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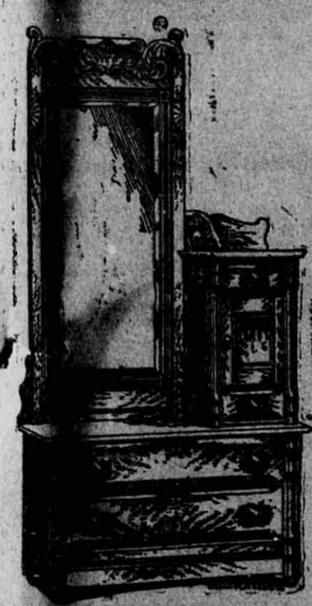
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**WE CELEBRATE.**  
The Eagle Will Scream at  
Lowell this Year.

**THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES NAMED.**  
Chas. Althen's Store Burglarized Again.

**THE ALUMNI MEETING AT IONIA.**  
The Farmers' Picnic Coming to Lowell.

**ALBA HEYWOOD BOOKED FOR LOWELL.**  
Miss Sarah Jennings Has a Bad Tumble.

**OF COURSE WE CELEBRATE.**  
The citizens of Lowell have decided to indulge this year in a genuine old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration, with its lemonade, peanuts, fire crackers, speech making, races, balloon ascensions and all the sports and games dear to the hearts of the American people.

This is Lowell's year and the old town is going to do herself proud. Just come and see how we do it. Begin now to make your plans for a great big day in Lowell on the Fourth of July next.

At a meeting of the citizens of Lowell on Wednesday evening the following committees were appointed:  
Program—C. G. Stone, Geo. Winegar, A. W. Weekes, N. B. Blain.  
Finance—F. B. Clark, R. Quick, W. H. Clark.  
Speaker—E. R. Collar, L. H. Hunt, Chas. Quick.  
Music—W. M. Chapman, H. A. Sherman, J. B. Yeiter.  
Advertising—B. C. Smith, D. G. Look, A. L. Coons.  
Balloon—A. B. Johnson, W. M. Clark, D. G. Look.  
Races—W. S. Winegar, C. McCarty, R. D. Stocking.  
Athletic Sports—E. D. McQueen, Geo. Coppens, Thos. Murphy.

There will be a meeting of the committees at the store of B. C. Smith on Monday, June 11, at 7:30 p. m.

**CHAS. ALTHEN BURLARIZED AGAIN.**  
About one o'clock Sunday morning the clothing store of Charles Althen was visited by burglars, making the fourth time Mr. Althen has been so honored. The thieves gained entrance by means of a rear window, and selected about \$150 worth of clothing, neckties, jewelry, etc., and made for the mouth of Flat River with their plunder, where they took a boat belonging to Frank Derry and struck out down the Grand. It seems as if they must have left a little sooner than they calculated upon for a portion of the goods removed were left at the rear of the building. The boat and its occupants were noticed near Ada about eight o'clock in the morning, but no attention was paid to them. The fellows went ashore near Ada and spent the day, and as late as three o'clock in the afternoon the queer character of the boat's cargo was noticed and still no suspicions were aroused. Sunday morning Derry's boat was missed and the two events were connected. The boat was recovered at Ada but its occupants and their booty were missing. Deputy Sheriff Hart is after the thieves.

**ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.**  
On Friday, June 1, the senior classes of Ionia, Lowell, Belding and Greenville held their first reunion at the Bailey House, Ionia. In the af-

ternoon a pleasant program, rendered at the Y. M. A. hall, was enjoyed by all. The principal features of the exercises were the solo by Earl B. Slawson, of Greenville, the music of the Ionia high school orchestra, the humorous essay by Miss Kate McMahon, of Lowell and the impersonating by Elvert M. Davis, of Ionia.

In the evening a banquet was spread at the Bailey house to which about eighty pupils and teachers did justice. After the feast was over Toast-master H. Harris, of Greenville, proposed several toasts which were answered by the following persons:  
Our Host; Mae Strong, Belding.  
Our Teacher; Florence Henry, Greenville.  
The Juniors; M. Glen Waterbury, Ionia.  
Classes of '94; Ellis Faulkner, Lowell.  
Old Memories; Frank Whipple, Belding.  
When We Are Through; Ella Green, Greenville.  
Great Expectations; W. G. Murphy, Lowell.  
Farewell; Grove A. Wright, Ionia.

The affair was a grand success and will long be remembered by those present.

**FARMERS' PICNIC COMING.**  
A delegation of the citizens of Lowell went to Clarksville last Saturday and secured a unanimous vote from the Farmer's Picnic executive committee to hold their next annual picnic at Lowell. The annual meetings were formerly held at Morrison Lake, but for two years past have been held at Saranac, and now this year will be held on Lowell's favorite Island park, August 22. These annual meetings are always largely attended, and it is safe to say that Lowell will have its largest crowd for years on that day.

**MUSICAL TREAT IN STORE.**  
The Dewey Heywood Concert company will be at Train's opera house June 23, and with them comes Alba Heywood who has been secured by the company for thirty nights only, previous to taking up his New York engagement. This is probably the only chance Lowell people will have to hear this company. Reserved seats on sale at the usual place.

**BAD MISHAP.**  
Miss Sarah Jennings, a well known and very estimable lady, met with a serious accident at the residence of Wayne Pardee, on Tuesday afternoon, where she had been attending a missionary meeting. She stepped into the cellar way by mistake, lost her balance and fell the entire length of the stairway. She had strength enough left to make her way up stairs but has since been quite sick and is still unable to go to her own home. The doctor reported that he thought her collar bone cracked but not broken, and that she will get along nicely. She also received some injuries about the head. Her many friends hope she may soon recover.

**List of Unclaimed Letters**  
Remaining in the Post Office at Lowell, Mich., week ending June 1, 1894.  
Ladies—Chisholm, Miss Maggie; Smith, Miss Maggie; White, Mrs. Hattie.  
Gents—Auber, E. G.; Barrett, Andrew; Doyle, Ben; Empey, Geo. W.; Fox, A. A.; Gardner, D. M. & Sons; Gardner, J.; Pinkham, I. E.; Swalter, Frank.  
Persons claiming the above will please say "advertised" and give date of list.  
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**SHE THOUGHT SO, TOO.**  
As I drink my morning coffee,  
As I drink my evening tea,  
The milk that we buy of the milkman  
Seems fearfully thin to me.  
There rises no cream upon it,  
It is dreadfully thin and blue.  
I spoke to my wife about it,  
And she said she thought so, too.  
So I studied over the question,  
And I studied long and deep.  
I figured at noon, in waking,  
And at night when I went to sleep,  
And to purchase a Jersey heifer  
Seemed exactly the thing to do,  
And I spoke to my wife about it,  
And she said she thought so, too.  
So we drove out into the country,  
And were just in luck to find  
A cow which the trusty farmer  
Said never was else than kind;  
I had faith in the honest granger,  
That the words he said were true,  
And I spoke to my wife about it,  
And she said she thought so, too.  
I attached the rope to the heifer,  
And said: "So, Bossy, Sol!"  
My wife started up the wagon  
While I held the cow in tow;  
But I noticed the cow was unhappy,  
She rolled her eyes, and said, "Woo-oo!"  
And I spoke to my wife about it,  
And she said she thought so, too.  
A small dog frightened the heifer,  
New light on the scene was shed,  
I landed 'way out in the gutter,  
My wife got a broken head;  
I seldom get very excited,  
But I naturally cursed things blue,  
And I spoke to my wife about it,  
And she said she thought so, too.  
JOSEPH BEAR SMILEY,  
Galesburg, Mich., April 25.

**PEACH HILL GROVE.**  
Mrs. Wisner entertained her mother of East Ada last Friday; also Mrs. Rolf and Mrs. Kellogg.  
A parent was explaining to his child about the angel of death passing over the houses of Egypt and smiting the first born. The child was silent in thought for a moment then exclaimed: "What did the angel do when there were twins?"  
D. H. Gilbert and C. Conklin with their families visited at Ed. Dixon's in Vergennes recently.

**Society Jealousy.**  
"You needn't put on no airs, you yaller-faced piece. We keep a cow, and has got a pew in de Blue Light Tabernacle, besides," were the words of Miss Matilda Snowball, who is as black as night, to a saddle-colored friend.  
"I don't keer ef we hadn't got a cow. We keep a goat, and my mudder is gwine to hab a carbuncle on de back ob her neck," was the crushing reply.—Texas Siftings.

**A Queer Organ.**  
A curious organ is to be seen at the Jesuits' church at Shanghai, China. It was manufactured by a native, a "brother coadjutor" of the Jesuit order. The pipes of the instrument are in bamboo wood instead of metal, and the sonority is of incomparable sweetness, "angelic and superhuman," says a correspondent, and such as has never been heard in Europe.

**Suggested.**  
He—Miss Budd isn't as pretty as she was.  
She—That wins my bet.  
He—Did you bet that her beauty would fade?  
She—Nope; that you would propose to her and get left.—Truth.

**Unconscious Animals.**  
To make animals unconscious, before slaughtering, is considered humane in Berne, Switzerland. A test was recently made there by legal enactment and it took six quarts of alcohol to render an ox unfeelingly drunk.

**Cremation.**  
Such has been the growth of popular opinion in favor of the sudden disposition of the dead by heat that there are now in the country eighteen incorporated cremation societies, and during the past ten years about 3,000 cremations have taken place.



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THE Grand Rapids Eagle copies paragraphs from the LEDGER and credits them to the Journal.

CONGRESSMAN RICHARDSON has our thanks for a copy of the memorial address on the life and character of Melbourne H. Ford.

BE SURE OF THESE WORDS.

"In a few short weeks Mr. Gladstone has outlived hatred, malice and all uncharitableness."

"Wheat growers in Minnesota turn their cattle into growing wheat fields, while plowmen; corn growers in Kansas burn their product as fuel, while coal miners are compelled to work at starvation wages; cotton growers in the south refuse to pick the crop, while millions go half-clothed."

"The discovery of a long forgotten story written by Napoleon Bonaparte in his youth and published recently in the Cosmopolitan, brings to mind the thought of the general's neglected opportunity in the last years of his life."

"Regarding the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people, the Chicago Times says: 'Judging from the interviews obtained, there is reason to believe that ninety-nine out of every 100 voters in Illinois, irrespective of party, would, if given the opportunity, vote to abolish the present system and in favor of choosing senators by direct vote. There is no division of sentiment on this point.'

"In commenting upon this, the New York Times very justly observes: 'If there is any such strong sentiment as this implies on the question of electing senators it is due to the disappointment and disgust which the unrepresentative conduct and obstructive methods of the senate have produced in the last year.'

A JERSEY CITY preacher defends the bicycle against the charge that it is an un-Godly machine; and while he does not defend Sunday riding, he says: 'The bicycle is here and we might as well accept the situation and make the best of it. If folks will ride on Sunday, let us invite them to ride to church.'

Wheels during services, the pastor claiming that the person who rides to church does not work so hard as the man who walks, and that it can certainly be no worse to ride a bicycle to church than to go upon the street car an institution that compel men to work all day Sunday.

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Such was the heading of an advertisement that appeared in the Lowell Star of November 14, 1860, and this veteran dealer is still doing business in Lowell, and carries a complete stock of Everything that should be found in a first class hardware store, which will be sold at the lowest prices for cash.

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PROBATE NOTICE.

County of Kent—State of Michigan, Probate Court for said county of Kent, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Rapids on the 25th day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety four.

Present, Cyrus E. Perkins Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Lynnette A. White and Lucy L. White—Minors. On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Arthur L. White, guardian of said minors, praying this Court for license and authority to mortgage the real estate of said minors, therein described, for reasons and purposes therein set forth. It is ordered that Friday the 22d day of June 1894 at ten o'clock in the forenoon at said Probate office be appointed for hearing said petition and that the next of kin of said minors and all persons interested in said estate appear before said Court at said time and place, to show cause why a license should not be granted to said guardian to mortgage said real estate as prayed for in said petition. And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Lowell LEDGER, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Kent.

CYRUS E. PERKINS, Judge of Probate.

(A true copy.) HARRY D. JEWELL, Register.

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Calls are collected from the established stages of the Line 30 minutes before D. G. H. & M. trains are due and I will not be responsible for calls left after that time. The Bus is timed to leave the Davis House 35 minutes before D. G. H. & M. trains are due and Train's Hotel 25 minutes before said trains are due. Notices of 50 minutes must be given if baggage wagon is required. CHAS. WESBROOK, Prop.

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I have a flock of about one hundred fowl and have been using your Fowl's Feeding Food. I am satisfied it is a good thing. Mrs. W. J. Keres Manchester N. Y. The testimony is all in favor of the "Fowlite." No one ever used it according to directions without being satisfied that it is all the proprietor claims for it. L. B. Lord Burlington Vt.

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# HOME NEWS

Alba Heywood's company is coming.

Jesse Frost is enlarging his residence.

See Ecker & Son for wood and kindlings.

Close finances make prompt pensioners.

James Lewis was over from Cascade Sunday.

Charles Bush was over from Ionia Monday.

E. E. Andrews was over from Alto Monday.

F. E. Pardee called on Lowell friends Thursday.

John Edinger of Greenville was in town Sunday.

V. S. Ward spent Monday and Tuesday in town.

Buy beech, maple and oak wood of Ecker & Son.

Worden's orchestra will give a ball on the Fourth.

Alba Heywood at Train's opera house, June 28.

Mrs. F. A. Moore of Freeport was in town Monday.

George Coppens was out to Bowne Center Tuesday.

C. A. Church and wife were in Freeport Wednesday.

Base ball last Friday: East Side 16, West Side 17.

Repairing and re-upholstering of furniture at Yeiter's.

Tom Walsh of Grand Rapids was in town last Tuesday.

Dr. W. F. Brooks went to Chicago the fore part week.

E. S. Burdick and family spent Sunday in Saranac.

Norm Miller of Grand Rapids was in Lowell Thursday.

Ed. Headworth of Bowne Center was in town Tuesday.

Joe Quick is spending several days at Jackson this week.

Mrs. R. B. Boylan is visiting in Portland for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Farrington of Saranac were in Lowell Saturday.

Linnie Crawford is visiting Katie Johnson at Bowne Center.

Arthur McMahon has resigned his clerkship at Train's hotel.

Mrs. Jesse Frost is confined to the house with a sprained ankle.

Heywood concert company at Train's opera house, June 28.

Frank Headley from Caledonia, visited Lowell friends Sunday.

James McPherson was in Grand Rapids Thursday on business.

Wm. K. Pringle and son of Mair were in the village Wednesday.

Mrs. E. Quick of Freeport spent last week with Lowell relatives.

Chocolate and vanilla ice cream at Rickett's Saturday and Sunday.

H. Barnaby and W. H. Barnaby of Hastings were in Lowell Sunday.

John and William Moore of Freeport were in this village Tuesday.

S. D. Stephenson and Bert Douglass of Cascade were in town Tuesday.

Eight bicyclists from Lowell rode over to Bowne Center last Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl S. English, Sunday, June 3, a 7 pound boy.

Dr. Hull, optician, will be at Hunter & Son's to fit eyes, June 12 and 13.

P. J. Coppens of Grand Rapids called on his old Lowell friends Wednesday.

Goodrich Kopf is furnishing the material for the repair of a hotel at Cascade.

Lem Husted, deputy sheriff of Grand Rapids was in town Thursday morning.

Call on Dr. Hull, optician, for spectacles, June 12 and 13 at Hunter & Son's Lowell.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hunt of Ann Arbor visited relatives and friends here during the week.

Mrs. A. B. Knight, who has been quite sick for several weeks, is now improving a little.

The Lowell Athletic club have organized a glee club, with W. Chapman as director.

Rev. A. P. Moors took a business trip across Lake Michigan the fore part of the week.

The Lowell & Hastings depot looks fresh and neat in its new dress of paint and paper.

C. H. Westbrook has purchased a handsome three-year-old dray horse, weighing 1400 pounds.

Ecker & Son have added neat new lumber sheds 22x100 feet to their facilities for doing business.

A howling swell—an ulcerated tooth.

We celebrate! Let the eagle scream!

Contentment is better than money, and just about as scarce.

It is funny that the load makes the cargo before the train starts.

Low prices and quick service on job printing at the LEDGER office.

The business in which you know you could make money, is generally the other man's.

A bonnet covered with birds does not sing, but it makes a man whistle when the bill comes in.

Arthur Morgan's family mare ran away last Thursday and jumping on a picket fence was killed.

L. A. Farnsworth, electrician, of Indianapolis, has been doing business in town several days this week.

Miss Kate Louise Enos, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Enos, graduates from Vassar college this month.

S. B. Perry went to Holly last Wednesday night in response to a telephone request from James Slocum.

Mrs. L. G. Lawson and Mrs. A. Miner of Grand Rapids visited the latter's sister, Mrs. Eli Burdick last week.

A green canker worm is doing much damage in apple orchards where not fought by spraying with Paris green.

Dr. Hull, optician, guarantees satisfaction. Call and see him at Hunter & Son's, Tuesday and Wednesday June 12, 13.

A boy doesn't become a man until he is twenty-one; but we have known a hat to become a man as soon as it was tried on.

Band tournament at Clarksville June 12th. Thirty cents for round trip via L. & H. railroad. Train leaves 6:15 a. m.

Base ball last Saturday, high school nine vs a picked up team, captained by Arthur Cox. Score 47 to 9 in favor of the former.

S. B. Knapp had the misfortune to fall through a roof he was working upon one day last week, and has since been using a cane.

The Lowell band will attend a band tournament at Clarksville next Tuesday, and probably numerous other citizens will go along.

Marks Kuben's special sale will continue until July 4, after which the old prices go into effect and the store is to be thoroughly overhauled.

Miss Ora Anderson has been visiting friends at Greenville a few days this week. Patrons of the express company miss her smiling face.

Bije Kinsley ran away from the County House and called on Lowell friends for a few days. On Monday Marshal Edmonds took him back.

A good game of ball was played on the fair ground Thursday between the Lowell and Keene clubs, resulting in a score of 11 to 12 in favor of Keene.

Never spread an ill report about your neighbor until you know positively that it is true, and don't do it then if he is a good deal bigger than you are.

The Lady Maccabees will give an ice cream and strawberry festival in the vacant store in Train's opera block to day (Saturday). A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Estrayed—Sunday, June 3, a black horse, four years old, weighs about 900 pounds, shod all around. Finder return or send word to T. B. James, Vergennes, (Postoffice Loyell.)

The names of Lowell's high school graduates in the class of '94 are as follows: Kate McMahon, Louisa Barber, Clara Walker, Jessie Tilden, Mattie Packard, Della Hatch and Ellis Faulkner.

B. C. Smith's latest tailor got on a "toot" Monday, and did some very loud and bad talking on the streets. Unfortunately, the Marshal didn't happen to be around and the fellow escaped running in.

Mrs. Anna Smith, of Stenben county New York, mention of whom was made in these columns some weeks ago, died on the 22nd of April at the age of 100 years, 1 month and 6 days. She was an aunt of Dr. J. B. Goodsell, of Lowell.

The Forest City wheelmen have a fine room in the basement of Train's opera house block, lighted by electricity. The executive officers are as follows: President, Geo. Morse; vice president, Chas. Hafer; secretary, Geo. Craw; Treas., E. L. Craw.

Some of the farmers are getting a little sarcastic over the wool question and one farmer was heard to say recently that he had made arrangements with a man to shear his sheep, taking the clip for part of his pay, the balance to be paid out of his potato crop.—Lakeview Enterprise.

Lowell fair, October 9, 10 and 11.

The interior of Bob Swayne's place has been neatly decorated. The graining of the woodwork, a particularly fine job, was done by F. E. Lovett.

Citizens C. G. Stone and Wm. Pullen created a little ripple of amusement Tuesday morning. They had engaged in a discussion of local taxes and found themselves in sympathy with each other. The conversation changed into politics, however, and then there was a war of words and the fire fairly flew.

The chilling winds of Wednesday evening interfered with what otherwise would have been a very pleasant affair—the ice cream and strawberry social on the lawn of Mr. and Mrs. George Parker. The Lowell City band enlivened the occasion with music that seemed to be highly appreciated by those in attendance.

The Lowell Maccabees will hold their annual memorial service at the Baptist church, Sunday morning, June 10. By request, Rev. E. H. Shanks will deliver the sermon. The Maccabees are expected meet at the hall at 10 o'clock sharp, from whence they will proceed in a body to the church. All Sir Knights and Lady Maccabees are invited to join.

A young man, apparently not old enough to vote, appeared before County clerk Burch this morning and wanted to know how much it cost for a marriage license. Obtaining the desired information he started out saying he would return later. After dinner he again appeared before the clerk, plunking down 100 pennies, got his license and went away.—Ionia Sentinel.

The attorney general has decided that school boards cannot prohibit children of school age from entering school when the latter see fit to do so. He says that if a board could make a rule that certain pupils could not attend school unless they commenced at a certain part of the year, they could as well make a rule by which classes should commence only once in two years.

Rev. J. W. Arney has tendered his resignation as pastor of the Congregational church at Lake Odessa and has accepted a call to the Pilgrim Congregational church at Lansing with a \$1,000 salary and a four weeks' vacation attached. From a membership of 13 Rev. Arney has succeeded in increasing the membership to 236 during his stay in Lake Odessa. His many friends in Lake Odessa regret to part with him.

Attorney General Ellis has deposited \$5,812.05 with the Ionia bank, which is the amount of additional salary drawn by him since the supposed adoption of the amendment in increasing his salary. He has addressed a letter to Auditor General Turner, with a copy of the certificate of deposit and memoranda of agreement intimating his willingness to have his right to retain the same determined by a jury.

A grand game of base ball is taking place on the fair ground this (Friday) afternoon as we are going to press, between the business men of the east and west sides of Flat river. For further particulars of the score, black eyes, broken fingers, sprained ankles, bloody noses and blistered hands, please observe next week's issue. The teams are as follows:

EAST SIDE. WEST SIDE.

R. B. Boylan, D. G. Look, Will M. Clark, D. E. Murray, Geo. Winegar, E. D. McQueen, C. G. Stone, C. Bergin, H. A. Sherman, A. W. Weekes, M. C. Greene, W. S. Winegar, A. B. Johnson, E. R. Collar, Harry Hunter, Chas. Church, F. B. Clark, Geo. Coppens.

Bed room and parlor suits delivered free of charge to our customers in the country. J. B. Yeiter.

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**Baptist Notes.**

Tomorrow morning Pastor Shanks will deliver a sermon to the order of Maccabees. The theme will be, "In the Secret of His Presence."

The evening services will be substituted by the Children's Day exercises by the Bible school. Other services are regular.

Lecture on Christian Evidences on Monday evening at the church, Subject, "Analogy. General history class on Friday evening at the church.

Cordial welcome to all. ERNEST H. SHANKS, Pastor.

**CURE FOR HEADACHE.**

As a remedy for all forms of Headache Electric Bitters has proved to be the very best. It effects a permanent cure and the most dreaded sick headaches yield to its influence. We urge all who are afflicted to procure a bottle, and give this remedy a fair trial. In cases of habitual constipation Electric Bitters cures by giving the needed tone to the bowels, and few cases long resist the use of this medicine. Try it once. Large bottles only 50 cents at Hunter & Son's drug store.

**A LOVE STORY.**

An Oft-Repeated Scene in an Old World Garden.

An old world garden, so peaceful, quiet and still, where the roses nod their heads in the summer breeze, whispering round them the secrets of the high, overhanging trees, bringing them, too, the music of the tiny fountain blithely dancing in the sunlight while reflecting back their brightness in a thousand pearly tints, and singing sweetly all the live-long day to the rippling brook wending far away through the meadows beyond, to lose itself amid waving fields of corn, gleaming like yellow gold in the valley below.

On the close-cropped grass plot, ringed over and over, where the fairies hold their court on its green carpet night after night, stands an old moss-covered sun-dial, marking off the hours, keeping steady pace with the march of time. How many love tales could that old dial tell; the same sweet story had been poured out so often by its stones that it must know it all—the sighs and tears, the sweet love whispers, the hot, swift words that sprang so quickly from the parted lips, the faltering answer so low as to hardly break the stillness as the seconds pass under the shadows of the dial's face.

A young man, strong and straight as an Apollo, kneeling by its weather-beaten stones, is pouring out his love story to a dainty maiden so small and fragile that almost the fairies might claim her for their own. There is a delicate rose flush under the tender skin of the maiden's face, while her eyes are shaded from sight under long drooping lashes, and the sweet lips are poutingly curved as her little hands push back the roses he offers her so tenderly. Her blue eyes cloud a moment as she turns away her dainty head.

"Then you don't love me any more, Mignon? And I plucked these pretty roses all for you, and these wild flowers to twine in your hair and crown you a queen, my queen, my little queen, Mignon." A tender thrill runs through the young man's voice. "Mignon, am I to go away? Don't you want my love any more? Is your love like the roses and wild flowers, as quickly dying, Mignon?" His face comes closer to hers, and one arm steals gently around the tiny waist. "Mignon," his pleading voice goes on, "you love me; you're only making believe not to."

Does a dimple steal into the maiden's cheek and the eyes shyly glance at the brave fellow kneeling at her feet in all the glorious strength of his young manhood? The tiny arms are clasped tightly around his neck, her dainty cheek close presses his, and in a whisper sweet and low, while the seconds pass under the shadow on the old dial's face, comes the answer he awaits—"I does 'ove oo, papa."

**Birds Can Sew.**

Sewing seems so ingenious an art that it must be reserved for the human species alone. Yet the tailor bird, the Orthotomus longicauda, and other species possess the elements of it. They place their nests in a large leaf which they prepare to this end. With their beaks they pierce two rows of holes along the two edges of the leaf; they then pass a stout thread from one side to the other alternately. With this leaf, at first flat, they form a horn in which they weave their nest with cotton or hair. These labors of weaving and sewing are preceded by the spinning of the thread. The bird makes it itself by twisting in its beak spiders' webs, bits of cotton, and little ends of wool. Sykes found that the threads used for sewing were knotted at the ends.—Popular Science Monthly.

**Rheumatism Has Bacteria.**

M. Max Schuler is said to have discovered, in the joints of persons attacked with chronic articular rheumatism, bacteria, which are always identical in like cases. These bacilli are short and thick, having at each end bright grains which aniline colors make still more evident. The discoverer has been able to cultivate these bacteria in bouillon, on gelatin, or on a piece of potato. Their culture requires a temperature of at least twenty-five degrees, and darkness is indispensable.

**What Senators Smoke.**

The average senator smokes an expensive cigar. There is a 35-cent brand which sells more rapidly than any other in the senate restaurant, and which is in great demand for committee-room lunches. It is rather curious that the Southerners, who, as a rule, have to live on meager incomes, are the most expensive of all in their taste for tobacco.

**A Great Mystery.**

"My husband is a peculiar sort of a man."  
"How so?"  
"Before we were married I could not get him out of the house before midnight, and now I can't get him into the house before midnight!"—Texas Siftings.

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**HE PULLED HIS WORDS.**

How Mark Twain "Learned the River" Under Captain Bixby.

When the last of the old Mississippi racing boats, the City of Natchez, burned to the water's edge in Memphis two or three years ago, it took out of commission one of the best known characters on the river: Captain Horace Bixby, the "Mr. B." of Mark Twain's "Life on the Mississippi."

Captain Bixby, if you happened to strike his rugged fancy, was only too ready to tell stories of "old days on the river," and he told them with a freshness and simplicity—and a swift tapering to the point, that were as good as anything his famous friend has accomplished, says Munsey's Magazine.

He tells of the first appearance of young Clemens. He says that one day there appeared on the deck of the boat he was running a very tall, stoop-shouldered young man, with bushy hair crowded down upon his neck by a big slouch hat. His "roundabout" left about four inches of his shirt visible above the band of his buttoned trousers, and there was an equal place of bare skin between his shoe top and his trousers' legs. His face was cadaverous, and his hands were rammed to the bottom of his pockets.

"I'm a pri-n-t-or by tr-a-a-d-e," he drawled out, "and it ain't very h-sal-l-ly. I thought I'd l-i-i-ke to l-e-a-r-n the river."

"What makes you pull your words like that," said the impatient captain.

"You ought to hear my m-a-r-m," said the imperturbable Mark. She pulls her-r-n wor-n I-pull m-i-l-n-e!"

Captain Bixby kept him, and "larn't him the river," how to be a pilot, and how to find the shifting depths of the great stream. He taught him many of the stories "by Mark Twain," and the friendship still continues. Until the old Natchez burned, Mr. Clemens, with a chosen friend, went every year to take the round trip from St. Louis to New Orleans, with "Mr. B." Sometimes the friend was Mr. Osgood or some other Boston man, sometimes a Western acquaintance.

The captain's room, that glass domain on the roof, held on its table photographs of all the Clemens children at different ages. In the drawer were letters—gay and affectionate, from "Sam." There was one striking peculiarity about these. They were as near written talk as letters could be, and when it became necessary, in the course of human events, to use strong language, it went down in good spelling, in honest black and white. There were no subterfuges of blanks and dashes.

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**A MILLION FRIENDS.**

A friend in need is a friend indeed, and not less than one million people have found just such a friend in Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. If you have never used this Great Cough Medicine, one trial will convince you that it has wonderful curative powers in all diseases of Throat, Chest and Lungs. Each bottle is guaranteed to do all that is claimed, or money will be refunded. Trial bottles free at Hunter & Son's Drug Store. Large bottles 50c. and \$1.00.

**Congregational Church.**

Usual services morning and evening. Sabbath School at noon. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30.

All are cordially invited to attend the services. REV. JAS. PROVY, Pastor.

Ship the Prolific Poultry Food just as soon as you can as I am out and the demand for it is double what it was last year. H. N. Avery, Dealer in poultry supplies, Boston Mass.

Please send me one more case as before. I am much in favor of your Prolific Poultry Food. Wm. B. Coe, poultry raiser, Oxford N. Y. L. B. Lord, proprietor, Burlington Vt.

**Scattered by Bees.**

At an auction near Neshaminy Falls, Pa., among numerous other articles put under the hammer, were twenty-five hives of bees. A bee, accidentally disturbed one of the hives and about 3,000 angry bees at once rushed out and caused 200 people to scatter in all directions.

**A Great Railway Depot.**

With the recent enlargement of the London depot of the Great Northern railroad, the largest railway station in the United Kingdom is completed. It occupies an area of fourteen and three-quarter acres.

**PROTECT HOME INDUSTRY**

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The undersigned desires to say to the people of Lowell and vicinity that he has purchased the

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