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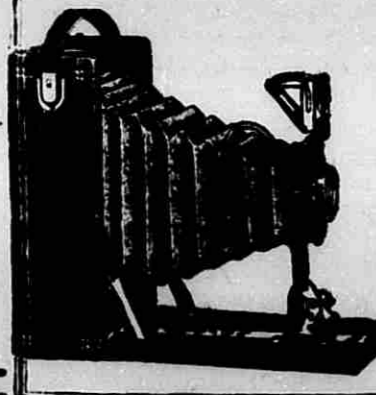
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Winegar's Drug Store

HEARD ABOUT TOWN

Newsy Notes About People You Know

New silks and dress goods at Weekes'.

Miss Erma Howard is quite ill with pneumonia.

Ora McCall of Grand Rapids was in town Thursday.

Dr. W. B. Huntley was in Grand Rapids Wednesday.

L. D. Johnson of Almont is a guest of his brother, Frank M.

Big line raincoats from \$5.00 to \$12.00 at Lally & Shuter's.

Mrs. R. VandDyke entertained the Sunshine club this afternoon.

Tenapoons \$1.50 value while they last for 89c. R. D. Stocking.

Mrs. D. C. Hunter got the \$40 White at Stocking's Dutch auction.

A. V. Andrews of Frankfort is visiting Charles Cook for a few days.

Mrs. Loren Barber of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with Mrs. Hoag.

John Lasby is working for the Wilson Auto body company in Detroit.

Miss Jennie Joseph has been confined at home the past week by illness.

Miss Ruby Willette of Alto spent Sunday at the home of Sherman Avery.

Miss Marie Perry and John Roth spent Sunday at her home in Grand Rapids.

Misses Alice Crawford, Edith Charles and Mary Davarn were in Saranac Thursday.

Albert Howard of Sault Ste Marie is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Charles entertained the 500 club at their home Monday evening.

Don Parker, Will Smith and Verne Chubb attended the dance at Saranac Friday evening.

Miss Marjorie Davarn spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives and friends in Lewamo.

Mrs. Fred Hine of Kingsley, Kansas, was guest at the home of Dr. I. B. Malcolm Tuesday.

Miss Freda Kront resumed her duties at the telephone office Sunday after several days' illness.

Art McMahon is clerking for J. O. Clark and Verne Chubb is rustling entables at the DeNise stand.

Medames W. J. Gonderman and W. B. Huntley and Miss Edith Charles were in Grand Rapids Friday.

Mrs. W. L. Merriman was taken violently ill Monday with acute indigestion but is now much improved.

Mrs. Walter Hathway of Grand Rapids came Monday to care for her mother, Mrs. Batey, who is very ill.

Mrs. Henry Jurris of Grand Rapids was a guest of her sister, Mrs. P. S. Krum, Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. F. C. Alger entertained the Sunshine club at the home of her aunt, Mrs. G. W. Parker, Friday afternoon.

Harvey Godfrey of McBride spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Morrison Brighton, and other friends.

You are cordially invited to attend my millinery opening Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 24, 25 and 26.

Mrs. R. D. Stocking.

The American Boy magazine is the right kind of reading for the boys and young men. Lally & Shuter are giving a 6 months subscription on purchases of \$5.00 in their boys' and children's department.

Chicken ordinance to be enforced. See official notice. Citizens are also petitioning for abatement of the dog nuisance. What's that about "Sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander?"

The Pere Marquette R. R. received at Lowell during the first fifteen days of March forty-seven carloads of various commodities, including merchandise, coal, lumber, corn, hay, fertilizer, lime, spraying mixtures and grain, and during the same period they shipped out forty-five carloads of sprayers, grain, household goods and scrap iron.

Is there any money in cowardice? Watch the careers of the faint-hearts you know; then look at the sturdy fellows who have stood like Stonewall for principle. There are men who feared for the sale of a paper of pins who have lost everything and swindled their creditors. No, Young-Man-Afraid-of-His-Shadow is worthless except for chinking.

Look-Paterson Drug Co.

D. G. Look and Harry Paterson have bought the Rexall store at Alma and Mr. Paterson has gone there as manager. They have a building 27x120 feet; and practically the same lines will be handled there as in Lowell. Purchases will be made together for both stores, giving a purchase power equal to stores in the larger cities.

The senior partner has been in business at Lowell for twenty-eight years and Mr. Paterson has been with him during the past four years. Their many Lowell patrons and friends can assure the people of Alma of an efficient and progressive service by the new firm.

LOWELL SCHOOLS

News and Notes of Interest by Student Reporter.

Hazel Stocking is pinnist this week.

A mock trial will be given by the Civics class Friday.

Last week an inventory of the chemicals in the laboratory was taken. A great effort is being made by the students to keep the laboratory in order.

Miss Carroll spent Friday visiting the English department of various schools in Grand Rapids.

Lally & Shuter have presented the boys' basket ball team with handsome sweater coats. The boys as a result are boosting the firm.

The basket ball boys will play Eaton Rapids a return game Wednesday evening.

The seventh grade pupils gave a Saint Patrick's program Wednesday morning. Many interesting stories were told and several selections on the Victrola given.

The sale of the Annual is progressing rapidly. Only two hundred are to be published, and of these one hundred and sixty-four have been sold. Better hurry, get in your order.

A very interesting program was given Thursday morning under the direction of Mable Watts.

The program consisted of a piano solo by Maud Velzy, essay, Wilma Acheson; recitation, Edna Heabe; followed by an impromptu "Why this annual is going to be better than the previous Annuals," Arthur Carson.

The Lowell basket ball team won an easy victory over the Belding five at Belding Friday night by a score of 32 to 9. The Lowell boys out-classed and out-played the Belding team from the start of the contest. The game was played under a great disadvantage owing to the small size of the floor, but for all this the Lowell boys showed good form.

Carl and Theo Bank came out with several long field goals to their credit. The main feature of the game was the extreme good nature of Capt. Cudihy, which probably prevented a clash between the opposing players.

This adds another to Lowell's long string of victories.

The Belding girls defeated the Lowell second team with a score of 58 to 14. Pauline Behler and Ora Yelder did very good work guarding the Belding stars.

Freda Raimor as forward made fourteen points for Lowell. Belding made many points in the first half but during the second half the Lowell girls held them steady and made a few scores.

The Lowell girls first team was defeated by Holland's fast team by a score of 23 to 7.

Clover Leaf Club

The regular meeting of the Clover Leaf club was held at the home of Mrs. P. C. Peckham Tuesday, January 9. After an interesting business session, and the correct pronunciation of a list of words by the critic, Mrs. S. S. Lee, the following program in charge of Mrs. M. B. McPherson was carried out:

Solo, Mrs. L. W. Rutherford, "God Remembers when the World Forgets."

A paper, "Minerals of South America," prepared by Mrs. Edwin Fallas and read by Mrs. R. VanDyke.

A paper, "The Montessori Educational System," written by Mrs. M. B. McPherson.

Solo, "Since You Went Away," Mrs. R. T. Ford.

A spelling match conducted by Mrs. E. O. Coons.

Club adjourned to meet with Mrs. John Lally March 23. Mrs. H. L. Weekes will be chairman of the program "Richard Wagner Day."

Press Rep.

Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Lash attended the Lansing Association of Congregational churches at Saranac Monday.

BOARD OF TRADE

Plans Public Meeting and Prizes for Floral Display.

The Board of Trade will not lease Recreation park this year. It cannot permit the use of the grounds for Sunday base ball without alienating much of its membership, which can not conscientiously endorse Sunday sport. It is expected the park can be rented by the day for such occasions as are desired.

The directors are trying to arrange for a public meeting sometime in April. Speakers will be secured on topics of general interest and everybody will be invited.

The Board expects to furnish flower seeds at cost to be used principally through the school children. The prizes, \$5, \$3 and \$2, respectively, will be offered, awards to be based on variety, arrangement and appearance.

VILLAGE COMMITTEES

New President Divides Work For Ensuing Year

At the Council meeting Monday evening the following committee appointments made by President Anderson were duly confirmed.

Finance—Trustees Mangle, Winegar, Henry.

Light & Power—Trustees Winegar, Arehart, Weekes.

Fire—Trustees Weekes, Lee, Winegar.

Sewer—Trustees Lee, Mangle, Henry.

Street—Trustees Henry, Weekes, Arehart.

Public buildings and parks—Trustees Arehart, Lee, Mangle.

Notice!

Those desiring to bid on the sprinkling job please leave sealed bids with the village clerk before the next regular meeting April 5, 1915.

H. J. Taylor, Clerk.

CONGREGATIONAL

Morning service at 10:30, subject, "The World's Need of a Saviour."

Sunday school at 11:45.

Junior Endeavor, at 4 p. m. Intermediate, 5 p. m. Senior, 6 p. m.

Prayer meeting and Bible study Thursday evening at 7:30.

Preaching service at 7, subject, "Andrew's Brother."

At South Boston, Sunday school at 2 p. m., preaching at 3 p. m.

Missionary meeting with Mrs. Frank Marsh Thursday afternoon.

Band No. 2 will meet with Mrs. S. S. Lee Friday afternoon.

The Congregational church and society have decided to build a modern, two-story parsonage on the lot recently purchased of Mrs. G. W. Parker on Hudson street.

Messrs. L. J. Post, Geo. M. Winegar and Win. H. Huntley comprise the building committee.

Pastor Lash was appointed solicitor and collector of pledges. Building contracts will soon be let and work begin soon.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Morning service 10:30, theme, "Gospel Urgency."

Evening service 7, "Man Intended for Lofly Living."

Bible school at 11:45. We were glad to see quite a marked increase in attendance last Sunday.

B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m. We certainly have a splendid young peoples society and the young people who are not affiliated with any other society would do well to come and unite with us and help the good work along.

Prayer and social meeting Thursday evening at 7:30.

If you come to our services we will do our best to do you good, and we are sure you will do us good.

L. A. Townsend, pastor.

Subscribe for THE LEDGER.

C. L. PARSONS DEAD

Old Resident Rests in South Boston Cemetery.

C. L. Parsons died March 14, aged 88 years, 7 months and 19 days. Funeral services were held at the South Boston Methodist church Tuesday afternoon. By request of deceased his former pastor Rev. J. I. Towner of Grand Lodge officiated and used the text selected by Mr. Parsons, Eph. 2:8, 9. Interment in South Boston cemetery near the old home.

Mr. Parsons was born in Cairo, New York, July 23, 1826. At the age of 17 he gave his heart to God and joined the First Baptist church of Saugerties, New York. At 26 he moved to Rochester, that state, where he married Laura A. Landon, a member of the first Presbyterian church and they remained faithful followers of Christ to the end.

They afterward moved to Springfield, Ohio, and forty-three years ago they moved to South Boston where they lived until eleven years ago when they moved to Hastings and lived near their daughter.

Four children were born to them of whom two survive him, Hattie E. Rogers of Hastings and Truman H. Parsons of Grand Rapids. Six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren also survive. Mrs. Parsons passed away eleven years ago and Mr. Parsons was the last survivor of eleven children.

METHODIST CHURCH

Morning class at 10, D. O. Shear, leader.

Morning service at 10:30, subject, "Religion and Civilization."

Sunday school at 12, Clarence Collar, sup.

Junior League at 3.

Senior League at 6, Miss Taylor, leader.

Evening service at 7 p. m., subject, "The Safe Shelter."

Sunday school at Vergennes at 2. Preaching at 3.

OLD RESIDENT GONE

Death of Joseph Richmond, Well Known Lowell Citizen.

Joseph Richmond was born Sept. 11, 1851, in Sandusky county, Ohio, and died at his home in Lowell, March 14, 1915. He spent his boyhood in Ohio, coming to Michigan in 1876.

In 1878 he was united in marriage with Miss Ella I. Church who with an adopted daughter mourns the passing of a kind and loving husband and father.

There were present at the funeral from out of town, a brother and sister from Ohio, a brother from Grand Rapids, also a sister of Mrs. Richmond from Grand Rapids.

Funeral at 2 o'clock March 16, at Alton church, conducted by Rev. Ira T. Weldon, burial at Alton.

Mrs. A. J. Nash returned from Prairieville Monday leaving her father, J. J. McNaughton, somewhat improved.

WALL PAPER TIME

Our complete line of 1915 Wall paper is about all in, and our racks are filled with paper to suit every individual need and everyone's pocket book. All we want is a chance to show you and we can convince you that we can save you money.

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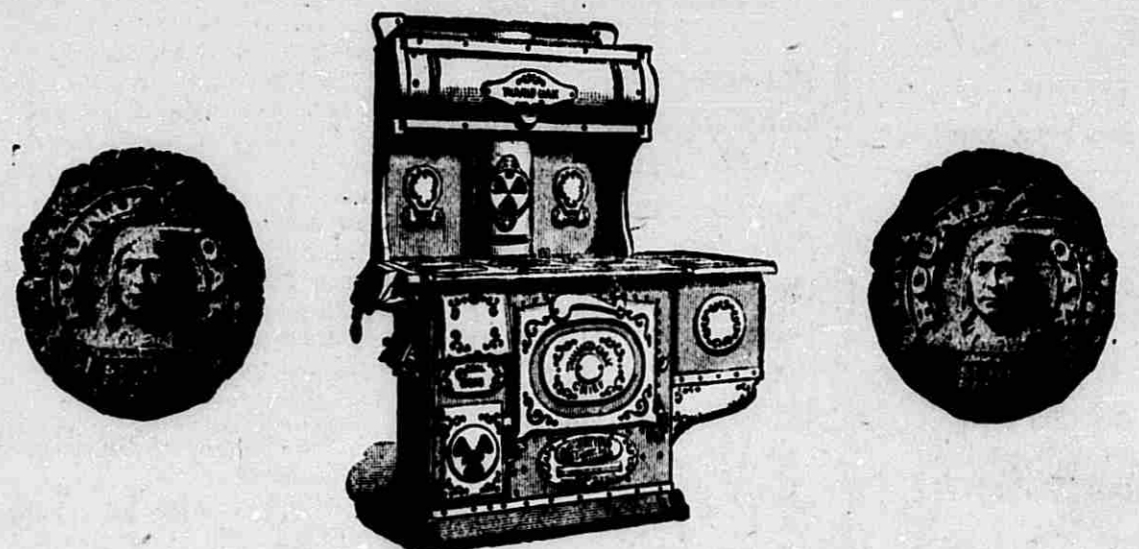
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| Mail Address..... | | \$1.75 | \$2.00 | \$2.50 | \$2.75 | \$3.00 | \$3.00 |
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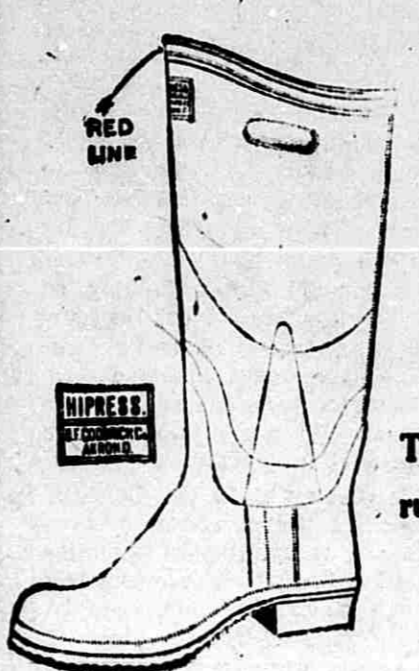
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White Sewing Machine Co. CLEVELAND, O.

LANSING NOTES

Lansing—Wayne again joined with the upstate counties in the house Wednesday afternoon over the Newell Smith automobile horsepower tax bill and saw a reduction of 25 per cent in the size of the grab at city tax rolls by securing an amendment to split the tax revenue on a 25-75 per cent basis.

The measure traversed a hotly-contested route to passage, but before it reached its goal Representative Noble Ashley, of Detroit, had affixed to it an amendment providing that 75 per cent of the taxes collected should go to the state highway department and that the remaining 25 per cent be returned to the counties whence it had come, to be used for the improvement of highways within such counties.

Evidently the author of the bill had experienced a change of heart during the night. Tuesday he fought every attempt to send any of the money anywhere except to the state highway department.

When the Ashley amendment was read today Mr. Smith arose and said: "I do not care to oppose this amendment very strenuously. I myself had prepared an amendment to this section, to make an apportionment on a basis of 80 and 20 per cent, but I am satisfied to let it go at 75 and 25 per cent."

Ninety votes were cast in favor of the amendment, one representative, Andrew P. Anderson, of Omena, voting against it. The vote on the passage of the bill itself stood 58 to 34.

Representative Ashley, after the vote was taken, sent to the speaker a written protest against the bill, which he asked to have spread on the journal. It is estimated that under this bill the average tax imposed on machines will be \$12. On the premise that Detroit has approximately 30,000 machines, the Ashley amendment will require for Wayne county each year taxes estimated at approximately \$30,000.

Representative Koehler, of Detroit, sought to have the bill passed with a referendum attached and offered such a motion. The measure's author fought the motion on the floor and the amendment was defeated. The exemption clause, affecting traction engines, again was the target for the sarcasm and condemnation of Representative Charles Culver, and he offered an amendment that this exemption be stricken out. He also protested against any man being permitted to vote on the amendment who was selling, using or was in any way interested in traction engines, but everyone voted and the amendment was lost.

A long and bitter protest against the bill was read by Representative Charles W. Clark, of Ingham, and several other opponents of the bill spoke. A series of amendments seeking further exemptions in the bill were voted down as fast as they appeared.

A bill was introduced by Senator Fitzgibbon authorizing the state board of health to appoint a dental surgeon at a salary of \$2500 per year whose duties will consist of distributing pamphlets and delivering lectures in the public schools on dental hygiene.

An amendment to the insurance laws has been proposed by Senator Walter who would prohibit insurance companies from using any of their funds to secure signatures to initiative petitions for new laws or constitutional amendments.

Something of a "blam." Mandy—"What foh yo' been goin' to do post office so regular? Are you corresponding wit some other female?" Rastus—"Nope, but since Ah been readin' in de papers 'bout dese 'conscience funds,' Ah kind of thought Ah might possibly git a lettah from dat ministah what married us.—Topska Journal.

Camps New and Old. At an auction sale in New York city recently an oriental rug sold for \$2,700; it was bought for a "private camp." Shades of Kit Carson, Davy Crockett and other pioneers in camp life will please take notice and reflect on the change in standards since "roughing it" first became popular.

Yeggmen at Imlay City. Imlay City—Yeggmen broken into the postoffice Friday night and blew off the outer door of the safe, but evidently were frightened away before they got into the inner compartment. They got a few cents in cash and a small supply of stamps, but left a portion of their tools.

Though several persons heard the explosion, including the man who lived above the office, no one investigated until the office was opened at the usual hour Saturday morning.

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State and General News Section of Ledger

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DRASTIC MEASURE IS REPORTED OUT

CONTAINS FEATURES OF ALL BILLS ON WORKING MEN'S COMPENSATION.

BITTER FIGHT IS EXPECTED

Payment for Death From Occupational Diseases and Raising of Maximum Compensation Are Provided For.

Lansing—As a substitute for all the bills introduced in the house making changes in the working men's compensation law, the house committee on labor interests has reported out a message known as the Oakley-Averill-Ashley bill, and it is certain that the new bill, which is now on the general order, will precipitate a hot fight when it is considered in committee of the whole.

The substitute measure contains all the drastic provisions incorporated in the various bills introduced on the subject of working men's compensation this session. If the new bill is passed in its present form, payment must be made for death from occupational diseases, and the maximum rate of compensation is increased from 50 to 66 2/3 per cent. The maximum weekly compensation is raised from \$10 to \$12 and the minimum is placed at \$5 instead of \$4.

The Oakley-Averill-Ashley bill also provides that the attorney general's department must defend the action of the industrial accident board in all litigation arising out of its decisions. Subscribers to the state accident fund are required to furnish medical and hospital attention, and it is also provided that the loss of the use of an arm or foot entitles the workman to total disability compensation, the same as though the member were amputated.

Grand Trunk Loses Third Suit. Corunna—The third damage case growing out of the fire that in the summer of 1915 swept a large portion of the business section of Perry and caused damage amounting to \$200,000 was decided late Saturday, when a circuit court jury returned a verdict of \$45,719.6 for Hiram and James Stoddard in their suit against the Grand Trunk Western Railway company.

Both cases previously tried resulted in verdict for the plaintiffs, who allege that sparks from a Grand Trunk locomotive started the fire. Stoddard brothers lost a store and a stock of general merchandise.

Hospital Fire at Traverse City. Traverse City—The Grand Traverse hospital was destroyed by fire Saturday afternoon. The origin of the flames is unknown.

There were but four patients in the institution when the fire was discovered, one being prepared for operation with the doctor beginning to give the anesthetic. Although the hospital is outside the city and in Leelanau county, the engines were rushed to the city limits and 2,500 feet of hose laid.

The patients, who were all safely removed, were taken to the Bay Bank hospital, three miles away.

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MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFS

Dr. W. O. Thompson, president of the Ohio State university, has been secured as commencement day orator at the University of Michigan.

Harlow Gray, of Ann Arbor, has been designated for a cadetship at West Point following a competitive examination. Arthur H. Niles, also of Ann Arbor, was chosen alternate.

On request of a number of citizens, of Port Huron, a department of labor representative is investigating the establishment of a ferry line between North Port Huron and Point Edward.

The Ishpeming Advancement association, which includes practically all the business and professional men and the largest employers of labor, has gone on record as favoring the more daylight plan.

Governor Ferris Saturday sent to the senate the appointment of Dr. J. Walter Vaughan to be a member of the Detroit board of health, to succeed Dr. Charles H. Oakman, for the term ending February 28, 1919.

A few months ago six-year-old Dorothy Allen, of Kalamazoo, ran in front of a street car, and her right leg was severed. The Michigan United Traction Co. has paid her \$4,000, which will be used for her education.

Governor Ferris Saturday announced the appointment of George J. Eisenmann, of Temperance, as county agent of Monroe county and Rev. Thomas E. Swan, of Saginaw, as county agent of Saginaw county.

The state board of pardons made a new record at Jackson Thursday when it closed its regular March meeting after having granted 32 of the 53 requests for paroles. A large number of the "lucky" prisoners were from Detroit and will return to that city.

One of the young twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hunt perished in a fire that consumed the home in Butman, west of Standish. Mrs. Hunt and her twin sons were awakened by the flames and the mother was able to rescue but one of the children. Mr. Hunt was away at the time.

That the death of two cows belonging to A. D. Kinney, of Mesick, and the illness of a large number of cattle in that vicinity are not caused by the hoof and mouth disease, but rather by an intestinal trouble, was the information given by Dr. E. T. Tallman, veterinarian, of Lansing.

Michigan postmasters appointed: Bark River, Delta county, Joseph H. Boyle; Berland, Ontonagon county, Joseph Brophy; Fair Haven, St. Clair county, Alfred J. Hamlin; Tyro, Sanilac county, Samuel W. Soule; Warren, Macomb county, Lloyd F. Reddick; Shelbyville, Daniel D. Harris.

Senator Foster has introduced a concurrent resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution allowing women to vote on all matters pertaining to education. It would give them the right to vote on regents of the university and state superintendent of public instruction among other things.

The house Friday morning passed the senate bill to appropriate the funds needed to reimburse the general fund for money expended on the state insane asylums, Michigan Home and Training school and Eloise hospital. The tax provided to meet these disbursements totals \$1,215,979.77 for 1915 and \$1,301,724.01 for 1916.

An executive meeting of the Summer Resort Association of Michigan was held Saturday in the association of commerce building to protect against heavy state taxation. The association wants a law enacted providing that 50 per cent of the taxes levied on resort associations be returned to be spent on improvements at the resorts.

The pupils of the Blumfield school, in Saginaw county, who are sons and daughters of farmers, are going to aid their education this year by caring for an old orchard. The trees are not trimmed or pruned and need spraying. The orchard has been turned over to the class, and all of the profits from the sale of fruit will be given to the school.

The state live stock sanitary commission announced officially Tuesday night that the state was free from foot and mouth disease. Chairman Halladay, of the commission, made the announcement after hearing from investigators sent to Osego county to the effect that the suspected cases near Gaylord were not foot and mouth disease.

John Dubril was convicted at Standish of killing Pat O'Leary, near Au Gres, last August, and sentenced to five to fifteen years at Jackson. Victor Urbanski, convicted of breaking into the Cole & Grynore store at Au Gres, in December last, was given four years at Jackson. Urbanski was on parole from Detroit house of correction.

James P. Walsh, chief of the fire department of Saginaw, dropped dead as he was about to leave his home for his office Thursday morning. Heart disease was the cause of death. He had apparently been in the best of health recently.

The fiftieth meeting of the Michigan Schoolmasters' club will be held at Ann Arbor March 31 to April 2, inclusive. At the same time the Michigan Academy of Science will meet, and the first "U. of M. Teachers' Institute" will hold four days' sessions.

About 350 attended the ninth annual convention of the Michigan Threshermen's association. Reports by the committee urged opposition to the proposed roads laws pending before the legislature. Threshermen were urged to increase their prices.

The machine shops, cider mill and crate factory owned by William Tink, near Saginaw, Fred L. Sammer jumped and was instantly killed. Fred Carle, who was driving the machine, stuck to his seat and escaped unharmed, except for a few bruises. The auto was but slightly damaged.

PUBLISHERS AND PRINTERS MEET

STATE FEDERATION AT GRAND RAPIDS ATTRACTS GREAT CROWD.

GAGE IS ELECTED PRESIDENT

Delegates Hear Prominent Newspaper Men and Are Entertained at Big Banquet in Press Hall.

Grand Rapids—Newspapermen from all over Michigan swamped Grand Rapids hotels Thursday and Friday for the annual state convention of the Michigan Press and Printers' federation.

A daily paper, The Pl Line, devoted to federation news and published by Grand Rapids newspapers, greeted the delegates on their arrival here.

The big features of the opening day program were addresses by A. E. MacKinnon, circulation manager of the New York World, on "Benefits of Organization and Co-Operation," and by Charles S. Brown, of Hastings, on "The Value of an Inventory."

President A. D. Gallery, of the federation; Milo W. Whitaker, of the Jackson Patriot; W. H. Berkeley, of the Cassopolis Vigilant, and Mrs. Irene Pomeroy Michels responded to the mayor's address of welcome for the various affiliated organizations.

Fred W. Gage of Battle Creek has been elected president for the coming year. Other officers chosen are: First vice president, J. B. Haskins, Howard City; second vice president, Miss Florence Brooks, Jackson; third vice president, C. E. Churchill, Petoskey; secretary, Edwin C. Peters, Saginaw; treasurer, E. J. McCall, Mount Pleasant.

The banquet Friday night in Press Hall was attended by more than 500 persons. A burlesque of a country print shop was one of its features. Roy K. Moulton acted as toastmaster.

Former District Attorney Fred C. Wetmore of Cadillac spoke on the subject of "What the Lawyer Thinks of the Newspaper."

"What the newspapers can do for the great problems of these days," was the toast of Mrs. W. F. McKnight of Grand Rapids, the only woman on the program.

James Keeley, editor of the Chicago Herald, former publisher of the Chicago Tribune, gave a talk that was appreciated to the limit by every editor.

"The thorn that hurts most of all," said Mr. Keeley, "was the unkind criticism that came in connection with the campaign 17 years ago, which has resulted only in good and the saving of at least 4,000 lives."

HIGHER RATES ARE HELD UP New Freight Schedule On Live Stock Is Objected To.

Lansing—On the petition of the Michigan Livestock Dealers' association and several individual shippers of stock, the state railroad commission Friday suspended completely a new schedule of rates for livestock which the railroads had planned to put into effect next Monday.

The complainants aver that the new rates would be so high as to be almost confiscatory. Tariffs have been filed with the commission for some time, but the petitions against them filed Friday constitute the first objection on record.

The proposed rates show an average increase on livestock freight of about 20 per cent to Detroit and Bay City, the only two cities inside the state that have cattle markets, but the increase is also shown to points outside the state.

The railroads opposed by the dealers' association are the New York Central (including the Lake Shore), Grand Trunk, the Pere Marquette, Michigan Central and Ann Arbor, while individual parties file petitions against the Detroit & Mackinaw and the Pontiac, Oxford & Northern.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF. Governor Ferris has appointed Alphon H. Lyman, of Manistee, as circuit court commissioner for Manistee county to fill vacancy.

Captain Ayers, of the Salvation Army, was found guilty in circuit court at Big Rapids, Tuesday, of criminal assault on 18-year-old Miss Hazel B. Martin, of Lansing. The jury was out two and one-half hours.

The Jackson Trades Council has appointed a committee to confer with the city commission in an effort to induce the commission to grant saloon licenses only to those men who patronize home breweries and cigar shops.

Rev. C. F. Heilmeyer, for over 50 years a German Methodist clergyman and well known throughout the state, died at Lansing Wednesday, at the age of 92 years. On account of declining health he had retired from active work in the ministry about five years ago.

When the old Shrick building, on South Hamilton street, on the west side at Saginaw, which is 52 years old, was being razed to make room for a new structure, one of the workmen found \$750 in bills wrapped in a cloth in one of the walls.

Battle Creek will be the divisional point for fast electric service between Detroit and Grand Rapids when the Michigan railroad begins operations on its new line to the Furniture City, beginning April 1. The company will connect there with the M. U. T. line to Detroit.

WIFE OF WORLD'S RICHEST MAN DIES IN NEW YORK

MRS. JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER.

New York—Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, wife of the richest man in the world, is dead. She passed away Friday at the Rockefeller home at Pocantico Hills after an illness of several months. Mrs. Rockefeller had been in poor health for many years. She was 75 years old last September.

Her maiden name was Laura Celestia Spelman and she was born September 1, 1839. Her father was Henry Budd Spelman, who emigrated from Massachusetts to Akron, O., where he became a successful fur goods merchant. He was a member of the Ohio legislature and removed to Cleveland when Laura was a child. She became a school teacher after completing her education. She married Mr. Rockefeller September 8, 1864. He was then without wealth. She was his first and only sweetheart.

MONEY TO FIGHT PLAGUE

House Committee Agrees to Allow Extra \$10,000 to Board of Health for Campaign Against Tuberculosis.

Lansing—The state board of health is to have \$10,000 additional added to its regular appropriation this session, which Secretary Burkart says will be used to fight tuberculosis for the state board of health is \$15,000. The house committee has reported out favorably a bill carrying a \$25,000 appropriation, and this additional amount will be expended in a fight against the white plague.

"I wish the amount could have been larger, so that we could have proven to the people that the money would be well expended," said Dr. Burkart. "However, I think that by careful fighting we can show \$50,000 results with the \$10,000 we will devote to fighting the disease."

This amount that will be expended fighting tuberculosis and the appropriations given the two sanatoriums will assist materially in lending state aid to what private individuals will do during the next two years.

The house committee on public health has favorably reported the state board of health's bill providing that, while power shall remain with the governor to appoint the secretary of the board, who shall also be the administrative officer of the department, the board shall designate who shall be appointed. The bill has already passed the senate. The board, asked the present secretary, Dr. Burkart, if this arrangement would be agreeable to him. The doctor assured them that it would be. The understanding is that the board, as soon as the bill becomes a law, will designate Dr. Burkart for secretary for a full term of six years, and that Gov. Ferris will appoint him.

ITEMS OF STATE INTEREST

While trying to drive across the Grand Trunk tracks ahead of a fast passenger train near Ottoburn Saturday night, Percy Curtis was struck and thrown 200 feet. He was picked up and taken to Durand, but died shortly after his arrival there.

The governor has appointed the following delegates to represent Michigan at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, at Philadelphia, April 30; G. S. Dunford, East Lansing; G. W. Lowrie, Ann Arbor; Russell Weislan, of Kalamazoo; Frank T. Carlton, Albion; G. S. Dow, K. S. Chadsey, Detroit; W. A. Greeson, Grand Rapids, and E. C. Warriner, Saginaw.

Mt. Clemens' primary election Wednesday cost \$1 a vote. Only 200 persons expressed a preference at the polls.

If Senator Morford's bill, introduced today, becomes a law, ducks will be put in the same class as deer, insofar as hunting is concerned. The bill would create tags for ducks just as are now issued for deer. The bill drawn by the Michigan Sportsman's association putting the game warden's department under an independent commission, was introduced Wednesday by Senator Wood.

Ben Stillwell, employed as a woodsman at the Leduc camp near Eckerman, was instantly killed by a falling tree Wednesday.

Forty farmers of Calhoun county met in Marshall Monday and formed the Farmers' Co-operative Buying and Selling association. It is proposed to build an elevator in Marshall, at which all farmers in this vicinity shall market their own grain, thus doing away with the middleman. The stock of the company is \$50,000, all of which will be placed with the farmers themselves.

Lincoln Beachey DROWNED IN BAY

AMERICA'S GREATEST AIRMAN ENDS CAREER IN SAN FRANCISCO.

MONOPLANE IS TOO FRAIL

Daring Aviator Attempts Perpendicular Drop to Thrill Exposition Crowd and Machine Falls Him.

San Francisco—Lincoln Beachey, the aviator, was killed late Sunday when his aeroplane collapsed and plunged into San Francisco bay from a height of 3,700 feet, while he was making an exhibition flight at the Panama-Pacific exposition.

The body was recovered shortly after 5 o'clock.

Beachey was completing his second flight of the day when the accident occurred in full view of thousands of spectators. Having previously effected a series of aerial somersaults, the aviator sought to add an additional thrill by making one of the sensational perpendicular drops which usually featured his flights.

The fatal fall was attributed to the fact that Beachey entrusted his life, for the first time in several years, to a monoplane. An exceptionally large crowd had been attracted to the fair grounds to see whether he would attempt the same breath-taking stunts in the new machine that he had performed in his biplane.

On the first flight, all went well, and all the aviator's familiar tricks were indulged in with the exception of the perpendicular drop. This Beachey had saved for the climax. It proved too much of a strain for the frame of the monoplane.

The machine was at an altitude of about 3,000 feet when Beachey struck off his power. For several thousand feet, it dropped head-on for the earth, and then the aviator grasped his control levers to adjust the planes for the graceful descent which had characterized his previous flights.

At that point, the wings crumbled and the aeroplane, turning over and over in its fall, plunged into San Francisco bay, narrowly missing a vessel lying at the government transport docks.

DAYTON REGISTER MEN WIN

Patterson and Twenty-Six Others Are Given New Trial.

Cincinnati—Holding that the evidence on one count was insufficient and that neither of the other two counts should have been considered by the district court which tried the case, the United States court of appeals for the sixth circuit Saturday overruled the decision of the lower court which convicted John H. Patterson and 26 other officials or former officials of the National Cash Register company of Dayton, Ohio, of being guilty of violating the criminal section of the Sherman anti-trust act, and remanded the case back to the lower court for a new trial.

Best Possible. The Bachelor—I wonder why poets frequently refer to woman as a dream? The Benedicet—Probably because she is so blamed contrary.

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 J. C. F. Fletcher. In Use For Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria.

Best Kind. "I have a setter that's of the Gordon breed." "Mine's a Plymouth Rock."

It's a strong friendship that can stand a loan.

Count Witte is Dead. London—Count Sergius Julevich Witte, Russia's first prime minister, died Friday night, says a Petrograd dispatch to Reuters' Telegram company. Death was due to influenza, after sickness of a week.

Count Witte, who was born June 29, 1849, at Tiflis, was one of the Russian plenipotentiaries at Portsmouth, N. H., in the negotiations for peace with Japan in 1905. He afterward was made a count and appointed president of the new ministry, but retired in 1906 and held no important post after that time.

Seven Ships Are Struck. London—The admiralty Saturday night announced that seven British merchant vessels had been attacked by enemy submarines since March 10. Of these two are reported officially to have been sunk; two were reported to be in a sinking condition after being attacked, but their loss was not confirmed, and three were attacked but not sunk. On the seven ships two lives have been lost in all and one person is missing.

Thaw Wins Important Victory. New York—Harry K. Thaw and his four alleged conspirators in his escape from Matteawan asylum were found not guilty Saturday.

The jury was out 18 hours and 47 minutes, which was spent in debating whether Thaw intended to commit a criminal act when he fled Matteawan on August 17, 1913.

TELEGRAPHIC FLASHES

New York—Formal announcement was made Friday of the termination of the \$100,000,000 gold pool organized in the early weeks of the European war by New York banks and trust companies to stabilize foreign exchange between New York and London. All subscribers to the pool have been repaid the amount of their contributions.

Trenton, N. J.—The New Jersey board of public utility commissioners Friday announced that it would deny the application of the railroads for an increase in passenger rates for intrastate traffic.

Washington—The new coast guard cutter Osage, for use in Maine waters and Tallapoosa, for the Gulf of Mexico, will be launched at Newport News, Va., April 20. Secretary McAdoo's daughter, Sallie, will christen the Osagee and Miss Mabel Hartwell, of Mobile, will name the Tallapoosa, which will be an oil burner.

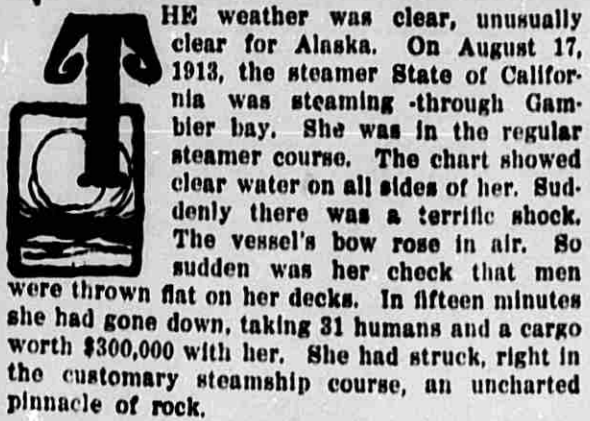
WIFE OF WORLD'S RICHEST MAN DIES IN NEW YORK

MRS. JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER.

New York—Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, wife of the richest man in the world,

ALASKAN COAST

The GRAVEYARD of the PACIFIC



HE weather was clear, unusually clear for Alaska. On August 17, 1913, the steamship Cottage City was steaming through Gambier bay. She was in the regular steamer course. The chart showed clear water on all sides of her. Suddenly the bow rose in air. So sudden was her check that men were thrown flat on her decks. In fifteen minutes she had gone down, taking 31 humans and a cargo worth \$300,000 with her. She had struck, right in the customary steamer course, an uncharted pinnacle of rock.

When word of the fate of the State of California reached Washington it added energy to a movement which Secretary Redfield of the department of commerce and labor had been agitating for some time. This movement was to prevail upon congress to increase the appropriation for the work of the department of geodetic and coast survey, the department that has charge of blazing the ocean trails.

At the present time there are three vessels employed in coast survey work in Alaska. One was a Confederate gunboat during the war. She had a one-cylinder engine. She is capable of eight knots in still weather, six knots against a breeze, and nothing at all in a blow.

The other two were not Confederate gunboats, but in other respects they are fully as antiquated as the first. Secretary Redfield has termed them unseaworthy, dangerous, inefficient old tubs. And to these craft alone is allotted the job of guarding the safety of 43,339 passengers who traveled Alaskan waters last year, in addition to \$30,000,000 worth of cargo and ships.

And the government records show that the State of California is but one of many wrecks that occur on uncharted rocks along the Alaskan coast yearly. The peculiar formation of the region is responsible for narrow spines of rock that rise out of the sea floor to within a few feet of the surface in localities where all around them the water is navigable. Soundings of the ordinary sort seldom reveal these instruments of death in the way of ships. To locate them properly the coast survey has designed an apparatus known as a "wire drag."

This is a wire sunk below the surface save at both ends, where it is buoyed with floats. The coast survey ships drag this device along, and cover great sweeps of sea at a time, the rock being detected when the wire catches on them. They are then either buoyed or destroyed by dynamite.

"Alaska," the man in the East is apt to say, "why, who ever goes up on the Alaska coast except gold hunters and explorers? What's the use of spending money up there?"

There is but one answer to this. The Alaskan coast is equal in extent to the distance between Charleston on the Atlantic coast and San Diego on the Pacific coast. And then, as mentioned before, more than 43,000 persons traversed it in ships last year. Have those 43,000 citizens not a right to protection? asks the hydrographic office.

President Wilson realizes what inefficiency in charting the Alaskan coast means. For on that subject he wrote: "There is another matter of which I must make special mention, if I am to discharge my conscience, lest it should escape your attention. It may seem a very small thing. It affects only a single item of appropriation. But many human lives and many great enterprises hang upon it."

"It is the matter of making adequate provision for the survey and charting of our oceans. It is immediately pressing and exigent in connection with the immense coast line of Alaska, a coast line greater than that of the United States themselves, though it is also very important, indeed, with regard to the older coasts of the continent. We cannot use our great Alaskan domain, ships will not ply thither, if those coasts and their many hidden dangers are not thoroughly surveyed and charted."

States coast and geodetic survey, that I will append.

"If some of the persons who have it in their power to vote funds for this work saw this notice, perhaps I would move them to keep the good work going. Could you bring this to their notice?" R. D. McGillinay, pilot of the steamship City of Seattle, writes:

"I would like to add that I was pilot of the steamship Cottage City when the party of congressmen and their families, headed by Speaker Cannon, made an excursion to Alaska. Fortunately we had a successful trip. Little did they think of the dangerous waters they were traveling. If we had hit one of these pinnacles then they would have looked out a little better for our protection and the ship owners' interests, as well as the lives of the citizens of the country."

"I must say that I have sailed all over the world, and Alaska has the poorest surveyed waters that I have ever navigated."

And now what of the men who have been laboring for years against tremendous odds to do the charting of these coasts with hopeless equipment in Secretary Redfield's "unseaworthy old tubs." To push into those northern seas with their fog and gales for long cruises in stanch vessels would be risky enough; but to go into them in single-cylinder, leaky, antiquated little junk heaps of steamers for a work that is far more perilous than the layman's contest requires real grapple. And it is this sort of grit which stands out prominently in the makeup of the men of the coast survey, who have for so long been grappling with the fog and ice and gales of Alaskan regions.

The endlessness of the coast surveyors' work may be gathered when it is considered that never does a shore line or a channel remain precisely the same. New sand bars are made; old ones obliterated. Volcanic activity casts up new pinnacles of rock under the sea and lowers old ones. Between 1835 and 1908 Rockaway beach grew to the westward at the rate of eight inches a day. In 73 years Coney Island's western end has shoved itself westward fully 1,000 feet.

"It is a risky game," said an officer who had served on one of the three old-fashioned survey ships on the Alaskan coast. "Three times during eight months of service on her we were carried 70 miles out of our course by only moderate gales, and this despite the fact that we did our best with full steam to hold the craft up to the wind. But she wouldn't hold; she was too old. She should have carried 110 pounds of steam, but we could not hold more than 80. The engine was one of the old type single cylinders in use in Civil war times, and in anything more than a full sail breeze our limit of speed to windward was two knots. With favorable winds and no sea we could sometimes churn along seven knots."

"Once we lay to a mile off shore for four days in a gale, expecting every minute to be washed in on a lee shore and ground to pulp, but lacking the power to claw off to clear water."

"Most of the time we had our men at the pumps. For the old time leaked badly, and we were always having to put back to have her calked. In any sea we were all awash, for we had no freeboard, and did have open gangways, and the sea just sliced across us as though we were a sunken log."

"And it was mighty uncomfortable. We had an open wardroom—everyone slept, and ate and lived in a single room, and we had no bathroom on that old ark. So you can imagine that we had a tough time of it on an eight-month cruise. It's just as tough for the fellows that stay—they have the same boat, and the same accommodations aren't any better. But we did the best we could. It was difficult getting correct soundings and first-class work out of a rig such as that, but we did pretty well. When we missed a rock it wasn't our fault. We never knew it, anyway, until some steamer with a few hundred passengers aboard went into it and sank. Then, if we were around, we'd help rescue those in the water, if we could, and the government would put up a light or a buoy on the rock that the sunken ship had located."

"It's just the same up here now. As Secretary Redfield said, rocks were being located regularly by vessels striking them and going down." The work of probing ocean trails is interesting. In ascertaining the depth of the water and locating all the under-water obstructions to navigation, a careful record of the fluctuations of the tide while the soundings are being made must be kept. It would not suffice to measure the depth of the water if its height above mean low sea level were unknown for the moment of measurement. To determine this a registering tide gauge is used—a sort of float attached to a mechanical register which traces the rise and fall of the water on a roll of paper which a clock causes to revolve under the pen.

is headed. At intervals of a minute or more the leadman casts his lead, while every three or four minutes the observers take observations until the end of the course is reached, where a final set of observations locate the end of the line. The boat then runs other lines in the same way until the entire bottom of the surveyed area has been sounded.

The lead-line method of sounding suffices to record the lay of the bottom with sufficient accuracy where there are no extraordinary obstructions; but in regions like the coast of Maine and that of Alaska, where there are many isolated pinnacles of rock and ledges under water, or along shores like those of Florida, Porto Rico and the Philippines, where coral reefs abound and coral heads fringe the coast, special investigations have to be made. The lead line might be cast all around a pinnacle rock—might even strike it a glancing blow—and still fail to discover it.

An instance of this kind occurred in Buzzard's bay, Massachusetts, in 1902. Although more than 91,000 soundings had been made, more than 16,000 angles observed and 1,463 miles of sounding lines run, a rock whose head was 18 feet below the surface was run upon by the cruiser Brooklyn during the naval maneuvers of that year.

In order to discover such obstructions in much frequented waters a new instrument, the wire drag, has been devised. It consists of a long wire, sometimes more than a mile long, weighted down at intervals with sinkers and supported at any desired depth by surface buoys. Power boats are hitched to it, usually one at each end and one in the middle, and with these it is drawn around a harbor much as a farmer drives his binder around his field of standing wheat. If it strikes no obstruction the hydrographers know that the harbor bottom is clear to the depth of the drag.

Another line of information the mariner must have is about the movement of currents, so that his ship may not be carried around by currents whose presence he does not suspect. Information concerning them is gathered by means of current rods, as a rule. A current rod is an instrument made to float vertically beneath the water, with only its tip showing above the surface, so that it is not disturbed by the wind. Its movement is observed, and the observations give definite information concerning the currents.

HIGH COST OF ARMY FEEDING

Comparisons That Illustrate Germany's Bills for Feeding Her Army.

The question of subsistence is a vital one to an army, and many battles have been lost from the failure of food supplies. The commissary department of armies in all civilized countries is in the hands of men who are in reality dietetic specialists on a large scale. The present war is the supreme test for the quartermaster's department.

"Rations," as the daily food supply of the soldiers is known, vary in each country according to racial tastes or climatic conditions. Thus the meat ration of France is quite different from that of Germany. For the purpose of comparison we have taken the daily field ration of the German army, which is as follows: Seven hundred and fifty grams of fresh bread, or 500 grams of biscuit. Three hundred and fifty grams of raw meat (fresh or salted), or 200 grams of smoked beef, pork, mutton, bacon or meat sausage. One hundred and twenty-five grams of rice (groats), or 250 grams of pulse or flour, or 1,500 grams of potatoes. Twenty-five grams of salt. Twenty-five grams of coffee (roasted), or 30 grams of coffee (green), or 3 grams of tea and 17 grams of sugar.

This supply for a week compared with the huge mass of Cologne cathedral shows results very surprising, for we have a loaf of bread weighing 60,130,000 pounds and 383 feet high, which bulks well alongside the lofty edifice. Meat is represented by a side of bacon, but in practice this might be varied by sausage, smoked beef, fresh beef, salt meat, or mutton. The bread is 180 feet long and would weigh 16,030,000 pounds. Potatoes are the heaviest item, weighing 120,330,000 pounds. The bag would weigh two feet less in length, while the sugar bag would measure 38 feet high and would weigh 1,365,000 pounds. Such amounts of food seem almost incredible.—Scientific American.

TEST OF HIS THEORY.

"Wombat used to argue that it cost no more for two to live than one."

"Well!"

"Retribution overtook him all right. The stork brought twins as a starter."

HARD TO SUIT.

"How did you like the comedian's song without a chorus?"

"Why, when I heard it I fancied I would have preferred the chorus without the song."

IN THE SANCTUARY.

Reporter—How much of an obituary do you want about the man with a rubber neck? City Editor—Stretch it to half a column.

err on the side of polite reticence or conventionality. Realism and remorseless truth are the ruling passion. The trouble is that beauty and that fine, chastened, harnessed imagination which discerns and selects beauty are often lacking. Forms can be acquired and learned, but, alas, beauty and imagination are among the things that "come by nature."

Spain is going ahead with public works that will cost several million dollars.

Use Waxed Paper. Waxed paper, such as comes inside cracker boxes, is splendid to line cake pans which are a trifle thin. Cut pieces to fit them four times, pour in the batter, stand the hot pans after baking on a wet cloth for five minutes. The cakes will drop out when inverted.

Ginger Wine. Four pounds loaf sugar, one pound brown sugar, five quarts water; boil 45 minutes, cool and add 25-cent bottle of ginger essence.

MADE FROM ORANGES

PREPARATIONS THAT HAVE MET WITH APPROVAL.

Said is Something That is Generally Appreciated—Desirable Recipe for Orange Cookies—Jelly a Delicious Always High in Favor.

An orange salad is somewhat out of the usual, but may not be generally relished. To prepare it, peel a ripe orange thoroughly, cut it in thin slices, and remove the pips. Sprinkle each slice with salt and pepper, and then add four or five drops each of good salad oil and vinegar on each piece. A little cayenne pepper is an improvement.

Orange Cookies.—Beat to a cream half a cupful of butter, add one cupful granulated sugar, grated rind of one orange, one egg beaten light, a quarter cupful of orange juice, two cupfuls of flour and four level teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Roll into a sheet, cut into shapes, set into a baking pan, dredge with granulated sugar and bake in a moderate oven.

Orange Jelly.—A recipe for orange jelly comes from the domestic science department of the University of California, that land of oranges. It should be of interest to many women. Try it:

1. To one dozen small oranges, take three lemons. If the oranges are sour, no lemon will be necessary. Oranges are not so apt to be bitter after the middle part of the season as those taken at the first part of the season. Slice the oranges and lemons without peeling.
2. Place the sliced fruit in a stew pan and add barely enough water to cover.
3. Bring to boiling and boil very slowly for 40 to 60 minutes.
4. Press the heated juice through a heavy cloth to get rid of most of the particles.
5. Heat the juice to boiling and as soon as it reaches boiling, take it off the fire and let it stand in a quiet place over night.
6. Decant off the clear liquid and filter and strain the sediment left in the vessel through a heavy flannel.
7. Place the filtered liquid and the decanted liquid together and to each pint of liquid add one and one-fourth to one and one-half pints of sugar. Most juice will make a jelly with the smaller amount of sugar, while some requires the higher amount.
8. Heat to boiling. Boil slowly and skim.
9. Pour into glasses.
10. Cover with melted paraffin as in ordinary jelly making.

English Stuffed Peppers. Remove the stems, cut five green peppers in two lengthwise and take out the insides. Put the shell in boiling water, let them cook five minutes, then throw them into cold water. Make a stuffing in the proportion of one cupful of bread crumbs soaked in season with one teaspoonful of onion juice, one-quarter of a spoonful each of fennel and thyme, a half-teaspoonful of salt and dash of pepper. Drain the shells and fill them heaping full with the stuffing. Sprinkle the top with a few crumbs browned in butter and put bits of butter over them. Place the half peppers in a deep earthen dish, pour a half cupful of stock around them and bake in a moderate oven a half hour. Serve the peppers directly from the oven in the same dish in which they are baked.

Colonial Fritters. One cupful of fine bread crumbs, heat a cupful of milk and pour over them, and set aside to cool, then beat smooth and add yolks of two eggs beaten with a tablespoonful of sugar. Sift together one cupful of flour, a little salt, about one-fourth of a teaspoonful of grated nutmeg and cinnamon, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder and add to the mixture. Beat well, then fold in the beaten whites, beaten to a stiff froth. Fry in deep fat, roll in powdered sugar and serve with a sauce. Half a cupful of currant flour and added to the mixture, makes it nicer.

Dried Lima Bean Purée. Let one and a half cupfuls dried lima beans soak over night in cold water. Wash and rinse, cover with boiling water and let simmer until tender and the water is reduced to barely enough to keep the beans from burning. Mash the beans and press them through a sieve. Add one-fourth cupful butter, a teaspoonful or more of salt, a dash of black pepper, and, if needed a little cream. Beat until light and fluffy. Put through pastry bag.

Excellent Nut Bread. Two cupfuls of white flour (sifted), two cupfuls of graham or entire wheat flour (sifted if one chooses), one-half cup of New Orleans molasses, little salt, two cupfuls of milk (or water), one cupful of walnut meats (cut up fine), one teaspoonful of soda dissolved in milk, about two tablespoonfuls melted butter. Let raise 20 minutes. Bake about one hour in moderate oven.

Brown Bread. Two cupfuls cornmeal, one cupful rye flour, two-thirds cupful molasses, salt, two tablespoonfuls soda, one cupful boiling water, two cupfuls sour milk. Mix dry ingredients; add molasses, dissolve soda in boiling water and add to mixture; add milk; stir well and cook at least two hours in well-greased molds in a kettle of boiling water.

Chocolate Caramels. One cupful sweet milk, one cupful of molasses, half cupful of sugar, half cupful of grated chocolate, piece of butter the size of a walnut, stir constantly until it boils until it is thick; then turn it out on buttered plate, and when it begins to stiffen mark it in squares, so that it will break readily when cold. Flavor with vanilla.

Flour-de-Lis. The fleur-de-lis is a heraldic device in armorial bearings of many countries, but is especially associated with the royal house of France. The design is based on the white lily, and shows three flowers joined together, the central one erect, and the other two bending outward. The shields of the kings of France were blue, powdered with golden fleur-de-lis. The standard of France in the days of the empire bore the device, but it has been abandoned since the days of the

HOME BEAUTIFUL

Flowers and Shrubs

Their Care and Cultivation



In an Old-Fashioned Flower Garden Among Sweet-Smelling Plants.

SOME SATISFACTORY BULBS

By JULIE ADAMS POWELL. In planting a perennial flower garden one must spare a corner, or strip of ground, for the hardy bulbs which come up from year to year with very little care, excepting the general care which flower lovers all give to their gardens such as keeping the weeds down, fertilizing the ground in the fall, and loosening the earth in the springtime.

Scilla Siberica is very satisfactory, it being one of the first bright-blue flowers to greet us for it comes in crocus time. Then there is the Scilla Campanulata, or Spanish bluebell. These bulbs, grown in masses with snowdrops, grape and feathered hyacinths, are charming in effect. My crocuses are planted in the lawn

and are done blooming before the mowing machine is run over that part of the grass. I find the Roman hyacinth will increase from year to year if left in the ground. While Roman hyacinths are catalogued as not hardy, I have them here in my garden in southern Connecticut, and their sweet, graceful blossoms greet me in May time, if I give them a very light covering of rough manure late in the fall.

In my hardy bulb border I have some old-fashioned double white tulips, and these with a few of the Cottage Garden tulips of brilliant colorings make a gay showing all through May. They may be left in the ground from year to year and need no winter protection.



Children Working in a School Garden in the Bronx.

The utilizing of vacant property to extend nature study facilities for the school children is becoming more of a fact every day. Teachers and parents alike are realizing the added benefits, both mental and physical, to the child student of nature work in the great out of doors.

The elementary classes in the public schools of New York are allowed 90 minutes a week, divided into two periods of 45 minutes each, for nature study. Vacant lots adjacent to the schools are converted into gardens, where practical instruction is given out of doors. Prizes are offered the children for the best results in the school garden and added interest is given by a reward for a continuation of the good

work in the home garden. By securing the children's aid, permanent improvement in the physical condition of the neighborhood is assured. Deficient, ungraded children have found great delight in the garden and have proved themselves capable of understanding how to plant and care for the crops. To this end, a brighter future has been secured for children, who, by the beneficent healing of the great Mother Nature, have found a little niche they can adequately fill in the scheme of things, and instead of a burden to the community they will become useful members of society. A commercialized farm has been secured, the earnings of which will be apportioned to the young workers as their reward.

THE KITCHEN PORCH

The nicest porch is enclosed with wire screen, thus shutting out flies and mosquitoes. If the kitchen is also a dining room, the wide porch thus enclosed is doubly available, giving a cool place to eat, secure from rain or unpleasant insect visitors. It is still another great improvement over the lawn for eating because more convenient to the kitchen, saving the trouble of going up and down stairs.

A rocking chair and a high stool enable one to work at the table while seated and are essentials to comfort. It is much better to keep the washing in one corner instead of lugging it up and down cellar every wash day. This can be concealed from sight by a cheaply constructed screen. Shade will be needed during a portion of the day. The Virginia creeper, readily obtained of a florist if not a neighbor, is the most rapid grower and most beautiful of our native vines. Morning glory and wild cucumber furnishes a dainty curtain, which must be renewed from year to year, though the latter renews without work on our part through self-sown seed.

Clematis in several varieties, native and exotic are favorites. With vines for shade the housewife may have a most enjoyable spot in which to do the drudgery.

KEEPING UP THE LAWN

Kill weeds on the lawn by either pulling or cutting off the plant below the crown. Don't mow the lawn too closely during the heated term, but do not allow weeds to go to seed.

Deep working, thorough pulverization, effective fertilization and a thorough raking and rolling down to a smooth level are all necessary to a fine, smooth sod. Get your lawn seeds of a reliable

seedman, and ask for the best and freshest. Don't use old seed left over from last year, but insist on having it fresh. Insist on a good mixture.

The best time to seed a new lawn is during the latter part of August or the early September. At that season, the hot is over and showers are almost sure to come, and the young grass will have several months of cool, moist weather in which to grow before winter.

Many fine varieties of fruit, as well as shrubbery, are to be had very cheaply by ordering mail-order plants from a reliable firm or nurseryman. Many of these nurserymen make up a collection, containing some excellent fruits, which they offer at a cost that most of us can reach, and the plants are so well packed that, with ordinary care and a small knowledge of their needs, almost anyone will succeed in growing every one of them. In case of standard fruits, the plants will be a little longer in reaching the bearing period, but it is better than not to have them at all. Look up the catalogues, be sure you deal with a reliable, responsible firm, and try the mail-order plants.

PLANTS OF MAILING SIZE

For 10c in Postage. We gladly mail our Catalog and sample package of Ten Famous Farm Seeds, including: Peas, Beans, Carrots, Cabbage, Lettuce, Spinach, Onions, Turnips, and lots of other delicious vegetables during the early Spring and Summer.

Or send to John A. Salszer, Seed Co., Box 70, La Crosse, Wis. The catalog is free, and we will send you a sample package of Early Cabbage, Carrot, Cucumber, Lettuce, Spinach, Onions, Turnips, and lots of other delicious vegetables during the early Spring and Summer.

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SOME SUMMER FLOWERS

A bed of nasturtiums will supply blossoms until frost comes. In planting mixed seed peas you can tell whether they will be dark or light by the color of the seeds.

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MOTHER! LOOK AT CHILD'S TONGUE

If cross, feverish, constipated, give "California Syrup of Figs"

A laxative today saves a sick child tomorrow. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, which become clogged up with waste, liver gets sluggish; stomach sour.

Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, or your child is listless, cross, feverish, breath bad, restless, doesn't eat heartily, full of cold or has sore throat or any other children's ailment, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," then don't worry, because it is perfectly harmless and in a few hours all this constipation poison, sour bile and fermenting waste will gently move out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. A thorough "inside cleansing" is oftentimes all that is necessary. It should be the first treatment given in any sickness.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Adv.

No Hay.

As is usual on Monday mornings, a stream of offenders against the lesser laws passes in and out of the police court dock. Nothing happened to lighten the doom of the proceedings until a rather battered woman took her place behind the rail.

"Name?" queried an official. "Meddow, sir."

"How do you spell it?" said the magistrate. "Hem-Ho-D-D-Ho-W, sir!"

"Ah, I see! There is no 'hay' in your meadow!"—Answers (London).

SAGE TEA AND SULPHUR DARKENS YOUR GRAY HAIR

Look Years Younger! Try Grandma's Recipe of Sage and Sulphur and Nobody Will Know.

Almost everyone knows that Sage Tea and Sulphur properly compounded, brings back the natural color and lustre to the hair when faded, streaked or gray; also ends dandruff, itching scalp and stops falling hair. Years ago the only way to get this mixture was to make it at home, which is messy and troublesome.

Nowadays we simply ask at any drug store for "Wyoth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy." You will get a large bottle for about 50 cents. Everybody uses this old, famous recipe, because no one can possibly tell that you darkened your hair, as it does so naturally and evenly. You dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, thick and glossy and you look years younger. Adv.

The Optimist.

He was leaving the sweet young thing at the front door, and he reached into his vest for a cigar. He found two crushed ones, of course. "Too bad," she said. "Oh, it might have been worse," he said, with a smile. "You know I've got the coupons at home."

THE COLONEL'S GOLD MINE

Out in Gregory County, South Dakota, King Colonel Johnson, the famed Alalfa King of that great section.

About thirty years ago he left Wisconsin for that domain. All he had was willing hands, a clear brain and a bright vision. Today he is the owner of thousands of acres, president of several banks.

He has found a veritable gold mine in his thousand-acre Alalfa field, and what is of particular interest to you and me is that his Alalfa Seed, twenty-five years ago or more, was purchased from the John A. Salszer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis.

The Colonel says: "The best paying crop in my Alalfa field is the Alalfa Seed. It outruns everything in money value. Salszer's Alalfa is good on your own farm, for three to five tons of rich hay per acre, and with the Alalfa Seed (see my catalog) its growth is absolutely certain."

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Pretty Poor Punch. "Rome was one of the wickedest cities on earth."

"I dunno," replied Uncle Bill Bottetop. "I've heard so. But people that could have taken Roman punch as serious licker must have been pretty mild or 'unsophisticated, seems to me."

Coughs and Colds cannot hold out against Dean's Mentholated Cough Drops. A single dose gives relief—5c at all Drugstores.

Shifting Places.

"Scientists now state that there is no anatomical reason why a girl should not throw a baseball as well as a boy."

"And I suppose, as a correlative theory that there is no anatomical reason why a boy should not wash dishes as well as a girl."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Smile, smile, beautiful clear white clothes. Red Cross Ball Blue, American made, therefore best. All grocers. Adv.

The Mean Thing.

"I've been losing quite a lot of my hair lately."

VARIED STYLES OF WRITING

Authors Employ Different Methods, Each of Course Believing Theirs is the Best.

A literary reviewer notes that the fiction of last summer is largely cast in the form of autobiographical narrative. A few years ago this form was rather unpopular, but the whirring of time brings its reactions and revelations. The theory is that the novelist who writes like a man setting forth

his own adventures and experiences is apt to be more truthful, more realistic than the average story teller, but the annals of fiction hardly bear this out. Tolstoy was as realistic—as an autobiographer in the true sense—in "Anna Karenina" as he was in his adolescence. An artist must perform set forth his own experience; life and imagination are his only resources, and imagination in a vacuum, is, of course, the base of what is called romantic and artificial fiction.

There are many ways of telling a war office. Now the need is acutely felt and a corps is being trained as rapidly as possible. A dog of this kind will invariably give warning of the approach of an enemy long before the soldier sentry is aware of it. In one section of the northern front, where dogs have been used for the past month, no night attack of the Germans has been successful. Not every dog will make a good enough sentry. They

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Let the Pigs Grunt. Let the pigs do the grunting.

Grunting never lessened the burden of a load, never pulled a community out of a rut.

Grunting makes pessimists, and pessimists have bad livers, and poor digestions, and sour countenances, and are general nuisances all round.

And pessimists are always grunting about something. They grunt if times are bad; they grunt because they are not better when they are good.

Grunting is a habit with them—it is their daily pastime—and nothing is so dear to their hearts as a great big unadulterated grunt.

Many of us grunt a part of the time, but some folks grunt all of the time.

Now let's quit grunting. Let's get down to brass tacks and dig a lot of wealth out of this community.

Let's make this the greatest productive year in local history. Let's get out and hustle—let's find the opportunities, or make them where none exist.

The soil is as rich today as it was a year ago, and it will produce as much and the products will sell for more money.

There is nothing produced in this community but has a market waiting for it. If we don't see the market, let's get out and find it. Time is too short for it to hunt us.

Let's not sit on dry goods boxes and wait for the world to come to our feet. We will die grunting if we do.

There's a great big place for us in the world. Let's fill it. Let's do something—let's let the rest of the world know that we are alive, that we are producers, that we are something more than grunters.

Let's be optimists—for optimists do things and never grunt. Let the pigs do the grunting. There are better times and more congenial work ahead for us.

Let's all get busy and whoop it up.

"I NEVER personally solicit advertising and it is my opinion that the manager or owner of any newspaper belittles himself if he does so," said Editor Robinson of the Forest Review Advertiser before the Buckeye Press association.

INSINUATING falsehoods are worse than direct libels, for they are cowardly as well as vicious.

If you haven't that dollar you owe us handy, just bring around an ounce or two of wheat.

WORK will fill the stomach, but more work will fill both stomach and pocketbook. Step lively!

OCCASIONALLY one is reminded of that old campaign cry: "Cheap and nasty go together."

DRUG users have suddenly sprung into prominence as a drug on the market.

SOME men seem to expect the earth with a fence around it for a dollar.

"HE WHO lies down with dogs will get up with fleas."

SOUTH GRATTAN Mar. 15—John Hessler is buzzing wood.

WOMAN victims of the rum traffic, other than those who suffer through drunken fathers, husbands and brothers, are supposed to be comparatively few; but Grand Rapids reports one in the death of a graduate of Vassar college, a once beautiful, talented and popular woman, dead from drink and accompanying evils at forty.

WHEN YOU see a young blood racing down the street with wildness in his eye, and his mane floating in the breeze, and a pair of elephant's feet held firmly in his grasp, do not become alarmed and phone for the police. It is only the return of the baseball fever and will run its course by the time snow flies again.

THE handsomest, keenest and most brilliant man in this community owes us a dollar on subscription, and we are expecting him to favor us with an early call. (That ought to bring 'em all in.)

Do Not Grudge We have a pleasant laxative that will do just what you want it to do. Rexall Orderlies

GRATTAN CENTER. Fern Madison was very ill for a few days last week.

Bert Lesinger has moved to Belding in the Ed. Wagner house.

Mrs. Ray McArthur and Mrs. Wm. Jenks were called to New York by the serious illness of their aunt.

Mrs. Hefron had the misfortune to fall and put her shoulder out of joint at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Vincent Nugent.

F. E. Mackie was in Grand Rapids for a few days last week.

Little Alice Wittenbach is seriously ill with scarlet fever.

In the Spring a Young Man's Fancy...

Well, he can be as fancy as he likes and still be in the best of style and taste if he comes to us for his equipment.

And we have the equipment. Yes sir, young men, we have it this Spring.

There's "Varsity 55," the most popular young men's suit for this Spring. We have it in an elegant Blue Tartan plaid. Of course we have it in several other patterns. They're \$20.00 and reasonably priced.

Then there's the "Regent" and "Chapple" models. The "Regent" has a shawl collar vest and you leave the last button unbuttoned. It's a dandy. We mention here just one, a Tartan Plaid at \$15.00.

The nobby Spring Coat pictured here is the "Throw-on"---a coat for every day and everywhere. It's just one more evidence of the "Springy atmosphere" this store is "steeped" in. Good taste, up-to-the-minute style and all-service are combined here. Reasonably priced at \$16.50.

New arrivals---"Cloth of Gold" Ties, and some of those new "Border-ed Scarfs." See those "Batwing Inserts"---they're new and very neat. 50c and 75c.

New "Blaser Stripe" Shirts---a fine assortment. 50c to \$2.00. The prettiest gathering of shirts you will find. Get yours here.

New Caps---An elegant assortment. Stylish, new shapes. They're full of Spring beauty. Better values at 50c and \$1.00. You surely can find it here.

Panama Hats---Bring in your last year's Panama Hat. We'll have it cleaned, re-blocked and re-trimmed for you at a very nominal charge, \$1.00.

Let us store your winter furs---very reasonable prices. Ask us.

Special Value in Raincoats An elegant big value at \$10.00

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The Dismemberment of the Pere Marquette

Dismemberment May be Either Complete or Partial---Either Kind is a Public Calamity.

It will be COMPLETE if the underlying bonds foreclose---PARTIAL, if the junior bondholders foreclose with conditions as they now are. This is our judgment. No one can tell positively what is going to happen. But we know what we fear is going to happen and we know whereof we speak.

The Underlying Bonds

The underlying bonds do not cover the system as a whole but are mortgages on the constituent parts, such as the Chicago & West Michigan, the Detroit, Grand Rapids and Western and the Flint & Pere Marquette, having been issued before the consolidation. The interest has not been paid on these bonds for over a year because the revenues of the system are less than the expenses. The bondholders are now demanding their interest on their security and will foreclose if the present conditions continue.

Bear These Facts in Mind

The Pere Marquette system has 17,000 cars available for freight business. The demand for these cars is not equal all over the system each day in the year, but varies day by day on different sections of the road. As the demand comes from one part of the system, and then from another, these cars are marshalled like an army, to meet conditions, and the onrush of traffic. For instance, during the fruit season there is an extraordinary demand in western Michigan and system mobilizes its equipment in that section; then comes the demand from the "W" territory for cars to market potatoes, beans, etc., and then it shifts to the "Thumb" district to move hay, sugar beets, etc. If the system is divided, the cars must be divided, and car shortage will result. This phase alone of dismemberment is most important to the business and agricultural industries of the state.

Reduce Car Loaning Facilities

As a system the Pere Marquette can secure cars from other large connecting lines at its three important terminals---Chicago, Toledo and Buffalo. This valuable reserve facility will be reduced to not more than one terminal for each road in case the Grand Rapids and at that point is put into a West Michigan will have to depend entirely on its Chicago terminal connection; the Detroit, Grand Rapids & Western will be limited to its Detroit terminal, and the Flint & Pere Marquette will be confined to its Toledo terminal. It stands to reason, does it not, that one small road cannot secure as good reciprocal arrangements at one terminal as the big system can at three terminals? This means congestion in terminals added to car shortage on the lines.

Set back Transportation Fifteen Years

Transportation facilities will be set back fifteen years to the point where they were when the consolidation was effected, if the system is torn apart. It was good railroading to tie together these three roads, situated as they are, into one system whereby their combined equipment and resources are available for any part of the state served by the Pere Marquette.

Slower Service East

Shipments east from the branches are delivered at Buffalo 24 hours quicker than would be possible if the system is disrupted. For example, business from the St. Louis section of the state now goes to Saginaw and connects with our through "expedited" freight business from the Greenville and Howland City sections to Grand Rapids and at that point is put into a through train to the frontier. Handled by independent lines this business would have either to go to a connection down the Chicago division or to a connection at Detroit. The business of the old Flint & Pere Marquette, which now goes east by the direct Frontier route, would have to be largely turned over to connections at Toledo. Either movement would mean delay. From many branches where cars go into through freights the moment they reach main lines, the business would necessitate at least three handlings through terminals with all the delay incident thereto. The "Thumb" territory now has fast service into and out of Chicago. That business would have to be handled through two terminals---one in Saginaw where the D. G. R. & W. has only contract terminals with the Michigan Central and then into Grand Rapids where it would be delivered to the C. & W. M. Today such business goes from the "Thumb" into Grand Rapids under one movement into a Chicago train. Today there is through Chicago service for the Ludington and Manistee sections, with only one change in engines.

System Handling would be Abolished

Bad Blow to Coal Trade The Saginaw valley has built up an extensive commercial and domestic fuel trade in the "Web" territory. The mines are all located on the F. & P. M. in Bay and Saginaw counties. The system provides for distributing this coal in western Michigan under traffic conditions which have been largely responsible for getting the business. Dismemberment would mean added expense and delay. The Indiana and Illinois coal fields had this region of Michigan practically to themselves before the organization of the system opened the way for the Saginaw coal to compete.

Some Loss in Terminal Facilities

Dividing the system means that the Detroit, Grand Rapids & Western would be without receiving shops and would have no yards in Grand Rapids, which would be a blow to that city and its contiguous territory. The Michigan Central has not at this time proper terminal facilities in Saginaw for the D. G. R. & W., and the road would now have no other terminal in that city. The business of the F. & P. M. which now goes Grand Rapids way would all go either via Toledo or via cross lake as it does from points on the Ann Arbor.

Some Serious Business Disadvantages

Many cars on low grade commodities are made on a strictly millage basis for one road haul, and, when such commodities move for two road hauls, through rates are made by adding the two rates together. To illustrate, take sugar beets from Hemlock to Bay City. The present rate is 60 cents one road Pere Marquette haul. This would be a two road haul for the D. G. R. & W. and F. & P. M., with a 40 cent haul rate, Hemlock to Saginaw and a 40 cent rate, Saginaw to Bay City, or a through rate of 80 cents. The same principle would apply in making rates on oats and butts, and numerous other commodities such as brick, sand, gravel, crushed stone, fuel-wood, and in certain instances on live stock. You can appreciate what the points along the Pere Marquette with which you trade, examine the map to find out in how many instances the division of the system would affect your rates and facilities, and then you can appreciate the importance to the state of keeping the system intact.

Another factor of no small importance is the transit privileges enjoyed at Grand Rapids, Saginaw, Big Rapids, Reed City, Ludington, Flint and Lansing. The more mileage there is embraced in the system the more valuable those transit privileges become.

It's Good Business to Preserve the System Intact

The Pere Marquette Railroad is a great big Michigan institution in which every citizen has a direct interest because, reaching as it does such a large important territory of the state, its prosperity and the prosperity of the state are too closely interwoven for one to be adversely affected without the other suffering serious consequences. With the state so vitally interested in the welfare of the road by virtue of the benefits according to the people from good service, there should be no question as to its right to expect fair treatment from the state. The road is being operated with its expenses exceeding its revenues. It is a public servant working at less than a living wage. Your grocer says his stock has cost more, therefore he must raise his prices to you, and you accept the raise without expecting him to present you with a statement of the exact cost, and without questioning his truthfulness. Figures of revenue and outlay are prepared by railroad officials under a federal law which imposes a jail sentence as well as a fine, if they are false. In view of the fact that Michigan men are operating the Pere Marquette as receivers and are presenting the case to you, don't you think their statements are worthy of credence? You can help them preserve this system to Michigan.

The Federal Court will pass on any reorganization plan which may be worked out. The Michigan Railroad Commission will have absolute control of the amount of capitalization under such a plan. There's no danger whatever of stock or bond manipulation.

Write Senator Paul and Representative Foots of this county, now at Lansing, at once to vote for the bill for higher rates for passenger service. The raise asked is reasonable and absolutely necessary as a means of helping keep the system intact. The letter will prove a good investment. Do it now. It is imperative to secure action at this session.

PAUL H. KING, DUDLEY E. WATERS, Receivers.

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January 1 and July 1 Withdrawable on 30 Days Notice

Our record, 25 years of success, assets nearly a million and a quarter dollars. Write for financial statement and book giving full particulars.

CAPITAL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION Lansing, Mich.

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If you want quick and real relief from rheumatism, do what so many thousands of 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 drug store, 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.

BOWNE CENTER Dr. and Mrs. Northrup and Mrs. Alfred Craft and son of Grand Rapids spent Saturday night and Sunday with their sister, Miss Josephine Saboury.

Watt and John Thomas went to Irving Station and Middleville on business Friday.

Gregg Ramey has hired out to Frank Brew for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Flynn are moving to Mrs. Starks' place.

About thirty young people gathered at the home of Mrs. J. S. Thomas and surprised Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas, who are moving to Andy Weaver's. The evening was spent in playing games and music. Before leaving at a late hour, George Alexander presented them with a beautiful rocking chair in behalf of the young people, for which they were most thankful.

Frank McNaughton and wife of Alto called at J. S. Thomas' Sunday.

Arthur Clark is a hustler since he has installed his new milking machine. He is Johnnie on the Spot about arousing the neighbors at the same time each morning.

The Ladies Aid of Bowne Center will serve dinner at their hall election day; also serve warm sugar in the afternoon and evening.

Scrubs will please charge 5c per line for advertisements. Editor.

NORTH CAMPBELL Mar. 15---Mrs. Ozel Johnson and Harold spent Sunday with Mrs. Elmer Miller.

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Berrell Bedell entertained sixteen of his schoolmates to a birthday party Saturday.

How it clears the throat and head of its mucous adherents. It is the 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, 2c.

SEELEY CORNERS The Ladies Aid society held at Mrs. G. Stephens' last Wednesday was well attended. Among those from a distance were our pastor, Rev. Lutien of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. E. Wright of Ada and Mrs. Rockefeller and Mrs. Wiley of McCords.

A large crowd attended the sugar social Friday evening.

Mr. Tolson's car of household goods arrived last Friday and Ira Weebrook assisted him in moving.

Mr. Thibos of Grand Rapids is building Mr. Thompson's house.

Mr. and Mrs. Stool of Grand Rapids visited the latter's sister, Mrs. S. Reynolds, Sunday.

WEST VERGENNES Mar. 15---Mrs. P. Bowler, who spent several days at the home of M. Downes, returned to her home in Grand Rapids last week.

Miss Frances Platte, who has been very ill, is somewhat improved.

Mrs. Emma Laurence visited friends and neighbors in this vicinity last week.

John Downes underwent a serious operation at St. Mary's hospital last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Farrell and little son are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Farrell.

School is closed in the McCabe district on account of the illness of the teacher, Miss Deane.

Abbe Verwys of Belding visited at Church's Sunday.

Chris Kropp and wife and Mr. and Mrs. George Whitten attended Bert Lesinger's auction sale in Oakland Wednesday.

Carroll Whitten spent Saturday in Belding.

Mrs. Susan Soules and daughter Edith visited Mrs. Nettie Keech Sunday.

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Let the Pigs Grunt.

Let the pigs do the grunting. There is better work ahead for us.

Grunting never lessened the burden of a load, never pulled a community out of a rut, never added a dollar to any man's bank account.

Grunting makes pessimists, and pessimists have bad livers, and poor digestions, and sour countenances, and are general nuisances all round.

And pessimists are always grunting about something. They grunt if times are bad; they grunt because they are not better when they are good; they grunt over their meals, and over politics, and religion, and everything else that offers a chance to grunt.

And then they grunt because there is nothing left to grunt about.

Grunting is a habit with them—it is their daily pastime—and nothing is so dear to their hearts as a great big unadulterated grunt.

Many of us grunt a part of the time, but some folks grunt all of the time.

Now let's quit grunting. Let's get down to brass tacks and dig a lot of wealth out of this community. It's here, but grunting won't do the digging.

Let's make this the greatest productive year in local history. Let's get out and hustle—let's find the opportunities, or make them where none exist.

The soil is as rich today as it was a year ago, and it will produce as much and the products will sell for more money.

There is nothing produced in this community but has a market waiting for it. If we don't see the market, let's get out and find it. Time is too short for it to hunt us.

Let's not sit on dry goods boxes and wait for the world to come to our feet. We will die grunting if we do.

There's a great big place for us in the world. Let's fill it. Let's do something—let's let the rest of the world know that we are alive, that we are producers, that we are something more than grunters.

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"I NEVER personally solicit advertising and it is my opinion that the manager or owner of any newspaper belittles himself if he does so," said Editor Robinson of the Forest Review Advertiser before the Buckeye Press association. Rather extreme, Brother Robinson; but of course one needn't be a nuisance. Neither should he be a clam, shut up in his shell. Here are in other things there is a happy medium.

If NOISE were musica boiler factory might have "charms to soothe the savage breast." Some would-be musical efforts remind one of the English fox hound story. The hounds were hot on the trail of the fox and fiercely barking in their eagerness. "Hark to the music," said a hunter. "I can't hear no music f'r the tam tugs," replied an uninitiated companion.

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Well, he can be as fancy as he likes and still be in the best of style and taste if he comes to us for his equipment.

And we have the equipment. Yes sir, young men, we have it this Spring.

There's "Varsity 55," the for this Spring. We have



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LOWELL DIST. NO. 2

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Miss Jennie Bosma of Grand Rapids spent Sunday at Peter Popina's.

John Andrews and family and Mrs. Chas. Forman of Lowell were Sunday guests of Mrs. J. C. Andrews.

Willard Alexander of Bowne spent Saturday night and Sunday with his brother, Sam Alexander.

A new bell has been hung in the belfry at the schoolhouse this week.

John Aussteker and Mrs. Nichols spent Sunday at Simon Popina's in Lowell.

HEALTH PROMOTES HAPPINESS Without health, genuine joy is impossible; without good digestion and regular bowel movement you cannot have health.

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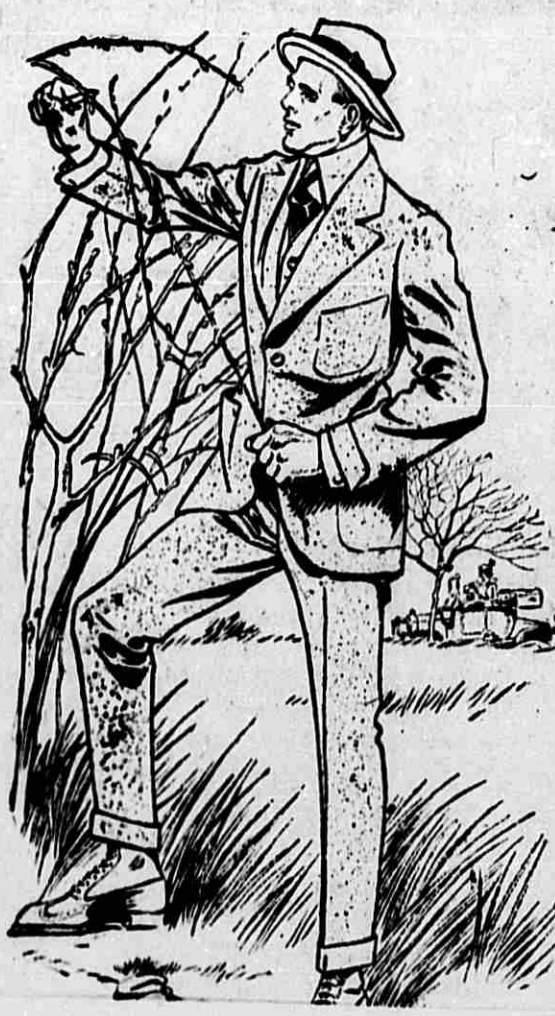
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It will be COMPLETE if the underlying bonds foreclose--PARTIAL, if the junior bondholders foreclose with conditions as they now are. This is our judgment. No one can tell positively what is going to happen. But we know what we fear is going to happen and we know whereof we speak.

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The Federal Court will pass on any reorganization plan which may be worked out. The Michigan Railroad Commission will have absolute control of the amount of capitalization under such a plan. There is no danger whatever of stock or bond manipulation.

Write Senator Paul and Representative Foote of this county, now at Lansing, at once to vote for the bill for higher rates for passenger service. The raise asked is reasonable and absolutely necessary as a means of helping keep the system intact. The letter will prove a good investment. Do it now. It is imperative to secure action at this session.

PAUL H. KING, DUDLEY E. WATERS, Receivers.

LOWELL MARKET REPORT.

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Railroad Time Cards

PERE MARQUETTE. East Bound: 7:40 a.m. Daily. 8:20 p.m. Daily. West Bound: 8:15 a.m. Daily. 8:55 p.m. Daily. GRAND TRUNK. East Bound: 6:38 a.m. Daily. 11:30 a.m. Daily. West Bound: 12:47 p.m. Daily. 5:30 p.m. Daily.

WEST BOWNE

March 15.—Work on the church sheds is progressing nicely with U. S. Hunter as overseer. H. B. Fuller and wife of McGords took Sunday dinner with Charlie Peet and wife. Charlie Dygert's family have a new victrola. Mrs. Elton Peet leaves this week for Barbours, Ohio. Will Cross and family spent Sunday with Frank Hutzinger and wife. Elva Sherman and Aeneath Ross are about the week of a account of lagrippe.

CASCADE

March 15.—The state road convention which was held in Grand Rapids last week was well represented by Cascade. Mrs. Leah Gelb is confined to her bed with the grip. Her daughter, Mrs. Ellen Rubrecht is with her. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hulbert visited at Grand over Sunday. James Meade and family have moved into the house formerly occupied by Verne Coger. H. A. Coger and son Verne were callers in Cascade one day last week. Rev. Geo. Thompson, wife and son Howard visited at Clayton Johnson's last Tuesday.

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HEARD ABOUT TOWN

Newsy Notes About People You Know.

W. L. Jones is ill with pleurisy. Joel Gilbert spent Thursday in Ionia.

A. O. Burt was in Grand Rapids Friday.

Ernie Ayers was home from Ionia Saturday.

Walter Yarbley was in Grand Rapids Sunday.

W. H. White was home from Ionia over Sunday.

Lawrence Buck was in Grand Rapids over Sunday.

H. H. Olson spent Monday with his family at Shepitan.

George Haysmer was in Grand Ledge one day last week.

Leon Chase and Bert Randall were in Grand Rapids Friday.

Raydon Warner was a Grand Rapids visitor one day last week. Always at your call, McQueen's bus. Phone 6.

T. A. Murphy of Grand Rapids was a Lowell visitor Friday.

Nemo corsets styles 322 and 351 \$3.00 at Weekes'.

Rev. A. H. Lash and son Lewis spent Saturday in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Glen DeNise spent Sunday with her husband in Grand Rapids.

Alex. W. Miller of Grand Rapids was in town on business Friday.

Kenneth Chase of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mrs. Don Smith of Grand Rapids was in town Saturday visiting relatives.

Mrs. C. G. Perry of Grand Rapids was a Lowell visitor two days last week.

Mr. Crampton of Edmore was in town Friday and called on E. C. Walker.

Frontlace Warner corsets \$1.50 at Weekes'.

Unclaimed letters in the Lowell post office: Maude May, Mrs. Helen Wood.

Mrs. C. Winegar and daughter, Mrs. Wadsworth, spent Friday in Grand Rapids.

Miss Robertson from Howard City is the new trimmer at Mrs. White's millinery store.

See Lalley & Shuler about the American Boy.

Mrs. W. I. Burdick and children were in Grand Rapids with relatives two days last week.

Mrs. Joel Gilbert of South Boston was a Thursday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Taylor.

Charles Peterle, who is working in Detroit, spent the first of the week with his wife in Segwun.

Mrs. Henry Dolk is much improved in health and hopes to return home in a short time.

M. H. Conklin is preparing a basement for the installation of furnace heat in his residence.

Spring coats, waists and skirts at Weekes'.

A limited amount of second grade flour, 5 bbl., 75¢; 1/2 bbl., \$1.50; \$6 per bbl. King Milling Co.

Mrs. M. B. Wilkinson of Saranac was in town Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Ellen Monks.

Mrs. E. C. Walker returned from Grand Rapids Friday night accompanied by her daughter and baby.

Misses Lima Babcock, Vera Lonks and Hattie Fletcher attended the dance at Saranac last Friday evening.

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

John Brown and family are moving from route 50, Lowell to R. 11, Saranac, about six miles from their old neighborhood.

Mrs. L. P. Morse went to Grand Rapids Friday to spend Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Guy Lewis. Mr. Morse spent Sunday there.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Fish and Mrs. Arthur Muir of Grand Rapids visited Mr. and Mrs. H. Vanderhoof at the Riverside hotel last Thursday.

We aim to merit your patronage by purchasing the choicest merchandise and selling the same on as close a margin as the best stores the world over.

A. W. Weekes & Son.

Frank Hoag of Marshall, who has been spending a week with his aunt, Mrs. L. B. Thomas, is now visiting in Grand Rapids and Rockford before his return home.

Lalley & Shuler are giving away the best present a boy ever had, the American Boy magazine for 6 months with purchases amounting to \$5.00 in their boys and children's department.

The German M. E. Epworth league gave Miss Ida Friedli a silver shower at her home one evening last week. Games and music furnished the entertainment. Light refreshments were served and all enjoyed a good time.

Mrs. Conklin's division of Mrs. Ford's circle of the M. E. Ladies Aid, gave a coffee at the home of Mrs. Gonderman Thursday afternoon. A musical program was rendered which consisted of several instrumental numbers by Mrs. Hutchinson, vocal solos by Miss Stowell and Miss Chaffin and German solos and duets by Mrs. Bank and Miss Lowe. A "Dutch lunch" was served in which the principal articles of food were sauerkraut and "weenies." The next time Mrs. Gonderman entertains we'll all be there.

State, county and township election Monday, April 5. Register Saturday, Mar. 27. See official notices elsewhere in this paper.

Says The Cedar Springs Clipper: "Cadillac has just arrested 14 liquor law violators. And this bunch is to get a heavier fine than the last ones. Go for them. If Sand Lake wants to furnish booze for the northern division of the C. R. & I. it is no credit to the village as there are a whole lot of good people in the town who should see that it goes dry on March 8. Do your duty. That is all." To which the Saranac Advertiser adds: "This would be good advice or a near by town, called Lowell to take."

Phone 6. adv. of Nifty neckwear at Weekes'.

Miss Irma Scott spent Sunday in Grand Rapids.

B. M. Perkins of Ada was in town last Thursday.

Mrs. Rose Ford fell and broke a bone in her left wrist Friday.

Hakee gives prompt bus and baggage service. Phone 35.

Rugs, carpets and linoleums at right prices. Weekes & Son.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Hodges entertained the Summer club Thursday evening.

The success of Ledger wants is proven by their popularity. See how they grow.

Mrs. H. M. Parrott has returned from Lakewier, where she has been spending some time.

Mrs. M. F. N. White, John Lashy and H. Vandegrey were in Grand Rapids Saturday.

Mrs. L. J. Stewart's address has been changed from McCord's route No. 58 to Ada route No. 42.

Some new shapes in caps for spring at Lalley & Shuler's.

The Ledger solicits your job printing. Prompt and satisfactory service and low prices guaranteed.

Hull suitcase umbrellas \$1.25, detachable tip and handle.

A. W. Weekes & Son.

Rev. L. A. Townsend's driving horse fell through the barn floor and sprained an ankle one day last week.

Mrs. Allie Kline has resigned her position in Toledo to be with and assist her aged parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Chambers.

Fibre silk boot hose 25¢, and all fibre silk hose 50¢ at Weekes'.

"The Million Dollar Mystery" story closes in this issue. It will be followed by McCutcheon's new mystery story "Black in White." Sunday guests of Will Burch and family were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rexford, Mrs. Wm. Kinyon and daughter, Lettie and Mr. and Mrs. Abe Keifer.

E. C. King has an auction sale on the Allie DeNise farm one mile north of Alto today at 1 p. m. Bills advertising same were printed at The Ledger office.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Yeiter of Alto were in town Tuesday. The latter carried one arm in a sling, having broken it while cranking a gasoline engine last Friday.

If you boys and young men like the American Boy magazine you had better see Lalley & Shuler. They are giving away subscriptions to it.

The man who is unfair to others is not fair to himself. He discovers it when his own meanness reflects upon himself. It never fails. It's a losing game in the end.

The body of Mrs. Mable Faye was brought here from Grand Rapids Friday for burial in Oakwood cemetery. She was a sister of Elmer Cox, 35 years old and died at the Detention hospital. The family formerly lived in Lowell.

M. N. Henry guarantees Parisian Sage to remove dandruff, stop falling hair and scalp itch, and to put life and beauty into the hair making it soft and lustrous. It's a most invigorating and helpful tonic, and inexpensive.

At the regular meeting of Three Island Lodge L. O. O. M. held Wednesday evening of last week the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: Dictator, A. McMahon; Vice Dictator, John Bannon; Prelate, Perry Schaefer; Treasurer, Delos Owen; Trustee, 3 years, Walter Morgan.

WEST LOWELL

Miss Ruth Kinyon is quite ill, so she is not able to attend school.

Mrs. George Sinclair spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Charles Kellogg.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rexford and Mrs. William Kinyon spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Burch.

Mrs. Orley Rutledge is in Grand Rapids taking treatments.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Ogan of Vergennes, Mr. and Mrs. John Ingwers, Mrs. Cora Sargent and Mrs. David Flanagan of Lowell attended the funeral of A. J. Ogan Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Seward Ogan was in Grand Rapids Tuesday.

Miss Treva Ogan is spending a few days with Miss Bertha Stowell in Lowell.

Maurice Flo spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Leola McCarty.

Charles Purly is moving to Belting.

Little John McIntyre is quite ill. Levant Sinclair spent Sunday with his mother who is very ill.

CANNONSBURG.

Mar. 16—Mr. and Mrs. John Murray were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Johnson in Grand Rapids last Sunday and visited with a cousin, Martin Murray from Canada.

William White spent a few days in Grand Rapids last week. He returned here Saturday.

Frank Fisher celebrated his 53rd birthday at his home near Silver Lake, March 12. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thomas of Cannonsburg, Mrs. Emma Nesbitt of Grand Rapids, who has been visiting with friends here and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Howard and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Howard were dinner guests of friends in Grand Rapids Saturday.

Last Thursday, while on his way to Grand Rapids, merchant Edwin T. H. Scott fell from the wagon, breaking his arm above the wrist.

John Joyce of Holland recently visited his brother Will.

John Murray made a business trip to Grand Rapids Saturday.

Those who attended the Bostwick Lake society at the home of Alfred Tibbets were Rev. A. B. Sturgis and wife, Mrs. Alice Bookley and daughter, Mrs. Will Harrington and Mrs. Martha Jackman.

Mrs. Harriette A. Harrington is caring for Mrs. Charles Ward in Vergennes.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse B. Armstrong celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary March 14.

You Can Enjoy Life
But when you want and need to be healthy
Take
Small's Dyspepsia Tablet
before and after each meal. Sold only by
D. G. Look.

ALTO VILLAGE NEWS

Interesting Items from a Hustling Business Center.

TOO LATE FOR LAST WEEK

Lyle White of Wisconsin is the new assistant at the creamery.

Arthur Brown and wife have purchased the lot of Dr. Bond just south of his residence, and will build a house on it this spring.

Dr. Northrop of Grand Rapids was out last Sunday evening, and he and Dr. Bond were called to Freeport in counsel that evening.

Mrs. Mary McNaughton, who has been spending the winter with friends in Gladwin returned to her home here last Saturday.

Dr. and Mrs. Bond were in Grand Rapids on business last week Friday.

Mrs. Peter Borge, who has been sick, is very much improved.

John Wechter has engaged two blacksmiths to assist him in the shop. John is the busier and looking for more business.

Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins started for Ohio last Thursday.

Wm. Coe-griff is improving finely these days.

Leota Bancroft is sick, but is some what better this morning.

Edward Borge and family of Boynton are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Borge.

Boys and girls are the finest product of the farm and home. What kind of a chance are we giving them to do what they like to do?

Miss Hazel Yeter started for Las Vegas, New Mexico Wednesday last where she will remain for several months. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Yeter, accompanied her as far as Grand Rapids.

Dad, are you a "cussor," and then teach the boys not to swear? Think he will?

Everyone around had as bad an influence as you, what kind of a neighborhood would you live in?

Our hustling citizens held a special school meeting last week Friday evening to consider building or enlarging the schoolhouse. All present favored a larger and better school. An adjourned meeting will be held next week Friday evening.

Henry Slater went to Detroit the middle of the week.

Are you a "Booster or a Knocker?"

The new Overland Six auto which Mrs. Campau ordered of Jesse Boulard came the first of the week.

Obituary.

Sarepta A. Sneathen, daughter of Sylvester and Lucinda Train, was born in Trumbull township, Vermont, Nov. 2, 1851, and departed this life at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Truman Parsons, in Grand Rapids March 4, 1915. She came with her parents to Boston township, where she had made her home with the exception of the past three years.

December 28, 1853, she was united in marriage to Peter D. Sneathen who died thirteen years ago. She was the mother of eight children, five of whom are living. She also leaves twelve grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was converted in early life and united with the Baptist church of which she continued a member until her death. The funeral was held from her old home in South Boston. The sermon was by Rev. Chamberlain and interment in South Boston cemetery.

Straight Forward Testimony

Many Lowell Citizens Have Profited By It.

If you have backache, urinary troubles, days of dizziness, headaches or nervousness, strike at the seat of the trouble. These are often the symptoms of weak kidneys and there is grave danger delay. Doan's Kidney Pills are especially prepared for kidney ailments—are endorsed by over 30,000 people. Your neighbors recommend this remedy—have proved its merit in many tests. Lowell readers should take fresh courage in the straight forward testimony of a Lowell citizen.

Mrs. W. C. Stone, 518 Front St., Lowell, says: "When my kidneys were weak and I suffered from backache, I used Doan's Kidney Pills. They gave me quick relief."

Price 50¢, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Stone had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

FALLSBURG

James Stanton was a vacation last week to visit his sister. He is working at present in Moseley.

Will Ward received word from Ionia Tuesday of the death of his brother-in-law, Harry Clark.

We are sorry to learn of the serious illness of Mr. Raymond of Keene. May he improve, now that we have nice weather.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rummel were callers on George Raymond Sunday. School began Monday after a week's vacation and Miss Smith visited at her home in Grandville for the time.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Richmond of Vergennes were visitors of Morris Kalward and wife recently. Elmer's wrists are improving as well as can be expected and he can feed himself with one hand.

Mr. and Mrs. Rissdale of Keene were Sunday guests of Frank Jones and wife.

Frank White of Lowell was a caller at McLeod's Sunday.

G. Fryer of Brown township visited his son Hubert of Lake Odessa last Saturday.

Lee Number of Boston township visited relatives at Orleans recently.

Mrs. Emma Best visited her daughter in Lowell from Tuesday until Sunday.

Peter Peterson of Moseley spent Sunday here with Bernard Rummel.

We know something about young men--- we therefore know something about

STYLE

We keep in touch with the young men of this town. It helps us to cater more accurately to their tastes.

We also keep in touch with the young men's styles as introduced by the professional style artists. We try to offer our young men customers the cream of the country's style backed by substantial quality.

We have been successful, if you will pardon the boast. To our regular customers this is unnecessary to tell. To those who are not we make this special appeal and telling you the reasons why.

Michaels, Stern and Styleplus

clothing embody the very latest fads and fancies in the most approved fabrics at prices to suit you, no matter how small or how extensive your means.

Let us show you some of the really new things in this spring's suitings.

We've a big line of RAINCOATS to show you. Some of the new checks in all wool fabrics, regular \$15.00 coats, we are selling at \$10.00. Others at \$5.00, and good ones too.

We want you to see our line of spring HATS. There are two or three new shapes and colors. We think it the best \$2.50 and \$3.00 line we have ever shown and that's going some.

SPRING CAPS too—some new shapes quite different from the average run.

We have a swell proposition to show you in JERSEYS. An all-wool Jersey at \$1.69—something you never saw before for less than \$2.00 to \$2.50.

Have you seen our new line of SPRING NECKWEAR? It's unusual in size and variety of patterns. Palm Beach, Tipperary Green and some new shades in brown are strictly new things in cravats.

Come and look these things over for yourself. Many other new things too.

It will soon be EASTER.

Lalley & Shuler
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LOWELL MICH



Honestly Now!

Is there any medicine by YOU shouldn't have?

U. B. Williams

Requires a food tonic that will rapidly build up wasted tissue

Small's Olive Oil Emulsion

is a most reliable prescription which we always recommend for that purpose.

D. G. Look.

We have a new electric operated at \$250.

Prices of \$15, \$25, \$40, \$50, \$75.

If you desire we can make terms so liberal that you will never miss the money, and have the good of the instrument while paying for it.

Come in today and hear your favorite music.

U. B. Williams
Vocalists and Records

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Kent.

In the matter of the estate of Charles McCarty, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that four months from the 10th day of March A. D. 1915, have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased to said court for examination and adjustment and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court, at the Probate office, in the city of Grand Rapids, in said county, on or before the 10th day of July A. D. 1915, and that said claims will be heard by said court on Saturday the 10th day of July A. D. 1915, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated March 10, A. D. 1915.

Clark E. Higbee, Judge of Probate.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Kent.

At a session of said court, held at the probate office, in the city of Grand Rapids, in said county, on the 9th day of March, A. D. 1915.

Present: Hon. Clark E. Higbee, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Joseph B. Hamilton, deceased.

Les Walker having filed in said court his fourth annual account as administrator of said estate, and his petition praying for the allowance thereof.

It is ordered, that the 9th day of April, A. D. 1915, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Lowell Ledger, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

Clark E. Higbee, Judge of Probate.

A true copy, John Dalton, Register of Probate.

THE LEDGER \$1.00 per year.

Clover and Timothy Seed...

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Also...

Culled Beans

Those wishing anything in this line please call at our elevator.

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17 New Features

Powerful—fast—unusually graceful and beautiful in its lines—roomy, comfortable and completely equipped with Top, Windshield, Speedometer, and anti-skid tires on rear, the 1915 Maxwell at \$695 has more high priced car features than ever put in an automobile before for less than \$1,000.

Here is the easiest car to drive in the world—here is the greatest all around hill climbing car in the world. Here is an automobile to be really proud of.

Holds the road at 50 miles an hour

With Electric Starter and Electric Lights \$55 extra

H. V. GETTY
Lowell, Mich.

PARDOT & CO HAROLD MACGRATH Author of The Carpet from Bagdad, The Place of Honey moons, etc.



SYNOPSIS

Warrington, an American adventurer, and James, his servant, with a cargo of opium, the trio known as the Pardots, are bound for Bagdad to cash a draft for 300,000 rupees. The trio, however, are not bound for Bagdad, but for a syndicate and sold his old claims for 200,000. Warrington introduces her. He tells her that Warrington has been a syndicate and sold his old claims for 200,000. Warrington introduces her. He tells her that Warrington has been a syndicate and sold his old claims for 200,000.

CHAPTER X—Continued.

Warrington turned the key, and a deluge of cold water struck Craig full in the chest. He tried to sit up, but was knocked flat. Then he rolled over on the deck, choking and spluttering. He crawled on his hands and knees until he reached the chair-rail, which he clutched desperately, drawing himself up. The pitiless stream never swerved. It smacked against the flat of his back like the impact of a hand.

"For God's sake stop it!" cried Craig, half strangled. "Will you go below?" "Yes, yes! Turn it away!" sobber enough by now. Warrington switched off the key, his face humorless, though there was a sparkle of grim humor in his sleep-hungry eyes. Craig leaned against the deckhouse, shaking and panting.

"I would I could get at your soul as easily," Warrington threw aside the hose, and the Lascars sprang upon him, not knowing what the big blond sahib might do next. Craig turned, venom on his tongue. He spoke a phrase. In an instant, cold with fury, Warrington had him by the throat. "You low base cur!" he said, shaking the man until he resembled a mangle on wire. "Had you been sober last night, I'd have thrown you into the sea. Honorable dog! You wrote to Miss Chetwood. You insulted her, too. If you wish to die, speak to her again."

Craig struggled fiercely to free himself. He wasn't sure, by the look of the other man's face, that he wasn't going to be killed then and there. There was something cave-mannish and cruel in the way Warrington worried the man, shaking him from side to side and forcing him along the deck. Suddenly he released his hold, adding a buffet on the side of the head that sent Craig reeling and sobbing into the companionway.

"Here, I say, what's the row?" Warrington looked over his shoulder. The call had come from the first officer. "A case of drunkenness," cooily. "But I say, we can't have brawling on deck, sir. You ought to know that. If the man's conduct was out of order, you should have brought your complaint before the captain or me. We really can't have any rowing, sir."

Warrington replied gravely: "Expeditious action is necessary." "What's this?" The officer espied the soaked bedding. "Who turned the hose here?" "I did," answered Warrington. "I shall have to report that to the captain, sir. It's against the rules aboard this steamship for passengers to touch anything of that sort." The officer turned and began violently to abuse the bewildered Lascars.

Warrington entered the companionway, and a moment later he heard the water him above the deck. He was not the least sorry for what he had done; still, he regretted the act. Craig was a beast, and there was no knowing what he might do or say. Still dressed, he flung himself into a heavy dreamless sleep that endured until luncheon.

Shortly after luncheon he was summoned to the captain's cabin. Warrington presented himself, mildly curious. The captain nodded to a stool. "Sit down, Mr. Warrington. Will you have a chroot?" "Yes, thanks." A crackle of matches followed.

"This fellow Craig has complained about his treatment by your morning. I fancy you were rather rough with him." "Perhaps. He was very drunk and abusive, and he needed a little water more than anything else. I once knew the man." "Ah! But it never pays to manhandle that particular brand of tippler. They always retaliate in some way." "I suppose he has given you an excerpt from his history?" "He says you cannot return to the States."

"I am returning on the very first boat I can find." "Then he was lying?" "Not entirely. I do not know what he has told you, and I really do not care. The fact is, Craig is a professional gambler, and I warned him not to try any of his tricks on board. It soured him."

"And knowing myself that he was a professional, I gave no weight to his accusations. Besides, it is none of my business. The worst scandalous thing has certain rights, that is sufficient for me. Now, what Craig told me to suit the animals admirably. Professor Wallace of Edinburgh, having recently recommended a trial of caracul sheep in Great Britain, an experiment is being made with them in Scotland, and good results are stated to have been obtained. Some specimens of the sheep have been successfully introduced into Natal and other parts of South Africa, where, however, little attention seems to have been paid to the production of 'Persian' lamb skins. A flock of caracul sheep has recently been imported into Newfoundland, and the results of this important experiment will be awaited with interest.

Disposition of Ocean's Victims. Really there is no reason why the sinking of a body in shallow water should not continue in deeper oceans, but the magnitude of the sea appears to confuse the mind. So skilled a hydrographer as Com. Matthew Fontaine Maury allowed himself to believe that by reason of depth and saltness of the

happen when she found out what his name was? "But my first name is Paul." "Paul. I have had my suspicions that your name was not Warrington. But tell me nothing more. What good would it do? I did not read that man's letter. I merely noted your name and his. You doubtless knew him somewhere in the past." "Might there not be danger in your kindness to me?" "In what way?" "A man under a cloud is often reckless and desperate. There is always an invisible demon calling out to him: What's the use of being good? You are the first woman of your station who has treated me as a human being; I do not say as an equal. It's a heady wine for an abstemious man. Don't you realize that you are a beautiful woman?"

She looked up into his eyes quickly, but she saw nothing there indicating flattery, only a somber gravity. "I should be silly to deny it. I know that I had been a tramp, the colonel would have snubbed me. I wonder why it is that in life beauty in a woman is always looked upon with suspicion?" "Envy provokes that."

She resumed her inclination against the rail again. "After Singapore it is probable that we shall not meet again. I admit, in my world, I could not walk upon this free and easy ground. I should have to ask about your antecedents, what you have done, all about you, in fact. Then, we should sit in judgment." "And condemn me, off-hand. That would be perfectly right."

"But I might be one of the dissenting judges." "That is because you are one woman in a thousand." "No; I simply have a mind of my own, and often prefer to be guided by it. I am not a sheep." Silence. The lap-lap of the water, the long slow rise and fall, and the darting flying-fish apparently claimed their attention.

But Warrington saw nothing save the danger, the danger to himself and to her. At any moment he might fling his arms around her, without his having the power to resist. She called to him as nothing in the world had called before. But she trusted him, and because of this she resolved to thrust the recurring desire. She was right. He had scorned what she had termed as woman's instinct. She had read him with a degree of accuracy. In the eyes of God he was a good man, a dependable man; but he was not impossibly good. He was human enough to want her, human enough to appreciate the danger in which she stood of him.

"Tell me about the man who looks like me." His gaze roved out to sea, to the white islands of vapor low-lying in the east. "In what respect does he resemble me?" "His hair is yellow, his eyes are blue, and he smiles the same way you do." He felt the lump rise and swell in his throat. "If you stood before a mirror you would see him. But there the resemblance ends."

"Is he a man who does things?" a note of strained curiosity in his tones. "Yes, in what way you mean?" "Does he work in the world, does he invent, build, finance?" "Mayhap her eyes deceived her, but the man on his face seemed less brown than yellow." "No, Mr. Ellison is a collector of paintings, of rugs, of rare books and china. He's a bit detached, as dreamers usually are. He has written a book of exquisite verses. . . . You are smiling," she broke off suddenly, her eyes filling with cold lights.

"A thousand pardons! The thought was going through my head how unlike we are indeed. I can hardly tell one master from another, all old books look alike to me, and the same with china. I know something about rugs; but I couldn't write a jingle if it was to save me from hanging."

"Do you invent, build, finance?" A bit of a gulf had opened up between them. Elsa might not be prepared to marry Arthur, but she certainly would not tolerate a covert sneer in regard to his accomplishments. Quietly and with dignity he answered: "I have built bridges in my time over which trains are passing at this moment. I have fought torments, and floods, and hurricanes, and myself. I have done a man's work. I have a future, they said. But here I am, a subject of your pity."

She instantly related. "But you are young. You can begin again." "Not in the sense you mean." "And yet, you tell me you are going back home." "Like a thief in the night," bitterly.

CHAPTER XI. The Blue Feather. Elsa toyed with her emeralds, apparently searching for some flaw. Like a thief in the night was a phrase that rang unpleasantly in her ears. Her remarkable interest in the man was neither to be denied nor ignored. To receive the cut direct from a man whose pomposity and mental density had excited her wit and amusement, she had surprised her even if it did not hurt. It had rudely awakened her to the fact that her independence might be leading her into a labyrinth.

Something new had been born in her. All her life she had gone about calmly and aloofly, her head in the clouds, her feet on mountain tops. She had never done anything to arouse discussion in other women. Perhaps such a situation had never confronted her until lately. She had always looked forth upon life through the lenses of mild cynicism. So long as she was rich she might, with impunity, be as indiscreet as she pleased. Her money would plead forgiveness and toleration. . . . Elsa shrugged. But she would not dismiss problems. She could have laughed. To have come all this way to solve a riddle, only to find a second more confusing than the first!

"Like a thief in the night. She did not care to know what he had done, but half so much as to learn what he had been. Peculiarities of some order; of this she was reasonably sure. So

mean the bodies of dead sailors stopped short of the bottom and there uncorrupted awaited the day of the sea's last gift. Since Maury's time the saltness of the ocean has been determined in every sea and for every depth, and it has been established that no place is it sufficient to prevent the sinking of a vessel. The sounding apparatus used on naval and scientific exploring vessels reaches every depth, even the abyss of nine miles in the Nero deep between Guam and the Philippines.

why seek for details, when these might be sorid? Singapore would see the end, and she would become her normal self again. She clasped the necklace around her lovely throat. She was dressing for dinner, really dressing. An impish mood filled her with the irrepressible desire to shine in all her splendor to-night. Covertly she would watch the eyes of mediocrity widen. Elthamto they had seen her in the simple white of travel. Tonight they should behold the woman who had been noted among the beauties in Paris, Vienna, Rome, London; who had not married a duke simply because his title could not have added to the security of her position, socially or financially.

Into the little mirror above the wash stand she peered, with smiling and approving eyes. Never had she looked better. There was unusual color in her cheeks and the clarity of her eyes spoke illuminatingly of superb health. The tan on her face was not made noticeable in contrast by her shoulders.

"Is He a Man Who Does Things?" and arms, old ivory in tint and as smooth and glossy as ancient Carrara. "You lovely creature!" murmured Martha, touching an arm with her lips. "You are foolish to dress like this."

"And why?" "In the first place there's nobody worth the trouble; and nobody but a duchess or a . . ." Martha paused embarrassedly. "Or a what? An improper person?" Elsa laughed. "My dear Martha, your comparisons are faulty. I know but two duchesses in this wide world of mine, and one of them is an American. An improper person is generally the most proper, outside her peculiar environments. Can't you suggest something else?"

Martha searched but found no suitable reply. She believed that she saw more clearly into the future than Elsa. Someone would talk, and in that strange inscrutable fashion scandal has of reaching the ends of the earth, the story would eventually arrive home; and there, for all the professions of friendship, it would find scant distance. No door is latched when scandal knocks. Martha readily appreciated that it was all harmless, to be expressed by a single word, whim. But she herself never acted upon impulse; she first questioned what the world would say. So run the sheep. (TO BE CONTINUED.)

GAVE FRESH EGGS AS TIPS But He Wouldn't Have His Nails Manicured When the Price Was Low. A man who attracted attention by reason of the generous size of the check on his suit and carrying a rose-wood case, entered the barber shop of the Vanderbilt, and, after selecting an operator, carefully deposited his box near a hat rack, says the New York Times. Having been released from the chair, he strolled about the room, putting on his collar and necktie the while, and finally said to Miss Mac Lewis, the head artist of the manicure department, that he would like his nails treated.

"But," he said, "I must warn you that I do not give cash for tips; I give only eggs." "Eggs!" gasped Miss Lewis. "Surely," repeated the visitor, "real, fresh, newly laid eggs. You do not know what a treasure such a thing is in New York. I always bring a case of them when I come in from the country. Look!"

He brought over the rosewood case and opened it. On top, sure enough, was a layer of eggs. "I never travel without them," went the stranger. "This case I have had made especially for carrying them. Now, having seen how highly I value these eggs, would you consider an egg a substitute for a tip?" "You don't have to tip," replied the manicurist, scornfully. "I'll be willing to fix your hands for the regular price."

"And what is that?" "Fifty cents!" he echoed. "Why, I should never think of having my nails done where they charge less than a dollar. Good-day."

And he put on his coat and hat, grabbed up the case and walked out, leaving everybody wondering.

The Drawing Room. "We have had a dreadful time with father!" exclaimed the socially ambitious young woman. "I thought he was very kind and indulgent." "He is! But now and then he gets terribly stubborn. He would insist on saying 'sitting room' instead of 'drawing room.'" He said we'd have to show him a reason before he'd change his way of talking any more. "Did you make him change his mind?" "Yes. We finally convinced him that we were the only room in which the chimney would draw."—Washington Star.

Elsworth Is Manager. The recently organized Grand Traverse Fruit and Produce exchange will open an office in Traverse City about the first of March and begin to formulate its plans for the coming crop season. Already a large number of fruit growers have signed the contract by which they turn over to the exchange their crops for marketing. The exchange is affiliated with the North American Fruit exchange, which corporation will maintain a sales manager at this point, and during the rush season will have as many men on the ground as are necessary to properly handle the marketing problem. R. H. Elsworth has been selected as manager for the local exchange and will represent the fruit growers in the transactions with the selling organization.

Value ofilage. A liberal supply ofilage and alfalfa hay will enable the milk producer to defy winter cold and summer drought.

FATTENED BIRD FOR MARKET No Great Amount of Skill or Scientific Knowledge Required to Do Work in a Proper Manner. Every bird sold for market should be well fattened. To do this requires no great amount of skill or scientific knowledge. If they are provided a liberal ration, composed of corn and oats with plenty of beef scraps, it will produce the desired results if other conditions are favorable. They may be fed, twice a day, a mash composed of two parts of cornmeal, two parts ground oats, one part beef scraps and one part bran, mixed with milk, if milk is plenty. This may be fed morning and noon and at night the birds may be fed a full meal of cracked or whole corn.

Buying Stock or Eggs. If you are going to buy stock or eggs, don't put it off until it is too late. If you can afford to buy a trio or pen of birds, by all means do so.

Discard Grade Sire. Never breed to a grade sire, no matter how good he looks.

Western Michigan A Region that is Rapidly Developing as a Fruit Growing and General Farming Section. SWEET CLOVER GOOD FOR SOIL.

Among the valuable loads of fagm produce marketed the past fall was a load of sweet clover seed that was sold by Samuel Willis of Thompsonville. Mr. Willis discovered about three years since that sweet clover, which was considered a weed by many of the farmers in this part of the state, was a most splendid crop to grow because of its ability to put nitrogen into the soil. He began growing the plant upon an extensive scale, using it in his orchards as well as fields. His 1914 harvest amounted to about two hundred bushels, and the first load marketed brought \$1,200. Other farmers in this section are buying sweet clover seed and sowing it upon land that is so weak in humus as to produce only light crops. The sweet clover makes a good growth and leaves the ground in splendid condition for a following crop.

brings up the land, a question too little considered today. With the ease with which we can grow alfalfa, sweet clover, the vetches, and other valuable forage crops, live stock farming is a sure winner. A deplorable fact that one notes when traveling through our farming sections is the quality of stock being raised. Not enough attention is paid to improving the breeds. This is a vital question. Grading up will largely increase the dairy and meat supply. In these days of progression there are no place on the farm for "boarders." We read and hear at the present time of embryos being placed upon products of the soil, on our manufactured articles, etc. A seeking of a panacea for every ill. Even could this be done, is it wise to inflict such an injustice on the tiller of the soil—the man at the foundation of our life and existence to-day. Is it not a wiser policy to encourage greater production—encourage the production of more commodities with our vast area of uncultivated soil; to work for more intensive farming on those lands now under cultivation, and the reclaiming of sold, now pronounced unproductive? I believe the producing power of the United States can be nearly doubled and make us one of the great, if not the greatest producers of foodstuffs in the world. This would not only take care of our own needs, but our supplies would create wealth and improve our conditions to such an extent that stringent and unnecessary legislation would not be needed to solve the question of food supply. The masses of people will take care of themselves if their country is prosperous.

I understand efforts will be made this winter to secure legislation by amending our present road laws, which, if secured, will work to the great disadvantage of our rural communities. I believe that the present trunk line system is for the best interests of the state at large, with possibly some extension to the system where it is shown to be needed. The West Michigan pike is to become a strong factor in the development of Michigan. I believe its promoters built wiser than they knew when they formed its organization, working in conjunction with our efficient state highway department, and with the officials of the counties and townships through which the pike runs. Not only have these men been advocating the main thoroughfare, but also the connecting roads, and they have done much in creating an enthusiasm that is contagious. With the situation as it is, a road travel cannot help but increase, and western Michigan, because of the pike, will receive much advertising and also a little revenue. The automobile has come to stay; it will be the farmer's motive power for moving his crops, as well as his means of pleasure, and he is, should be more vitally interested in roads, using, as he does, the highway every day, than the many who travel over the pike only when on pleasure bent. These strangers are liberal supporters of the roads and a valuable asset to the counties through which they travel.

Prosperity in Western Michigan President D. H. Day of the Western Michigan Development bureau at the annual meeting of the membership of the association in Traverse City, spoke of the work of the last six years in words of praise. He said in part: "The beneficial results of the bureau for the last six years are shown on every hand. Our people have come to realize that western Michigan is a good spot to remain in as is to be found under the sun, and that our advantages are exceeded by no section. New capital is coming in. Large enterprises, both by strangers and our own people, are being promoted. The incipient stage has been passed; the results of our work are beginning to bear fruit and the future is that of promise and progress. Prosperity is guaranteed. Success is assured if we will but take advantage of our possibilities. Let it be distinctly understood that the bureau's efforts are not confined to promoting only the horticultural advantages. While we know that our region is especially well located, and that it is the equal of any section for the business of fruit culture, fruit growing is but one of the many advantages we possess. Possibly it has not been demonstrated that all sections of western Michigan will grow fruit to the best degree. A large area we know will produce fruit with flavor, and there it can be profitably grown. Fruit culture today is becoming a science, and to those who will not pursue it along safe lines we say that it will be wiser for them to turn their attention to other pursuits for which the country possesses untold advantages. Trees set during the last few years are beginning to come into bearing; the old orchards are being worked up to a state of perfection; the time has arrived when the marketing question is the important problem. Each year I have called attention to this feature. It is vital; the success of our investments, depends upon it. The recently formed organization of fruit growers in Traverse City is a move in the right direction. I look for great results from their action, and I trust that the example set, with the experience gained from their movement, will cause other sections to imitate and follow their lead. The majority of our growers are now caring for and packing fruit as it should be done, and those who are not must mend their ways or go out of the business and devote their lands to other paying pursuits. The laws now in existence must be followed. Spraying, thinning, and first-class care of orchards must be the rule. Associations now formed and soon to be formed will cause other sections to imitate and follow their lead. The majority of our growers are now caring for and packing fruit as it should be done, and those who are not must mend their ways or go out of the business and devote their lands to other paying pursuits. The laws now in existence must be followed. 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CHAPTER XXII.

A Night of Adventure.

The federal government agreed to say nothing, to put no obstacles in the way of the Russian agent, provided he could abduct his trio without seriously clashing with the New York police authorities. It was a recognized fact that the local police force wanted the newspaper glory which would attend the crushing of the Black Hundred. It would be inexplicit. But their glory was nil; nor did Servan take his trio back with him to Russia.

Many strange things happened that night, the night of the final adventure.

Florence sat in her room reading. The book was "Oliver Twist," not the pleasant sort of book to read under the existing circumstances. Several times she had reached the place where Fagin overheard Nancy's confession—she fancied she heard doors closing softly, but credited it to her imagination. Poor Nancy, who wanted to be good but did not find time to be! Florence possessed a habit familiar to most of us; the need of apples or candy when we are reading. So she rang the bell for her maid, intending to ask her to bring up some apples. She turned to her reading, presently to break off and strike the bell again. Where was that maid? She waited perhaps five minutes, then laid down the book and began to investigate.

There was not a servant to be found in the house! What in the world could that mean? Used as she was to heartrending suspense, she was none the less terrified. Something had taken the servants from the house. From whence was the danger to come this time? Where was Jones? Why did he not return as he had promised? It was long past the hour when he said he would be back.

She went into the library and picked up the telephone. She was told that Mr. Norton was out on an assignment, but that he would be notified the moment he returned. She opened a drawer in the desk. She touched the automatic, but it did not take it up. She left the drawer open, however.

Earlier, at the newspaper office that night, Jim went into the managing editor's office and laid a bulky manuscript on that gentleman's desk.

"Is this it?"

"It is," said Jim.

"You have captured them?"

"No, but there is a net about them from which not one shall escape. There's the story of my adventures, of the adventures of Miss Hargrave and the butler, Jones. You'll find it exciting enough. You might just as well send it up to the composing room. At midnight I'll telephone the introduction. It's a scoop. Don't worry about that."

The editor ruffled the pages. "A hundred and twelve pages, 300 words to the page; man it's a novel!"

"It'll read like one."

"Sit down for a moment and let me skim through the first story."

At the end of ten minutes the editor laid down the copy. He opened a drawer and took out two envelopes. The blue one he tore up and dropped into the waste basket. Norton understood and smiled. They had meant to discharge him if he fell down. The other envelope was a fat one.

"Open it," said the editor, smiling a little to himself.

This envelope contained a check for \$2,500, two round-trip first-class tickets to Liverpool, together with innumerable continental tickets such as are issued to tourists.

"Why two?" asked Jim, innocently.

"Forget it, my boy, forget it. You ought to know that in this office we don't employ blind men. The whole staff is on. There you are, a fat check and three months' vacation. Go and get it. When you get it, return the check and the three months' vacation. I'll fire you myself on General principles."

Jim laughed happily and the two men shook hands. Then Jim went forth to complete the big assignment. Five minutes later Florence called him up to learn that he had gone.

"What should she do? Jones had told her to stay in the house and not to leave it. What was she to do? Why did he not say so? What was the meaning of this? The servants? She looked at the servants; she looked at the windows, imagining forms in the shadows. Her imagination had not deceived her; she had heard doors close softly.

"Susan, Susan!" she murmured; but Susan was in the hospital.

"Oliver Twist!" What had possessed her to start reading that old tale again! She should have read something of a light and joyous character. After half an hour's wandering about the house she returned to the library, feeling that she would be safer there than at any other place.

And while she sat waiting for the knock, she saw the door open and a man's head and shoulders peered in. She saw that it was the man who had been seen at the door of the house when she was alone.

"I was in the library and determined to give Florence a trial, following the directions carefully. It was a decided success as I was completely won by my high debutante."

"I had a decided opinion and kept after month, and do my best with the paper and my own money."

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nolelessly toward the Hargrave place. He passed a man leaning against a lamppost, but he never turned to look at him.

This man, however, threw away his cigar and hot-footed it to the nearest pay station. He knew in his soul that he had just seen the man for whom they had been hunting all these weary but strenuous weeks—Stanley Hargrave in the flesh! Half an hour after his telephone message the chief of the Black Hundred and many lesser lights were on their way to the house of mystery. Had they but known!

Now, the man who had created this tremendous agitation went serenely on. He proceeded directly and fearlessly to the front door, produced a latchkey and entered. He passed through the hall and reception room to the library and paused on the threshold dramatically. Florence stepped back with a sharp cry of alarm. She had heard the hall door open and close and had taken it for granted that Jones had entered.

There was a tableau of short duration. "You do not know me?" asked the stranger in a singularly pleasant voice.

Florence had been imposed upon too many times. She shook her head defiantly, though her knees shook so that she was certain that the least touch would send her over.

"I am your father, child!"

Florence slipped unthinkingly behind the desk and seized the revolver which lay in the drawer. The man by the curtains smiled sadly. It was a smile that caused Florence to waver a bit. Still she extended her arm.

"You do not believe me," said the man, advancing slowly.

"No, I have been deceived too many times, sir. Stay where you are. You will wait here till my butler returns. Oh, if I were only sure!" she burst out suddenly and passionately. "What proof have you that you are what you say?"

He came toward her, holding out his hands. "Think that you cannot shoot me. Ah, the damnable wretches! What have they done to you, my child, to make you suspicious of every one? How I have watched over you in the street! I will tell you what only Jones and the reporter know, that the aviator died, that I alone was rescued; that I gave Norton the five thousand; that I watched the windows of the Russian woman, and overheard nearly every plot that was hatched in the council chamber of the Black Hundred;

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King George's troops march well to the Tipperary song, but it is possible that the sultan's forces are hiking along to the tune "Turkey in the Straw"—Cleveland Turkey Dealer.

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"Stay where you are!" At that moment she heard a sound at the door. Her gaze roved, and it was enough for the man. He reached out and caught her arm. She tried to tear herself loose.

"My child, in God's name, listen to reason! They are entering the hall and they will have us both."

Suddenly Florence knew. She could not have told you why, but there was an appeal in the man's voice that went to her heart.

"You are my father!"

"Yes, yes! But you've found it out just a trifle too late, my dear. Quick; this side of the desk!"

Braine and his men dashed into the library. Olga entered leisurely.

"Both of them!" yelled Braine exultantly. "Both of them together; what luck!"

There was a sharp, fierce struggle; and when it came to an end Hargrave was trussed to a chair.

"Ah, so we meet again, Hargrave!" said Braine.

Hargrave shrugged. "What he wanted was time."

"A million! We have you. Where is it, or I'll twist your heart before your eyes."

"Father, forgive me!"

"I understand, my child."

"Where is it?" Braine seized Florence by the wrist and swung her toward the hall.

"Don't tell him, father; don't mind me," said the girl bravely.

Braine, smiling his old evil smile, drew the girl close. It was the last time he ever touched her.

"Look!" screamed Olga.

Every one turned, to see Jones' face peering between the curtains. There was an ironic smile on the butler's lips. The face vanished.

"After him!" cried Braine, releasing Florence.

"After him!" mimicked a voice from the hall.

The curtains were thrown back suddenly. Jones appeared, and Jim and the Russian agent and a dozen policemen. Tableau!

Braine was the only man who kept his head. He floored Norton, smashed a window, and leaped out. The blow dazed Norton, but he was on his feet almost instantly and followed Braine through the window. Across the lawn the two sped, with an exchange of shots which emptied both automatics but did no damage. Braine headed for his auto. He jumped in, only to be hauled out again by the furious reporter. A hand-to-hand fight followed; and the clean life of the reporter told.

"There, my angelic friend, I believe that the game is up. There is one shot left in this automatic. If you make any attempt to escape, I'll let you have it; not to kill but to disable. You and your precious countess will sail tomorrow morning for the Baltic, and there you will go to the lead mines."

He suggested his prisoner to ward the house.

"Your troubles are over, my child," said Hargrave, as he pressed Florence to his heart.

"And mine have begun," murmured the countess. "But I have still one shot."

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Jones' hand in his own. "Fifteen years ago I employed him to watch my affairs, and very well has he done so. And to you, you wretch," turning upon the haggard Braine, "listen; there is a million, and you have been within a foot of it a dozen times. It has been under your very nose. Do you remember Poe's 'Furloined Letter'?"

Under your very nose, within a foot of your hand! Now, take him away, Mr. Servan. The police will be satisfied with the prisoners they have."

So, presently, Hargrave, Jones, Florence and Jim were alone. That smile which had revealed to Florence her father's identity stole over his face again. He put his hand on Jim's shoulder and beckoned to Florence.

"Are you really anxious to marry this young man?"

Florence nodded.

"Well, then, do so. And go to Europe with him on your honeymoon; and as a wedding present to you both, for every dollar that he has I will add a hundred; and when you get tired of



The Escape of Countess Olga.

travel you will both come back here to live. The Black Hundred has ceased to exist."

"Well," said Jones, shaking his shoulders.

"Well," said Hargrave.

"My business is done. Still—" Jones paused.

"Go on," said Hargrave soberly.

"Well, the truth is, sir, I've grown used to you. And if you'll let me play the butler till the end I shall be most happy."

"I was going to suggest it."

Norton took Florence by the hand and drew her away.

"Where are you taking me?" she asked.

"I'm going to take this pretty hand of yours and put it flat upon \$10,000. And if you don't believe it, follow me."

She followed.

THE END.

SPHERE FOR WOMAN DOCTOR

Writer's Opinion Is That She Has Properly Taken the Place That Is Her Right.

They tell us now that we are the fighting sex. Why have we been so long? Ardent, beautiful, sweet as a nut, with nut-brown eyes under lids like pointed white flames, with her rippling ring of hair in the same sweet, hot tones, with her tall grace and grave glance and white, expert, sensitive hands—the scientist's hands which take account of a hair—why is she here—this woman—bending over her tubes and flasks and microscope instead of in a drawing room, with bouquets of white hydrangeas at her elbow? Why, within sixty years after medicine is open to women, are 10,000 practicing in this country alone? Is it because we are tired of ignorance in pity?

If there were no other field for woman doctors, unmarried mothers would make a place in the world for her. If there is any psychology of sex, or sex antagonism, or sisterhood among women, or any of the other things we talk of so gaily in our society, it is in the drawing room, with bouquets of white hydrangeas at her elbow? Why, within sixty years after medicine is open to women, are 10,000 practicing in this country alone? Is it because we are tired of ignorance in pity?

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Peas and Celery.

Make a delightful dish. Cook two cupfuls of raw celery cut in dice in enough boiling water to cover till tender. Drain off the liquid and measure out one cupful, thicken with two tablespoonfuls of flour rubbed smooth with one of butter; boil till smooth and add the celery and one can of peas which have been previously soaked in cold water. This is very dainty served in ramkins and slightly browned in the oven.

Bubble Pudding.

Put one pint of milk on to heat in a double boiler. Dissolve two tablespoonfuls of cornstarch in two of cold milk and stir it into milk. Then add the yolks of two eggs well beaten and one tablespoonful of sugar. Whip rapidly for a moment. Remove from fire and pour into a buttered mold or bowl. Cover closely and boil one hour. Serve with lemon sauce.

Caramelized Apples.

Pare, core and cut large apples crosswise in one-third inch slices; cut each slice in half. Put two level tablespoonfuls butter, two of water and four of brown sugar into the chafing dish. When hot and melted, add apples, cook slowly and turn, until apples are tender and deep brown on both sides. Serve at once.—Woman's World.

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OF VEAL AND CHICKEN

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Unless the salad is to be made of leftovers, the chicken should be especially boiled, carefully seasoned while cooking and allowed to cool in the water in which it is cooked. A generous piece of veal may be cooked at the same time with the chicken, or cold veal can be warmed over in the chicken broth or in hot salt water, to which a few chicken bones have been added. It also should be allowed to stand in the water in which it has been heated until cold, then cut up into even dice and used the same as chicken. Where a large quantity of salad is to be made one good size chicken, freshly cooked, as a basis with an addition of veal and as much more canned chicken as is necessary to make up the amount required, will be found an economy of both money and labor.

In boiling a chicken for salad, put into a kettle of boiling water, add a chopped onion, a couple of sticks of celery or a half teaspoonful of celery salt, a couple of bay leaves, a tablespoonful of chopped carrot and a dozen peppercorns. Just a tiny bit of fat may be added if desired. Let the contents of the kettle boil rapidly five minutes, then push back where the water will only simmer, until the chicken is tender. Cooked in this way the dark meat will be almost as light colored as the white.

Now let the chicken cool in the water in which it has been cooked. It is well to cook both chicken and veal before the salad is to be used. When ready to make the salad, remove the flesh from the bones, rejecting all the skin and fat, cut the meat into dice and measure. Add as much or half as much as veal, as desired. If the salad is not to be served immediately, sprinkle the meat with a little lemon juice and set away in a cold place. Cut into dice enough crisp white celery to make about two-thirds the quantity of meat, and have ready a good mayonnaise. At serving time mix with meat and over each quart of the mixture sprinkle a teaspoonful of salt and half a teaspoonful of pepper. Moisten with some of the broth in which the chicken was cooked (for a dry salad is an abomination), and enough mayonnaise to coat every piece. Mix thoroughly but lightly and turn into salad bowl lined with lettuce leaves or on a platter where the leaves have been made into little cups, each sufficient to hold a helping of the salad. This looks pretty and makes the serving easier. Spread a little more mayonnaise on top of each service and garnish with stuffed olives or the little sweet red canned peppers and celery tips. A quarter pound of almonds blanched and quartered may be added to each pint of chicken and veal, if you desire something especially nice for a wedding or other entertainment.

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ALTO VILLAGE NOTES.

W. A. Rounds was home from Lansing Sunday. The "Banner Class" of the M. E. church held their monthly social meeting at the church Friday evening. Chas. R. Foote, who has been in the Northern Peninsula with a committee from the House of Representatives for a few days, returned home here Saturday. Chas. Bancroft and W. H. Watts have had their autos painted this spring. Dr. Northrup of Grand Rapids was out over Sunday. He and Dr. Bond were called to Freeport to call on the sick daughter of Dr. Righterick. Leota Bancroft who has been ill for some time is improving nicely.

Miss Letha Bush and Valda Watts were invited to furnish special music at Bowne Center church last Sunday evening at a special service for young people. Trim your trees now if you have not. Also trim your habits and "cut out" the booze.

EAST LOWELL

Newcomers to us of the arrival of a little daughter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cleveland formerly of this place. James Godfrey of Indiana is visiting his brothers Frank and George here. F. M. Godfrey has a pump put in his bucket well. Goodby to the old oaken bucket that hung in the well. We tender our heartfelt sympathy to the Parsons family in the loss of their father and grandfather. We hope that Truman of Grand Rapids who is in the hospital and Beulah who is very ill with pneumonia, will speedily regain their health. Mr. and Mrs. Dell Myers received their insurance money Saturday and resumed house keeping near Saranac. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hulbert of Grand Rapids, a girl. The little one made her bow to the family March 12 at 5:20 a. m. and began to count his grandchildren on his second hand now. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ryder of Lowell were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Rose one day last week.

MORSE LAKE.

Misses Anna and Ellen Shantz of North Lowell and Whitney were guests of Marie Curtis last Friday night and Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Hull were called to Grand Rapids last week by the serious illness of their daughter Marjorie. Mrs. Hull is still with her but Mr. Hull returned to his home. There will be a box social at the school house this week Friday night. A fine program has been arranged by Miss Louise and Mrs. C. N. Curtis. It is expected that all the patrons of the school will be present to help swell the social fund. Harry Smith, operator at Lansing spent Sunday with his friend Dale Curtis. Mrs. O. J. Yelter and daughter of Lowell were guests of her parents a few days this week, made a business trip to Grand Rapids Saturday and motored back to Lowell Sunday with her husband and Miss Lena Yelter and Maud Curtis. Last Thursday Mrs. Agnes Hultine was seriously ill with pneumonia. All is being done for her that loving hands can do; a trained nurse from Grand Rapids has charge of the case. At this writing she is very ill. Mrs. DeRoy Wood is under the doctor's care now. Poor circulation

ADA NEWS.

By Hoo's It. A Plea for Liberal Citizens: The Ada school must close April first. The eighth grade pupils of the Ada school cannot graduate, "the cause" the Ada school must close. The twelfth grade must return another year or go without their diplomas "because" the Ada school must close. We will pay out a few hundred dollars in teachers' salaries which will do us no good at all, just because the Ada school must close. The school board tried to rent the old Baptist church which has stood empty for nearly three years, a menace to the village, and, by the way, is not taxed. But the sum charged for the building was so great they were forced to look elsewhere. And because the trustees of that old church building were not public spirited, because they were not liberal citizens the Ada school must close. The building the school now occupies has been rented at a loss by its owner for some time now, must be vacated by April first and the school must close.

Why wait that the trustees of that vacant church would not rent? Was it because they needed more money? Or was it because they were afraid they would not receive a modicum of that house of worship and have broken the greatest of all rules the Golden Rule, and instead of making that building a help to the town of Ada they have made it a detriment.

This is why, dear reader, that on April first your children will be running the streets again and the Ada school will be closed. Our prescription for a sick house a good coat of our best white wash applied locally or internally every three years. Wm. N. Perkins & Son, citizens phone 50.

Rev. Remmel is away taking a needed rest. Rev. Bennett, former pastor of the Methodist church is officiating during his absence. A business meeting was held Friday evening by the W. A. class at the home of their teacher, Mrs. Mary Cranston. Officers for the year are: President, Ray Schenk; vice pres., Howard Clinton; secretary, Maxwell Katz; assistant sec'y, Chas. Cranston; treas., Chas. Constable; Sgt. at Arms, Arthur Clinton.

D. M. Wilbur suffered a severe attack of heart trouble Monday but is considerably better now. Word has been received from Miss Leona Cranston formerly of this place, now attending school in Illinois, that she is just recovering from a severe attack of appendicitis. The Ada Literary club met with Mrs. Frank Harris Tuesday afternoon. After the usual routine of business Mrs. Ella Burt took charge of the program. The subject was "Utarbushism in New England." Program given as follows: Song, America; Solo, Mrs. Verne Farmer, instrumental duet, Misses Alice Nellist and Lola Katz; Paper, Utarbushism, Mrs. Ella Burt; Solo, Mrs. Mabel Freeman; Reading, Emerson's Self Culture, Mrs. Celia Cranston; Solo, Mrs. Fitch; Paper, Emerson and His Works, Mrs. Headley; Reading, The True Hero, Mrs. Blanche Haskin.

Club adjourned to meet in two weeks at Mrs. Harrie's, in charge of Mrs. Doris Schenk. Don't forget the Easter hats at Mrs. Hollway's. The "Thornapple" Myer bridges have just been replanked and put in a good state of repair. Mrs. Burch is quite seriously ill. Dr. Freeman was called to the home of his parents in Lansingburg, both of whom are very ill with pneumonia. Mrs. Goldie of Grand Rapids is visiting Mrs. Hollway. Did you ever hear how the Lowell Ledger lost a subscriber? Well, He died. Stew bad.

Note: The Ledger knows nothing of the merits of this case except as presented above by Hoo's It. It seemingly bears on hard. Any other views of the matter will cheerfully be given space. Editor.

District school report cards on sale at The Ledger office. Wanted—to see the \$850 Overland over the hills. Ask for demerit and be your own judge as to the power and easy riding qualities of this wonderful little car. R. D. Stocking, agent. Walter E. French of Lansing, worthy Grand Patron of the O. E. S., addressed a meeting of Cyclamen chapter, the Masonic orders and their friends Friday evening. Singing by Miss Irene Stowell, Mrs. R. T. Ford and Geo. M. Winegar and recitations by Louis Lash completed an enjoyable program. Light refreshments were served.

Notice On account of several complaints having been made to the Common Council, that people are not obeying the village ordinance in regard to keeping their chickens shut up, notice is hereby given to the parties at fault to abate the nuisance, and on the second complaint being filed the people violating the ordinance will be prosecuted. By order of the common council. H. J. Taylor, Clerk.

The following is a copy of the ordinance: AN ORDINANCE prohibiting chickens and other domestic fowls from running at large. The Village of Lowell ordains: SECTION 1. That hereafter it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to allow their chickens or other domestic fowls, or any chickens or other domestic fowls that may be in their possession or under their control, to run at large within the said Village of Lowell or to go upon the premises of another within the said Village of Lowell, without the consent of the owner of said premises or by occupant of said premises if another than owner occupy the said premises. SECTION 2. Any person or persons who shall violate the provisions of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine not less than Five Dollars and not more than Twenty Dollars together with the costs of prosecution and in default of payment thereof be committed to the County Jail of Kent County for a period not exceeding thirty days. SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in force and effect on and after the 30th day of May, 1907. (Passed May 6th, 1907).

If You Are Nervous and are losing weight, we recommend that you take Rexall Olive Oil Emulsion containing Hypophosphites for a short time. A prescription which we gladly endorse. D. G. Look.

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HEARD ABOUT TOWN

Newsy Notes About People You Know.

Chenille neck cords 10c at Weekes'. Buy your rugs and linoleums at Cadwallader's. Don Parker spent two days in Grand Rapids this week. S. F. Beimer is visiting his son Garrett and wife at Gaines. Six inch moire all silk ribbons 25c, all colors at Weekes'. Edisons and Victorias at Stocking's. Another Edison sold this week.

Chas. Holcomb of Coral visited his cousin Philip Holcomb the first of the week. Hiram Wilbur of Paris visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilbur Monday and Tuesday. Miss Abbie Malcolm attended the matinee "The Whip" at Powers' Wednesday. Miss Hope Custer of Elm Dale was in town Wednesday and made The Ledger a call.

Large and complete stock of all kinds of up-to-date furniture at Cadwallader's. Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Wilkinson spent yesterday afternoon at Frank Abbott's near Saranac. Look's drug store is just unloading the largest stock of wall paper ever brought to Lowell. Rev. A. H. Lash conducted the funeral service of Mrs. Amanda Clark at Saranac Wednesday.

Born, in Keene, to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Seisard, March 14, a daughter. Mother and child doing well. Now is the time to use Look's hair lotion to kill those chaps, 15c and 25c at Look's. E. A. Holcomb and daughter of Deckerville visited his father Philip Holcomb over Sunday. Alexander J. Onan died March 9 at his home in West Lowell, aged nearly 88 years. Obituary next week.

Bruce Krum and Will Graham were in Grand Rapids Wednesday and attended "The Whip" at Powers'. Don Caster and C. Watson of Grand Rapids spent Wednesday evening with Don Parker and other friends. Misses Alice Crawford and Mary Davarn attended a St. Patrick's dancing party at Greenville Wednesday night.

Mrs. Wm. H. Traits of Grand Rapids and Maud Brown of Fremont, Ind., spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Mrs. Fred Barnes. The family of Glen E. DeNise will move to Grand Rapids where Mr. DeNise is employed. George Shaw has charge of the DeNise grocery.

Marriage licenses issued to Harvey H. Roberts and Miss Jennie Van Timmeron of Ada and Elmer Howk and Miss Irma Ford of Lowell. Don't forget the date of our Easter opening, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 24, 25 and 26. Everything in new in the line of millinery will be shown. Mrs. R. D. Stocking.

Severe Head Pains Caused By Catarrh Cured By Peruna I Feel It a Duty to Mankind to Let All Know of My Cure. Peruna Did It.

Mr. W. H. Chaney, R. F. D. 2, Sutherland, Pittsylvania Co., Va., writes: "For the past twelve months I have been a sufferer from catarrh of the head. Since taking four bottles of your Peruna I feel like a different person altogether. The severe pains in my head have disappeared, and my entire system has been greatly strengthened. This is my first testimonial to the curative qualities of any patent medicine. I feel it a duty to mankind to let them know of Peruna. In my estimation it is the greatest medicine on earth for catarrh."

We have thousands of testimonials like Mr. Chaney's. Some of them were cured after years of suffering and disappointment in finding a remedy. Send for free copy of "Tills of Life." The Peruna Co., Columbus, Ohio. Those who object to liquid medicines can now procure Peruna Tablets.

Among those who attended "The Whip" at Powers' Wednesday: Mr. and Mrs. F. B. McKay, Mr. and Mrs. Collar, Miss Hethin Doyle and Will C. Doyle.

Village wants bids on street sprinkling. See official notice. Good job for some one and time to get busy too. See that dirt on the bridge walks. Phew! Our sacrifice sale has closed, but we have many exceptional bargains yet to offer, especially in pianos. Look these wonderful values over. R. D. Stocking. Relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. James Carey gave them a surprise Monday evening in honor of the latter's birthday. Games and music were enjoyed, refreshments served and Mrs. Carey was presented with a 100-piece set of dishes.

Mrs. Quincey Look died very suddenly Thursday at her home in Tecumseh, aged about 53 years. Funeral services were held Sunday. Her husband was a Lowell business man many years ago and his brother Dexter attended the funeral.

If you think you have a good hill climber just try and follow the \$850 Overland—the best car selling for less than \$1000. R. D. Stocking, agent.

F. A. Gould has purchased the property north of Ford's hardware formerly occupied by the cheese factory and will build a Ford repair garage. Only Ford repairs will be carried and a competent machinist will be in charge. E. V. Story will also use a part of the building for storage of Ford cars.

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: Joseph Lewis, A. S. Houghton, W. C. Houghton, C. G. Wieland, Harry Patterson, Frank Hiesche, M. B. Remington, Mrs. T. J. Elerick, Mrs. L. H. Hunt, John Aleson, Mrs. L. C. Hildroth, L. J. Boulard, T. G. Warner, W. O. Jury, H. W. Smith, Peter Lam, oreaux, M. J. Titus, Chris Heim, D. C. Hunter, Ed. J. Allen, W. Long, R. Ryder, E. S. Babcock, Leo M. Stanton, M. J. McCarthy. Many thanks for the above payments. Who will be next?

Vergennes Voters, Take Notice

Notice Relative to Voting upon the Question of Adopting Chapter 25 of Highway Laws by the Township of Vergennes, County of Kent, State of Michigan. Notice is hereby given, That demand having been made upon the Township Board of the Township of Vergennes, County of Kent, State of Michigan, by twelve or more freeholders of said township, all of whom reside outside the corporate limits of any incorporated village, requesting the submission of the question of adopting Chapter 25 of the Highway Laws of the State of Michigan by said township in accordance with Act No. 396, Public Act of 1913. Now therefore, said question will be voted upon at Township Meeting to be held at Alton Grange hall in said township, on the 5th day of April, A. D. 1915.

Ballots will be provided for voting upon the proposition, reading in part as follows: Shall the township of Vergennes adopt Chapter Twenty-five of the Highway Laws? YES [] No [] Shall the township of Vergennes adopt Chapter Twenty-five of the Highway Laws? NO [] Yes [] Every legally cast ballot found to have a cross marked by an elector in the square pertaining to the word YES, will be counted for said proposition; and every legally cast ballot found to have a cross marked by an elector in the square pertaining to the word NO, will be counted against said proposition.

The polls of said election will be open at 7:00 o'clock a. m. and remain open until 5:00 o'clock p. m. of said day of election, unless the Board of Election Inspectors shall in their discretion adjourn the polls at 12:00 o'clock noon for one hour; Provided, That should the Township Board of said township so decide by resolution, the polls of said election may be kept open until 8:00 o'clock p. m. Dated this 17th day of March, A. D. 1915. Art C. Biggs, Clerk of Said Township.

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Old Home Letter

Bellevue, Mich., Mar. 10, '15. Mr. F. M. Johnson, Lowell, Mich. My Dear Sir: I have sold the hotel and grocery and bought a place west of Charlotte, where we are moving. I expect to take it easy for two or three months. You will find enclosed a one dollar bill for the Ledger. The country around here is just fine, good land and good building and a stock raising farmers. Wishing health and prosperity may be yours. As ever your friend, C. H. Gison, R. 2, Charlotte, Mich.

General Election And Annual Township Meeting

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the Township of Lowell, County of Kent, State of Michigan, that the next ensuing general election and annual township meeting will be held at the City Hall Monday, April 5, 1915, for the purpose of voting upon the propositions as hereinafter indicated: State—Two Justices of the Supreme Court, two Regents of the University of Michigan, one Superintendent of Public Instruction, one Member of the State Board of Education and two Members of the State Board of Agriculture. County—One County Road Commissioner. Township—One Supervisor, one Township Clerk, one Township Treasurer, one Highway Commissioner, one Justice of the Peace full term, one Member of Board of Review full term, one Overseer of Highways, four Constables. The polls of said election will open at 7 o'clock a. m. and will remain open until 5 o'clock p. m. of said day of election, unless the Board of Election Inspectors shall in their discretion adjourn the poll at 12 o'clock noon for one hour. Robert C. Hill, County Clerk. Dated March 15, 1915. Frank N. White, Township Clerk.

Registration Notice

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the Township of Lowell, County of Kent, State of Michigan, that a meeting of the Board of Registration shall be held at the office of the Township Clerk, Saturday, March 27, 1915, for the purpose of registering the names of all such persons who shall be possessed of the necessary qualifications of electors, who may apply for that purpose. Dated March 15, 1915. Frank N. White, Township Clerk.

Classified Advertising.

ADVERTISEMENTS—Run in this department for one cent per word for first insertion and five per word for each extra insertion, cash with order; one cent per word for each insertion, if charged. Each initial and figure counts as a word. No ad will run longer than 12 Ads for 10c. Department must be in printer's hands not later than Wednesday morning.

REAL ESTATE AUCTION To close out an estate we will sell at public auction on April 3, 1915, at 10 a. m., 1 house and lot in village of McCords, and 80 acres of land on sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100. John E. Lind, Jr., Wm. H. Lind, Jr., Executors. Address Alto, Mich.

FOR SALE—HAND-MADE MIDGET CIGARS, also E-N-10, best nickel cigars, made by Lowell Cigar Co., and for sale by all dealers. 24c

FOR SALE—Large, vigorous, pure bred bronze turkey toms, \$6. Mrs. Clyde W. Overholt, Ada, Mich.

FOR SALE—One young work mare. Write or phone William Morgan, Route 21, Lowell. 40

FOR SALE—About six bushels of clover seed. W. R. Bowen. 40

FOR SALE—Team heavy work horses, weight 2200, Phone 249 P. Finels. 30

FOR SALE—For new milch cows enquire of John Aulsecker, phone 187-18, Lowell, Mich. c 40 3w

TWO FINE BRONZE TURKEY GOBBLENS—J. H. Bennett, Ada, R. 11, phone 23-37. Ada exchange. 40f

FOR SALE—Bay mare, ten years old with foal due in April. Brown mare, 10 years old, good worker and gentle driver. Bay mare, 3 years old. Dark brown horse, 3 years old. Anyone wishing to buy bulk salt by the ton, or less, \$4.50 per ton. Call G. H. Fredell, City, phone 142-1, Route 18, Box 30, Lowell, Mich. 39f

EGGS FOR HATCHING—From pure bred, laying strain Bull Rocks, 5c each. Also two fine cockerels after April 1. Mrs. H. VanderWall. Jersey cow for sale, due March 21. L. Bozang, Lowell R. 19. 40p

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FARM FOR SALE—100 acres, good house, basement barn and silo. C. E. Heaslow, Ionia, Mich. 45p

EGGS FOR HATCHING—From pure bred Mammoth Pekin ducks. Enquire of Leonard B. Kerr, Route 42, Lowell. Phone 92-4. 41p

FOR SALE—Three single buggies, one horse wagon, set of double harness, harness, shafts. Frank Jones, Ionia. 40f

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