THEIR TELEPHONE.

Notices inserted under this heading, 5 cents per line for each insertion.

Good News.

We all like to hear good news proclaimed. Echo answers where; the fact that a great many homes in Alpena and vicinity can be made pleasanter, improved and life enjoyed better by having a good piano placed therein, is good news. This can be accomplished by a little enterprise—exertion and practical every day economy. Good friends, a piano can be placed in your homes, be a benefit to your children, and a blessing to all the family, by remembering the fact that pianos are sold on easy payments. A hundred homes could be improved, children made happy, by carefully considering the fact, and calling on the undersigned for information and full particulars.

J. C. COMFORT,
981m3 320 Washington Ave.

Why go out of the city to have your eyes operated upon when Dr. McGuire can and will do the same operation at less than half what it would cost you to go elsewhere.

Farmers Notice.

I am still conducting the sale of farm implements this coming summer. Such as cord binders, reapers, mowing machines, rakes, plows, harrows, cultivators, sulky plows, potato planters and digers, seeders, stump pullers, fanning mills, Milburn wagons, Jackson wagons, and all other kind of farm tools. Office on Washington avenue, Frost's old stand, near Globe hotel.

972 J. W. HALL

Rhubarb Wine for general debility. Sold by Field & Gray and J. T. Bostwick.

Dr. McGuire says a great many eyes must undergo a thorough course of treatment before they can be fitted to spectacles.

Lost.

At railway crossing at the cut, pocket-book containing certificate of deposit of $150; note made payable to Mrs. Kate Conway of $400, in favor of Michael O'Brien; cash $25. All persons are cautioned from negotiating for same as payment has been stopped. The party returning the above will be liberally rewarded.

MICHAEL CONWAY.

J. Frank McGuire, M. D., O. et A. Chir., graduate of the New York ophthalmia college, for the eye, ear, nose and throat, makes a special study of the diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. 981.

Keep your kidneys in good order by the use of Rhubard Wine. Sold by Field & Gray and J. T. Bostwick.

Dr. McGuire cures deafness.

Evergreen Cemetery.

All parties desiring work done in Evergreen Cemetery will have orders promptly attended to on leaving word with city Treasurer.

976. FRED WERTH, Sexton.

Dr. McGuire accurately fits spectacles.

W. H. Campbell having received a car load of tile, is now prepared to lay tile drains from residences to the street sewers.

Dr. McGuire cures all chronic discharges from the ears.

For Sale.

Two billiard tables and one pool table, will be sold cheap. Apply to,

GEO. F. MCRAE.

Have your catarrh cured before you become deaf, by Dr. McGuire.

OUR TELEPHONE.

Business notices under this heading, 10 cents per line for each insertion.

Great attractions to-night.

"A Barrel of Money" to-night.

Buy hosiery cheap, at 99c store.

Only one dollar a year—the ARGUS.

Don't miss seeing "A Barrel of Money" to-night.

The M. E. conference will be held in this city on September 18th.

"Fresh pop corn, only a nickel," is one of the present street war cries.

Meeting of the Common Council next Monday night at the Council room.

A new sidewalk has been laid in front of the Johnson block, on River street.

The J. L. cigars are superior to all others.

Violins, accordians, harmonicas, cheap, at 99c store.

Circuit Court adjourned Friday evening, and will assemble again on Tuesday, the 23rd of September.

The session of the State teachers' institute for this county commenced last Monday and will end next Friday.

To-night the Democratic ward caucuses will be held. The committee notice in another column will give time and place.

Thomas Sandham has purchased the entire interest in the Joslin candy store on Second street, and intends to make it a first class cafe.

Bargains in crockery, tin and glassware at 99c store.

See bargains on 5, 10 and 25c counters, at 99c store.

The Atlanta Tribune reports that the Michigan Central railroad have a branch road extended from the main line to within six miles of Vienna.

There were no services at Trinity church last Sunday, owing to R. C. Faulconer having been on a trip to Georgian Bay, in the yacht Hinda.

Remember the Detroit, Bay City and Alpena railroad will sell round trip tickets between Alpena and Detroit during the exposition, for one fare.

The Harrisville roller process flour-mill is expected to be in operation by the last of November. The building contains a basement and three stories.

Pictures, mirrors, and bird cages, large variety, at 99c store.

The finest of all kinds of tobaccos in the market, at J. Levyn's.

The recent cool breezes have considerably nipped the tourist bud, although the various steamers have yet good patronage, especially on the down trips.

John Kancluski, who lives near the boundary between Alpena and Presque Isle, received a new thrashing machine the latter part of the week, by rail.

The seventh annual reunion of the soldiers and sailors association of central Michigan, will take place at Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, on September 2d, 3d, 4th, and 5th.

The Alcona Review says: "The Killmaster gas well is at a standstill at a depth of 150 feet. Operations were suspended to await the arrival of some seven inch casings.

Rhubarb Wine at the drug stores of Field & Gray and J. T. Bostwick.

School books and school supplies of all kinds, at Centennial book store.

The public streets should be cleaned of all incumbrances. The highways are not the proper places for business sites, and the officials should see that the obstructions are removed.

The celebrated Prohibition orator, St. John, is to speak to the citizens at the Opera House, on the evening of September 19th.

The next regular meeting of the W. R. C. will be held in Denton's parlors, on Tuesday afternoon, September 2d, at 3 o'clock. Interesting reports of the Boston convention will be read.

The "Barrell of Money" troupe will be at the Opera House to-night. The troupe has recently been engaged for a week at Detroit, and the Detroit papers all speak highly of the entertainments given.

The dispute regarding the work on the new Masonic block was ended last week, and work was resumed on the building. All the brick work would have been done by this time but for the disagreement.

Strictly pure Rhubarb Wine, warranted, For sale by Field & Gray and J. T. Bostwick.

None but the best of smoker's goods, and the finest of tobaccos and cigars at J. Levyn's.

The Alpena Baptist association will meet in this city on September 9th. The counties embraced in the association are as follows: Alpena, Alcona, Iosco, Oscoda, Ogemaw, Presque Isle, and Montmorency.

The great need of a sidewalk from the end of Washington avenue to the public cemetery was very apparent during the funeral last Thursday afternoon. It was not a pleasant sight to see women wheeling baby cabs through the heavy sand.

Chas. B. Warren is making an upright engine at his foundry for the Johnston new roller process flour mill. The cylinder is 13x13 inches. At the same place Monday the men were at work getting the new shaft ready for the yacht Hinda.

Get your school books and school supplies of all kinds at the popular place, the Centennial book store.

The fire department was called out early Sunday morning owing to a fire in the residence of B. R. Young, on First street. The lumber under the foundation of the heater had caught on fire, but the flames were easily subdued, and not much damage was done.

The Democratic county convention is to take place at the Council Room next Saturday afternoon, at which time delegates will be selected to attend the State, the Congressional, the Senatorial and the Representative conventions. Read the notice of county committee.

The following is the amount of paper pulp shipped from the Fletcher factory last week: To Columbus, Ohio, 32,000 pounds; to Niagara Falls, 25,000 pounds; to Kaukauna, Wisconsin, 152,000 pounds; to Appleton, Wisconsin, 32,000; to Alesia, Maryland, 24,000 pounds. Total 265,000 pounds.

A fire started in the Opera House hall near the entrance Monday evening, and was probably caused by some careless person throwing a lighted cigar in a hole near the entrance. The fire was soon put out and not much damage was done. There were not many persons in the room at the time and they left in a hurry.

The Labadie-Rowell troupe opened at the Opera House Monday night with "Comedy and Tragedy" and "Marriage by Proxy." In the first named comedy there was some very clever acting done by Miss Rowell, and she was well supported by the other members of the troupe. It was a pleasantly rendered comedy and was deeply interesting in some parts.

The stage effects during the great Iron Mill scene, a feature of the play, are said to excite the utmost admiration, so perfectly, so realistically does the large engine work, the machinery move and the bands whir. The manner in which a young girl, tied to one of the revolving belts, is saved from almost certain death, is a new and striking departure in stage mechanism. To be seen in "Barrel of Money" at Opera House, to-night.

Several young boys constructed a race course on the lot in front of the Golling House, and on Fridav commenced a four days' go-as-you-please race, of one hour per day. The race ended yesterday with score of racers as follows: Fred Barlow, 25 miles, 14 laps; John McDougall, 24 miles, 17 laps; Frank Tuggy 16 miles, 11 laps; Fred Golling, 15 miles, 24 laps. McDougall started about half an hour after the race commenced. Golling and Tuggy raced only three days.

A citizens meeting was held at the Council room last Friday night to make arrangements for the coming M. E. conference. A committee of arrangements composed of the following citizens was appointed: G. L. Maltz, H. H. Wittelshofer, C. W. Bertch, F. S. Dewey, W. L. Churchill, E. O. Avery, J. J. Potter, F. W. Gilchrist, H. G. Beach, L. A. Tompkins, A. Harshaw, A. N. Spratt, C. Golling, A. W. Comstock, J. Monaghan, W. H. Potter, F. W. Fletcher, M. Klock and Mayor O'Brien. The meeting adjourned until next Friday evening.

Dewey & Widner have accepted the offer of the Council, and will pave the balance of Chisholm street to the bridge, and continue the pavement on Oldfield street to the Ninth street bridge, and from Chisholm street to the same bridge. To pay for the same city orders will be given payable in one year without interest. Davison and Reynolds will take the orders for paving on Chisholm, and H. R. Morse will take the balance. The distance to be paved is three blocks on Oldfield street, two blocks on Ninth street, and a little over two blocks on Chisholm street.

Frank L. Mason, a well known citizen, died at his residence on Second street, last Thursday night, aged 33 years. The funeral took place Saturday afternoon, and was largely attended. The services were held at the residence, Rev. Van-Auken officiating. The deceased was born at Castleton, Vermont, December, 1857; came to Alpena in 1876, and has been a resident since. In 1880 he was married to Miss Flora Richardson. He had life insurance in the K. O. T. M. and N. U. societies to the amount of $5,000. He leaves a wife and two children. His illness lasted a year.

Last Friday afternoon Moses Tucker was brought before Judge Kelley at the Court House, to receive his sentence, he having been found guilty, a few days previous, of assault with intent to commit rape on a young child. The sentence passed upon him is five years in State prison. Some doubt has been expressed by those who listened to the evidence, as to Tucker's guilt, and it is said that the jury would not have brought in a verdict of guilty if they had known the law provided so great a punishment for said crime. They supposed the prisoner would be fined a few dollars. He was taken to State prison last Saturday, by under sheriff McPhee.

The Forum for September will contain a political essay on "Money Interests in Political affairs," by E. L. Godkin, editor of New York Evening Post, in which Mr. Godkin traces to the growth of protection the enormous and also alarming increase of the influence of money in politics, which he regards as the most important political fact of our time. In the same number Senator John T. Morgan, of Alabama, replies to Senator Chandler's recent article on "The Federal Control of Elections." Other articles in this number will be "The training of Teachers," by President G. Stanley Hall, of Clark University; "The Christianity of the future," by Professor John S. Backie, of Edinburgh, Scotland; "The Latest Astronomical News," by Professor Charles A. Young, of Princeton; "Protection Against Tornadoes," by Lieut. John P. Finley; as well as articles by Simon Sterne, Edward Everett Hale, James E. Murdock, M. T. Savage, and Alice E. Ives.

The steam yacht Hinda cleared for Georgian Bay last Wednesday, having on board F. W. Gilchrist and sons, Allan Fletcher, Henry Bolton, J. E. Field, R. C. Faulconer and others. The party were on a fishing and pleasure trip. Soon after the arrival in Georgian Bay the yacht's shaft broke. As the water was too deep to anchor, sail was made and the yacht navigated to shallow water, and then a row boat was sent five miles to get a tug to tow the yacht to a harbor. The breaking of the shaft caused the trip to be made much shorter than was expected, and a propeller, which was ready to clear, took the yacht in tow and brought her to the mouth of Thunder Bay, where the tug Ralph met her and towed her here. The party had a pleasant trip, notwithstanding the break, and arrived here Saturday.

Democratic Ward Caucuses.

Democratic ward caucuses will be held in the city of Alpena, Wednesday evening, August 27th, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of selecting delegates to the county convention, to be held in this city, August 30th, 1890. Each ward will be entitled to 12 delegates. The caucuses will be held at the following places: First ward, at Culligan hall. Second ward, at engine house No. 1. Third ward, engine house No. 2. By order of city committee.

J. B. COMSTOCK.
Chairman.

Democratic County Convention.

The Democratic convention for the county of Alpena, will be held in the Council chambers, in the city, on the afternoon of Saturday, August 30th, at two o'clock, for the purpose of selecting delegates to the State, congressional, senatorial and representative conventions. Each ward in Alpena is entitled to 12 delegates, and the township of Alpena, six; Maple Ridge five; Long Rapids, six; Green, five; Wilson, five; Sanborn, three, and Ossineke, two delegates.

By order of County Committee.

MONROE KNOCK,
Chairman.

New "Kid" Song.

Ezra Kendall has a new topical song entitled "In the Sweet Bye and Bye" which takes in everything of interest in every city in which he plays. The verses are located to suit each locality and person, so let those who are "marks" beware or they will be caught "In the Sweet Bye and Bye." There are several local matters in our city which it is safe to say will not escape the comedians eye or ears and some happy hints may be expected. These topical songs with local verses have become very popular of late years and the "innocent" drives are always enjoyed and appreciated even though they do hit "near home." The "Kids," Kendalls and The Sweet B.B. will be here Wednesday Sept., 3d.

Meteorological Report

The meteorological report of the weather at Alpena city, is as follows during the week ending Monday, August,th, 25 1890:

Highest temperature, 70 degrees, on 21st.
Lowest temperature, 46 on the 24th.
Average temperature, 55 degrees.
Highest barometric pressure, 30.32 inches.
Lowest barometric pressure, 29.82 inches.
Total rainfall, 0.82 inches.
Prevailing wind, from the south.
Total movement of the wind, 1,407 miles.
Greatest daily rain fall 0.72 inches, on the 19th.
Highest velocity of the wind, 24 miles, from the southeast, on the 24th.

JAMES J. FITZGERALD,
Serg't Signal Corps, U. S. A.

Circuit Court.

The cases disposed of the Circuit Court last week were: Martin Dougherty vs A. W. Comstock and others, settled. Joseph Cully vs M. C. Walkeen, verdict no cause of action. As regards the latter case, two or three years ago Cully entered the saloon of Walkeen and a dispute took place in which Walkeen was obliged to correct Cully on the head with a bottle. The latter claimed he was injured by the blow and brought suit for damages. At a former session of the court Cully won, but the Supreme Court ordered a new trial. The jury were locked up from four o'clock Friday evening until Saturday morning and then returned a verdict in favor of Wakeen. We understand that no security was furnishd for costs, consequently the county is liable to be the loser.

Custom House Reports.

During the past week there reported at the custom house here 17 lumber steamers and vessels, which exported products as follows:

To Buffalo, five cargoes, containing 2,035,000 feet of lumber and 10,000 railroad ties; to Cleveland, Ohio five cargoes, containing 1,300,000 feet of lumber, and 600 trap net stakes and 415 tons of ice; to Sandusky, Ohio, 340,000 feet of lumber; to Detroit, three cargoes, containing 8,000 cedar posts; to Tonawanda, New York, 450,000 feet of lumber; to Toledo, Ohio, 400,000 feet of lumber; to Chicago, Illinois, 5,000 railway ties and 500 telegraph poles. Total shipment for the week, lumber, 4,858,000 feet; lath, 500,000 pieces; cedar railway ties, 15,000; cedar posts, 8,000; tamarac net stakes, 600; ice, 415 tons.

A Feast of Fun.

For the benefit of those who have not made up their minds whether they want to see Ezra Kendall and his funny "Kids" pantomime it might be well to enlighten them to the effect that "A Pair of Kids" is neither a melodrama, a heavy drama, a tragedy or even a straight comedy. From a tragic comparison it is a funeral, from a melodramatic standpoint it is a minus sign "0," but from a comical, laughable view it is an elastic burlesque pantomimical farce which is equaled by nothing in the fun making line. It is a happy medium between straight comedy and a broad farce, a vehicle for the introduction of Mr. Kendall's cleverest, comical conceits and replete with singing and dancing specialities interspersed at intervals to give the clever comedian a chance to breathe and the laughers to rest their sides. Need more be said? If you want to laugh why "here you are," but if you don't want to laugh why "there you are." The "Kids" date is Wednesday, Sept. 3rd.

Caught the "Kids."

Ezra Kendall and the funny "Pair of Kids" show have been "caught in the net" by Manager Comfort and now that it is a settled fact that this laughing rage will visit Alpena laughter lovers, those who enjoy rich, ridiculous nonsense and outlandishly absurd situations and comicalities will enjoy the pleasant anticipation of a laughing treat between now and the date fixed for the entertainment, which is Wednesday, Sept. 3rd

When a really good show is announced as coming, it is necessary that everyone should know it, that they may make their engagements accordingly and not miss the "good things" in the theatrical line. According to all reports Ezra Kendall has always enjoyed a first class reputation and a cordial recommendation to the public is justifiable, for if he creates half the fun that he is credited with being capable of, there will be enough for all and plenty to spare.

Funeral of W. H. Phelps.

The funeral of the late W. H. Phelps took place last Wednesday afternoon and was one of the largest funerals ever held in the city. Services were held in the deceased's residence on Dock street, after which the procession marched to the cemetery in the following order:

Germania band. Select Knights, A. O. U. W., 26 strong. Pine Forest lodge, A. O. U. W., to the number of 56; drum corps, six; Lockwood Post, G. A. R., with 46 veterans. Then came the hearse escorted by the Masonic fraternity to the number of 60, after which were the relatives and friends in 71 carriages. The remains were buried with Masonic honors. The weather was as pleasant as could be desired. Those who marched were on their feet nearly four hours. The procession was at least half a mile long.

"A Barrel of Money" is the taking and indicative title of a new play styled "an American character comedy," from the pen of that justly popular play-wright Herbert Hall Winslow, author of Silent Partner, Chip O' the Old Block, etc., This latest product is said to be Mr. Winslow's brightest and strongest effort. The production of the play is elaborate in scenic and mechanical detail, being under the management of E. D. Stair, who has rapidly come to the front as a painstaking caterer to amusement goers. In "A Barrel of Money" there is considerable of a dramatic or sensational element, a complicated plot, and enough comedy to satisfy to the fullest extent the most ardent devotee of that very pleasant adjunct to an enjoyable dramatic production. The play is produced with special scenery, said to be very elaborate. It includes the interior of a country tavern, kept by a typical "down-easter," whose homespun logic and Vermont vernacular are as refreshing as the odor of new mown hay. Then there is the interior of an iron mill at work and the exterior and outlying grounds of a residence on the Hudson, and the rich parlor of a prosperous manufacturer. Mr. Stair has engaged an exceptionally strong company of metropolitan actors and has left no stone unturned to make this production a feature in the list of attractions for 1890-91, saying: "I am after A Barrel of Money and believe the best way to get it is to give the public full value for every dollar cast into my barrel." At the Opera House to-night.

Clearances—1890.

The following vessels and steamers cleared from this port last week with exports as follows:

Barge Garret Smith, 340,000 lumber, Sandusky.
Schooner Adventure, 183,000 lumber, Detroit.
Barge Clinton, 5,000 posts, Detroit.
Barge Light Guard, 350,000 lumber, Cleveland.
Barge Russian, 350,000 lumber, Cleveland.
Barge Lathrop, 350,000 lumber, Cleveland.
Propeller Garden City, 230,000 lumber, Cleveland.
Schooner McBrier, 180,000 lumber, Detroit.
Schooner Orkney Lass, 5,000 ties and 600 telegraph poles, Chicago.
Propeller Hall, 450,000 lumber, Tonawands.
Propeller Chamberlin, 285,000 lumber, Buffalo.
Barge Mason, 700,000 lumber, Buffalo.
Schooner Gebhardt 400,000 lumber, 500,000 lath, Buffalo.
Barge Richards, 600 trap net stakes, 415 tons of ice, Cleveland.
Barge Flint, 250,000 lumber, 10,000 ties, Buffalo.
Knight Templar, 400,000 lumber, Toledo.
Barge Potter, 400,000 lumber, Buffalo.

The total shipment of lumber, etc. since the commencement of navigation, for 1890, is as follows, by vessels that reported at the custom house at this port:

Lumber, feet	115,085,000
Lath	5,345,000
Shingles	1,107,000
Railway ties	357,000
Cedar posts	227,800
Grape posts	5,000
Trap net stakes	2,079
Ice, tons	966
Cedar, cords	300
Tan bark, cords	260
Match timber, cords	40

Resolutions.

Adopted by the Alpena lodge of I. O. O. F., at their meeting Tuesday night:

WHEREAS, The Supreme Ruler of the universe has entered our fraternal circle, and by the grim messenger of death removed from our midst our well beloved brother and Past Grand J. J. Kneal, and,

WHEREAS, Our brother has been a long and patient sufferer from a disease for which there seemed to be no remedy, and finally his energies yielded to a more potent power, and death ended the contest. Yet, through all his suffering he never forgot his duties, and wavered not in his devotion to the order of Odd Fellows; therefore,

RESOLVED, That in his death the community has lost an upright and respected citizen; our order a brother who was ever zealous in his efforts to promote its welfare and interests, and the high positions he has held bear testimony to the appreciation of his services as an officer and brother.

RESOLVED, That his wife has lost a most devoted husband; his children, a fond, loving and indulgent parent, and we trust they will find consolation in the assurance that what is their loss, will be his eternal gain.

RESOLVED, That we tender to his family our heartfelt sympathies in this, their sad bereavement; that our charter be draped in mourning for the space of thirty days, and that a copy of these resolutions be suitably engrossed and forwarded to the family of our deceased brother.

A. HARSHAW.
W. E. DEPEW.
J. C. FOCKLER.
Committee.

M. E. Conference.

The Detroit annual conference of the M. E. church, to be held in Alpena this year, will begin the 18th of next month, and continue about one week. This conference is the largest in Methodism and transacts business of great importance, particularly to the members of the Methodist church. About 500 ministers will probably be present at the conference, and a large number of other people are attracted to the place of meeting by their desire to hear and see many of the distinguished ministers, while others come for the religious educational influence.

Bishop Andrews, of Washington, D. C. will preside over the conference. The bishop of Africa, Wm. Taylor, and the bishop of India, Rev. Thoburn, are among those who are expected. President Fiske, of Albion college, accompanied by Washington Gardner, intend being present. Notable among the rest who have arranged to attend are: Dr. Spencer, of Philadelphia; Revs. Berry and Stewart, of Chicago; Drs. Peck, Daton, and Hunt, of New York; Dr. Breckinridge, of Brooklyn, and foreign missionaries from India and China.

The Methodist society will be well taxed to its utmost, to provide rooms and board for members of the conference, and numerous citizens of Alpena, outside of that society, regardless of class or creed, have volunteered to assist in this task. This is truly a commendable spirit, and although it is the established custom for the residents of cities in which conferences are held, to assist in entertaining members, it is not likely that any city ever exhibited more genuine zeal than Alpena is doing.

The Ansell Spool Company.

We mentioned sometime ago about the spool machine that J. H. Ansell had invented and patented, and which was made for him at the Industrial Works in this city, and that Messrs. Ansell and A. R. Blakely intended to erect a factory for the manufacture of spools and similar articles.

The gentlemen mentioned had made a commencement, and then it was determined to form a joint stock company. During the past few weeks such a company has been organized. The capital stock was placed at $10,000 and all has been taken up, and more could be easily sold if desired. The company is known as "The Ansell Spool Company," of which J. H. Ansell is manager. The company officers are as follows:

President—George L. Maltz.
Vice President—Abram R. Blakely.
Secretary—Charles W. Trask.
Treasurer—William H. Dennison.
Directors—G. L. Maltz, J. H. Ansell, A. R. Blakely, W. H. Dennison, and C. W. Trask.

The factory will be erected at Campbellville, on the railroad, near Washington avenue, and the work of erecting the necessary buildings commenced this week.

It is also the intention of the company to manufacture small boxes. As regards spools the company have large orders ahead.

We are glad to record the starting of this spool factory. It is what we term a natural industry of Alpena, as all of the raw material can be obtained in this county. It will employ over twenty men when the works are fully operated, both winter and summer, and will thus prove of great benefit to the city. We trust the enterprising members will meet with great success.

The capital stock consists of 1,000 shares of $10 each, owned as follows: A. R. Blakely, 425; J. H. Ansell, 200; and G. L. Maltz, W. H. Dennison and C. W. Trask 125 each.

Rescuing Shipwrecked Persons.

It sometimes happens that a ship is wrecked on a bold shore and it is not possible for a life boat to be rowed to her to rescue the persons on board. In such cases the life saving crews have an apparatus especially designed for taking persons off such vessels. In order that the life saving crews may be proficient in handling such apparatus, they are frequently drilled in the use of the life saving implements.

We recently had an opportunity to observe the Thunder Bay Island life saving crew go through the drill. For this purpose a space has been cleared off near the station. To represent the vessel in distress, a timber framework has been set up at one end of the cleared place. All the ropes, tackle, ammunition, cannon, etc., needed, are neatly stowed on a light and easily handled cart. The cart with the apparatus was taken to one end of the practice ground and stationed opposite the supposed vessel in distress. At command of Captain Persons every man of the crew made a rush to the cart. Some seized one thing and some another. To an observer it seemed as if everything was confusion, but in reality a perfect system was followed. Each man had a particular thing to do and he did it. In about a minute the cannon had been taken off the cart, the tackle got ready, a load placed in the brass cannon, and it was discharged. Attached to the projectile was a small cord, and this cord was carried rapidly towards the supposed wreck. One end fell over the wreck. A man had been stationed at the wreck to represent the sailors in peril. He grabbed the line that had been fired to him, and by means of it hauled to the wreck a larger line with block, and then a hawser was hauled out. As soon as he had made the hawser fast to the wreck the men on the supposed shore by means of the tackle, hauled out to the wreck a breeches buoy, and a man from the wreck got into it and was hauled ashore. It is an interesting sight. The work is done very rapidly, and the time taken in getting the apparatus off the cart, getting it ready, firing a line to the wreck, sending out the hawser, tackle and buoy and hauling a person ashore, was only three and a half minutes. After the breeches buoy has been erected in position it can be run back and forward between the shore and wreck as long as the wreck hold together, and the persons on the wreck brought ashore over the boiling waves. Owing to the low shores in this vicinity there is not much use for the breeches buoy, as the crew can take the life boat to almost every vessel that gets ashore.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. J. Crawford is visiting her parents at Flint.

Arthur Pack took a trip to Saginaw, Monday.

E. K. Potter arrived from Detroit by Saturday's train.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Beach went to Detroit Saturday last.

Mrs. A. L. Power and daughter are visiting friends in Detroit.

Miss Carrie McRae has gone to visit friends at Battle Creek.

G. H. Warren arrived home Thursday from his trip to Boston.

State Treasurer Maltz went to Detroit the early part of the week.

The lively politician W. A. French, of Bell, was in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Younglove have returned from their trip to Bay View.

Mr. and Mrs. Clothier went to Detroit yesterday to attend the exposition.

Mrs. H. R. Morse and daughter, Mrs. Cameron, left for Detroit, last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Comstock left on steamer Alpena, last Sunday, for Detroit.

B. C. Morse was a passenger on the steamer Alpena, for Detroit, leaving Sunday.

Judge Kelley left for Detroit, last Monday, to attend the Republican State convention.

George Hutton and Miss Libbie Hutton, of AuSable, arrived Saturday to visit friends.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Kimball left on yesterday's train, being on a trip to Chicago and Detroit.

I. Cohen was among the passengers who arrived Sunday night, by steamer City of Mackinac.

H. E. Runnels came up on the steamer Mackinac, from Port Huron, arriving Sunday night.

Mrs. S. H. Pangborn, who had been attending the funeral of J. J. Kneale, has returned home to Bad Axe.

Miss Nora Crissman, who had been visiting her brother and sister here, left on Saturday's train for Saginaw.

C. B. Warren took a trip to Detroit, last week, leaving on Wednesday's steamer, returning home Sunday night.

G. N. Fletcher came up on Saturday's train, from Detroit, and was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Grace Fletcher.

Adam Ludewig is in Detroit enjoying a vacation. He left last Wednesday on the steamer Alpena, and expects to be absent two weeks.

Miss St. German, who was visiting with Mrs. Brebner, left on Sunday's steamer to visit friends at Sand Beach, and will extend her trip to Ottawa.

Miss Barrett, who has been visiting at G. D. Bradford's for some months past, left last Wednesday night, on her return home to Brighton, England.

Mrs. Montgomery and daughter, of Lansing, who were visiting at J. C. Shields, left on steamer Mackinac, on their return home, Thursday.

Mrs. A. L. McKay, daughter and son, arrived home from Manistee, Monday night, where they had been visiting Mrs. McKay's mother, Mrs. S. A. Viall.

Captain McKenzie, of the Middle Island life saving station, came over from the island Thursday, and was accompanied by Lieutenant Clark, who had been inspecting the station.

Marshal Laurie arrived from Detroit, last night, having taken H. C. Rush to the House of Correction, for larceny. He remains 60 days.

The representation of "A Happy Pair," at the Opera House, last night, by Mr. and Mrs. Labadie, was equal to anything in the comedy line we have seen.

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