

"KEEPING HOUSE."

Oh, what a joy is keeping house unto the married man. For his ease and pleasure do the women work and plan; No king within a palace can such independence feel. And no hotel can furnish him with half so good a meal.

that I value you for yourself. I know of no man I think so noble, so dear, so good. "What're you giving us?" said one. "That isn't in it. You're making it up," said another.

just as I heard the first shot and then started to run. Here a curious expression passed over his face and he faltered. "Boys, I remember now. I had got to the box and was reaching in my pocket for it when I heard those two shots, and I rushed off and haven't thought of it from that day to this!"

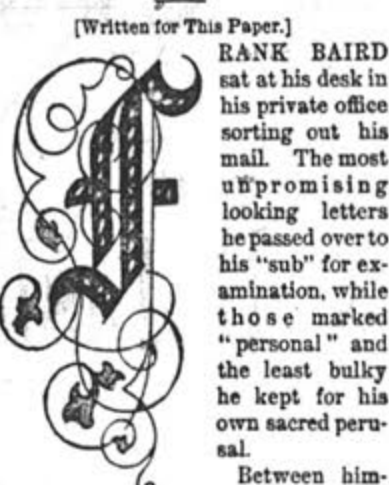
SELF-ESTIMATION. The Very Flattering Opinion Man Has of Himself. We are all self-flatterers, and our friends—those we call friends—know it, and if they have axes to grind, they help us on in our course of self-estimation.

WHY DO YOU COUGH? Do you know that a little cough is a dangerous thing? Are you aware that it often fastens on the lungs and far too often runs into Consumption and ends in Death? People suffering from Asthma, Bronchitis, Pneumonia and Consumption will tell you that "IT STARTED WITH A COLD."

W. L. DOUGLAS \$3.00 SHOE Best in the World. Awarded the medal for superior quality of material and proficiency in workmanship over all other shoe exhibits by the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanics' Association, Boston, 1890.

AN EPISTLE IN RED.

Mischance That Befel the "Old Man's" Love Letter.



RANK BAIRD sat at his desk in his private office sorting out his mail. The most unpromising looking letters he passed over to his "sub" for examination, while those marked "personal" and the least bulky he kept for his own sacred perusal.

"Hence this shyness," said the slip-pant night police. "I'd rather be in Dan Coughlan's shoes than yours." All the rest indulged in remarks equally encouraging.



"BY JOVE!" SAID TOM. aspect, and Tom had sense enough to get into the far corner of the city room, one that commanded a good view of the "old man" from the rear.

When our complexions grow yellow with age, we tell our friends we are bilious; and our family physician, who has an eye to a fat fee, agrees with us; and we take pills, and bitters, and nostrums of every description, and like the Irishman's horse, "get no better very fast."

Between himself and this sub there was no love lost, but a smouldering feud existed which in any other place would have ended in the extermination of one or both.



"LISTEN, YOU FELLOWS." their desks, "be prepared for an offer to relieve several of you of your arduous duties. H-m-m" clearing his throat preparatory to reading.

"Tom watched his superior slyly, just to see how the "old man" acted when in love. That afternoon Mr Baird went through his letters more slowly and carefully.

All Explained. Batten—I understand that you have stopped boarding and gone to house-keeping. Where are you now? Flatten—We are living with a servant girl.—Puck.

A Happy Thought. Treasurer Below Par Railroad—Let me help you to some more of the money. First Director—No, thank you, I have all I can spend without attracting attention.

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OUR DAUGHTER.

I see her as a toddling child, Who in the sunshine laughed and smiled, Enjoying life without pretense-- A picture of pure innocence.

A MIDNIGHT STRUGGLE.

Two Girls' Encounter with a Treacherous Intruder.

My sister Julia was always very courageous. In our youth the country was wilder than now; but it might truly be said of her that she was not brought up in the woods to be scared by an owl.

The clock on the mantel piece struck eleven; and then "tick, tick, tick," it went on for the next dreary hour.

THE MILKMAN.

'A no milkman is coming, a merry tune humming, He stops at the gate, and he jingles his bell; I haste to the wicket, to give him a ticket.

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bed-chamber. The sound of the rain lulled them to sleep and for two or three hours the silence of the house was unbroken.

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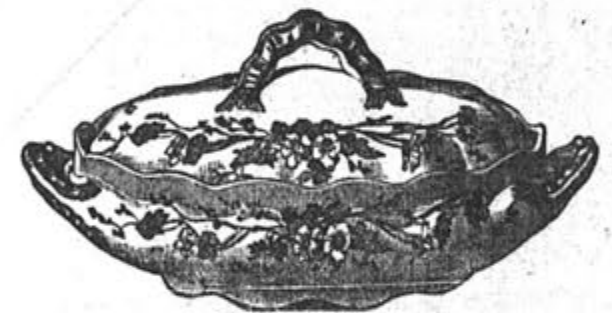
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The stock comprises every variety of material and the latest thing in style.

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PERSONAL.

—Mr. Linsley went south yesterday.
—Frank Blair arrived, from Kansas, on Saturday last.
—Fred Merriam was called to Menominee on Monday last.
—Bert Ramsdell has taken service with the railway company.
—Frank Greenlaw departed Sunday for a visit in Wisconsin.
—Walter J. Ellis, of Nahma, was here over night last Saturday.
—Mrs. Parkhurst returned last Saturday from her visit at Racine.
—Capt. C. S. Beath visited at Manistique this week, going thither Tuesday.
—Mr. Hanscom, of Ball & H., Marquette, was in town on Wednesday.
—John Peebles takes the place lately vacated by Kelle, at Mead's, to day.
—Pat Glynn returned at the close of last week from a visit to Canada.
—Miss Emma Zillges is now employed in the postoffice, at the delivery window.
—Columbus J. Provo proposes to remove to Washington (the state, not the city) soon.
—Mr. W. B. Hutchinson, of Michigan City is in town and a bidder for the paving job.
—John Noonan passed through town, en route from Nahma to Oconto, on Monday.
—Mrs. Burns and Miss Monahan will be in charge of Burns' Opening, Millinery Dept.
—Mrs. L. S. Franklin will spend the summer with her brother, L. A. 'ates, of our city.
—Wm. Ackley, of Rapid River, paid us a visit (and a year's subscription, to boot) yesterday.
—Fred. Witters, lately employed in the postoffice, has returned to his home at Fort Howard.
—John Shouler, formerly of our city now resident at Fond du Lac, visited here on Thursday.
—George E. Merrill, of Masonville township, in town on business, called on IRON PORT Saturday.
—Henry W. Cole visited this city on Saturday to close the sale of his homestead. He gets \$7,500 for it.
—President Fuller, of the Cochrane works, arrived, after a three weeks' business trip south, on Tuesday.
—Mrs. Wm. Golden went on Thursday to DePere, to attend the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. John J. Dollard.
—F. O. Clark was in town over night from Wednesday until Thursday morning. A real estate deal in progress we fancy.
—Mr. McNeil, late manager of the Escanaba Brick Co., has been in town this week, looking after his interest in that concern.
—Capt. Taylor got a bad fall one day this week, from a scaffold in his new house, but fortunately no broken bones.

—Messrs. Kelsey, of Marquette, and Hamilton, of Chicago, have canvassed the city during the week for life insurance, representing the "Equitable" of New York, that giant of the companies.

MR. JOHN SEMER, whose convalescence was well advanced, was again attacked last Thursday and has since been a very sick man, so ill that no one is allowed to see him and that fears of a fatal termination are entertained by his friends.

—Coming event, Burns' Opening.

—Burns' Millinery Opening April 28, and 29—Tuesday and Wednesday, rain or shine.

A Competent Cook,
For Hotel or Boarding House, wants an engagement. Can give best of references. Address "Cook" care IRON PORT

DULL is the word. The Marine Review of last week (16th) thus delivers itself concerning the condition and prospect of lake freighting:

Nearly all of the Cleveland ore dealers have sold a little ore for next season's delivery but the sales are not extensive enough to cause any demand for vessels and the situation grows more discouraging. There is no demand for vessels even at \$1 a ton from Ashland, the figure at which 50,000 tons of ore was taken a short time ago. Nothing is said of an Escanaba rate, as there have been no sales to warrant contracts, but it is more than probable that any ore coming from Marquette will be compelled to pay rates equal to the figuring from the head of Lake Superior this season, as all ore tonnage must depend on up loads to make the income meet expenses and there will be little coal going to Marquette. Capt. James Millen, of Detroit, Capt. James Davidson, of West Bay City, Capt. McDougall, of Duluth, Capt. David Vance, of Milwaukee, and other heavy owners of lake floating property have all been in Cleveland during the week looking over the ground but they found little to interest them and left with the determination that they could not take ore on the basis of \$1 from Ashland should a demand come up that would warrant any kind of an offer. It can be said without any tendency toward sensational utterances that unless present surroundings show a marked change many boats will make a first trip and then be compelled to tie to the dock. This is, of course, looking to no improvement in the ore market and anticipating the proposed big strike of soft coal miners on May 1.

An active demand for vessels to load soft coal before May 1 is the only redeeming feature of the whole-lake business. Every inch of cargo space is being eagerly sought after by coal shippers at all lake Erie ports, and the coal fleet to move at the opening will probably be the largest in the history of the trade. Rates are 50 cents to the head of Lake Superior, 55 cents to Milwaukee and 50 cents to Green Bay. Shippers are only offering 55 cents to Chicago and 40 cents to Escanaba. There is coal to go to both of these places and it is probable that these rates will be forced higher, as vessel owners refuse to take such figures. There is no noticeable disposition to hurry boats out of port and it is certain now that little will be done before the middle of May. The ore companies seem as earnest as individuals in holding their boats back and in some cases may send outside vessels for the few dollars that are needed early.

Notice to Paving Contractors.

Sealed proposals for grading, paving, setting stone curb and building curb or retaining walls on Ludington street from the east side of Smith Court to the west side of Sarah street, will be received at the office of the city clerk of the city of Escanaba, until 12 o'clock, noon on the 25th day of April, 1891. The bids will be publicly opened and read at a meeting of the city council held for that purpose, at 7 o'clock p. m. of the same day.

Each proposal shall be signed by the bidder or bidders, and give their names and places of residence, and be accompanied by a bond of \$500 conditioned for the execution of the contract within the time specified in the notice, in case the bid be accepted. The sureties of the bonds, both for the proposal and for the contract, must be satisfactory to the common council. No bid will be considered which has not responsible securities upon its accompanying bond.

A certified check for \$500 payable to the order of the treasurer of the city of Escanaba, attached and deposited with the bid will be accepted in place of the bond accompanying the bid.

The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to attend at the office of the city clerk with sureties offered by him or them and execute the contract within five days from the date of the award, and in case of failure or neglect so to do, he or they will be considered to have abandoned it and as in default to the city of Escanaba.

The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals, if deemed for the interests of the city.

The following is the engineer's estimate of work and materials by which the bids will be compared, viz:

7,400 feet of stone or curb wall; 38,000 square yards of cedar block pavement.

These quantities are to be considered as approximate only, and given merely as a basis of comparison. The city expressly reserves the right of increasing or diminishing the same, as may be deemed necessary.

The proposals must be made upon blanks furnished by the engineer; all proposals will be considered as informal which are not in all respects in conformity with this notice.

The plans and form of agreement, including the specifications, and showing the mode of payment for the work, can be seen at the office of the city engineer.

P. M. PETERSON, Mayor.
JOHN J. SOURWINE, City Clerk.
Office of the Common Council,
ESCANABA, Mich., April 3, 1891. 23

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—Flavoring Extracts—Vanilla, Lemon and other—put up by J. N. McAd are warranted pure and are of perfect flavor and full strength. Try them.

CERTAINLY there has been no story so extraordinary in its plot and so forcible in its vivid descriptions, as the late Douglas O'Connor's "Brazen Android," the concluding portion of which appears in the Atlantic Monthly for May. If the first portion of the romance was remarkable, it was at least within those lines in which story-tellers are accustomed to confine themselves; but the character introduced in the second portion is so inexplicable, and his action in the story so tremendous, that what has seemed but strange hitherto becomes now the merest commonplace. The power of the story is of the same kind that one finds in Poe's "Fall of the House of Usher."

It is a relief to turn from the fiasco of "The Brazen Android" to the portion of a hitherto unpublished journal of Richard H. Dana, which describes a voyage on the Grand Canal of China. Mr. Dana's description of Su Chau is immensely interesting, and it is curious to compare it with Mr. Lowell's Japanese papers: but the most valuable thing in Mr. Dana's notes is the description of a Chinese gentleman, named U-u.

The picture of the exquisite courtesy and politeness of this individual is one of the most charming things in the magazine. He showed a characteristic bit of Chinese courtesy when, declining to smoke more than one or two puffs of his cigar or to take more than one or two sips of wine, he said, not that they were too strong for him, but that he was not strong enough for them,—a finished politeness, which does not seem overstrained to the Eastern mind. Miss Jewett has never done anything better than her description of the return of the Hon. Joseph K. Landway to his native town, Winby. His self-conscious address to the scholars of the old school in which he was formerly a student, his surprise that he was entirely forgotten in his native place, and the final satisfying happiness of an evening spent with an old lady, a former schoolmate, are precisely the kinds of things Miss Jewett knows how to do, and are done at her very best. There is but little space left to mention Mr. Parkman's admirable concluding paper on the "Capture of Louisbourg by the New England Militia." Mr. H. C. Merwin, on the "Ethics of Horse-Keeping," will interest lovers of that animal. Mr. William P. Andrews finishes a second paper on "Goethe's Key to Faust," and the well-known historian, Mr. George E. Ellis, has a paper on "Jeremy Belknap." There are four chapters of Mr. Stockton's bright serial, "The House of Martha," in which the hero encounters the heroine under circumstances in which no hero has ever been known to encounter a heroine since the world began. The usual reviews and the Contributors' Club, which is divided among six writers, concludes a number remarkably well composed.—Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston.

The strike of the laborers at the World's Fair grounds, was a flat failure.

The street car strike in Detroit became a riot on Thursday and bloodshed was narrowly averted.

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