

Local Brevities.

Short Items of Interest Relating to the Town and Its People, told in a Single Paragraph.

Will Covert is on the sick list. Miss Lily Benson spent Monday in Greenville.

M. F. Tuck and family are spending the day in Coral.

Royal Palmer and wife left Monday for Grand Rapids.

Wm. Smith and family of Fairplains spent Sunday with friends in the city.

Mrs. W. A. St. Clair left Monday for a week's visit with her parents at Carson City.

The Fisk Jubilee Singers' entertainment was a success and the church cleared \$18.50.

F. A. Mowers of Portland and F. Edwards of Lansing called on friends here Friday.

Mr. W. L. Orser went the Barryton this week to buy timber for the Ballou Basket Co.

Alfred Davis and wife of Grattan were guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Max Gals Sunday.

Mrs. E. Weaver and Mrs. Edith Harding left Monday for a few days visit in Cedar Springs.

The revival meetings in progress at the Free Methodist church will continue all this and next week.

Mrs. H. Stahlin left Monday for a week's stay with her daughter, Mrs. H. Place of Ionia, who is very ill.

Mrs. Clayton Beach and mother Mrs. Clemons of Grattan were callers at the BANNER office last Saturday.

Harry Kennedy general baggage master at the depot visited his sister Mrs. Watson, in Owosso over Sunday.

A. L. Marvin former superintendent of schools in this city has gone to Frankfort to reside during the winter.

The Congressional club will meet with Mrs. E. B. Lapham Thursday afternoon, Dec. 4th at 2:30 o'clock p. m.

W. B. Reed and family are in St. Louis eating turkey with her brother. They will go to Morley before returning.

Dec. 3 is the annual election of officers of Companion Court Stewart No. 57. All members requested to be present.

Roy Cunningham has accepted a position in Grand Rapids at the Spring dry goods store. He will make a good clerk.

Lou Sagendorf and wife who have been visiting relatives here this week will return to Slocum after eating Thanksgiving turkey.

Remember, Wilder takes subscriptions for any newspaper or periodical published. Will meet price on any club offers of periodicals.

Capt. E. Underwood, of Jackson has been stationed here as commander of the Salvation Army Corps, Capt. Biddle having been sent to another field.

Dr. E. W. Little is entertaining a whole lot of company today, it is a big family Thanksgiving reunion with turkey, chicken pie and other fine eatables as one of the important features.

The L. O. T. M. are very prompt in the payment of their death claims. Last Friday a check for \$1000, was given into the hands of Edgar and Smith Stanton as beneficiaries of their mother who died a few weeks ago. There are no profits for anyone except the public in Red Trading Stamps. Its, simply one form of advertising used by certain Ionia stores. The increased trade already secured has amply repaid the cost so everyone is pleased.

Wm. Lambeck the tailor whose cow gave him such a hauling around a couple of weeks ago while leading her with a rope is able to be out and at work again. The twist in his right knee was worse than at first supposed and it laid him up for some time.

Mrs. Homer Angell has purchased the Demorest house on Bridge street and will move into it as soon as it is vacated by Dr. Salisbury. She has leased her farm and residence to M. J. Prall for a term of three years who is already in possession of the property. The considerations for the Demorest place was \$1500.

Oscar Sylvester, of Clarksville, was in the city over Sunday and Monday. He states that his business is excellent this fall and is selling more goods than ever before, since going into business there. A hoop, stove and heading factory located there is doing an immense amount of work and employs a large number of hands.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church will observe their annual roll call at the home of Mrs. Frank Mason Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 3. A ten-cent tea will be served from 5 to 7 o'clock by Mrs. Borris and Mrs. McCue's division, after which a literary program will be rendered and the roll call to be responded to by the members with their pledges.

Nearly all styles and sizes of linen collars only 5c each at the J. T. Webber reduction sale at Ionia.

Harry George and Roy Reynolds are home from Olivet.

Harold Washburn is visiting his brother Carleton in Ann Arbor.

Martin Joiner of Portland is visiting his aunt Mrs. E. B. Lapham today.

Leon Osterhout who is attending school at Lansing is home for Thanksgiving.

Wm. E. Fisher and family are spending the day with relatives in Greenville.

Chas. Coon and family were in Orleans Sunday, guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. York.

Mrs. M. Stall is spending a couple of weeks with her parents at Charlotte, Mich.

Chas. G. O'Bryon and wife and son Frank spent Thursday in Stanton with relatives.

Henry Smith and wife are spending Thanksgiving week with her parents in Coopersville.

Our enterprising jeweler A. B. Hull has an adv. in this issue that will do you good to read.

Kittie and Edith Spicer, Gertrude Wilson and Rufus Morse are home from Ann Arbor.

Miss Ruth Smith, of Casnovia, will spend Thanksgiving with her sister, Mrs. W. I. Benedict.

Mrs. Minnie McConnell is spending Thanksgiving with her sister, Mrs. Richardson, of Reed City.

The Ladies Social Circle will meet with Mrs. Edward Lamb Wednesday Dec. 3d, at 2:30 o'clock p. m.

The Maccabees will elect officers for the ensuing year at their regular meeting Dec. 3. A full attendance is desired.

Mr. Ray Traux, of Grand Rapids, arrived Wednesday for an extended visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Traux.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Williams of Benton Harbor, are spending Thanksgiving at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Cook.

Miss Mary Lamberton attended the wedding of a friend in Grand Rapids Wednesday evening, and will spend Thanksgiving there.

Chas. R. Foote and wife returned to Hart, Saturday, after having spent a week very pleasantly visiting relatives and old friends.

J. C. Zerba is helping to build up the north side by placing a fine addition to his dwelling house. He finds that he needs more room.

Frank Hicks and wife left Wednesday for a few days' visit with her parents at Big Rapids. They will remain for a turkey dinner.

Gayle Soules who cut one of his big toes so badly recently while running is able to get out and begin school again. It was a bad bruise.

Otto Kuhn and wife are entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Maxon and daughter Maggie, and Mr. Sherman of Ionia, and Jacob Kuhn and wife today.

J. Arthur Smith and family of St. Louis arrived Wednesday for an extended stay with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Smith and sisters Mrs. Geo. Holmes.

The Seeley boys, sons of the late R. C. Seeley, are delivering some fine pig pork to S. S. Smith this week. They will dress 15 May pigs that will average 200 pounds each.

Claude Spicer has returned from Fremont Ohio. Monday with three head of the finest registered Durham cattle said to have ever been brought into this section of the country.

Willis Shipman who has been working in Mulliken during the past summer, was in the city over Sunday. At present he is stopping with his mother on the farm near Grand Ledge.

Prof. V. Kertchner, optician, of Lansing, will be at Hotel Bricker, Belding, Dec. 2nd and a few days following. If you have any trouble with your eyes you should call on him. Eyes tested free.

15 little friends of Marguerite Lapham the 3 year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. Lapham, gave the latter a birthday party Saturday afternoon. The young tots had a fine time and all the peanuts and candy they could eat.

The Mutual Improvement Club held their meeting Nov. 21 at the home of Mrs. L. O. Gooding. A very interesting program was rendered. The hostess then served a fine lunch of Chinese wafers, hot lemonade and assorted nuts the lemonade being poured from a teapot 125 years old. The table was prettily decorated with carnations and smilax.

John Griffith met with a severe accident Wednesday while working at a saw table in the Belding-Hall Co.'s factory. A stick flew back from the saw, striking him on the left hand injuring him very badly. Dr. Little took several stitches in the wound and fixed up the bruises, which were very painful. It will be weeks before he can do any work.

Mrs. Fred Peck is visiting her parents at Pierson this week.

R. Z. Lawrence made a business trip to Grand Rapids Tuesday.

Edgar and Smith Stanton went to Ionia Monday on business.

Fred Dorman has leased his farm in Home township to H. E. Blodgett.

I. L. Hubbell and father, A. G. Hubbell, spent Tuesday in Grand Rapids.

Mr. Wellman of Portland, was the guest of his daughter Cora this week.

Dr. and Mrs. Sheldon are spending the week with relatives in Ann Arbor.

Mrs. M. E. Busheit and daughter Ora of Lansing are guests at W. I. Wood's.

Mrs. S. Gordon, of St. Louis, arrived Wednesday for an intended visit with her son, Will.

Messrs. E. R. Weter E. P. Miller and M. J. Taylor spent Thanksgiving in Grand Rapids.

Miss Jennie Hughes will visit friends in Stanton today and partake of the Thanksgiving turkey.

Ray Emmons is working for Bradley & Unger as deliveryman. He is an expert at the business.

Paul Fenerstine and wife of Miriam, left this week for Chicago and Milwaukee to be gone two weeks.

Fred Stanton of Grattan spent Sunday in the city with his mother, and O. W. Slayton her brother was also here.

Mr. Coykendall and family have moved from Petoskey to this city and are residents in one of the new Belding houses.

The B. Y. P. U. choir of the Baptist church will give a Thanksgiving sacred song service at the church Sunday evening, Nov. 30, at 6 o'clock, consisting of choruses, male quartette, duets, trio and solos. Everyone cordially invited.

A meeting of the New Era Association which was held at the office of the treasurer, Wm. F. Sandell, Nov. 25, was adjourned to meet again Monday, Dec. 1 at 10:30 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of electing officers. All members please take notice.

Wm. Bowman of Dubuque, Iowa, is visiting at H. Loewe's he is an old friend and acquaintance of the family. Mr. Bowman is in the government service having been connected with the army for the past 25 years, he was in the Cuban war and has been on duty in many places in the United States.

A special meeting of the city council is called for Friday night. The franchise granted to the Grand Rapids and Belding electric railroad will expire Dec. 1st and the company desire to get extension of time. It is stated that prospects are now very favorable that the line will be put through in 1903. It is given out that a consolidation of the Grand Rapids and Belding line with the Grand Rapids and Saginaw has been made.

In another column appears the Loveland farm for sale, consisting of 143 acres, and 11 city lots, platted, at less than \$40 an acre, with good house and large barn in good condition. At the price other farms have sold for, at over \$50 an acre, this price seems reasonable, and being located in city limits affords good school, churches, and a good home market, as the distance from post office is only one-half of a mile.

\$20.00 worsted overcoats, in small sizes, reduced to \$5.00 at the J. T. Webber reduction sale at Ionia.

A fine production of the ever successful comedy drama "Lost in New York" will be given at the Belding Opera House, Nov. 28, with Nettie De Coursey, late principal soubrette in many of the Hoyt farces, as "Jennie" and the balance of the character organization of unusual strength. The scenic equipment portrays Madison Square, N. Y. with its picturesque environment; the Badger's rendezvous; East River at night, showing Blackwell's Island in the background, with a continuous coming and going of practical steam launches, ferry boats, row boats and water crafts of every description. The production will be in keeping with the general excellence already established, and a perfect and pleasing performance is assured.

25c rubber collars reduced to 15c at the great reduction sale of the J. T. Webber stock at Ionia.

DETROIT LIVESTOCK MARKET.
Michigan Central Live Stock Yards, Detroit, Nov. 25.—The demand for live cattle is dull and quiet this week, receipts have been moderate of late. The following prices are being paid at the Detroit Live Stock Market: Prime steers and heifers, \$5.25 @ 6.00; handy butcher's cattle, \$4.25 @ 5.00; common \$2.50 @ 3.50; canner's cows, \$1.50 @ 2.50; stockers and feeders, active, at \$2.50 @ 4.35. Milch cows active at \$25 @ 50; calves active \$4.50 @ \$7.50. Sheep, and lambs, dull and lower, prime lambs \$4.00 @ \$4.50; mixed, \$3.50 @ 4.50; ewes, \$1.50 @ \$2.50. Hogs, large receipts, fair quality, trade is dull at the following prices: Prime mediums \$5.95 @ 6.00; Yorkers \$4.75 @ 5.85; pigs, \$5.70 @ 6.80; roughs, \$4.00 @ 5.00; stags, 1 off; cripples, \$1 per cwt. off.

THE BANNER LINERS

WANTED—HELP.

MANAGER WANTED.—We desire to employ a trustworthy lady or gentleman to manage our business in this country and adjoining territory. Our house is well and favorably known. \$200.00 straight cash salary and all expenses paid each week to check direct from headquarters. Expense money advanced; previous experience unnecessary; position permanent. Address Thomas J. Cooper, Manager, 1040 Caxton Building, Chicago, Ill.

LADIES WANTED to work on sofa pillows. Materials furnished, steady work guaranteed, experience unnecessary. Send stamped envelope to Miss McGee, Needlework Dept., Ideal Co., Chicago, 12-4.

FOR SALE.

CARPET LOOM FOR SALE.—I have an extra good loom, Eureka style, for sale, Call at corner of James and Division streets, Boyd St. Clair.

FARM FOR SALE.—The farm known as the Loveland farm. Practically new house, large barn, 143 acres of land, besides 11 city lots platted. It being within the city limits, affords excellent schooling facilities. It is within 30 minutes haul of a good market for all crops. Price of farm, \$5500.00. Inquire of Chas. Brown, real estate agent, Belding, Mich.

WORK TEAM FOR SALE.—Good work team, weight 2500 pounds for sale. Inquire of M. J. Demarest.

PEACH FARM FOR SALE.—1850 trees, of which 850 are 5-year olds, and a good crop of peaches now on the trees. The variety of the peaches are, 550 Elbertas, 100 Chillas, 100 Barnards, 100 Smocks, 50 New Prolifics, 100 Early Michigans. The farm contains 40 acres of land, 4 acres timber. The farm will pay for itself in four years from the peach crop alone. This is no fake, but a good opportunity for a profitable investment. Enquire Chas. Brown, Real Estate, Belding, Mich.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.—I offer my house and lot for sale at a very low figure, situated on the North Side near the factories making it very desirable location. House in excellent repair now is the time to get a home. Address Chas. A. Kram, 204 Dale ave., Grand Rapids, Mich.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST.—1 gold band ring and 1 set ring, 2 weeks ago. Finder please leave at Banner office.

LOST.—Small wallet with Peoples' Savings Bank inscribed on, containing small change and rings valuable to owner. Finder please leave at the office.

MISCELLANEOUS.

CLEAR WHITE OAK WANTED.—We want some clear white oak lumber, one inch and one and one-half inch. Wilson & Sinclair.

CHICAGO MAN has invented a device that makes good four-hand neckties from ribbons or pieces of silk, etc., without sewing. Anyone can operate it and have a brand new tie every day. They are sent for paid for 15 cts. THE ELITE TIE MAKER 825 N. Clark St. Chicago, Ill.

MUSIC TEACHING.

MISS CORA HOPPOUGH.—Teacher of piano and harmony. Date for Belding all day Thursday and Friday forenoon of each week. Studio at W. I. Benedict's residence, Bridge street. 2-1-3.

BELDING MARKETS.

BELDING, NOV. 27 1902.

GRAINS, ETC.	
Flour, # cwt. retail	2 10
" # cwt. patent	2 30
Corn Meal # cwt.	1 10
" # ton.	1 15
Feed, # cwt. chop	22 00
" # ton.	2 00
Brass # cwt.	1 10
Middlings # cwt.	1 00
Wheat, red, # bu.	70 00
" white # bu.	65 00
Rye, # bu.	45 00
Corn # bu.	53 00
Oats, # bu.	35 00
Hay, baled, # ton.	8 00 @ 10 00
Beans, basis of 2 lb pickers, # bu.	1 00 @ 2 00
Clover seed per bushel	5 00 @ 6 00
Alfalfa seed per bushel	5 00 @ 6 00
Timothy seed per bushel	3 25

FAIRM PRODUCE.

Butter, # lb.	20
Eggs # doz.	25
Potatoes, new	40
Apples per bu.	75 @ 81
Cabbage per dozen heads	40
MEATS.	
Turkeys # lb. live weight	10
Chickens, old, # lb.	7
Spring Chickens	10
Veal # cwt. dressed	6 00 @ 7 00
Beef # cwt. live	5 00 @ 5 25
" # cwt. dressed	2 50 @ 3 00
Pork # cwt. live	5 00 @ 5 50
" # cwt. dressed	5 00 @ 5 50
Mutton, dressed, # cwt.	7 00
FUEL.	
Hard coal per ton	7 50
Pocahontas coal per ton	8 00
Soft coal per ton	5 50

\$4.00 children's suits' ages 3 to 8, reduced to \$2.00, at the J. T. Webber reduction sale, Ionia.

AMUSEMENTS.

Lost in New York.

The big scenic production, "Lost in New York," will be seen at the Belding opera house next Friday evening. For the interpretation of the play the management offers a company of a higher order of excellence than is usually identified with this form of attraction. Some of the best known in the clever cast are Miss Nettie DeCoursey, an extremely comely bright and vivacious little lady who has made millions laugh at her facetious sayings while playing the leading rolls in the Hoyt farces; Miss Florence Leonard, well remembered because of her beautiful appearance, striking gowns and clever work in "All the Comforts of Home," "Jack Kenyon," Alexander Leonard and others.

The scenic display includes the great East River historical battery park, Blackwell's Island, with its desolate prison and insane asylum with their inmates and attendants, a practical steam launch, row boats, and electrical fountain with real running water.

The advance sale of seats was large but there is good ones still left.

Don't forget the Fisk Jubilee Singers at the Congregational church, Friday night. Their songs are full of melody and the entertainment will be very pleasing. It will be a rare treat and the church should be filled to the doors.

Leather suspenders reduced to 19c at the J. T. Webber's Ionia.

HEADQUARTERS

FOR

Carpet Sweepers,
Carvers,
Sporting Goods,
Cutlery,
Sewing Machines.



NEW SEWING MACHINES - - \$12.75
TOY WRINGERS - - - - 50c
SWEEPERS - - - - - \$2.00

T. FRANK IRELAND.

Yellow Front. "We Never Sleep."

COATS. COATS. COATS.

Ladies' and Children's Coats

THE HOUR IS COME!!!

The Knife is Unsheathed. A mighty Stock is now to be sacrificed.

Hundreds of Dollars worth of this season's coats in 27 inch and 3-4 lengths are offered by us at prices to close.

\$5.00 Coats go at	-	\$3.75
\$8.00 Coats go at	-	\$5.75
\$10.00 Coats go at	-	\$7.50
\$15.00 Coats go at	-	\$11.00
\$20.00 Coats go at	-	\$15.00
\$22.00 Coats go at	-	\$16.50

A large and most complete line of CHILDREN'S COATS, the very latest in style at 25 per cent off the regular price.

Be not deceived! Miss not this opportunity! Delay not! These must go with a rush, others will buy, the choicest plums will go first. Remember that every coat offered at this sale is this season's garment.

This great sale will commence Saturday, Nov. 29th, and continues until the last garment is sold.

SPENCER & LLOYD

HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS.

One Way

The blithest, busiest time of the year is ahead of us. What fun Christmas would be if it weren't such a strain on the pocket book! How would you like to ease up a little without lessening the presents? Here's one way to do it. Come down to the store and choose what you like out of this new stock—I'll hold it for you as long as you want. Make up the payment bit by bit as it suits you—you'll have the big things off your list before you know it. Remember, no extra charge, and the sooner you begin the better.

New Line Perfume

A nice new stock of fancy wackages of perfumes, 25 cents up. The bottles are pretty and are in dainty boxes. Some have one bottle, others two, three or four, one 25 package has 2 cakes of ten cent soap and a ten cent bottle perfume, another 25 cent package has a ten cent toilet soap, a ten cent bottle perfume and a ten cent box sachet powder. Handsome George cut glass bottles of perfumes \$1.50 and \$1.75

The Old Story

A customer the other day said, "My neighbors recommended Busy Bee Cough Honey, they said it was very good. I'll take a small bottle to try it." 10c and 25c.

Sage

Nice clean cage in boxes at 10c. Pure spices for Thanksgiving cooking. If you do not know the superiority of my spices try them just for this one—"The" meal of the year—and show folks how you can cook when you try.

Smoking Sets.

Goods durable sets, of wood, well painted. One line has flat base with cups for cigars, matches, cigar cutter ashes etc at 35c 40c—50c—75c—1.25; only have one of each of the best ones. Another design has wood base with bark, cup for cigars alone has the bark an; decorated with Indian head or deer head or dog head, 75c.

Seeing is Believing

I want you to see my pictures. There's a lot of them. The prices are low as I bought at the place the frames are made. Beautiful great big pictures, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, in colors.

Black and white pictures from 15c to \$2.25. Pastels, \$1.25, \$1.35, \$1.98. Small pictures in colors, 10c.

Magazines

This week a catalogue is being left at each house, giving some very low rates on magazines. If you don't get one, there's one waiting for you here. I would like very much to send in any and all paper and magazine orders for you.

25c Tooth Brush Free

Every person who buys, Friday or Saturday, a bottle of Benedict's Toots Wash will get their choice of any 25 cent tooth brushes free, or buy a tooth brush and get the tooth wash free—either way.

W. I. BENEDICT, Lots of New Books.