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## BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

**M. E. CHURCH**  
Morning Service 10:30; Sunday School 12:30. Evening service 7:30.  
**A. F. HART, Pastor.**

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Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school 12:30.  
**J. VAN NTWERP, Pastor.**

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Services are held at the Episcopal church every Sunday evening.  
**Rev. Geo. Weston, Missionary.**

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Regular Meetings on Saturdays, commencing each full moon.  
**W. A. BAHLKE, Sec'y.**

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Regular meetings on the first Friday of each month.  
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**FRANCIS PALMER, Comd.**  
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**ATTORNEYS.**

**FRANCIS PALMER.**  
Attorney at Law. Also Real Estate Life and Fire Insurance Agent.  
*Alma, Gratiot Co. Mich.*

**J. L. CLARK.**  
Attorney and Counselor at Law. All legal business by letter or otherwise, will be promptly attended to. Office in Opera House block, upstairs.

**JOHN D. SPINNEY.**  
Attorney at Law. Solicitor in Chancery, City and Real Estate Agent.  
*ALMA, GRATIOT CO., MICH.*

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

**F. A. LEONARD**  
Is nicely fixed up in the—  
**LIVERY STABLE.**  
formerly occupied by Mr. Carnahan, on Superior-st. west, and proposes to keep a first-class FEED, BOARD, SALE and LIVERY STABLE. Good Rigs at reasonable rates. Give him a call.

**Wood for Sale**  
Delivered free to any part of the city  
**A. J. WESTON.**  
West Superior, cor. Grant St.

**W. A. BAHLKE,**  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
—AND—  
Solicitor in Chancery.  
Office: former bank building of Waldby & Co opposite Wright House.

All business left in my hands will receive prompt and careful attention. I have the following Real Estate for sale, owned by Marcus Pollasky at extremely low figures:  
121 acres of land between Riverdale and Vestaburg 21 1/2 mi. N. W. 1/4 of sec. 23, town 12 north, R. 2 W. Also 1/4 of sec. 21 of sec. 22, town 12 N., R. 2 W. Will sell in parcels or 43, 80 or 120 acres.  
FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE ON EASY TERMS.  
Two houses and lots on Cass's addition—splendid homes for small families, also six acre cant lot, good building site. I offer for sale a good house on Ely street, well located and nicely finished at low figure.  
Parties desiring Real Estate in Alma should see these premises before purchasing.

**ALMA INSURANCE AGENCY.**  
HOME-NEW YORK  
UNDERWITERS-NEW YORK  
HARTFORD  
FIRE ASSOCIATION-Phila.  
AMERICAN  
AGRICULTURAL-Waterdown  
MICH. FIRE & MARINE-Detroit  
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## THE ALMA RECORD.

PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY.

**C. F. BROWN, Prop.**

**TERMS**—\$1.25 per year in advance; 75c for six months; 50c for three months. Rates of advertising made known on application.

**GREETINGS.**  
Woodman, chop in three!  
To burn it, every branch;  
In y— (th it without delay,  
But God's eight dollars now!  
Sunday is All Fools' Day.

Pollasky Bros. have a new adv. this week.  
The spring term of the College opens April 4.  
Full line of Rubbers at W. R. Kinch's.  
Easter gifts, something new at Mrs. E. P. Shaffer's.  
Highest prices paid for butter and eggs, at Mc & B.  
M. Bloomburg left Tuesday for his new home at Tyler, Texas.  
Township election next Monday, every body vote for the best man.  
Finest line of huts for men and boys ever shown in Alma at E. L. Stark's.  
H. N. Stanton of Greenville made this office a pleasant call on Thursday.  
Republican caucus at the Angell House Saturday afternoon at two o'clock.  
Don't suffer with tooth ache now that Dr. Kelly has his new electric machine.  
Max Pollasky is the happy father of a bouncing girl at his house, last Monday night.  
R. T. Lynd, of the College, filled the pulpit at the Baptist church at St. Louis, last Sunday.  
Prof. E. C. Davis, formerly a teacher in the Normal here, now of Lakeview, was in town Tuesday.  
Don't forget that D. Vought will do your Painting, Papering and Kalsomining in first-class style.  
A. D. Amsden has organized an Ocarina quartette, which will be one of the amusements at the band concert in the near future.  
Mr. Frank Norton, who has been ill during the past two weeks at the residence of his cousin, Mrs. Ella Johnson, is able to be around once more.  
Ira Foglesonger, one of our best College boys, is spending his vacation at Harrison. Ira is a hard working student and deserves a good, long rest.  
A handsome, eight-page College Quarterly was issued from the Record office this week. Two thousand copies will be distributed throughout the country.  
A. D. Amsden is arranging solos, duets, trios, quartets, and music for full band for carinas. Parties taking them up will find it to their advantage to call on him.  
John Day, a former Alma boy, and late principal of the Blanchard high school, resumes his old position at T. A. Miller's drug store next Monday. Glad to welcome him back.  
L. W. Miller has taken three hundred and three dozen pictures during this week, having taken seventy three dozen in one day (Thursday) and yet there is room.  
T. Richmond, west of this place, produces two hens eggs one of which is 8x6 and weighs 3 1/2 oz., the other 7x6 and weighs 3 oz. He informs us that it is a common occurrence for his hens to act thus.  
A party of friends gave W. L. Hough a happy surprise last Friday evening. The party loaded with refreshments took possession of his rooms unbeknown to him, the evening was passed in playing cards and a grand old time.  
If the new Council want to do a good thing for the town and gain some notoriety, they can do so by cleaning out some of the peanut hovels on Superior street. If allowed the town can be filled with such shanties.  
D. Depew has purchased the 3-year old trotting stallion, Alma Boy, of Mrs. Geo. Boyer, consideration, \$500. He is a dark brown, and is one of the most prominent young horses in this section. Mr. D. is the right man to handle him.  
Henry Burris, living one-half mile east of this place, was taken sick last Saturday morning very suddenly. Mr. Brainerd was called but spite of his efforts he died Saturday night after an illness of 16 hours. He leaves a wife and one child to mourn their loss.  
"Look here," said a man to a newspaper writer, "I think you ought to stop printing nonsense about the deleterious effects of cigarettes." "Indeed! Do you think them harmless?" "O, no; but such publications injure my business." "Ah! What is your business?" "I am an undertaker."

School closed last Friday.  
500 pair of cheap pants, from 45 cents to \$7, at Mc & B.

Union caucus at the Angell House Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.  
A. W. Pequegnat has put in a 45,000 pound Debold safe in his jewelry store.  
Remember that Dr. Kelly extracts teeth without pain by the use of electricity.  
A new advertising clock has been placed in the post office, by some of our business men.  
B. F. Miller was around Tuesday, having suffered the past three weeks with sciatic rheumatism.  
The Ladies' Aid Society of the Congregational church will meet with Mrs. John Muller next Wednesday.  
Astounding—the number of cordial handshakes to which an innocent voter is subjected about election time.  
J. W. Prestle, one of Sheridan's prominent business men, was in town Wednesday.  
A. C. McGraw's Ladies Pebble Button Boot for \$2.00 sold by W. R. Kinch.  
Mr. Fancher, of Marlette, has moved to Alma to educate his family. And still they come.  
Messrs. Bradley & Strong, two of Riverdale's popular merchants, were in town Wednesday on business.  
We have just opened up our spring stock of millinery and invite the public to call in and look it over.  
Mrs. S. Messinger.  
Wright's Opera House band are making arrangements for a grand old concert. Look out for bills and don't fail to attend.  
We are informed that owing to the late fire, the St. Louis Republican will not be continued. Bro. Smith has our sympathy in his loss.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Baker wish to express their cordial thanks to their friends who so kindly assisted them in their recent sad bereavement.  
Parents looking for children's school shoes will miss great bargains if they fail to call and examine the fine assortment displayed by E. L. Stark.  
F. J. Dibell, for the past four months employed in the Pioneer office left Tuesday to accept a situation in the office of the Saturday Night at Oscoda.—Alpena Pioneer.  
The winter term of the College closed last Friday afternoon, after a very successful three months' work. Most of the students are at home enjoying their vacation.  
The Executive Committee of Alma College have called Rev. H. E. Butler of Jacksonvill Ill. to the chair of Mental and Moral Science. This chair has been recently endowed by C. W. Wells of Saginaw.  
If friends of the RECORD having profitable business will remind Judge Paddock that they desire the order published in the RECORD, they will confer a favor on us. The Judge needs reminding that there is more than one paper in the county.  
Secretary Storrs of the state board of charities has ready for distribution the proceedings of the convention of the board and of the county agents at this place in December last. Parties desiring it will enclose three cents for postage to the secretary at Lansing.  
And now comes the yearly house-cleaning. Remember that D Vought is prepared to do first-class work in painting, graining, sign-writing, kalsomining, paper hanging, ceiling decorating in paper or paint. Orders left at B. S. Webb's or T. A. Miller's store will receive prompt attention.  
List of letters remaining at the Alma postoffice for the month ending March 24, 1888: Gentlemen: W. A. Chatterton. R. W. Wright, B. Woolst; ladies: Mrs. Jacob Boyer, Mrs. Lillie Washburn, Mrs. Ellie F. Wright. Persons calling for the above please say "advised."  
D. Ely, P. M.  
The I. O. O. F. lodge of this place met at their hall last Monday night, the occasion being in honor of the 37th anniversary of their Noble Grand, B. F. Worthington. They presented that gentleman with an elegant P.G. collar as a token of their respect and good esteem. A general good time was had all around.  
Members of the Alma Building and Loan Association are hereby notified that the April instalment to the capital stock of said Association is due on Monday, April 24, 1888. At 7:30 p. m. there will be a meeting of the board of directors at which time a resolution will be introduced to amend Section 2 of Article 15, of the by-laws of the Association. All members of the Association are requested to be present at this meeting in person or by proxy.  
JOHN D. SPINNEY, Secretary.

If you want a carpet call at Mc & B.\*  
Frank Medler was in Vernon over Sunday.  
A full line of Groceries at McCullough & Button.  
Dougolia Kid button Shoes at W. R. Kinch's.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barnes, Wednesday night, a boy.  
Mc & B. will save you money on anything you want to buy.  
"The beautiful snow" paid us a spring visit Tuesday night.  
W. A. Taft, of Riverdale was in town Thursday on business.  
A. W. Bahlke of North Star visited the home of his parents in town Sunday last.  
Prof. O. J. Stilwell, left Friday night to spend his vacation with his parents at Rockford.  
Election tickets and slips warranted to elect (if voted) printed on short notice at the RECORD office.  
The Mt. Pleasant Democrat has changed hands, having been sold to G. C. Brandon, of Charlotte.  
T. A. Miller & Co. have just added a new and pretty line of wall paper and alabastine in their post office store.  
We are here to stay. Bargains every day in the year in boots, shoes, hats, caps and gents furnishing goods.  
E. L. Stark.  
Having had experience in leading and fashionable dressmaking parlors in Charlotte, Lansing, Ionia and Saginaw, I have opened dressmaking rooms over Fisher's Bazar, where I am prepared to do dressmaking at reasonable prices. Satisfaction guaranteed.  
MISS MINNIE COLE.  
This is the time of year when the thrifty farmer is looking at his harnesses and machinery to see if everything is in readiness for the spring work. It pays to take time by the forelock every day in the week. If these small matters are attended to now, it may save a day or two right in the midst of the rush of the spring work.  
The old warhorse to the front once more.—B. S. Webb the reliable Druggist has just received a fresh stock of Baxter's Lucky Star Cigars. Byron is always on the lookout for best quality five cent cigars made as he wants to keep up the reputation he has justly earned by selling the best Cigar for the money. Try a Lucky Star and you will smoke no other. B. S. Webb, Sole Agent 467—3m.  
To the four persons furnishing the greatest amount of local news from now until Jan. 1st, 1889, we will send the paper free for one year from that date. Items must be plainly written, signed, enclosed in an envelope and left in the boxes labeled "Items for the Alma Record" at the postoffice. The writer's name will not be published, but is required as an evidence of good faith. We furnish stationery free to those who wish to use it in furnishing news. We reserve the right to decide in all cases, whether the matter furnished is of sufficient interest to warrant publishing.  
Last Saturday morning one of the largest fires ever at St. Louis occurred it started from the Republican office while the force were at breakfast. Help was called for from this place and 35 minutes thereafter No. 2 hose company of this village had a stream on the fire, though it is four miles from this depot to the St. Louis station. It spread rapidly, and before it could be stopped 14 buildings were destroyed, involving a loss of \$20,000. All the city buildings burned except the jail. The insurance will not aggregate more than one-third of the loss. Those who have lost by the fire, with the amount of their individual losses, so far as known, are as follows: Republican office, \$700; Drury block, \$5,000; Lee Hing's Chinese laundry; Spotta's wagon shop; fire engine house and council room, \$3,000; Burn's harness shop \$1,000; Johnson's second hand store and lumber piles, \$2,000; Burgess' meat market, \$2,500; Littlefield's saloon, \$800; the Oddfellows' and Masonic hall; Barton & Brown's store, Dr. Goff's dental office, Shelt's tailor shop Burgess' barn, Kingsbury's millinery store, \$1,000, (by fire and water); Drury's grocery and a restaurant \$500.

**Our City D. As.**  
ALMA, MICH., March 27, 1888.  
Common Council met in regular session at clerk's office at above date.  
Present, E. B. Green, president, and trustees P. M. Smith, Geo. W. Pulfrey, John W. Hawkins, Martin Montigel, E. A. Bagley, and S. W. Tinker.  
Minutes of last meeting read and approved.  
Claims presented:  
Geo. W. Pulfrey, wood \$9.45  
P. M. Smith moving hose  
to St. Louis 1.25  
On motion the above claims were allowed at footing and clerk instructed to issue orders for the same.  
Committee on Fire Dep't report the taking of hose and cart to St. Louis to assist in the recent fire and ask the approval of council. On motion the action of Committee was approved.  
Committee on printing report that C. F. Brown asks \$40 to print the proceedings of Village Council for ensuing year and on all other legal printing for the village at less than legal rates. On motion the report was accepted and placed on file.  
Select Committee on bond of E. N. Chadwick report favorable. On motion the report was accepted and bond ordered placed on file.  
Report of Special Committee on the construction of railing in Fireman's Hall presented, recommending the construction of the same of hard wood and oil finish, at a probable cost of sixteen dollars. On motion the report was laid on the table.  
On motion the claim of Ingalls Oil company was taken from table. On motion the claim was allowed at ten cents per gallon or at \$10.00 and clerk instructed to issue order therefor.  
On motion clerk instructed to purchase a five gallon oil can for the use of engineer at engine house.  
President recommends that some pitch or other inflammable substance and one cord of dry pine wood be purchased for use at engine house in case of fires and that it be stored at the same.  
On motion the matter referred to fire committee, village marshal reports removal of coal shed to rear of Fireman's Hall as instructed.  
President then appointed Trustees Pulfrey and Hawkins as committee to audit the accounts of Village Treasurer for past year as required by motion at last session.  
Moved and carried that a committee be appointed on salaries.  
Moved and carried that the pre-ident appoint such committee. President appointed Trustees Tinker and Bagley as such committee.  
On motion council adjourned.  
E. B. Green, W. A. Bahlke, President, Clerk.

The following resolutions were passed by the Common Council March 6 but were omitted:  
**RESOLUTION:** Whereas, Byron S. Webb whose term of office as president of our village has just expired, and who has been a good, faithful, painstaking officer, and has fulfilled all the duties of the said office with credit to himself and honor to his constituents.  
And Whereas, Almon Yerington, as Village Clerk has discharged the duties in a very able and efficient manner, and has rendered very valuable and highly appreciated aid in the business of our municipal affairs.  
Therefore, Resolved, That as a work of our appreciation, we as village officers of Alma, for ourselves and in behalf of our constituents, tender our sincere thanks to the said Byron S. Webb and Almon Yerington for the very able and satisfactory manner in which they have discharged the duties of their respective offices, and that our thanks are hereby expressed and offered.  
Signed—  
P. M. SMITH, J. W. McLEOD,  
E. B. GREEN, Geo. W. PULFREY,  
J. W. HAWKINS, M. MONTIGEL,  
On motion said resolution was adopted as read.  
On motion court adjourned.  
B. S. WEBB, A. YERINGTON, President, Clerk.

Lizzie Evans is one of the most charming soubrettes on the stage, with sweet face, graceful figure and musical voice, she has no difficulty in winning the hearts of her audiences. She dances over the stage with the airiness of a thistleblow, and beams on her auditors like a stream of sunshine, more attractive than Lotta in her youthfulness and physique. She is more charming in manners, owing to an innate refinement that is apparent to even the least observant. Her company is an excellent one; she has a good support in Mr. Corey, who has a fine voice and good presence and is withal a handsome young fellow. The pretty little star shined to good audiences all the week and was enthusiastically received every night.—St. Louis (Mo.) Republican.  
The above entertainment at Churches Opera House, Ithaca.

Lizzie Evans, at Churches Opera House, Ithaca, April 5th; arrangements are being made to run a special car from this place.  
Again we are called upon to express our thanks to the friends who aided us in our last bereavement and for their sympathy for us in our terrible sorrow.  
MR. AND MRS. H. S. WEBSTER.

**New Advertisements.**  
Wright, Schneider & Stutz are on hand as usual, displaying their complete line. Look over their new adv.  
Runk & Baughman address their customers this week, they have a full line of goods and are selling lots of them.  
Read the letter from Frank Pollasky in the Bee Hive space this week. Max says he has the goods and has purchased them at prices that can lead the trade.  
Your attention is called to the notices of McCullough & Button, the new merchants. They have their new stock in and are busy waiting on their customers. Call and look them over, they act as if they had come to stay.  
B. S. Webb the reliable druggist, has called the public's attention to his large line of Drugs, Patent Medicines, Wall Paper, School Books, Paints and Oils, Window Shades. He has the largest line in the county and invites you all in to see him.  
Findly & Morden, the popular harness makers, have a new adv. this week. They have the finest line of harness goods in this section, and having had years of experience and both expert workmen, they can but please you. Call and examine their light and heavy line of harness, collars, etc.; you will find them gentlemen in every sense of the word.  
Miller Bros. are supplied with the largest and completest line of agricultural implements ever offered to the people of Gratiot county; in addition to a very large stock of Buggies, Harnesses etc. Farmers in this vicinity need no longer go elsewhere for any thing they may need in the line of farm machines and tools. They will find this firm obliging and honorable to deal with. Try them!

**WANTED AT ALMA COLLEGE:** Good plain cook and smart girls to take kitchen and dining room work. Preference given to students, apply personally or by letter to Mrs. Logie, Alma College, Alma, Mich.  
Warm meals at all hours at  
S. G. Hopkin's

**For Sale.**  
House and lot in good location in the village of Alma, near the College. House nearly new, 4 acre of ground, a good cistern. Small payment down, the balance in monthly payments and long time given. Enquire at this office. 467—4 wks.

**Prohibition Convention.**  
To all Prohibitionists of Gratiot county. Take notice, that a convention has been called to meet at the court house in Ithaca, on the 4th day of April next at one o'clock p. m. to complete the county organization of said party and to elect delegates for the state convention to be held at Grand Rapids on the 16th day of May next. Let the prohibitionists in every township show their earnestness in the work by being present.  
Yes, rally for the right,  
And gather in your might,  
Already for the light—  
For Prohibition.  
DAN'L BRECKENRIDGE,  
Chairman.  
J. B. DUFE,  
Secretary.

**Registration Notice!**  
Notice is hereby given, that the board of registration of the township of Arcada will be in session at Firemen's Hall, in the village of Alma, Saturday, March 31, '88, for the purpose of completing the registration of said township.  
N. B. All persons residing on sections 33 and 34, formerly in Pine River, should attend personally to this registration. The recent registration in the village of Alma will not answer for township purposes.  
NATHAN NEVINS,  
Township Clerk.

**Card of Thanks.**  
We wish to thank our kind neighbors and friends and also the members of the G. A. R. post of Alma who so kindly assisted in the sickness and burial of our husband and father.  
MRS. AMANDA BURRIS,  
HENRY BURRIS.  
Dr. Kelly has received an Electric machine, for the painless extraction of teeth, without extra charge.  
I am making a specialty of collar and cuff laundry and guarantee first class work. Parties wishing such work or fine shirts or general laundry work, please leave the same at B. W. Ellisson's store. J. B. SHELDON. 467—4 wks.  
Lucky Star is a ten cent Cigar sold by Webb for five cents. 468—3m