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WHOLE NO. 480

1/2 OFF 1/2

Hat and Cap Sale!

We have just received from the east 400 Hats and Caps of the very latest styles—there is nothing cut that is any later. Look over our display in the window. We bought these at a closing out sale and will for a few days give you the benefit of our bargain.

Just Read These Prices:

\$3.00 Hats for	\$1.50
2.25 Hats for	1.13
2.00 Hats for	1.00
1.50 Hats for	.75
1.00 Hats and Caps for	.50
.50 Hats and Caps for	.25
.25 Hats and Caps for	.13

These are strictly cash prices.

Cold Wave Coming

And not a long way off. Do not forget our Bargains in Underwear. \$1.00 wool-fleeced underwear for 60c; 50c heavy cotton underwear for 25c; We have a few sample wool undershirts, 50c; heavy cotton, 20c; boys drawers, 10c. We have a full line of Gloves and Mittens. Overalls, 35c; Cotton Pants, 50c; Shirts, 35c.

DRY GOODS.

In this line we are adding new patterns and designs. We have no cut prices in this line, but will give you our regular prices: Prints, 5, 6 and 7c; factories, unbleached, 4 1/2, 5, 7 and 8c; bleached, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10c; outing flannels, 6, 10 and 12c; a fine baby flannel, 10c; heavy shaker flannel, 5c; a good fleeced-lined hose, 10c; Ladies' plaid worsted waist with cuffs and collars, \$1.50 and \$3.00. See our line of corduroys for ladies' waists.

Holiday Goods.

We are receiving a much larger line than ever before in fancy China, crockery, lamps, celluloid goods, books, etc. Look them over before buying elsewhere.

Remember our Merchant Tailoring Department.

Try us on our new line of Teas and Coffees. Our Groceries are always fresh. Remember us in your Thanksgiving orders for Florida oranges, oysters, extra fine prunes, cranberries, etc.

J. R. RAUCH & SON.

HARD AND SOFT COAL,

FLOUR and FEED.

Lowest Prices,
Prompt Delivery.



L. C. HOUGH & SON.

A GOOD THING.

HAWKERS, PEDDLERS, ETC. WILL HEREAFTER PROBABLY STEER CLEAR OF PLYMOUTH.

An Ordinance was Drafted by the Common Council on Monday Evening.

The common-council of the village of Plymouth has finally come to the conclusion that it would be a wise move to regulate, in some manner, the selling of goods in our village by outside peddlers, and on Monday evening drew up an ordinance requiring a license fee of from two to five dollars per day from these so-called itinerant merchants.

Heretofore there has been nothing to prevent this class of people from coming into the village with a car load of bananas, oranges, pineapples, melons or a lot of rugs, curtains, clocks, etc., disposing of them to our people and taking the money away with them without even leaving the price of a meal or a shave. The result of this is that Plymouth has become an easy mark for people who carry on this kind of business.

During the summer months fruit vendors are seen on our streets two or three days out of every week, and there is scarcely a week in the year when we are free from what might be termed "installment" men. These fellows go from house to house with rugs, curtains, clocks, lamps, albums, tables, etc., charge double what one would have to pay right here in our own stores, and they don't pay taxes or rents in Plymouth either. They generally do a good business because there are found a certain number of people in every town who are lured by the tempting bait of "easy payments" and who never stop to consider that they can get better bargains of our home merchants.

Installment men, peddlers, etc., will probably give Plymouth a "wide berth," leaving the trade of Plymouth people to Plymouth merchants, which rightfully belongs to them and which will enable them to carry a larger and better assortment of whatever line of goods they deal in.

Ladies' Literary Club.

The Ladies' Literary club met with Miss Maud Vrooman on Nov. 13.

The meeting was called to order at three o'clock by the president, Miss Hartough, with thirteen members present, also one visitor.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reading for the afternoon was begun by Mrs. E. B. Roe—subject, "The Carolingians" and "Saxon Emperors."

A most interesting chart review of the work in history was given by Mrs. John Shaw.

A discussion on "Early German art and artists" was taken up by the ladies with Mrs. E. W. Chaffee as leader.

Meeting adjourned to Nov. 27 at the home of Mrs. C. L. Wilcox.

The Truant Law.

In compliance with a law to provide for the compulsory education of children and for the punishment of truancy, the school board has appointed a truant officer. A few statements regarding the application of that law to graded schools may be of interest to the people of this district.

The law applies to children between the ages of eight and fourteen years. In cases of truancy or non-attendance at school on the part of such children, the truant officer shall notify the parent or guardian that, on the following Monday morning, such children shall present themselves at school with the necessary text books.

The notice shall inform the parent or guardian that attendance at school shall be consecutive at least eight half days of each week until the expiration of four months.

In case any parent or guardian fails to comply with the notice, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not less than two nor more than ninety days, or of both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court.

In case the above measures are not effective in compelling attendance at school on the part of any juvenile disorderly person, the truant officer shall, in case the parent or guardian refuses to do so, make a complaint against such juvenile disorderly person. The justice of the peace shall issue a warrant and proceed to hear such complaint; and if he shall determine that such child is an habitual truant, he shall sentence such child, if a boy, to the Industrial School for Boys, at Lansing; or, if a girl, to the Industrial Home for Girls at Adrian.

SOME INTERESTING

Notes From a Mail Correspondent Who Left For the North Woods on Nov. 2, on a Deer Hunt.

Port Huron with her docks stored with coal, lumber, etc., Port Huron, the home of the Maccabees, gradually sinks from view as the "City of Mackinac" turns her prow to the northward and glides out upon the blue waters of what the Pathfinder termed "The Inland Sea." How majestically our floating palace moves over the waste of waters passing boats of various descriptions from the light steam and sail boats to the broad hulled grain barge and transportation steamer. Occasionally is seen also a flock of ducks bobbing up and down with the motion of the waves. Here also are seen the white gulls with tireless wings they follow the path of the boat, circling first to the right and then to the left, or as the boat stops at some port, settles down upon the bosom of the water.

Those who have never taken a lake trip know but little of the fascination attending such an experience. Imagine a day, neither cold nor hot, just simply midway between, pleasant both within the cabin and outside, or even on the upper deck, a sky nearly cloudless, the bright, warm sunshine, the quiet rock of the boat caused by the action of the waves, just sufficient to let a person know they are on water instead of land, the dim, indistinct line of shore dotted here and there by trees and rocks presenting a weird, ghost-like appearance, broken now and then of their monotony by the towering spire of some church which betokens some little town or as the eye roams over the expanse of water, the mast of some sailing vessel looms up to view and in an indescribable short space of time comes in full view, such is the speed of the river and lake boats. These all combined lend a charm to a lake voyage which is experienced in no other way.

At Sand Beach we saw one of the finest harbors on the lake coast. Here is a long line of break water, at each extremity of which a lighthouse towers heavenward. Within the limits of the breakwater and near the wharf is a small white building used by the life-saving crew.

The beach is everything that its name would indicate, but the town itself presents a comparatively fine appearance. Some good buildings are observed and two or three church spires, can be seen. To all appearances a general business is done here, but at Oscoda, our next stopping place, lumber seems to be the principal business carried on. Considerable freight is here unloaded. It is interesting to note with what dispatch a boat cargo can be unloaded. The dock being higher than the level of the boat's deck, an incline plank platform has to be used. Up this slanting bridge the freight is drawn on two-wheeled trucks by the boat hands, one pulling on the handles and the other pushing on the load. Taking a running start, they are enabled to move large barrels and boxes with apparent ease.

Leaving Oscoda, our next stop is Alpena. Here lumber is found in abundance, a fine town, well kept streets and some magnificent buildings, such as banks, stores and church buildings.

At this point we leave the boat at 6:30 p. m., and the next morning mount the stage for Hillman, 24 miles away.

For the first few miles nothing but rocks strewn among the stumps can be seen from the roadside, in fact, the very soil is one entire surface of shell rocks.

The road over which we are riding is a stone road and was built at the county's expense.

Sixteen miles from Alpena we come to a little settlement called Greely. Here we find a general store and post-office, one church and a Maccabee hall. This is a fine farming country with good houses and barns.

Leaving this settlement in the distance we pass on through a less prosperous stretch of country, and as we near the next town (Hillman) the soil becomes better and more indications of thrift are manifested.

Hillman is a thriving town of about 350 inhabitants situated on Thunder Bay river one mile west of the east line of Montmorenci county in range 31 north of 4 east. It has 9 general stores, 2 black-smith shops, 2 wood-working shops, 2 saw mills, one barber shop, 2 stringing and one planing mill, a large school with 3 departments, one roller mill with excellent water power, 2 hotels and a large town hall.

The farms around Hillman are fertile, the soil is a clay loam and very productive, as high as 62 bushels of oats per acre being grown on some farms. The timber is mostly hard wood, such as beech, maple, etc.

Good unimproved land can be bought here for \$3 per acre, a good chance for a man with a small amount of capital to get a home, as the land is easily cleared.

(Continued next week.)

Bomb-Shell For Competitors!

But a blessing for the people.

Beginning with Nov. 19th, '96, until Dec. 1st, we start the ball to rolling by a reduction from 10 to 25 per cent. on every article of Furniture in our show room.

Remember we hold back nothing.

EVERYTHING GOES.

We Must Have Money.

Our prices may startle, but they will not vex the careful buyer. Give us the chance and we will give you

The Benefit.

Is the Lowest Prices any object to you?
Are the finest qualities any inducement?
If so, come in and see our

Splendid New Stock of Furniture of All Kinds.

What a Harvest of Bargains!
Money Saved on Every Purchase.

Fat and slim pocket-books placed on equality. Our goods are on display. Look at them Examine them. Price them. It will cost you nothing.

BASSETT & SON,
Plymouth, Mich.

GALE'S

WALL PAPER. WALL PAPER.

GREAT 1-4 OFF SALE

on all wall paper to make room for a new spring stock of wall paper. During the month of November I will give

1=4 off

on all wall paper sold. This is a splendid opportunity for those who can use any wall paper this year, as this is an honest 1-4 off sale.

In the line of groceries, for a few days we are making a special drive in the following articles:

Best Home-Made Lard, per pound	8c
Clear Salt Pork per pound	6c
Adam's Plymouth Flour, per sack	55c
Yerkes Bros' Flour, per sack	55c
Sweet Potatoes, per pound 2c, 15 pounds	25c
Best Boneless Bacon, per lb,	10c
Catawba Grapes, per lb.	3c.
New Olives, per qt.	25c
Best Oysters, per qt.	25c

All other goods in the grocery line equally as cheap. No wis a good time to lay in a stock for the winter.

See our new line of Pocket Books.

We have just received a new stock of Dolls. Come in and see our new stock of Lamps and Christmas Goods just arriving.

J. L. GALE.

