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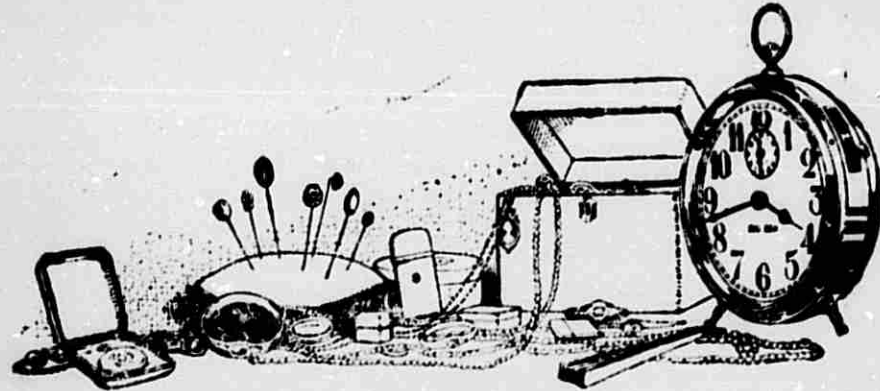
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MEMORIAL PROGRAM

Decoration Day Exercises In Charge of Lowell Schools.

Pupils of the public schools will assemble on the school grounds at 9:00 a. m.

The Grand Army of the Republic and Woman's Relief Corps will assemble in front of City hall at 9:15. Parade will form on East Bridge street in front of City hall. Procession will move from City hall up Monroe street to Oakwood at 9:35.

Program at cemetery begins at 10:00 a. m.

Music, Lowell Band. Decoration of graves, four groups from Junior High. During this ceremony the band will furnish appropriate music.

Re-assembly at Soldiers' monument.

Tribute to Unknown Dead, Woman's Relief Corps.

Benediction, Rev. Ira T. Weldon.

City Hall at 1:30 p. m.

Music, Lowell Orchestra.

Invocation, Rev. A. H. Lash.

Music, "Soldiers' Chorus," Faust, High School Glee Club.

Lincoln's "Gettysburg Address," Warren Aldrich.

Music, "Battle Hymn of the Republic," led by H. S. Glee Club.

Drill, Boys of Physical Training Class.

Recitation, "A Second Review of the Grand Army," Viola Chaffee.

Music, "Star Spangled Banner," led by H. S. Glee Club.

Declaration, "The American Flag," Beecher, Robert Horn.

Drill, Girls of Physical Training Class.

Oration, "Gettysburg," Ben L. Hardy.

Music, "America," led by H. S. Glee Club.

Benediction, Rev. J. E. Bodine.

All assemble at City hall at 9:15 a. m. The procession will form on Bridge street, east of the City hall in the following order:

Woman's Relief Corps in autos and carriages.

Soldiers and sailors in autos and carriages.

Citizens in autos and carriages.

The line of procession will be on Monroe street. Will halt in front of high school building and be escorted from thence to the cemetery by the schools.

During the ceremonies at the cemetery the band will play appropriate music.

Quite a number of autos will be needed to convey the veterans to the cemetery. Most of the "boys" feel the weight of years and are stiff in their joints. Their marching days are about over. Give them a lift.

The W. R. C. also are eminently worthy of the consideration of the auto owners.

Supt. Frazee advises that the schools will turn out en masse. That the high school is working faithfully on the program. Everybody may be assured that it will be intensely interesting.

The high school will also see that the hall is appropriately decorated.

Let all turn out and make this day one to be remembered in the history of Lowell.

Flowers.

"Cover them over with beautiful flowers. Deck them with garlands, those heroes of ours."

More than a hundred of the boys who wore the blue are sleeping their last sleep in Oakwood cemetery. Let us cover their graves with the beautiful flowers on the day set apart for that purpose. Everyone, boys, girls, young men and women, bring an offering of flowers next Monday afternoon to the Post rooms at the east end of pavement on Bridge street, where they will be arranged for use on Memorial day.

H.

Autos Wanted!

Several autos will be needed to convey the old soldiers, Women's Relief Corps and the orchestra from the City hall to the cemetery on Tuesday forenoon. Citizens who will send their autos for this purpose kindly notify the Adjutant, S. P. Hicks, or the Commander, D. O. Shear, by telephone.

If every auto in Lowell and vicinity would join in the procession it would furnish a sight worth going miles to see. Let every auto owner who can, come and help to make the procession a grand success. Bunting and flags make a fine decoration for this occasion.

H.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Preaching, 10:30 a. m.

Sunday school, 11:30 a. m.

B. Y. P. U., 6:30 p. m.

Union memorial services at Congregational church, 7:30 p. m.

J. E. Bodine, Minister.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Morning service, 10:30, A Woman's Memorial, Sunday school, 11:45. Evening service omitted on account of Memorial service at Congregational church.

Sunday school at Vergennes, 2:00; preaching, 3:00.

Tuesday, prayer meeting at Mrs. Tidd's. Thursday at the church, 7:30.

Ira E. Weldon, minister.

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PROSPECTS GOOD

Favorable Report on Wright Corset Factory.

At a special meeting of the Board of Directors and New Industries committee, Lowell Board of Trade, held at council rooms Wednesday evening endorsement was given to the proposition of the removal of the Wright Corset Co., located at Grand Rapids, to Lowell. Previous to this action the New Industries committee made a thorough investigation of the present management and assets of this concern, making a very favorable report concerning same.

It is proposed to form a new corset company at Lowell incorporating for \$8,000, taking over the machinery, trademarks, patterns, business, etc., of the Wright Corset Co. at \$4,000 and raising a like amount by local subscription. In case this company is formed, Mr. Wright, present owner and manager of the Wright Corset Co., would locate in Lowell, taking the active management of the new concern working in connection with a board of directors elected by the local stockholders.

It is proposed to start manufacturing the Crosby Corset line and the "Flexibone" corsets which have been widely advertised and have an established trade. In the course of six months this factory would give employment to 25 or more girls and women. This proposition will be actively taken up at the next monthly Board of Trade luncheon Wednesday, June 7th. This concern asks for no bonus and it is up to our enterprising citizens to subscribe the necessary amount of stock, which should bring good returns, if Lowell is to have one more needed industry.—E. A. A.

BEIDING-LOWELL PROJECT

Keene Meeting Will Boost Trunk Line Road.

A Keene booster sends in the following.

There will be a joint meeting held at Keene church Monday evening, May 29, at 7:30, to discuss the building of a trunk line road between Belding and Lowell, a distance of 16 miles. Frank F. Rogers State Highway Commissioner, D. G. Look of Lowell and others will be there to tell us what we want to know regarding this road. Representatives of the Belding Board of Commerce and the Lowell Board of Trade will be present. This proposed road will be a much needed improvement and we hope every farmer living on or near this road will turn out and boost.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Getty have learned of the wounding of their son Verne in the Canadian army serving in the European war. He is now in an English hospital, doing as well as could be expected. He received his wound in April and for a time thereafter was cared for in France. His parents hear from him quite regularly and are hopeful for his complete recovery. A letter received yesterday states that Verne is now able to get about the hospital grounds. He writes in good spirits and expects to be sent to the convalescents hospital soon.

THE SENIOR PLAY

Successfully Presented to Large and Well Pleased Audience.

Consistent with its reputation for originality, the Senior class Thursday presented something new in the form of a musical comedy "The Miller's Daughter," the first ever staged in Lowell.

The play was a success from every standpoint, especially financially; for the house was filled in spite of the rain, and \$110 were taken in, the Seniors clearing nearly \$90.

With the spirit which has always characterized the class, the Seniors worked hard to present to the public their best work and were well rewarded for their efforts.

The cast of character was as follows:

The Miller, Lewis Lash.

His wife, Pauline Behler.

His daughter, Madeline, Ruth Gibson.

His son, Revilo, Theo Bank.

His ward, Kitty, Hazel Maynard.

The parts were all well taken, especially that of Madeline. Charlie's demonstrations of love-making were much appreciated, as also the peddler's humor.

The fire scene was especially thrilling (though the fire was somewhat delayed owing to the dampness of the powder), the peddler making valiant attempts to extinguish the flames by means of a sprinkling can. The final crash was the collapse of the mill, probably made unsubstantial by the fire, but fortunately no one was injured. The dance by eight girls of the chorus was a pleasing addition to the play.

The Seniors feel they owe the whole success of the play to the directors, Miss Chaffin and Miss Huckle.

Dora Getty.

MISS IVA FORD.

Miss Iva Ford, daughter of George Ford, a farmer living four miles north of Lowell, died at St. Mary's hospital, Grand Rapids, Saturday afternoon, fifteen hours after being injured in an automobile accident, during which time she remained unconscious.

The body was brought to Yetter's undertaking establishment Sunday and taken to the home of the dead girl's sister, Mrs. Frank Condon, Monday. Funeral services were held at the Alton church yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. A. H. Lash officiating.

Coroner J. B. Hilliker of Grand Rapids was here Tuesday and impaled the following jurors: Harvey J. Coons, Verne Ashley, Frank N. White, E. S. White and Clarence Collar of Lowell and Charles Stone of Grand Rapids.

The coroner says the circumstances of the accident warrant an inquest and one will be held as soon as possible.

According to Saturday's Press, Miss Ford in company with five other persons, two girls, Frances and Ethel Clark, sisters, living at 326 Division avenue, and three men, were returning about 12:45 a. m. Saturday morning from the Herzog roadhouse on Division road in a new Oakland car, which crashed into a standing street car at Burton street while traveling at a high rate of speed. Miss Ford was riding in the rear seat and stood up at the moment of impact. She was tossed backward and landed on her back with a fractured skull. The car was turned completely around and jammed against a telephone pole.

The News says that Lee Bryant of Lowell and Ephraim G. Waltz and George Louis both of St. Johns were the other occupants of the car and that Waltz who drove the car had three ribs broken and a lung and kidney punctured. After the accident he slipped away and in spite of his injuries did not call a physician until the following day. He may not recover.

This (Thursday) morning's Herald adds the following:

The third man in the party whose name is said to be Bryant, is said to be in Alto at the present time. He recently resided in Lowell and is expected to return to that place in a few days. Upon his return the officers will probably communicate with him.

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The young women in the automobile who gave assumed names as Ethel and Frances Clark are Anna and Fannie Klinkenburg of Zealand, it is said.

Coroner Hilliker has not yet fixed the date for the inquest. This will depend upon the recovery of Waltz.

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This victory places the locals in the race for the flag. By winning next Saturday's contest with Rockford and overthrowing South Grand Rapids in both games yet to be played, Lowell would be returned winner of the Southern section. This means that Grandville must defeat South Grand Rapids next Saturday, which, however, is hardly probable.

Next Saturday Lowell plays Rockford at that place. The last game here resulted in a victory for Rockford. The locals hope to win this contest.

Every member of the team performed well Tuesday afternoon, their batting average going way above 300.

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A FATAL JOY RIDE

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THERE ARE NO FUNDS FOR FOUR MORE BATTERIES THAT THE COMPLEMENT REQUIRES.

MUST BE FINANCED LOCALLY

The University of Michigan Corps Cannot Be Taken In Unless The Money Is Furnished For The Purpose.

Lansing.—The Michigan National Guards needs four more batteries of artillery, needs them badly to make the complement suggested by the United States war department...

Any rumor regarding the disbandment of Battery B is absolutely false, according to the state military officials.

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MEMORIAL DAY

Governor Ferris has issued the customary proclamation urging the observance of Tuesday, May 28th as Decoration and Memorial Day.

Ypsilanti.—When an unidentified young woman lost control of a Ford automobile she was driving, just east of Ypsilanti, Sunday, it rolled over in a ditch, injuring all the passengers.

LOST CONTROL OF AUTOMOBILE

Six Hurt When Machine Rolled Over in Ditch.

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MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFS

Lapeer bird enthusiasts have organized an Audubon club for bird study. Lakes of Johnson and Baltimore townships have been planted with 60,000 trout fry.

Attorney-General Fellows has ruled that state game wardens have the right to cross private lands in patrolling streams.

Sixty thousand perch received from the Mill Creek hatchery Wednesday were planted in lakes in the southern part of Barry county.

By a vote of 669 to 169, Benton Harbor Tuesday approved a bond of \$25,000 for the construction of a permanent cement arch viaduct on Britain avenue.

In response to an invitation from the local church, the Seventh Day Adventists, of the East Michigan conference, will meet in Saginaw, June 22 to July 3.

Two Detroit men, Attorney Lucius Henry Collins and Dr. William M. Harvey, both natives of Romeo, Mich., died at their homes in Detroit, 36 hours apart.

Employees of the Kalamazoo factory who employed Mrs. Eva Steenard, held on a charge of killing her newborn baby, showered her with flowers in jail.

The jury in the \$5,000 slander suit brought by Miss Hazel Hastings against Mrs. Hazen A. Horton was tried in Marshall but was unable to agree after 20 ballots.

A part of 69 persons, including Kent county supervisors, road commissioner, council members of Grand Rapids with other city officials inspected the roads of Wayne county.

The annual encampment of the Michigan national guard will be at Grayling, August 3 to 12, according to the decision of the state military board at a meeting held in Detroit.

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MR. ROOSEVELT VISITS DETROIT

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MILITARY TRAINING FOR ALL

Two Speeches and a Reception With Some Rest Make It a Busy Day for the Colonel.

Detroit.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt in Detroit Friday made a stir that will long be remembered. He spoke in the Detroit Opera House which was filled to capacity his subject being preparedness and what makes American citizenship a force for peace and industrial progress.

In his references to Henry Ford and his peace propaganda and anti-preparedness views he praised him as an employer of men and captain of industry, denounced him and his following as like the pacifist Tories of Washington's day, and the Copperheads of Lincoln's time, who would "purchase peace at the price of ignominious cowardice, and who "unwittingly would have utterly ruined this nation."

Of course he scathingly referred to President Wilson's preparedness policy as sham preparedness. In one burst of eloquence he said: "We have to decide whether or not we doubt our national unity and intend to trust partly to a merciful Providence and partly to eloquency in high places. Those in power at Washington have taken the latter position."

"While we have been nominally at peace with Mexico, the Mexicans have killed more American citizens than the Spaniards killed in the entire Spanish war. Moreover, when the Spanish war was through, it was through, I would rather go to war than permit our women and children to be killed. If as soon as the great war broke out, our navy had been mobilized and a competent man put at the head of the navy department the Lusitania would never have been sunk; and we should today be free from all danger of war."

It was a busy day for the colonel and there was all the enthusiasm he could desire. He had no time to meet Henry Ford as had been announced he would do. He had sent Mr. Ford an advance copy of his speech and said to the newspaper man: "I will not meet Mr. Ford at his factory. I will have the greatest esteem for Mr. Ford, and he has been very kind in his repeated invitations for me to call upon him. I will meet Mr. Ford here, during the afternoon, and that word has been sent to him."

Michigan up against "PAPER FAMINE" Cannot Get Paper Contracted for a year in Advance to Print State Laws.

Lansing.—The state of Michigan is up against a "paper famine." The state printer has no paper upon which to print the compiled laws and other books which should be issued and the manufacturers, it is said, refuse to ship paper, although it was contracted for in advance almost a year ago.

The manufacturers say that the market for paper is such that at the present time they can only handle large contracts and the state's contract, being comparatively small, is not being filled.

The state board of auditors agreed to serve notice on all the manufacturers that if paper were not forthcoming at once, the state would go out into the open market and buy it and make the manufacturers stand the expense of supplying the pupils with new books, pencils and tablets.

Five generations are living in the family of Daniel Stivers of Litchfield, and he has the distinction of being the oldest resident of southern Michigan, having just passed his one hundred and first birthday anniversary.

The other four generations are: Mrs. Simon B. Hadley, Walter S. Hadley, Mrs. W. J. Anderson and Genevieve Anderson. Stivers was born in New York state in 1815. His father was a soldier in the revolution.

The Northern Michigan Development congress will convene again this fall at Litchfield.

Old Anderson, who recently came to Cadillac from Sweden, is beginning to doubt the right of America to its claim as the land of the free. He left his job as an army taker in Europe to cross the ocean in search of liberty, but he has spent most of his time in jail for being drunk. Anderson says he could get drunk in Sweden every week without attracting attention, and that the liberty of America is all a sham.

The Piro-Keo paper mill is being enlarged so that it will employ 100 more men.

A sleek stranger is still being sought by Washtenaw county officers. A smooth stranger called at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Ottmar, in Superior township, recently, on the plea that he was looking for a desirable farm. He was invited to look at the property over, and finally decided to buy it. He spent a week, and lived on the fat of the land. He left, finally to get his wife's consent and has not returned.

Two down-town sewer gas explosions tore up pavements and broke windows causing \$5,000 damage at Grand Rapids. No one was injured.

Steve Shied, employed on a farm near Fairgrove, died in a local hospital from injuries he received when attacked by a vicious horse. The animal trampled on him, crushing his chest.

While cutting down a tree said to be 115 years old, Edward Smith, of Saratusky, found a whetstone and an ax embedded in the tree. Evidently the tree had been hollow near the ground and the articles were placed in it for safe-keeping. The ax and whetstone are thought to be 100 years old.

Ross W. Judson, vice-president of the Continental Motors Co. of Detroit and Muskegon, has purchased a hydro-aeroplane and will fly to his office from his summer home at Lake Harbor as soon as the flying boat arrives.

After operating for nearly half a century in a green lumber cutting mill in northern Michigan, the immense Piler & Sons double-band saw and shingle mill of Manistee has been sold to M. Braudry & Sons, salvage and wrecking contractors, of Grand Rapids.

THE ROOSEVELT PLATFORM

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DODGING THE INCOME TAX

Corporations Are Said to Be The Greatest Offenders.

Washington.—Attempted frauds and evasions of the income tax law aggregating \$8,380,155 have been frustrated by the treasury department, during the first nine months of the current fiscal year.

The \$8,380,155 has been added to the incorrect returns, assessed against the delinquent corporations and individuals and will be collected. Whatever additional evasions and omissions may be uncovered in returns yet to be investigated will be similarly treated.

More than \$9,000 individual and corporation returns have yet to be examined before the total of the amount withheld can be ascertained.

Agents of the internal revenue bureau, working under the direction of Commissioner Osborn, have for months investigated all income tax returns and will continue their work until every one of the returns for the past fiscal year has been checked and verified.

The investigation is said to have disclosed that corporations have been greater offenders than individuals. By alleged evasion, omissions and direct attempts to defraud, corporations, whose returns have thus far been examined, are said to have failed to declare their correct taxes to the extent of \$5,034,026, while individuals failed by \$3,346,159.

Of the alleged corporation delinquencies, \$4,632,213 was discovered by the bureau's investigators, and the remainder \$401,813 discovered in auditing the returns. Revenue agents discovered \$3,028,016 of the shortage in individual returns and the remaining \$318,143 was found by auditing.

According to the mortality report issued by Secretary of State Vaughan 5,981 deaths occurred in Michigan last month.

Toulon.—A Greek collier was sunk by an Austrian submarine. Twenty-seven members of the crew were picked up by a French torpedo boat and brought to this port.

Santo Domingo, D. C.—Enrique Henriquez, former minister of foreign affairs, has gone to the United States at the request of various political parties to ask that the American armed forces be withdrawn from the republic.

Washington.—Pensions will cost the American people \$6,000,000 less this year than last under the annual pension bill, as reported by the appropriations committee. The total is \$158,065,000, two and one-half millions less than the estimates submitted.

Cincinnati.—George B. Cox, politician and theatrical magnate, died at his home here. Mr. Cox was stricken with paralysis February 29, from which he never recovered, although dead is said to have been from pneumonia, which developed in the last few days.

Rimini, Italy.—Serious damage was done here by the earthquake which shook central Italy. The houses collapsed and about 1,000 dwellings were damaged. The municipal theater and the under-graduate school buildings were cracked to an alarming extent and part of the church of Colonnella has fallen.

The State Horseshoers' association favors the establishment of a course in horseshoeing at M. A. C.

Students of the senior engineering class of the U. of M. face prosecution for violation of copyright rights in printing a book containing several well known campus songs for use in the senior sings this year. The proprietor of a local music store threatens an injunction. "The Yellow and the Blue," the university anthem, and many other songs which have been regarded as common property for years, are included in the book.

Louis Fiss, a Michigan Central employe, was killed at Albion Friday when he attempted to jump from a limited Michigan railway car and fell beneath the wheels at a curve. Both legs were severed.

The government has notified the state military department that the proposed artillery camp at Tolyhanna Pa., had been called off. The Michigan artillery will likely go to Grayling with the other state troops. The Tolyhanna camp is called off because the artillery in the east has been ordered to the Mexican border.

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RUSSIAN CAVALRY JOINS THE BRITISH

The Puzzle Where Did the Russians Cross the River?

London.—A force of Russian cavalry has joined the British army on the Tigris in Mesopotamia. The first news of the operations on the Tigris since the fall of Kut-el-Amra, says Lieutenant General Sir Percy Lake, commander of the British forces in Mesopotamia, although it shows that the Turks are still holding the Sanjars position on the left bank of the Tigris, where the British check made it impossible to carry out the relief of General Townshend, brings the welcome but astonishing intelligence that a body of Russian cavalry, after an adventurous ride, has succeeded in joining General Gorringe's forces on the south bank of the Tigris.

How this important junction was effected is still unknown, and the story will be awaited with intense interest. The supposition is that this detachment came from the Russian army which is threatening Khanikab, but it still remains a puzzle where and how the Russians succeeded in crossing the river.

TELEGRAPHIC FLASHES

Milan, Italy.—A new world's record for altitude was an aeroplane carrying a passenger has just been made at the Mirafiori aerodrome by Victor Luvet, who ascended 20,460 feet.

Berlin.—The negotiations between Rumania and Bulgaria for the interchange of goods, which were threatened with failure for a time, are now progressing satisfactorily. Concessions have been made on both sides.

Marseilles, France.—None of the passengers or crew of the French coasting steamer Mira were saved when she was sunk as the result of a torpedo attack in the Mediterranean.

El Paso, Tex.—Francisco Villa is operating south of Parral under an assumed name, according to a story current in Chihuahua City and brought here by travelers. They said the bandit, using the name of Augustin Garcia, which he employed at times in the days before he became a military leader, had gathered a force of 200 men in the neighborhood of Borjas.

Michigan Happenings

WOLVERINE News Brevities

Muskegon.—The veteran blacksmith of Muskegon, Phillip Ermewin, is dead at his home, aged sixty-seven.

Eaton Rapids.—Rev. John Claffin of this city will deliver the Decoration day address at Onondaga May 30.

Saginaw.—President D. B. Waldo of Kalamazoo will give the commencement address at the Arthur Hill high school June 22.

Saginaw.—The body of an unidentified man was found in the Flint river just west of Fosters. The body had been in the water for a long time.

Eaton Rapids.—Peter C. Leisenring, eighty-three, a former well-known contractor and builder of Eaton Rapids, is dead at his home in Lansing.

Grand Rapids.—Henry E. Noe, Chicago traveling man, dropped dead here. He was about fifty years old. He is said to have traveled for a Philadelphia rug company.

Chico.—Flossie, daughter of Ell Ramer, student at the Ferris institute at Big Rapids, died after an operation for appendicitis. Funeral services will be held Tuesday.

Muskegon.—Rev. John Kottler, pastor of the First Christian Reformed church of Muskegon Heights, has accepted a call to North Blendon, west of Grand Rapids, and expects to leave his position here about July 1.

Salome

The Tender Hearted

A TRUE STORY OF THE GETTYSBURG BATTLE FOR MEMORIAL DAY

SINCE the Confederate troops had occupied the town of Gettysburg all the residents stayed within doors, the children now and then slipping to windows in their curiosity to see the "rebels," as those members of distorted imagination went clattering through on their horses or stopped to rest in the shade of the trees which lined the streets. Salome Myers was working with her mother in the sitting room preparing the midday meal. Mrs. Myers was not one to wait and weep at the approach of armed men. She proceeded calmly about her routine housework without wailing.

For a time Salome wound the strips of linen and cotton as rapidly as did her mother, and gave no more thought to the outside noises than did the older woman; but at length the girl heard a louder noise than usual. It was the tramp of a body of infantrymen coming up the street. She was only human, and ran to the front window and threw it up. A large squad of Confederates were bringing some Federal prisoners into town.

There were signs of increasing excitement among the Confederates. Orderlies went clattering up and down the street, and men were cleaning rifles in anticipation of immediate conflict. Nothing happened that night. Salome slept little. All night long the military shouts were ringing, sharp orders and sudden challenges echoed through the streets.

In the morning she darted to the window. There was not a sign of the Confederates. They had gone. A little after breakfast another rumble and clatter was heard. All dashed to the windows, peered out, then tore into the street yelling like mad. It was the Union men galloping in. They poured past in seemingly inexhaustible numbers. The villagers, free to mingle once more, ran about excitedly. Salome soon found her place among the girls of her own age, who were as thrilled and awed as she.

Suddenly the cry ran around: "Buford's cavalry is coming. They've ridden all the way from Virginia without a stop," and a cheer of welcome followed the news over the town.

When they had passed an orderly dashed through the town calling upon all the villagers to go to their cellars. The battle was about to begin. As they were filing into their houses the first guns roared out, and gradually grew in number and volume until the windows chattered steadily in their casements. All day they crouched in the cellar. Now and then a bullet would strike the building, and sometimes the glass from a breaking window would tinkle so that they could hear it from the recesses of their retreats. Troops went rushing by, sometimes silently, sometimes with loud huzzas.

Late in the afternoon Doctor Fulton came to the head of the stairs and called down. He asked if there were any women below who could help care for the wounded. Mrs. Myers replied that of course there were, and started up the stairs. Salome would have followed, but her father halted his wife and tried to persuade her of the danger. But the good woman was determined, and consequently they all went up. The Catholic church close by had been turned into a hospital.

The girl darted out of the house and across the lawn. At the church door she halted. She did not dare look inside. Horrible groans, shrieks and cries were echoing in the interior. A couple of men brushed past her with one of the stretchers between them. She glanced down. A face covered with blood was all she saw. A weakness gripped her heart and she staggered to one side. Someone inside was cursing with persistent blasphemy. Somehow the vigor and naturalness of the act brought back her self-possession, and she marched inside. The floor was covered with blood. Men with legs or arms gone were rolling and tumbling over still, silent figures. Others were screaming and clutching at their mangled bodies in helpless and maddening suffering. A sickening odor set the girl's head reeling again. At her feet a man lay watching her with dull bearded eyes. She dropped on one knee and tried to speak to him. She had no voice. Her hand trembled and she started violently as she touched him. Finally she stammered, "What can I do for you?"

"Nothing," he murmured slowly. "I'm going to die," and he smiled feebly. It was too much. She fled to the church steps, quivering and sobbing in long gasps.

It was near sundown and the end of a horrible day. The rebel growl worse and worse. Doctors as bloody as any of the wounded men hurried here and there. Nurses ran in and out bearing bandages and buckets of water. Slowly Salome rose to her feet. She would go back in, she could hear it now she thought, and acting on the impulse, inspired by she knew not what, she scurried back into the shambles. She avoided glancing at the room, but knelt at the head of the man to whom she had first spoken. He was brighter and smiled when she raised his head for a draft of water. She opened his clothing and found a wound in his breast. She bathed it gently. A doctor passing told her that the man had been shot through the lung and that his spine was shattered. There was no hope. She looked down at the doomed man with great eyes. He was tugging at his belt and pulled out a pocket Bible.



Slowly he told her of the verse his father had read to both him and his brother when they had left for the front. She turned to the place and read it, all the while bathing his flushed forehead. He seemed relieved and talked much of his father and brother. Then he looked up at her and spoke in a strange, strained voice as though something almost too sacred for mention were being talked of. "Girl, you know—I can't—why, I'm married just two days, and she'll never see me. Oh," he groaned and shut his eyes.

She found, from the doctor, that no wounded man could be removed from the hospital. However, she urged so affectingly for the privilege of bearing the young soldier into her father's home that he consented, and sent two attendants to carry him over.

On the spare bed he was placed and his bloody clothing removed. Between the cool, clean sheets he breathed easier and seemed by contrast to be in veritable comfort.

Once as Salome sat by the bedside of her first patient she learned his name was Alexander Stewart. Stewart, while she leaned across fanning steadily, told in long, dragging breaths of his brother. Henry and he had been inseparable all their lives and had gone off together. Henry was the finest man God had ever made, and he had hoped they might be together when they came to separate for the last time, but his head sank and Salome said nothing. There was nothing for her to say. She ran out, got a pencil and paper and wrote to Henry in Washington, then to the timid bride back at home, and to the father and mother. When she had finished Stewart was asleep.

Salome returned to the hospital and labored on. The second day of Gettysburg was beginning to send in its terrible toll, and there was more and more work to be done.

Her own home was crowded, and her mother, still calm and wonderfully skillful, cooked and prepared necessities and delicacies with magic celerity. She scarcely knew when the three days' fight was over, so intent was she upon caring for her patients, and so steadily did they come in. As many as they could find room for were brought into the Myers home. Fourteen were provided for. For weeks the house was full, and neither woman slept in a bed.

On the sixth of July young Stewart died. Salome was with him to the last, for he had been his first patient, and she had held his head tight against her when he had talked of his young bride. But she had no time to weep. A man in the next room was calling for water, and she had merely time to close the dead man's eyes and fold his hands across his chest. But that night she wrote long letters to the young widow and to the brother in Washington. In a few days the father came to claim the body, and he thanked the girl as well as his grief would per-

mit. Henry, he said, had been wounded in Washington, but was recovering. Letters from the grief-stricken girl and boy came within the following week to Salome, and were so warm and affectionate that she responded immediately, but first to Washington. Return letters from the brother came steadily and were as steadily answered.

Even when Camp Letterman opened and a hospital of sufficient size to care for all of the human debris which Gettysburg left had taken all the invalids from the private homes, Salome did not give up the work. She followed her soldiers over to their new quarters and nursed them there.

With the advent of winter the nursing was completed and Salome at last freed from the exacting duties of her new occupation. Her correspondence was still very large. Many of the men whom she had cared for in the home and who had heard of her wrote often. Henry Stewart from the front maintained a continuous chain of letters. These Salome for some reason answered first and bent over the longest. He was out on furlough in July if all went well, he wrote in the early spring, and his sister-in-law was coming with him to see the woman who had made their loved one happy in his last moments. If they might, and Salome answered immediately that they might, and so it happened.

They came early in the morning almost a year to the day from the Gettysburg conflict. They came straight to the house, for Salome had written exact directions. Henry was much like his brother, and for a moment Salome was touched. She spoke not. The hair and forehead of the man before her was the same as that of the dead man; the lips had the same curve as those which had told the pathetic love story that night close to her cheek. All three were too moved to speak, and for a time there was a tearful silence between them. Then the little widow went to the great-hearted embrace of the nurse and Henry came near to following her, but held the firm, warm hand instead.

Salome took them over the battlefield, the church and scenes sacred to Alexander's memory, and showed them so completely by her brave, womanly sympathy and strength that they clung to her in their grief like children to their mother's skirts.

The widow did not let her sorrow so completely dominate her but that she saw things that led her to find various excuses for staying away, when a walk or expedition was mentioned. She managed to leave the two, Henry and Salome, more and more alone.

When they plighted their troth it is not for the world to know, but the beautiful romance came to fruition in marriage and Rev. Henry Stewart and Mrs. Stewart lived happily in Gettysburg for many years.

TAKEN FROM EXCHANGES

A Pennsylvania inventor's combination billiard and pool table that can be folded compactly is featured by a bed made of heavy rubber instead of slats. Maj. Charles Young of the United States army, to whom the Spingarn medal was recently awarded, is a full-blooded negro. Steam railroads in this country burn 135,000,000 tons of coal a year. President Ryan of the Anaconda Copper company estimates profits for 1915 at \$16,000,000. An American inventor has patented a life-saving suit for aeronauts involving a cushioned cap and back and front pads for the body communicating so that they can be blown up by a tube extending to the mouth of the aviator, communicating pads being provided on opposite sides of the legs and yielding, spring-supported shoes being carried on the feet and the center of gravity being well below the waist, so that in falling the person will fall feet foremost.

When Charity is Offensive. Charity is offensive in its publicity and its givings. It destroys the receiver's sensitiveness, then his usefulness, then his manhood. Persistence in receiving charity will create a nation of paupers. If the money now spent in charity could be expended in educating all, rich and poor, in the ethics of justice in the distribution of wealth, the seeming necessity for charity would disappear when these ethics were applied to the conduct of society.—Detroit Journal.

She Rebels. "Now, my dear, you must be consistent in politics. Always vote the same way." "How absurd!" retorted his wife. "I voted in a blue suit last year. You don't expect me to do that again?"

Ideal. Lawyer—What sort of a neighbor is he? Witness—Best one I ever had. Lived next to him for five years. "Then you know him intimately?" "Never spoke to him."—L.A.

Cultivate Good Manners. From a wide experience, I believe this matter of manners to be one of the most earnest consideration, and a noted writer well expresses it thus: "Good manners in the household are like oil on complicated machinery—like cushions spread over rough and winding ways—but they are more important than anything else in their result of a refined early life shows itself in all that a man or woman becomes."—M. A. Moore.

Feels Relieved. "Will," said Mrs. Spendthrift. "I've got lots of things I want to talk to you about." "Glad to hear it," snapped her husband; "usually you want to talk to me about lots of things you haven't got."—Life.

No Doubt. "You pour these concrete houses, making the furniture and all." "Concrete furniture fastened to the floor? I suppose that bars rockers' chairs."

DRESS FOR SUMMER

DECREE IS THAT SPORTS CLOTHES ARE TO RULE.

For the Majority of Women It Means an Increased Expenditure for the Wardrobe—Gay Colors to Be in Order.

In other days dressmakers did not smile when women insisted that they would wear informal clothes throughout the summer. This meant a number of white duck skirts made at home, shirtwaists aplenty that were



Golf Coat and Skirt. Coat of Black Jersey and Black and Yellow Checked Skirt.

picked up here and there, one sweater that was bought for five dollars at a department store and one hat, if any, that did not represent much of an outlay in money.

But today the prophecy that sports clothes will rule for the next four

months brings a look of ecstasy into the faces of all who sell woman's apparel, for along this path lie riches. Sports clothes are de luxe this season. No woman will content herself with one such costume; she will buy as long as her money holds out. This is the reason for the smile that the dressmakers and the shopkeepers wear. Each week is taxed to its utmost in turning out a dozen or more new suggestions, and for all such bait there is not only a nibble but a good-sized bite. Women who have indulged in one tailored suit for the spring which they intended to make serve through the autumn, are buying four suits with much paraphernalia and many accessories to match.

The wearing of sports clothes keeps you in the atmosphere, say Newport and Bar Harbor, and the woman who has never even wielded a racket at the Casino in Newport or gone on a picnic to Jordan's pond in Bar Harbor, is, nevertheless, getting ready to adorn herself with flaunting awning skirts, tennis shoes, gay sweaters and colored stockings. All that she is asked to do is sit serenely in the sunshine in her plumage of a parakeet so that she will not make a discordant note in the junglelike riot of colors.

Green and black checks are widely used for sports suits made of cloth also for top coats. Women who play golf a good deal are making a run for a suit with a slightly rippling skirt and a short jacket, made of bright green and black checked home spun; there is also a two-inch belt of the sturdiest black grained leather with a silver harness buckle.

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HATS OF VARIED DESIGN

Milliners Incline to the Picturesque in the Shapes Put Forward for Fashion's Approval.

The newest dress hats incline to picturesque brims and a flat crown. They are, in fact, quite the antithesis of the directorio or mushroom shapes and are designed with a view to their proper completion of taffeta, satin or sero. frocks. Reboux has used ostrich feathers to band a Gainsborough shape, and Talbot has also set the seal of approval on ostrich plumes by using the latter to emphasize the cavalier picturesqueness of models from that house.

Lisere, leghorn, tapal, erin lace and Milan are the straws favored. A curious combination is shown in a Milan sailor from Reboux which has the crown and upper brim made of gray worsted. The worsted is laid in strips without any attempt at a fancy design and there is a pompon of the same posed directly in front. There are other hats made of straw with an angora surface. Doubtless these will be very good for early spring.

Another strange contribution to the list is a hat made of blue taffeta combined with a braid made of cork in its natural color. The use of patent leather braided in basket weave is not new to this season, although it is a candidate for renewed favor. Then there are the confetti hats sent to America by Jeanne Duc. Models of this sort are of medium sailor shape and have the crown liberally sprinkled with tiny disks of brilliant color in confetti suggestion.

Be Sure Gloves Are Correct.

In no detail of dress is the knowledge of fine discrimination in sartorial things more evident than in the choice of gloves. Yet a surprising number of women, otherwise well-dressed, make mistakes in glove-wear. For instance, white glove kid gloves are not correct in the morning, unless one is on the way to a luncheon or some other formal affair; yet how many women one meets on a morning's shopping expedition gloved in formal white? Fawn-colored or bisque gloves are now more fashionable in Paris

NOVEL SCARF TRIMMING

Parisian Idea of Using Heads of Animals for the Purpose Has Been Generally Taken Up.

Animal head scarfs are among the novelties of the season. They have recently come over from Paris and promise to be much used by women needing a light wrap across the shoulders or on the head, while traveling.

In making these scarf-trimmings, heads are cut from figured silk, cretonne, chintz or other material and sewed neatly by hand to a piece of georgette crepe, chiffon, crepe de chine or other soft silk, two yards long and twenty-seven inches wide, in groups. In some cases the animals' heads are outlined by pencil on a

Wear Costumes Much Alike

French Fancy is for Sisters to Dress in Garments That Have Quite Marked Resemblance.

In France it is often the custom for two sisters to dress alike, with some little personal differences in the style features. Two blue taffeta frocks are a very good example of this idea.

Unique Suit. A unique coat suit of white serge seen recently at one of the winter resorts had a collar, revers, wide cuffs and a wide belt of black kid. The revers and cuffs were edged with hunter's green suede, and the belt was toned with green suede buttons through large buttonholes piped with the green.

Twin Petticoats. Quite new this season is the twin underskirt. This is made with a well fitting vest-tee which two peculiar skirts are suspended.

The HOME BEAUTIFUL

Flowers and Shrubbery Their Care and Cultivation



White House Conservatory Where Violets of Unusual Size, Color and Beauty Are Raised.

A LIVING IN VIOLETS

By L. M. BENNINGTON.

Two thousand dollars was the amount netted two young women last year who raised violets for the New York market. The girls started in four years ago with a capital of less than \$50 and about as little experience as girls who have lived in the country all their lives could have about anything growing.

Their first investment was 12 m-gal glazed hotbed sashes, 3 by 6 feet, at 70 cents a sash. They glazed them themselves at a cost of \$19. They started their experiment in the fall and devoted their evenings to studying up varieties. They determined to choose the Marie Louise, as it was of the double varieties most popular in the New York market, and beside the Lady Hume Campbell, the only double variety suited for commercial growing.

Early in March they invested \$10 in cuttings of the Marie Louise and began work in earnest. Following the advice of a successful grower of violets they potted these cuttings in 2-inch pots in a mixture of one well-rotted manure to three parts garden soil. Besides mixing thoroughly, the soil was sifted to free it from lumps. The pots were then set in a frame in the garden and covered with four of the sashes. There were about a thousand pots in all, but unfortunately the cuttings were very poor.

While waiting for the cuttings to root they built the frame into which they were to be permanently set. This frame was only a rough box, 6 feet wide by 36 long, 12 inches deep in the back and half as much in front.

The frame was placed in a fertile spot in the garden. Over the surface of the soil they spread well-rotted stable manure to the depth of 3 or 4 inches. It required all of their spare time for a month to get the soil to their satisfaction. About the middle of April they selected the largest cuttings for planting first, leaving the small plants for the last. Knocking them carefully out of the pots, they set them in the frame 8 inches apart in 6-inch rows. They soon discovered that they had only room for about one-half the cuttings.

The young women built another frame and set the last of their young plants.

The first summer there was the red spider to fight against. July and August found them very busy syringing the plants. It was a difficult task, as the stream must be kept down low enough to strike the leaves underneath and turn them completely over.

About the middle of September the plants began to bloom, and although they kept the blossoms closely picked they did not attempt to sell them until the first week in October. They allowed the florist in their home town to have all their blossoms at the rate of 40 cents a hundred in October and 55 cents a hundred in November.

In October they built their first greenhouse. It was 60 by 20 feet, and helping with the work they managed to reduce the cost of the first estimate of \$80 to \$65.

Early in November the plants were lifted from the frame and set in beds in this greenhouse, and so well was the work done that none of the plants stopped blooming. At Christmas nearly 4,000 blossoms were picked and were sold for ninety cents a hundred.

During May the young women began preparations for their second season by putting in a second thousand young plants. To save the trouble and



A Fine Example of Cineraria Hybrida, Showing the Wide Range of Color and Shape of Petal.

Pride in the Way. "By golly," gurgles a friend of ours who is not a contrit nor a correspondent nor anything else but a casual caller. "By golly, I met the nerviest guy down here on East Sixth street I ever saw in my life." "Go ahead and tell us about it," we said, wearily. "This panhandler came up to me and said, 'Would you please help a poor man what ain't able to work?' Why, you look pretty strong, says I, I've been home, I've been at my job, I've been up and down the street

Rare Beauties. "Here's an article about peeling peaches," remarked the slangy person. "Peeling peaches?" "Yes, Peeling peaches," said the other. "The peaches are so

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The Difference.

How far apart are Col. Roosevelt and the democratic administration?

The colonel says that he wants an army of 250,000 men. Senator Chamberlain's army bill provided for 250,000 men.

The colonel wants a proper reserve. He does not define what he means by "proper."

The colonel wants "universal service" based on universal training. For this, no provision has been made by congress.

So it is not the president, not the "administration," on whom the colonel's strictures fall.

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Memorial Day Duty Calls You.

Five hundred pupils of the Lowell schools are expected to join the Decoration day parade. The Lowell orchestra and a temporary band of musicians have kindly volunteered their services.

MANY years ago the question was asked: "If the irresistible should come in contact with the immovable what would take place?"

A GREAT hue and cry has been raised for "the second largest navy in the world."

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PERE MARQUETTE Not Yet "Out of the Woods"

OCCASIONALLY I meet someone who has come to believe, on account of the better showing now being made by the Pere Marquette, that its troubles are over and its problems all solved.

Thanks to the loyal support of our men, the co-operation of the public, and improved business conditions, we have made good progress, but much remains to be done.

Some of the Accomplishments: We are paying our operating expenses promptly, with a payroll of about \$8,000,000 a year and material and supply purchases of \$1,000,000 more.

Some of the Things Yet to Do: We must finish paying up the creditors, who more than two years ago furnished materials and supplies to the Receivers, and who have not yet had all of their money.

All this indebtedness has had to be incurred because the Road has not been able to earn enough to pay its way, and the Court has been obliged to borrow money to continue its operation so that the people of Michigan could have service.

Although the better earnings of today may be temporary only, due to the unusual conditions prevailing on account of the war, we are grateful for the larger income while it continues.

We ask for the continued help of all to bring about ultimate success. The successful policy of the future must be constructive, not destructive.

Talk No. 5 Operating Receiver, Pere Marquette Railroad

Every Time We Sell a Package of W. J. G. Tea

we figure on making a loyal customer for tea--one whom it will take some pretty stiff arguments to switch off to another brand and even if then the rest of the family will object.

It comes fresh packed in air tight packages, from the finest gardens in Japan; noticeably more delicious flavor; an exquisite cup quality; 25 cents the package.

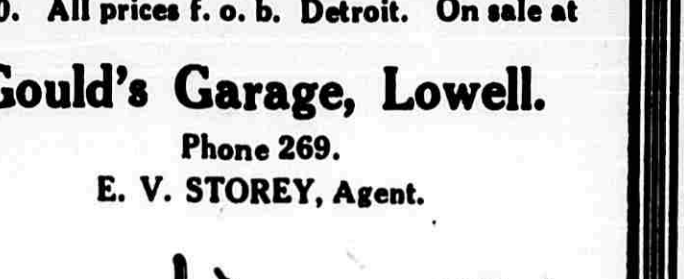
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Well, Young Man, How About It?

Have you seen what this young men's store has for you this season?

Are you posted on our wonderful array of the Spring Clothes?

Lots of you are, but not enough! This invitation "follows up" several you have had from us to come in and give this spring display a good, long, careful look.

These are the finest young men's suits made in this country. Ask for Varsity Fifty Five---in all its variations.

Come and spend a pleasant half hour; not to buy, necessarily, just to look! Our prices are \$10, \$12, \$15, \$18, \$20 and up.

More New Things Bright Shirts in new designs at \$1.00 New Hats in latest styles at \$2.00 "Sonny" Blouse for the boy at 50c Boys' Suit Specials at \$2.50 and \$4.85.

COONS The Home of Hart, Schaffner & Marx Clothes.

All right! Let's shed the "heavies" and get some Lighter Underwear. You'll find it easy if you come here--there's any style and material you'll want and in such fine makes as Imperial, B. V. D., Porosknit, Nainsook and others.

ALTON. Glenner meeting was held at R. B. Davis' last Saturday night.

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HAPPENINGS

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BIG CITIES

How They Make Street Cars Stop in Chicago

CHICAGO.—John rested his weight on one foot, banged a hollow dinner pail against his knee, and watched a Cottage Grove car sail insolently by, bulging with the human-loop machine. John wanted to get home, and there was lots of room in a superstitious stomach to permit his resentment against the company to expand.



John was shortly joined by John, Jim, Harry, William, Horace, Tom, et al., to the number of 200, and they banged their dinner pails and watched the car sail past Ninth and Cottage Grove without even a tactful hesitation. They had observed the phenomenon for so many evenings that it had almost become a quaint old custom. It may have been the rakish trolley pole which suggested the ensuing bit of land-piracy, or possibly the motorman waited them an exasperating grin. At any rate, the dinner-pale buccaners picked out one car, pulled off the trolley pole and swarmed aboard with curs instead of cutlasses between their teeth. Man, woman and child, bled in arms, were sent over the plank with their clammy, useless transfers clamped in hand.

When the passengers had been emptied from the car the raiders broke windows, tore up seats, and completely wrecked the vehicle. A call sent in by the crew brought police, but the crowd dispersed at the bluecoats' approach and no arrests were made.

The protest was effective. The car company switched cars from branch lines to carry the bad buccaners home. Most of the party which held up the car are workmen employed at plants and shops near this corner, who live in Pullman, West Pullman and Roseland. They have made many complaints of the inadequate service, the police declare, and scores of them during the rush hour have been forced to wait an hour or more for a car.

Puppies Are Guests of a Great New York Hotel

NEW YORK.—With the hum of mighty drivewheels for their lullabys and grimy engine-room workers for their nurses, seven motherless puppies are being coddled to strong young doghood in the subbasement of one of New York's greatest hotels. On the diet, which was devised, along with the feeding apparatus, by the chief engineer of the hotel, they are growing fat and playful.



Up in the hotel kitchen, nearer the level of the earth than the deeply hidden engine room, highly paid chefs each day prepare the milk which the puppies suckle three times every 24 hours. It is diluted and sweetened and then heated to the proper temperature before it is poured into seven carefully scalded bottles that are placed in the rack from which the pups are fed.

Each bottle has a rubber tube and the conventional nipple, only in this case the nipple is the thickest which could be found. The seven little pups, packed close together in a row, eat regularly at nine in the morning and one and a half past four o'clock in the afternoon.

The dogs are the offspring of the chief engineer's fox terriers, Nifty and Dot. Dot, the mother, died less than two weeks after the pups were born, and the chief engineer faced the problem of either drowning the dogs or raising them. The idea of drowning them never seriously entered the chief engineer's head, for he loves dogs, and he had seen the marking on the pups and knew of what breed they were.

So he sat himself in his big chair and thought for a long time; after which he called on the chefs in the kitchen and talked persuasively. The result was the nursery in the subbasement, where the great machinery which heats, lights and maintains the hostelry has its being. The pups have never been to the surface of the earth yet, but they are getting frisk and fet despite that.

Social Usage Course in New York University

NEW YORK.—At last a college is meeting the real needs of the age. The classics may be forgotten, but New York university has a course in social usage and etiquette. Arthur H. Nason, assistant professor of English, is the instructor. He is a tall, courteous person, with a very neat Van Dyke beard, and evidently well qualified to give such a course. He assured a reporter that the course is not official. But it may become such in time. He said a group of medical preparatory students wanted it for purely professional purposes. A doctor must know how to get along with his patients, you know.



"How many students have you?" "Fifteen or twenty, depending on the weather and the ball game," was the smiling response.

"And just what do you study?"

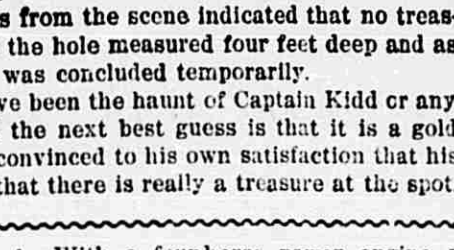
"We're very practical. The first time we studied 'Usages in Public.' Last time it was 'The Bachelor as Guest.' Next time we will take up 'The Bachelor as Host.'"

The professor was very uncommunicative as to just what topics came under these heads. "Usages in Public," it was explained, covered "how to act on the street or in the theater." Possibly it includes a careful study of the various methods of removing one's hat when meeting a woman on the street. Should it be lifted, or should it be lowered with a graceful sweep? Then there is that vexed question of just when it is proper to take a girl's arm, and how much of it one should take.

The subject of "The Bachelor as Guest" would naturally involve such topics as: What to say when you have spilled soup on the table; how to manage spaghetti when your hostess is watching you; the propriety of gnawing a chop while holding it in your fingers; how to eat grapefruit without soiling the juice; and "The Proper Remarks to Make When Viewing the Infant Child of a Relative."

Shreveport Treasure Hunter Keeps on Digging

SHREVEPORT, LA.—Having discovered evidence of what he believes is buried treasure or a gold mine on a piece of ground on Fairfield avenue owned by Dr. J. M. Combes in the most exclusive residence district of the city, a Shreveport contractor named Farmer spent all day and part of a night digging in the plot for hidden wealth.



Farmer claims he was led to the spot by a divining rod, and he further maintains that his divining rod hasn't played him false, because it leads him to the exact spot every time he moves.

Farmer, with the assistance of three negro helpers, labored far into the night in search of the treasure or mine, or whatever it is, and spadeful after spadeful of dirt had been removed without results. Late bulletins from the scene indicated that no treasure had been disclosed as yet, though the hole measured four feet deep and as many feet in width when the search was concluded temporarily.

Shreveport is too far inland to have been the haunt of Captain Kidd or any other of our well-known pirates, and the next best guess is that it is a gold mine. Farmer won't quit until he is convinced by his own satisfaction that his divining rod has pulled a "boner" or that there is really a treasure at the spot.

TAKEN FROM EXCHANGES

One-fourth of the world's lead supply is from Great Britain. Eighteen thousand bricks can be manufactured by the steam process in ten hours. It is estimated that those slain on the battle field represent about half the total deaths attributable to war. A dinner table reaching round the earth 16 times would be required if the inhabitants of the world sat down at a meal together.

Owing to the refusal of the members of the Dockers' union to work with women, all the female helpers recently employed by the Liverpool dock commission have been withdrawn.

The Car Rider

By Walter Delaney

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I was for years a train rider. Do you know what that means? If you do, you are wiser than the great majority, for the phrase is a new one and covers a calling somewhat unique. A train rider I was, with all its risks and perils, and would probably be on today but for an impetuous, patient, practical—sharing all my joys.

A train rider is a man not listed as a railroad employe, but always on their corporate pay roll. He is a special officer. The pay is eighty-five dollars per month, and fifteen dollars extra for expenses. The work is neither regular nor onerous, only the train rider of a railroad division must be at the censorious and unalterable beck and call of the railroad at all odd, even or unusual hours.

In a word, my functions were these: to proceed on order to a certain train, locate a special freight car and until that car left the end of the division, not to allow it or its contents to leave my sight for a single moment of time. When I turned my watch and ward over to the car rider of the next division my duties were completed, all except sending in a report of any untoward incidents that might attend the transmission of the car of which I was the guardian.

Sometimes it was a blooded horse, more often an opulent shipment of bullion, once a few small boxes containing watch springs. Valueless seeming they pieces of steel, I was amazed when I learned that this precious consignment represented nearly a million dollars.

I was notified to meet a freight at Hopeton at noon one day and presented myself to find the train stationary on a switch at the end of the yard. Beyond this was the residence section and open country. My car was No. 4321 A, I recall. I saw to the seals, made a memoranda of the transit card and mounted to my post on the top of the car. It had a small graded window at either end and a movable ventilator trap about the center of the car. I opened this and investigated the interior of the car, for it was a slow run of some eighteen hours. In case of rain I was at liberty to go inside. I finished my electric light tube down into the dark void beneath, made out what from experience I took to be a shipment of bro-

pitied her if the man I had just seen was her guardian or relative.

She did not drift soon out of my mind. So vividly had she impressed me that I could reproduce her mentality with clearness. We made our run and I came on just as we reached the junction. As we made up a new train and got well on to the bolt spur I determined to open the trap in the roof and get inside and by the aid of my flashlight enjoyed the lunch I had tossed among the packages below.

We were just passing an overhead bridge when I caught a fleeting glimpse of a descending form. In a flash my suspicions were excited, and rightly. A man had dropped to the roof of the car from the girders. He bore down upon me.

Of course I realized what was doing. A gang were after the contents of the special car, and here was the forerunner of the group. He made for the junction. I went flat, and he, too. He was bent on throwing me off the car and later cast the precious freight to conferes awaiting him farther down the line.

I slid and, lying extended, seized the rod of the brake wheel. He would be upon me in another moment, when he uttered a sharp cry. Turning, I saw a figure beside the open trap. I saw the ankle of my enemy seized. He was swung backwards and then squarely over the side of the car into space.

The girl! In a flashing second I understood it all. She had got down into the car hours before, doubtless frightened into hiding from the man who was looking for her. She had thrown back the scuttle cover just in time to save the freight and myself.

And now, having shown the courage of a true woman, she became timid and reticent. I could not influence her to explain her situation. "Only to get away from persecution!" she uttered more than once, and shuddered. "Only to find some secluded home, a shelter, a safe retreat for a single month!"

I won upon her confidence during that strange night journey. When we reached the terminus I took her to the home of my sister. She told her everything, but the information was not imparted to me then.

The company traced the man who had been halted so summarily in his scheme to loot the special car. They found him a cripple for life and broke up his thieving gang.

By the end of the month my mysterious girl became my true love. In another thirty days I was ordered by this imperious little tyrant to abandon hard work and perils, "said Elvira, "and the cruel guardian I was escaping from, bent on forcing me to marry his son, has no further power over your loving and happy wife." So I ceased to be a car rider, but blessed the day ever that made me one, whereby I gained the love of the dearest little woman in the world.

APT DESCRIPTION OF AIRMAN

Secretary's Bright Thought Abruptly Put an End to the Troubles of the Toastmaster.

The toastmaster was preparing for his duties. He looked over the list of speakers.

"Here is Von Saar," he said to his secretary. "He's the crazy aeronaut, you know—the fellow who does acrobatic stunts in midair. I'd like to introduce him in some original sort of way. Can you think of anything?"

The secretary straightway looked thoughtful.

"How would it do to call him the lark of the loop-the-loop?" "Don't like it."

"The soaring tumblebug?" "No, no."

"The snipe of the somersault?" "I don't think he'd be pleased."

The secretary looked more thoughtful.

"What does he really do?" "Why, he flies upside down and cuts figure 8's."

The secretary brightened up.

"Figure 8's I've got it! Call him the Flying Pretzel!"

"Fine!" cried the toastmaster.

A Day's Work.

What constitutes a day's work?—Hartsville Enterprise. Get up in the morning, dress, shave with a cheap razor, bring in enough coal for the day, hold the baby while breakfast is being prepared, eat hurriedly, rush to town, work fiercely at your job till dinner; then walk hurriedly home, hold the baby while the mid-day meal is being put on the table, then after setting, hurry back to the job. After which, work till 6:30 and go home for the evening meal, and hold the baby while the cook and the housewife are preparing the meal. After supper put the baby to sleep, bring in some more coal, shut the water off, if it's a threatening night bring the flowers in, put the cat out, and poke up the fire. If that isn't a day's work it is because it takes part of the night to finish your tasks.—Montgomery Advertiser.

Violins Keeping Tone.

The best violin makers use timber which has been seasoned for many years, sometimes centuries, buying beams from ancient buildings for the purpose. Changes in the grain of the wood caused by shrinkage, or weathering, will affect the tone of a violin materially. The Italian school of makers invented varnishes which were believed to have preservative qualities and to prevent changes in timber texture. If your violin is made of perfectly seasoned wood, and is well treated with a good varnish, it should preserve its tone all right.

Children Find Viking Relics.

An interesting find of Viking relics of the ninth century was recently discovered at Valtois in the island of Lewis, by schoolchildren. The relics consisted of a pair of large oval brooches of a noted Scandinavian type, a small penannular brooch, a disk-shaped ornament with a central boss and a decoration of interlaced loops, a small buckle, part of a bronze chain, probably used to connect the large oval brooches, and a single big amber bead.—London Globe.

Power of Love.

The poor, weeping woman stood before the judge, and the sympathies of the spectators went out to her. She looked muscular, but so miserable.

"You are charged," said the magistrate sternly but kindly, "with assaulting your husband."

"Charging down her sobs, the prisoner threw away her tears with a bravado and a rigid sally.

"Yes, your worship, I only asked to be free if he would ever cease to be, and he was so long in an-

swering that I hit him in the eye with a broom. I'm only a defenseless woman, and a woman's life without love is a mere blight!"

What About the Flowers On Your Summer Hat, Madam?

Most artificial flowers are made by children in disease-infested tenement houses under very bad working conditions. Efforts made to stop the evil



ALL the artificial flowers made in the United States 74 per cent are made in New York city, says a government report. A report of the Consumers' league of that city shows that a large proportion of these flowers are made in tenement houses and that most of the workers are children whose ages range from eleven down to four. It would be shocking to some to see with their own eyes how the beautiful flowers which adorn their hats are made by the tiny hands of young children, some of them mere babies, who work from early morning until late at night and earn from ten to fifteen cents a day.

Yet the purpose of this article is not to shock anyone's sensibilities, but to lay bare facts and describe conditions as they are, says Israel Zevlin in the New York Herald.

Some ten or twelve years ago a few men and women were sitting in the assembly room of a settlement house listening to the talk of a charity investigator, who, among other things, told a story of how, on a cold winter night, a poor family were sitting huddled together round a small stove and burning up a pack of old papers, which the jobless head of the family had dug up in some place.

"That was the only fuel they were able to get," the investigator said. "The children were clapping their hands with joy, feeling the warmth of the flames penetrating their frail bodies."

"Suddenly one of the children, a thoughtful little girl, stopped for a moment and, becoming serious, asked her mother: 'Mamma, dear, please tell me, what do those poor children who have no old papers do on a cold night like this?'"

The women and men laughed; they thought it was clever. But there was one man who did not laugh. All night the vision of those pale, emaciated children sitting round the stove haunted him, and for a long time he was tortured by the heartache effect of the grim joke. He is now one of the chief workers of the movement to abolish child labor.

It is not pleasant, these facts relating to the work of children. Some of them almost challenge credulity. For how could any mother allow her tiny baby, three or four years old, who is even too young for the kindergarten, to sit indoors all day long and work making imitations of flowers the child has never seen?

Some Startling Cases.

And yet I have seen children begin to learn to make artificial flowers when they were only two years old. I do not say that children of that age are compelled or coerced by their mothers to work, but it is this way:

The baby sits in a chair by the table watching mother and the other children work. The baby stretches out its hands, grabbing a petal or a leaf. To satisfy his desire the mother gives the baby a few petals, showing him how to pull them apart. At three or four the child is already an efficient worker, able to earn about ten cents a day.

Here are some of the facts:

A mother and two daughters, living and working in a rear tenement, so dark that an oil lamp must be kept burning all day in order that they may see to work, make forget-me-not wreaths. They receive seven cents for one dozen wreaths, and can earn \$1.20 every 15 days.

A frail, delicate mother of five children sits at a table in their two-room flat from morning until late at night putting artificial berries on stems. She earns from ten to fifteen cents a day.

In a four-room flat, where three children have died of tuberculosis and two others were suffering from it, a mother and an eleven-year-old girl made artificial roses at 15 cents a gross.

In one home on a Saturday morning four children, one nine, six and four years old, were found sitting by a table near the one window making cherries. They had been there since six o'clock in the morning, and worked each day until eight o'clock at night.

No child above four or five is considered too young to work. The hours for all, whether children or adults, are determined not by law, not by physical welfare, but by the amount of work the factory gives out to be done. If there is an extra amount of work the whole family work from half-past five in the morning until ten or eleven at night, and sometimes even until one or two o'clock in the morning, stopping only long enough to eat their scanty meal of spaghetti, dry bread and coffee, on which they seem to subsist.

Breaking the Labor Law.

In the 165 families studied by the investigator for the Consumers' league 601 children were found. More than 18 per cent of these were fourteen years and over and were contributing something to the family income; about 36 per cent were five years and under, too young to work, though in a few cases children of this age were found helping with the flowers. Out of the remaining 46 per cent between the ages of six and fourteen who might be found helping 14 per cent were busy at work at the time of the investigator's call. At least 14 per cent, then, of the children who were able to do this work were violating the child labor law of New York state.

How many more could be included in this list it was impossible to ascertain. Many families were visited during the morning, when the children were at school, and it was only through the word of the mother that we were able to determine whether or not the children helped with the flowers after school hours. For the most part only cases of children who were actually found at work were listed. Therefore, the estimate is a very conservative one.

HAS GOOD WORD FOR DOGS

One Man, at Least, Prefers Their Companionship to That of the Pestiferous Crank.

Dr. Haven Emerson, New York's commissioner of health, told an audience which he was addressing the other day that he would like to banish all dogs from the city. "Dogs are not necessary to a cultured existence."

Well, what is necessary to a cultured existence? We suppose that

the tenement houses where most of the flowers are made are of the worst type, with dark and shabby stairways. The crowded tenement houses of the "congested East side," of which so much has been said in print, are palaces in comparison to those rickety old structures. And in them the children of sunny Italy spend their days and nights. Ostensibly it is their inherent love for flowers that is drawing them to this work.

It is not an easy matter to get the confidence of some of the women and to make them answer questions. They are always suspicious that visitors are from the board of health with a mission to make trouble. In some houses an amount of arguing or coaxing will bring results—not even the assurance of the children who return from school and are appealed to.

However, there are some who are quite willing to talk and to shed light on the situation.

They are not greedy, but they are very ambitious, and it is their ambition that impels them to utilize every possibility of making money.

Average \$8 a Week.

They are all honest, hard-working people. The children are orderly and respectful, and there was a world of love in the mothers' eyes on seeing them return from school and resume their work separating petals and pasting leaves on stems.

The earnings of heads of the families were found to average eight dollars a week, which, according to the standard of living in that locality, is a fair income. A good many of the men work in flower factories and from them they take work home. The others are mostly shoemakers, bootblacks and pushcart peddlers.

One of the places where children were found at work after school hours had a restaurant and poolroom on the ground floor of the building in which the family lived. When there are no diners in the restaurant the long dining table is covered with wreaths and bunches of cherries and forget-me-nots, a mother and her children working diligently at them. The proprietor of this restaurant was also in the rag business.

In one place a young woman, Margarita Rozzoni, who looked quite different from the general type—she being blonde and having blue eyes—was at work with her little girl, who seemed to be a willing and ambitious helper. Little Giovanna, three years old, looked like a miniature of her mother—golden haired and eyes of the color of violets. "I don't want her to help me," the mother said, "but she insists on doing that." And she accentuated her words by bending over the child and kissing her with all the fondness of a mother.

The children one meets here in the streets are all pretty, but their beauty fades before maturity. Their physical development is stunted by long hours of work and very little play. Their childhood does not last long. A girl who is married at fourteen is no rare case. Here they make the step from childhood right to manhood and womanhood, skipping over the period of youth and maidhood.

Why Tony Sells Flowers.

Such a child was Tony, who at thirteen became the breadwinner for the family, selling flowers—real flowers—by day and helping his mother make artificial flowers by night. Tony was never a boy; he never played in the streets with other children, never threw a ball in the air. Tony's father kept a fruit stand on a corner, where he also shined shoes

and roasted peanuts. You could see him at this stand in the early morning before people went to work and late at night after they returned home from the theater. He was there in all kinds of weather, and he had been on the same spot for 15 years. During this period his wife and later his children helped to swell his bank account by making artificial flowers. When the war began there was a run on the bank where Tony's father kept his savings. The bank was closed, and then the poor man's reason gave way. He was taken to an insane asylum, and Tony, not being able to keep up his father's business, took to selling flowers as his trade.

And Tony is not the only "man" at the early age of thirteen.

Owners of flower factories find it more profitable to have work done in the tenements by women and children. The flower factories give out parts of flowers—petals, leaves, and stems—to be made up into whole flowers and wreaths by the workers in their homes. Usually the oldest child in the family calls for these parts, which she carries home in a huge pasteboard box. When the flowers are done she brings them back to the factory and the "boss" pays her for the work.

The petals, which usually come from the factory in bunches, must be separated and then pasted together with the leaves and stems. Sometimes there are as many as nine pieces which must be joined before the flowers are ready to be returned to the factory. Buds are made by tying pieces of silk over a round ball of cotton. The work, though slow and tedious, is not hard and can be done with very little skill and practice. Whole families were found busily working around a table in the kitchen or living room pasting and twisting and bunching the gayly colored flowers, which sometimes give the only bright note to an otherwise despondently dingy home.

Worst Paid Work.

The price paid for the work is perhaps the lowest in any trade. Prices vary from two cents a gross for pasting leaves on stems to \$1.40 a gross for making flower wreaths. One girl of fifteen, who had trouble with her spine, was found at work putting berries on the ends of stems and receiving for the work only one cent a gross. She told the investigator that she made usually ten cents a day. "But when my little sister helps me," she added, "I can make fifteen cents a day."

It is these conditions that the Consumers' league is striving to abolish. And the activities of the Consumers' league are not limited to the flower industry. The members of the league are working hard to improve conditions in other occupations in which women and young children are employed, and have been doing great work in educating the people on the dangers of woman and child labor under unsanitary conditions.

By pointing out the dangers to the consumer through goods made in dark and airless homes, where scarlet fever and other contagious diseases were found to exist, the leaders of the league have already accomplished many good results. But there is much work to be done. Few realize how closely connected are our own lives with the lives of the workers along certain industrial lines. It is not only the health of the workers that is often at stake, but the conditions are a menace to the consumers as well, and the danger to society is great.

Reduced Request.

My little niece had a favorite uncle who always gave her anything she wanted. One day she peeped into the bedroom and saw who, she thought, was the uncle, and said, "Oh Uncle John, gimme a nickel." The figure turned over and the little miss was much surprised to see another whereupon she said: "Oh Uncle Jim, gimme two cents."—Chicago Tribune.

Who is Your Choice For PRESIDENT?

This newspaper will receive your ballot in the nation wide straw vote now being taken and will later publish the tabulated result.

Very one is interested in the coming presidential campaign, and, as the old saying goes, "Straws show which way the wind blows."

Fill in the ballot coupon below and send it to us today. This will be your last chance to express your preference in the straw vote.

My Choice For President Is

(Name).....

(Signed).....

Ballot closes at 4 p. m. Saturday, May 27. Mail or bring votes to Ledger office at once. They must be in New York City Monday.

SOUTH BOSTON.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Duggan of Grand Rapids attended the May festival and visited friends here.

Joe Gillio was married to Mrs. Tomlinson last Tuesday in Ionia. Joe takes her out in a new Ford he recently purchased.

The festival at the ball was a success. A large crowd attended. The ladies took in about \$30 for dinners. Evangelist Mr. McLain of Ithaca, who held a successful series of meetings at Clarksville and Saranac last winter, will begin special meetings at the M. E. church Sunday evening, May 26. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Trowbridge and children of Clarksville took dinner with George Tucker's Sunday and attended church with them, also called at the home of O. J. Kinyon of South Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Parsons, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Eviser and Ernest Osborn, motored to Grand Rapids Sunday.

Ralph Story drives a new Ford car. Frank Freeman and wife and Emery and Nemma Freeman spent Sunday with their parents in their new home at Lowell.

Mrs. Frank O'Harrow is very ill with tonsillitis. Dr. Warner of Clarksville is attending her.

Chris Fabral and family visited his brother Sam north of Lowell Sunday.

Miss Anna Fabral spent over Sunday in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Silas Drew will entertain the Ladies Aid society this week Thursday.

Little Helen, daughter of Roy

Kyer, fell while playing in the yard and broke her arm, also dislocated it at the elbow. She was hurried to Lowell, where fracture was reduced.

There will be no services at the Congregational church Sunday, May 28. Memorial services will be held at M. E. church. Rev. Lash of Lowell will give the address.

DISTRICT NO. TWO.

C. Van Hoven, of Grand Rapids has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Fred West and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Colson have moved to Sparta.

Mrs. Auselker's mother, Mrs. Nichols, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Fryover, of East Lowell.

Mrs. Peter Eyk is entertaining company from Grand Rapids this week.

Lon Miller and family spent Sunday with his brother Mr. Clinton Miller and family.

Mr. Vandam, who is working in Grand Rapids, spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. John Simpson has been visiting her sister, Mrs. John Christie in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Simpson and daughter Zelma, of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with Oliver Simpson and family.

Mrs. R. C. McCall spent Sunday with Mrs. E. R. Jones and family.

Mrs. Hayward and children have been visiting in Grand Rapids.

E. J. McNaughton, of Middleville spent Sunday with his niece Mrs. Eugene Engle and family.

Mrs. Clyde Foreman of Lowell, has been visiting Mrs. Eugene Engle.

School closed Saturday with a picnic in Mrs. Eugene Engle's woods.

Additional Proof

of the real merit possessed by Lily White Flour is offered in the following letter just received from Chicago:

May 1st, 1916.

"Dear Sirs:—

Do me the favor to let me know by return mail where in Chicago I can buy your "Lily White" Flour. My wife used it at Macatawa, Michigan, and we like it so much we want to know what retailers downtown or in Hyde Park, Chicago, handle it. Also what you sell it for in the barrel at Grand Rapids, if I should want to order a barrel and have it sent by freight.

Yours truly,

F. W. JOB.

812 Marquette Bldg. Chicago.

We have received many such letters from all sections of the country.

Lily White

"The Flour the Best Cooks use."

is very popular with particular people who are anxious to obtain the best the market offers.

There is no guessing about baking results when Lily White Flour is used.

Every sack and every barrel of Lily White Flour is the very best that modern methods scientifically applied can produce.

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Ask your dealer to send up a sack. If he hasn't it, write us.

VALLEY CITY MILLING COMPANY,
Grand Rapids, Mich.

EAST CASCADE & NORTH MCCORDS

John Cox passed away last Friday night at the home of his son, John Cox, Jr., burial at Grand Rapids. Those who attended the funeral from outside were Byron Gayers, Chas and Edward Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Eving, all of Ewart.

Mrs. Albert Thomas is ill.

Mrs. J. Fisher has returned home after caring for her daughter at Alma.

Earl Thomas and wife are in Grand Rapids on business.

Mrs. Geo. Linton and Mrs. Ellen Linton were in Lowell Saturday.

CARD OF THANKS.

We thank the many friends and neighbors for the flowers and help during the sickness and death of our father, John Cox.

John Cox, Jr.
Mrs. Chas. Quiggie
Mrs. Frank Quiggie
Mrs. Herman Vandrestoph

ELMDALE

Honk! Honk! Here comes Clinton Schwab with his Maxwell and Earl King with his Ford which they purchased the past week.

Dan Kaufman had the misfortune to lose his horse last week. While at work on the plow it dropped dead. Baptismal services were held at the church of the brethren Wednesday afternoon and Saturday and Sunday they held communion and love feast. A large number from this vicinity were Lowell visitors Saturday night. John Hoeteler made a business trip to Ionia Tuesday.

Otto Clemens and wife of near McCords called on Ewert and family Sunday evening.

George Stahl and family spent Sunday with Wm. Allen and family.

Dan Weaver and wife visited Sunday with their son John and wife of Hastings.

Some of our farmers of this vicinity are so busy enjoying their new cars that they forget to keep an eye on the gasoline tank and the consequences were that they run out of ammunition. Luckily it was that two of the incidents occurred near town where the needy articles could be readily secured.

Jim Sargeant has been loading potatoes at Clarkville the past week for the firm of Reed & Cheney Co. of Grand Rapids, and Monday he and W. E. Chambers commenced loading potatoes at Alto. Mr. Chambers now buys produce for the said firm at three points: Alto, Elmdale and Clarksville.

Mrs. Polly Yoder and Mrs. Winchell of Lake Odessa are visitors in this vicinity at present.

Jonas Blough, wife and son Ivan also their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Robbles of East Campbell, visited Sunday with Robert Wood and wife.

Chas. Stahl and family entertained Menno Salder and wife of Caledonia Sunday.

Grandma Rittenger who has been so seriously ill for the past week, passed away at the home of her son John E. Sunday evening at 6:30.

Funeral services were held at the home Tuesday afternoon. Burial at Bowne Center.

Do not fail to see the new neckwear at Weekes', adv

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Kent.

In the matter of the estate of Harry Bush, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that four months from the 14th day of May A. D. 1916, 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 5th day of September A. D. 1916, and that said claims will be heard by said court on Tuesday the 5th day of September A. D. 1916 at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated May 4th, A. D. 1916.

Clark E. Higbee,
Judge of Probate.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the County of Kent, in the State of Michigan, attested on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1916, to me directed and delivered in favor of Alfred Hanson and against the goods and chattels, and for want thereof then of the real estate of C. Guy Berry there named, I have levied thereon and shall expose for sale, at public auction or due to the highest bidder, at the north front entrance, on Grand Avenue, to the County Court House, in the City of Grand Rapids, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court of the County wherein said premises are situated, on Monday, the 22nd day of June, A. D. 1916, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day, all the right, title and interest of said C. Guy Berry in and to the following described real estate (lying and being in the County of Kent, in the State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

Lots 11 and 12 of block 11, lot 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 of block 12, all on Richards and Richards, in the Village of Lowell, Kent County, Michigan.

Dated April 26, 1916.

Edward O'Donnell, Sheriff of Kent County.
By Harmon Cowens, Chief Deputy Sheriff.

KEENE CENTER.

Mrs. Charles Avann of South Lowell was a guest at Al. Pant's Monday.

School closes at the Keene church corners Wednesday with a picnic for the children.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gonds, Jennie and Brayton, Rob Munger, Mrs. Wilkison and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sparks and son Rob motored to Middleville Sunday and called on Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Trask and then settled nicely and doing well.

Mrs. N. D. Trask, who is ill at Ed. Trask's, is slowly falling.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Strong of Easton, Dr. Bessie Strong and Mrs. Elva Hunter of Ionia were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Trask Thursday.

Born, May 29, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Werner of Granton, a 9 lb. boy. Mother and son doing well.

Edith Dicker went Monday to help her sister, Mrs. Arthur Werner, with the housework.

Milton Brock of Tiffany, Ohio, is visiting his brother Robert.

Robert Brock and wife, Clayton (Cathie), wife and daughter, attended the Brock family reunion at the home of Mrs. Shupp in Lake Odessa last week.

Frank Daniels and wife and Ernest Pinkney and wife were at the Alto Grange Saturday evening.

Twenty-three from Keene Grange attended Pomona Grange in Belding last Thursday.

Mrs. John Knee of Coral is here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ewert and will stay until after Decoration.

Band No. 2 meets with Mrs. George Denton Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. McLeod were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Gonds Sunday evening.

Fred Bennett, wife and son, Will VanBuren, wife and mother of Lansing, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gip Carr. Will's mother stayed in Lowell for a few days' visit.

Elmer Hoy raised his new barn last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Burr Carr were called to the bedside of her dying sister, Iva Ford, in Grand Rapids Saturday morning. She died at 2:30 in the afternoon and the body was brought to the home of her sister, Mrs. Frank Condon. Funeral services at the Alto church Wednesday at 2 p. m. Church Hill Linfield of Ada was a guest of High Converse Friday night and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Chatterton and family of Lowell were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Pinkney Sunday.

Frank Condon, deceased, daughter Mary, Mrs. Shores and son Frank were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Thompson in Otisco.

FALLSBURG

Messrs and Mesdames Will and Archie Sherrard of Harvard and Owosso came last Wednesday to attend the funeral at Lowell of Mrs. Elva Whelan, who was called at Mrs. Frank Sherrard's, the latter remaining over night.

A. G. Stekete and wife motored here from the Rapids Sunday and spent until Tuesday at J. E. Tower's. Mrs. William Staples of Keene left Monday for Waldron, Hillsdale county, to be with her sister, who is very ill. The mother of Mrs. Staples who makes her home with her daughter is staying with her, granddaughter, Mrs. Roebuck of this place during the absence.

Mrs. Harry Watkins nee (Gladys Stanton) and little daughter of Grand Rapids visited her father, James Stanton and wife of Keene last week.

H. Converse and wife of Keene visited at Frank Jones' Monday.

Wool Wanted.

Chas. Jakoway's elevator at Lowell, Mich., wants to buy 40,000 pounds of wool and to get it will pay the highest market value.

Also have for sale hand-picked seed bones.

Call at elevator for prices.

Chas. Jakoway,
Lowell, Mich. 46 ft

Help for Bronchial Trouble and Cough

"Foley's Honey and Tar Compound acts more like a food than a medicine."

Mr. Will C. Richmond, Ingewood, Cal., writes: "I wish to recommend Foley's Honey and Tar Compound as it has greatly benefited me for bronchial trouble and cough. It is a food with nature that it is more like a food than a medicine."

Foley's Honey and Tar Compound has a wonderfully quick way of soothing and clearing the inflamed surface of the throat and bronchial tubes. It eases the tightness over the chest, relieves the burning, and helps the stubborn racking cough that is so exhausting and weakening.

It is the best remedy you can buy, and better than anything you can make. It cures whooping cough, croup, whooping cough, influenza, croup, throat and chesty wheezing breathing. It contains no opiates, and is acceptable to the most delicate stomach.

★ ★ ★ Every user is a friend. ★ ★ ★

For Sale by M. N. Henry.

HICKORY CORNERS

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Seeley and family were guests of Walter Blakeslee and family. Mrs. Alex Blakeslee accompanied them home for a few days.

We are very sorry that a change of mail men has been made on I. R. 2. Mr. Stanga was well liked and from whom a good one to fill his place. Emery Laitley is the new carrier.

Fred Slamma sold a horse to Mr. Millian of Durand recently.

Miss Mae Fumback of Grand Rapids visited her sister, Mrs. Vernon Hunter, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clark of Bowne Center were guests of Wesley Johnson and wife Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George and daughter Miss Jessie are visiting in Grand Rapids this week. Miss Hastings leaves Friday for her home in South Dakota.

Mr. Jake Draper and daughter, Miss Lula were Grand Rapids visitors Tuesday.

Walter Foster was in Grand Rapids Sunday and Monday to visit his father who is seriously ill.

Miss Leola Hild is sewing for parties at Ionia this week.

Walter Blakeslee has secured the services of Clarence Tilyer and his farm tractor to assist with the grading of the road.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Clarke called on friends at Freeport Monday.

Says Drink Lemonade For Rheumatism

Relief from rheumatism and related can be obtained by drinking lemonade and avoiding alcoholic drinks.

To get rid of this stubborn disease, however, to stop the twinges, pain and swelling, and drive the poisonous accumulations from the joints and muscles, all generally-inclined druggists will tell you to take half a teaspoonful of Rheuma daily until all misery ceases.

It is a powerful remedy, because only a powerful remedy can overcome such a terrible disease; but Rheuma acts specially—the first dose taken and you'll know that you will soon be your healthy, happy self again.

M. N. Henry and all druggists know what Rheuma will do, for they sell a great deal of it and guarantee that two 50-cent bottles will overcome rheumatic agony or money back.

LOWELL MARKET REPORT.

Corrected May 21, 1916.

Wheat (red) 90-lb.	1.08
Wheat (white) 90-lb.	1.08
Oats 10-lb.	1.08
Barley 10-lb.	1.08
Hay (choice) 100-lb.	1.08
Hay (medium) 100-lb.	1.08
Hay (poor) 100-lb.	1.08
Timothy Seed, 100-lb.	1.08
Clover Seed, 100-lb.	1.08
Flour, ext. 100-lb.	1.08
Flour, med. 100-lb.	1.08
Flour, low 100-lb.	1.08
Butter 1-lb.	1.08
Eggs, doz.	1.08
Pork, dressed 100-lb.	1.08
Pork, live 100-lb.	1.08
Beef, dressed 100-lb.	1.08
Beef, live 100-lb.	1.08
Veal, dressed 100-lb.	1.08
Veal, live 100-lb.	1.08
Sheep, live 100-lb.	1.08
Butter Fat, lb.	1.08

THE LOWELL LEDGER.

Classified Advertising.

Your small want advertisement in this column will receive careful consideration by Lowell Ledger readers. If you need help, or want a situation, have something to buy or sell, have lost or found something, you will find the column profitable.

Rates—1 cent a word for first insertion, 5 cent a word thereafter. No advertisement inserted for less than 12 cents.

Cards of thanks and obituary notices 50 per line. Positively no deviation from this rate.

Obituaries for non-subscribers 50 per line.

ROOMS TO RENT—Furnished or unfurnished. Mrs. I. W. Halstead. c46 ft

RAILROAD TIES WANTED—Parties interested write to H. J. Dye, Plymouth, Mich.

WANTED—More used Ford cars in exchange for new. Square deal. E. V. Storey, Ford agent, Lowell.

FOR SALE—Residence at corner of Jefferson & Hunt streets. Formerly owned by the late Arville P. Hunter. Inquire of S. P. Hicks.

MAN WANTED—on farm by the day or month until after Julying.—A. L. Pant & Son. 50 ft

WANTED—Men who desire to earn over \$125.00 per month write us today for position as salesman; every opportunity for advancement. Central Petroleum Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

WANTED—Woodworking machine and good wages and steady employment. The Ionia Floor-Board Company, Ionia, Mich.

WANTED—Season's pasture for five or six yearlings. Phone 104, 5th E. Althaus.

Women wanted full time salary \$15 per week guaranteed. Write to us or 235 an hour square time. Permanent; experience unnecessary. International, Box 122, Norfolk, Va.

HOUSE TO RENT—The John Crawford house. Inquire of Mrs. W. W. Pullen. 47 ft

FOR RENT—Two good houses on West side, one with barn, both near Main street. Geo. M. Parker, Phone 181, Lowell, Mich. 48 ft

FOR SALE—My teaming outfit. W. E. Rogers. c54 ft

FOR SALE—Hup 20 automobile. First-class condition, price right. Smith's Garage. 49 ft

FOR SALE—Row boat—seven passenger. Also good out and No. 1 seed beans. Geo. M. Parker. 45 ft

FOR SALE—Full blood Duroc pigs, also sow due to farrow next month. Price reasonable. Tom Morrie, Phone 256, Smyrna, Mich. 41 ft

MADE FOR SALE—Weight about 1200. G. Friedl, Phone 142-4. 51 ft

FOR SALE—About 70 bushels Sir Walter Raleigh seed potatoes. Phone 139-2r. C. Verburg. 50 ft

FOR SALE—One Ford touring car, one Ford roadster, one International ton truck, at right prices. E. V. Storey, Lowell. 52 ft

FOR SALE—Driving horse, weight 1175; city broke, single or double. Also one city driving cart. Riverside Hotel, Phone 172. c50

FOR SALE—A good horse, fine location, or easy terms. Inquire of E. A. Anderson.

FOR SALE—Convenient cottage house with barn, on West side, pleasant location, large sleeping porch, electric lights, hard and soft water. H. W. Smith. 51 ft

MUST SELL, SMALL PAYMENT DOWN, EASY TERMS, 160 ACRE FARM, located seventeen miles east of Grand Rapids, five miles south west of Lowell, two miles north of Alto, Michigan. Ninety acres under cultivation, estimated \$1500 worth standing wood, good house, Al barn, windmill with cement tank, water piped through the house, good apple orchard and formerly one of the largest peach farms in Michigan for \$7500. For further information write Frank M. Lee, 523 Park Place, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Kent.

In the matter of the estate of Mary A. Hunter, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that four months from the 13th day of May A. D. 1916, 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 13th day of September A. D. 1916, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated May 13th, A. D. 1916.

Clark E. Higbee,
Judge of Probate.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, the Circuit Court for the County of Kent in Chancery.

Charles E. Jakoway, Plaintiff.

vs.

Joshua H. Cook, his unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, assigns and grantees, Defendants.

At a session of said Court held at the Court House in the City of Grand Rapids, in said County, on the 24th day of April A. D. 1916, present the Honorable William B. Brown, Circuit Judge.

In this cause it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court now here that the above named defendant, Joshua H. Cook, is a necessary and proper party to the above entitled cause and that the said defendant, Joshua H. Cook, is a necessary and proper party to the said cause and that the names, residences and whereabouts of his unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, assigns and grantees are unknown.

On motion of R. M. Shivel, solicitor for said plaintiffs, it is ordered that the appearance of said defendant, Joshua H. Cook, and his unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, assigns and grantees be entered in this cause within four months from the date of this order and in case of their appearance that they respectively cause their names or names to be filed and a copy thereof to be filed with the plaintiff's attorney within fifteen days after service on them respectively. If their attorneys of a copy of said bill and not of this order and that in default thereof that the said bill be taken as confessed by them. The said Joshua H. Cook and his unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, assigns and grantees, respectively.

It is further ordered that within twenty days the said plaintiffs cause a copy of this order to be published in the Lowell Ledger, a newspaper printed, published and circulating in the said County of Kent and that the publication be continued once in each week for six consecutive weeks.

The land described in said bill of complaint and which suit is brought to quiet title is as follows: The west half (1/2) of the southeast quarter (1/4) and the east half (1/2) of the southeast quarter (1/4) of Section 28, Town eight (8) North, Range nine (9) West, Grant Township, Kent County, Michigan.

William B. Brown,
Circuit Judge.

R. M. Shivel,
Attorney for Plaintiffs.
Business Address:
11 Michigan Trust Company Bldg., Grand Rapids, Michigan and Lowell, Michigan.
Examined, countersigned and entered by me:
Edward L. Wagner,
Deputy Clerk.
Edward L. Wagner,
Deputy Clerk.

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RAT CORN

Rate destroy vermin a billings dollars we will treat and destroy every year. Kill your rats and mice and stay your loss.

It is safe to use. Deadly to rats but harmless to human beings. Contains no arsenic, strychnine, or any other poisonous substance. Value, healthful, each can. 25¢ to 50¢. 100 cans. \$1.00. 500 cans. \$5.00. 1000 cans. \$10.00. Write for Catalogue and Sample.

Sold by H. Nash, Lowell, Mich.

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GM TO CHICAGO STEAMERS

HOLLAND-GRAND RAPIDS DIVISION

(In Effect on and After May 1st)

To and from Grand Rapids in connection with the Michigan Railway Electric Cars. Steamers depart weekly every evening making close connections with steamer. FARE: \$15.00. Round Trip. \$25.00. Round Trip.

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Steamer leaves Daily. FARE: \$1.00 One Way; \$1.75 Round Trip.

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FOR BUILDING BUILDINGS, STORE FRONTS, CURBS, VESTS, BRIDGES, ETC.

We are prepared to drill and cut steel to order. Can furnish you anything you may want in this line.

Estimates are furnished free and we invite you to send for our price list which gives our low prices on standard and regular construction steel work.

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200 N. W. 1st St., Grand Rapids, Mich.

BOWNE CENTER

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond of Lowell visited the former's sister, Mrs. Mert Sinclair and family Sunday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas, May 13, an 11 lb. boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nellis spent Sunday with the latter's father and sister, George Salisbury and daughter Josephine.

Mr. George Raymond of Lowell is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Mert Sinclair, and family this week.

Callers at John Thomas' Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Peter Stahl, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clemens, Mrs. Guy Smith and daughter and Mrs. J. N. Thomas.

Memorial day will be observed at 1 o'clock with a short program. Rev. H. Parshall will deliver the address.

The Ladies Aid of Bowne Center are having the church repaired and carpeted.

J. S. Thomas returned to his work in Lansing Sunday after spending the week at home.

CLAUDE STAAL

East Side Market

Fresh, Salt and Smoked MEATS

at Reasonable Prices

Fish and Oysters in Season

Poultry and Veal received every day and highest prices paid.

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Julia Heinrich

Soprano of the Metropolitan, the find of the year in opera, singing in direct comparison with Edison's Re-Creation of her voice to illustrate that one is identical with the other.

Miss Heinrich is but one of the many great artists who have thus proven that Edison has accomplished his ambition to re-create music so perfectly that his Re-Creation cannot be distinguished from the original.

Hear Edison's Re-Creation of Julia Heinrich's sympathetic voice. Hear Miss Heinrich herself at the Metropolitan, in New York, or when she is on concert tour.

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This new instrument embodies a new art, the culmination of Edison's research work in chemistry and acoustics and the expenditure by him of more than two million dollars in experiments alone. The Laboratory formulae and methods are known only to Edison and a few of his trusted assistants. No single assistant knows all of the formulae and methods by which Edison actually

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Come to us and hear this wonderful new invention—the greatest musical instrument in the world.

We want you to hear it

Demonstrations will be given with pleasure, and no obligation is entailed by requesting one.

R. D. Stocking Lowell, Mich.

Memorial Day in South Boston.

Memorial day services will be held at South Boston Grange hall May 30, at nine o'clock, a. m. Standard time. The address will be given by Hon. Montgomery Webster. A good program has been prepared. South Boston always does fine on such occasions. All are invited to come and enjoy the program. Old soldiers are especially invited to be present. Please come on time as we wish to get through early enough to accommodate those who wish to attend services at other places.

J. A. Aldrich, Pres.

Nifty silk and voile waists at Weekes', adv

Bowne Charge Churches.

During the Summer months there will be no evening services on the Bowne charge. Instead there will be services at 5 p. m. with Sunday school at 4, alternating between Bowne Center and West Bowne. At West Lowell there will be services each Sunday at 1:30 p. m. with Sunday school at 12:30. Morning services alternate between Bowne Center and West Bowne, as usual.

R. C. Parshall, Pastor.

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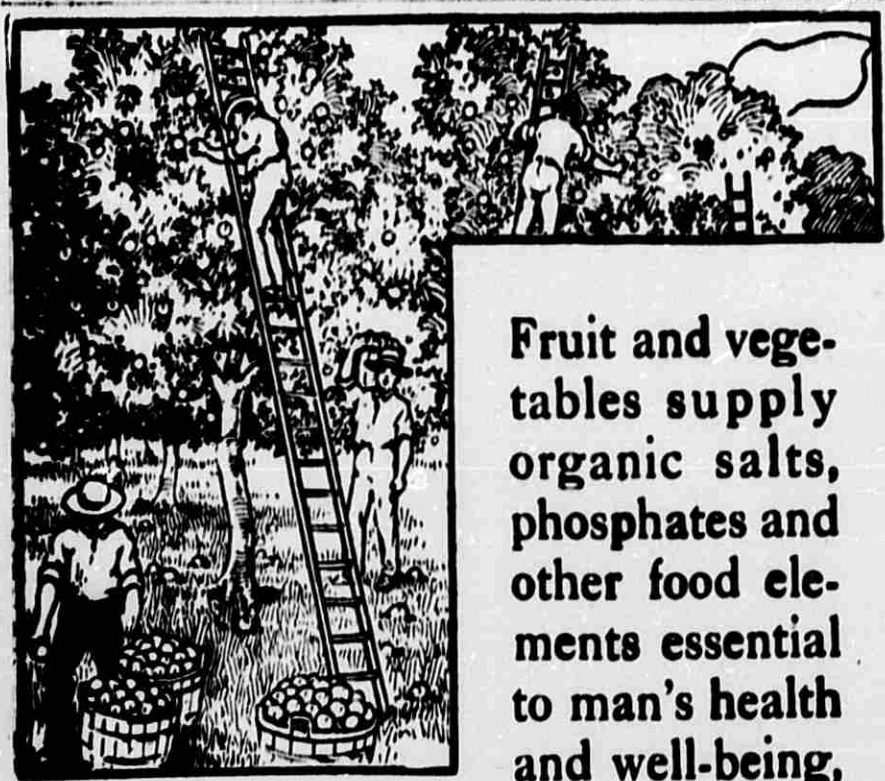
Place your order for the winter's supply of coal now, and let us fill your bin before the rush of orders begins.

Everybody knows the grade of coal we sell. There is none better and we are keeping the price down.

We've talked to you—now you talk to us. It's good for both.

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Phone 127



Fruit and vegetables supply organic salts, phosphates and other food elements essential to man's health and well-being,

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Buy Fruit and Vegetables From Us

and be assured of the best on the market in both fresh and canned goods. Our line of staple and fancy groceries is superior to most retail stores. Remember

"If you get it at VanDyke's, it's good."

Specials for Saturday

- 3 cans Sunbrite Cleaner.....10c
- 7 bars White Laundry Soap.....25c
- 7 bars "Marco" White Floating Soap, good as Ivory.....25c

Next week will be Pineapple Week at

VanDyke's

HEARD ABOUT TOWN

Newsy Notes About People You Know.

Phone 6. adv. t. E. C. Walker was in Grand Rapids Friday. Harvey Callier was in Grand Rapids Friday. Ralph Stuart of Lansing was in town Saturday. Miss Blanche Wood spent Sunday in Grand Rapids. H. L. Weekes was in Chicago the last of the week on business. J. A. Mattern spent Sunday in Grand Rapids with his daughter Ruth. The Misses Kathryn and Anna Lalley were home from St. Johns over Sunday. Paul and Katherine Towsley of Grand Rapids spent Sunday at M. N. Henry's. Mr. and Mrs. Orelly Rulason and Mrs. Lewis Jones were in Grand Rapids Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Avery of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with Mrs. Helen Avery. Mrs. Kenneth Chase of Grand Rapids is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Walker. Men wanted for factory work. Good wages, steady employment. Stafford Mfg. Co., Ionia, Mich. 51. Anson and Emery Jones and their families of South Bend, Ind., spent over Sunday at the home of J. T. Jones. For Sale—Second-hand household goods. Must be sold at once. J. B. Yeiter, administrator Mary A. Hunter estate. The Jolly Dozen were royally entertained by Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Conklin Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Mangle were guests of honor. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Dawson and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gilmer of Grand Rapids visited Sunday at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Covert.

Dexter Conklin spent Sunday in Grand Rapids. Miss Edith Carnes spent the weekend with her uncle at Lansing. M. E. Simpson and family of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with relatives here. Mrs. Alex Wingeier and daughter Sophia spent Sunday with relatives at Alto. Mrs. M. W. Gee and two children of Plainwell spent over Sunday here with Mr. Gee. Mrs. Lena DeLine of Saranac spent Sunday with her brother, A. N. White, and family. Story has sold fifty Ford cars on his new contract and is unloading a car load today. Miss Blanche Christensen of Grand Rapids was a guest of Miss Mabel Charles over Sunday. H. Nash is closing out a car load of fence wire at old prices. Now is your chance to take advantage of the old price. adv. Advertisers letters in the Lowell postoffice: Frank Oea, George Clarke, C. F. Sackett, Frank Wilson, Mrs. Will Bahr, Miss Deryl Butcher. J. R. Buchanan has returned from his winter's sojourn in Galt, Ontario, where he laid his elder brother to rest in January. He reports the Canadians staunchly loyal to Great Britain. A number of old friends and neighbors gave Mrs. G. W. Rouse a genuine surprise at home Monday afternoon, the occasion being her birthday. A fine supper was served and all enjoyed a good time. Arthur C. Morgan, 61 years old, died Wednesday at his home, 216 Travis street, N. E. He is survived by the widow, three brothers, George of Freeport, A. W. and Edward M. of Grand Rapids, and two sisters, Mrs. Ellen Hardy of Pentwater and Mrs. Mary Clark of Lowell. Funeral services will be held at the residence Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Interment in Fairplains cemetery. —Herald May 18.

Phone 35. Hakes' auto livery. Mrs. E. S. White was in Grand Rapids Monday. Mrs. Ira Pottruff is visiting sister at Belding. Mrs. John Knece of Coral is visiting relatives here. Chris Naum is entertaining his cousin from Detroit. Miss Lillian Smith spent Tuesday in Grand Rapids. Dainty muslin slip-over gowns 50c at Weekes'. adv. Miss Ruth Gibson spent Sunday with Saranac friends. Claude Scoville of Clarksville was in town Saturday. Miss Minnie Meek returned from Sparta Monday evening. Always at your call, McQueens' bus. Phone 6. t. adv. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Howk are moving to Alma this week. Mrs. Harry Patterson of Alma is visiting her parents here. Fritze gauze union suits 25c, 35c and 50c. A. W. Weekes & Son. Mr. and Mrs. Will Bustance of Clarksville were in town Saturday. Mrs. Harry Shuter entertained Tuesday evening with a farewell party in honor of Miss Helen Carson. Miss Corinne Willey of Grand Rapids is visiting her grandma Lincoln and will spend the summer here. Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Church and daughter Lena of Clarksville were guests of Mrs. J. C. Train yesterday. Bring us your old tires. We will allow you 15 percent off list for them towards new ones.—Percy Gregory, Phone 110. t. A. H. Peckham and R. J. Enos of Grand Rapids, two former Lowell residents, were greeting old friends here Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Morrison Brighton and little son visited Mrs. Semiah Seese at Freeport Sunday. Miss Lorna Brown left Wednesday for a motor trip with Mr. and Mrs. F. T. King and other friends from Grand Rapids. Miss Helen Carson has accepted a position in the bank at East Lansing of which our former townsmen, A. J. Nash, is cashier. Madison square, Grand Rapids, merchants will visit Ada, Lowell, Cascade and Alto on their annual trade excursion Monday, June 29. Bert Merriman of Grand Rapids is visiting his mother Mrs. A. D. Lincoln and also shaking hands with old friends about town. Mrs. Herman Strong and baby and Mrs. A. F. Frazee and baby spent yesterday with Mr. and Mrs. H. VandeGreyn in Grand Rapids. They placed large orders for rugs and linoleums before the big advance in price, which accounts for the exceptionally low prices at Cadwallader's. adv. While we are paying an advance of 18 per cent on all corsets purchased we are still offering Warner's, R. & G. and Nemos at \$1, \$2 and \$3 in the newest style.—A. W. Weekes & Son. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hall and daughter "Billie" of Grand Ledge were guests of Mrs. Orton Hill Sunday. Mrs. Hill made the return trip with them and came home again Tuesday. The Lowell Magazine Exchange is growing in public favor and usefulness; and people in town and country are taking advantage of the opportunity for free reading matter exchange. Some fifty magazines, many of them in large lots, are now ready. Call at the Ledger office and help yourself. Some more magazines of the Century and Harper type are needed. Will you help? t.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER
Absolutely Pure
Made from Cream of Tartar
NO ALUM—NO PHOSPHATE

Hakes' auto livery, phone 35. Buy rugs and linoleum at Cadwallader's. adv. Mrs. Fred Malcolm spent Sunday in Grand Rapids. Emery Lalley is now carrier on R. F. D. No. 2 out of Lowell. F. W. Braisted came home from Grand Rapids last Thursday. Irwin Fox of Durand visited relatives here part of last week. Mr. and Mrs. John Arehart were in Grand Rapids Tuesday. We are selling rugs as large as 12 x 15 at Cadwallader's. adv. Miss Abby Malcolm was in Grand Rapids Friday and Saturday. J. C. Roth is spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Will Winchell, in Ionia. Misses Alice Crawford of Ionia and Mary Davara of Pewamo spent a couple of days last week with the former's aunt, Mrs. Will Pullen. Mesdames R. E. Springett and F. B. McKay and Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Bradish attended a session of the Kent County Eastern Star at Rockford yesterday. Mrs. W. J. Gonderman and Mrs. H. S. Young entertained at the home of the former with a six o'clock dinner last evening in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Huntley, who are to leave Lowell soon. The degree team of Three Island lodge, L. O. O. M., go to Grand Rapids tonight where they will initiate a class for the Moose lodge of that city. About fifty from here will accompany them. The Ledger's presidential straw vote will close Saturday, May 27 at 4 p. m., when the ballots will be forwarded to New York city, as a part of the nation-wide canvass. Find the coupon in this paper, fill in the name of your choice for president, sign your name and bring or mail it to this office at once. Local ballots may be dropped into the Ledger item box. Rupture—An expert Specialist, Graduate of several Colleges and Medical School, will visit our town for the purpose of giving his personal attention and advice to all who suffer from this affliction. Different kinds of rupture require different kinds of appliances, and if this is not scientifically made, correctly adjusted and properly fitted in each and every case, it will do more harm than good. You surely want the right appliance and eliminate all your trouble. On Tuesday, June 6th, everybody who is ruptured may call at the Hotel Waverly and receive free of any charge and obligation, the valuable services, personal attention and expert advice of this rupture specialist. Don't forget the place and date—it's one day only, and years may pass before you have again this opportunity.

A Good Suit, A Stylish Suit, A Moderate Price

Thousands of men now think in terms of Styleplus Seventeen. They say, "Unless I pay much more I will not get much more. If I pay less am I not practicing unwise economy, for I know that Styleplus is always the big buy."

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You will need a Raincoat this spring, sure, and the prices range in such a manner that any person can afford to own one. You can buy one for \$3.75 to \$10.00, and our \$5.00 coats will surprise you. Handsome fabrics and they are rainproof. We can show you a fine rough-finished coat with convertible velvet collar at \$6.00.

Other Things in Furnishings, Too

Hats
Underwear
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Traveling Bags

Pants
Caps
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Wash Suits

Neckwear
Shirts
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Buy your Overalls now!

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WHEN you think of gifts for any occasion, you quite naturally think of a jewelry store as the place to get them.

We want you to think of our store.—We want you to come in and give us the opportunity of showing you what a fine line of silverware, cut glass and novelties we carry for gifts.

If you are not in the habit of visiting our store regularly, we are sure you will be very agreeably surprised at the large assortment we carry.

As to price—there is only one price in this store and that is the lowest at which high quality merchandise can be sold and still make a living.

U. B. Williams, Jeweler.

This is The Man

Who has worked for you every working day of his life since he has been old enough to work. He has never charged you a very big price for his services. Some of your public servants have charged you thousands of dollars a year for devoting a few days of their time each year; but for a trifle more than a living we have been right here every hour for forty-one years to meet you and greet you, to laugh with you if you were happy, to sympathize with you if you were in trouble. We have known most of you so long that we feel as though we were all one family. But to return to business and the shoe business in particular, we wish to say that while shoes are much higher today than they were sixty days ago, we are prepared to sell you any shoe that you ever bought at the same old price, (except 2 numbers for men) up to Jan. 1, 1917. We wish to say to the ladies that any shoe or slipper that you ever bought can be bought at the same old price for balance of this year. After this year we dare not predict what shoe prices will be. Remember we are not running a lottery or paper house. All shoes are to be strictly solid leather.

The Old Reliable Shoe House
A. J. HOWK & SON.
50 Years Selling Good Shoes.

Middles 50c up at Weekes. ad Miss Freda Kropf spent Monday with Miss Matilda Bieri in Ionia. Mrs. J. W. Brunthaver and son Paul were in Grand Rapids yesterday. Miss Minnie McIntosh of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with Lowell friends. Mrs. Ed. Keller of Saranac spent Saturday night and Sunday with friends here. Hammocks \$1.00 to \$6.00 at Weekes'. adv. Mrs. J. G. Mangle and Miss Edith returned Monday from a visit in St. Louis, Mo. New patterns in beautiful colored Silkolines at 15c. A. W. Weekes & Son. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Deryke of Grand Rapids are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred DeWeert. Just home from Chicago with a big stock of the newest findings in wash goods, rugs, carpets and linoleums. A. W. Weekes & Son. "The Girl and the Game" will be completed in three more issues of The Ledger and will be followed by "Beyond the Frontier," a tale of early days in the middle west, by Randall Parrish, including a thrilling account of the savage Indian attack on Starved Rock, on the Illinois river in the time of LaSalle. NORTH CAMPBELL Dan Stauffer, Jr., visited relatives in Moseley over Sunday. George Shroyer of Irving is visiting several days with his uncle, Frank Shroyer and family. Elsiea Trowbridge is not gaining as fast as his friends would like to have him, being confined to his bed the past two weeks. Mrs. Sias Drew will entertain the South Boston Ladies Aid May 25. Mrs. Lena Bredanle and children of Clarksville visited Sunday at the home of Carl Hunt. Mrs. Ida Howk of Freeport is visiting this week with her sister, Mrs. Elroy Schwarzer and family. Mrs. T. O. Frost and Mrs. Wm. Gibbons spent the week end in Grand Rapids. Henry Rosenberger spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Vernon Trowbridge. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Drew, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bedell and Bernie visited Sunday afternoon at Ellis Rollins' of South Lowell. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bredanle of Lansing were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leyl Bredanle.

HOMES

Many people have paid for their homes through

The LOWELL BUILDING & LOAN ASSOCIATION

on small monthly payments, just about what rent would be. This Association offers you the same opportunity. Regular Board meetings the 3rd Monday in each month. Talk it over with M. C. GREENE, Pres., or J. B. YEITER, Sec.

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General Repair Work. Call Phone 202. I make a specialty of hot air heating.

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Auto Service.

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The system of ice delivery must be as efficient as our mail service or other public utilities. Only when we remember that practically the entire current supply of household foodstuffs are at the mercy of the ice man do we realize the importance of the service rendered.

The cost of ice and necessary delivery service is small when compared with the actual saving of foodstuffs.

Reliable ice service is the backbone of economy and health in the home during the summer months. Analyze the proposition fairly! Horses that serve on the ice wagon are only in service four months of the year. Other equipment and putting up ice cost a large amount of money. Still the price of ice and service rendered is about one per cent of the actual cost of foodstuffs protected. Pretty cheap insurance when you stop to think it over. Figure this out for yourself and you'll decide that efficient ice service is worth while.

Ice Delivered Daily in Any Part of Town.

Rates for Ground Floor Service.

25 lbs. Daily, 40 lbs. on Sat. on walk.....\$2.00 per Mo.
25 lbs. Daily, 40 lbs. on Sat. in Box.....\$2.70 per Mo.
30 lbs. three times a week in Box.....\$1.80 per Mo.
Weight Service, On walk.....27c per cwt.
In Box.....32c per cwt.

Northern Ice Co.
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The GIRL and the GAME

A Story of Mountain Railroad Life

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SYNOPSIS.

Little Helen Rhineland, daughter of General Rhineland, railroad man of the town of Nevada, is betrothed to George Seagru, a young man who has just returned from the front. Helen's father, Mr. Rhineland, is a prominent citizen of Nevada, and his business interests are largely in the railroad industry. Helen is a beautiful girl, and her betrothal to George is a matter of public interest. However, Helen's father is not pleased with the match, and he is determined to prevent it. He is particularly suspicious of George's motives, and he is determined to find out the truth. Helen, on the other hand, is in love with George, and she is determined to marry him. The story follows the course of Helen's father's investigation, and the eventual revelation of the truth.

Shortly as to what to do, the news of the failure of our principal vein would have been all over Nevada. It would have been late to sell the property at any price to anybody. "If the vein could be recovered, what difference would that make?" asked one of the disaffected shareholders. "It would make the difference that you would be holding the sack instead of the other fellow," retorted Seagru, bluntly. The chairman, one of the larger minority stockholders, proved one of the best of the disaffected. He rose to reply to Seagru's address. "You are telling us," he said coldly, "that you disposed of one of the best quartz properties in the Superstition mountains for a song because your foreman told you the vein had pinched out. And you say your expert corroborated his statement. By what right did you go ahead in this fashion without calling us together to decide whether we did not want further expert advice on the possibility of locating the vein?" "That part of the matter has been thrashed out already," said Seagru angrily. "O, it hasn't," retorted the chairman. "Not to our satisfaction. Where the investment is so large, our interests should have been given the most careful consideration before you disposed of them."

TWELFTH INSTALLMENT BURIED ALIVE

Seagru's sale to Rhineland of the Superstition mine did not go through as smoothly as he had expected. Meeting Rhineland at the office of an attorney in Las Vegas, the details of the transfer were arranged without much difficulty. Rhineland's only care was to be sure that the conveyance should give him a clear title to the valuable property, and having satisfied himself on this point, the minor details were easily arranged. While the attorney was embodying these items in a supplementary agreement, Rhineland writes out a telegram to Helen telling her that he was completing the transfer of the mine and would come up on No. 8. When the final draft of the contract had been made in duplicate, and signed by the two parties, in due form, Rhineland handed over a second check to Seagru, and putting the agreement in his pocket, left the office. Seagru watched him go with something of relief and a great deal of satisfaction. The whole scheme he had so successfully compassed looked to him almost too good to be true, and he had a hearty laugh with the attorney before they left the office together. But, unexpectedly enough, opposition developed in an unexpected quarter, namely, among minority stockholders of the mine itself. Rumors were thick and fast, and at Oceanview Seagru was openly accused of underhanded work in purchasing the mine. To afford a clear understanding of his position, a meeting of the stockholders of the mine was called, and Seagru, when the time came, addressed the gathering in explanation of the sale.

"I have understood," he began, "there has been some criticism of my action in disposing of the Superstition mine to the Copper Range and Tule water people. Some of our stockholders have been kind enough to hint that there was treachery in my part of the proceedings. I have called this meeting to explain without any mining of words why I was forced to act as I did on my own responsibility and to act quickly."

He related in detail the story of the sudden word received from the mine foreman announcing the pinching out of the vein. In more veiled language, but still making himself plain enough to be understood, he disclosed the thought that had come to him of getting the mine ready for sale by salting it, and of his subsequent success in unloading the property on Rhineland without serious loss to any of the shareholders.

"First," he went down and met Mr. Rhineland," said Storm to the foreman. "When we came back we'll see who's your working." Rhineland returned well pleased with the result of his trip. He explained to Helen and Storm the particulars of the transfer, showing them the agreement as he did so, and Helen told him about the incident of the stolen quartz.

They walked over to the mine together, and entered it. While they were talking, a man came to Mr. Rhineland, saying that the foreman had asked to see him. Accompanied by Helen and Storm, Rhineland walked down the tunnel to where the men were working. The foreman turned on his work. "How are things looking?" demanded Rhineland. "Why, to tell the truth," answered the man reluctantly, "they are not looking so good this morning as they were yesterday."

"What do you mean?" "We had trouble with this vein once or twice before," began the foreman, guardedly, "but it didn't turn out very serious. This time it looks as if the vein had pinched out on us. Just come over this way."



The Imprisoned Men Were Passed Out.

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The men began. The moment the blast was ready it was set off and they were back again at their drills preparing for the next. Working thus with frenzied energy, they tore great holes in the tunnel's side, but seemingly with no result. The work was beginning to tell on them. By the time they had gotten what they hoped might be the final shot ready, Rhineland and the miners—all in the tunnel except Storm—were on the verge of collapse. Nerved to a final effort by the hope of life, the shot was fired. No ray of daylight greeted their straining eyes as the smoke thinned away. The air, now foul, had so overcome them that few could crawl forward to examine the situation that lay before them. He looked for a moment at the rock and cried out. Animated by fresh hope, the exhausted men responded by "ragging themselves to him."

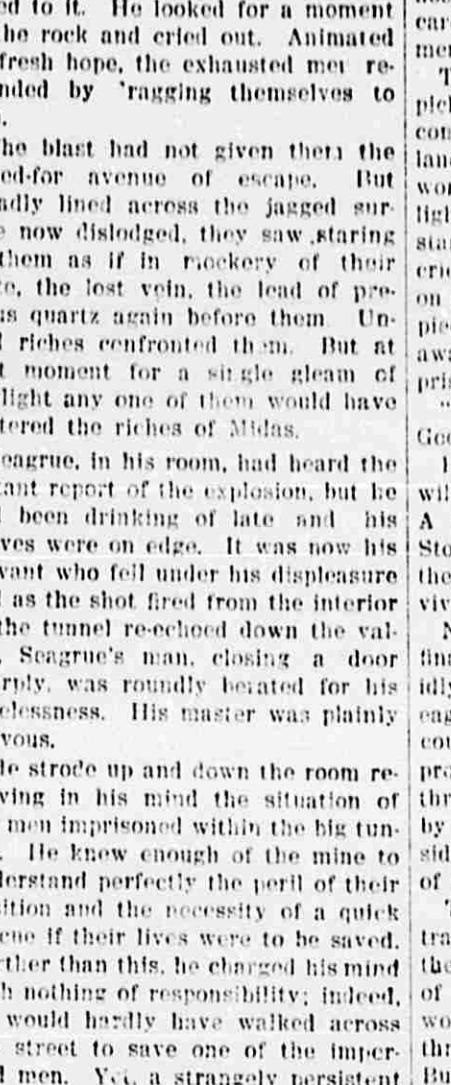


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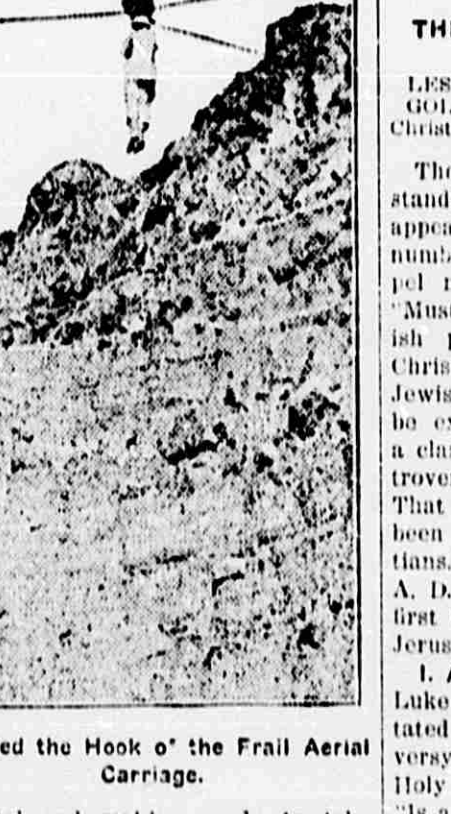
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INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

THE COUNCIL AT JERUSALEM.

GOLDEN TEXT: For freedom all Christ set free.—Gal. 5:1.

The events of this lesson are outstanding in Christian history. Paul's appeal to the Gentiles and the large number of them who accepted the Gospel made most acute the question, "Must Gentile believers become Jewish proselytes upon accepting the Christian faith and be governed by Jewish law and customs?" It would be exceedingly interesting to divide a class and let them debate this controversy stated as follows: "Resolved, That the Mosaic law should not have been imposed upon Gentile Christians." The date of this council was A. D. 50 or 51, and the scene is laid first in Antioch of Syria and then in Jerusalem.

I. A Division of Opinion (vs. 1-6). Luke does not name those who agitated and precipitated this controversy, but clearly indicates how the Holy Spirit dealt with the situation. "Is a man justified by faith, or by the works of the law?" is a similar question with modern application. The Holy Spirit, to avoid a rupture in the yet weak church, directs that Paul, Barnabas, Titus (Gal. 2:1) and "certain others" who are not named, should carry the question to the apostles and elders in Jerusalem. Those to whom they went were "of reputation" (Gal. 2:2), the "pillars" (Gal. 2:9) and they received the delegation from Antioch in public (15:12), also heard Paul in private (Gal. 2:10).

II. The Argument (vs. 6-18). It will not do to be harsh in condemning Paul's accusers. The Pharisees felt deeply their position. As God's chosen people they were marked by circumcision, Jewish observances, and racial differences are hard to reconcile in one church today. But little was asked of the Gentiles in contrast with all they received. Entrance to church membership would not be too easy if circumcision were imposed as a test of their sincerity. Peter brought forward the plea before the council that God had given the Holy Spirit to the uncircumcised Christians, and that no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith" (vs. 9, 10). God bears the same witness today to those who refuse to be bound by Mosaic traditions as regards the seventh day and other such details. Paul's argument was that God had wrought signs and wonders among the Gentiles and that set his seal upon his preaching of salvation as apart from legalistic works (vs. 12). Read in this connection Gal. 2:16, 17; 2:20; 3:1, 2, 10; and Phil. 3:9.

The apostle James presented the third argument in connection with the verdict he pronounced. It is that it is according to Old Testament Scripture that God will take a people for his name from among the uncircumcised Gentiles as well as from among the law-keeping Jews (vs. 13-17). With Paul this was a vital question, and we can at least imagine his feelings as he puts forth a life-and-death struggle for the truth. As Peter reminded the people of the occasion when "the Holy Spirit came upon Cornelius and his household," he caused them to keep silence (vs. 14).

III. A Wise Decision (vs. 19-29). Was James the Just, brother of our Lord, the writer of the epistle and the bishop overseer of the church at Jerusalem, who rendered the decision. In his argument (vs. 13-18) he saw in these Gentile converts reported by Barnabas and Saul a fulfillment of the prophecy of Amos, and to use the language of today he "made a motion," viz., that these Gentiles be not disturbed except in such matters as would tend to more fully separate them from the heathen idolatry they had just left, (a) "Pollution of idols," i. e., flesh offered in the sacrifices; (b) "from fornication," the immorality connected with the pagan worship of Aphrodite and Cybele which actually consecrated vice, and (c) "from things strangled," for the heathen did not, as the Jews did, look upon the blood as life, the seat of the soul. The church readily agreed to this motion and took such precautions as were needed that no misrepresentations of their decision be carried back to Antioch. This consisted of a spiritual choice of messengers and in a written statement of their decision (vs. 22, 23). Their letter is interesting. (1) They saluted the Gentiles as brothers, for in Christ we are all kin. It is sad to contemplate the unchristian separation of present-day professed followers of Christ. "Certain . . . have troubled you with words," such are not dead yet—men who wrangle over words or else whisper false words to young converts, and who must be met with truth (vs. 24, 25). (2) There was absolute unanimity among those at Jerusalem, they were of one accord" (vs. 24). There is surely no need of differences and discord on essential points among those who accept the authority of the Bible, who ask God for wisdom (James 1:5-7) and accept Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. If Christians sought more the mind of the Spirit and looked less on the wisdom of men they would not be so often at variance with each other.

IV. The Result in Antioch (vs. 30-35). Great joy greeted the conclusion of this question. It is a beautiful picture of a produced pleasant harmony in place of discord and in place of the irksome bondage of the law it gave the joyous liberty of the Gospel. Jewish legalism gave way to Christian liberty. Judas and Silas, Spirit-filled, gave much profitable exhortation and instruction. Silas after reporting to the Jerusalem church (vs. 32) seems to have returned to his new-found friends (vs. 34) and later became, along with Paul, a missionary (40).

Thus the evil Paul's enemies thought to accomplish worked out to the good of all (Rom. 8:28).

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It was Drake, crossing the Isthmus of Panama in 1572, was the first Englishman to cast eyes on the Pacific. The greater portion of the 4,000,000 inhabitants who people Colombia at the present time are descendants of the followers of those romantic adventurers, Almagro, Cortes and Pizarro, the Spanish conquistadores who subdued the natives of South America and ruled them with a rod of iron till the coming of Drake and the other great English sailors.

tensely religious, and their religion enters into the everyday occupations of the people to an extent never seen elsewhere. At the beginning of any work of importance a religious ceremony is always held, and at the launching of the dredge of the N-cheli Mines, Ltd., a company controlled in London, which took place not long ago, the dredge was blessed by the priest in attendance, as was also the first bucket of earth drawn.

Gentle Criticism. He—I see where a young woman killed herself because she could not find an ideal husband. Women are such fools. She—Yes, aren't they, to believe there is such a thing? Its Greatest Height. The fact now is that a courage bounder should be worn not on the corner but on the top of the head. It is the most all-around piece of the waist line has yet reached.—Detroit News.

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mean life to the men imprisoned in the tunnel. She grasped the hook of the frail aerial carriage and clinging to it with both hands, pulled the release. Like a bird on wings, Helen shot far out from the mountain side and dropping at a sharp angle down the line, sped suspended between heaven and earth. As she dashed the air, she caught a glimpse of the rock and stunted cedars shooting past underneath. It seemed as if the solid earth were flying in one mad flight away from her in her flight. A great wind roared in fury at her ears and tore the breath from her frightened lips.

At a distance on the desert, the Shay engine of the Neighbor mine was slowing down when the engineer saw the figure of a woman clinging to the aerial carriage of the Superstition mine as it shot through the air down to the valley. Breathless, he watched the wild light, expecting every instant to see the slender creature let go, to fall, crushed, to the rock below her.

But Helen did not let go. Hanging on with a desperation born of the realization that she must save the imprisoned men, she shot across the dangerous declivity from top to bottom and without mishap, jumped in safety to the foot of the aerial and dashed away for help. She ran toward the little car, and struggling for breath, apprised the crew of the accident. The engineer hurriedly started the engine back to their own mine. Forcing all the speed that he could get, and with Helen urging him to spare no effort, he made the engine bump along over the joints as it never had done before. A dozen times, before they reached their destination, it seemed as if the sturdy little machine must turn turtle. Never in its history had it been called on to make such an effort, and when at length they approached help, Helen was so excited she sounded the alarm whistle herself. By the time the engine had reached the works, men were looking from all directions to learn what the excitement was about.

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We guarantee all our shoes and our long experience in buying should convince you...

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Before Sending His Money to Distant Concerns Every Citizen Should Consider the Duty He Owes His Home Town.

It is a power that rises with us in the morning and goes to rest with us at night.

Let us do our duty in our shop or office, in the market, the street, the farm, the school, the home.

When we do that the very humblest of us will be serving in that great army which achieves the welfare of the world.

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Many a Michigan mother has probably used this 68 year old ointment on some member of the family.

Pure drugs are essential to good health—take no chances.

Note the fine pictures in the mail order house catalogue.

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A first-class garage—a boon for any community.

Our bank is your bank. Our large capital and surplus is at your command.

We are showing a fine line of dress goods, cloaks and hosiery at present.

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When in Lowell stop at the Waverly. You will find everything all right.

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Among the prominent speakers were H. R. Pattengill, Governor Ferris, Dr. Kellogg of the Sanitarium and John Clyde Oswald of New York.

After a trip through the Kellogg Corn Flake factory, we are prepared to vouch for the absolute cleanliness of its products.

The publishers and printers are also indebted to the Postum Cereal company, the estate of the late C. W. Post, the Duplex Printing Press company, Mayor Marsh of Battle Creek, President Fred W. Gage of the Federation and to the people of Battle Creek in general for the cordiality shown throughout the sessions in the Pure Foods town.

Just received a lot of the newest dress skirts and wash skirts.

TOO MUCH JOHNSON. But This Didn't Happen to Us at Battle Creek.

St. Paul, Minn.—Eighteen Johnsons answered a "call for Mr. Johnson" at a railway station here today.

Here is the dialogue repeated eighteen times: "Are you Mr. Johnson?" inquired the Hastings operator.

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Then came the disclaimers. The operator explained that a woman in Hastings was trying to get glad news to her husband at the station.

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

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The Senate of the United States has passed a bill to spend \$11,000,000 of the People's money to build a government armor plant.

It is said that manufacturers of armor have "gouged" the country in the past, and that a government plant is necessary to secure armor more cheaply.

The mistake of the Bethlehem Steel Company has been that it has kept quiet. We have allowed irresponsible assertions to be made for so long without denial, that many people now believe them to be proven facts.

It is and has been the policy of our Company to deal with the American Government fairly and squarely. We shall henceforth place the details of our relations with the Government before the American People.

The United States has for twenty years obtained the highest grade of armor and has paid a lower price for it than has any other great naval power.

A government plant cannot make armor any cheaper than we can do it; and— We are prepared to manufacture armor at any price which the Government itself shall name as fair.

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