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WEATHER
WASHINGTON, July 25.—For lower Michigan: Fair weather and continued high temperature; southerly winds.

BE SURE ABOUT IT
Without questioning the wisdom of the council in its action on the application made by Mr. Powers to put a roof on the standing walls in the ruins of the opera house, it must be said that no such permission should be granted until a searching and expert examination of the walls shall be made by qualified architects, masons and the fire authorities to determine their strength and safety.

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Some few anarchistic and characterless sheets may seek by meretricious utterances to represent public sentiment as approving the cowardly attack of the red-handed, foreign-born assassin upon the brave but detested oppressor of labor, Frick, but such contemptible papers are guiltier before the fact than the coward that perpetrated it.

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It must be very gratifying to Charles A. Dana to have the Chicago Legal Ocean assert that the Sun has intelligence. Life on the ocean wave may be all right to sing about, but W. K. Vanderbilt can testify that it isn't all that bright.

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TIME FOR THE MAIL

When It Arrives and Leaves the City. PERSONS THAT HANDLE MAIL
A Detailed Description of the Local Mail Service and the Grand Rapids Postoffice System.

Few persons that daily receive letters have the slightest knowledge of the perfection of the system that brings to their doors within five hours a letter written and mailed 150 miles away. When a letter is dropped into the postoffice box it is almost immediately taken up and placed on the stamping table, where the stamp clerk "sets em up."

WONT REBUILD.

Mr. Underwood Thinks the Pavilion Fire Was Incendiary. There seems to be considerable mystery surrounding the burning of the pavilion on the south shore of Reed's lake early yesterday morning.

RAMPANT HIGHWAYMEN.

They Hold Up J. W. Worden on Leonard Street Bridge. J. W. Worden of No. 203 South Division street was held up by two men at the west end of Leonard street bridge last night about 10 o'clock.

Where Ignorance is Bliss.

F. H. Barnes, manager of Schofield, Shurmer & Teagle and L. A. Tuinstra, the west side grocer, came near being the innocent cause of a somewhat serious affair at Ottawa beach Sunday.

Powers May Build His Roof.

On motion of Alderman Campbell, the request of William T. Powers for a permit to build a roof on the standing walls of the opera house was taken up for reconsideration.

Boys Charged With Larceny.

Detectives Gast and Jakoway arrested Glenn Cranes and George Burley last night for stealing a watch belonging to J. M. Miller, a carpenter who is now working on a home belonging to Mrs. Kingsly on the corner of Cass street and Highland avenue.

Poisoned by Antiseptics.

Dr. Lupinski of Jefferson avenue has been suffering for several weeks from poisoning contracted in his hands from an antiseptic wash used in surgical operations.

Guests Will Visit Chicago.

At a meeting of the Grand Rapids guards, held last night, it was decided to visit Chicago in the fall. Nearly every company in the state will be present.

YOU DROP A NICKEL

In the Slot and Get Three Nickels Back, IF IT GOES THE RIGHT WAY
How the Innocent Nickel-in-the-Slot Machine Has Been Utilized for Bucking the Tiger.

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Hours for Sunday Mails.

Sunday mails leave as follows: 1:30 p. m. east and south; 5:30 p. m. and 11:15 p. m. south, connecting at Kalamazoo for east and west. The C. & W. M. also carries mail west at 11:35 p. m. All mail received on Sunday reaches the postoffice by 7:30 a. m.

In the distribution of mail by carriers the mail that reaches the back door of the postoffice at 7:30 o'clock is again on the street with the carrier at 7:30 o'clock, about forty minutes being allowed to distribute the heaviest mail. There are thirty-three regular carriers, and the mail as soon as received is stamped with the receiving mark, and is then distributed to the carriers' boxes by three sorters. All known letters are easily disposed of, but the unknown are referred to the directory clerk, who looks up the address.

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Clerks That Juggle Mail.

The mail dispatching clerks are Charles H. Hall, George E. Fox, John Sowerby, Fred B. Hunter, Glenn W. Holmes and Henry Kalmbach; postmark clerk, Frank Barter; sorting clerks, George H. Kiva, John G. Simpson, Daniel H. Garand and Henry J. Meis. Glenn W. Fak has charge of the boxes and the general delivery. Many of the employers have long been connected with the office.

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How All Men Should Act!

OUR WINDOW TELLS YOU, "SQUARE."

There seems to be some doubt in the mind of one of the gentlemen in the picture as to all men being square and particularly is he in doubt as to the squareness of the deal he has been given. Our squares are square and we have them from 25c to \$300. The cheaper ones are suitable for a farmer's use or for any one who has odd jobs to do. In the same connection we can show you Rules, Straight Levels, True, Cheap Rules, some for 10c—a very useful pocket tool for almost every one. Ivory Rules, Steel Rules for the finer kinds of work. Levels, rosewood, cherry and iron. Brown & Sharp's Calipers, Starrett's Gauges, all kinds of instruments for gauging thickness or measuring distances or proving horizontals. We will guarantee we can show you articles in the above mentioned lines, many you never heard of or saw before.

