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You will find a Complete Assortment of

## Bulk Garden Seeds

Grown by D. M. FERRY & CO.,  
at my store.

ALSO HAVE

Early Rose Carmon No. 3,

— AND —

BEAUTY OF HEBRON POTATOES  
FOR SEED.

STEPHEN B. PITTS,  
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## Surprises

### in Furniture!

Unless you have been visiting our store lately, or have been to some other big store in some big city, you have no idea what surprises we have in stock for you in furniture. Never mind whether you want to buy anything now or not, come in and let us show you some of them. Of course you will be interested in prices, and they will surprise you too, for our prices are all as low as good goods can be made and sold for. We have the pleasantest furniture store in central Michigan and would like to receive a call from you. We will feel well repaid if you have a pleasant half hour, as we know you will.

We have besides everything in the line of furniture, a fine line of Baby Cabs, Go-Carts, Hammocks and a full line of Undertaker's Supplies.

## Knapp & Smith,

West Main Street.

## WE ARE RUSHED!

WHY? Because we handle the largest and best line of goods, and sell the cheapest. A few of our popular goods consist of

OSBORNE Binders, Mowers, Tedders, Rakes, Disc Harrows, Float Harrows, Peg Tooth Harrows, GALE Rollers, Wheel Cultivators, Plows, AMERICAN Wheel Cultivators and Disc Harrows, the world's best OLIVER CHILLED PLOWS, Farmers' Favorite Disc and Hoe Grain Drills, Surreys, Phaetons, Carriages, Road Wagons, Carts, Farm Wagons, heavy and light Harness.

Our BICYCLE stock is complete, all new and latest styles. We save you money. Look our line over and get our terms and prices before you buy.

## HARTSHORN & SON.

### Hot Weather Will Soon be Here!

PREPARE! - PREPARE!

Avoid the heat. Buy a Gasoline or Oil Stove and a Refrigerator and be cool and comfortable. We sell

Leonard Cleanable Refrigerators.

The Most Highly Improved and Perfect Refrigerator on the Market.  
Economical of Ice. Neat in Finish.

GASOLINE AND OIL STOVES.

The Detroit Vapor Stove.

The simplest in construction and most durable, no smoke, no odor, no explosions. Absolutely safe.

Wickless Blue Flame Oil Stoves,  
Burn Kerosene or Gasoline.

Heath & Milligan Paints,  
White Lead, etc. . . . .

## IRA G. CURRY,

113 E. Main Street, Owosso.

### Give Us Men.

Give us men!  
Men—from every rank,  
Fresh and free and frank  
Men of thought and reading,  
Men of light and leading,  
Men of royal breeding,  
Men of faith and not of faction,  
Men of lofty aim or action  
Give us men—I say again,  
Give us men!  
Give us men!  
Strong and stalwart ones:  
Men whom highest hope inspires,  
Men whom purest honor fires,  
Men who trample self beneath them,  
Men who make their country wreathe them  
As her noble sons  
Worthy of their sties!  
Men who never shame their mothers,  
Men who never fall their brothers,  
True, however false are others:  
Give us men—I say again,  
Give us men!  
Give us men!  
Men who when the tempest gathers,  
Grasp the standard of their fathers  
In the thickest fight;  
Men who strike for home and altar,  
(Let the coward cringe and falter.)  
God defend the right!  
True as truth, though lone and lonely,  
Tender—as the brave are only:  
Men who tread where saints have trod,  
Men for country and for God;  
Give us men—I say again,  
Give us men.

### Salaries Increased.

Postmaster Hugh W. Parker, of Bancroft, will draw a salary of \$1,100 after July 1st, an increase of \$100. Postmaster Woolley, of Elsie, will also receive the same salary. Both offices were but recently advanced to the presidential class.

### County Orders for April.

County Treasurer R. F. Kay paid the following orders during April: County, \$51.35; poor, \$1,031.84; juror, \$2.25; witness, \$11.88; sparrow, \$21.78; soldiers' relief, \$17.18; drain orders, \$924.48; building, \$131.05; death warrants, \$61.50.

### Appointed Substitute Clerk.

Mr. Arthur H. Letts, of Durand, formerly of this city, has been appointed as substitute clerk at the Owosso post office. He will not give up his position as stenographer with the Grand Trunk Ry. at present as the substitute clerk is rarely called upon for active service. In case of a vacancy in the office he will be advanced to a permanent clerkship.

### Won Oratorical Honors.

Mr. Seth Q. Pulver, of Lainsburg, the representative of Olivet College, won the intercollegiate oratorical contest at the Agricultural College on Monday evening. There were thirteen contestants representing the several colleges in the State. The subject of Mr. Pulver's oration was "Gettysburg," and it was handled in a style which easily gave him first honors. Mr. Pulver was given a great reception at Olivet on his return the next day. Shilawsee county friends extend to the victor their heartiest congratulations.

### Leave for New York.

J. Menzo Bentley has resigned his position in the office of the Owosso Mfg. Co., the resignation to take effect June 1st. Mr. Bentley has been a resident of this city for more than three years during which time he has been identified with various organizations of the city and has been held in high esteem by Owosso citizens generally. He was a member of Company G, being detailed with the recruits who were left when the company itself went to Cuba and occupying one of the most important non-commissioned offices. He was married to a New York lady about a year ago and since that time they have made their home in this city. He has purchased a profitable insurance business in Clifton Springs, New York, his former home. Mrs. Bentley has already left for a visit at her former home, in St. Johnsville, N. Y. The best wishes of their Owosso friends accompany Mr. and Mrs. Bentley to their new home.

### Fire Department Organization.

The members of the fire department met in the department room in the city hall Tuesday evening for their annual meeting. Chief Blair announced the appointment of the assistant chiefs, Fred Edwards being the first assistant and Frank House the second, and the company itself proceeded to the election of the remaining officers which resulted as follows: Secretary-treasurer, Frank House; foreman hose company, Charles Beatty; 1st assistant, Ed. Wright; 2d assistant, Duard Blair; foreman hook and ladder truck, James Hopkins; 1st assistant, James Brown; 2d assistant, Glen Blair. Floyd Reynolds was also made a member of the company and the company voted to take part in the Memorial Day services and in the decorating of the graves of the deceased members of the department. A spread was then indulged in by the boys with the compliments of their chief, and a smoker followed.

The affairs of the department are in good shape in every way and particularly is this true in the matter of the personal feeling which prevails between the men and their chief, a thing which is of the greatest importance in any organization. Chief Blair has the confidence and hearty goodwill of his men and the department is one of the best volunteer departments in the state.

Rev. E. W. Hunt, who has been ill for the past week, is better, though still confined to the house.—Lansing Republican.

### Look Out for This.

The postoffice department has sent out a warning notice relative to a gang of swindlers, who have recently appeared along the line of new rural free delivery routes in different parts of the country. The notice says that the swindlers have been traveling about the country representing themselves as postoffice inspectors. Their scheme is to pretend to inspect the mail boxes and then demand from the patrons a rental of from \$3 to \$5. It is the habit of the swindlers to work their schemes shortly after new rural routes have been established, and the patrons, not being familiar with the requirements, are easily led to believe that it is necessary to pay rental on the boxes.

### FRED W. LAWRENCE TO LEAVE.

Resigns June 1st to Establish a Bank at Marion.

Fred W. Lawrence has given his resignation to the officers of the Owosso Savings Bank to take effect June 1st. He expects to leave soon after that date for Marion where he has made arrangements to establish a private bank.

Mr. Lawrence is one of the best known young men of this city, where he has lived nearly all of his life. He is a graduate of the Owosso schools and at the time when his father was in business in the city spent considerable time at his store gaining an insight into business methods, bookkeeping, etc. Shortly after graduating from the schools, in September, 1891, he was offered a position in the Owosso Savings Bank where he has been since that time. His work in that place has always been most careful and painstaking although at the same time he is a rapid and energetic worker. He was promoted from collector to bookkeeper, and for the last few years has been further honored by the directors who showed their confidence in him by electing him to the office of 2d assistant cashier. The confidence which all of the business men of the city have in him and the respect which they have for him is equally strong. His whole life has been spent before them and he is trusted with the very best of reason.

In a social way Mr. Lawrence has taken his part. He has served as trustee of the Baptist church several years and is now superintendent of the Baptist Sunday school. He is also connected with some of the insurance societies as their finance manager. He is everywhere regarded as a careful and conservative but energetic young man who is thoroughly familiar with the banking business in all of its details, and Owosso is sorry to lose him. Mr. Lawrence is also a graduate of the city schools and is well liked by a large circle of friends particularly in the Baptist church where she is an active member.

### MRS. MARSHALL MURDERED.

Coroner's Inquest Nearly Finished Before a Post Mortem was Decided Upon.

Mrs. N. D. Marshall did not die a natural death and it seems like little more than an accident which led to the discovery of the truth. She was murdered by a blow from something of the nature of a sandbag and in all probability by a man with whom she had been spending the evening and perhaps the greater part of the night.

The coroner's jury met Friday and heard the testimony of the neighbors who found the body and the physician who had been summoned, as well as that of the husband of the woman. All the appearances of the body had given no clue to a murder and the testimony of the physician showed nothing to make such a suspicion arise. The woman's husband however said that her watch was missing and she had been seen wearing it Tuesday evening. This slight thread was taken up and the jury decided to order a post mortem made. It was the post mortem which told the story.

The heart and brain were found in normal condition so that the trouble could not have been heart failure or apoplexy while there were two clots of blood under the scalp which could not have been made in any other way than with a slug shot or something of that nature which being soft and yielding but heavy, would give a fearful shock to the brain without breaking or bruising the surface of the skin. Immediately there was but one conclusion to be arrived at and that one was taken by the jury when it reached the verdict that the death was the result of a murderous blow. After this discovery it seemed at least possible that assault as well as murder had also been committed, the taking of the watch being suggested by some as being only a blind to cover that crime.

After it became known that the woman had undoubtedly been murdered the efforts to obtain some clue to the guilty person brought out little which has so far been of any particular use in running down the murderer but they brought out enough to show that the woman's life had not been what it should have been and that the murder was not the most unnatural result of her behavior. Two chairs by the side of the kitchen table and a pack of cards lying on the same would seem to indicate that the

murderer and his victim had been on better terms earlier in the evening. About four o'clock in the morning a noise was heard by the neighbors and one of the neighbor's dogs ran out into the road making much ado, probably over some passerby who is now supposed to have been the murderer. The murder seems more likely to have been committed in a fit of anger over something than for any other reason.

The woman had the reputation of occasionally frequenting saloons and had sometimes entertained female companions at her house who were not looked upon by her neighbors with the strictest approval. It has also developed that her list of callers included members of the opposite sex with more or less frequency. These disclosures show how it was possible for the murder to have remained undiscovered for so long a time. The neighbors were not in the habit of associating with her.

Sheriff Gerow and Marshall Ross have been at work on the case and have had one man who had been known to visit at the Marshall house in an uncomfortable position for a time but so far no definite clues have yet been secured although some of the clues obtained may yet develop into something. Sheriff Gerow has offered a reward of \$300 for information leading to the arrest of the murderer.

The Marshall family have been residents of this city for the last three years, having moved here from Detroit. Mr. Marshall almost immediately secured carpenter work in the vicinity of Oakley and Chapin and has ever since that time been away from home for the greater part of the time, coming home seldom except for Saturday nights and Sundays.

### CONCERT A FINE SUCCESS.

Women's Club Has Reason to Feel Well Pleased With the Final Number of its Concert Series.

The closing concert of the Women's Club series of three concerts which was given Tuesday evening in the Congregational church was as complete a success and as thoroughly enjoyed by the audience as a concert could be. There was not a number from beginning to end which would not compare favorably with the work of any soloists or concert troops which have ever visited the city.

Owosso has heard several of the most famous violinists of the world within the last decade but there have not been many instances where the touch has been more accurate, the technique more nearly perfect and the mastery of the instrument more complete than that shown by Miss Ferry Tuesday evening. Miss Ferry is one of the exceptions to the rule, for while she always wins praise abroad in her concert tours or her work in connection with her teaching, she is also most heartily appreciated at home. She was greeted with applause on her appearance and was obliged to respond to an encore each of the two times when she appeared on the program. Her first number was, "Hungarian Music," by Sarasate, the second a concerto by Wieniawski. Her encores were, a "Fantasie" by Leonard and a selection from Gounod's "Faust." The first encore, the fantasie, was one of the finest, if in fact not the very finest, examples of air and accompaniment both played on the same violin at the same time which has ever been heard in Owosso. The movement of the accompaniment which was intricate, was carried out in perfect time while the air stood out clearly and distinctly.

The work of Mrs. Wilcox was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience and she was called on for encores after both her numbers on the program. Her first number was Elsa's Dream, from Wagner's Lohengrin. The last number, a double one, consisted of Cantor's "As the Dawn," and Thomas's "My Neighbor." All of the numbers were delightfully given and not the least of these was the little old Scotch song, "If a Body Meet a Body," sung as one of the encores. Mrs. Wilcox's voice is very clear and quite strong. She sings with apparent ease and with a grace which makes her work even more pleasant to listen to.

The singing of the Ferry Quartette was of the same kind as that which has made the reputation of that organization secure for a long time to come. This Quartette is a favorite with Owosso audiences who know what to expect when it is on a program. Applause greeted the members as they first took their place on the stage and they were obliged to respond to encores to both numbers. The first selection was Chadwick's "Spring Song," and the second was Moberg's "Legends." The ladies never sang better than in the latter and showed more than ever the amount of careful training which must have been necessary before four voices could have been made to blend as perfectly as theirs did. In harmony, time, in fact in every detail of the selection the work of the four ladies was like the work of a single artist. The quartette is composed of Mrs. L. B. Allison, 1st soprano; Miss Jones, 2d soprano; Miss Knagy, 1st alto; Mrs. P. S. Willson, 2d alto.

The piano duets by Mrs. VanNess and Miss Peterson began with a series of four folk dances, consisting of Northrup's Spanish Dance, Grieg's Norwegian Dance, Nevil's Country Dance, and Klein's American Dance. Mrs. VanNess and Miss Peterson by request also gave the "Ed King" of Schubert. The closing number, Liszt's Rhapsodie No. 2, was perhaps the most striking

of the three numbers. Owosso has good reason to feel proud of the Ferry Quartette. She has also good reason to feel proud that the violinist of the evening, Miss Ferry, recognizes Owosso as her home, but there are perhaps not many cities situated as Owosso is that have two as thorough musicians who will do the amount of work together, necessary to produce the kind of piano duets that were given by Mrs. VanNess and Miss Peterson. Both are thorough musicians and devoted pianists but their playing shows even more than the mere putting together of two of the city's best piano players. The precision, the perfect time, the careful blending of all the shades in all that makes for expression in music show that these ladies have spent no small amount of time working over these themes together and practicing until they become filled with the spirit with which their music is filled, so that the expression from the two is a harmonious and perfect one. More than a little credit is due them for helping to make piano music more popular in Owosso during the last year.

Financially the concert was as successful as the members of the club had dared hope for. The attendance at this, the last concert, was especially good.

### Epworth League Officers.

The Epworth League of the First M. E. church Tuesday evening elected the following officers for the next year:

President, Kattie Burhans; 1st vice president, Arthur Alliton; 2d vice president, Mrs. George Fauth; 3d vice president, Dr. B. S. Sutherland; 4th vice president, Edna Osborn; secretary, Vera M. Johnson; treasurer, Allie Pitts. Miss Osborn was also elected delegate to the district convention which meets at Chesaning, May 31.

### Circuit Court.

The May term of the circuit court convened at Cornuna on Monday with Judge S. F. Smith presiding. An unusually large number of cases were reported as settled or in process of settlement, while other cases were put over for the term, so that the prospects are good for a short term. The business disposed of to date is as follows:

People vs. Austin Phillips, violating liquor law. Plead guilty.

People vs. Fred Bartels, violating liquor law, refused to plead and plea of not guilty entered by order of court. A. L. Chandler appointed to defend. Admitted to bail in the sum of \$200. It is expected the case will be taken up next week.

People vs. William Madison, arson. Plea of not guilty. F. H. Watson appointed to defend.

People vs. Lewis Fuller, bastardy. Continued until next term of court.

People vs. Arthur Roussin, violating liquor law. Continued until next term.

The cases of Thos. McElroy and Martin Rourke vs. the Michigan Central railroad were reported as settled, while the case of Mary E. Chipman against the same road was reported as in course of settlement. Minnie Brown vs. the city of Owosso, not to be tried this term.

Floyd Lamunyon vs. Fred Strawline, continued.

Wm. H. Osman, Sr., vs. S. S. Miner, notice of trial countermanded.

A. J. Kellogg vs. Jos. Marshall, continued on terms.

John Newberry vs. Michael McInrue, stricken from the calendar.

Wm. J. Sax vs. the D. G. H. & M. Ry., motion for new trial denied.

Lafayette McDewitt vs. Jas. Hill. Plaintiff ordered to file security for costs in the sum of \$75 within 60 days.

The case of August Martin vs. Anthony Zimbrazia accepted the attention of the court for part of two days and resulted in a verdict of \$23 for the plaintiff, who sued to recover \$5,000 for damages alleged to have been received by reason of an assault.

The case of Atherton vs. DeFreese is on trial today.

## Take a Look



Through any Opera Glass in my store and you'll find the lenses perfect. I want you to see them. My goods certainly reflect great credit upon me.

F. B. HOLMAN,  
OPTICIAN.

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