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I have opened a

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One Month Free!

Dr. A. B. Spinney, of Detroit, also proprietor of Reed City Sanitarium, is coming to your town, where he will remain for one day only, to give the sick an opportunity to consult him that cannot see him at his Sanitarium. The Doctor has so much faith in the experience he has had in treating chronic diseases that he will give one month's treatment and medicine free. **Also Free Surgical Operations to all those that are too poor to pay.**

All that he asks in return is that every patient will state to their friends the results obtained by his treatment. All forms of chronic diseases and deformities successfully treated. No man in this State has had such extended experience in the treatment of **CATARRH, EYE, EAR, THROAT AND LUNG DISEASES** as the Doctor. He graduated 37 years ago from Cleveland, Ohio; was 15 years in general practice; after that lectured as Professor of Anatomy and Physiology in Detroit Homeopathic Medical College for 2 years; was 3 years superintendent of Alma and Ypsilanti Sanitariums. This experience, combined with many years' study in the best hospitals in the country, and examining and treating thousands of chronic cases, has prepared him to cure when the general practitioner fails. Have you been sick for years? Are you discouraged? Call and see us; we will tell you whether we can cure you or not. If we cannot cure you, we will tell you what relief we can give you.

☞ Remember, one month will be absolutely free—medicines, surgical operations and the benefit of all our skill—to all who are too poor to pay. Our methods of treatment embrace all that is known by all the schools, with the aid of electricity, that most wonderful of all agents in Paralysis, Loss of Power, Rheumatism, and all diseases of the nervous system. Go early, as my office is always crowded.

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Will be at Belding,

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Saturday, Aug. 29

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That's what any man is when his nerves give out.

He loses courage and strength to act.

His mind gets hazy and his will gets weak.

Energy and hope fade away. Success depends upon the nerves.

One man succeeds because he has nerve-strength; another fails because he lacks it.

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This remedy has just the properties to give the nerve-weak strength, vim and energy.

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Your Children's Health

is at stake every day you continue the use of white flour because ordinary white flour is robbed of the Gluten of the wheat, in order to make white bread.

Flour deprived of the Gluten of the wheat, has lost the greater part of its blood-making materials.

It is time for people to pause and consider the impoverishing results of the continued use of white flour and intelligently consider the consequences, not only upon their children but upon their children's children.

Franklin Mills Fine Flour of the Entire Wheat is the coming flour. It contains all the wheat berry except the woody husk which is not food. It possesses all the elements for building up a healthy, vigorous constitution.

Your grocer keeps it; if not, send us his name with your order—we will see that you are supplied. The genuine made only by the *FRANKLIN MILLS CO., Lockport, N. Y.*

Foley's Honey and Tar for children, safe, sure. No opiates.

COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, Friday, Aug. 21, 1903.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Bricker.

Roll call: Present, Mayor Bricker, Ald. Smith, Hudson, Chave, Fisher, Demorest, (5).

Absent Ald Clark, (1).

The minutes of the last meeting as read were approved.

To the Hon. Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen: We the undersigned tax payers and residents of the Secon 1 Ward of the city of Belding, do hereby respectively request that your honorable body refrain from grading, claying or graveling Pearl street of the said City of Belding, during this season, we believe it to the best interest of the entire ward that the expense necessarily incurred in improving said street might be more judiciously expended in improving some other streets of said ward which are notoriously in need of improvement and repair, Pearl street is without question, today in better condition than any other street in said ward and further expenditures of same at this time would certainly amount to unjust discrimination against the property rights of residents upon other streets in said ward.

Signed by E. E. Chapple and 34 others.

Referred to Committee on Streets and Sidewalks.

Moved by Ald. Demorest seconded by Ald. Fisher that the following rebate on cement walks be allowed and orders drawn for same which motion prevailed. Yeas. Ald. Smith, Hudson, Chave, Fisher, Demorest, (5) Nays none.

Ernest Chase,	Rebate	$ 2 69
Nellie Tanner,	"	2 95
G. A. Stanton,	"	9 12
A. C. Ogle,	"	9 90
D. Calkins,	"	10 65
S. A. Stewart,	"	8 25
Isaac Bates,	"	9 90
Belding L Imp Co.	"	56 80
W. W. Hwelster,	"	8 00
L. B. Weeks,	"	7 72
H J. Leonard,	"	19 80
Andrew Tuttle,	"	10 65
Lottie Bushnell,	"	9 90
W. A. Dutt,	"	10 65
L. L. Holmes,	"	17 06
L. C. Millard,	"	8 25
Edwin Porter,	"	9 90

Moved by Ald. Hudson seconded by Ald. Smith that the bond of the Spencer Electric Light & Power Co. be made for $5000, which motion prevailed. Yeas. Ald. Smith, Hudson, Chave, Fisher, Demorest, (5) nays none.

Moved by Ald. Chave seconded by Ald. Hudson that the Marshal be instructed to clean the Weter property from all rubbish which motion prevailed. Yeas, Ald. Smith, Hudson, Chave, Fisher, Demorest (5) nays none.

Moved by Ald. Chave seconded by Ald. Smith that the City Clerk be authorized to advertised for sealed bids for the house building located on Weter property which motion prevailed, Yeas, Ald. Smith, Hudson, Chave, Fisher, Demorest (5) nays none.

Moved by Ald. Smith seconded by Ald. Chave that the City Attorney request the Pere Marquette R. R to protect the crossings at Broas Bridge, Depot and old Casket Factory crossings with gates, lights, or watchman which motion prevailed, Yeas Ald. Smith, Hudson, Chave, Fisher, Demorest (5) nays none.

Moved by Ald. Fisher seconded by Ald. Demorest that the following bills on cross walks be allowed and orders drawn for same which motion prevailed. Yeas, Ald. Smith, Hudson, Chave, Fisher, Demorest, (5) nays none.

W. L. Shipman, across	Bridge St.	$41 72
" " "	Liberty St	41 50
" " "	Center St.	45 13
" " "	Washington St.	34 60
" " "	Alley St.	22 38

Moved by Ald. Fisher seconded by Ald. Smith that the following bills be allowed and orders drawn for same which motion prevailed. Yeas, Ald. Smith, Hudson, Chave, Fisher, Demorest, (5) nays none.

Edward Tissue,	labor	$ 1 50
Peter Hauck,	"	10 50
M V Heckathorn,	"	30 00
Frank Waterman,	"	16 54
A Wheeler,	"	13 75
Chas. Hagadorn,	"	75
J C Zerba,	"	3 00
H. Eckert,	"	6 00
A. Eckert,	"	13 50
Wm. Thompson,	"	19 50
J. M. Kolp,	"	9 00
Miles Bordman,	"	2 00
F P Munk,	"	18 00
Owen Tissue,	"	24 00
J. Sagendorf,	"	10 50
Levi Edson,	"	12 00
Geo. Shutes,	"	1 87
Fred Worden,	"	16 50
John Riker,	"	12 25
M. Boardman,	"	13 75
Chas. Loper,	"	1 88
J. Perkins,	"	1 00

Moved by Ald. Fisher seconded by Ald Chave, that the following bills be allowed and orders drawn for same which motion prevailed. Yeas, Ald. Smith, Hudson. Chave, Fisher, Demorest, (5) nays none.

A. Eckert,	Park work	$19 50
H.	" "	11 70
F. J. Luick,	supplies	1 00
Wilson & Friedly,	Poor Com.	8 00
A. Wilson,	labor at hose house	2 55
F. Shaw,	" " "	2 55
Wm. E. Fisher,	supplies	5 22

Moved by Fisher seconded by Ald. Demorest, that the following bills be audited and paid and referred to the County Board of Supervisors for payment. which motion prevailed. Yeas, Ald. Smith, Hudson, Chave, Fisher, Demorest, (5) nays none.

S. S. Smith,	meats	$5 99
J. B. Henderson,	groceries	8 49

Moved by Ald. Smith seconded by Ald. Demorest, that the City Clerk advertise for bids on labor for painting the 3 bridges, which motion prevailed. Yeas, Ald, Smith, Hudson, Chave, Fisher, Demorest, (5) nays none.

On motion council adjourned.

GEO. W. MOULTON, City Clerk.

By virtue of Ordinance No. 52, entitled, an Ordinance relative to the construction and repair of sidewalks, passed and approved the 11th day of May, A. D. 903, and amendments thereto, be it

Resolved, that whereas the owners and occupants of the following described lots and premises have heretofore been properly notified of the condemnation of sidewalk or sidewalks adjacent to said lots and premises, and whereas, the said owners and occupants of the following described lots and premises have heretofore been properly notified to rebuild and construct said sidewalk or sidewalks on or before the 10th day of Aug. A. D. 1903 according to the provisions of said notice and ordinance, and whereas said owners and occupants have refused, failed and neglected to build said sidewalk or sidewalks, now therefore be it

Resolved, that the Street Commissioner of the City of Belding immediately proceed to make, construct and rebuild such sidewalk and sidewalks as hereinafter described, and to make construct and rebuild such sidewalk or sidewalks of cement or concrete according to the specifications now on file in the office of the City Clerk and report in writing the cost and expense of each distinct place of sidewalk so made, constructed and rebuilt to the Common Council according to the provisions of the ordinance first above mentioned:

Bridge street, lots 11 Broas add. lots no 25, 29, 31, 33, 35, 39 Broas 3rd add. lot no. 60 Broas 2nd add.

Liberty street, lots no, 188, 180, 181, 178 Supervisor Moon's Plat.

Pleasant street lots 162, 140, 123 Supervisor Moon's Plat and lots, no. 53 Broas add. and 48 Broas 2nd add.

Pearl street, lot no. 166, Supervisor Moon's plat, no 13 Broas 3rd addition.

Broas street lots 89, 90, Bros add and 24, 26, 27, Broas 2nd add.

Washington street, 162, 166, 167 Supervisor Moon's plat.

Congress street, 50, 106 Supervisor Moon's plat

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The late R. H. Stoddard used sometimes to narrate a striking experience that befell him during a walking trip in New England.

"During this tour," he said, "I came one August afternoon, to an apple orchard in the outskirts of a village, and on the fence I saw a placard inviting travelers to enter and partake of the inviting fruit within. I ate an apple or two, and then perceived the owner approaching from his barn.

"He was an intelligent young man, and I asked him why he was so generous with his apples.

"'I'll tell you, sir,' he replied. 'When my father was a boy, he had to walk, one summer, a matter of 200 miles, working out his meals as he traveled. There was a certain apple orchard that he came upon, and an apple that had fallen from one of the trees lay in the road. He picked it up and was about to eat it. But the farmer had perceived him, and he ordered him to put the apple back. My father obeyed, of course, but he told the man that he was mighty mean with his fruit, and he said he would himself, some day, plant a hundred apple trees for the free use of travelers exclusively. Fortune went well with my father, sir, and this is the orchard that he planted. All the fruit here will be free always."

Chicken Serum.

In view of the fact that chickens do not suffer from tuberculosis, Dr. Viguier de Mailiane of France tried to cultivate the bacillus of consumption in the serum of fowls' blood, and completely failed. He is now experimenting with encouraging results in the use of chicken serum as an antitoxin for consumption.

Loubet Studies Astronomy.

President Loubet will resume his study of astronomy as soon as he lays down the cares of state. An observatory is being built on the grounds of the chateau which the president recently purchased.

Quick Relief for Asthma Sufferers.

Foley's Honey and Tar affords immediate relief to asthma sufferers in the worst stages and if taken in time will effect a cure. W. I. Benedict.

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W. I. BENEDICT, Druggist

IN MEMORIAM

Robert Lyman Russell was born in Virgil Courtland County N. Y. Sept. the 27th 1825 and with his sister Lydia was the youngest of a family of fourteen children and was the last to answer the death roll call responding Saturday morning August the 22nd 1903 at six o'clock.

His parents were Josiah and Betsy Russell. Of his early boyhood we have but little knowledge. He came from Oakland County Michigan and was present as a boy under age at the time of the first township election of the Township of Otisco April 2nd 1838. His older brother Amos H. Russell who came to Otisco first in 1837 had just brought his family to Otisco and Robert Lyman come with them.

He was married to Miss Lucy Ann Brown in 1848 and settled in Grattan Kent county where his daughter Gertrude now Mrs. W. R. Olds was born. A few years later he moved to Otisco where his son Bryant John Russell now of Luther was born both of whom survive the father.

In 1879 he moved to Luther then a dense forest in the employ of the old Wilson, Luther and Wilson Lumber Company as land looker, surveyer and pine estimator with whom he remained ten years.

Here he lost his wife Lucy in 1887 and was married again to Mrs. Eleanor Dimmick of Grattan in 1888 but was once more left a widower in 1894 since which time he has made his home with his only son Bryant J. Russell of Luthur.

His early life in the pioneer days of Ionia county gave him an extensive knowledge of timber and for years his estimates of standing timber either pine or hardwood were considered standard authority for the amount upon any given tract of land. Millions of feet of timber have been bought and sold upon his estimates alone.

He was a staunch Republican of no mean power and held many public offices of trust in both Ionia and Lake counties and was a veritabe land mark in the history of the last named county.

Last fall he cut his leg badly while hewing timber for a new barn, losing a large amount of blood, which at his age left him in a weakened condition so that when stomach trouble set in he wasn't strong enough to cope with the combined forces which gradually sapped his wonderful vitality as he was a man of strong constitution and of almost udparalled nerve, his power of endurance being marvellous. He passed beyond into the great unknown, very bravely and without fear, his mind clear to the last.

Robert L. Russell was a man of wide reputation and formed many ties of lasting friendship during life. Was familiarly and almost universally known as "Uncle Lyman." His demise will be mourned not only by a large circle of friends and relatives but by the general public as well.

DETROIT LIVESTOCK MARKET.

Michigan Central Live Stock Yards, Detroit, Aug 18.—Thed emand for live cattle is dull and low this week, receipts have been liberal of late. The following prices are being paid at the Detroit Live Stock Market: Prime steers and heifers, 4 25; @ $4.75 handy butcher's cattle, 3.50@$4.10; common $2.50@3.25; canner's cows, $1.50@ 2 00; stockers and feeders, active and steady $2 50@3.75. Milch cows active at $25 @ $50; calves active at $4.50@$6.50.

Sheep and lambs, dull and lower; prime lambs, $5.00 @ $5 25; mixed, $3 05@4.55; culls, $1.50 @ $2.50.

Hogs, light supply, fair quality, trade is active at the following prices: Prime mediums $5.70@5.75; Yorkers, $5 70@5 80; pigs, $5 75@5.80; roughs, $4 00@5.00; stags, ⅓ off; cripples, $1 per cwt. off.

Receipts: Cattle 1600: Calves, 500; Sheep, 2700; Hogs, 4200.

Lost Opportunity.

"You must not imagine," she said, "that I would be willing to sit out here alone with you if you were not so big, and strong, and able to pick me up in your arms as if I were a mere child—in case anything happened." Then because nothing happened she told her friends that he was dull-witted and probably had a soul like a withered lemon.

End of Bitter Fight.

"Two physicians had a long and stubborn fight with an abcess on my right lung" writes J. F. Hughes of DuPont, Ga. "and gave me up. Everybody thought my time had come. As a last resort I tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. The benefit I received was striking and I was on my feet in a few days. Now I've entirely regained my health." It conquers all Coughs, Colds and Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed by Connell Bros. Drug Store. Price 50c, and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

DeWitt is the Name.

When you go to buy Witch Hazel Salve look for the name DeWitt on every box. The pure, unadulterated Witch Hazel is used in making DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which is the best salve in the world for cuts, burns, bruises, boils, eczema and piles. The popularity of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, due to its many cures, has caused numerous worthless counterfeits to be placed on the market. The genuine bears the name of E. C. DeWitt & Co., Sold by W. I. Benedict.

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W. C. T. U. COLUMN.

For God, Home and Native Land.

(This department is under the management and control of the Belding W. C. T. U.)

Interests of Real Estate.

From South Haven Daily Tribune.

No more powerful argument from a business standpoint could possibly be found than that presented in the following letters. They need no comment:

South Haven. March, 1903.

To the public—As a real estate agent of your city, I wish to make a few statements for your earnest consideration of the saloon question that certainly are to your interest. As you all well know today, this part of Michigan is the only part of the state that is not overrun with an undesirable element. Why? For the simple reason there are no saloons to call it here.

Out of over 300 people that I drove through this county, last year, I do not think that over 5 of that number were men that ever took a drink themselves, and preferred to locate where there were no saloons.

In all of my advertising and correspondence I make a special point of no saloons in this county. I honestly believe that over one-half of the sales of property that have been made and the increase in the value of farm land in this county, can be directly traced to the fact of there being no saloons. As you well know the class of people coming here to buy farms are men that are not in favor of saloons or they would not come. If you still wish that increase in the value of your farms, give this subject earnest consideration and vote dry.

Yours truly,

C. R. HEMENWAY.

South Haven, Mich., March 13 1903.

Gentlemen of the campaign committee of Van Buron County—In response to your inquiry I write to say that I am a believer in local option in Van Buren County as elsewhere. First, because it closes the doors of the saloon with its corrupting influences upon the youth of the land. Second, because the open saloon conduces to the moral, intellectual, social and financial degredation of our adult population. The saloon is a blot upon the fair name of our city and surrounding country in the minds of prospective home-seekers. Fourth, the mere fact that there is no open saloon to be found in our favored fruit land is, in itself, one of the strongest inducements for the best class of people, especially those who have families to seek homes with us. I have known many moderate drinkers, who say they have no anxiety for themselves, but prefer to locate their families where they are not subject to the contaminating influences of the saloon.

I have heard many of our best summer visitors say, they had no fear about leaving their families in our city or vicinity for the summer, as there was no danger here from intoxicated or disorderly people, as was the case in other localities where the liquor traffic was unrestrained. H. J. EDGELL.

With local option so highly recommended by real estate men of South Haven, have the business men in Belding or in fact Ionia county any cause to fear the closing of saloons?

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Round Trip Rate $3 and $4. Good for Ten Days' Trip to the Resort Country.

Excursion tickets will be on sale at all of the principal offices of the Pere Marquette R. R. Co. on date above mentioned, for regular and special trains.

Tickets will be sold to following points, but may be used to intermediate stations north of and including Baldwin, where regular trains are scheduled to stop:

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CHARLEVOIX BAY VIEW
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For particulars as to time of trains, rates, etc., see large bills or make inquiry of Pere Marquette Agent. 387

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The largest stock, all new, and the latest styles in sizes from 32 to 42. If you don't need them now, buy for future use at these prices.

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and a full line of Gents' Furnishings to close out at Manufacturers' Prices. Hosiery, Suspenders, Underwear all go at lowest rates.

Space does not permit us to tell you the many bargains we have to offer, and our low prices. But prices will talk at this sale. Be sure and attend this sale as it will save you money. Don't forget the date of opening.

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C. A. FRENCH, - - Secretary.