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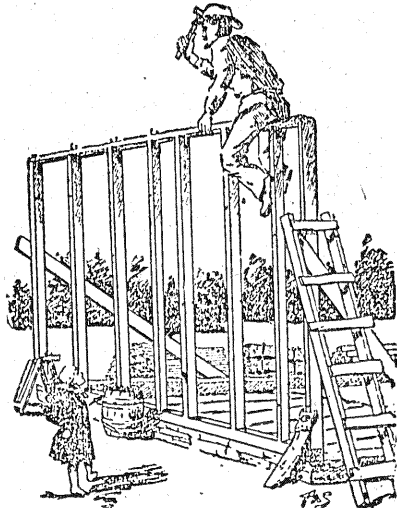
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Our spring stock is now ready. We invite all to see our line. We have the designs and can fit up rooms with the latest and most artistic designs for a very small amount of expense. We have some of the highest grade of paper as well. We have no schemes to offer in offering borders cheap and making it up off something else. We do not believe that the honest way. A reasonable profit on everything is our motto. Our window shade stock is large and we carry in stock the regular size; also in the large shades as wide as 54 inches. Orders taken for anything larger. A nice line of Room Moulding also carried.

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Are you going to build or do any repairing? If so, let us figure on your next bill. It is a common saying that the best is the cheapest. This is particularly true of Lumber and Building Material. We know we can sell you better lumber at lower prices than any concern in the county and can save you money on anything you buy, no matter how much or how little. Call in and see us.

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SUGAR BEETS ARE KING

The Following Article With More to Follow Specially Prepared For The Chronicle.

Facts and Figures Given by a Farmer Who Has Practical Experience in Beet Culture.

As a rule people are slow to accept great and important facts no matter how great and important they are to themselves or the country at large. Steam as a motive power was considered an impossibility in the first stages of its existence. The same with the self-binder, electricity and many other great improvements and inventions that have revolutionized the business of the world until now. Man can simply press a button and set the wheels of any great industry in motion.

The beet sugar industry in Michigan has met with a similar experience. Many could not be persuaded that the crop would pay the expense of growing. It was plain to see that it required more labor to grow an acre of beets and deliver them at the factory (the market) than any other crop they had ever raised. At the same time only a few that did really understand they could realize from four to five times as much money per acre from beets as they ever had from their old standard crops with rare exceptions of an occasional year, and then the beets will be dollars ahead of the best results they have ever obtained from their most favored especial crop.

Now to illustrate this fact, the farmer that lacks experience is entitled some proof which we have at hand. We will give the experience of one man that kept a book account with his beet field last year containing seven acres of land. We will not itemize the account as it would require too much time and space. The cost of growing the crop including all labor, five dollars per acre for rent of land, \$10 dollars for small tools, including the expense of \$1.00 per ton for hauling to the factory amounted to \$375; he received for the crop \$525.42. Here is a net profit of \$150.42, and many others in the same township could show a better crop with less expense than the one mentioned here. It has been proved by actual experience in this vicinity that there is more money in beets than any other crop the farmers can grow and the acreage will be fully doubled this year from that of last, and as the business progresses from year to year. It is becoming more evident that sugar beets will soon become the standard crop of the Saginaw valley. There is one fact, the valley farmers should bear well in mind, that is, they are not in competition with any great extent of country especially in our own state and the area in other states adapted to sugar beets is not sufficiently large so that our markets will ever become overstocked with sugar. There is very little land in the world so well adapted to sugar beets as the Saginaw valley, and this part we call the thumb, is the best in the valley so far as the quality of the beets is concerned, and the Saginaw valley will ever hold the distinction of being the center of Michigan's greatest and most important industry.

Whenever the farmers turn their attention to beet culture more factories will be needed and will be built. Transportation of beets to the factory is not convenient to all at the present time but that will be provided for as the business grows and improves. Our clay land of course is the best for beets but on sand and gravel that would produce a good crop of oats, wheat or corn, sugar beets would do nearly as well as on the clay. Surely the future of the Saginaw valley farmers is the brightest of any in the state with these fine great factories already in operation and three more that will be built this season, and plenty of room for more. Our farms should be as current as gold dollars at \$75 per acre. The price must and will advance, watch and see.

them at the elevator for \$35.00. In the meantime, Mr. Loney got track of them and gave chase. On Thursday while returning home, the thieves became aware that they were followed and without any ceremonies made haste for Cass City with the expectation of taking the four o'clock south-bound train, but unfortunately for them they missed the train. Rather than take any chances waiting in Cass City for the next train, they walked to Deford, where they stopped over night, and on Friday morning took the train south to Imlay City and thence took the Grand Trunk train west for Flint.

AN ORATORICAL CONTEST

Vassar's Young Orator Took The Plunk. Cass City's Demosthenesis Still on Deck.

The first annual contest of the Tuscola County Oratorical Association was held at Caro on last Friday night. One contestant from each high school in the county and Bad Axe was requested to participate, but the latter and Millington were not represented. Harold Gaunt of Vassar, Stanley Schenck of Cass City, and Herbert Orr of Caro, a trio of bright young men and promising orators, who through their diligent efforts, tried to win laurels for themselves and a victory for the school they represented.

The opera house was filled with enthusiastic students from Vassar, Cass City and Caro, ready to applaud the merits of their choice. School yells galore were given and Cass City was not behind with her

Holly-O Holly-O Ho. Um-a-rah, um-a-rah, um-a-rah gee, Zip-a-rah, bang-a-lah, who are we, Cass City High School as you see.

especially when Stanley Schenck, the first orator of the evening advanced to the platform, and in his usual masterly style gave his declamation entitled "Our Nation's Flag." His oration throughout expressed the need of better and nobler young men to fill the political offices of today. Harold Gaunt of Vassar spoke next on the subject of "Arbitration" which he handled in such a brilliant and pleasing manner that the Vassarites at once grasped the victory as theirs, and immediately a chorus of voices were shouting, "What's the matter with Gaunt? He's alright." Caro's representative, Herbert Orr, although small in stature was not in arrears with his discourse on "The Ship and Its Crew," delivering his able production in a cool and enthusiastic manner. The prize seemed almost to slip from the hands of Vassar, and it was with no little anxiety and impatience that the audience waited to hear the report of the judges, who were Messrs. Cook of Saginaw, Glaspie of Oxford, and Houghton of Bay City. After several instrumental and vocal selections rendered by Caro talent, Prof. Cook of Saginaw stepped to the platform and announced the judges' decision. Harold Gaunt, ranking first in delivery, thought and composition; Herbert Orr, second, and Stanley Schenck, third. Though Mr. Schenck's efforts were not crowned with the highest success, it was the universal verdict of all that his production deserved more than ordinary merit.

EXPECT TO BUILD A NEW CHURCH.

The Catholics of this community, of which there are about twenty families, are planning to build a church edifice in the near future. Thus far the members of this church, in order to attend religious services of their own denomination, have been compelled to go to Gagetown which is the center of great Catholic influence and activity. Rev. Father Crowley, the much beloved priest of the Gagetown parish, is zealously watching over the members of his flock, who live in and about Cass City, and for their spiritual good will hold mass in the town hall on Sunday, March 24th, at 8:30 o'clock in the morning. This will be the first Catholic service ever held in Cass City and will no doubt be a time of great rejoicing among the people of the Catholic faith.

TWO BAD YOUNG MEN

Stole Twenty-five Bushels of Beans. Are Now Languishing in Sanilac Co. Jail.

Robert Lewis and Arthur Brown of Greenleaf township have found to their sorrow that the way of the transgressor is hard. On Wednesday night of last week, these two gents stole twenty-five bushel of beans from Wm. Loney and Daniel Uqubart of Evergreen township. They took the beans to Bad Axe and disposed of

MADE ROOM FOR NEW MEMBERS

The Last Year's Village Council Steps Out With a Fine Record to Their Credit.

President Heller Starts the New Council With Good Advice and Sets Standing Committees.

Another chapter in the history of Cass City is completed. It is a fine chapter, too. The makers of it may well feel proud of what they have accomplished. We refer to the Village Trustees Board, which directed the business affairs of our prosperous community during the past year. Our citizens may well say, "thou good and faithful servants."

On Monday evening three members, namely, Geo. Stevenson, E. W. Keating and Geo. Perkins retired from the council forum, and the newly elected members took their places. Before the change was made, Mr. Stevenson arose and bid adieu in a few well chosen remarks. He referred to the harmony which had prevailed among the members and showed by producing figures what had been accomplished by the council during the past year. One year ago there were outstanding orders to the amount of \$3,357.75, while at present there are only \$1,067.00 unpaid orders. In other words by good business management the indebtedness for current expenses had been reduced to the amount of \$2,290.66.

President Heller also thanked the retiring council for the hearty co-operation and uniform courtesy shown him while presiding over the body. While this fraternal scene was transpiring, the Chronicle scribe could not help but thing of the lamented Hebblewhite, who so efficiently performed the duties of clerk during the greater part of the past year. If only he could have been present the scene would have been complete. He is at rest. It is well.

At the close of the speech-making, the new members, namely, G. A. Striffler, M. L. Moore and W. T. Schenck took their seats. With C. W. Heller as presiding officer, and E. F. Marr as clerk, the new board was ready for business. The president appointed the standing committees as follows:

- Claims and Accounts—J. D. Crosby, H. Frutchey and Ed. Brotherton.
- Streets and Sidewalks—Ed. Brotherton, W. T. Schenck and G. A. Striffler.
- General Improvements—G. A. Striffler, J. D. Crosby and H. Frutchey.
- Printing—M. L. Moore, W. T. Schenck and G. A. Striffler.
- Ordinance—W. T. Schenck, M. L. Moore and Ed. Brotherton.
- Ways and Means—Herb Frutchey, J. D. Crosby and M. L. Moore.

At this juncture, Mr. Crosby expressed his opinion in regard to extending and improving the village sewerage system. On motion the following committee was appointed to investigate the matter: I. B. Auten, John C. Luing and Nilton Bigelow. This committee is to find out what an extension of the present sewerage system would cost, also how the necessary revenue can be raised, and how much it costs to maintain the present system.

The matter of building cement sidewalks was also discussed, and for further investigation the clerk was instructed to correspond with various village authorities and secure facts and figures relative to the building of cement sidewalks.

The treasurer's bond of Amos Bond and the clerk's bond of E. F. Marr were unanimously accepted by the council.

A SAD DEATH

The Beloved Wife of Preston Stone is Stricken Down By Death.

The entire community at Elmwood postoffice is in mourning on account of the sudden death of Louise V. Stone nee Leach, wife of P. W. Stone, an daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Leach. She died last Monday morning after a short illness of pneumonia, at the age of twenty-five years. She was born in Canada and in her youth moved to Elmwood with her parents. One year ago last December she was married to P. W. Stone, and only a few weeks ago she entered into the sacred realm of motherhood. She leaves a sweet, innocent babe which

if it lives, will always be deprived of the tender care of a mother. Mrs. Stone was a sweet-spirited lady and greatly beloved by all who knew her. The Chronicle extends heartfelt sympathy to the deeply stricken husband and parents. The remains were laid to rest in Elmhurst cemetery Wednesday. Undertaker Lee of Cass City had charge of the funeral.

"REVIVE THY WORK, O LORD!"

Rev. E. Buchanan, who is holding a series of revival meetings at the Presbyterian church, took the above quotation, uttered by the prophet Habakkuk, for his text at the opening service last Tuesday evening. His sermon was simple, pungent, and to the point. The way he handled dancing and card playing, must have been decidedly interesting to some of his hearers. Mr. Buchanan is not the kind of a man to preach peace when there is no peace, but calls sin, sin regardless of persons or consequences.

Rev. Buchanan is a man of more than ordinary ability. He came from a printer's family, and knows every detail of a print shop, having passed through the various stages of the business, from the devil up to the editor's chair. He has also taken a course in law, and hence is able to give his congregation the law as well as the gospel. We predict that his stay in our town will produce definite results.

PROGRAM

The regular literary meeting of the Epworth League will be held on Tuesday evening, March 25, at the home of Mrs. Henderson. The program to be given is a "Convention of Notables."

William McKinley—Fred Bigelow.
Rudyard Kipling—Pearl Lee.
Clara Barton—Mary Zinnecker.
Paul Kruger—Hersey Young.
Theodore Roosevelt—S. H. Schenck.
Mrs. Carrie Nation—Ella Schenck.
Edward VII.—Burt Hunt.
Queen Wilhelmina—Minta Traver.
Helen Gould—Hattie Wood.
W. J. Bryan—Albert Dunham.
Anonymous Delegate from Cass City—Margaret Campbell.

An unusually pleasant social time is being planned to take place after the program.

LITERARY CLUB BANQUET.

In honor to Mrs. W. D. Schooley and Mrs. A. J. Knapp, who are about to leave the city, the Ladies Literary Club will give a banquet Saturday evening at the New Sheridan. The following tasty program has been arranged:

- Mrs. H. Secl, Toastmistress.
- Bills of History—Mrs. Schooley.
- Our Town—O. K. James.
- Music—Messdames Holloway and Wickware.
- Our Women—J. D. Brooker.
- Parliamentary Law—Mrs. Auten.
- The Invited Guest—High Secl.
- Music—Miss Westland.
- The Grip—Dr. Wickware.
- "Speed the Parting Guest"—Mrs. Torbett.
- Roll Call.
- Auld Lang Syne.

GEORGE MATZEN.

Will open his new store with a full line of dry goods, gent's furnishings, etc., on Saturday, March 30th. Mr. Matzen was formerly connected with the firm of Macke, and is acknowledged to be an expert in the dry goods business. His friends expect to give him an old fashioned house warming on the occasion of his opening and you are cordially invited to be present. Read his big ad. in this issue.

Dr. Morgan left on Monday to attend an important conference of the Epworth League workers at Delaware, Ohio. A large extension or forward movement is in prospect involving raining schools or institutes in place of conventions in all the presiding elders' districts of the church. Mr. Morgan expects to arrive at home on Saturday and will present the results of the meeting to his congregation next Sunday evening.

CAUCUS.

A caucus will be held in the township hall of Greenleaf on Saturday, March 23, 1901 at 1 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the several township offices in township aforesaid. All are invited.

By Order of Com.
GARD OF THANKS.
The undersigned wish to express their heartfelt thanks to the friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted them during the sickness and burial of Mrs. Fisher.
JOHN FISHER and FAMILY.

Notice to Farmers
The undersigned will be at the Soule City bean house every Saturday for the purpose of taking contracts for beans.
DAVID LAW.