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WHAT IS A CORD?

Justice Collar Has an Interesting Problem to Solve.

The case of Levi Nash, plaintiff and Fred J. Roth defendant, now pending before Justice of the Peace Clarence Collar, presents an interesting and puzzling question, to-wit: "What is a cord of wood, stovewood of 18 or 20 inches length, or four-foot long, such as we used to speak of as 'cord wood' when we were boys?"

About a year ago Mr. Nash sold his farm to Mr. Roth and one of the terms of the sale was that the former should have the privilege of cutting "25 cords of wood." When it came to cutting Mr. Nash took 25 cords of four-foot wood? Hence the suit.

There other claims and counter claims; but this is the main point of contention. The plaintiff's attorney Mr. Shivel contends with the dictionary that a cord is 8 feet long, 4 feet high and 4 feet wide. The defendant's lawyer, Mr. Springett holds that custom should rule and that stovewood length is the custom in wood dealings.

Hearings were held May 10 and 23 and at the latter an adjournment was taken to June 5, while Judge Collar takes a beetle and wedge to the knotty question, "When is wood a cord?"

GENIAL PAT WEDS

Marriage of Patrick Bowles and Mrs. Nettie Balcom.

Monday morning, May 26, at 7 o'clock, at St. Mary's church, occurred the wedding of Mr. Patrick Bowles and Mrs. Nettie Balcom, Rev. Fr. Albin officiating. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Skelding.

After the ceremony, which was witnessed by a small company of friends, a fine wedding breakfast was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Morse, Father Albin and several friends participating.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowles departed, accompanied by Messrs and Mesdames J. T. Epley and Lewis Morse for an automobile trip to Grand Rapids and Casnovia. At the former place dinner was enjoyed at the Herkimer and at evening an elaborate banquet was served to the wedding party at the Casnovia home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Covill.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowles are well-known Lowell people; and genial Pat as construction foreman on the paving job and since with the good roads work, has made a host of friends. They will be at home after this week at their newly purchased home, the Raugh place, just east of town.

STRICKEN IN SOUTH

Will Hutchinson Very Ill in South Carolina Hospital

Will Hutchinson suffered a stroke of apoplexy while sitting at the table of a Spartansburg, South Carolina hotel, Sunday, May 11, and now lies in a hospital at that place, having only partially regained consciousness. His wife, Jessie, went at once to his bedside on receiving a telegram advising her of his condition. Messages received from her here since her arrival at Spartansburg, say there is no material change in Mr. Hutchinson's condition; but that the doctors have hope for his recovery.

Mr. Hutchinson is nearing fifty years of age and is a man of good physique and seemingly excellent health. His home was at Portland, but for the past year, with his son Llewellyn in school here, the family have lived with Mrs. Hutchinson's mother, Mrs. Helen M. Gardner. He recently left for a trip through the south, visiting Atlanta, and had been at Spartansburg about a week.

Mrs. Hutchinson writes in the highest terms of the kindness of the Spartansburg people. The Masonic lodge of Portland, of which Will is a member, is on duty at long distance, and has given orders that he receive every possible aid and attention.

SAW GLACIER PARK

In Beautiful Views and Heard a Descriptive Lecture.

At the Central school building yesterday afternoon, the pupils witnessed an exhibition of beautiful stereopticon views of Glacier park, the national reservation in northern Montana, with a descriptive lecture read by Prof. Frazee.

In the evening, the adults and other school children of the village had an opportunity to see the same; and it was an educational and entertainment feature well worth while.

Next Wednesday evening, there will be a similar event, with the Yellowstone Park as the subject, and 107 views will be shown, at the same place.

These lectures are free to the public; and for those who desire to feel and know things above the ordinary affairs of life, we repeat, they are well worth while. Prof. Frazee is doing a good work along this line and should have your interest and support.

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Saturday, May 31

Our Special Annual Sale on Sarsaparilla Tonic closes next Saturday and if you want a bottle of the best spring tonic and blood purifier made, be sure and get it on or before this date.

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SIXTY THREE YEARS

William Campbell Lived in Keene Township Since 1850.

William Campbell, an old resident of Keene township, died at the hospital in Greenville at an early hour Saturday morning, May 10, after a long illness, at the age of seventy-seven years, seven months and seven days. William Campbell was born October 3, 1835, in Glasgow, Scotland. He came with his parents to New York in 1839. They removed to Keene, Ionia county, Michigan, in the spring of 1850. He was married to Miss Frances Green in 1868, and bought a farm adjoining his father's property, where he has since resided. His wife died about three years ago, and since that time he has been in failing health. He leaves one sister, Mrs. Mary Gibson, of Belding, and one brother, John Campbell, who resides on the old homestead in Keene. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. Ellis of Ashley at the church in Smyrna Monday afternoon at two o'clock. Interment in the Smyrna cemetery.—(Smyrna Correspondent, Ionia Sentinel.

IS RAISING TUITION

Lowell School Board Advances Annual Fees to \$25

After determining as nearly as possible the actual per capita cost of education in the local high school, the board of education at a recent meeting raised the tuition for next year from twenty dollars to twenty-five dollars. This step was taken after a great deal of deliberation. It was found that it cost thirty-five dollars a year to educate the students in the local high school. Under these circumstances it would seem unwise to solicit patronage at twenty dollars. However, it must be taken into consideration that it would be impossible to maintain the type of high school we have at present for anything like the present cost without foreign students. It was thought that very few pupils would withdraw on account of the additional five dollars charge. More than this, the board of education is offering a very attractive commercial course for next year, which is expected to augment the attendance to the full capacity of the building.

GETS A LONG TERM

Charles Howe Drew Twenty Years from Judge Brown.

Convicted of the terrible crime of attacking his own fourteen-year-old daughter Charles E. Howe Saturday was sentenced to serve from fifteen to thirty years at Jackson. Judge Brown recommended that the maximum be twenty years.

In passing sentence the court scathingly arraigned the respondent, declaring that his crime passed all understanding of decent people and that there could be no room even for sympathy. Howe is 39 years old and has a wife and six children. The crime was committed at Grattan Center, where the family then lived. At the time of his arrest Howe was living at Orleans in Ionia county.—Grand Rapids Press.

OUR HOME CHURCHES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Next Sunday morning, communion service and reception of new members. Subject of the morning sermon, "The Work of Philip the Evangelist."

For the evening—the fifth sermon in the series on the minor prophets, the Book of Jonah. A most interesting prophecy with a great message, quoted by Christ as the sign of His resurrection. Be sure and hear Jonah's message Sunday evening.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Theme for consideration at the morning hour, "A Glorious Experience." At the close of the sermon the ordinance of the Lord's supper will be observed. The Bible school will meet at the noon hour. The Young People's society will meet in the church parlor at 6:30 for Bible study. Quite a number have signified their intention to take the examination on the teacher training study. Subject for meditation at 7:30, "Tumult Giving Way to Quiet," the experience of the psalmist as voiced in the 42d psalm.

METHODIST CHURCH.

10:30 a. m., short sermon, subject, "The Glory of Sacrifice," followed by the administration of the Lord's supper. Don't miss this blessed service.

12 m., Sunday school. Let June, the month of roses, be marked by new scholars and large classes.

6:45 p. m., Ep. League, begins promptly. A short, live service. William Loucks, leader, subject "The Cross of Jesus."

7:30 p. m., preaching, subject, "The Probable Last Chance." No church offers a heartier welcome than the Methodist church. Come.

after a two weeks' visit with friends here.

EAST CASCADE & NORTH MCCORDS

Mr. and Mrs. John Linton and daughter, Myrna Cudney and Mrs. Rockefeller celebrated Mrs. Ellen Linton's 65th birthday.

Clarence Tillyer and wife of Grand Rapids visited Saturday night and Sunday with his parents.

Mrs. Ray Cornell and children and Mrs. Loren Lewis called on Mr. and Mrs. Roy Manger Sunday.

John Cox went to Lowell Saturday on business.

Mrs. Ward Willette of Lowell visited her parents Friday.

GREENVILLE—Harold Dennison, 9 years old, only child of Mr. and Mrs. George Dennison, was drowned in Flat river. He and two other boys walked on the edge of a railroad trestle and he fell off.

IONIA CELEBRATES

School Children Participate in Historical Pageant.

IONIA, Mich., May 28.—Just 80 years ago today the first settlers arrived at the present site of Ionia and laid the foundations of the city on the camping grounds of the Indians. That event is being celebrated by the school children of the city to the number of 150, who took part in an historical pageant presented on the grounds of the Central school and surrounded with all the atmosphere of pioneer times. Indian wigwams and pioneer huts were erected on the spacious school lawn, and six scenes were given by the children.

Scene one showed the possession of the Grand river by the Indians with their wigwams, war dances, councils and feathers and paint.

Scene two represented a trading station with the Indians bartering their furs for the trinkets of the traders.

Scene three was that of the arrival of the Dexter colony at Ionia, May 28, 1833. Children drawn by ox teams represented the members of the colony.

Scene four was scenes from the home life of the pioneers with their quaint dresses, utensils and furniture of the early thirties.

Scene five represented an early school taught in the young village of Ionia.

Scene six was a reproduction of the Fourth of July celebration of 1837.

The children took great interest in the pageant which was modeled after those of New England and the first ever held here.

Following the pageant, which was attended by a large number of citizens and school patrons, an address was given by Daniel W. Tower of Grand Rapids, a grandson of Samuel Dexter, Ionia's founder.

Attention Alumni!

The Lowell High School alumni will meet Monday evening, June 2, at 7 o'clock at the office of S. P. Hicks for the purpose of transacting necessary business. Turn out.

Father's Day at Snow Church

Next Sunday will be Father's day at Snow church. Robert Bush will sing "Silver Threads," with Orlov Tillyer at the organ and Ernest Forbes accompanying with a violin obligato. Services begin at 10:30.

BAILEY CHURCH

2 p. m., Sunday school. Every body attend next Sunday.

3 p. m., Preaching by the Pastor, L. E. Lennox.

Publisher's Notice

If your subscription account with the LOWELL LEDGER has run out, you will do the publisher a great favor by calling at the office and renewing, or remitting the amount by mail. Statements have been sent out, or, if you have not received one, the time to which you have paid shows each week on the pink label. This label is notice to every subscriber just how the account stands. To require the mailing of several statements before we can get pay for what is due is out of the bounds of fairness. At \$1.00 a year every subscription ought to be paid one year in advance and without statement notice. If the date on your paper this week shows that your time has run out, and you are getting The Ledger on credit, you will confer a great favor by sending in the dollar as soon as possible.

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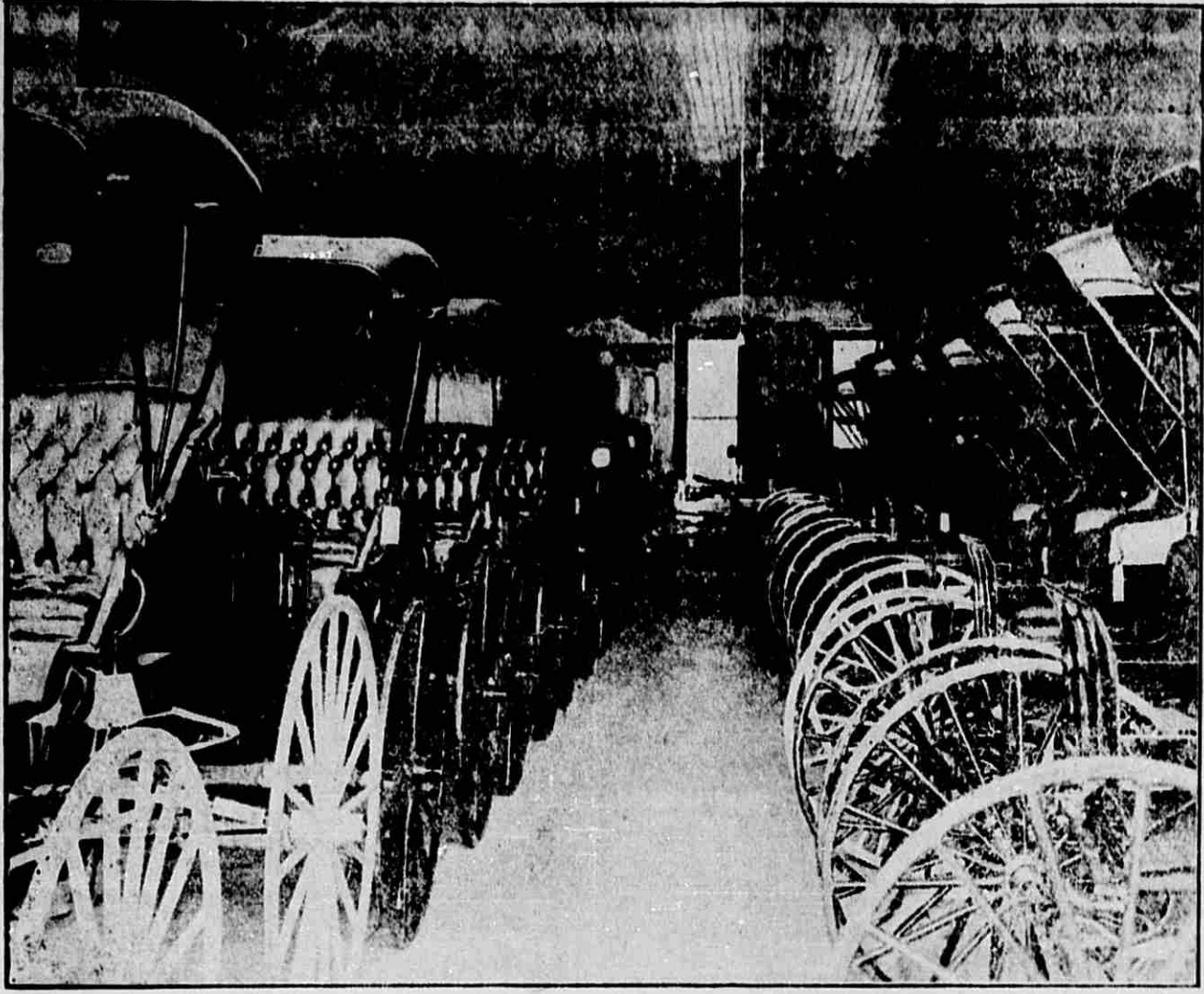
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Warm Lunch will be served to all at noon, FREE.

Harvey L. Godfrey

A Pail of Stock Food will be given to the Farmer who comes the greatest distance to attend the opening.

Our Country Cousins

GRATTAN CENTER.

Burton Partridge and wife and Tom Booky and wife attended the Masonic meeting in Lansing Tuesday and Wednesday. Elsie and Frank A. Brooks visited Mrs. Claude Becker and enjoyed the play at Powers last Friday and Saturday. Mrs. Henry Miller of Grand Rapids visited Geo. Youngs and wife a few days last week. John Booky and wife have a new E. M. F. Emma Margaret Frances, who arrived Saturday, May 24. Frank Donovan had a serious mishap with his auto when the axle broke and let him down quite suddenly. Belding has a pretty fair base ball team, but they aren't in it when it comes to playing with Rockford. Coming to Grattan June 3, Bert Silvers' big show. Amy Madison is visiting her sister in Grand Rapids. Mrs. Ann Tower, who is quite seriously ill, was removed to Butterworth hospital in Grand Rapids. Frank and Milo Donovan and wife and E. C. Lesiter and wife attended the ball game in Grand Rapids Sunday. James Ladner is improving. Wm. McCormick of Grand Rapids visited his parents two days last week. Rev. Cochran, wife and baby called on Mrs. F. Donovan and Mrs. S. W. Matice one day last week.

LOWELL DIST NO. 2.

Mrs. Wm. Hessler is visiting her parents F. Mason and wife of Harvard. Helen Omer is assisting Mrs. Clinton Green with her house work. Mrs. Lou E. My of Saranac visited her cousin Mrs. Gay Monks Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. T. J. Eirik is spending a few days with Mrs. Will Eirik of Lake Odessa. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Mullen and son Donald spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McIntyre. Miss Hazel Kinyon closed her school Friday with a picnic. John Frazee and daughter Fern and Augusta Barley spent Sunday at Herbert Dawson's. Mrs. and Mrs. Loren Sargent and son Dewey spent Sunday with the latter's mother, Mrs. Eldorf at Saranac. Howard Buttermore spent Sunday at Will Thompson's in Keene. Mr. and Mrs. Simon Popma of Bowne spent Sunday at Peter Popma's. Mrs. Gottlieb Roth of South Boston spent from Sunday until Wednesday with her daughter Mrs. Ernest Althaus. Miss Ruby Ernst returned home Monday from Grand Rapids having finished the millinery season. Mrs. John Simpson returned home Saturday after an extended visit with her son Fred Simpson and family at Lansing. Walter Ostrawski of Grand Rapids spent Saturday with his brother Peter Ostrawski.

WEST LOWELL.

The Ladies Aid society of the church of Christ will hold their next meeting with Mrs. T. J. Eirik June 5. Mr. and Mrs. Charles McIntyre and son Harold went to Ann Arbor Friday and returned Saturday bringing their baby home from the Homeopathic hospital. Mrs. Lou E. My of Saranac visited her cousin Mrs. Gay Monks Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. T. J. Eirik is spending a few days with Mrs. Will Eirik of Lake Odessa. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Mullen and son Donald spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McIntyre. Miss Hazel Kinyon closed her school Friday with a picnic. John Frazee and daughter Fern and Augusta Barley spent Sunday at Herbert Dawson's. Mrs. and Mrs. Loren Sargent and son Dewey spent Sunday with the latter's mother, Mrs. Eldorf at Saranac. Howard Buttermore spent Sunday at Will Thompson's in Keene. Mr. and Mrs. Simon Popma of Bowne spent Sunday at Peter Popma's. Mrs. Gottlieb Roth of South Boston spent from Sunday until Wednesday with her daughter Mrs. Ernest Althaus. Miss Ruby Ernst returned home Monday from Grand Rapids having finished the millinery season. Mrs. John Simpson returned home Saturday after an extended visit with her son Fred Simpson and family at Lansing. Walter Ostrawski of Grand Rapids spent Saturday with his brother Peter Ostrawski.

MORSE LAKE

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Andrews of Lowell visited at Frank Fairchild's Sunday. No preaching services at the church last Sunday as Rev. Mead officiated at the funeral of Mr. Cooper at Bowne Center. David McWhinney of Caledonia visited his niece Mrs. Frank Fairchild's Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. DeRoy Wood of McCords held a family reunion at their home Sunday in honor of Mrs. Wood's birthday. A pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by all. Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Vatter spent Saturday and Sunday with their son Clarence and family of Freeport. The Epworth League of West Lowell will give an ice cream social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Curtis Friday evening, May 30. All are cordially invited. J. O. Scott was called to Belding last Wednesday on account of the serious illness of his aged father. Mrs. J. O. Scott and two children spent two days of last week with her sister Mrs. Chas. Oberley of Lowell. Many from this vicinity attended the recital given by Orlov Tillyer and pupils Friday evening. The hall was full, the fine program lasted over two hours, the rendition of which demonstrated the efficient training of their young, but thoroughly qualified teacher. A lecturers conference has been planned by the Kent county Pomona Lecturer Wednesday, June 5, at Grand Rapids in the court house. Ionis, Ottawa and Montcalm county lecturers have been invited.

ELMDALE

G. C. Longeur was in Grand Rapids on business Friday. Wm. Lott, Walter Nash, and Earl Hostetter are assisting John Miehler carpenter on Chas. Stahl's barn. Dan Stauffer was in Moseley Saturday night. May Baird of near Freeport is assisting Mrs. Harley Lenhard with her work. Walter Wieland and Will Kilgus were in Lowell Saturday night. Mrs. Steve Custer did shopping in Grand Rapids Saturday. Ira Dintman of Ann Arbor visited his parents of this place the past week. Wm. King and wife of Freeport were the guests of his brother Earl and wife Sunday. Loren Stahl, Edith Livingston, Nellie Weaver and Olive Rittenger took the eighth grade examination from the Star school. Earl Rittenger and Glenn Layer spent Tuesday night in Lowell. John Lenhard and son Harley were in Grand Rapids on business Monday. Rev. Parker gave an interesting report at church Sunday of the State Conference which he attended at Cadillac last week. Charles Billinger of Lowell and Bert Hansen of Clarksville were in town Monday repairing automobiles. Forty-two at Sunday school Sunday afternoon. Must be some "special attraction" around Elmdale that draws Charlie Schwab here, from Lansing every Saturday night. Mr. Bechold resigned from his work at the depot last week. A new operator has taken his place.

MOSELEY

Mrs. Geo. Ring of Grattan visited at the homes of John Andrews and Mrs. L. A. Davis, Friday and Saturday. Hosmer Andrews attended the funeral of Lieutenant James A. Sage who died in the Soldier's Home at Johnson City, Tennessee. The funeral was held in Smyrna, Saturday burial at Belding. Mrs. Geo. Frost of Smyrna spent a few days with her son Gordon and family last week. Will Condon and wife spent Sunday at their cottage at Murray Lake. Byron Frost of Smyrna visited J. D. Frost and family over Sunday. Glen Ford and wife returned from Detroit last week, where they spent the past three months. Gottfried Kropp visited Callum Wiggon's family Sunday.

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John Andrews spent Sunday afternoon with relatives in Smyrna.

FALLSBURG

Henry Luce, brother-in-law of Mrs. James, and Mr. Chilton of Grand Rapids, were here last Wednesday. Miss Gladys Stanton who has been in the Rapids for some time with relatives is home and visited last week at the homes of Mesdames Higgines and Rummel of Keene. She with her father called on J. Tower and wife Sunday and Tuesday returned to Grand Rapids from which place she goes Wednesday to spend the summer with her brother Lee and family of Mackinaw City. Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Steketee of Grand Rapids motored here Saturday to visit J. Tower and returned Wednesday. Mesdames Denny and Sheppard and their brother J. Sage visited Saturday at John Wright's in Vorgenness. Mrs. S. returned at night while the others will spend a few days. Mrs. Rummel and children of Keene spent Sunday with Mrs. A. L. James. Mr. and Mrs. Morris Kalward and children of Lowell were callers Sunday at the homes of Messrs and Mesdames Jones, James, and Tower. Mrs. Mae Chapman and little grandson who have been visiting Frank Jones and family returned last Friday to Belding. Messrs Frank Karr and Higgines of Keene, Wayne of Greenville and Frank Jones of this place motored to Burns Lake and returned Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Huntley of Keene were callers on Mrs. James Sunday. A company of young friends surprised Miss Lillian Karr last Friday evening at her home in Keene and report a good time, games enjoyed and ice cream and cake served.

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Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Blood and Mrs. Lizzie Sears and family attended the funeral of their nephew and cousin, Earl Cook, who died at Butterworth hospital, after an operation for appendicitis. The funeral was held from the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Cook, at East Paris Monday. Mrs. Emma Croninger of Grand Rapids returned Saturday after visiting Mrs. J. H. Fraser a few days. Wm. Glesse and sister Jennie of Ada visited their uncle, P. J. Semeyn, Sunday, May 18. Mrs. Archie Wood and son visited friends in Grand Rapids and Alto Saturday and Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lawyer, Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas, Mrs. D. C. Blood, Mrs. M. B. Thomas, Mrs. Frank Wood and Mrs. Ella Brewer attended the funeral of Mabel Kennedy at Grand Rapids Tuesday. Mrs. Georgia Cook will entertain the Ladies' Aid society Thursday, June 5. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Snyder of Grand Rapids are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Snyder. Miss Bertha Gross has returned to her home after spending three months in Grand Rapids working in a millinery store. Mrs. J. Semeyn spent Monday and Tuesday with her mother and attended the shower given by Mrs. E. Bates Tuesday afternoon. John Semeyn went to Lowell Saturday to have some dentit work done.

WANTS

ARE YOU GOING TO BUILD?—Let me give you an estimate free or furnish sketches with your ideas studied out carefully, proportioned well with right economy so you may build within your means. Costs nothing to consult or write me and I can be a big help to you. J. E. SMITH, ARCHITECT, 425 Houseman Bldg. Grand Rapids, Mich., City phone 1455. 51c

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WOES OF BRIDE-ELECT

By BENNETT JOHNSON.

"For mercy's sake," cried the girl in the now full suit, "when did the last ship get in from Paris? Where did you get the clothes? I never saw anything so gorgeous in all my life! You hat is a dream, and that veil is another. You are a marvel! What for, especially?" The other young woman smiled complacently. "Do I strike you that way?" she inquired in gratified tones. "Then I must be all right, for that is precisely the effect I intended to produce. If it had been a shade less I should have considered my toilet a failure! I wanted to make it impossible for any one to think of me as anything but the most fashionable thing on earth!" "Well, you've done it," declared the girl in the now full suit. "Why?" "You know," explained the gorgeously apparelled one, "that Harry's family had never met me before we were engaged. They lived miles away across town. After we were engaged Harry said they were all coming to call on me. Naturally I was anxious to make a good impression."

"Well, that was easy," said her friend. "I never in what one would call hard work to look at you!" "Wait!" said the fashionable one in hollow tones. "For two weeks I went around from breakfast time till the lights were out at night, so dressed up that nobody dreamed of asking me to dust the living room, as usual, or do anything but ornament the place. Then a bushel of tomatoes came the day mother had to go to luncheon. 'Go on!' I told her, heroically. 'I will make the chili sauce and the catch-up!'"

"We never leave such things to the cook. In fact, to get rid of the cook I told her to take the afternoon off, so that I would have a clear field in the kitchen. I suppose there are wonderful individuals who can work up a bushel of tomatoes while attired in a neat blue serge with white collar and cuffs, like the angelic persons we see in the pictures, and emerge unruined. "But when I tackle anything like tomatoes I get into it up to my elbows. There were tomatoes on the walls, and tomatoes scattered in my hair and over my face and my apron was a sight."

"Everything on the stove started boiling at once and I was hot and frustrated when the bell rang. "Let it ring!" said I to myself. It rang again. You know there is something intensely human and personal about a doorbell that you aren't answering. It seems so accusing and reproachful. Just as I said for the fourth time 'let it ring,' I dropped a preserving spoon splash into the catchup and rushed madly to the door. "I had remembered that the dressmaker was to send home my dress that afternoon for the dance that night. I wrenched open the front door to catch the figure descending the steps."

"Oh, yes, it was Harry's mother, dear. It couldn't have been any one else on earth, you know. There she stood gazing at her daughter-in-law, who resembled at that moment a cross between an incriminated cook and a squashed tomato. Harry's mother is one of those neat, perfect women, to whom a hair out of place is a perfectly unexplainable phenomenon. I know she burst into tears at her son's fate the instant she withdrew from my presence. And the tomato catchup all burned up while I was sitting in the best parlor chair smearing it with tomatoes and acting as though I was quite happy."

"The men came to clean out the furnace the other day, and mother and I took the same time to clean the storeroom. You know what a storeroom does to you—it puts cobwebs in your hair and grimes you with dust, and you get soot on your nose and wear the gown that is worse than your worst one. When the bell rang this time—it being the maid's day out—mother said, 'Oh, bother! That must be Mrs. Phillips for the sewing society stuff! Do run up and hand her the bundle I left in the front hall!'"

"I ran, incidentally tumbling over the furnace man's litter and putting my hands into a basket of soot and ashes, which I dusted off on my apron as I went. Yes, it was Harry's married sister, who takes two hours every day to dress and hyphenates her name. "I'll say nothing of the day Harry introduced me to a cousin of his whom we met by chance, when it had been raining and I had no umbrella. You know what my hair looks like when it gets damp—exactly like straggly shoe laces!"

"Nor will I mention the time I met Harry's younger sister. It was in a beauty parlor, where I had my hair pulled back from my countenance and cold cream all over my face. Are you able to imagine me smiling in a self-possessed way and saying, 'So glad to meet you, at last!'" "Well—I am now waiting for the taxi which is to bear me in all my present splendor to make a round of calls on mother, married sister, younger sister and cousin. Do you blame me?"

"Mercy, no!" said her friend. "But I am sure the taxi will go to smash and hurl you into a mud puddle in front of Harry's mother's house!"—Chicago Daily News.

It's Nature. "We started out on a joy ride, but found the car was a deep disguise for something else." "What was it a disguise for?" "The tremble wagon." Strang in Memory. Rural winter joys increase in an inverse ratio to the square of the distance, or words to that effect. It will be noticed that Whittier did not write "Snow Bound" until after he had become a city-dweller and the memory of frosted nose and ears and tingling hands and feet had become dimmed and vague. A too accurate memory, like acute truthfulness, is a terrible handicap for a real poet, just as it is to an editor.

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