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Royal Baking Powder

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OUR LOCAL MARKETS.

Following are the prices paid by our merchants and dealers for the products named:

Butter	10
Eggs	08
Potatoes	19@20
Beans	85
Onions	35

Additional Local.

Miss Myrtle Arnold of Marcellus visited her aunt, Mrs. P. L. Pearse, Sunday.

A. T. Stevenson and A. F. McNeil are attending the state firemen's association at Ithaca.

Regular communication of Paw Paw lodge, No. 25, F. & A. M., Tuesday evening, May 26th.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Labadie and part of their company are visiting in the village.

The pickle factory at Bangor has already contracted for about 400 acres of cucumbers. This will insure the factory running at nearly full capacity for another year.

The Maccabee celebration, to be held in Paw Paw, June 5, will be a great event and big crowds are expected from all over the county. Not only members of the order are interested, but the day of fun will attract all classes. The success of the jubilee is certain.

An entirely new near view of Grant will be given in *McClure's* magazine for June, in a paper written by the man who was chaplain of the 21st Illinois when Grant was colonel of the regiment, and who lived, during that time, in the closest intimacy with him. It reports interesting conversations with Grant and relates a number of characteristic anecdotes.

Yesterday at Dowagiac, N. O. Martin, brother of A. C. Martin, fell and broke two ribs, besides receiving other bruises. He was brought to his home in Lawton last evening. He has charge of the Michigan Central water supply, and was on a plank high above the ground where the company is putting in new water-works at Dowagiac. The plank turned and he fell, sustaining the above noted injury.

A fruit grower at South Haven gives the following figures regarding the first appearance of peach blossoms in this section for the past fifteen years from data made by him: 1881, May 12; 1882, May 7; 1883, May 18; 1884, May 7; 1885, May 22; 1886, April 26; 1887, May 6; 1888, May 10; 1889, May 6; 1890, April 26; 1891, May 8; 1892, May 9; 1893, May 19; 1894, April 27; 1895, May 2; 1896, April 24.

A Lawton special to a Kalamazoo paper says: "The fast mail on the M. C. road, west bound, due here at 12:30 o'clock p. m., Friday, came near being derailed while running about 40 miles an hour. An extra freight pulled out a few moments before, and the switch was left open. The fast train dashed through the split switch, but fortunately the wheels caught the rails enough to hold it upon the main track. Had the train been east bound it would have been side-tracked into ten or fifteen freight cars and probably many lives lost. Just who is to blame is unknown at present. Some one of the freight crew left the switch open, and the flagman flagged them through."

May 16, a party of workmen on the Michigan Central were sidetracked with their boarding car at Mattawan. While they were there, the car was entered and a revolver, mackintosh, hat, some underclothing, etc., stolen. A young man giving his name as Montgomery McCormick is now in jail charged with the theft, all knowledge of which he strenuously denies. He is a "tourist" and was heading his way eastward. He will have an examination Thursday at 10 a. m. before Justice Serrine.

Echoes From the Big Brick.

Bessie Heckert is sick with the measles.

Rev. Harvey will lecture Friday afternoon.

Olive Lyle of Decatur was a guest last Friday.

Miss Etta Allen was a caller the first of the week.

Rev. N. C. Brundage offered the prayer on Monday.

Be sure and attend the seniors' social on Decoration Day.

Snare drum players were at a premium here on Monday last.

The school was much pleased with the solo of Mr. Jennings.

A fine vocal solo was rendered by Jane Broughton last Friday.

Bernice DeGraff favored the school with a pleasing solo, Monday.

Herbert Swan will go to Marcellus soon to visit a certain musician.

Robert Smith of Hartford, Conn., will soon enter the school here.

A meeting of the juniors was held at Eddie Snow's on Monday evening.

Homer Kidney of Marcellus was the guest of Misses Cummings and Taylor, Monday.

On Saturday last, Hazel Hincley fell from a hammock and injured her arm quite badly.

Mrs. Smith of Hartford, Conn., O'Dell of Kalamazoo, Emory of Grand Rapids, J. E. Phillips and Fowler were present at the exercises, Monday.

The new addition to the library, which arrived Friday, contains much interesting reading matter. Few schools of the size in the state have as good a library.

Janitor Allen, who rode a wheel Sunday evening to the home of Herbert More, had the misfortune to dislocate a tire on his return Monday and so can tell you just how many stones there are in the road between here and the Dillon school house.

SELLING A MINE.

A Western Man's Great Luck in Disposing of His Property.

"It is the easiest thing on earth to sell a mine in London for almost any price, provided you have anything to show an expert," said Major Frank McLaughlin. "There is also a right way and a wrong way to go about it. Some time ago I went to London to negotiate the sale of some mining property. Of course, the first thing I had to do was to let capital know what I was there for. Then, when inquiries commenced, I simply said: 'Gentlemen, I have mining property to sell. If you mean business and want to buy, send your expert out to examine the property and make a report on it. You will know then what you are buying.'"

"A company was organized. The expert examined the property and reported favorably, and a meeting was held to discuss terms.

"Now, major," said the spokesman, "we have found that the property may be worth something. What is your price?"

"Two hundred and fifty thousand," said I.

"That is more than we expected to pay. We expected to pay about 200,000. There is not much difference between 200,000 and 250,000. If you will drop the 50,000 we will take it."

"I expected to get about \$100,000 for the property, so with a show of reluctance I agreed to accept their offer. When the papers were made out, I was surprised to learn that they had been talking about pounds and I about dollars, but I was very careful not to let my surprise leak, and that is the way I got \$1,000,000 for the mine. Great people will do business with."—San Francisco Post.

Cocoanuts in Florida.

Quite a number of tropical nuts have recently been introduced into cultivation in this country. Already on the east coast of Florida are growing 250,000 cocoanut trees, 42,000 being in one plantation. It is believed that the first trees of this kind in that state sprouted from nuts brought from Central America and the West Indies by the gulf stream. At Key West and about some of the old forts cocoanuts were planted at an early day, as certain ancient trees now standing bear witness. In 1877 a bark freighted with cocoanuts was caught in a storm off the coast of Florida and beached near Lake Worth. Several thousands of the nuts were saved and planted, the satisfactory growth of the seedlings giving an impetus to cultivation.—New York World.

The Cable Code.

One of the curiosities of the cable code method of sending information is shown in a recent message announcing the loss by fire of a ship at sea. The whole message was conveyed in three words of Scott's cable code: "Smouldered; hurrah; hallelujah!" "Smouldered" stands for "the ship has been destroyed by fire," "hurrah" for "crew saved by boats" and "hallelujah" for "all hands saved—infirm wives and sweethearts."—New York Tribune.

It is said that the blind never dream of visible objects, and a mute has been observed when dreaming to carry on a conversation by means of his fingers or in writing.

British and American Ideas.

British free trade is the voice of interest and selfishness, not principle. American protection is the voice of intelligent labor and American development. Its benefits must be manifest to the most casual student of industrial history. No man will be found who would declare that our present advanced position of manufactures could or would have been reached without the aid afforded by a wise system of protection.—Hon. William McKinley.

Less Demand For Our Wool.

There was imported during the month of February \$5,352,410 worth of manufactured wools. This is more than double the imports of woolen goods during the corresponding month of 1892 under the McKinley tariff.

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every day in the week, every week in the year, is assured to wearers of the "Celluloid" waterproof collars. Neither dirt nor water can hurt them. One will outwear six linen collars and save dollars in laundry bills. It costs nothing to keep them clean. A wet cloth or sponge is all you need use. Made in all styles and sizes. The

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Probate Court Proceedings.

Following is a summary of the proceedings in Judge Becker's court for the week ending May 23:

Estate of Ward Kirk, deceased; final account; hearing June 15.

In the matter of Ida Lewis, et al. minors; Geo. N. Hall appointed guardian.

Estate of John P. Hanold, deceased; letters issued to G. W. Merriman; appraisers' warrant issued to G. H. Parks and H. W. Cox.

Estate of Andrew Ross, deceased; order allowing claims.

Estate of Louis Bennett, deceased; will admitted to probate; letters issued to Mary A. Tietfort.

Estate of Samuel Becker, deceased; order allowing claims.

Estate of Abraham A. Holderman, deceased; order allowing claims.

Estate of Warren Stoughton, deceased; Anson Pease, John Shank and O. P. Ketchum appointed commissioners in dowry.

Estate of Washington Gibson, deceased; final account allowed.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

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H. C. Waters & Co., sole agents for Lakey's Paints in Paw Paw.

Our Curtain Sale

Of last week was such a success that we will continue it, giving all our customers the opportunity of buying Handsome Curtains at our sale prices. This is the time to buy curtains of any kind.

Shirt Waists.
We have just added some handsome novelties to our stock of Shirt Waists. These new ones are the very latest from the down east centers of fashion.

Wash Goods.
We are showing the finest line of Wash Goods we ever had in Muslins, Organdies, Dainty Dimities, Picretines, fine Sheer White Goods and the new Laces and Embroideries for trimming them.

White Kid Slippers
For Graduating Costumes at \$1.00 and \$1.50, the regular \$1.50 and \$2.00 kind. Silk Mitts in all colors; Gauze Fans; Silk Tulle Fans; the new Empire Shape in all the evening shades to match any gown at 75 cents and \$1.00.

Dress Stuffs.
The women who haven't bought for their spring needs are to be congratulated, for our showing was never better, desirable stuffs were never cheaper. Blacks will be the favorites, as usual—but some people might think that this season's blacks are much the same as those of last year. That's a mistake—in the Figured Mohairs especially. The effects are decidedly different, much prettier—more stylish, of course.

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