

THE BELDING BANNER

WHAT IS GOING ON.

Thursday, June 25.
8 p. m.—L. O. Foresters.
Friday, June 26.
8 p. m.—D. of R.
Saturday, June 27.
8 p. m.—A. O. U. W.
8 p. m.—L. O. T. M.
Tuesday, June 30.
7:30 p. m.—L. O. O. F.
Wednesday, July 1.
7:30 p. m.—K. of P.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Blue Chevrolt suit, an elegant thing for \$7.50 at Holmes Bros.

Pratt's Food for horses.
W. L. BENEDICT & CO.

A fine waist set for twenty-five cents. Look them over. G. W. FRENCH.

Old papers for sale at the BANNER office for pantry shelves and putting under carpets at 25c a hundred.

A suit for \$5.00 you never saw before for less than \$10. Holmes Bros.

Strictly pure Paris Green 25c per lb. W. L. BENEDICT & CO.

See G. W. French's new assortment of white and colored belts, belt buckles and waist sets.

Helen A. Newman sells all trimmed hats at cost, and a great many other goods at your own price.

Money to loan at 6 per cent. Call and investigate. Lewis B. Hall, over Belding Savings Bank.

Bicycle repairing done in first class order in the rear of Lester & Madden's barber shop by C. L. Hale.

FOR SALE: Two bicycles, a ladies and gents. Good ones, cheap. Inquire of J. G. VanWinkle.

A good house on Belding addition, with well, cistern, cellar, etc., for rent at \$6 per month. See W. L. Benedict & Co., at once.

You should see that strictly all wool Clay Worsted suit (in sacks and long cutaways) for Ten Dollars at Holmes Bros.

Belding business property, furnished hotel or store buildings to exchange for first class farm property. See W. F. BRICKER.

A \$100 bicycle for sale at rock bottom price. Shipped through error of wholesale house. They say sell. W. L. BENEDICT & CO.

For home made bread, or any other kind of baked goods, call on Mrs. S. T. Arnold or at Robinson and Hudson's, Mikesell and Lloyd's, Main st., or E. E. Hudson's on North Side. Salt-rising Tuesdays and Friday.

Mrs. S. T. ARNOLD.

Indian Baskets. Strong, handsome and useful. W. L. BENEDICT & CO.

FOR RENT: Two good houses on Luther addition, one \$4 and one \$6 per month. Inquire of L. M. Wilson.

G. W. French has received a fine assortment of white and colored belts, belt buckles, pin and dress sets, direct from the manufacturers, New York, and he has some for bargains.

FOR SALE: The house and lot on Luther addition recently vacated by Frank Marsh, for sale or rent. Inquire of Henry Humphrey, Secretary Belding Building Association.

One swallow does not make a spring, but one swallow of One Minute Cough Cure brings relief. W. L. Benedict & Co.

The makers of Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer offer all nervous sufferers advice and consultation of the Doctor, free of charge. Inclose stamp to the J. W. Brant Co., Albion, Mich., or 42 Dey st., New York. Ask W. L. Benedict, Druggist.

One Minute is the standard time, and One Minute Cough Cure is the standard preparation for every form of cough or cold. It is the only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. W. L. Benedict & Co.

A. L. Wooster, a prominent citizen of Osseo, Mich., after suffering excruciatingly from piles for twenty years, was cured in a short time by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, an absolute cure for all skin diseases. More of this preparation is used than all others combined. W. L. Benedict & Co.

Pills do not cure constipation. They only aggravate. Karl's Clover Root Tea gives perfect regularity of the bowels. For sale by W. L. Benedict & Co.

Did you ever think how readily the blood is poisoned by constipation? Bad blood means bad health and premature old age. DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills, overcome obstinate constipation. W. L. Benedict & Co.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO FARMERS' WIVES.

Your husband may be plowing corn or doing other work in the field, and too busy to write a letter. Will you, therefore, please send me his name and Post Office address, and I will mail to him something that will interest the whole family. Please do this at once, and oblige, GEO. H. HEAFFORD, General Passenger Agent, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, Chicago, Illinois.

BELDING MARKETS.

BELDING, June 18.	
Flour, #1, cwt.	1.80
" #2, cwt.	1.70
Corn Meal, #1, cwt.	1.20
" #2, cwt.	1.10
Feed, #1, cwt.	1.00
" #2, cwt.	.90
Brass, #1, ton	10.00
Middlings, #1, ton	12.00
Wheat, white, per bu.	60
" red, do.	58
Rye, #1, bu.	38
Corn, #1, bu.	28
Oats, #1, bu.	18
Hay, #1, ton	12.00
Apples, #1, bu.	1.00
Potatoes, #1, bu.	.80
Beans, #1, bu.	.60
Butter, #1, lb.	.12
Eggs, #1, doz.	.80
Sage, #1, lb.	.30
Lard, #1, lb.	.10
Chickens, dressed, #1, lb.	.45
Veal, #1, cwt.	4.50
" #2, cwt.	4.00
Beef, #1, cwt.	3.50
" #2, cwt.	3.00
Pork, #1, cwt.	4.25
Salt Pork, #1, cwt.	4.00
Mutton, dressed, #1, lb.	5.00
Land Plaster, #1, ton	5.00
Calced Plaster, #1, ton	2.30

BREVITIES

Mrs. A. M. Glass is visiting in Palo. Ed. Whitford left this morning for Toledo.

Mrs. Capwell is visiting a sister at Marquette.

Mrs. M. R. Weter is visiting in Albany, N. Y.

Geo. Barlow left for Toledo, yesterday morning.

The People's Savings bank is being finely frescoed.

Miss Gertrude Humphrey has returned from Lansing.

Prof. J. G. VanWinkle has been in Grand Rapids, this week.

Mrs. Eva Blystone is quite seriously ill with nervous prostration.

Rev. O. J. Golden and daughter, Mrs. Morehead, are in Edmore.

Miss Jessie Allen returned to her home near Manchester, Tuesday.

Hon. J. M. Earle of Lansing was in the city Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Louise Stone returned to her home in Carson City, Wednesday.

Mrs. Harry Ward who has been at Carson City, returned home last week.

Mrs. E. H. Mudge and daughter has been a guest of her brother, C. Kimbely.

Miss Fannie White of Muskegon was the guest of Miss Ella Glenn, over Sunday.

Miss Nellie McConnell is home from Ingham county, where she has been teaching.

Mrs. Maggie Snyder of Otisco visited at H. H. Gooding's, Friday and Saturday.

Miss Mary L. Remington of Kalamazoo is spending a few weeks with Helen A. Newman.

Frank Wilder and wife arrived from Chicago, yesterday, to visit his brother A. L. Wilder.

Mr. Croarkin, of the firm of Croarkin & James, has returned from a two weeks' trip to Dexter.

Bin R. Fales of Ionia, was in the city arguing a motion in a law case, before Justice Wilson, Tuesday.

Several loads of married people and their friends, from this city, picniced at Baldwin Lake, Tuesday.

Miss Minnie Everett left, Tuesday noon for her home in Sparta to remain during the school vacation.

Miss Anna Carten has gone to Ionia to remain with her brother, Thos. Carten, during the summer.

Wm. Daniels and N. Lapham went north on the Grand Rapids & Indiana road to fish for trout, Tuesday.

Geo. W. French has telegraphic connection with the depot and says he can now get the correct time by wire.

On account of sickness Mrs. Coville was unable to attend the Sunday school convention in Boston, this week.

Al. Weaver and wife will leave tomorrow for Cedar Springs where they will spend a week visiting her people.

H. R. Fisher and wife of Philadelphia, who have been guests of his brother, Wm. Fisher, returned Tuesday.

Mrs. E. Betts who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Jamieson, for two months, returned to Chicago, Saturday.

Mrs. N. S. Whitney returned to her home in Richland this morning. She was accompanied by her daughter, Emma.

E. C. Watkins and Clarence Bond went to Weldman, Lakeview and other places north, Wednesday, to hustle collections.

Miss Emma Hunt returned from Olivet, Saturday. Her friend, Miss Lizzie Stapleton of Iowa, accompanied her for a short visit.

Mrs. John Cremin entertained the members of the Degree of Honor lodge, last Thursday night, at her home, in a very pleasant manner.

Home grown new potatoes are in the market early, we acknowledge the receipt of a fine basket full from the garden of Levi Broas.

Twins, a boy and a girl at John Roberts, Monday morning. Dr. Ohlinger reports their aggregate weight 14 pounds and two ounces.

Dr. Geo. F. Smith and L. L. James left Wednesday morning for Bass Lake on their bikes expecting to cover the distance in one day, 104 miles.

H. A. Loewe has moved his family into the Leonard block and the change gives him better accommodations for his tailoring business at the store.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Roosevelt have issued cards announcing the marriage of their daughter, Jennie Everon, to J. Charles Beck, Tuesday, June 30th, at three o'clock at their residence.

E. R. Reed and wife of Newaygo is visiting his cousin, E. E. Fales. They came to attend the Russell family reunion which is having its annual outing today at Baldwin Lake. Mr. Reed was until recently editor of the Newaygo Democrat.

Rev. W. L. Munger is away on a short vacation at Traverse City, visiting his old parish and friends. The young people's society of the church will have charge of the morning service on Sunday next. Union service in the evening.

THE ALUMNI.

The Alumni reunion held at Hotel Belding, Saturday evening, was a grand success and when the meeting was called to order, the spacious parlors were filled with high school graduates, teachers, school officers and many friends.

Music and song interspersing the program was furnished by the Misses Mabel Spencer, Bertha Moe and Lena Leonard. The welcome was given by President Alfred Locke in a fine address. Lulu McElroy gave a reading and Miss Pearl Belding recited, followed by Chas. P. Locke in an excellent paper. The exercises were interesting and loudly applauded.

At ten o'clock came the banquet, and a finer menu and service mine host W. P. Hetherington never before arranged. The tables looked simply elegant and after the ninety people, who sat down to them, had finished the rich repast, toastmaster Clay Tallman called on Chas. Knapp to respond to the toast, "Dreams and reality;" Lena Moe, "Ally nothings;" Laura McConnell, "Sharps and flats;" J. T. Berry, "Some clocks do not strike;" and Chas. R. Foote, "Looking backward." Each of the after-dinner speeches were sharp and witty and at the same time brought out many bright thoughts.

It was well on to twelve o'clock before the following officers were elected which closed the Alumni reunion of '96: President—C. R. Foote. Vice President—Mable Spencer. Secretary and Treasurer—Laura McConnell. Executive Committee—Carrie Tallman, Pearl Roosevelt, Charley Knapp.

PRESIDENT'S DAY.

The Belding women's club celebrated President's day, Tuesday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. H. A. Lamb, twenty-six members of the club were present and Mrs. Lamb gave them a cordial welcome. After the usual order of business of the day was completed the following interesting program was carried out, the subject of which was "The Victorian Age:" England under Queen Victoria..... Mrs. Dutt Victoria, Herself and Surroundings..... Mrs. C. E. Hills Biographical Sketch of Tennyson..... Mrs. W. D. Sinclair Recitation from Tennyson..... Mrs. Julia Divine Music..... Mrs. Belle Mann Charles Dickens, with Humorous Reading..... Mrs. W. H. Gardner Descriptive Reading from Dickens..... Mrs. H. A. Lamb Music..... England's Past, Present, and Future..... Mrs. Kate Hill Life of Robert Browning, with Reading..... Mrs. L. L. Holmes Music.....

Tables were spread on the lawn and a fine tea served. French's kid band marched up there about supper time and gave a fine serenade receiving loud applause from the delighted listeners.

John Cremin and family will soon move from Belding and the many friends of Mrs. Cremin gave her a very pleasant surprise one night last week. They gathered to the number of about forty and the evening hours passed pleasantly. Before departing she was presented with a silver tea set, and Mrs. L. L. Holmes in presenting it said:

DEAR MRS. CREMIN:—A few of your friends and neighbors have gathered tonight to give you a happy surprise and spend a pleasant evening with you, knowing that before long you expect to leave us. You have lived in Belding three years and during that time you have made a great many kind, warm, loving friends, who are sorry to have you go. As you go back to Chicago, a city of so much excitement, and meeting your old friends, and forming new ones, we were afraid you might forget your Belding friends. So therefore we have brought these little tokens, although small, but which express from your friends, love, good wishes, and prosperity for you wherever you go.

At the residence of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hammond last night occurred the marriage of their daughter, Bertha Caine Hammond and Mr. Chas. Baty. The ceremony was pronounced by Rev. O. J. Golden at eight o'clock, the bride and groom being escorted by Miss Lena Hunt and Mr. Orlo Hammond as bridesmaid and best man. Mr. E. B. Lapham presided at the organ while the party approached the altar in the parlor. They were introduced to the company and received congratulations after which refreshments were served. At ten o'clock nearly twenty of the bride's young lady friends chaperoned by Miss Jessie Pressly gave the happy couple a serenade, all of whom were invited in and treated to ice cream and cake.

A dwelling house belonging to N. Wallace located in the south part of the city took fire last night about 9 o'clock and was entirely consumed. The firemen and a large crowd were on the spot quickly, but considerable delay was occasioned in getting water on account of the length of hose necessary to be strung from the nearest hydrant. Abe Smith occupied it and a portion of his goods were saved. Loss on house \$1,000. Insured.

REDUCED RATES FOR JULY 4TH The C. & W. M. and D. L. & N. lines will sell tickets between all local stations July 3rd and 4th, good to return Monday the 6th, at one way rates. GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

CITY TAX.

I will be at my office over Fisk Bangs' drug store ready to receive city taxes any time after July 1st. F. N. VANPELT, City Treasurer.

NORTH SIDE NOTES.

Miss Agnes Spencer returned from Constantine last Friday.

M. E. Peck's children all left for a few weeks' visit in Pierson, yesterday.

John B. Arnwine has gone to Dakota to visit his sister, his wife and the baby have gone to Ovid, while Allie will remain, making her home at Mrs. Morse's.

Ralph Lloyd broke up fishing camp at Pine Island lake last Saturday, where he and several of his young men friends have been camping. They caught plenty of fish.

John B. Arnwine has taken the contract for delivering at Lowell for the Ballou Basket Co., eight thousand dozen fruit baskets. The fruit prospect is so favorable that the company are preparing for an emergency.

THE CHURCHES AND SOCIETIES.

The Baptist young people will have charge of the morning service at the church, next Sunday.

Very neat and appropriate children's day exercises were held at the Congregational church, Sunday morning.

Children's Day was observed at the Baptist church, last Sunday. The church was crowded to the utmost and all who attended report the church well decorated, the program unique and well rendered.

Mrs. Sarah Woodin, who has been in the employ of the Richardson Silk Co., at Belding, for the past 15 months, has returned to Evart.—Evart Review.

Byron Brown and his mother expect to leave, Monday, for a four weeks' visit in Colorado. They go first to Highlands to visit Mrs. Fred C. Moys. "By" intends going to Cripple Creek and Pike's Penke also.

The Degree of Honor members and their families will meet at Mrs. Tina Wright's, Friday June 26th. Ladies meet in the afternoon and bring picnic supper, gentlemen come for supper and spend the evening.

In Mexico it is common to see orange trees with ripe fruit and blossoms on at the same time, but it is uncommon here to see an apple tree with half grown apples and blossoms on the same branch. D. E. Wilson has such a sight in his yard.

Rev. W. L. Munger delivered the annual alumni address at the Kalamazoo College Commencement, last week, and the Christian Herald says: "It was a clear exposition of the subject, every way creditable to the speaker who is an alumnus held in high esteem by his brother alumni and the friends of the college generally."

The marriage of Miss Edith Van-Buskirk and Mr. Arthur Clay was solemnized at the residence of Mr. Peterson's last night, by Rev. O. J. Golden in the presence of about twenty-five relatives and friends. Mr. H. I. Van-Buskirk the bride's brother and Miss Lillian Clay the groom's sister stood up with the couple when the ceremony was pronounced. The couple looked neat and the wedding was a very pretty one.

The ice cream social given last Wednesday evening by Mesdames Cooley and Jenks for the benefit of the Otisco Cemetery Association was a marked success socially and financially, the receipts of the evening were \$11.00. Much praise was bestowed upon the beautiful floral decorations of both houses and lawns, the principle flowers were pansies and lillies. Many thanks are due the firm of Mikesell & Lloyd for their most generous loan of a large number of Japanese lanterns, also the young ladies who so kindly served the tables.

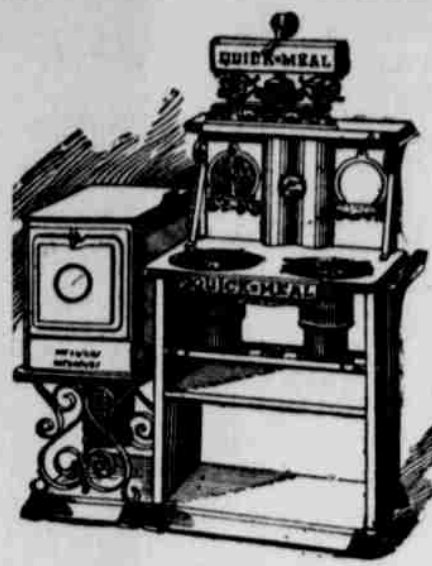
The Stratford club's annual picnic occurred Monday and the committee selected Long Lake as the place for holding it. The whole day from early morning until nearly the stroke of twelve at night was consumed in the outing. All of the club—gentlemen included this time—were encamped on the Methodist grounds and the time not spent in eating the delicious viands prepared for the event, was utilized in boating, hammock swinging and a general jolly time. Many favors were bestowed by Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hall who have a fine boat livery and who never fail to make it pleasant for patrons. It is an elegant place to spend a few days away from business cares.

NEW D. L. & N. LINE BETWEEN GRAND RAPIDS AND SAGINAW. By an arrangement in effect June 22nd, D. L. & N. through trains between Grand Rapids and Saginaw are now being run via Edmore, Sheridan, Greenville and Sparta; the route via Howard City having been abandoned, so far as through service is concerned. Close connections are made at North Greenville with branch trains to and from Belding and Ionia, both morning and evening. The latter is a new departure, no connection for Ionia having ever been possible heretofore in the evening. A considerable change has been made in time of trains on this division as well as others, and the public is requested to ask agents for full information.

GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Holmes & Connell.



Now is the time to buy Gasoline Stoves. We have Some Special Bargains. Examine our "Quick Meal," "Jewel," "Monarch," and "American" lines. We can suit you as to

Kind, Style, Quality and Price.

Our trade is very satisfactory, but we want to increase it. Will you help us? You'll be benefitted as much as we are.

T. FRANK IRELAND.

110-118 Main Street. Hardware.

Great Slaughter Sale!

Must sell more goods and a part of fixtures in order to get into New Store. Buy Pianos, Organs, Sewing Machines, Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silverware, etc., now and get them at and below wholesale prices.

The Jewelry and Music Dealer.

C. W. French.

All Kinds of Repairing Done.

Special Sale?

Well, Yes! We are going to give the People of Belding and vicinity another one of those Extraordinary Low Priced and Very Successful Special Sales of

Staple and Fancy Groceries,

Which have proved to be a boon to the Laboring Man; and we have added another delivery wagon, now making four, which will enable us to deliver your goods promptly. Fresh Berries and Green Stuff received every day.

MIKESELL & LLOYD.

Special Sale

For the Balance of June, and up to July Fourth All of our Shirt Waist Stock goes at

COST.

Great bargains in Wash Goods, of which we have an elegant line. We offer 15 dozen Ladies' fast black seamless hose--2 pairs for 15 cents. This for

ONE WEEK ONLY

Or until closed out. You were never offered such bargains in Hosiery. Avail yourself of it.

Respectfully,

SPENCER & LLOYD.