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LOYALTY. If you work for a man, in Heaven's name, work for him. If he pays you wages that supply your bread and butter, work for him, speak well of him, stand by him and stand by the institution he represents.

The Knocker's Creed. I believe that nothing is right. I believe that everything is wrong. I believe that I alone have the right idea.

I do not believe the town ought to grow. It is too big now. I believe in fighting every public improvement and in spoiling everybody's pleasure.

Go To Europe. Whenever difficulties arise with foreign nations, the jingo bursts out in wild demands for a fight. Just at present he's holding forth at every corner drug-store and grocery in the land, where the proprietor hasn't got on to him.

are dog-like characteristics, which human beings usually avoid. Exceptions simply prove the rule.

THE advertising columns of this paper are the arrows that point the way to better buying.

LET the man who is ready to fight be the first to declare war.

Karo Preserves advertisement with image of a woman and product.

Arrived this week--The New Sport Tie. Tie them in 3 ways. They're 50 cents, with rings to match.



Wear Hart Schaffner & Marx Varsity Fifty Five for the 4th

Celebrate in the style hit of the season; you'll be dressed cool and right for the picnic, the home gathering, the ball game, the party, or whatever the day's fun may be.

At the left in the above picture you'll see Varsity Fifty Five---at the right you'll see it with patch pockets.

Make your clothes money do double duty---then you'll come here. There are no "dog days" for the man who wears our summer clothing.

Breezy, Cool Summer Things

Some more Sport Shirts in new patterns, \$1 and \$1.25.

New Batwing Ties, tubular and flowing end Foulards, 50c.

Windsor Ties and Wash Ties, 15c, 25c and 50c.

Summer Underwear, the mere mention of which will freshen you up, 25c, 50c, \$1 and \$1.50.

Perfect Straws, soft and stiff brims, \$1 to \$2; Imported Panamas \$4



"Where You See The New Things First"

A. L. COONS

The Home of Hart, Schaffner & Marx Clothes



Think of this store as a trust company; a safe place to "invest" your clothes money.

The new Holeproof Fibersilk Hose. They're 25c and here only.

George Mitchell, John, Mary and Pauline Wingler attended the ball game at Lowell Sunday.

WEST BOWNE Mr. and Mrs. Will Ellis attended the Bee convention at Jenison last Tuesday.

Ed. Davis, wife and daughter with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ellis spent Sunday at Rockford.

NOTICE TO CUT WEEDS

To All Owners, Occupiers or Possessors of Lands Or any person or persons, firm or corporation having charge of any lands in this state, notice is hereby given that all noxious weeds growing on any lands...

HOMES

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

COAL & WOOD



You'll Smile Too

if you buy your Coal and Wood of us, for our fuel has a maximum of heating quality.

Good Service and Prompt Deliveries Earl Hunter

Farmers Attention!

Am In the market for your Wool, Live Stock, Potatoes, Beans and Seeds

Having bought the Tin-Shop formerly run by the Scott Hardware Co., I am prepared to do all kinds of Tin, Galvanized Iron and Copper Work.

W. H. CHOLERTON Tinner.

5 Per Cent Net

No fees or expenses out and no taxes to pay. An investment unequalled for safety, convenience and rate of income.

CAPITOL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION Lansing, Mich.

Big Bargains

Furniture and Household Goods all the time.

SATURDAY SPECIALS

KITCHEN CABINET, worth \$15 Our price only \$7.00

DINING TABLE, worth \$15 Our price only \$6.50

THE AMERICAN STORE Successor to H. H. Reed One door east Lowell State Bank.

Eating on the 4th should be a joy to everyone and it will be so to you if your dinner is cooked from groceries and other foodstuffs sold by us.

S. W. Bangs The Old Stand-By

ONE or two Dr. King's New Life Pills with a tumbler of water at night. No bad, nauseating taste; no belching gas.

AN ad in this paper is as convincing as a flea beneath your undershirt. It produces quick action.

At the present rate of slaughter, how long will it require to depopulate the world?

The girl who persistently angles generally makes a poor catch.

WAR? There is no war--it's butchery.

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Renall Dyspepsia Tablets will relieve your indigestion. Many people in this town have used them and we have yet to hear of a case where they have failed.

Hold only by us--25c a box.

D. G. Lock

There is No Question but that indigestion and the distressed feeling which always goes with it can be promptly relieved by taking a Renall Dyspepsia Tablet before and after each meal.

25c a box. D. G. Lock.

BLACK IS WHITE

By GEORGE BARR McCUTCHEN

ILLUSTRATIONS BY RAY WALTERS

CHAPTER XX—Continued.

No, I do not forget, James. There was but one way in which I could hope to steal him away from you, and I went about it deliberately, with my eyes open. I came here to induce him to run away with me...

CHAPTER XXI.

Revenge Turned Bitter. She gave him a curious, incredulous smile, and then abruptly returned to her charge. "When my sister came home, degraded, I was nine years of age, but I was not so young that I did not know that a dreadful thing had happened to her..."

TELLS OF LIFE IN VIENNA

Wherein Conditions Are Different From Those That Prevail in American Cities. Life in Vienna offers many incongruities to the American. First, he will find, unless he has taken the precaution to equip himself with large sums of money that he cannot possibly afford to live anywhere except in a flat.

PRAYER BOOK SAVED A LIFE

Stopped Bullet That in All Probability Would Have Been Fatal to English Soldier. A petition was recently presented to the consistory court of London, by the vicar and church wardens of St. George's, Old Brentford, asking for a faculty to authorize the fixing of an oak box with a plate glass front, on the wall of the church, to hold a prayer book and the leather bag in which it was kept in the pocket of Drummer George Charles Edward Court, and the bullet by which it was struck during the battle of the Marne.

him. He was loyal to Lydia and to himself. "And what did he think of you?" demanded Brood scornfully. "If you had not come upon us here, he would have known me for who I am and he would have forgiven me. I had asked him to go away with me. He refused. Then I was about to tell him the whole story of my life, of his life and of yours. Do you think he would have refused forgiveness to me? No! He would have understood me as well as you—a what shall I say?"

to again and—well, it may be the last time he'll ever open his eyes. Yes, it's as bad as all that." "I'll go—at once," said Brood, his face ashen. "You must revive him for a few minutes, Hodder. There's something I've got to say to him. He must be able to hear and to understand me. It is the most important thing in the world to me."



"And What Did He Think of You?"

dropped as he passed close by her motionless figure and followed the doctor down the hall to the bedroom door. It opened and closed an instant later and he was with his son. For a long time, Lydia's somber, piteous gaze hung upon the door through which he had passed and which was closed so cruelly against her, the one who loved him best of all. At last she looked away, her attention caught by a queer clucking sound near at hand. She was surprised to find Yvonne Brood standing close beside her, her eyes closed and her fingers telling the beads that ran through her fingers, her lips moving in wordless prayer.

power to thwart death, at least in this instance, had its effect, not only on the wounded man but on those who attended him. Doctor Hodder and the nurses were not slow to admit that her magnificent courage, her almost scornful self-assurance, supplied them with an incentive that otherwise might never have got beyond the form of a mere hope. There was something positively startling in her serene conviction that Frederic was not to die. No less a skeptic than the renowned Doctor Hodder confided to Lydia and her mother that he now believed in the supernatural and never again would say "there is no God." With the dampness of death on the young man's brow, a remarkable change had occurred even as he watched for the last fleeting breath. It was as if some secret, unconquerable force had suddenly intervened to take the whole matter out of nature's hands. It was not in the books that he should get well; it was against every rule of nature that he should have survived that first day's struggle. He was marked for death and there was no alternative. Then came the bewildering, mystifying change. Life did not take its expected flight; instead it clung, flickering but indestructible, to its clay and would not obey the laws of nature. For days and days life hung by what we are pleased to call a thread; the great shears of death could not sever the tiny thing that held Frederic's soul to earth. There was no hour in any of those days in which the bewildered scientist and his assistants did not proclaim that it would be his last, and yet he gave the lie to them. Hodder had gone to James Brood at the end of the third day, and with the sweat of the forehead on his brow had whispered hoarsely that the case was out of his hands! He was no longer the doctor but an agent governed by a spirit that would not permit death to claim its own! And somehow Brood understood far better than the man of science. "The true story of the shooting had long been known to Lydia and her mother. Brood confessed everything to them. He assumed all of the blame for what had transpired on that tragic morning. He had himself before then, and when they shook their heads and turned their backs upon him he was not surprised, for he knew they were not convicting him of assault with a deadly firearm. Later on the story of Therese was told by him to Frederic and the girl. He did his wife no injustice in the recital. Frederic laid his hand upon the soft brown head at his knee and voiced the thought that was in his mind. "You are wondering, as I am, too, what is to become of Yvonne after today," he said. "There must be an end, and if it doesn't come now, when will it come? Tomorrow we sail. It is certain that she is not to accompany us. She has said so herself, and father has said so. He will not take her with him. So today must see the end of things."

The HOME BEAUTIFUL

Flowers and Shrubbery Their Care and Cultivation



Japanese Iris.

THE IRIS EASY TO GROW

By C. BESTCHER. Of all plants the most indifferent to all conditions and environments, soils and care, none yields the product that the Iris does, and with high culture it is just that much more satisfactory for the added attention. In all garden operations one should observe natural conditions of growth, as this with added good care will lead to success. The Germanic type of Iris is, in many ways, an especially desirable plant. It is most desirable as a garden flower or for cutting, as they keep especially well in the hot sun. Many people say "Oh, flags, they are so common." However, when they see a collection in good colors they very soon decide differently. Many growers go to far more trouble than is necessary in making preparations for planting many subjects. For all plants we recommend giving the soil a coat of manure in the fall, the fresher the better. Apply it at once several inches thick—if the soil is very poor, if good give only an inch thickness. When this thaws out or takes out, the fine particles are taken out. Do this several times between now and spring time, so the elements are well incorporated with the soil. Spade when the ground is in good shape—if possible, do so before freezing is over, for when spaded so the frost will penetrate it deeply, pulverizing it so it is soft and pliable, the plants will do much better. For German Iris, plant the roots deeply; but the bulb should be covered very lightly unless planting late in the fall or very early in the spring, when they should be planted about two inches below the soil level. At other times just barely cover them. When hoeing in the summer it is well not to draw much soil to them, as it is liable to rot them at certain times when they are more subject to this decay than others, when deeply covered with soil, and doubly so after they become larger. All the culture they need is to have the soil kept free from weeds and hoed very lightly or raked just so the crust is broken and kept loose. About November 1, before freezing begins, give them a good hoeing and a light dressing of manure after the hoeing. Plant or divide at any time. The Japan Iris requires much different treatment, while very easily handled when their requirements are understood, yet they are somewhat fickle. The best results are obtained when the soil is very rich, well watered and kept hoed at all times. Never allow weeds to attain any start in their beds as they cannot resist the encroachments of strong-growing weeds. Plant them deeply so that the crowns are fully three inches below the soil level. Plant very early in the spring, just when the growth is showing or late in October. Water well after doing it. They may be planted at almost any time if the soil is allowed to adhere to the roots and kept well dampened for at least two weeks. In fact, they should never be allowed to become dry. Give them deep hoeing and good mulching of manure during August or September, and hoe it into the soil thoroughly.



A Bit of Nature's Fern Garden.

Your ferns to be at their best next winter, should be retopped late in the summer. About two inches increase in the diameter of the pot is required. A compost can be secured from the florist or made at home. A good garden soil mixed with barnyard or commercial fertilizer is all that is needed. Too little of the fertilizer is better than too much, which will burn the roots. Broken bits of crockery must be placed over the hole in the bottom of the pot. Three inches of dirt is then placed over this and leveled ready for the plant. In removing the plant from the old pot, care should be taken that the leaves are uninjured. To avoid this, strike the sides of the pot lightly but firmly with a trowel. A sharp blow on the edge should cause the soil and root to come out together. The mold is placed at once in the new pot and given a thorough wetting. The new compost is then put in around it until the pot is filled. It must be remembered that the plant should always be placed an inch deeper in the soil. The day after retopping the plant should be kept away from the sun. If ferns are planted in the garden now, cut off all fronds to prevent evaporation.

Foiled. "Engaged the room for my holiday," he said, "because the landlady wrote me that they overlooked a superb garden of 400 acres, richly adorned with statuary, where I was at liberty to promenade." "Well?" Jones inquired. "It was a cemetery," he said, bitterly. Friendship. In the hour of distress and misery the eye of every mortal turns to friendship; in the hour of gladness and conviviality, what is our want? It is friendship.—W. S. Lander. Dog Garbage Collector. Instead of throwing her kitchen refuse into a dustbin the poor Cantonese housewife puts it into a sort of kennel outside her door for the wandering dogs of the city. That Depends. "Hasn't a man a right to change his mind?" asks a defendant sued for alleged breach of promise. Evidently not, where a woman is concerned.—Buffalo Times. Ways to Disguise Milk. Many children dislike milk so soon as they have passed their babyhood days. The food value is contained, however, in every essential to the growth of the child. Many mothers are therefore at a loss for ways in which to disguise the deperly milk, so as to make it palatable. Probably one of the best ways is to give the child a pure cocoa, made entirely with milk. Most children like cereals, and these can be cooked in milk instead of water. When served with plenty of milk the child eats unknowingly a goodly quantity of this food beverage. Simple cream soups will also prove a welcome addition to the child's diet list. Finger-Print Love. "Why do you think you'll be happy if you marry that young man, daughter?" asked the father. "Because, father, we've had our fingerprints examined and they almost match," was the sweet young thing's reply.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY PUBLIC LIBRARY

In accordance with order issued by the Michigan Railroad Commission on June 29th, 1915, you are instructed to charge the following rates for service in the Village of Lowell starting July 1st, 1915:

Table with columns: BUSINESS, RESIDENCE, Yearly Rate Gross, Yearly Rate Net. Includes rates for individual line, party line, extension telephone, and Citizens' Telephone Co.

TAKE THE CHICAGO BOAT TO... Effective June 20th to Sept. 7th. Double daily Sun. and Mon. Grand Rapids via Grand Rapids, Holland & Chicago Ry.

A TREAT IN STORE The Call of the Cumberland's Next. The Ledger has published many good serial stories; but if a brother or publisher is to be believed...

Officers of Lowell-Vergennes Township Sunday School Association. The Lowell-Vergennes Township Sunday school association elected the following officers June 21, 1915.

MORSE LAKE Miss Emma Engle, a former teacher in the Morse Lake school is visiting her many friends in this vicinity.

SAVED HER ARM Most people in Michigan will be interested in the case of Mrs. A. P. Brown of Dryden, N. Y., whose husband says: "My wife burned her arm so the muscles projected like a shell. The arm was so stiff she could not straighten it. Physicians failing to heal the arm, wished to operate. We refused and treated it with Handford's Balsam of Myrrh. She can use the arm extensively—Balsam of Myrrh saved the arm."

HICKORY CORNERS Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Pettet of Holland spent part of last week with her brother, W. J. Foster, and family. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Baker of Grand Rapids visited over Sunday with their son Arthur and wife.

RAILROAD TIME CARDS Effective June 20, 1915. EAST BOUND. 7:40 a. m. Daily except Sunday. 8:30 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

SOUTH LOWELL Mrs. Will Murphy and daughter Olive of Traverse City were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Wieland last week.

ELMDALE G. C. Longcor and wife of Lansing called on J. Bashore and family Monday.

LOWELL MARKET REPORT. Corrected June 1915. Wheat red 90 1/2. Corn 72 1/2. Oats 30 1/2.

THE PRIZE WINNERS CRESCENT FLOUR SLOGAN CONTEST. The judges, after the most careful consideration, have awarded the Grand Prize, \$25.00 in gold, for the slogan: MOTHER'S DELIGHT.

SALVAGE SALE OF THE Riede Dept. Store, Lowell, Mich. Is running in full blast. Thousands of people came from every direction, for twenty miles around, eager to take advantage of the wonderful bargains; and no wonder, for never before has such a high-grade stock of goods been thrown on the market at such low prices.

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How's This? We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Keene Center. Miss Doris Hull from North Keene and Miss Gladys Hull from McBride were Sunday guests of Myrtle Pinkney.

Canada The Playgrounds of America. Visit Algonquin Park, Muskoka Lakes, Timanami, Nipissing, French River, Georgian Bay and Lake of the Islands.

Idle Hour Theatre. Tuesday Serial—"The Master Key" THURSDAY SPECIALS. New Family Theatre. Wednesday Serial—"Elaine" MONDAY SPECIALS.

Lowell Chautauqua Aug. 31 to Sept. 4. Merchants' Mutual Fire Insurance Co. offers you first-class protection at reduced rates.