press. Merry Christmas to all.

OLD RESIDENT GONE

Death of Mrs. Adison Hatch of South Boston

Mrs. Adison Hatch died at her home in South Boston Saturday, Dec. 16, aged 82 years, 8 months 8 days. Funeral services were held at the home Monday, conducted by Rev. Frank Hatch of Muskegon, a nephew. Burial in South Boston cemetery.

Helen M. White was born April 8, 1829, at Tambridge, Vermont. When seven years of age she moved with her parents Timothy and Rosinda White to Kalamazoo, Mich., and one year later they came to Ionia county.

January 18, 1853, she was married to Adison Hatch and five years later they went to their present farm home where they have lived for fifty-three years. Two children were born to them, one of whom Frank N. died in infancy and James W., with whom they have always lived.

Mrs. Hatch was the second of six children two of whom with the aged husband, one son, three grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends are left to mourn. She was a beloved wife and kind mother always having a kind word for everyone.

The following relatives from abroad were in attendance at the funeral: Mrs. J. C. West, Mr. and Mrs. Bert West, Mrs. Bessie Patengill, Mrs. Carrie Hatch, Henry Mitchell and George Sherman of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Lottie Elkins of Rockford and Mrs. Ada Luther of Lamont.—[Com.]

CONGREGATIONAL

Christmas sermons at the Congregational church next Sunday at the usual hours. Morning, "Going Home." Evening, "Thou shalt call His name Jesus." May we not urge a more universal attendance on the services of the several churches this day. We will try and do you good if you come to the Congregational church. We all, every one of us, owe so much to God's gift of Christ that I feel to urge those not usually and regularly found in the churches to attend. Pastor W. D. Oger.

The Sunday school have their program Saturday evening. All welcome.

STANDING OF CONTESTANTS

In the Dixie Flyer Motorcycle Contest at A. L. Coons, December 20, 1911.

Next Wednesday, Dec. 27, will be change day for the votes. All votes of the December color must be in by that day as a new color will be used after Dec. 27.	
Next Wednesday will also be general vote day and 2500 votes will be given with every 50c purchase or 50c paid on account. Every dollar taken in will bring 5000 votes and by using Trading cards 11000.	
Christmas Special Saturday.	
To give the contestants a chance to boom their numbers a Christmas special will be given and each 50c taken in Saturday, Dec. 23, will get 2500 votes. Do your final Christmas shopping and help your friend with the extra votes on Saturday, Dec. 23rd. By using trading cards you get 11000 votes with every dollar on this day, Saturday.	
Below are the standings.	
B2 87,190	K8 55,170
B5 2,263,375	K10 2,501,835
E4 4,188,180	M11 2,741,105
E5 414,125	R4 2,104,860
F9 1,906,080	R5 5,185,210
G9 159,315	S15 21,125
K2 55,170	

TOLD PROSECUTOR

Herald Reporter Makes Merry With Lowell Landlord.

Saturday's Grand Rapids Herald has the following, which is worth reprinting here without any fixing: Convinced that he had been made the victim of a cleverly executed flim-flam game, Fred J. Hosley of Lowell yesterday visited the prosecutor's office and there unfolded a tale which resulted in the issuance of a warrant for the arrest on a false pretense charge—if he can be found—a youth stranger known for the present as James D. Mann.

It was a few days ago according to the recital of Hosley, that a plausible person giving this name asked for and accepted accommodations at the Waverly hotel in Lowell. This hotel is operated by Hosley and James Davarn. The ingratiating stranger represented himself as manager of a buffet at 180 Prospect street, Cleveland, Ohio, and presented his business card to support the statement. He was in this neck of the woods, he explained, to close some transactions with his deceased wife's estate.

The alleged expert exponent of the art and practice of conology proved himself a good mixer, in any event. He could tell a good story well and often, bought the round whenever it was his turn and did not always wait for his turn, so that he presently stood aces high around the Lowell hostelry. Thursday morning, during a brief absence in which he explained he was negotiating the sale of some property near Elm-dale a telegram for Mr. Mann was delivered at the hotel. Handed the yellow sheet on his return, he read it carefully, then innocently tossed it face up on the counter. "Guess that'll last me until Monday," he nonchalantly remarked. "Expect I'll be with you until then."

The message which was read by everyone in the room, read: "I have expressed you \$500—"

After gracefully diverting the talk to other topics Mann discovered, to his great chagrin, that he was a bit short and decided that he could make use of some change pending the arrival of that half-thousand consignment. Acting on the impulse he negotiated what is known as the ninety touch, with Mr. Hosley on the goat's end of the string. "Make it for 50," suggested Mann as Hosley gripped his pen, preparatory to writing a check on a Lowell bank.

Hosley, quiet complaisant, did precisely as requested. With the check in his hand Mann presently sifted out to visit the office of Attorney Shivel. The lawyer drew up for him a receipt for \$150 to which Mann said he desired to get a signature. With this proof of a recent heavy disbursement he returned to the hotel, a signature having been worked into the document after leaving the lawyer's office. This he asked the landlord to place in the hotel safe, as he didn't care to bother to lug it around.

Having to "stick around" a few days, Mann broached the subject of coming up to the city, and a party of congenial spirits was soon assembled for that purpose. Ere taking the train, however, Mann discovered that the \$150 outlay had made such inroads on his roll that he was hardly able to do justice to the occasion, for which reason he had almost a notion to chuck the proposed trip. Then Hosley pressed \$10 more into his reluctant fingers. The party was all to the merry for some little time. Vouched for by the Lowell folk, Mann made friends so purposefully that when his pile became depleted a local saloonist had no hesitation in staking him another \$10 worth. Discovering after a time that he had business on the west side Mann excused himself for a short time. He is going yet, in the opinion of his friends on short acquaintance. Hosley, bewailing the loss of \$60 and an accrued board bill, allowed his desire for justice to prevail against the shame of confession of being an easy mark and the warrant was accordingly issued and turned over to the sheriff.

The alleged sharper is described as between 50 and 55 years, five feet, eight or nine inches high, weighing 175 pounds, white of hair and stubby of mustache, impressive of front and wearing a diamond as big as a wren's egg.

The Lowell landlord was glad to meet him a few days since. He'd be a lot more much obliged to meet him just once more, and the sooner the quicker, he declares with fervor.

METHODIST CHURCH.

10 a. m., class meeting. 10.30 a. m., preaching, "The Famous Birthright." Special Christmas music. 12 m. Sunday school. 3.30 p. m. Junior league and special prayer. 7 p. m., Christmas program by the choir and children of the Sunday school. Christmas tree and the good things that go with Christmas. Parents and children especially urged to attend Sunday services. Services at Bailey church at 3 o'clock, p. m.

Look's Christmas Sale

Here are just a few of the many sensible holiday gifts that our stock contains.

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|----------------|-------|--|
| Books | - - | All the late copyright gift books and books for children. |
| Perfumes | - - | Palmer's and Intense line, either in bulk or fancy packages. |
| Manicure Sets | - - | A splendid assortment bought from traveler's samples and marketed at wholesale prices. |
| Manicure Goods | - - | The largest display of fine stationery ever shown in Lowell. |
| Stationery | - - | Bulk or packages, all the choicest and purest goods made. |
| Confectionery | - - | Hat, Hair, Cloth, Military and Shaving brushes. Very reasonable in prices. |
| Brushes | - - | "The kind he smokes" in boxes from 25c to \$2.50. |
| Cigars | - - - | |

D. G. LOOK

Lowell The Rexal Store Afto

Our Christmas Trade Has Been Immense

This is a satisfaction to us, and proves that the giving of greater values than can be obtained anywhere else is bound to be found out by the buying public.

Our line offers the largest assortment of staple and retail merchandise to be found in town, and every article sold has a positive guarantee.

Thanking my many patrons for their trade of the past year, and wishing all a Merry Christmas, I am, Yours sincerely,

R. D. Stocking

Jeweler, Lowell, Mich. January Records will be here Saturday

Get It Now

Don't buy ice in winter, but always buy COAL in summer and save yourself trouble later on.

Ask us About It Now

EARL HUNTER

IF YOU GET IT AT CLARK'S ITS CLEAN

HOME MADE CANDY

Clark's Confectionery

Give Him a ROBESON "ShurEdge" POCKET KNIFE for Christmas

A Useful, Lasting, Guaranteed Gift. A Dandy Present for any man—big or little.

SEE OUR ROBESON "SHUR-EDGE" CHRISTMAS WINDOW

A great variety to choose from. You will find a style for nearly every purpose.

Scott Hardware Co.

CARD OF THANKS. We wish to thank the friends and neighbors who have so kindly assisted us during the illness and death of our beloved wife and mother. Also the singers, bearers and those who furnished flowers. Adison Hatch Mr. and Mrs. James Hatel and children. Subscribe now for 1912.

A LAST WORD

The enthusiasm of the season has struck this store good and hard this year. But we were ready for it—in fact, knock it was to come.

The whole store vibrates with the spirit of Christmas. And no one can truthfully say that our display doesn't do the occasion full justice.

To that end we had planned and worked and bought. And now it's time to spread broadcast our invitation to call.

That you will be pleased we feel certain. You'll be sure to notice the completeness of stocks. We can with ease gratify your every wish.

There is something here for all. No member of any family has been forgotten, and the amount you spend may range from a few cents upward.

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| FOR HIM | FOR HER |
| Watch Smoking Set | Watch Chain |
| Ash Tray | Brass Candle Stick |
| Signal Ring | Brass Fern Dish |
| Scarf Pin | Brass Jewel Case |
| Cuff Buttons | Brush, Comb and Mirror |
| Fob | Mantel Clock |
| Desk Set | Brass Clock |
| Waterman's Fountain Pen | Sterling Silver Spoons |
| Watch Chain | Hand Painted China |
| Charm | Hand Painted China |
| Military Brushes | Chafing Dish |
| Shaving Set | Casserole |
| Carving Set | |

U. B. Williams JEWELER

King Block, 3 doors west of Postoffice

NORTH CAMPBELL

Mayfield Haven and family of Elmwood were Sunday guests of Vera King Township.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Isbell and Flore of Pratt Lake visited at Will Dora's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawie Leece entertained company from Grand Rapids last week.

Zella Drew spent last week with Ed Tucker of South Haven.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. V. visited Wednesday evening at Ott's Home.

Anelia took a week's Grand Rapids visitor one day last week.

VERGENES CENTER

Horn, in Vergennes, Friday, Dec. 13th, to Mr. and Mrs. John Veronesi, a daughter, Helen Irene.

The Bennett and the Bennett schools will unite and hold their Christmas exercises December 13th at Hullay church at 7:30.

Mrs. Duane Anderson of Barry, Pa., and her daughter, Mrs. (Mrs.) Lewis Mosley visited their mother and family at Mrs. Mann, last Wednesday.

SCASCAD VILLAGE

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BOWNE CENTER

Merry Christmas and a happy New Year to Editor and staff and our country club.

Edna Morgan was in Grand Rapids from Tuesday until Friday last week.

Arthur Clark's Sunday school class met last Friday evening at the home of Fred Wagner.

Mrs. Dolie Stark returned to Chicago Tuesday last week.

Mrs. Roseville and daughter visited for Christmas Saturday and Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. (Mrs.) John H. Johnson, at Valley City, N. D.

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Beans	75
Potatoes	75
Cattle	100
Hogs	100
Sheep	100
Lamb	100
Butter	100
Eggs	100
Apples	100

WANTS

FOUR SALE—Cats, Meal steel range, first class condition. 25c. 25c.

WANTED TO RENT—By experienced well equipped farmer, a first class lease farm, 50 or 120 acres, 1000 ft. of water, 100 ft. of water, 100 ft. of water. Address W. H. Hines, R. F. D. 1, box 6, Lowell, 25c.

FARM FOR SALE—80 acres, 6 miles from Lowell, 4 miles from Grand Rapids. Two good barns and house. 7000 feet of water. 100 ft. of water. Inquire of Philip Smith, Dec. 25c.

FOR SALE—600 good eggs, 2 and 3 week old. Equips of Chas. Woodcock. 25c.

COLT FOR SALE—horse, year old in spring. C. B. Gunn, R. 2, Dec. 25c.

FOR SALE—Rhode Island Red cocker. No relation to chicks from eggs I have sold during winter. Sold by cocked, 25c. \$1 and \$2 each. D. W. Lind, Clarkeville, Mich. Citizens phone Lowell.

CONSTIPATION A DANGER SIGNAL

It usually means loss of sleep and appetizing food to stomach and bowels. It is a danger signal. Use laxative.

WELAXO

is a small liver tablet that acts mildly but with thorough and lasting effect. It stimulates the liver and helps the slow action of the stomach. It relieves the bowels, causing the bowels to move on. It is the first and best remedy for Constipation. At the first bad symptom take Welaxo. See how it works. See how it works. See how it works.

M. N. HENRY, Ph. G., Lowell



MADONNA OF THE CHAIR

WHERE CHRIST WAS BORN.—BETHLEHEM

McCords and Whitneyville

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Woodson, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hood attended the funeral of the former's cousin, Mrs. Helen Hitch.

Arnold Fischer and John Gress are employed among the dock.

Mrs. Walter Fischer and little son, Mrs. (Mrs.) John H. Johnson, visited relatives in Lowell last week.

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A Bunch of Violets

HERE is the card that is the advertisement of a bunch of violets.

It is not to be greatly wondered at. Advertising for the name of a bunch of violets is not a new thing. It has been done in all times, having at some time aimed its views on it, and yet for the very reason that it is so common and so inseparably allied to the subject of profit making, and also because it is a subject so broad and so wide in its aspects that each exponent may draw light upon a new phase of it, it still continues to be the most interesting of studies to the business man.

The retail store advertiser has an great obstacle removed, in that he is no longer obliged to pay for the use of his name. The newspaper that "goes home" is universally accepted as the best possible medium for his advertisement, and with the great majority, the choice of the best—often it is the only one.

Another much discussed question in connection with "to whom to advertise" is that it seems there can be only one answer to this, for the retailer, any retailer, is a man who is engaged in some other, always; and even in the seasons when trade is lightest, the retailer is engaged in some other business. He is usually diligent to show it. It must have taken a whole week's work to get for that longer, and he is usually diligent to show it. It must have taken a whole week's work to get for that longer, and he is usually diligent to show it.

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So many retail storekeepers handle their own advertising and write their own advertisements that it is not without deserving the subject this offer. It does not seem to be greatly wondered at. Advertising for the name of a bunch of violets is not a new thing. It has been done in all times, having at some time aimed its views on it, and yet for the very reason that it is so common and so inseparably allied to the subject of profit making, and also because it is a subject so broad and so wide in its aspects that each exponent may draw light upon a new phase of it, it still continues to be the most interesting of studies to the business man.

A CHRISTMAS OFFER

We have just closed a deal for a limited quantity of the finest assortment of Christmas and New Year post cards, tags, seals and stickers ever collected. The decorative emblems will enhance the attractiveness of your gifts, when the beautiful Holiday post cards will make a pleasing remembrance to your friends and loved ones. The assortment contains the following: 100 Gold and Beautiful Colors, 50 Blue and Gold, 50 Santa Claus Seals, 12 Christmas Stamps, 12 Santa Claus and Tags, 12 Medium Tags, 4 Imparted Christmas Greeting Cards, 4 Imparted Embossed Cards, 15 Christmas Post Cards, 15 New Year Post Cards, 100 1-1/2 Fancy Colored Calendars, 100 1-1/2 in. in all.

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Fill the Christmas Stocking at Ford's Hardware

If you are pondering what to put into them, take a look at our show window. We have prepared a small room, heated with our famous Round Oak Base Burner and have hung up several stockings filled with articles that should suggest to you that the spirit of the times is for gifts substantial, useful, lasting. True, other stores are offering practical suggestions for Christmas gifts, but not one of these presents the diversity of things needed for the every-day necessities, from kitchen to parlor, like the Hardware Store. We cannot enumerate them all, but suggest, for example:



HERES A SHEAR WORTH WHILE

Carving Sets Bread Knives

We have the largest line of Carving Sets, the largest line in America today. They bear an unqualified guarantee. Prices range from \$1.50 to \$4.00.

Claws Safety	\$3.00
O.V.B. Safety	2.00
Ever Ready	1.00
Other Razors	\$1.00 up

Try a MULTI BLADE Razor. This is the old fashioned razor with 4 extra blades and safety guard and costs you only \$2.50.

Bissell's Carpet Sweepers

Universal	\$2.50
Grand Rapids Cyco, ball bearing	2.75
Prize	3.25

Food Choppers

A necessity in every household

No. 0, small	75c
No. 1, medium	85c
No. 3, large size	1.00

Reed's Sanitary Roaster

3-piece and self basting

No. 1 at	\$1.90
No. 2 at	2.00
No. 3 at	2.25
No. 3 Savory	1.75
No. 3 Corona	1.25

That Boy

Ice Skates, Club

Hockey	\$1.50
Best Hockey	2.00

Asbestos Sad Irons

A fine present for Sister, Wife or Mother

Complete Set	\$1.75
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Coffee Percolators

Nickel Plated	
5 Cup	\$1.80
7 Cup	2.00
9 Cup	2.00
Universal Aluminum	
6 Cup	\$4.00
7 Cup	4.50

As a Last Resort

WEST CASCADE

OUR COUNTRY COUSINS

FALLSBURG

The Growth of Our Monuments

Public Stenographer and Typewriter

The Lowell Ledger Office

Metz Straight Five Cigars

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Last Chance Before Xmas

XMAS SUGGESTION LIST---GIFTS FOR HIM

Overcoats - The sort of gift that not only creates an impression but brings comfort with it. We are giving you a chance to save 25 per cent on an overcoat now.
Elegant ones at..... **\$14.75**

Neckwear - The latest novelties in cross stripes and panels, all colors, some in gift boxes **25c to 1.00**

Gloves - The finest makes in dressed kid and Mecha in all the different shades. See our guaranteed "Not Rip" gloves, \$2 and \$1.65 gloves **1.69 and 1.39**

Hose - An elegant gift for men, silk hose with tie to match, in fancy Xmas box at..... **1.00**
Silk hose with tie and handkerchief to match..... **1.50**
Guaranteed hose, 3 pairs..... **1.00**

Suit Cases and Traveling Bags
Genuine sole leather in all sizes, priced up to..... **12.00**

Mufflers - In all styles, silk, padded or Ways, Knit mufflers, all styles, all colors, a very serviceable **25c to 2.50**

Suits - Elegant, stylish suits always a serviceable gift and at a saving of 25 per cent too. Let us show you **16.75** some at.....

Boys Suits - Jane Hopkins Security Bond suits for boys, \$5.00 suit **3.75** for.....
Other priced suits in proportion.

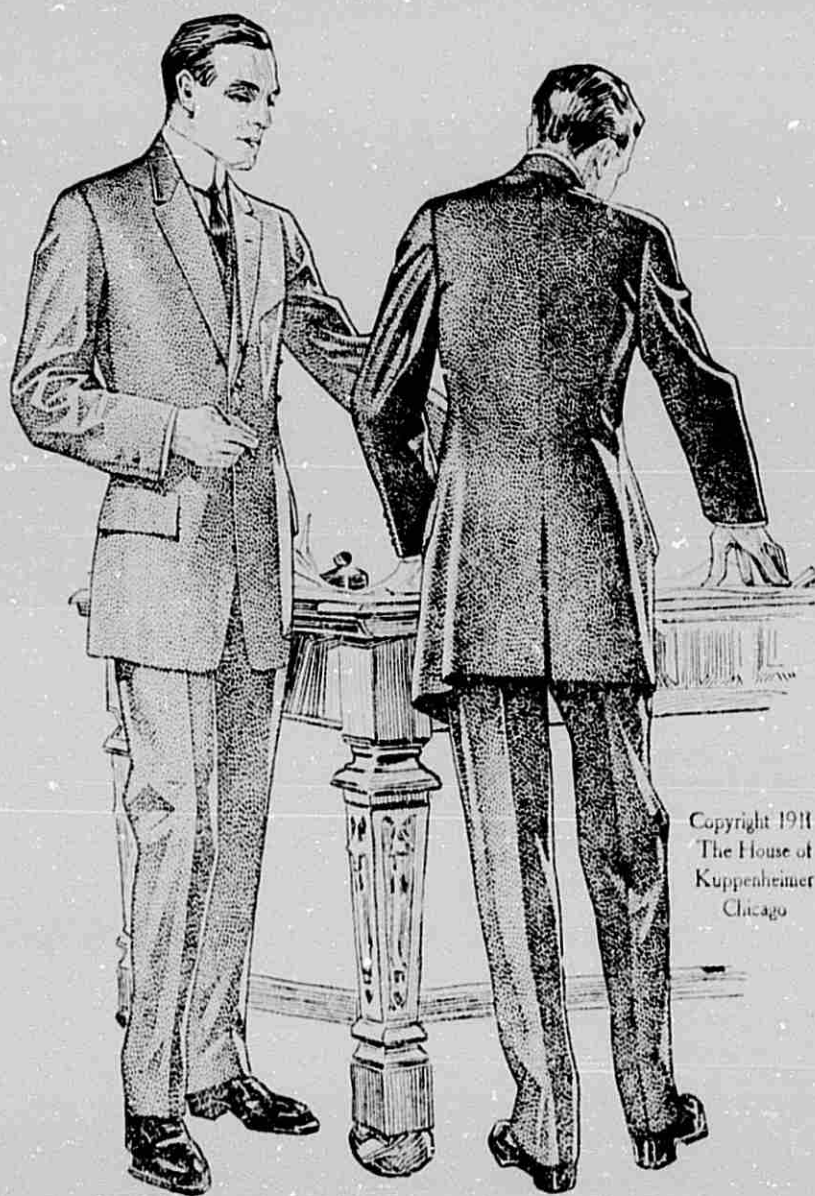
Handkerchiefs - In sealed packages, pure Irish linen with holly stickers for packages.

Shirts - A multitude of patterns in all styles and all sizes, from..... **50c to 2.50**

Jewelry Sets - Cuff links and scarf pins, separate or in sets, as you prefer. Elegant sets **50 to 1.50** at.....

Umbrellas - All manner of fancy handles and all prices to suit the fancy, up to..... **5.00**

REMEMBER! SALE PRICES ON NEARLY EVERYTHING IN THE STORE 'TILL AFTER CHRISTMAS.



A Gift From **Lalley & Shuter's** Will Make Him Happy

10,000 Christmas post cards Clark's confectionery.

Holly and holly wreaths for Christmas at VanDyke's. Press-Ledger bargain days, December 15 to December 24. 2c, 75c, 60c and 50c pictures now 35c each at Henry's drug and book store.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Crawford will spend Christmas with their son and daughter in Kalamazoo. Bruce Crawford expects to spend Christmas in Grand Rapids. The largest line of box candy ever shown in Lowell at Clark's confectionery.

League Entertainment

The entertainment given at the Methodist church last Thursday evening by Mrs. W. O. Merrill under the auspices of the Junior and Intermediate Leagues was worthy a better house than it received. Mrs. Merrill's talent is so well established that it is needless to say that whatever she undertakes is always well done; her interpretation of Little Lord Fauntleroy might be said to be "above par," and the touching little story was made quite complete. Excellent music was furnished by Mrs. H. L. Weekes and Misses Maude Andrews and Beatrice VanDyke in an instrumental trio, pipe organ and by Mrs. Strong in two vocal solos. Net proceeds were twenty-three dollars.

Huffman-Wingeier

Wm. Huffman and Miss Minnie Wingeier of Moseley, Mich., were united in marriage Wednesday morning, Dec. 20, 1911, at the Congregational parsonage by Pastor W. D. Ogg. Mr. and Mrs. Huffman were accompanied by the bride's brother and sister, Guss and Laura Wingeier. The company left for Indiana for a brief stay, expecting soon to locate on a farm near Moseley.

A wrestling match between Clyde L. North of Big Rapids and Floyd Greybough of St. Johns took place at the City hall last Friday evening, the former winning. Another match is announced for tomorrow night at the same place between North and George Potter of Grand Rapids.

Will Metz was at Lyons yesterday.

Holly wreaths, Lowell Greenhouse.

C. J. Bradish visited in Allegan last week.

Pat Delaney was in Durand yesterday.

Hand bag special ten days only at Stocking's.

Imported macaroni 15c per lb. at Spadafora's.

Penny Christmas cards, Clark's confectionery.

Phone 6 for bus and baggage. E. D. McQueen.

Mrs. R. T. Ford has been quite ill the past two weeks.

Herald-Ledger bargain days, December 18 to January 1. 4c

Mrs. Chris Gehrler has been spending two days in Grand Rapids.

James Cary, who has been very ill the past two weeks is recovering.

A complete line of fruits, nuts and vegetables for Christmas at VanDyke's.

All the popular brands cigars in Christmas packages 25c to 5c at Henry's drug store.

Mrs. J. A. Scott and son, John Addison, spent a few days in Grand Rapids last week.

L. Pottruff and family of Vergennes are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Parker Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hunter have returned from a visit in Grand Rapids and Greenville.

A marriage license was issued Monday to William Huffman to wed Minnie Wingeier of Moseley.

Messrs. A. G. and P. C. Peckham left Tuesday on a business trip to Milwaukee and Jamesville, Wis.

Only two more trading days before Christmas, both bargain days at Henry's drug and book store.

Mrs. Ruben Quick of Grand Rapids is making an extended visit with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Barber.

Mrs. Chet Leary daughter, Mrs. Ralph Kenyon of Freeport, and son Verne are in Grand Rapids today.

Miss Florence Snider of the Kalamazoo Normal is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Fred House.

Charlie Leary will be home from Detroit Saturday for a week's visit, accompanied by Harold Fuller.

Holly wreaths for Christmas, double ones 30 cents, single 20 cents. Please order early. Lowell greenhouse.

Miss Florence Scott will be home tomorrow from Ithaca, where she is teaching, for the Christmas vacation.

Miss Lizzie Terwilliger of Grand Rapids is spending several weeks with her father and sister, Benj. Terwilliger and Mrs. A. D. Oliver.

Only the purest and best candies comprising the Fenway, Liggett, Walker, Dolly Varden and Johnston lines are shown at Look's.

Inspect the large line of copyright books, gift books and children's books at Look's. He is offering a splendid assortment and very reasonable prices.

10,000 Christmas post cards, Clark's confectionery.

The Ledger office will be closed on Christmas day except from 3:00 to 3:30 o'clock, p. m. to receive and deliver the Press. Transient readers take notice.

Here are two extra good clubbing offers: The Lowell Ledger and Toledo Blade, weeklies, both one year only \$1.25; or The Ledger and the New York World three-a-week, both one year for \$1.65.

Mr. and Mrs. F. N. White leave tomorrow for Elgin, Ill., where they will spend a week with their son. Their daughter, Winifred, of Lansing will accompany them and return with them for New Years.

A copy of "Sketches Here and There," a book of brush and pencil sketches in foreign lands published by the Michigan Trust Co., of Grand Rapids, to its patrons, has been received at this office.

F. J. Priest has entered the employ of the C. N. railroad, as section foreman, at a salary of seventy-five dollars per month; and will enter upon the duties of the position at once.

And now the temperance folks have joined the increasing ranks of President Taft's opponents? The official recognition given by the Administration to the brewers congress in Chicago is given as the cause.

Rena Scribner, ten years old and her brother Charley, seven years old, were taken to Lowell Wednesday. Rena to find a home with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Bealard of Grand Rapids, as foster parents, and Charley with his mother's brother, Hayes Rolf of Lowell as foster father. The children were given up to the state by their father a short time ago.—[Ionia Standard.]

The Methodist Sunday school board has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Supt. A. M. Andrews, assistant supt. J. B. Veiter, primary supt. Mrs. E. R. Collar, sec. and treas. Clarence Collar, assistant sec. Jessie Oliver, pianist Maude Andrews, chorister Harley Maynard, supt. of missionary dept. Mrs. A. M. Andrews.

Mrs. Minna Owen of Muskegon and C. L. Boyce of Detroit were here last Thursday to attend the funeral of their sister, Mrs. J. E. Lee. Mrs. Dr. Wallace of Sparta and Mesdames P. L. Abbey and Klose of Kalamazoo were also present.



OLD KRIS KRINGLE HAS HEAD-QUARTERS AT OUR STORE, HE IS READY TO SHOW THE GIFTS HE BROUGHT FROM FAR AWAY LAND HE WILL BE AT OUR STORE TILL CHRISTMAS

DEC. COMING TO EVERY HOME

Copyright 1909, by C. E. Zimmerman Co.—No. 62

Pretty Xmas Handkerchiefs, several hundred to select from, all nicely displayed for quick buying..... 5c to 50c	Gloves for Xmas, heavy dogskin, the best wearing winter glove..... 1.50	Silk Waists, the newest styles for Christmas \$3.50, 5.00, 7.50
Good quality plain white hdkis... 7 for 25c	Glace Kid Gloves, black only..... 1.00	Lace and Net Waists, beautiful styles regular \$5 qualities, this week..... 2.50
Children's Wonderland hdkis..... 5c	Extra quality black Kid Gloves..... 1.25	Marquette Waists, handseamly embroidered, reg. \$5 qual., this week 2.50
We are agents for the famous Sealpacker-chief, each handkerchief made of pure linen wrapped in tissue and packed in separate box, sealed..... 10c each, 3 for 25c	Best quality blk and col Kid Gloves..... 1.50	Bath Robe Blankets, medium and dark cols, excellent quality, \$2, \$3
Extra heavy weight taffeta Petticoats with "smoothback" tops..... 5.50	Suede Gloves, warm for winter wear..... 1.50	Warm Bed Blankets, practical gifts for the home..... 50c, \$3
All wool Wooltex Skirts in black and all colors and fancy mixtures, any Wooltex skirt in the store, values up to \$10, Thursday, Friday and Saturday..... 5.00	Glove bonds or certificates if you want them.	Exceptionally large, heavy Blankets..... 98c
Extra heavy weight taffeta Petticoats with "smoothback" tops..... 5.50	Xmas Umbrellas, the biggest assortment ever shown in Lowell, every possible style of handle from the plain ribbon to the gold handles, guaranteed for 20 years, regular 50c. to \$3.50, special Xmas discount of..... 1/3 off	Wool Bed Blankets, Xmas price..... 4.50
Children's ready-made Dresses, 2 to 14 yrs made of percales, genuine Galatea duck etc., 30 different styles to pick from, priced at..... 50c to 2.00	Handsome Belts in holiday boxes..... 25c, 50c and \$1.00	Silk Hosiery in Xmas boxes..... 50c to 1.50
Genuine Bissell Carpet Sweepers, in golden oak, mahogany, dark oak and Circassian walnut finishes..... 2.50, 2.75, 3.00, 3.50, 5.00	Belt Pins in velvet lined boxes, 25c and 50c	Silk Lisle Hose, winter weight, 2 pair in Xmas box, per box..... 1.00
Sweater Coats for women and children, all colors, lots of different styles to pick from special prices all..... 50c to 6.00	Broches in velvet lined Xmas boxes..... 25c and 50c	Dress Goods Patterns, regular \$1 woolen, now..... 79c
Children's Crib Blankets in all colors..... 50c	Barrettes, all the new shapes..... 25c and 50c	\$1.25 woolens, now..... 98c
Leather Hand Purses in fancy boxes..... 25 to 50c	Back Combs, in fancy Xmas boxes..... 25c and 50c	Silk Auto Scarfs in fancy holiday boxes, dozens and doz. up..... 50c to 4.00
Bed Spreads with hemmed ends, scalloped and fringed ends..... 1.00 to 5.00	Chains and Pendants in fancy Xmas boxes..... 25c and 50c	Extra large silk hat Vels..... 50c to 1.00
	Pearl Beads in fancy boxes, 25c and 50c	Wide fancy Holiday Ribbons for hair bows, 7 inches wide, values up to 60c, Xmas price..... 25c
	Fancy Hat Pins in Xmas boxes..... 25c and 50c	Fancy Holiday Ribbons, for tying packages, by the yard or by the bolt..... 25c
	Infants Saques, Booties, Skirts, Hoods, Underwear, Mittens, etc., complete assortment in all lines..... 25c to 1.00	Pretty Waist Patterns, in holiday boxes, regular 2c and 25c, white washings, 3 yard patterns in fancy boxes..... 50c
	Heavy Beaver Shawls for mother, grey and brown, regular price 3.00 to 5.00, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, this week, at just..... 1/2 the regular price	All Silk Waist Patterns, in fancy box..... 3.00
	Rubber Storm Caps, for girls, blue and red silk lined hood, special Xmas price this week..... 2.50	Warm Nightgowns; 10 different styles all \$1.25 qualities, special Xmas price..... 98c
	Special lot black Embroidered Petticoats made of good quality cotton taffeta most stores charge 1.25 for this skirt our price..... 98c	Long Kimonos for Xmas, duckling fleece, satin trimmed..... 2.00
	Guest Towels of pure linen huck with hemstitched ends and place for monogram, each..... 25c	Dressing Sques..... 50c, 75c, 1.00
	Big assortment of Stamped Pillow Tops, Table Runners, Towels, etc., with silk to make and embroidery lesson, complete..... 25c, 50c and 75c	Small Rugs for Xmas gifts, attractive prices, 1.00, 1.95, 2.95

The Store that Sells Wooltex **Payne's** Where you see the new things first

LATE BUYERS GET THE BARGAINS

Every day from now until New Years a bargain day at our store

One lot 25c articles, choice 10c
75c-60c-50c pictures now 39c each
A sample line of Hair and Cloth Brushes at wholesale prices
All 25c-30c-35c-40c Books, choice 25c

Special prices on package Perfumes, Purses, Box Papers, Toilet Cases, Manicure Sets, Art Calendars, a big line at low prices.

We have received some late shipments, we have just what you want and you will find our prices the lowest at

HENRY'S DRUG and BOOK STORE
Lowell, Mich.

Something new in fancy waters, Walnuts, Almonds, Black and White and Tobi from front at VanDyke's.

Unclaimed letters at the post office: Chas. Pilkington, C. J. Clark, Miss Ida Ida Allen, Miss Marie Stuart.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Richmond of Grand Rapids visited at the home of R. Ryder and Henry Hiller last week.

The largest and best assortment of holiday stationery ranging in price from 10c to \$2.50 is shown at Look's.

The 1912 telephone directories are being delivered to patrons this week from The Ledger office by the Citizens Telephone company.

For catarrh, coughs, colds, croup or asthma ask M. N. Henry for a \$1.00 Hyomei outfit. Use as directed and end all misery. (Pronounce it High-o-mey.)

A year's subscription to The Ledger would make a most acceptable Christmas gift to your absent dear one. We have suitable presentation cards for the purpose.

Mrs. Chas. Fisher, and baby of Evanston, Ill., are visiting at the home of Chas. Wisner. Mr. Fisher will join them here for Christmas and they will go to Detroit for New Years.

"Parisian Sage has no equal. It destroys dandruff and causes the hair to grow. It is fine for falling hair."—Mrs. Pond, Moscow, Idaho. M. N. Henry guarantees it. 50 cents.

The Ledger for a Christmas present. Many are making such a selection for their friends—52 reminders of your thoughtfulness—only \$1.00, postpaid. We have neat presentation cards, but hurry up.

Honnan Dawson is suffering with a badly ulcerated eye.

Don't Wind Up the Christmas buying without seeing Winegar's **BIG BARGAINS**

Dolls, Toys, Games, Picture Books, Etc. For the little folks

Books, Toilet Sets, Perfumes, Box Stationery, Etc. For the big folks

Little Prices Big Varieties Biggest Values

WINEGAR'S

GLOVER LEAF CLUB

Literary Ladies Engage in Woman Suffrage Debate.

The Clover Leaf Club met Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 19, at the home of Mrs. R. Van Dyke. Program: Piano duet, Mrs. C. D. Hodges and Mrs. H. L. Weekes.

Debate: "Shall Women Vote?" Affirmative, Mrs. F. E. White and Mrs. J. J. Lalley; negative Mrs. A. G. Peckham and Mrs. H. Van de Greyn. Judges, Mrs. J. A. Gilbert, Miss Mary Abbey and S. P. Hicks, decided in favor of the affirmative.

Roll call, words usually mispronounced.

Piano duet, Mrs. F. F. Coons and Mrs. C. D. Hodges.

Meeting adjourned to meet Jan. 9, 1912 with Mrs. G. B. Willard.—[Press Reporter.]

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