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Cass City's Shoe and Clothing Men.



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Bond's

### THE MASONIC HALL

Their Elaborate Ritual.

### FINE BANQUET IN THE EVENING

Many Visiting Masons Present—The Menu and Toasts Were Par Excellence.

Wednesday was a red letter day for It was the day of the dedication of every respect. The weather could sion Representatives from the various Masonic lodges of the Thumb train and by the time the dedication

shot at each other were highly en-

The one and only Dr. Chase of Tuscola County was pressed into service Was Dedicated in Accordance with and as usual said some funny things which pleased the ladies. He made his point. Rev. R. L. Cope of Ellington read an elaborate exposition on IT IS NOW A HISTORICAL EVENT Masonry setting forth the scriptural basis of the Order. The singing and The Cass City Team Led by Schenck playing by Miss Westland and Messrs. Fairweather, Seely, Ale, LaFond and Miss Cope was excellent and was enjoyed by all. The history of the local Masonic lodge dates back to January the Masonic fraternity of our town. 29th, 1874. The lodge was organized with the following charter members: their new commodious hall in the Ale S. C. Armstrong, A. B. McCullough, block. The day was an ideal one in Geo. B. Hunt, A. A. Polly, John S. McKinney, Travis Leach, Alfred not have been more favorable if it had Davis, Alonzo Wilcox, Stephen Rus- or her happiness to this day and the been expressly ordered for the occa- sell and A. F. Greenleaf. Ed Brotherton, Seth Chilson and Ed Doying joined soon after. At first the order commenced to arrive with the first used the I.O.O.F. hall in the Tennant House; they then moved into the took place there were not less than Hinkle block and later on into Hitchtwo hundred present. It was a jolly ock's building and from now on they festive crowd. However mysterious will worship in their new hall in the

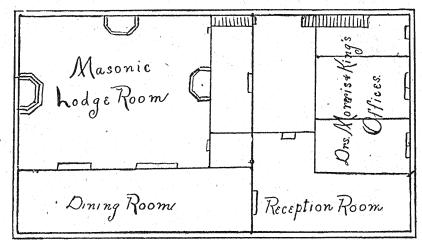


DIAGRAM OF MASONIC HALL.

hotel corridors. craftsmen performed their duty.

place at half past two o'clock was both The following gentlemen constitute elaborate and mystical in its charac- the official personnel of Tyler Lodge: ter. Although the proceedure was of John Crane, W. M.; Ed Brotherton, a public character no one but the G. M.; Frank Lawrence, G. M.; Chas. craftsmen were able to interpret the Hall, Treas.; J. A. Caldwell, Sec'y.; ceremonies. The applying of the Elias McKim, S. D.: Nickolas Gable, square, the level and the plumb to the T. walls of the hall was very suggestive of moral lessons. The first teaches that every Mason is to square his actions by the square of virtue. The level teaches equality and to the question, "What are the moral and Masonic uses of the plumb?" the answer is, "Morally it teaches rectitude and we use it to try perpendiculars." The ceremonies were nearly entirely of a scriptural nature. Quotations from the Old Testament, especially from the dedicatory ceremonies used by Solomon at the time when he dedicated the temple at Jerusalem to the service of Jehovah, were freely used. In addressing God in the several prayers made by the chaplain the God of the Masons," gave the suppli-McKenzie, Cass City, G. T.; E. Mc- will be rendered: Kim, Cass City, S. G. D.; E. H. Pin-

The dedication was followed by a hundred enjoyed the rich feast which had been prepared by the ladies of the fraternity. Then followed the literary part of the program. The music by the orchestra was of an unusually high order and helped much to make the occasion enjoyable. J. D. Brookperformed the duties of toastmaster. His reputation as an apt story teller did not suffer in the least on this occasion and before the other speakers were introduced he had the audience in a humorous frame of mind. G. H. Beckton of Caro responded to the toast, "Free Advice," in place of W. S. Wixom, who was unable to be present. Geo. M. Clark of Bad Axe was introduced as the giant of Huron county. He aimed to explain the "Test of Fraternity," by ridiculing the attitude and sayings of the German Emperor. The two Hubbels of Marlette made the hit of the evening. Their sharp, witty retorts which they

Cass City, G. C.

their craft may be there was nothing Ale block. They now have the most of the kind to be seen around the commodious quarters of all the fra-Everything was ternal orders in the village. The disquare, plumb and level, and in har-mensions of their new quarters are mony with a Masonic phrase: The 32x42 ft. with a spacious dining hall, kitchen and reception room, as can The dedicatory service which took be seen by the diagram above.

Elaborate Preparations For the School Exercises.

Congressman Gardner Will Give the Commencement Address.

The time for the annual commence terms, "Supreme Grand Architect, graduates is again at hand. Prepar- a tie. ations for this event have been under cations singular significance. The way these many days and all the pat- between Smith of Bad Axe, and Schoff ful, and appealed even to those who able and entertaining programs. The making a record of 15 ft. are not familiar with the hidden The baccalaureate sermon will be things of masonry. The following given by Dr. Morgan at the M. E. gentlemen officiated during the dedi- Church, Sunday evening, June 16th. 3rd; record 39 ft. cation: C. C. Hubbell, Marlette, D. The class day exercises will also be G. M.; E. M. Sharp, Bay City, G. M.; given in the M. E. Church on Wednes-Schoff of Vassar, 2nd; Atkins of Bad W. Mahon, North Branch, S. G. M.; day June 19th at 2 p. m. On Thurs- Axe, 3rd. Time 52 sec. A. H. Ale, Cass City, J. G. W.; Geo. day, June 20th, at 3 p. m. the Eighth Hop, step and jump, Schenck won M.; G. H. Beckton, Caro, G. T.; N. Thursday evening, June 20th, at the Axe, 3rd. Last year Schenck jumped Dickinsheet, Ellington, P. M.; A. A. Opera House the following program 27 ft. 14 in.

ney, Cass City, J. G. D.; A. W. Seed, Sclo......S. Mary Bootes, Jackson banquet in the evening. Over two Address to the Class..... Presentation of Diplomas .....

> As will be seen from the above program Washington Gardner, the distinguished minister, soldier, orator, and statesman, will address the peo-Gardner is a man of varied and distinguished abilities. He is an enthusiast in everything he touches, especially the cause of education. Before the war he attended the public schools of his native state, Ohio; aftes the war he entered an academy; later was race; Watkins 2nd; Jones, 3rd. a student at Hillsdale College for Subsequent to graduation he studied wain, 5. theology at Boston and law in New

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Athletic Spirit and Enthusiasm Ran High.

Takes first place, Bad Axe Is second and Vassar third.

The Second Annual Field Day of the High Schools of the Thumb was held June 7th. The pains, pleasures, excitement and memories that cluster about the day are part of its history. Each year some individual dates his long dreams of the High School girls become realized. The tailor mades, "detacoable flounces;" and latest creations show her to advantage. On this day she is an indispensable fac-

tor. From the run broad jump to the hurdle race she cheers royally for the lad that wears her colors and she eats peanuts, drinks lemonade and keeps he score—just like her brother. This year's field day dawned cold

and cheerless with thermometer at 45 degrees, while sun, clouds and wind played hide and seek, with odds in favor of the latter. It was a windy day in more ways than one. The track was in better condition than we have ever seen it, but although we had a fast track we did not expect many records to be broken on account of the cold winds, and because the bicycle race, hurdles and dashes had to run against the wind. There was no lack of entries in any of the events. Cass City, Bad Axe, Caro, Vassar, Mayville and Sebewaing were repreentered just for the sake of having and winners:

of Bad Axe was 8 ft. 114 in.

of 17 ft. 3 in.

Run high kick. ing, 1st; Schenck of Cass City, 2nd; Schoff of Vassar, 3rd; record, 9 ft. 6 in. 220 Yard hurdle, Schenck of Cass City, 1st; Whitcomb of Vassar, 2nd; Orr, Caro, 3rd. Time 32 sec.

Run high jump, Scully of Bad Axe, won making a record of 19 ft; Gale of ment exercises of the High School Cass City, and Cash of Bad Axe, were

Stand high jump, resulted in a tie ceremonies throughout were beauti- rons of the school may look for profit- of Vassar; Engle of Bad Axe won by

Throwing hammer, Schenck, Ist; Cooley of Caro, 3nd; Loss of Vassar,

Quarter mile ruu, Schenck, 1st.

Little, Marlette, P. M.; H. Mallory Grade promotional exercises will take covering a distance of 29 ft. 3 in.; Caro, P. M.; I. Waidley, Elmwood, P. place at the M. E. Church, and on Schoff of Vassar, 2nd; Engle of Bad

> One hundred yard dash, Schenck 1st; Atkins of Vassar, 2nd; Lester of Mayville, 3rd.

Run, hop, step and jump, Schenck, 1st; Scully of Bad Axe, 2nd; Usher of Cass City, 3rd; record, 40 ft. 6 in. In township. The loss on barn, gran-late at night in all kinds of weather,

Half mile bicycle race, Saigeon of Cass City, 1st; Robinson of Caro, 2nd; lawyer, financier, lecturer, scholar Fritz of Cass City, 3rd. Time 84 sec. Throwing shoulder stone, Schenck, ple of Cass City on the evening of 1st, record, 33 ft. 1 in.; Scott of Bad High School Commencement. Mr. Axe, 2nd; Watkins of Vassar, 3rd. Last year's record was 34 ft. 5½ in.

Half mile run, Schenck, 1st; Engle, 2nd; Whitmore, 3rd. Pole vault, Gale, 1st; record 8 ft. in.; Whitmore, 2nd; Scott, third. Schenck took the 100 yd. hurdle

The result of all events is as follows: three years and graduated from the Cass City, 71 points; Bad Axe, 43; Vas-

York. In 1861 he entered the army City team belongs the lion share of examination will be free and glasses as a member of Company D, 65th Ohio the honors. He took nearly every- will be furnished at reasonable rates. Volunteer Infantry. He served over thing in sight. Cass City is proud of At Gordon's Hotel, Cass City, June 21 (Continued on fourth page.)

The served over thing in sight. Cass City is proud of him. He is a credit to the town and and 22.

to himself. Stanley is an excellent young man. He has no bad habits, is as steady as a clock and this accounts largely for his superior work as an athlete. The Chronicle predicts a flattering future for him.

### ANOTHER CONGERT.

F. Lenzner, the efficient teacher of music, has arranged for a high grade The Scene at the Anderson home musical concert for the benefit of the band which will be held at the opera house tonight. All of his pupils have a part in the program and this alone gives the assurance that the affair will be of a unique character. Mr. Lenzner deserves the hearty co-operation of all our citizens in the enterprise. Every cent of the proceeds will flow into the treasury of the band boys. Let everybody turn out and thus help the band which is starting off so auspiciously. Remember it's tonight at the opera house.

O'clock Thursday Night.

THE WORK OF AN INCENDIARY

Barn the Property of D. I. Gekeler. A Bad Feeling in the Neighborhood.

of D. I. Gekeler, who lives on Section last night. The particulars as given weed.

by Mr. Gekeler are as follows: Sometime after midnight the Gekesented. The contestants had not ler family was awakened by the pecu- carried an insurance of \$1,000. He liar barking of the dog. Mr. Gekeler also belonged to the Masonic order at the races, but to win points for them- went to the window and discovered Mayville, from which place he came a selves and their school teams. This that the barn was on fire. Without little less than a year ago. He was a general interest was aroused by the dressing he ran to the scene highly respected citizen and the enfact that the Board of Control had of the fire followed by his boy tire community is in mourning over offered a suitable blue ribbon to the and the first thing they did was his sudden demise. The funeral was winners. The following gentlemen to let out the horses. Mr. Gekeler the largest ever held at Wilmot. It officiated: Referee, Cass Sutton of says the fire started in some clo- was held under the auspices of the Saginaw; starter, Prof. Stowell of May- ver hay in a shed next to the Maccabees. Rev. Lohnes of Deford ville; judge of the track, A. A. Hitch- barn. "It was only as large as a cock; time keeper, Hector McDermott; bushel baskee when I first saw it," measurer, Prof. D. H. Kyes; clerk of said Mr. Gekeler, "but it spread Mr. Anderson leaves a wife and one the course, Dick S. Landon. The follow rapidly that we were power-child. lowing is a summary of the events less." Mr. Gekeler firmly believes that someone set the fire. In fact, Stand broad jump, Schenck of Cass he says he has pretty good proof

City, 1st; Scott of Bad Axe, 2nd; Engle which will lead to the discovery of Bad Axe 3rd; record 9 ft. 24 inches. of the perpetrators. Sheriff Blinn The record made last year by Nugent is now investigating the case. It seems there has been bad blood in grow under their feet during the pres-Run broad jump, Steward of Caro, the neighborhood for several years. ent season. Wettlaufer & Ratz, the lst; Scully of Bad Axe 2nd; Schenck of Mr. Gekeler requested the Chron-local agents, have pushed things from Cass City, 3rd; record, 17 ft. 4½ in. icle to say nothing about this at the early spring until now. Mr. Last year Sculley covered a distance this time, any more than that it Wettlaufer, who is one of the best started over a drain which was salesmen in the Tnumb, has been on Binder of Sebewa- built through that section of the the road from early morning until

One Man Dead and Two Others Saved by Medical Skill.

### BY MISTAKE ATE WILD PARSNIP

Is Heart Rending. A Large Funeral at Wilmot.

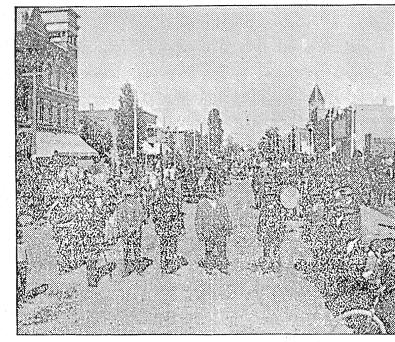
The entire community at and for miles around Wilmot were terribly shocked last Friday evening over the sudden and sad death of Mr. Anderson, a highly respected farmer, who lived with his family one mile north of Wilmot. On the day of the accident Mr. Anderson assisted by three other men, was logging on his farm. About an hour before suppertime Mr. Anderson pulled up what he thought to be spinach roots. He and Messrs. Chapin and Withey ate the roots and soon after went to the house for their supper. While they were seated at the table Mr. Anderson complained of In Novesta Township After 12 feeling dizzy and his wife asked him to lie down for a while. However, he kept growing worse and soon went into convulsions. Dr. Bates was immediately summoned and did all in his power to ease the man, but of no avail. About half past eight o'clock death relieved the unfortunate man from his terrible sufferings. As might be expected the other two men who Just as we are going to press the re- ate of the poisonous root were badly port came to this office that the barn frightened, and had it not been for medical aid Mr. Chapin would also 13, Novesta Township, was burned have fallen a victim of the terrible

Mr. Anderson was a member of the Maccabee fraternity at Wilmot and preached the sermon. The interment took place at the Mayville cemetery.

### DEERING DAY.

Big Delivery of Deering Machinery Last Saturday.

The Deering people let no grass



STREET SCENE ON DEERING DAY.

last year's event Scully of Bad Axe. ary, beans and machinery amounts in order to break the record in the took first, making a record of 39 ft. 10 to \$500. There was no insurance.

Stump Pulling.

I have invented a new stump puller pulling stumps. I can pull more stumps than ever. If there is a stump miles north of Cass City.

his patients, Dr. Morrison of Detroit this column. Ohio Wesleyan University in 1870. sar, 20; Caro, 13; Mayville, 6; Sebe-Clinic will in the future carry instruments and test glasses for testing and To Stanley H. Schenck of the Cass examining the eye. These tests and

sale of Deering machinery, and right well has he succeeded. The first delivery a few months ago was a sucand am ready to take your order for cess and the second one on Saturday was a hummer. In the afternoon Main Street presented an animating that I cannot pull and turn same bot- scene. Forty odd machines were tom side up, you don't have to pay for lined up for several blocks, a streamer the work done. Give me a call. My with the words "Deering Day" incharges are reasonable—from 25c to scribed in red was stretched across \$1.00 per stump. Call or write. I live the street; the Band was out in full two miles east and two and one-half force and filled the air with melodious music. The parade which followed presented a picturesque scene, at the close of which Artist Maier took the At the urgent request of many of picture of the group as it appears in

C. A. Irwin, general superintendent of Saginaw and J. M. Eddy, the Thumb block man were here and assisted in the festivities. They are highly pleased with the work thus far