

Every Young Man Knows

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"The Wheel That Squeaks the Loudest is the One That Sets the Screes."

Very well, young men, start in by paying your bills by check.

Nothing helps a young man more in advancement in business than to be known as one who keeps his bills paid—meets all obligations—and has a bank account.

You will receive just as courteous attention with a dollar deposit as you would with a hundred dollar one.

City State Bank

Lowell, Mich.

The Bank That Pays Four Per Cent.

Keep the Peace and Keep Good Time

Both are equally important, but you can't keep good time if your watch is in poor condition.

Begin right by having your watch put in a thoroughly right condition, for BEING ON TIME always brings its own reward. Our repair department will give you good service at a reasonable charge.

By the way! You may not always want to take your best watch with you on all your trips and jaunts for fear of loss, etc. For such events we recommend and sell the "INGERSOLL," the watch that made the Dollar famous. We have them from \$1.00 to \$3.00, all guaranteed by the company for good service.

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Eyes examined and glasses fitted



Take your family and dearest friends.

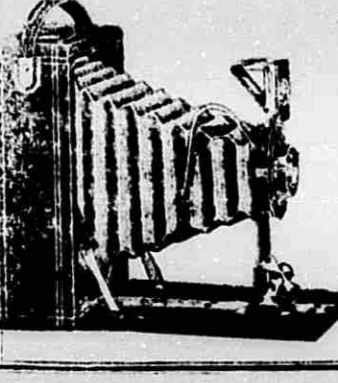
How would you like pictures of them in their natural, everyday, familiar surroundings?

Step into our store and let us show you how easily you can make good pictures of them and of everything else you care about, with a

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You need no experience, and these remarkably simple, compact, efficient cameras can be had at from \$1.50 to \$150.00.

Fresh films, paper, chemicals—everything for photography, always in stock.



STILL EATING?

Good! We are still selling Groceries—GOOD groceries—the BEST groceries in town for the money—and are selling a lot of them. If you are a customer we can hold your trade without advertising. Our groceries and the service we give will do that. But if you are not a customer you ought to be, and we want you to be one, for it is as much to your benefit as to ours. Just ask any of our customers—they will tell you—then come your self, and you will be happy, and so will we.

G. E. DENISE

A Smooth Throat

At this time of year a good many throats feel as rough inside as a piece of sandpaper. To keep your throat smooth and comfortable and free from coughs, keep a bottle of Winegar's White Pine and Tar at hand. It's the best cough cure for ninety-nine cases in a hundred, 25c a bottle. Good old fashioned Hoarhound Drops at 20c a pound. Get a few. The best Black Licorice in big 2 ounce sticks, 5c.

Winegar's Drug Store

ONLY ONE TICKET

People's Caucus Made No Nominations For Village Offices

There will be but one ticket in the village election, that put up at the Citizens' caucus and published in this paper last week. The People's caucus at the City hall Monday evening was well attended but no action was taken, not even to organize. The committee reported general satisfaction with the action and nominees of the citizens' caucus and their inability to secure other candidates, and recommended that no further action be taken at this time.

The result of this effort to secure a second ticket, proves what has been claimed for many years, that candidates for two tickets cannot be found. Undoubtedly, the fairness of the Citizens' caucus had much to do with the result; and herein lies a suggestion for the future. If one caucus is to constitute a virtual election, let the rights of the voters be safeguarded in every manner possible. Better an hour or so of extra time, proceeding according to regular rules with opportunity for nominations and informal and formal ballots, than the dissatisfaction that follows packed caucuses and viva voce nominations.

OLD RESIDENT GONE

James Lewis Came To Cascade 57 Years Ago.

James Lewis was born in Ancaster township, Canada, October 9, 1846, and died at his home in Cascade, Mich., Feb. 21, 1915. His mother and father with their family moved to Michigan when he was but twelve years old and took up their residence in Cascade township where practically all his life was spent. He was married to Miss Aeneath Webster in 1868 and to them were born six children: Mary, now Mrs. Bert Morse of Lansing, Dan Lewis of Portland, Ore., Freda, now Mrs. Ross of Bowne township, Zack Lewis of Cascade, Lotta, now Mrs. Hui-zinga of Caldonia, and Zada, who remains at home to comfort her mother.

In 1906 Mr. Lewis went to the state of Washington where he resided for five years, returning to Cascade in 1911. James Lewis was a true patriot, an honorable citizen, a faithful husband and a loving and indulgent father. His wife and children were all the world to him, and he will be sadly missed not only by his family and near relatives, but by a host of friends who knew his real worth.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. H. Bennett at the Snow church, and the remains laid to rest in the Snow cemetery.

Obituary

Ella May Roll was born in Georgetown, Mich., June 21, 1870. Departed this life at the home of her mother, Mrs. Hannah Roll, in Lowell, Feb. 29, 1915, aged 44 years, 8 months and 6 days. In early life she was united in marriage to James Mc-Cleary, who preceded her to the Spirit World. To this union was born one son.

On March 19, 1915, she was united in marriage to Chas. Hancock of Flat Rock, Mich., where she has since resided. About two weeks ago she came to Lowell to assist in caring for her aged mother and sick brother, where she contracted pneumonia causing her death.

She was a member of the Evangelical church of South Rockwood, Mich., in which she was a faithful worker. She was a loving wife, devoted daughter and sister. She is survived by her mother, husband, three brothers, one sister and a son.

Funeral services were conducted at the home of her mother by Rev. A. H. Lash, Tuesday afternoon, interment at Oakwood cemetery.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Regular services next Sunday, conducted by our new pastor, Rev. L. A. Townsend.

Prayer and covenant meeting Thursday evening. Mr. Townsend expects to be here for this meeting, his family following the rest of the week.

They will be at home in the Nash house where Mr. Barry lived.

We bespeak for Rev. Townsend a hearty welcome to Lowell. He comes highly recommended by prominent state workers of our denomination. He is moderator of the Wayne Association, a member of the State S. S. Board and one of the board of managers of the State convention.

The Fowlerville Review publishes a commendatory review of Mr. Townsend's pastorate in that place and an account of a farewell reception given in honor of himself and family February 18.

Auction Sales

C. J. Purdy having sold his farm two miles south and one mile west of Lowell, the old Miller place, will have an auction sale of the personal property on Wednesday, March 10, at 1 p. m. List includes horses, cows, brood sows, implements, tools, etc. N. C. Thomas auctioneer. See bills printed at Ledger office with which this notice is given free.



Scene from "Salomy Jane" Founded on Paul Armstrong's dramatization of Bret Harte novel. At the Idle Hour Theater tonight, Thursday, March 4th.

FIRST TEACHER'S SON KENT IS PUZZLED

Caleb Dexter Page Writes Of Pioneer Days.

Greely, Colo., Feb. 14, 1915. Mrs. J. S. Hooker, Lowell, Mich. Dear Madam:

My friend and old time school fellow, Mrs. G. N. Davidson, of Vergennes township, Kent county, Mich., very kindly sent me the newspaper clipping containing your account of the marriage of my mother, Caroline Beard Page, in Lowell's first school building. You may be sure I was very much interested in your narrative and I thank you very much for making it public.

I was fourteen years old when my mother died at our old home in Vergennes township near Fallsburg, I remember hearing her tell of teaching in the log school house and I believe she showed me where the school house stood although I should now be unable to locate it. I do not now recall ever having heard her give the details of her marriage. I remember her telling of the Indians coming to her school, sometimes they were intoxicated and would lie down in the middle of the floor and sleep there for hours meanwhile she had to step over them in attending to her school duties.

I had always supposed that my father, Caleb Dexter Page, who was a native of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was the first settler in Vergennes township. I have heard my mother say that when he first located there his nearest neighbors were the Indians at the "mouth of the river." He died when I was only five years old so what I know of his pioneer life came through my mother. I believe he pre-empted a section of land on the west bank of Flat river just west of Fallsburg and later released a part of it to Dr. S. S. Fallas, Noah Peck, Henry Foster and others, retaining one quarter section for himself, his farm lying on the west bank of the Flat river. Dr. Fallas, who married my mother's sister, lived just across the road from us.

My mother had six children, four of whom arrived at maturity. I am the only one living. I am now 65. Dr. Fallas had four children none of whom are now living.

I have a wife and two children, Helen and Harold, 18 and 16 respectively. Our home has been Greely for 18 years.

Thanking you again for revealing so much of my family history and wishing that I might talk more with you about my mother Very sincerely yours, Caleb Dexter Page.

Only 34 citizens knew there was an election in town yesterday—for member of the Kent County Road Commission, according to the ballots cast. Of these, C. A. Bloomer received 28 votes to succeed himself, and C. D. Conger, who had withdrawn from the race—3. Three ballots were thrown out for illegal marking.

METHODIST CHURCH

Morning class at 10, D. O. Sneed, leader. Morning service at 10:30, subject, "Christ at His Work." Sunday school at 12, Clarence Collier, supt.

Junior League at 3, Mrs. Weldon, supt. Senior League at 6, Mrs. Bradish, leader. Sunday school at Vergennes at 2, preaching at 3. Official Board Monday evening, 7:30. Ira T. Weldon, Minister.

CONGREGATIONAL

Morning service at 10:30, subject, "New Things in Christianity." Sunday school at 11:45. Junior Endeavor, at 1 p. m. Intermediate, 5 p. m. Senior, 6 p. m.

At South Boston, Sunday school at 2 p. m., preaching at 3 p. m. Band No. 2 will meet with Mrs. Edwin Fallas Friday afternoon. A. H. Lash, Minister.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the neighbors and friends for their sympathy in our bereavement; her church friends at Rockwood; also the cheerful doors for their many beautiful floral offerings.

C. S. Ban-roft, Stephen McLeary, Mrs. Hannah Rolle and Family.

A FATAL ACCIDENT

Death Follows Injuries Suffered On Pere Marquette Tracks.

While trying to board a west-bound freight train in the Pere Marquette yards here at 2 o'clock a. m. Friday, George Gibson received injuries from which he died at about 11 o'clock the same day. "Billy" Barber, who was with him, escaped with the loss of a thumb. George was taken to the home of his brother Walter where everything possible was done for him, but in vain.

George B. Gibson was born August 28, 1882, in Bowne township and came with his parents to Lowell when a small child and attended the Lowell school. He has spent some time in the West and in Central America, but has been about town during the past year.

He leaves his father and mother, three brothers, Walter and Clifford of Lowell and James of Benton Harbor and three sisters, Mrs. Lewis Andrews and Mrs. Charles Wolfe of Benton Harbor and Ruth Gibson of Lowell. The funeral services were held Sunday from the home of his brother Walter, Rev. I. T. Weldon officiating. Burial at Oakwood.

Those from away who attended the funeral were Mrs. Lewis Andrews and daughter Muriel and Mrs. Charles Wolfe of Benton Harbor and Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Brandebury of Grand Rapids.

THE LITERARY CLUBS

Yesterday's Meeting of the Lowell Literary Club

The regular meeting of the Lowell Literary club was held at the home of Mrs. T. M. Doyle Wednesday, March 3. After the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and the roll call we listened to the report of the critic, Mrs. M. C. Greene.

Mrs. Doyle as director of the afternoon announced the following program: Victrola section, "I Hear You Calling Me."

Mrs. L. P. Thomas gave the life of "Dr. Marie Montessori." "The Child and its Environment," Mrs. W. S. Winegar.

Victrola Constellation, "The Tin Gee Gee." "The Method of Dr. Marie Montessori," Mrs. U. B. Williams. Vocal solo, "Amber and Amethyst," Miss Irene Stowell; she very kindly responding to an encore with "Within the Garden of My Heart."

The meeting adjourned to meet with Mrs. M. N. Henry Wednesday, March 17.—(Rep.)

Clover Leaf Club.

The regular meeting of the club was held Tuesday at the home of Mrs. A. G. Peckham. After the business session, Mrs. Peckham as chairman of the programme for the afternoon, opened with Edison music Traumerland gave an excellent paper entitled Modern Drama, followed by music Ave Maria. Mrs. P. C. Peckham sang Dear Heart, accompanied by the Edison, in a very creditable manner, worthy the applause tendered her and the personal compliments she received. The hostess very cleverly introduced Miss Harriett Carroll who explained the technique of the drama and gave an interpretation of The Silver Box by John Galsworthy, in three parts, the inter-vas supplied by Edison music.

Miss Carroll has a charming personality and delighted her listeners with a perfect rendition of the part. Twenty-seven members responded to roll call with their favorite drama.

Club adjourned to meet with Mrs. P. C. Peckham March 9. In the place of Book Review on the programme for this date, the committee have arranged a "surprise" and would be pleased to have all present. Press Rep.

STILL THEY COME

Names of Those who Have Paid for Ledger Subscriptions.

Receipt of subscriptions since our last report, is hereby acknowledged from the following: P. C. Peckham, A. G. Steketee, C. E. Blakelee, Andrew Ritten-ger, Chris Kropf, L. C. Morris, Charles McElwain, J. Pinckney, J. R. White, Mrs. T. J. McCann, J. A. Carey, W. H. Landon, Miss Myrtle Taylor, Clayton Johnson, O. K. Graham, S. J. Adams, G. L. Stannard, Glen Yeiter, Frank Devendorf, F. E. White, John Mills, W. F. Hues, Mrs. Agnes Wiley, H. D. Dennis, Mrs. Benj. Soules, Henry Oberly, George F. Yeiter, Arthur White, Mrs. A. C. Sherman, Edwin Doyle, B. J. McNaughton, Mrs. Fred DeWeert, Charles A. Rogers, Percy Gregory, Mrs. W. J. Davey, J. H. Hamilton Estate, Charles Reynolds, Elijah Stahl, Oliver Simpson, Z. C. Lewis, Chet Leary, E. A. Anderson, Eunice A. Richmond, Charles Dawson, John O'Harrow, J. B. Dennis, Chris Bergin, Calvin Rogers, Mrs. I. Joseph.

Many thanks for the above payments. Who will be next? Belding Bros. pure dye silks at E. R. Collar's, adv.

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Commencing Monday, February 8, retail price of our bread at all dealers 6c and 12c per loaf. The increase in the cost of flour has been so great that it forced us to it. There is more than 5c worth of labor and material in every loaf of bread turned out by us today. When war first broke out we hoped that the raise in flour was a speculative one and would not last long; but indications are such that it will last and even go higher.

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LAST CALL ON STOVES

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People Cuss Because Their Shoes People Smile Because Their Shoes

Hurt their feet; Make sores and callouses; Soon wear out; Have poor uppers; Have worse soles; Turn over at the heel; Sag at the instep; Soon rip or tear; Get water soaked; Lose their shape; Look like the devil.

DON'T

We sell the SMILE brand of shoes—and we'll smile when you buy them, and you'll smile when you wear them, and you family will smile because you smile, and your friends will want to know where you buy the shoes that produce so many satisfied smiles. Come on, let's all smile.

Willette & Hart

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SENATE PASSES LOGGING CAMP ACT

NEVADA SENATOR MOVES FOR PEACE CONFERENCE

RAILROADS WIN RATE INCREASE

MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFS

ANNOUNCE TWO DISCOVERIES

GOVERNMENT WILL PATENT

ADVANCE OF FIVE PER CENT ON NEARLY ALL FREIGHT ALLOWED

SUGAR BEETS ARE EXPECTED

FRANCES G. NEWLANDS

BECKER DENIED NEW TRIAL

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When the air gets frosty, muffs must be worn... A bill has been introduced...

Senator Frances G. Newlands... The city of Fort Huron was made defendant in a suit for \$2,000...

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TELEGRAPHIC FLASHES

Yavapai—General Alexander Rodriguez, a prominent figure in the last Spanish revolution against Spain, died of his wounds in July 1913...

LANSING NOTES

Lansing—A bill has been introduced by Senator Henry Strickland to increase the size of the townships...

WHAT SIO FOR THIS WOMAN

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WHAT \$10 DID FOR THIS WOMAN

The Price She Paid for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Which Brought Good Health.

Danville, Va.—"I have only spent ten dollars on your medicine and I feel so much better than I did when the doctor was treating me. I don't suffer any bearing down pains at all now and sleep well. I cannot say enough for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Liver Pills as they have done so much for me. I am enjoying good health now and owe it all to your remedies. I take pleasure in telling my friends and neighbors about them."—Mrs. MATTIE HALEY, 501 Colquhoun Street, Danville, Va.

No woman suffering from any form of female troubles should lose hope until she has given Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a fair trial.

This famous remedy, the medicinal ingredients of which are derived from native roots and herbs, has for forty years proved to be a most valuable tonic and invigorator of the female organism. Women everywhere bear willing testimony to the wonderful virtue of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

If you have the slightest doubt that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will help you, write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., (confidential) Lynn, Mass., for advice. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman and held in strict confidence.

The Army of Constipation

Is Growing Smaller Every Day. CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS are responsible—they not only give relief—they permanently cure constipation. Millions use them for Biliousness, Sick Headache, Sallow Skin, SMALL PILL, SMALL DOSE, SMALL PRICE. Genuine must bear Signature.

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Remedy for the prompt relief of Asthma and Hay Fever. Ask Your Druggist for It. Write for FREE SAMPLE. NORTHROP & LYMAN CO., LTD., BUFFALO, N.Y.

For Her Protection. "When I said I would marry you you promised to let me handle all your money, but now we are married you handle it all yourself."

"That's because I love you so."

"That's a queer way to prove your love."

"It's a mighty self-sacrificing way. When I made that promise I was not aware that money was teeming with bacteria."

Happy is the home where Red Cross Ball Blue is used. Sure to please. All grocers. Adv.

Remarkable Case. "Here's a remarkable account of a man who returns home after 20 years and finds his wife married again."

Curious. "Curious thing about human vanity," said the costumer.

Important to Mothers. Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Fletchler.

Using the Family Horse. An inventor has devised an apparatus intended to transform a horse's energy into electricity with which to light a house or charge storage batteries for the motor car which has replaced it for family purposes.

Had to Stay There. "You're not very happy in this house," friends remarked to the renter.

Old Barbarous Punishment. Until a change of law in 1870 the British parliament recognized the tense of drawing (i. e., dragging on a hurdle to the place of execution), hanging and quartering (i. e., dividing the body into four and placing it at the disposal of the crown).

SINGS IN THE FRENCH CAMPS. Minister Employed by the Ministry of War to Encourage the Soldiers at the Front.

One Has Been Received in This Country From France—They Are on Varicolored Silk.

Families of soldiers killed on European battlefields have adopted a novel device to notify relatives and friends of their death.

James Doherty, the dead man, was a resident of this city until last July, when he left for England with his wife and six children.

The French minister of war, to sing and recite patriotic and warlike changes to the French soldiers, to inspire them to mighty deeds.

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IMPROVING THE CORN CROP



CORN READY FOR THE HARVEST

It is surely an amazing fact that the corn crop of the states should average year after year only about 30 bushels to the acre. The acreage planted is increased by millions from year to year; vast areas of virgin territory are constantly being brought under cultivation; it is a matter of record that many farmers raise 100, 200, some as high as 300 bushels to the acre, yet the average for the entire crop is never increased.

It is likely that there is something wrong with the government figures? I do not think so. There is as much care given as is possible to insure accuracy, and I dare say that many farmers, even if they raise more than 30 bushels to the acre, will feel satisfied that the figures are correct from his knowledge of what the average yield is in his district.

The farms are filled by a pretty good type of farmer, on the whole, hard working and intelligent. The best that we have been able to produce of the sturdy sons of the soil from many foreign lands. We have a national department of agriculture that has been the envy and the copy of the world, which is in a sense a farmer's university, and the sole aim and purpose of which has been, and is, to make better farmers. For a generation or more it has striven by study, experiment and printers' ink lavishly disseminated, to educate the farmer and bring him to a higher level as an efficient tiller of the soil.

Another thing to be kept in mind in breeding up a type of corn for higher productiveness is the number of kernels to the ear and their size has an important bearing on the yield of grain.

A corn expert once figured out that if the productiveness of corn could be increased by only one kernel to each ear, on the entire crop it would mean a gain of 50 tons of grain! Even though the figures be not absolute, there is no gainsaying that the increase of yield would be a very big amount in the aggregate.

It is not enough to pick out perfect ears or such as may be attractive at harvest time. It is necessary that one shall know the plant that produced the ear, and all the conditions of its growth and environment.

There are many mysteries to be solved in this question of seed selection with the view to breeding up a more productive type of corn. My own experiments in this direction will indicate some of the difficulties to be met with. In husking the corn in the fall I came across just one stalk containing two ears. It was the first I had ever met with, though upon inquiry I find that farmers do frequently come across such two-eared stalks, though they never pay any attention to them, but throw them in the crib with the others.

The corn was of a variety called yellow flint, obtained originally of a nearby farmer. From these two ears I selected 630 kernels, discarding the butts and tips. The field in which this was planted was a liberal application of a high quality of stable manure, as I keep such in a cement-bottomed pit. The two-eared seed was planted at one end of the main corn field. It should of course have had a separate plot, and it may be that the tendency to revert to one ear was due in part to its contiguity to the ordinary corn.



THIRTY-FIVE EARS WILL A BUSHEL, DANGER

Another interesting point, showing clearly the tendency to reversion to remote ancestors, is found in the fact that while the two-ear seed were of 12 rows about 75 per cent of the yield was of one eight-rowed cob. Although this variety of flint corn will show frequent ears of 12 and 14 rows, it may be considered properly an eight-rowed type of corn. Thus we see that after throwing the sport of a two-eared stalk, there is not sufficient stamina in all the seeds to reproduce like the parent. The corn reverted not only to the one-ear but to the eight-rowed type.

This is one of the mysteries that will have to be solved, no doubt, before a highly productive two-eared type of corn can be raised with the qualities of the parent so fixed that it can be relied upon to maintain a big average yield. It may be due to a weakness of inbreeding.

Some of the ears weighed over a pound each, making over two pounds to the stalk. If this could be averaged for an entire corn field it would yield over ten tons to the acre.

Such may seem an exaggeration or an impossibility, but it is so only in comparison with what we have been accustomed to. Even if by judicious selection of two-eared seed each year still the type could not be fixed so as to produce even yields of the maximum amount, yet if it gave an increase of 20 per cent, as it did in my experiment, the return would be a big one for what is involved. It does not imply added cost in the production, but only a greater care and interest in one's work.

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THE HOME BEAUTIFUL

Flowers and Shrubs—Their Care and Cultivation



Before the work of spring commences, look over the grounds and make some beauty spots—Dead trees can be cut partially down and made to form artistic and substantial trellises for either rose bushes or vines.

BEAUTIFYING THE HOME

Every country home may be beautiful, but in order to have it so there must be co-operation by the whole family. From the "gude mon" down to the tiniest tot, there should be responsibilities shouldered, and none should be allowed to shirk their part of the program. Care should be exercised to keep them growing.

Stock must be fenced off the yard



House Plants Used to Fill a Veranda Box.

THE VERANDA BOX

An ideal veranda box is planted with roses down its center, and the remaining space filled with standard, climbing and drooping annuals. The veranda box should be 15 inches wide, ten inches deep and as long as desired. Bore an inch hole through every square foot of the bottom of the box; then put in a layer of broken crockery, pebbles or cinders for drainage.

SELF-SOWING ANNUALS

Plant self-sowing annuals among your bulbs and avoid the trouble of bedding plants. There are many good ones for the purpose, which once planted, will come up evermore.

AMONG THE FLOWERS

One fine plant is worth a dozen sickly, dyspeptic ones. Mixed hyacinths answer for the out-door planting but separate colors are inexpensive.

WISTARIA

The commonest cause for the non-flowering of wisterias are unbalanced feeding and insufficient or incorrect pruning. An excessive amount of nitrogenous matter in a fertilizer or the soil causes the plant, whether it be vine or bush, to develop great stem and leaf parts at the expense of flowers and fruit.

Prune in the spring, or late in the winter most of the side shoots on the main branches to not more than six inch stubs. From these should develop many side branches, on which in all profuse flowers will be borne the following season.

"CASCARETS" ACT ON LIVER; BOWELS

No sick headache, biliousness, bad taste or constipation by morning.

Get a 10-cent box. Are you keeping your bowels, liver, and stomach clean, pure and fresh with Cascarets, or merely forcing a passageway every few days with Salts, Cathartic Pills, Castor Oil or Purgative Waters?

Stop having a bowel wash-day. Let Cascarets thoroughly cleanse and regulate the stomach, remove the sour and fermenting food and foul gases, take the excess bile from the liver and carry out of the system all the constipated waste matter and poisons in the bowels.

A Cascaret to-night will make you feel great by morning. They work while you sleep—never gripe, sicken or cause any inconvenience, and cost only 10 cents a box from your store. Millions of men and women take a Cascaret now and then and never have Headache, Biliousness, Coated Tongue, Indigestion, Sour Stomach or Constipation. Adv.

NO CHANCE TO WIN GLORY

Youthful Recruit Found He Was Not Adapted by Nature for a Drummer Boy.

The irreverent man had been aroused by talk of the war to tell an anecdote, and those about him really thought that the gravity of the subject would make him reverent this time. He said:

"At the time of the Spanish-American war I was a boy at school. I was fired with tremendous patriotic zeal. I decided to steal away unbeknownst to my parents and enlist as a drummer boy. You see, I was old enough for that, and I was a robust youngster, so I expected no trouble at all with the military authorities."

"So, instead of going to school one morning, I hurried to a recruiting station and told the officer in charge that I wanted to be drummer boy."

"Ah, me! Though years have passed, it is still an awful memory." He sighed. "Those listening were much impressed. 'Didn't they take you on as a drummer boy?' they inquired. 'No,' he groaned. 'Why?' 'Because—because I had no ear for music!'"

OVERWORK AND KIDNEY TROUBLE. Mr. James McDaniel, Oakley, Ky., writes: "I overworked and strained myself, which brought on Kidney and Bladder Disease. My symptoms were Backache and burning in the stem of the Bladder, which was sore and had a constant hurting all the time—broken sleep, tired feeling, nervousness, puffing and swollen eyes, shortness of breath and J. McDaniel. Rheumatic pains. I suffered ten months. I was treated by a physician, but found no relief until I started to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. I now feel that I am permanently cured by the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Price Schroeder's Famous Ohio, bushel, \$1.75; ten bushels, \$15.00.

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Opportunity of a Community.

The farming interests of this community cannot place too much emphasis upon the advisability and necessity of making every foot of ground productive to the highest degree.

A duty and an opportunity confront us. Duty demands that we produce to the limit, that the hungry across the water may be fed.

It is an opportunity for the building up of this agricultural community, for the enriching of our people, for an influx of foreign gold such as we have never known before.

Let every foot of ground produce something for the financial weal of this community.

A BOUNTY on rats is proposed by Representative Penney of Saginaw. The common barn rat is a greater nuisance than the sparrow and is a menace to public health.

A HARD fight is promised on the Straight bill to prohibit the sale of liquor within five miles of state educational institutions, which would put about fifteen cities in the dry column.

We're Staging a New Show--

"Style," ably supported by "Quality" play the leading parts. The "company" is made up of the largest and best Spring Top-Notchers that have ever played in Lowell.

It includes Suits, Top Coats, Raincoats, Hats, Shirts, Neckwear and other furnishings.

The show is continuous--popular prices all the time. Reserve your selections early.

There is no "villain" because "Price" here is one of the most attractive parts in the play.

Just a glimpse here---

A very stylish, narrow stripe, blue Fancy Worsted Suit for YOUNG MEN. It has a 2-button, wide lapel coat. It's an all-wool Clothcraft Suit and is guaranteed. It's only \$12.50.

Then there's a narrow stripe Fancy Worsted in brown for the Older Men and the Older Young Men. A bit more conservative but still bubbling over with style. Also a Clothcraft and only \$15.00.

New, Springy models in Serges--and those Blue Tartans are beauties. We needn't dwell on what "Clothcraft" means to you for you know that it stands for everything good in clothes. They're all-wool and guaranteed.

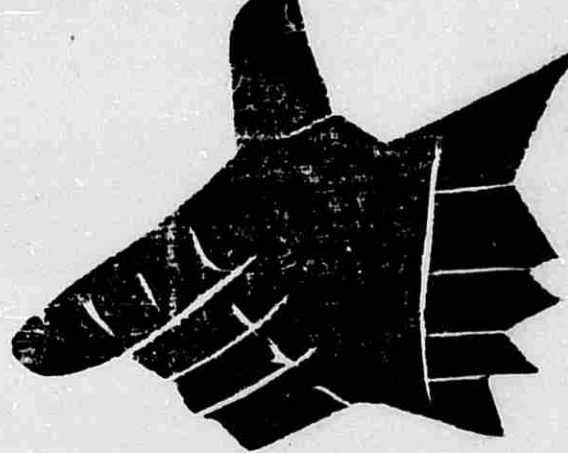
We must talk about those new Spring Hats--- We couldn't better them or we would have done it. Bubbling over with Springy Newness and Quality. We will sell more at the reasonable prices of \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50, so you get the benefit of a larger stock.

Just in---Some more Raincoats. A big assortment at small prices. It's time to get them now. \$5, \$10, \$12.50, \$15.

Boy's Suits Some new ones. Norfolk with 2 pairs lined pants \$5.00

A. L. Coons

The Home of Hart, Schaffner & Marx Clothes



Keep watch of our windows. They'll help you to decide

BOWNE M. E. CIRCUIT

(Last week's letter) Special at Bowne Center next Sunday evening at 7:30. Many have desired to hear Mrs. Howell preach.

Clover and Timothy Seed...

FOR SALE Also... Culled Beans Those wishing anything in this line please call at our elevator

CHAS. E. JAKWAY

LOWELL, MICH.

HOMES

Many people have paid for their homes through The LOWELL BUILDING & LOAN ASSOCIATION

THE LEDGER \$1.00 per year.

When You Get Tired

of eating just the ordinary brands of groceries--the kind that are put up for sale at big profits--

COME TO US

and get something different--get groceries that put strength in your body--that have lasting and building qualities--that must be sold at SMALL PROFITS in order to compete with inferior goods.

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Lansing, Mich.

Will You Help Save the Pere Marquette?

The Pere Marquette is being operated at a loss for one reason--because the state law has fixed its passenger rates at amount less than the cost of operation.

Why You Should Help Save This Railroad

You need its freight service in your business. You require its passenger service when you travel. You know that this railroad is necessary to the prosperity of this community.

On The Average We Lose

A quarter of a cent every mile we carry a passenger. Ten cents on every passenger we carry. Twenty-two cents every mile a passenger train runs.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Take this matter up right away with your Legislator. See him personally, if possible; if not, write him at once. He is entitled to your views and it is necessary to get action at this session.

Help Us Preserve the System Intact to Michigan PAUL H. KING, DUDLEY E. WATERS, Receivers.

The statement of the position of the Michigan railroads regarding an increased passenger rate, published on the last page of this paper, is worthy the consideration of every reader.

"Buy it now!" Pay it now! And "Hire a man!" are all good slogans.

WASTED minutes spoil the hours and make profitless workmen.

DON'T shout for war until you are ready to go yourself.

GRATTAN CENTER.

Mrs. Ernest Randel of Grand Rapids is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Madison, for a few days.

Julian Osmer is dangerously ill with heart disease.

Mrs. A. E. Burbano and Miss Bernice Mattee called on Mr. and Mrs. Jim Donovan and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Donovan Sunday.

Norma Elkins has blood poison of the face from picking a pimple on her face with a needle.

Teachers Mrs. Kittle Engle, C. K. Jakeway, Marlon, Marie, Mabel, Myrtle and Neva Hyrne all attended the teachers' institute in Grand Rapids last Wednesday.

E. J. Hatcher sold one of his automobiles to S. Killenger of Belvidere, married in Grand Rapids, last Thursday, at the Fountain Street Baptist church, W. J. Leaster of Grattan and Miss Edythe Smith of Kent City, of the immediate relatives of the bride and groom were present. After a wedding dinner at the Pantland hotel the bride and groom left for Detroit. After their return they will be at home to their friends on Mr. Leaster's farm.

HICKORY CORNERS

Miss Anna Easterly was the guest of Mrs. James Scott of Lowell one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Slamma attended the farewell party at I. O. O. F. hall, Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins and Mark Warner.

Mrs. Elsie Hopkins was in Saranac last week helping care for her little niece who was seriously ill. The child was on the gain when she returned.

A very interesting debate was given by the pupils of the Merriman school last Friday on the theme, Resolved, That Washington was greater than Lincoln. Affirmative--Ellen Merriman, Marion Blackales, Floyd Foster, Charles King. Negative--Edith Foster, Leslie Graham, Seymour Parrott, John Winger. The subject was very ably handled by the children and showed the thought and study necessary for achieving success.

Miss Hazel and Mildred Yetter spent Sunday with Miss Ona Yetter. Miss Hazel leaves soon to make her home with her uncle in New Mexico. Mrs. Fred Slamma is quite ill.

Eighty-six of Grand Rapids is visiting her aunt, Mrs. L. M. Yetter and family.

Mrs. Vernon Hunter visited relatives in Grand Rapids last week.

Mrs. George Clarke visited Miss Lettie Childs of Lowell one day last week.

Mrs. C. L. Blakelee was a Grand Rapids visitor Tuesday.

Rodney Hayden returned to the home of his brother Ira last Thursday after spending the winter with relatives in Illinois and Decatur, Mich. He has not fully recovered from his injury received last fall but thinks he is now on the road to recovery.

Miss Lulu Draper spent Sunday with her parents.

No Use to Try and Wear Out Your Cold

Thousands keep on suffering coughs and colds through neglect and delay. Why make yourself an easy prey to serious ailments and epidemics as the result of neglected colds? Coughs and colds sap your strength and vitality unless checked in the early stages. Dr. King's New Discovery is what you need--the first dose helps your head clear up, you breathe freely and you feel so much better. Buy a bottle to-day and start taking at once.

SEELEY CORNERS

Mar. 1--The Ladies Aid society will meet with Mrs. G. Stephens next Wednesday for dinner.

Mrs. A. Morse is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. Reynolds.

Success Grange will hold a maple sugar social in their hall Friday evening, March 15.

Mrs. Sherman Reynolds has been visiting her sisters in Grand Rapids and Caladonia.

A large crowd attended C. Watterson's sale last Thursday.

Rev. Strickland of Grand Rapids will preach next Sunday morning at the Snow church.

Quite a number of young people from here attended the carpet rag social held at Charley Quiggie's last Thursday.

HEALTH PROMOTES HAPPINESS

Without health, genuine joy is impossible; without good digestion and regular bowel movement you cannot have health. Why neglect keeping bowels open and risk being sick and ailing? You don't have to. Take one small Dr. King's New Life Pills at night, in the morning you will have a full, free bowel movement and feel much better. Helps your appetite and digestion. Try one to-night.

EAST GRATTAN

Mar. 1--This beautiful spring weather, rolins have been seen and heard.

A. H. Lawrence sold a three year-old colt last week.

George Mison and family spent Sunday with relatives in Oakfield.

Jay Cummings and family spent Sunday with relatives here.

John Hessler lost a new milch cow last week.

William Hessler and wife attended the Washington club held at William Jenks'.

Jandell's sale was well attended.

Rodney Hayden's baby is ill.

Glenn Spicer will move in the house formerly occupied by Don Serauton and family.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hessler were in Belvidere Saturday.

Are You Rheumatic?--Iry Sloan's

If you want quick and real relief from rheumatism, do what so many thousand other people are doing--whenever an attack comes on, bathe the sore muscle or joint with Sloan's Liniment. No need to rub it in--just apply the liniment to the surface. It goes right to the seat of trouble and draws the pain almost immediately. Get a bottle of Sloan's Liniment for 25c of any druggist and have it in the house--against colds, sore and swollen joints, lumbago, sciatica and like ailments. Your money back if not satisfied, but it does give almost instant relief.

MOSELEY

Mar. 1--Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Frost visited Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Condon of Sylvania Wednesday.

Chris Kropp caught an 18 pound pike in Murray lake last Monday.

Chaton Weeks was in Belvidere on business last Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Eugene Rennells of Marlon visited Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Rennells and Mrs. Chris Kropp last week.

Mrs. Susan Soules spent Thursday in Grand Rapids.

Miss Lucille Stevens of Grattan spent Saturday and Sunday with Eva Andrews.

Mrs. Clara Ford and sons Lloyd and Dell spent Sunday with Mrs. George Lewis.

Mrs. Helen Andre spent part of last week with her sister, Mrs. Hoye Ford.

Frank Donovan of Grattan Center had his arm broken Saturday at Moseley, when his horse ran away, throwing him from the buggy.

Jay Cummings and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chris Kropp.

AN THE INVIGORATING WHIFF OF THE PINE FOREST!

How it clears the throat and head of its mucous ailments. It is this spirit of newness and vigor from the health giving Pine Forests brought back by Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. Antiseptic and healing. Buy a bottle today. All Druggists, 25c.

Electric Bitters a Spring Tonic.

CASCADE

Born to Ernest Stevens and wife, Feb. 23, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Storms, Jr. returned home Saturday from Grand Rapids.

Laura Rubrecht of Grand Rapids visited her father in this village over Sunday.

Mrs. Clayton Carley was a week and guest of relatives in Rockford.

Miss Jessie Combs spent Friday night and Saturday with relatives in Lowell.

J. W. Hulbert visited in Grand Rapids and Lowell last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Vanderhoff of Alaska were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hulbert last Wednesday. They expect to move to Cascade in the near future.

NORTH CAMPBELL

Mar. 1--Mrs. Will Noyes and daughter Kathleen of Lansing are spending this week at the home of Osel Johnson.

Mrs. George Long of East Campbell visited Saturday night and Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Vernon Trowbridge and family.

Mrs. Charlie Austin and children spent several days last week with her sister, Mrs. Lewis Leece and family, before leaving for their new home in Grand Haven.

Mrs. Silas Ford and Mrs. Carl Roth attended the Ladies Aid society at Mrs. Will Draper's in South Boston last Thursday.

Lester Long will leave for Billings, Mont., this week after spending the winter at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Osel Johnson and Mrs. Will Noyes and Kathleen of Lansing spent Sunday at Earl King's of Elm Dale.

Delicate Children

usually only need a food tonic to make them strong and healthy

Rexall Olive Oil Emulsion containing Hypophosphites is not only the best food tonic but is pleasant to take. Sold only by us. D. G. Look.

CANNONSBURG

Mrs. J. Monroe Ladner entertained the L. of O. of Bostwick Lake last Thursday.

Mrs. Hiram Jones will entertain the Ladies Mite society of Cannon on Thursday of this week. A picnic dinner will be served.

Mrs. Francis Jones of Grattan has been visiting her nephew, Hiram Jones and other relatives in this vicinity.

James Judson of Silver Lake called on his grandmother, Mrs. Alice Hooker, Sunday.

Messrs. George and Ed. Wilde of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Wilde.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Pelton attended the funeral of the former's uncle in Grand Rapids last Tuesday. They returned home Friday.

Martin Verlin had charge of the girls' mill last week.

James Heffernan, Sr. who has been on the sick list, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Hiley of Grand Rapids were the Sunday guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Cavanaugh, and attended church at Farnell.

Ernest Randall of Mill Creek visited his mother, Mrs. Mary Randall, at the home of Mrs. Delyo, Sunday.

Mrs. Annie Schoonmaker of Plainfield visited Mrs. Bert Hartwell and friends. She returned to her home Monday of this week.

Miss Jessie Combs spent Friday night and Saturday with relatives in Lowell.

A social will be given in the church

parlors at Bostwick Lake Friday evening, March 5. The gentlemen will have charge of the supper.

Edwin T. H. Scott is now permanently located, having moved his family here.

ELMDALE

Oliver Harris was taken seriously ill last Monday, and for a few days but a few hopes were given, but at last reports he had taken a change for the better.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Snyder and son visited Mrs. S. S. parents of near Lake Odessa Sunday.

Seymour Lape and Loren Stahl attended the basketball game at Lowell Friday night.

John Studt was a Grand Rapids visitor last Thursday.

Charles Stahl and family spent Sunday with Steve Custer and wife.

George Sargeant of near Lowell joined the Elm Dale section near Monday.

Wealthy Shiner was the Sunday guest of Miss Mary Harris.

Miss Sarah Long of East Campbell visited relatives and friends of this place the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Esten of Detroit are making an extended visit with Guy Singletary and family.

Mrs. Mary Tyler is very low with heart trouble at this writing.

Jack Clemens left for his home at Fairview Monday.

Wesley Kelm of near Freepport called on his parents Sunday.

Railroad traffic would have been at a standstill at Elm Dale Friday morning had it not been for "Old Hobby" or the stult from Freepport which is slow but sure, and which showed its worth to the children who attend school at Lowell.

SOUTH BOSTON.

Mar. 1--We are glad to report the sick better.

Several from this vicinity attended the farmers' institute in Clarksville Tuesday.

Jesse Sweet has moved to Will Shanks' farm in Campbell and Andrew Tenate will work Hugh Young's place.

Merton Mutchler moved from Newel Tucker's farm to H. Oliver's and Ben Rowley comes to the Tucker place.

About 75 attended the banquet at the hall Friday night, given in honor of the winning side in the Congressional Sunday school contest.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. English spent Saturday in Ionia.

A number met at the hall Saturday evening to organize a drill team.

N. M. O'Brien sold a span of horses to George Ford, and Ed. Tucker sold a pair of colts.

Mrs. P. D. Sneathen, one of the pioneers of South Boston, is seriously ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Truman Parsons, in Grand Rapids.

If You are troubled with heartburn, gas and a distressed feeling after eating take a Rexall Dyspepsia Tablet before and after each meal and you will obtain prompt relief. Sold only by us. D. G. Look.

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"Great rewards are always bought by terrific effort—little men can only achieve little things. Windfalls are worth less. Nature and human nature are both alike—all real treasures are rockbound."

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HEARD ABOUT TOWN

Newsy Notes About People You Know.

Phone 6, adv. if last number lecture course March 5.

Orley Rulason was in Grand Rapids Friday.

Mrs. Sam Kropf spent Friday in Grand Rapids.

J. B. Yeiter and E. O. Wadsworth were in Grand Rapids Friday.

Mrs. H. Leonard visited relatives in Grand Rapids two days last week.

Get a set of silver spoons free at Stocking's sale.

Dice Wilson went to Grand Rapids Friday evening for a visit with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt M. Randell of Camden, N. J., are visiting Lowell relatives.

Miss Ella Perrin and friend of Greenville spent Sunday with John Kellogg and family.

Don't take chances but buy an Overland, the car that will bring its load home. R. D. Stocking, Agent.

Wm. McElwain of Durand spent the latter part of last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. M. McElwain.

R. M. DeBruyn of Grand Rapids, agent for the Holland Furnace Co., was looking after business here Saturday.

Dr. Huntley has moved his office to the rooms over the Avery photo studio, the former Rhodes gallery.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jay and little son of Wixom spent Friday visiting his sister, Mrs. Howard Bart and family.

Mrs. Lizzie Cogswell of East Lowell and Mrs. Fred Kilgus of Elmhale were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hatch one day last week.

Mrs. Lew Andrews and daughter married and Mrs. Chas. Wolfe of Benton Harbor were called here by the death of their brother, George Gibson.

The Ladies Aid society of the Methodist church will meet at the home of Mrs. M. N. Henry Friday afternoon, March 5, at 2:30. All of the ladies of the society are requested to be present.

Why not start now to beautify the hair by using Parisian Sage, the delightful tonic, sold by M. N. Henry. One application will make the hair fluffy and lustrous. There is nothing better for dandruff, itching scalp and falling hair.

Will C. Kitchen died at his home in Mayville Feb. 24, aged about 50 years. About twenty years ago, he and his cousin Lewis Kitchen conducted a laundry in the wooden row opposite the Pullen block. Will played in the Lowell band and his family lived here for a time. Lewis died several years after his removal from Lowell.

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 Victrolas and Records

Spring skirts at Weekes', adv. March came in like a lamb. Will she go out like a lion?

Anthony Kallinger was in Grand Rapids Friday.

Embroidered Jap silk waists \$1.25 at Weekes'. adv.

Miss Abby Malcolm spent Sunday with relatives at Edmore.

Norton Avery was a Grand Rapids visitor one day last week.

Hakes gives prompt bus and baggage service. Phone 35. adv.

Fred Morse and daughter, Bernice were in Grand Rapids Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gyger of Edmore spent part of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kropf.

New gingham and percales at E. R. Collar's. adv.

Unclaimed letters in the Lowell postoffice: A. A. Brown, Mrs. M. Beattie, Miss Amanda Johnson.

Mrs. Lottie Johnson of Grand Rapids was in town between trains on business one day last week.

Mrs. James Norton of Belding was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Lizzie Cogswell, a few days last week.

Mrs. F. H. Misner entertained with a dinner Sunday in honor of Mr. Misner's birthday anniversary.

House cleaning time is near—remember that E. R. Collar sells carpets, rugs and linoleums. adv.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kilgus of Elmhale have rented Mrs. Dale Morgan's house and will move to town in the near future.

A. M. Schneider of Lowell is a member of the class just graduated from the Michigan Agricultural college two years course.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Emery returned last week from Saginaw, where they have been spending the winter with relatives.

Mrs. Anna DeNise and son Allison of Grand Rapids called on Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hiler and Mr. and Mrs. Glen DeNise Tuesday.

Mrs. F. N. White, Mrs. W. Denick and Nina Wright each received a set of silver spoons Tuesday when the Big Benalarum went off at Stocking's sacrifice sale.

Married, Monday evening, Mar. 1, at the Methodist parsonage, Mr. Gordon Hale and Miss Leotis Cave. The couple were attended by Will Delaney and Miss Minnie Woodcock. They go at once to Washington State to make their home.

For more than a quarter of a century we have steadfastly refused to meet competition at the expense of quality. The continued growth of our business is an indication that our customers appreciate our efforts.

A. W. Weekes & Son.

The Ladies of the Relief Corps held a Washington's birthday party at the home of Mrs. David Flanagan last week Monday night. David Flanagan gave a fine recitation and D. O. Shear sang a Scotch song, after which they listened to a fine selection of music on the victrola.

The young people of Keene will stage the three act comedy, "Topsy Turvey," at the Keene Grange hall Saturday evening, March 6. Parts are taken by Mrs. Ray N. Parker, Miss Leona Scott, Mrs. George Goids, Mrs. Oscar Moore, Fred Bowen, Jesse Hunter, Theron Cahoon and Mark Bowen.

W. A. Watts, president of the Preferred Life Insurance company of Grand Rapids, was in town Tuesday calling on old friends. He is looking well and reports his people well and business prospering.

Buy Belding Bros. silks at Collar's. They are guaranteed.

The Ledger job department has just secured a large stock of good bond paper at a bargain and can make low price inducements for patrons wishing business stationery. Good, firm smooth bond suitable for typewriter or pen. Give us an order.

Cyclamen chapter, No. 94, O. E. S., will meet in open session Friday evening, March 12, at which time the Worth Grand Patron, Mr. Walter H. French of Lansing will give an address. All Master Masons and their families are cordially invited to attend.

Don't experiment at your expense, but buy an Overland, the car that is not in the experimental stage and the one that brings you home. R. D. Stocking, Agt.

At the Council meeting Monday evening, Trustees Winegar and Weekes and Clerk Taylor were appointed as board of registration; and President Bergin, Clerk Taylor and Trustees Henry and Anderson were appointed election inspectors. Bills were allowed from the L. & P. Fund amounting to \$910.09; general fund, \$269.79; City hall fund, \$38.65.

Catarrh of the Head

"Peruna
Cured me
In Six
Weeks."

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 People
 In This
 Country
 Have
 Catarrh.

Mr. Tom P. Dady, No. 3 Manhattan St., Rochester, N. Y., writes: "I was troubled with catarrh of the head for many years before I read much attention to it, but a few months ago I was so annoyed by headaches and difficulty in breathing through my nose, and my eyes smarted and itched so intensely that I felt I must do something to relieve this state of affairs."

"I noticed one of your ads. in the paper, and then and there decided to try Peruna. I am pleased to say that it came up to all my expectations, for in six weeks it had driven the catarrh out of my system and I have not been troubled since."

Mrs. A. J. Tiesman, 112 Wyoming St., San Antonio, Texas, writes: "I suffered over nine years with catarrh of the head, nose and ears. Five bottles of Peruna have restored me my health."

Marie Hill of Grand Rapids was in town Monday.

Mrs. Henry Hiler of Grand Rapids was in Lowell Monday.

Phil Athien was home from his travels the first of the week.

M. R. Wilkinson of Saranac was a Lowell visitor Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Buttermore were in Grand Rapids Monday.

Now \$3.00 Nemo corsets at Weekes'. adv.

Always at your call, McQueen's bus. Phone 6. adv. if

Mrs. N. Ladue of Edmore called on Mrs. F. H. Misner Monday.

Glen Hackett of Edmore visited his uncle, C. E. Hackett, last week.

Ledger and Youth's Companion both one year for \$2.75, new or renewals. adv.

Miss Ruth Wood went to Grand Rapids Sunday to resume her millinery work.

Michigan Farmer and Lowell Ledger both one year for \$1.25 at this office. adv.

Ella Kopf of Grand Rapids spent the fore part of the week with relatives here.

Mrs. D. B. Davidson of Lyons visited her daughter here the first of the week.

District school report cards on sale at The Ledger office. adv.

Mrs. L. C. Hildreth is home from Traverse City where she has been spending the winter.

For Royal Society embroidery cotton go to E. R. Collar's. adv.

Mrs. Mary Abbey Chamberlain of Ionia was looking after her Lowell interests Monday.

A. W. Kneer returned Monday from Elkhardt, where he went to attend his sister's funeral.

Hull suitcase umbrellas, detachable tip and handle \$1.25 at Weekes'. adv.

Calling cards at The Ledger office. Fine line of cards and splendid selection of types. Prices, 100—50¢; 50—35¢; 25—25¢.

Mrs. Edwin Fallas went to Petoskey Monday to see her son-in-law, Frank B. Clark, who has been very ill for several weeks.

Eliminate bake-day trouble by using Pansy Blossom Flour. Guaranteed as good as the best. For sale by all dealers.

Mr. and Mrs. Hathaway of Grand Rapids spent the week end with Mrs. Hathaway's mother, Mrs. H. Bates, and returned home Monday.

Ladies Home Journal \$1.50 per year. Subscriptions taken at The Ledger office. Youth's Companion \$2.00 with The Ledger \$2.75.

Our old friend N. P. Husted, Lowell's pioneer nurseryman, is very ill in his room at Hotel Waverly. He asks to be kindly remembered to all his old acquaintances.

Lyman Heald of Orleans township has bought the house and lot, block 3, lot 30, Avery plat, owned by W. F. Howk, consideration \$600; and will move here and occupy it at once.

We can not use unsigned communications and so are obliged to turn down one from Ada this week. It is probably a good joke; but we can not take chances that the writer will not.

Friends of The Ledger are kindly requested to remember its job printing department when needing anything in that line. Come Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays for quick service. Fair prices always.

Remember, our Big Five Magazine club: Ledger, Woman's World, Household, Gentlewoman and Farm Life—all one year for \$1.25. This club can be added to any other Ledger club for 25¢. We are receiving many orders on this club. If we get 500, the Ledger editor gets a trip to San Francisco next summer. Give us a boost. If you have already paid for your Ledger an additional 25¢ will secure the magazines.

LOWELL MARKET REPORT.
 Corrected March 3, 1915

Wheat red 6-11 1.30	Wheat white 6-11 1.25
Corn white new 50	Oats bu new 50
Beans 2.90	Hay baled ton 12.00
Corn & oats ton 22.00	Middlings ton 30.00
Corn Meal ton 30.00	bran ton 28.00
Butter 1.30 52	Eggs doz 16
lard 10 16	Butter fat 13 1/2
lard dressed 12	Glover Seed bu 10 00
Flour 10 15	Butter fat 13 1/2
Flour dressed 10 00	Year dressed 5 00 11 00
Olives live 3 00	Lamb's 100 60
Sheep live 6 00	Strap Cuckers 10 11
	Pork live 6 1/2

Railroad Time Cards
PERE MARQUETTE

East Bound—
 6:40 a. m. Daily
 7:30 p. m. Daily except Sunday
 9:20 p. m. Daily
 9:55 p. m. Daily

West Bound—
 6:45 a. m. Daily
 7:35 p. m. Daily except Sunday
 9:25 p. m. Daily except Sunday
 9:55 p. m. Daily

GRAND TRUNK

East Bound—
 6:38 a. m. Daily except Sunday
 11:40 a. m. Daily except Sunday
 5:45 p. m. Daily except Sunday

West Bound—
 6:45 a. m. Daily except Sunday
 7:25 p. m. Daily except Sunday
 9:45 p. m. Daily except Sunday

Classified Advertising.

ADVERTISEMENTS—Run in this department for one cent per word per insertion, cash with order, 15 cents if charged. Each initial and figure counts as a word. No adv. run for less than 12c. Ads for this department must be in printer's hands not later than Wednesday morning.

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.
HAIR WORK WANTED. Also knitting and crocheting. Mrs. L. W. Halstead, near Central school. Phone 223. adv.

FOR SALE.
 HANDMADE MIDGET CIGARS, all 50 cent, best made cigars, made by Lowell Cigar Co., and for sale by all dealers. adv.

FOR SALE—Large, vigorous, pure bred bronze turkey toms, 80. Mrs. Clyde W. Overholt, Ada, Mich.

Beekwith Round Oak stove, nearly new. Will sell at a bargain. Inquire at Ledger office.

June clover seed for sale. E. Plackney, phone 119. adv.

SEEDS FOR SALE—The kind that pays. Why not raise 75-100 bu per acre instead of 50-70. My Swedish Select will do it. The seed I sowed last year came from North West Canada and is pure. Price as my farm \$1.00 per bu.—Geo. Cheatham, Lowell, Mich. adv.

FOR SALE—Three houses, including lots. Inquire of Frank Hawk at the Cutter factory or of Herman Dawson. adv.

FOR SALE—Horse, covered buggy and harness. Chas. Leary. adv.

EGGS FOR HATCHING—From pure bred, laying strain Buff Rocks. Each. Also two fine cockerels after April 1. Mrs. H. VanderWall. adv.

FOR SALE OR RENT—About April 1st, house on Monroe St. Enquire of Mrs. A. D. Oliver, Lowell, or Lizzie D. Derwinger, 517 Lakeland Drive, Grand Rapids, Mich. adv.

FOR SALE—Two bay horses, 5 years old, weight about 1250 and 1100 respectively. James Mead, R. F. D. 50, Lowell. adv.

FOR SALE—About 1500 bundles corn stalks, three good loads wheat straw. Carl Sultz, 3 miles west of Grand Trunk depot. adv.

TO RENT
 ROOMS TO RENT—Mrs. L. W. Halstead. Phone 223. adv.

LOST
 LOST—Saturday night, large metal coat button, black with blue center. Finder kindly leave at Ledger office.

PRINTED ENVELOPES—500 good, white, regular stock business envelopes, size 6 1/2, printed with your name and address, in neat box, only \$1.25. The Ledger job printing department. adv.

TWENTY-FIVE POST CARDS 10c—Assorted, Best Wishes, Greetings, Love's, Birthdays, etc. Also your name in our post card Exchange free on request, and free sample copy of the Family Story Paper; also catalogue and premium list. Enclose 3 stamps for return postage, etc. Family Story Paper, 26 Vandewater Street, New York. April 24, '15.

FOUND LOT LETTER PAPER—Moscow bond, unruled letter paper in pound lots, 20c, envelopes to match 100 for 25c. Ledger office.

WANTED—Job printing patrons to call Fridays, Saturdays and Mondays for prompt service. Force busy on paper other days. We solicit your business and meet all competition. The Ledger Job Printers. Phone 210 and we will call.

MISCELLANEOUS
 Three female puppies to be given away; part shepherd, part collie. Call northeast of town, Christ Geher place. E. A. Gilman.

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 Broken castings of all descriptions welded such as Iron, Brass and Aluminum. Lowell Garage and Machine Shop CHAS. E. BILLINGS

OLD HOME LETTER

Mrs. VanDeusen Writes From Jamaica to Lowell Friends.

We thought that the pile of manuscript collected during our busy season had all been taken care of; but the following long neglected letter has come to light. Begging our good friend's pardon for the apparently willful indifference we give her good letter this belated publicity:

Buff Bay, Jamaica.

Dear Friend:

I have been thinking I would write a few lines to you to be printed in the Ledger, our good home paper, that comes to us so far away, containing so much home news that we feel we are not so far away after all. And then we have so many friends who read the paper and we can't write them all separately. I thought this would be a good way to get a letter to them.

We are taking a charge at this place for a few weeks, way up in the mountains where we can overlook the sea and get the lovely ocean breeze, with plenty of good fruit, grape fruit, oranges, bananas, plantain, mangoes, pineapple, bread fruits, etc. There is a church of Seventh Day adventists here and a neat little cottage built on purpose for ministers who wish to stop and rest awhile for a change and get sea bathing. So we are very nicely settled to stay as long as we wish and the people wish us to stay a long time. They are a very hospitable and friendly people and we are very happy with them. Mr. VanDeusen has improved in health beyond anything we could have looked for. The tumor on his thigh has nearly gone and lameness seldom troubles him.

I wish you could take a look at this beautiful place, the banana fields and cocoanut trees. The gentleman who owns this place says before the hurricane in 1907 he could pick every year 12,000 nuts, but the storm took down every tree and all other trees, but they are growing nicely again so there are plenty of nuts. We have all given us we can use. The island of Jamaica is a beautiful one but sin is here as elsewhere.

I am thinking about dear old Michigan. I suppose while we are so nice and warm you are beginning to feel Jackfrost. I would love to be there long enough to get a good cool breeze for a little while. I shall never think more of any place than the one we left. I often think of friends we left, but the Lord has been good to us and if we never come back we can sleep here just the same as there. Our address is Riversdale as ever.

With kind greetings to yourself and all other friends.

I am respectfully,
 Mrs. M. E. VanDeusen.

VERGENNES STATION
 Chas. P. Hutchinson has gone to Belding where he has a position in the Belding (Hill Refrigerator) factory. There are several cases of mumps in this vicinity.

Mrs. Chas. P. Hutchinson received word from Detroit that her cousin, Mrs. Adolph Seguin, died Feb. 24. Her baby daughter was born Feb. 9.

Miss Louva Church called on Mr. and Mrs. John Miller Sunday evening.

Mrs. Chas. P. Hutchinson is staying at the home of Mrs. John A. Miller while her husband is in Belding looking for a house so they can move.

KEENE HEIGHTS
 Will Rickett and family visited at K. S. Rickett's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hunter visited at John Hoskin's Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wram Converse and daughter spent Sunday at the home of J. E. Denny.

Mrs. Wathie Bowen and Fred Bowen visited at H. S. Bigley's Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Denny visited at B. S. Bigley's near Belding several days last week.

Joseph Denny and family are moving from the G. A. Ayers farm to their home near Lowell.

Jesse Stockford are moving to the G. A. Ayers farm.

Mrs. Clara Jepson and Earl took dinner with Mrs. J. Jepson at Saranac Saturday.

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HAROLD MACGRATH

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SYNOPSIS.

Warrington, an American adventurer, and James, his servant with a coded parrot, the trio known as 'The Parrot from Bagdad'... Warrington has been a syndicate and sold his old claims for \$25,000. Warrington puts Rajah, the parrot, through his tricks for Elia and they pass two weeks together on the river. Martha, Elia's companion, warns her that this is a trap. In Rangoon Warrington banks his draft, pays old debts, and overhears the row is caused by an enemy, Unwell Craig, and threatens to shoot him unless he leaves town. Elia is annoyed by Craig and slaps him with a hatpin. Warrington bids Elia good-bye.

CHAPTER VII—Continued.

That there was real danger in her interest in Warrington did not occur to her. The fact that she was now willing to marry without analysis, for the causes that had brought her to this decision, should have warned her that she was dimly afraid of the stranger. Her glance fell upon the mandarin's ring. She twisted it round undecidedly. Should she wear it or put it away? The question remained suspended. She saw Craig coming aboard; and she hid her face behind her magazine. The man second thought she let the magazine fall. She was quite confident that that chapter was closed. Craig might be a scoundrel, but he was no fool.

A sharp blast from the tender's whistle drew her attention to the gangplank. The last man to come aboard was Warrington. He immediately sought James; and they stood together chatting until the tender drew alongside the steamer. At the British-India line. The two men shook hands finally. Warrington added a friendly tap on the Eurasian's shoulder. No one would have suspected that the white man and his dark companion had been "shipmates," in good times and in bad, for nearly a decade. Elia, watching them from her secure book, admired the lack of effusiveness. The dignity of the parting told her of the depth of feeling.

An hour later they were heading for the delta. Elia amused herself by casting bits of bread to the gulls. Always they caught it on the wing, no matter in what direction she threw it. Sometimes one would wing up to her very hand for charity, its coral feet stretched out to meet the quick back-play of the wings, to give shallow and plaintive and wistfully. Suddenly she became aware of a presence at her side.

A voice said: "It was not quite fair of you." "What wasn't?" without turning her head. She brushed her hands free of the crumbs. "You should have let me know that you were going to sail on this boat." "You would have run away, then?" "Why?" started at her. "Because you are a little afraid of me." She faced him, without a smile either on her lips or in her eyes. Aren't you?" "Yes. I am afraid of all things I do not quite understand."

"There is not the least need in the world, Mr. Warrington, I am quite harmless. My claws have been clipped. I am engaged to be married, and I am going home to decide the day." "He's a lucky man." He was astonished at his calm, for the blow went deep. "Lucky? That is in the future. What a lonely thing a gull is!" "What a lonely thing a lonely man is!" he added. Poor fool! To have dreamed so fair a dream for a single moment! He tried to believe that he was glad that she had told him about the other man. The least this information could do would be to give him better control of himself. He had not been out in the open long enough entirely to master his feelings.

"Men ought not to be lonely," she said. "There's the excitement of work, of mingling with crowds, of going when and where one pleases. Woman's lot is to be married and waiting at home. When I marry I suppose that I shall learn the truth of that."

Perhaps it was because he had been away from them so long and had lost track of the moods of the feminine mind; but surely it could not be possible that there was real happiness in this young woman's heart. Its evidence was lacking in her voice, in her face, in her gestures. He thought it over with a sigh. He felt sorry for the girl, sorry for the man; for it was not possible that a girl like this one would go through life without experiencing that flash of insanity that is called the grand passion.

He loved her. He could lean against her, his shoulder lightly touching hers, and calmly say to himself that he loved her. He could and would permit her to pass out of his life as he pleased. He had not enough, but this evil must befall him. Love! He spread out his hands unconsciously. "What does that mean?" she asked, smiling now. "An invocation?" "It's a sign to ward off evil," he returned. "Are you expecting evil?" "I am trying to prepare myself to meet it. There is one thing that will always puzzle me. Why should you have asked the purser to pick out such a tramp as I was? For I was a tramp."

"I thought I explained that." "Not clearly." "Well, then, I shall make myself clear. The sight of you upon that bank, the lights in your face, struck me as the strangest mystery that could possibly confront me. I thought you were a ghost." "A ghost?" "Made an Anthem of it. It is pleasant to hear that the stern business of drifting has its light side, as well as most other things. In a certain territorial regiment, I was told, not many miles from London, one of the newest recruits was awaiting his turn on parade to be inspected. Presently he came the youthful officer in charge. He has what is known as the vanity accent, and by those who do not know it outside the stage it may easily be mistaken for facetiousness.

shaken the cool nerve of the gambler. He was worried but bewildered. He had practically sent this man to ruin. What would be the reprisal? He searched for a manager and ate the white pulpy contents, but without the customary relish. The phrase kept running through his head: What would be the reprisal? For men of his ilk never struck without expecting to be struck back. Something must be done. Should he seek him and boldly ask what he intended to do? Certainly he could not do much on board here, except to denounce him to the officers as a professional gambler. And Paul would scarcely do that since he, Craig, had a better shot in his gun. He could tell who Paul was and what he had done. Bodily harm was what he really feared.

He had seen Elia, but he had worked out that problem easily. She was sure to say nothing so long as he let her be; and with the episode of the hatpin still fresh in his memory, he assuredly would keep his distance. He had made a mistake, and was not likely to repeat it. But Paul! He finished his dessert and went off to the stuffy little stateroom, and struggled with a Burma check. Paul was a gambler, and sooner or later he would drop here. He waited in vain for his man that night. And so did Elia. She felt indignant at one moment and hurt at another. The man's attitude was inexplicable; there was neither rhyme nor reason in it. The very fact that she could not understand made her wonder march beside her even in her dreams that night. She began to feel genuinely sorry that he had appeared above her horizon. Just before she retired she leaned over the rail, watching the reflection of the stars twist and shimmer on the smooth water. Suddenly she listened. She might have imagined it, for at night the ears deceive. "Jah, jah!" Somewhere from below came the muffled plaint of Rajah.

Next day, at luncheon, the chair was still vacant. Elia became alarmed. Perhaps he was ill. She made inquiries, regardless of the possible misinterpretation her concern might be given by others. Mr. Warrington had had his meals served in his cabin, but the steward declared that the gentleman was not ill, only tired and irritated. The saloon had an air of freshness tonight. All the men were in drill or pongee, and so receptive is the imagination that the picture robbed the room of half its heat. To and fro the punks flapped; the pulleys creaked and the ropes scraped above the sound of knives and forks and spoons. Elia ate little besides fruit. She spoke scarcely a word to Martha, and none to those around her. Thus, she missed the frown of the colonel and the lifted brows of the splinters, and the curious glances of the tourists. The passenger list had not yet come from the ship's press, so Elia's name was practically unknown. But in some unaccountable manner it had become known that she intended to make inquiries regarding the gentleman in cabin 78, who had thus far remained away from the table. Ship life is a dull life, and gossip is about the only thing that makes it possible to live through the day. It was quite easy to couple this unknown aloof young woman and the invisible man, and then to wait for results. It would have amused Elia had she known the interest he had in her, but she had not put him beyond the pale of her friendship. There had been no degrading entanglements, and women forgive or condone all other transgressions.

And what had she just said or done to put that look of dumb agony in his face? She swung impatiently from the rail and began to promenade the deck, still cluttered with luggage over which the Lascar stewards were moping. Many a glance followed the soft pleasing figure of the girl as she passed round and round the deck. Other promenaders stepped aside or permitted her to pass between them. The resolute uplift of the chin, and the staring dark eyes which saw but inner visions, impressed them with the fact that it would be wiser to step aside voluntarily. There were some, however, who considered that they had as much right to the deck as she. Before them she would stop shortly, and as a current breaks and passes each side of an immovable object, they, too, gave way. The colonel fussed and fumed, and his three splinter charges drew their pale lips into thinner paler lips. "These Americans are impossible!" "And it is scolding followed by the young women travel alone. One can never tell what they are." "Humph! Drag and assertiveness. And there's that ruffian who came down the river. What's he doing on the same boat? What?" Elia became aware of their presence at the fifth turn. She nodded absently. Being immersed in the sea of conjecture regarding Warrington's behavior, the colonel's glare did not rouse in her the sense of impending disaster. The first gong for dinner boomed. The echoing wall spoke in the voice of the East, of its dalliance, its content to drift in a sargasso sea of engaging habits and desires, of its fatalism and inertia. It did not hearen over or extend beyond. Elia would rather have lain down in her Canton lounge-chair. The dining-saloon held two long tables, only one of which was in commission, the starboard. The saloon was unattractive. A punka stretched from one end of the table to the other, and swung idly to and fro, whining mysteriously, sometimes subsiding altogether and then flapping hysterically and setting the women's hair awry.

Elia and Martha were seated somewhere between the head and the foot of the table. The personally-conducted surrounded them, and gabbled incessantly during the meal of what they had seen, of what they were going to see, and of what they had missed by not going with the other agency's party. Elia's sympathy went out to the man who had been drunk, but on the other hand, she was glad that he had been drunk, and as she saw Warrington nowhere, Elia assumed that this must be his reservation. She was rather glad that he would be beyond conversational radius. She liked to talk to the strange and lonely man, but she preferred to be alone with him when she did so.

She began as of old to study carefully the faces of the diners and to speculate as to their characters and occupations. Her negligent observation roved from the pompous captain down to the dark picturesque face of the man Craig. Upon him her glance, a mixture of contempt and curiosity, rested. If he behaved himself and made no attempt to speak to her, she was willing to declare a truce. In Rangoon the man had been drunk, but on the irrawaddy boat he had been sober enough. Craig kept his eyes directed upon his food and did not offer her even a furtive glance.

He was not in a happy state of mind. He had taken passage the last moment to avoid meeting again the man he feared. For ten years this man had been reckoned among the best. Many believed him dead, and Craig had wished it rather than believed. And then, to meet him face to face in that sordid boarding house had

with a stentorian roar of, "Ha, he, no razor!"—London Daily Mirror.

Some History of Canes. General use of canes or walking sticks was at one time forbidden under the Roman law. It was established in the time of patriotic rank, except to persons of a privilege which came to be popular among the nobility and eventually a distinction. The women of this time carried them also, their richly and artistically decorated canes serving as a rod for the punishment of their

slaves. The cane appeared in England as the badge of aristocracy in about the fifth century, but after serving this purpose for some time, came into the hands of the humbler and was dropped by those of higher social standing. It was established in its true form by the pilgrims and soldiers returning from the Holy Land during the Crusades, and soon came into popularity again. With a revival of the cane among the gentry came a period of decoration, and canes of exquisite design and of great value resulted

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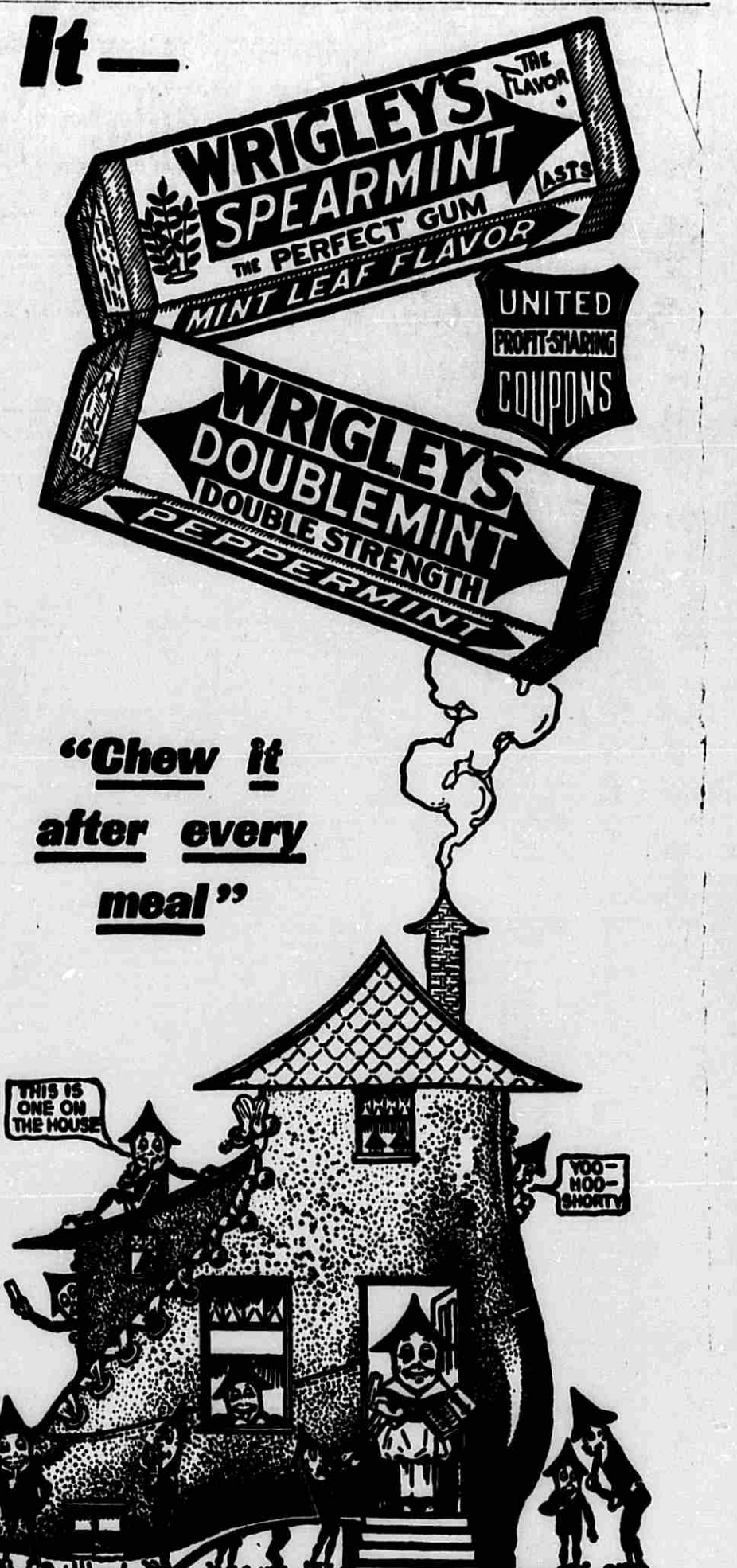
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STILL IT WASN'T SETTLED

Ordinary Mortals May Continue to Pronounce Name of French City as They Desire.

"Wasn't it fearful about the Reems cathedral?" "Don't say Reems; it sounds horribly ignorant." "Why, Hranas, do you pronounce it?" "Why, Hranas." "Hn—Hranas! Just as if you were clearing your throat. See? Hranas!" "Well, you sound as if you had a dreadful influenza, threatened with grippe!" "Well, that's right, anyhow. H—hn—hh—hranhns!" "You'd better go to Arizona! You'll never get well here! I don't believe you, anyway. Everybody says Reems." "They don't either!" "They do so!" "Oh, well, it depends on the sort of people you associate with."

IF BACK HURTS CLEAN KIDNEYS WITH SALTS

Drink Lots of Water and Stop Eating Meat for a While if the Bladder Bothers You. Meat forms uric acid which excites and overworks the kidneys in their efforts to filter it from the system. Regular eaters of meat must flush the kidneys occasionally. You must relieve them like you relieve your bowels, removing all the acids, waste and poison, else you feel a dull misery in the kidney region, sharp pains in the back or sick headache, dizziness, your stomach aches, tongue is coated and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The uric is often, full of sediment; the channels often get irritated, obliging you to get up two or three times during the night.

Diagnosed.

"How did you know your patient had appendicitis, doctor?" "I operated on him."

MAY BE COFFEE That Causes all the Trouble

When the house is a-fire, it's about the same as when disease begins to show, it's no time to talk but time to act—delay is dangerous—remove the cause of the trouble at once. "For a number of years," wrote a Kansas lady, "I felt sure that coffee was hurting me, and yet I was so fond of it, I could not give it up. At last I got so bad that I made up my mind I must either quit the use of coffee or die."

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His Turn Next

Diner—See here, where are those oysters I ordered on the half shell? Waiter—Don't get impatient, sah. We're dresth, sah; on shells; but you're next, sah.—Boston Evening Transcript.

Kissing Microbes

Bello—I see a Swiss scientist declares that microbes do not exist in mountain air at an altitude of over 2,000 feet. How do you suppose he discovered that? Benlah—Oh, he's probably done some kissing at high altitude.

Some men reach the top through their own shrewdness and some through the stupidity of others. One's good opinion of one's self should be maintained in silence.

Activities of Women.

Miss Alma K. Boyd has been appointed private secretary to Lieutenant Governor McClain of Pennsylvania.

Mary Pickford, the moving picture actress, receives a salary of \$2,000 per week for 52 weeks in the year.

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A Selfish Idea.

"There goes an irascible old gentleman who is a noted woman hater, yet he is in favor of votes for women!" "Well! Well! That's a compliment to the persuasive powers of the fair sex."

Morror!

"This, then, Miss Fickie," said the young man as he started for the door, "is your final decision?" "It is, Mr. Smithers," said the young girl firmly.

As Ever.

"Since the war began the women have been taking the places of the men on the Paris street cars."

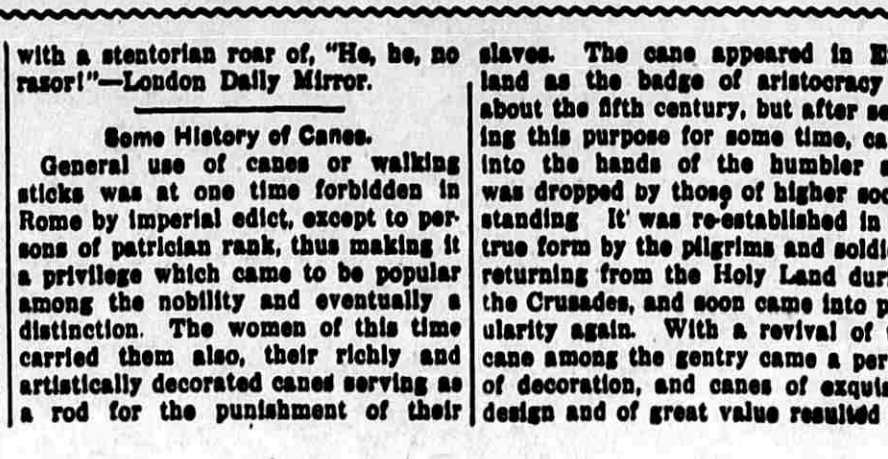
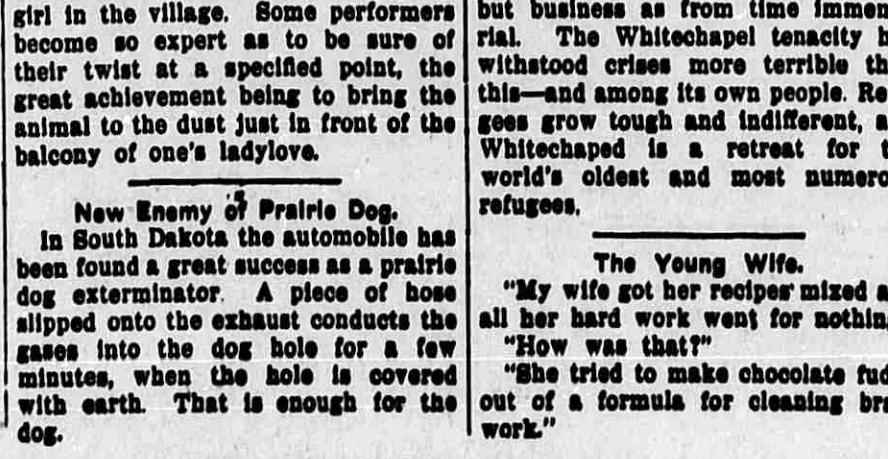
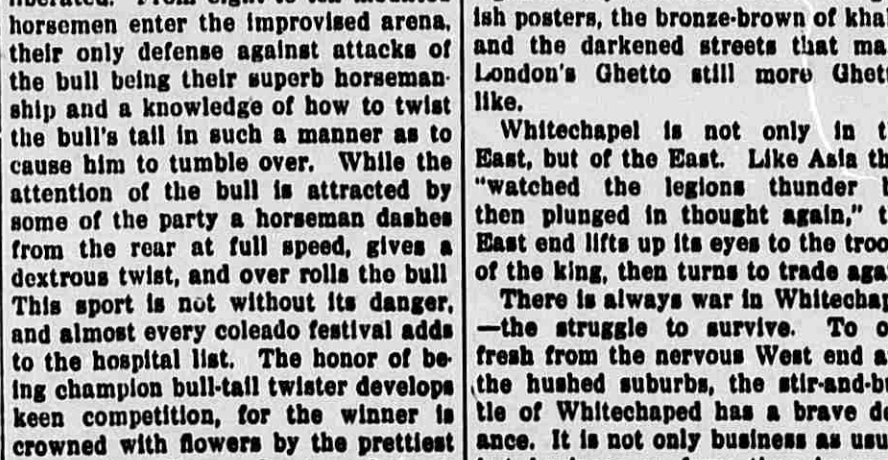
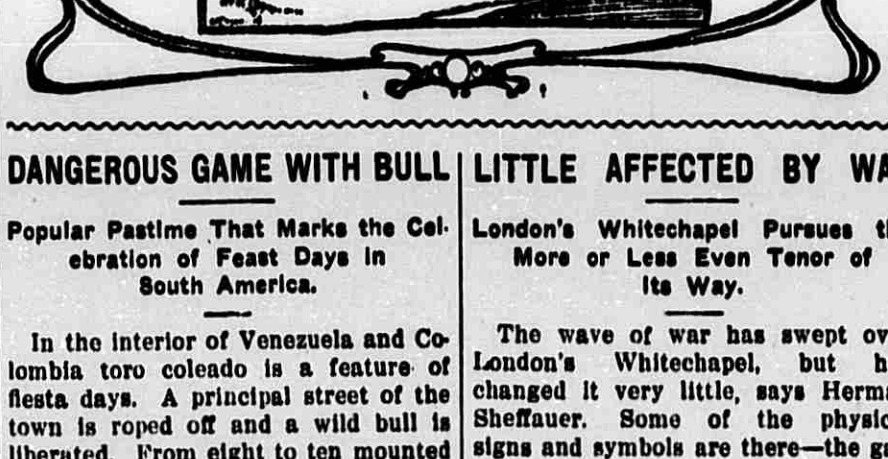
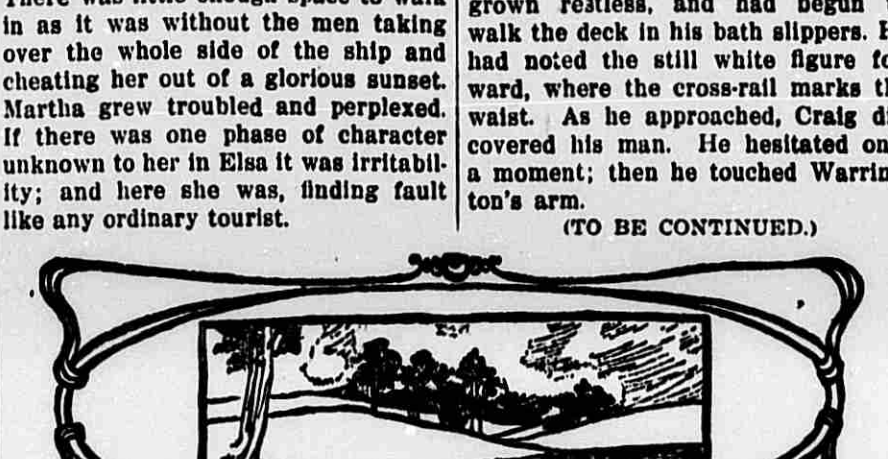
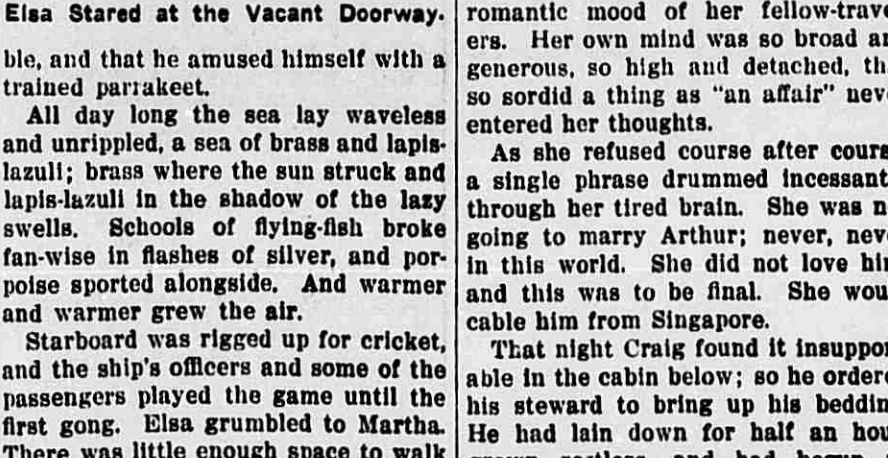
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Probably a new-born babe cries because it discovers the mistake it makes in getting born.

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Mother's Solitude.

"May," he said, "what would you do if I should die? Tell me." "Please don't suggest such a thing," said his wife. "I can't bear the thought of a stepfather for our little boy."—The Club-Fellow.

Compliment That Went Astray.

"I love to hear you speak French," remarked the sweet young youth. "Indeed?" said the pompous youth who plumed himself on his linguistic ability. "And why?" "Because it is so different from most people's French," explained the young thing. The youth plumed himself some more. But only for a moment, because the sweet young thing continued: "Yes, so different from most people's French—especially French people's."

Uncle Eben.

"When a man is his own worst enemy," said Uncle Eben, "it's generally because he ain't got energy enough to pick out an enemy dat 'ud be hard to lick."

Gentle Hint.

He—Once for all, I demand to know who is master in this house? She—You'll be happier if you don't find out.—Philadelphia Ledger.

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Precaution. "Noddy—you don't mean to say you keep a diary?"

Contrary Methods. "I see that in Europe they are having battles in the clouds."

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CHAPTER XX.

Braine Tries Another Weapon. "What I want now," said Braine, as he paced the living room of the apartment of the countess, "is revenge. I've been checked out enough, Olga; I've been playing with us."

"Are you turning against me?" he demanded bitterly. "Do my actions point that way?" she countered.

"Perhaps you are right. But for all that we have not played the game with any degree of finesse."

"Bah!" Braine lit a cigarette and smoked nervously. "I can't even get rid of that meddling reporter. He has been as much to blame for our failures as either Jones or Hargreave."

"What I mean to say is that I am trying to assemble an automobile for a poor woman who has none."

When Flies Play Possum. Explaining Why the Campaign for Their Extermination Should Be in Onset.

"Not the least doubt of it in my mind, Olga, old girl, it does look as if my star was growing dim. We'll never get our hands on that million. I feel it in my bones. So let's settle down to a campaign of revenge, without any forebodings. I want to twist Hargreave's heart before the game winds up."

"I wish really to injure her?" "I do not wish to injure her. Far from it," he replied, smiling evily.

"I can go elsewhere," he replied coldly. "You would leave me?" "The moment you cross my will," emphatically.

"I'll wager," said Jim, "the water washed all the writing away. The man does not seem to do any good."

"Or out of it, since we consider him our friend."

Frauds Follow the War. Little Doubt That This Conflict Will Be Productive of the Usual Crop of Fakes.

she laughed. She selected a peach and began eating it on the way up to her room.

"I am going out and so is Mr. Norton. Do not leave the house; not even if you have a telephone call from me or Norton. Both of us will return; so don't let anything bother or confuse you."

"I promise," said Florence, struggling with a sob. "I'll be home in ten minutes."

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MICHIGAN RAILROADS APPEALING FOR RELIEF

The Question of the Hour—Why the Railroads in the State Should Be Allowed An Increase in the Present Legal Passenger Rate.

Lansing, Mich., March 1st, 1915.

The managers of the Michigan railroads have been at Lansing for the last week or ten days making an appeal to the legislators to pass a law which will give them the right to charge a passenger rate of three cents per mile in the Upper Peninsula and 2 1/2 cents per mile in the Lower Peninsula, because every railroad in the state is losing money on every passenger they carry at the present 2-cent rate. They have submitted arguments and statements in favor of this change which have not been successfully contradicted, and the sentiment is growing every day in favor of the passage of such a law. The statements which they have submitted have been compiled in as simple form as possible by the auditing departments of the railroads under established rules and regulations laid down by the Interstate Commerce Commission, and should be convincing to every person who will take the time to read them and give them the intelligent consideration. These figures show that practically every passenger carried by every railroad in the State of Michigan amounts to \$2,613,208 for the year ending December 31, 1914—was carried at a loss of from 6 to 50 cents per passenger, without figuring in any expenditures for interest on bonds or state taxes; and when 6 per cent per annum is figured on the value of the property as laid down by the tax assessors of the State, and the passenger service proportion of the State taxes is taken into consideration they show a loss of from 22 to 31 cents per passenger for every passenger which they have carried in the State for the last seven years. It is a well known and acknowledged fact that when the present two-cent passenger law was enacted during 1907, that it was done during a wave for cheaper passenger fares, until it was stopped by Governor Hughes, of New York, vetoing a bill of like character which was presented to him for signature, because no opportunity had been given to the railroads to show that they could handle passengers without a loss on such a rate. The advocates of the two cents per mile passenger law passed in 1907 claimed that by a reduction to two cents per mile the number of passengers carried would increase so greatly that the additional earnings would more than offset the reduction in the passenger fares. The law which was enacted at that time reduced the passenger rates from three cents, and four cents in some cases, to a flat two cents per mile rate, or a reduction of not less than 33 1/2 per cent.

The Michigan Railroad Commission reports for the seven years January 1, 1908, to December 31, 1914, show that in no year was there an increase over previous years in the number of passengers carried under this lower passenger rate than in 1907, which was the case in 1908. The increase in the number of passengers carried each year since that time over the previous year has gradually decreased until the number carried in 1914 shows an increase of only four-tenths per cent (0.4%) over the number carried in the year 1913, and for the seven years the increase, one year over the other, has averaged only three and one-tenth per cent (3.1%).

The Interstate Commerce Commission has granted authority for the railroads in all of the states to increase their passenger fares by 2 1/2 cents per mile for all journeys from one state to another, or in so-called interstate traffic. This was done after a very exhaustive investigation made by them which showed that the railroads could not carry passengers except at a loss for 2 cents per mile.

It is fair for the railroads to charge 2 1/2 cents for an interstate journey as authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission, it is not right nor fair to charge less than that for a journey wholly within the State of Michigan, or for an intrastate journey.

The railroads have submitted statements at their hearing on this increase in passenger rates, and in the country served by the railroads, which they must purchase for the maintenance and operation of their railroads has increased from five (5%) per cent to one hundred (100%) per cent, and that the increase in the cost of labor employed by them has been from twenty-five (25%) per cent to forty (40%) per cent in the last few years. They also submitted statements showing that the railroads in Michigan had been carefully and economically managed, and that only for the high state of efficiency in their work have they been able to live. They also showed that from the year 1903 to 1914 their average freight rates had been reduced 26.9 per cent, and their average passenger rates had been reduced 24 per cent, and that the average freight rates in Michigan territory are lower than in any other locality in the United States or the world. In this connection it has been pointed out that the railroads have just two sources of revenue—freight and passenger rates. What one does not pay the other must.

The passenger traffic on the railroads depends entirely upon the number of people that live in the country served by the railroads. The figures which they submitted showed that the population in Michigan, where the two-cent rate is in effect, was only 48 people per square mile, while in Alabama, where the population is 41 people per square mile, they have a 2 1/2-cent rate. In New Hampshire, where the population is 47 people per square mile, they have a 2 1/2-cent rate. In North Carolina, where the population is 46 people per square mile, they have a 2 1/2-cent rate, and in Virginia, where the population is 51 people per square mile, they have a 2 1/2-cent rate. In Kentucky, where they have a population of 57 people per square mile, they have a 3-cent rate. In New York, where they have a population of 191 people per square mile, they have a 3-cent rate. In Pennsylvania, where the population is 170 people per square mile, the principal rate is 3 1/2 cents. In Massachusetts, where they have a population of 418 people per square mile, the rates are as high as 5 cents.

The railroads of Michigan paid into the State Treasury in state taxes for the year 1913 the sum of \$4,618,205.08. The increase in their passenger rate which they are asking for will not mean any more state taxes, which some have not paid and others are struggling to pay under heavy penalty.

The people of Michigan should know that the railroad business represents the largest single business conducted in the state, and that no further extension, or improvement, or betterment to their property can be made until they are permitted to charge enough for their transportation to return to them their operating expenses and taxes and a fair interest on the value of the railroad. They are not asking to be permitted to earn interest on their security values, although they are entitled to do this.

It is claimed that the railroad situation in the State of Michigan is in an alarming condition, and unless the legislature comes to their relief and grants them a local right to increase their passenger fares as requested, it is very likely that many more of them will go into the hands of receivers, and that they will be forced to make reductions which will throw thousands of men out of work and may reduce the service which they are now rendering.

They ask you to give this matter your most earnest and careful consideration, and in the interests of your roads and the welfare of the great State of Michigan let your legislators know he has the support of his community and constituents in voting for the increase in the passenger rates.

ALTO VILLAGE NEWS

Interesting Items from a Hustling Business Center.

Joe Scott was a Lowell visitor Sunday.

F. McNaughton visited at Harris Creek Wednesday.

Mrs. Cosgriff has been sick for several days, but is now improving.

Mrs. Ernest Bates of Whitneyville visited Mrs. H. Slater over Sunday.

Dr. Bond was called to Freeport on a professional visit last Monday.

John Vanderbosch has moved his family into rooms in the Shaw building.

The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church met at the parsonage last Wednesday.

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hopkins was ill the first of the week.

William Cosgriff, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis, is improving.

Rev. Howell and wife of Bowne Center, with a cousin, Mr. Gunn of Pennsylvania, were callers in town last Monday.

A. O. Hood, wife and family are visiting a daughter in Joliet the past week, and getting acquainted with a new grandchild.

At the time of writing the news is received of the death of John Watt, a well known and highly respected citizen of Bowne township.

Mr. Brown, the new butter-maker, and his wife have moved here. For the present they are boarding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Kline.

The Juniors of the Lowell High school gave an entertainment at the hall last Wednesday evening. There was a good attendance considering the weather.

The team of Joe Peet made quite a lively runaway from town the latter part of last week. They were finally stopped near the home of Mrs. Fred Andrews.

Some fellows will kick about twenty-five dollars worth of things, that pay a yearly profit of 25 per cent, but will invest \$36.00 in booze and get nothing but a red nose for their money.

The members of the I. O. O. F. and D. of H. gave a pleasant surprise and reception to Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins last week Wednesday evening at their hall here. Mr. Hopkins and family are about to move to Ohio where Mr. H. and a brother have bought a creamery.

The great powers of Europe place a value of \$5,000 on each man killed. In the United States twenty thousand yearly are killed by booze. The earning capacity per man is much larger in this country, but twenty thousand multiplied by five thousand is quite a sum.

Mrs. Foote gave four of our boys, Merle Rosenberg, Lawrence Daily, Lewis Bush, and Harry Brazner, a pleasant excursion to Lansing, last week Wednesday. They visited the School for the Blind, the Industrial school, House of Representatives and shook hands with Gov. Ferris.

Some people seem to think that whatever the government pays in pensions, bounties, etc., is just that much clear gain and doesn't cost anybody anything. Now, the people of Kent county discovered that to secure \$31,000 in good roads money they must pay in direct taxes \$41,400. It's time for the public to wake up and stop being bamboozled. You can't make money by taking it out of one pocket and putting it into the other. You can't vote money all the time forever without going down into your own jeans for it; and it may be at a time when your earning days are gone. It is well to be public spirited and generous; but don't cheat yourself and impoverish those dependent upon you. You can't help society by becoming a public charge yourself.

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MICHIGAN FRATERNAL CONGRESS

At the regular meeting of the Michigan Fraternal Congress, held recently in the Taylor Hotel, Detroit, officers were elected for the ensuing year.

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term as follows: Wm. E. Brown, (Independent Order of Foresters), President; Stewart Hanley (Knights of Columbus), Vice-President; Mark T. McKee, (Brotherhood American Yeoman), Secretary; Alberta V. Drohlis, (Ladies of the Macabees of the World) Treasurer. In addition to the officers, the members of the executive committee are: Grant Slocum, Ancient Order of Gleaners; Jules W. Berns, American Insurance Union; A. H. Ganser, Loyal American of the Republic; Paul Tice, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; A. G. MacEachron, United Commercial Travelers.

Since the recent campaign against the so-called fraternal constitutional amendment, in which all the societies operating in the state took part, there has been a remarkable feeling of mutual co-operation between the various fraternal organizations.

Resolutions of thanks to the press of the state were adopted for the manner in which they took up the fraternal cause during the campaign. A program of progressive action for the extension and conservation of fraternal interests was mapped out and a banner year is predicted.

Mr. and Mrs. John Blakelock of Carson City visited his sister, Mrs. D. O. Shear, last week. Easter neckwear, west window. A. W. Weekes & Mon.

The Vergennes club will give a masquerade ball at the City hall Wednesday evening, March 17.

Mrs. Hattie Speaker and Cora Bush of Grand Rapids were over Sunday guests of Lowell relatives.

Miss Ina Alger and Mrs. D. Krum are visiting in Lansing this week and attending the State round-up at the M. A. C.

The State Press and Printers' Federation meets in Grand Rapids March 11-13. The Ledger editor expects to attend.

March 4, and the streets so dry and dusty that sprinkling is needed. North side business places are bothered to keep clean.

You are invited to attend a demonstration of the National Biscuit Co's goods at R. Van Dyke's store Saturday, March 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Dennie of Grand Rapids spent the fore part of the week with Mrs. D's aunt, Mrs. N. C. Ransford and other friends.

Maccabees attention! Attend meeting at old hall in King block tonight (Thursday) at 7:30, for purpose of reorganization. Don't neglect it.

A chain is no stronger than its weakest link; just so with a car. Don't buy an experiment—the Overland is past this stage. R. D. Stocking, Agent.

Mrs. Henry Hiler of Grand Rapids has been visiting friends in town and looking after property interests here. Some extensive improvements are contemplated in the photograph building.

One of the best wrestling matches ever pulled off here was that between Perry Schad and Joe Nasser of Saginaw at the City hall Tuesday night. Nasser failed to throw Schad the required number of times in one hour. It took him forty-five minutes to secure the first fall.

Mr. and Mrs. James Baird and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hardy, Mr. and Mrs. Alpha Haskins and family, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hardy, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Hardy, Dell and Howard Haroy, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Conner, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Staal and family and Mrs. Eveh Conner were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elvert Baird.

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LOWELL SCHOOLS

News and Notes of Interest by Student Reporter.

Freda Rittenger is pianist this week.

Commencing Tuesday school began at 8:30. This will continue throughout the semester.

The boys and girls basketball teams go to Sparta Friday night. This game will, no doubt, be as interesting as the one played here.

During chapel Tuesday Mr. Frazee gave us a very interesting talk on his trip to Cincinnati.

Miss Josie Smith is recovering from her operation for appendicitis. She will be in school again in a few weeks.

Miss Hazel Maynard entertained the Junior girls Thursday evening.

L. J. Post, president of the board of trade, has notified the teachers of the Lowell schools that he will furnish each pupil who desires it a packet of flower seeds for spring planting. Mr. Post says he may award prizes to the young man or girl who makes the best showing with the seeds. The president of the board is intensely interested in horticulture and at one time owned a beautiful orchard just south of the city. He aims to make Lowell more beautiful.

The boys of the eighth grade have been doing quite creditable work at their basketball practice. Mr. Kallinger is aiming to get a team in shape to play next year.

Excellent progress is being made in music in the grades. The cantata, "Vogelweid," which is now being rehearsed in the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades, will be given a public presentation about the middle of April.

Lincoln's birthday was fittingly observed by the grades at the central building. The seventh grade had charge of this program and several delightful and instructing numbers were given. The following week the eighth grade had charge of this program. At this assembly five of the boys gave lantern slide talks on the "Steel and Coal Industry in Pennsylvania."

ADAM VILLAGE NOTES

Happenings In The Good Old Town By Hoo's It.

Get busy on that town hall. It is the hatred of narrow minds for liberal ideas that betters the march of progress.

Archie Patterson, the Citizens' telephone manager, who has had a number of critical operations, is now on the gain.

Geo. Sexton, who has been ailing for some time, is now quite seriously ill. Mr. Sexton's disease is a spinal trouble and it is feared an operation will be necessary.

They have gone down nearly 100 feet with the new school well and have not struck water yet. If they keep on China will think the Japs are coming up underneath.

There will be many sad hearts in Ada soon for three of our most popular and respected young men, namely: Duddy Washburn, Charles Posthumus and Floy Morris, are expected to leave in a few weeks for the West. We are all sorry to see them go, for it will make a break in one of the best and most well behaved groups of young men in Ada. Never mind boys, subscribe for the Ledger and you won't get lonesome.

Don't take off the flannels yet boys, 'Taint time.

Read the LEDGER.

HEARD ABOUT TOWN

Neway Notes About People You Know

Fred Beimer was in Grand Rapids Tuesday.

Carl Brewer of McOrds was in town Wednesday.

G. V. McConnell of Grand Rapids is in town today.

Thomas Woodhead of Ionia was in town yesterday.

Miss Gladys Raymond has been on the sick list this week.

Charles and Clyde Forman were in Grand Rapids Monday.

James Spencer of Keene was in town on business Wednesday.

Royal Society croche (cot) n all sizes for 10c at E. R. Collar's.

Mrs. Ward Willette is visiting her parents near Alto for a few days.

J. B. Dennie has moved from Saranac back to Lowell rural route 19.

Mrs. H. J. Taylor and Miss Ida Taylor were in Grand Rapids yesterday.

Misses Lima Babcock and Vera Loucks were in Saranac Wednesday evening.

Mrs. F. B. McKay is entertaining the Ladies' Sunshine club this afternoon.

W. K. Morgan is attending the funeral of his cousin, John Watt, in Bowne today.

Geo. Jackson and Bert Balance of Lansing guests of Misses Lillian Hay and Vera Loucks over Sunday.

WEST BOWNE

Mar. 2—Gardner Bateman and wife, who have made their home with Mrs. Millie Bateman for the winter, left Saturday for Greenville.

Loren Dygert and family from Merrill have rented Mrs. Millie Bateman's farm.

Loren Dygert is visiting his mother and sister in Wisconsin.

Lee Skidmore will work for his sister, Mrs. Nellie Walte, the coming year.

Miss Mertle Fellows visited over Sunday in Grand Rapids.

Ben Eslick of Merrill has bought the Chase Peet farm and will take up his residence soon.

The ladies who were invited to join the male quartette practice at Mrs. Nellie White's Friday evening, spent a most enjoyable evening. A dainty lunch was served after which all departed voting Mrs. White a fine entertainer.

Elton Peet and Phil Eslick have gone to Allegan looking for prebred Jersey cattle.

Mrs. Duncan Rose is spending two weeks with her mother in Grand Rapids.

George Geasey, who worked for Mrs. Nellie White this winter, left for Sparta Monday.

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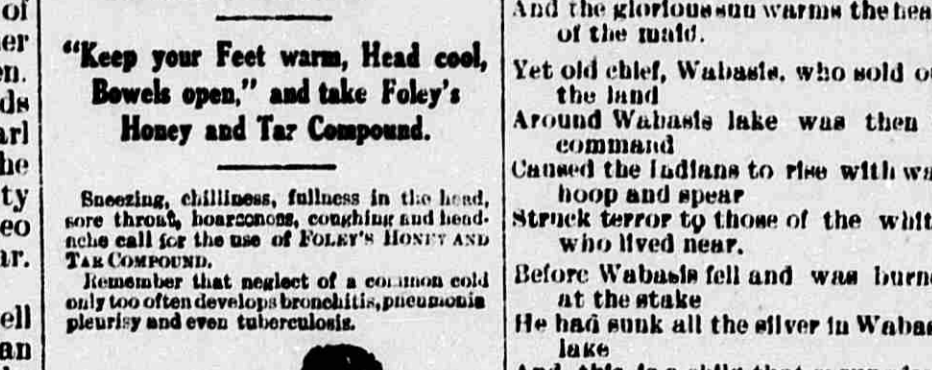
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