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EXPECT SMALL-POX.

Local Physicians Believe it Will Reach Here Soon.

GLADSTONE HAS FOUR CASES NOW.

Precautions are Already Being Taken But Others Needed. Many School Children Are Vaccinated.

The small-pox epidemic, which has been raging in the upper peninsula for several months, is gradually drawing in upon Escanaba and it is quite probable that within the next month the people of this city, like those of many other localities in this portion of the state, will be fighting the dread disease. Four cases have been discovered at Gladstone, seven miles up Little Bay de Nequet from this city, and the public schools of that city have been closed as a result. Spaulding, on the line of the C. & N. W. south of this city, also has the disease and during the past week six new cases have been located at Negaunee north of here.

The cases at Gladstone were all found on Thursday of last week, although one of the patients there had been ill for some time before the nature of the malady was known. Three of these cases are in a house of ill repute conducted by Belle Howe, in the Goodman addition, on the out-skirts of the town, and the fourth patient is Abner Largent, the eighteen-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Largent. All the patients are quarantined in the houses where they reside and every effort possible is being made by Health Officer R. S. Forsythe and the city authorities to prevent its further spread.

The case of the Largent boy is by far the most serious of those at Gladstone, and it is feared that he may not recover. The disease is said to have been brought to Gladstone by one of the inmates of Belle Howe's resort, who came from Marquette about three weeks ago. Three other women who have recently come to Gladstone from Marquette and are now inmates of another disorderly house, are also quarantined as it is feared they also have been exposed to the disease. All the houses are being guarded by special police and none of the inmates are allowed to leave or visitors to enter.

As soon as the nature of the disease was made public the board of education met in extra session and decided to close the schools until Monday, December 10. If at that time no new cases of small-pox have developed in the city it is probable the schools will be reopened. Dr. R. S. Forsythe, Gladstone's health officer, says that if any new cases develop a pest house will have to be provided by the city. At present a general vaccination order is being enforced in the city and owing to the isolated position of the infected houses, it is hoped that the disease can be kept in control.

At Marquette there are something like thirty cases at present and there are fifteen people down with the disease in Negaunee. No new cases have as yet been reported from Lathrop or near the Mayeau logging camp. The case at Spaulding is in a lumber camp operated by Ross Bros. & Company and since its discovery the camp has been practically deserted by the other woodsmen. For several days past reports have been circulated to the effect that a case of small-pox had been found in Escanaba, but Health Officer Long says none has been reported to him.

The fact that the dread disease is steadily drawing near Escanaba—and many of the local physicians believe that we will have plenty of it here before spring—should suggest to the city authorities that the time is ripe to prepare a suitable pest house and prepare to handle it when it does come, in a systematic manner. The action of the board of education in making vaccination compulsory upon school children, and that of the city council in agreeing to pay the costs where parents are unable to do so, are very commendable, but are by no means all that is necessary to protect citizens against a scourge of the disease, and it now rests with the

health officer and city officials to do the rest.

In an interview with a representative of The Iron Port, Dr. C. H. Long, the local health officer, said: "I do not anticipate any epidemic of the disease in this city, but it is altogether probable that we may have a few cases between this time and spring. I believe that all persons who have not been vaccinated within the past five years should attend to this important precaution at once. Since the order of the school board compelling vaccination among scholars, we have vaccinated about 300 in my office alone, and from this I judge that already at least half of the city has complied with the board's instructions." Dr. Long said he intended calling upon the parochial schools and endeavor to persuade them to adopt the compulsory vaccination order also.

The health officer took exceptions to the action of the council requiring that a certificate from Poor Commissioner Young would be necessary before the city would pay the costs of vaccinating children of poor parents. He expressed the opinion that the city should grant free vaccination to all desiring it. When questioned regarding a pest house in event of the disease reaching Escanaba, Dr. Long said the one in which Mayeau was confined at the fair grounds could be used as soon as it was shingled and made warm. This improvised pest house is nothing more than a shed and it will be remembered that serious objections were raised to its use when Mayeau was placed there. It is so small that not more than one patient and a nurse could occupy it at the same time. A large and warmer house should be provided if needed at all and the matter of select-

REFUNDS CITY BONDS

Council Takes Action on \$15,000 of Matured Liabilities.

FORGET TO ALLOW MONTHLY BILLS.

Aldermanic Body Takes Action on Vaccination and Passes Ordinance Regulating Street Car Fares in City.

The city council met in regular monthly session at the council chambers on Ludington street Tuesday night and transacted considerable business, but omitted allowing the regular monthly bills contained in the report of the auditing committee. The failure to pass upon the city's bills at this meeting is said to have been due to an oversight, as the report of the auditing committee recommending the payment of bills aggregating \$736.87 had been prepared and submitted to City Clerk Thompson before the meeting opened. Bills against the city lighting plant amounting to more than \$1,000, and a claim of Abraham Valentine, not included in the auditing committee's report, were allowed, but persons having bills against the city will have to await the action of another regular council meeting before they can receive their pay.

The indifference of aldermen to attend the meetings of the common council was noticeable in its usual degree Tuesday night, and for a time it looked as though this meeting would

no virtue in vaccination, and McMartin intimated that the movement was simply a means of plugging up business for the physicians. Mayor Hartnett explained that local physicians were charging \$75 for vaccination, but that in other places but \$50 was asked, and instructed City Attorney Clancy to prepare a resolution for submission.

The report of City Treasurer Matt Fillion showed a balance of cash on hand of \$13,918.19 and a balance in the city lighting plant's treasury of \$1,030.61. The report of Justice of the Peace Emil Glaser showed fifteen police cases disposed of in November with a total of \$65 in fines collected. Justice Donovan reported no business in November, and the report of Chief of Police Gabourie duplicated that of Glaser. The liquor bond of Peters & Godin of west Ludington street was read and accepted and the bills of the city lighting plant aggregating \$1,060.97 were allowed. A bill from Abraham Valentine for \$30 for a cow accidentally killed while confined in the city pound was then presented and read, but for some reason the report of the auditing committee was overlooked.

Mayor Hartnett then explained that bonds against the city for \$15,000 had fallen due during the past summer and should be refunded. The first of these was a \$5,000 street bond due July 1, 1900, and the second a \$10,000 sewer bond due on Sept. 2, 1900. He then explained that on Jan. 2, 1903, city lighting plant bonds to the amount of \$48,000 would fall due and suggested that the bonds now due be refunded by the issuance of new bonds for \$15,000 to run from Jan. 2, 1901 to Jan. 2 1903, so that at that time the entire amount of \$63,000 could be refunded at a much less percentage of interest. At present these bonds are drawing nearly 6 per cent and as the city has a bonded indebtedness of but \$134,000 against a valuation of nearly \$3,000,000, the mayor believed the full \$63,000 of bonds could be floated in 1903 at about 3 per cent. An ordinance carrying out these suggestions was presented by Atty. Clancy and adopted by a unanimous vote and a resolution was then passed authorizing the Finance committee to advertise for bids for the sale of the bonds.

This action was followed by the presentation of another ordinance by the city attorney, to regulate the operation of street railways in the city, the cost of fares, etc. This ordinance provided that a fare of 5 cents should entitle a patron of the line to ride over the line inside the city limits and that it should be unlawful for any conductor, motorman or other employe to charge or receive more, or for the owners or manager to instruct employes to ask more.

Another clause provides that cars running or operating in the city shall stop at the city limits when requested to do so by persons desiring to enter or leave the car, providing that the city erect at this point a platform and sign board marked "city limits." The following paragraph provides that it shall be unlawful for employes to refuse this or owners to instruct them otherwise. The fifth paragraph provides that offenses against this ordinance shall be deemed a misdemeanor punishable by fine of from \$10 to \$50, or imprisonment in county jail from 15 to 90 days. The ordinance is to be in force after the 31st day of December 1900. This ordinance was adopted as read.

By this time Mr. Clancy had prepared his resolution covering the vaccination problem and submitted it. It provided that parents not able to pay for having their school children vaccinated could have this expense borne by the city, providing they first apply to Poor Commissioner Young and secure a certificate. This certificate is to be presented to the physician, and by him turned in to the city as a voucher for pay. It further provided that the charge for vaccination should not exceed 50 cents each. This resolution passed by a unanimous vote and on motion the council adjourned.

Smith Not Coming. Wm. Hawley Smith will not be here tonight as advertised. Supt. Ewing received a letter Wednesday in which Mr. Smith stated that illness would prevent his filling the engagement. The date will be filled later, either by Mr. Smith or by some one else, so that ticket holders will not lose anything.

STABBED BY SAILOR.

James Kidd Painfully Injured By a Milwaukee Man.

TROUBLE DUE TO FAMILY QUARREL.

John Sullivan, a Guest, Interferes in Behalf of Mrs. Kidd and Stabs Her Husband Four Times.

James Kidd, aged forty years and an ore trimmer in the employ of the Chicago & Northwestern company, was quite seriously injured in a stabbing affray which occurred at his residence, 110 Elmore street, Tuesday evening between eight and nine o'clock. The man who wielded the knife and who is now confined in the county jail under bond for \$500 to answer to the circuit court for assault with intent to do great bodily harm, is a sailor named John Sullivan who claims Milwaukee as his home.

Up until the trouble of Tuesday night these two men had been fast friends. Sullivan, who is employed on one of the ore carrying boats which make this port, was invited by Kidd to take supper at the latter's home. It is said that both men had been drinking some before reaching Kidd's home, and this is probably the cause of the disturbance, which came near ending in a tragedy, and has changed the men from friends to bitter enemies.

According to a rather disconnected story of the trouble secured from the participants and witnesses at the hearing before Justice Glaser, the trouble started when Mrs. Kidd refused to put one of the children to bed when ordered to do so by her husband. Kidd is said to have attempted to enforce his command by handling his wife roughly. This frightened Sullivan who proceeded to take a hand in the disturbance with the result that Kidd turned upon him and a fight ensued.

Mrs. Kidd left the house in search of an officer and returned a few minutes later with Patrolman Dominick McCauley. Sullivan was found in the street near the house, and placed under arrest, and upon entering the house Officer McCauley found Kidd bleeding from a half dozen knife wounds. A physician was at once called and dressed the injured man's wounds. He had a long gash across his face from the forehead to his throat. Another thrust of the knife had caught him in the side of the neck, a third on his left arm between the shoulder and elbow and a fourth in the left side.

This last wound would probably have been a fatal one had it not been that the knife blade came in contact with a rib and was thus warded off. Wednesday afternoon Sullivan was given a hearing before Justice Glaser and was bound over to circuit court. Kidd, though sore from his wounds, was able to be present and testify, but he will not be able to return to work for some time.

BUILDING AN ADDITION.
New Ludington House to be Enlarged by 20 Rooms.

A crew of men have been at work this week excavating and laying the foundation for the new twenty-room addition to the New Ludington House on East Ludington street. This addition, which Landlord Christie intends pushing to an early completion, will be built of brick, three stories high, with a frontage of 45 feet and a depth of 82 feet.

The first floor will be used for a dining room, laundry, kitchen and store rooms, and the two upper floors for sleeping rooms and parlors. This addition will be completed before the opening of the summer season and will give Mr. Christie a total of 75 guest rooms. The entire front of the hotel will be remodeled. The new addition joins the present hotel building on the east.

Made Her Last Trip.

The steamer Georgia of the Goodrich line of Chicago made her last trip for the season to this port last Tuesday. The other boats of this line will continue running for some longer.

COME AND SEE OUR HOLIDAY SELECTIONS

We have prepared for our usual large Holiday business. The selections this year are exceptionally beautiful—the prices exceptionally low. Come and view them.

BEAUTIFUL DIAMONDS, BEAUTIFUL SILVER, BEAUTIFUL CUT GLASS, BEAUTIFUL WATCHES, BEAUTIFUL CLOCKS, BEAUTIFUL JEWELRY, and BEAUTIFUL NOVELTIES.

You will surely be pleased with the display, and will find many useful suggestions for your Christmas Gifts. It is always better to be among the early purchasers. Again we urge your visit of inspection.

H. M. STEVENSON,
600 LUDINGTON STREET, Escanaba.

ing it should not be left until the eleventh hour. In the meantime the authorities should do what they can to prevent the carrying of the disease into our city from any of the infected districts around us.

FOUGHT A BURGLAR.

Mrs. T. Burney Uses a Knife on Housebreaker.

Mrs. T. Burney, who resides with her husband and several small children at 604 south Mary street, had an experience with a burglar recently that she nor the housebreaker are likely to forget soon. Mr. Burney is employed on the Escanaba & Lake Superior road and was away from home at the time, but Mrs. Burney demonstrated her ability to take care of herself and proved a heroine in the face of danger that would have frightened many women into hysterics.

About two o'clock in the morning Mrs. Burney heard a noise in the lower part of the house and hastily dressing herself started to investigate its cause. Upon reaching the kitchen she discovered a man's arm protruding through a broken window pane in an endeavor to lift the sash. Catching up a carving knife Mrs. Burney made for the intruder and slashed him across the hand with all the force she could command. He fled howling with pain and there is little doubt but that he will give that house a wide berth in the future.

have to go over for want of a quorum. From 8 o'clock members began dropping in at irregular intervals until by 8:30, when the meeting should have been called, there were but six members present. A few minutes later the seventh put in an appearance and another wait followed for the necessary eighth man. At 8:45 Mayor Hartnett suggested that an adjournment be taken until Thursday night, but five minutes later Chief Gabourie who had been detailed to drum up the attendance, appeared with Alderman Perrin and the meeting was convened with the following responding to Clerk Thompson's roll call: Drush, Knutson, McMartin, Olson, Perrin, Priestler, Salvai and White. Fifteen minutes later Wright took his seat and at 9:15 Alderman Defnet completed the evenings attendance.

After the reading and approval of the minutes, Clerk Thompson presented the resolution passed by the Board of Education at its meeting last week, demanding that all school children in the city be vaccinated, owing to the prevalence of small-pox in this vicinity, and asking that the city furnish virus and pay the costs of the operation on children whose parents are too poor. Knutson raised the question of providing a pest house in case of an epidemic, declaring that it would be death to anyone confined in the shed at the fair grounds. His suggestion was passed without action. Several aldermen expressed the opinion that there was

Since the removal of slot machines from this city, a certain element very graciously credits The Iron Port with being the power behind the throne which caused the order to be issued.

And now, inasmuch, as to the Hon. John W. Stone is due the credit of causing the removal of the "vicious slot machine," he might continue to exert his authority by directing the attention of the prosecuting attorney to other forms of gambling, possibly less "vicious," which is constantly practiced in numerous resorts throughout the city.

This sort of thing has the sanction of the administration, but it remained with the circuit judge, whose home is in another part of the district, to discover that the "vicious slot machine" was being extensively operated in Escanaba in direct violation of the law.

It is not the intention of The Iron Port to intimate that every saloon in the city is infested by gamblers and gambling devices. Far from it. There are many legitimately conducted saloons in Escanaba, whose owners would scorn any attempt at unlawful practices within their precincts and these, let it be said, are getting the small end because of the natural tendency of the masses to congregate where the sport is.

Mayor Hartnett is not acquainted with the conditions which obtain, nor unfamiliar with their modes of operation, neither is he in full sympathy with them, yet he lacks the moral courage to order their discontinuance and because of this wilful neglect of one of his most sacred obligations as chief executive he is all the more subject of public censure. In fact, the mayor's position in the matter incriminates him to an even greater extent than the gamblers who carry on their nefarious sports under his protection.

The movement to secure the admission of Oklahoma and the Indian Territory as one state will secure the favor of the country. The present population of Oklahoma is 396,245. That of the Indian Territory is 391,960. The combined population of the two territories is 788,465. Their voting population is more than 125,000. They would be entitled to send four members to the popular branch

of congress under the 200,000 ratio, or thereabouts, which is to be adopted by Congress for representation in the House of Representatives and the electoral college for the next ten years.

It is fitting that the last year of the century should be in every way the best. From an industrial and commercial standpoint the year 1900 in the United States surpasses any previous year in our history.

It is but a few years since we were in the throes of bankruptcy and ruin. Since those dark days of democratic free-trade industrial disaster we have most successfully prosecuted a foreign war, have freed millions of human beings, and gone right on growing richer and stronger.

The answer can be given in two words: Protection and confidence. The United States never did and never can prosper under free-trade or any tariff that is not a thoroughly protective tariff. This assertion has been proved too often to need much discussion now.

Because a protective tariff secures a home market; a home market means a demand far greater than all the world's markets combined. This demand entices capital, and every mill is busy and every laborer employed. We are producing and consuming, consuming and producing. And our fame has gone abroad, so that the world is wanting our better made wares, with the result that 1900 breaks the record in exports of merchandise, and especially in exports of manufactures 1899 was a record breaker.

Exports of agricultural implements for the nine months of 1900 were \$14,396,787 against \$4,762,590 for the same period of 1895. Exports of iron and steel amounted to \$97,313,060, as compared with \$24,852,628 for the same period of 1895.

Merchants and manufacturers have confidence in the government. They know that our protective tariff will be in force four more years, anyway, without even the threat of a change. New projects are launched every day. New mills are going up all over the land, and more and more labor is being employed every week.

While free trade England is on the verge of a mighty convulsion in industrial circles, protected America is climbing higher and higher to the pinnacle of wealth and strength. No wonder, then, that the people so emphatically emphasized their confidence November 6th in the administration of William McKinley and a protection and sound money party.

Happy and proud we may well be who can see the end of the nineteenth and the dawn of the twentieth century. The year 1901 is destined to bring to the American people advantages not dreamed of five years ago.

Oh! they cried, "The world is wide, But fettered limbs grow lame! But once or twice, to throw the dice Is a gentleman's game! But he does not win who plays with sin In the secret House of Shame."

Because other of the culprits connected with the state military clothing frauds have gone free, and the money has been repaid to the state, is not sufficient reason for Gov. Pingree to pardon Gen. White and Marsh, who were convicted of complicity in a scheme to defraud the state out of large sums of money.

There is great need of the utmost precaution against small-pox. The number of cases at Ishpeming have this week been increased by at least six, and the disease has invaded our neighboring city, Gladstone, where the exposures are supposed to be numerous.

Young Mr. Phillips, who has been dallying with the corn "shorts" in Chicago during the past month, has upset and rendered useless all the precedents that are always brought out as effective to warn the youth of the land from the dangers of speculation.

Poisoned beer is about the only thing that could reasonably account for some of the abominable and revolting orgies that have recently disgraced London. No less an apology would have elicited more than a grunt from civilization.

Kruger is finding no end of sympathy in Europe, but this does not furnish men, arms, transportation or ammunition. Gen. De Wet is worth all the cheering crowds that the exiled president is encountering.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Laura D. Sawyer, Guardian of said minors, praying that she may be authorized to sell certain real estate described therein at private sale, for the purpose of raising the proceeds in the maintenance and education of said minors.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Mrs. Elizabeth Hill, widow, and sole legatee of said deceased, praying that a certain instrument now on file in this Court, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, may be admitted to probate.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Mary Elizabeth Hill, widow, and sole legatee of said deceased, praying that a certain instrument now on file in this Court, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, may be admitted to probate.

ORDER OF HEARING FOR GENERAL PURPOSES—State of Michigan, County of Delta, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for said County, held at the Probate office, in the city of Escanaba, on the nineteenth day of November in the year one thousand and nine hundred.

ORDER OF HEARING FOR GENERAL PURPOSES—State of Michigan, County of Delta, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Delta, held at the Probate office in the city of Escanaba, on the seventeenth day of November in the year one thousand and nine hundred.

ORDER OF HEARING FOR GENERAL PURPOSES—State of Michigan, County of Delta, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for said County held at the Probate office in the city of Escanaba, on the twentieth day of November in the year one thousand and nine hundred.

PROBATE NOTICE FOR HEARING CLAIMS BEFORE COURT—State of Michigan, County of Delta, ss. Notice is hereby given, that by an order of the Probate Court for the County of Delta, made on the twelfth day of November, A. D. 1900 six months from that date were allowed for the presentation of claims against the estate of said deceased.

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ORDER OF HEARING FOR GENERAL PURPOSES—State of Michigan, County of Delta, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Delta, held at the Probate office in the city of Escanaba, on the twenty-third day of November, in the year one thousand and nine hundred.

ORDER FOR PROBATE OF WILL STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Delta, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for said County, held at the Probate office in the city of Escanaba, on the twenty-third day of November in the year one thousand and nine hundred.

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Erickson & Bissell

Are Reaching Out for Your Trade as Never Before. Their elegant stock of Staple and Fancy Groceries, and correct business methods attract new customers daily.

APPLES:

- Baldwins, per bbl., \$3.50
Greenings, per bbl., 3.50
Good Wis. Apples, bl., 3.00

Try our Blend Coffee, roasted, per lb., - 25c
All Turkeys left from Thanksgiving at 12 1/2c per pound.

ERICKSON & BISSELL.

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Eat, Drink and Be Merry.

As the holiday season approaches we all, with one accord, prepare to treat the "inner man" with more than ordinary consideration and with this aim in view replenish the household larder with good things to eat.

OUR STOCK OF DELICACIES FOR THE HOLIDAY TRADE

Cannot be excelled in the city and our prices will bear the closest comparison.

- Baldwin Apples, per barrel..... \$3.25
Greening Apples, per barrel 3.25
Russet Apples, per barrel..... 3.25

Sole Agency for Wingold Flour.

The best high grade Minnesota flour on the market. It costs no more than other and inferior grades.

FRUITS. A choice variety of Florida and California fruits always on hand. The very finest ordered for Xmas.

CANDIES. We have a special list of select Christmas Candies in bulk and boxes. Pure and fresh.

NUTS. Mixed Nuts of all varieties guaranteed fresh and wholesome. Sold in quantities to suit you.

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Your Railroad Fare Paid to Escanaba to Purchases of \$10.00 and over.

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Escanaba's Greatest Stores.

Mail Orders Filled.

Any goods bought now will be stored and delivered on the 24th.

Do not fail to see our Christmas stock

BIG CLOAK AND FUR SALE.
Greatest value giving week will be next week in our Jacket and Coat room.
Women's Kersey jackets, all lined with Skinner's satin, large reverses, large storm collar, tailoring the very best; special all next week, positively worth \$15, on sale at... \$9 75
Handsome Box coats, all lined throughout with the best satin, fine applique work down front and back, most stylish garment ever shown in the city; a \$23 coat, special for next week on sale at... 16 50

FURS
Radical reductions; timely opportunity.
French seal scarfs at... 1 50
Stone marten cluster scarfs... 3 95
Sable fox animal scarf... 9 45
Astrachan jackets, 4 A's: Best Make, satin-lined, every jacket guaranteed full length; \$45 value reduced to... 33 00

KID GLOVES
Women's 2-clasp French overseas gloves, all new popular shades; regular \$1.25 special at... 1 00
Wool mittens for everybody... 25

TOYS DOLLS
The largest stock in the city. You are invited to come and bring the little ones to see the hundreds of beautiful things that will make their hearts beat with joy and anticipation.
Kid body dolls, bisque heads... 18
Jointed dolls at... 25
Jointed doll, dressed in silk with hood, shoes and stockings; other stores ask \$1 for same kind... 50
Games—Old Maid, Gypsy Fortune Teller and many others... 5
Iron toys at... 10 25 1 00
Special delitory arranged for holiday goods.

FOR THE BOYS
Amazing values; boys' three piece suits, double breasted vests, ages 9 to 16 years, all wool cassimere worth \$4.50; special low price... 2 98
Children's reefer coats, all wool astrachan, large pearl buttons, ages 3 to 9 years; \$3.50 values on sale 2 75
MILLINERY
Selling now at half price. About fifty hats that we have been selling at \$7 and \$10, including those fashionable mushroom hats in silk and jaundy turbans and pompadour style now on sale at... 3 50 5 00



INFANTS' WEAR
At reduced prices. Infant's long white coats 1 50 2 00 4 98
White cashmere Sacques, 50 to 1 25
Infants' knitted wool Booties 25 to 50
Wonderful bargains in children's Caps and Bonnets, from 15c to \$3 19.

Personal and Social

Dan Carroll, who was painfully injured some two weeks ago by being thrown from his cutter on Stephenson avenue, is still in bad shape. His shoulder is swollen and very painful and it is impossible even at this time to decide whether there are any broken bones or not.
The Top Dock Workers' union No. 208, I. L. A., will give their first annual dance and reception at Peterson's hall on Wednesday evening, December 26. Dewey's orchestra has been engaged for the occasion and as the price of tickets has been put at 50 cents it is expected the attendance will be unusually large.
Alfred Besson of Brampton visited friends in the city last Saturday.
James Christie has moved his family from the Oliver House to rooms in the Hill house, at the corner of Walcott street and Ogden avenue.
Col. Geo. T. Burns returned Sunday from a visit with friends in Marinette.
Tom Robbins of Gladstone was in the city on business Saturday.
H. E. Bell of Milwaukee was in the city Monday.
Miss Dora Silverman, head milliner at the Fair, returned Sunday from a visit at Marinette.
Edmond Lanthier of Waucedah who visited friends here over Thanksgiving returned to his home Monday.
Miss Rose Lanthier who has been quite ill at the County hospital for some time is convalescing and will soon return home.
Mrs. Louis Schram was in Chicago during the past week purchasing goods for the holiday trade.
Mrs. E. H. Gibbs was very pleasantly surprised at her home, 617 south Jennie street, last Friday evening by a party of friends who presented her with a handsome rocker.
Will J. O'Brien, a fireman on the C. & N. W., has been transferred from this city to Norway.
Theo. Hanson, a C. & N. W. fireman, left for Marinette where he will be placed on a passenger run.
Miss Mayme Boyle of South Norris street, is visiting friends in Menominee.
J. C. Kirkpatrick returned Wednesday from a trip to Chicago.
Geo. P. McCallum of Manistique was in the city Tuesday.
Charles Collins was down from Gladstone on business Monday.
William Robertson has resumed his former position on the Metropolitan passenger.
George H. Buckley visited friends in Negaunee and Ishpeming Friday.
Dr. Schmidt of Sheboygan was a visitor in the city during the past week.
Miss Lottie Egan returned to her home at Marquette Monday after a visit with friends in this city.
John Power of Ishpeming was in the city on business Monday.
George Farnsworth of Nahma was in the city a few hours Monday.
Charles Slater left Sunday for Madison to resume his studies after spending Thanksgiving at his home in this city.
Mrs. Cororan made a business trip to Chicago this week.
Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Fuller spent a portion of the week in Chicago.
T. J. Daley has returned from a visit with his brother in Wyoming.
The Misses Eastwood returned to their home at Escanaba this morning

after a short visit in this city.—Monday's Menominee Herald.
S. M. Adamson of Foster City was in Escanaba Sunday on his way to Sweden, where he will visit with his family for a year before returning with them to this country.
Charles Asp and McGuire Chabaneau returned Saturday from a hunting trip near Cornell.
Mrs. John Knudsen returned Tuesday from a three weeks visit with her daughter, Mrs. W. Sparling at Marquette.
J. J. Ward of Beloit, Wis., has been the guest of friends in the city during the past week.
Joe Bush made a trip to Marinette Monday to consult a physician relative to his health.
A. Z. Sourwine was up from Powers on business Monday.
Miss Mashek returned from a trip to Milwaukee Monday.
E. R. Morrison of the Standard Oil Company at Marquette was in the city several days this week.
Hans Westgaard of Chicago, western agent for the Hamburg-American steamship line, was in the city this week.
Dr. C. H. Long was at Lathrop of professional business Wednesday.
Judd Lowery of Menominee was in the city on business Wednesday.
Charles L. Mann of Milwaukee was in the city a portion of the week.
Mrs. J. A. Burns left Tuesday evening for a visit in Chicago.
Wallace Barr has returned from Philadelphia.
H. E. Knapp of Oconto was in the city on business Tuesday.
W. B. Linsley returned from Chicago Wednesday morning.
Miss Empson of Gladstone visited friends in the city Tuesday.
Isaac Corp of St. Ignace was in the city on business Tuesday.
Owing to the illness of Mrs. F. T. Randall, who has typhoid fever, the Woman's Club will meet this afternoon with Mrs. Ira C. Jennings.
The Misses Nicholas and Dexter of Gladstone were in the city Tuesday.
Phil Labre of Bark River was a visitor in the city Tuesday.
Mrs. Frank Slater and daughter Alma were the guests during the past week of Mr. and Mrs. C. Stowe at Maywood, Ill.
A. Robeck of Marinette called on Escanaba acquaintances Thursday.
M. C. Shea of Norway was in the city Thursday.
H. Ingalls of Hunters Point was a visitor in the city Thursday.
Mrs. S. J. Connors returned Thursday morning from a ten days visit in Chicago.
Ed Arnold made a business trip to Cornell Thursday.
H. W. Reade was at Whitney on business Thursday.
J. K. Stack left Thursday on a trip to Atkinson.
C. D. Ritzwoller left Wednesday evening on a business trip to Peoria, Ill.
J. H. McDonald, superintendent of the Gladstone public schools, visited the schools of this city Thursday. Owing to the prevalence of smallpox at Gladstone, the schools there have been closed this week and Mr. McDonald has put in the time visiting the schools of neighboring cities.
Mrs. C. H. Long very pleasantly entertained eleven young ladies, members of her Sabbath school class—last Saturday afternoon.

REPLEVIN THE DOG.
James Christie's Ted the Subject of Much Litigation.
James Christie's educated dog "Ted" has figured in Justice court proceedings and caused no end of trouble for Sheriff Olmsted and Under Sheriff Roberts during the past week and is now being held by one of these officers to await the decision in a replevin suit to be tried in Justice Donovan's court on Saturday next.
A short time ago M. R. Young, who formerly conducted a grocery on Ludington street, secured a judgement against Christie for an account of \$117. Under the execution of this judgement the dog Ted was taken by Under Sheriff Roberts to satisfy the claim. Mrs. Christie at once replevined the dog in Donovan's court, claiming that it belonged to her, and Sheriff Olmsted took the animal away from his deputy. The hearing in the replevin case was set for December 15.
The dog "Ted" is perhaps the best educated animal in Michigan and is known all over this section of the country, as Mr. Christie frequently takes it with him while traveling. Several very flattering offers for the dog have been refused and Mr. Christie valued it highly. Attorney Jennings, has been engaged by Mrs. Christie to represent her at the hearing which promises to attract some attention.
MIND READING TEST.
Dr. Melvor Tyndall Demonstrates His Power in Public.
J. Melvor-Tyndall, the palmist and mind reader, gave a public exhibition of his power to the people of Escanaba Thursday afternoon that was quite successful and very much appreciated. In company with a committee of citizens he drove a team while blindfolded from the Oliver House to F. D. Mead's law office by a devious route, and found a pin that had been secreted there some minutes before by one of the committee.
The test was not altogether successful as Dr. Tyndall twice missed the route while making the drive, but recovered himself handsly and demonstrated beyond a doubt that he could drive a team at break-neck speed, turn corners and stop at a desired point while unable to see, without endangering the life or limb of any of his companions. The feat is a common one among mind readers, but the power by which it is accomplished defies explanation.
Governor-elect A. T. Bliss has appointed Col. James N. Cox of Calumet on his staff. This is in recognition of Mr. Cox's efforts in organizing Co. L. of the "Fighting Fifth" in the Spanish-American war. Most of the recruits were from Marquette, Escanaba and Menominee.
Emma Lyons, the three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lyons, residing on Thomas street, fell from a chair while playing Wednesday evening and sustained a fracture of her left arm.

SHOPPERS' GUIDE.

ED. ERICKSON,
Dry Goods, Carpets, Clothing
Dress Goods and Me's Furnishings.
508-19 Ludington St., Escanaba, Mich.

ERICKSON & BISSELL,
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609 Ludington Street.

MARTIN T. LYONS,
Embalmer, Funeral Director.
115 North Georgia Street.

F. H. ATKINS & CO.,
Groceries and Provisions,
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313 Charlotte St.
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Bicycles and Sporting Goods
701 Ludington St., Escanaba, Mich.

EMIL NOE,
Fruits, Vegetables, Canned Goods,
Cigars, Etc. Oysters in Season.
806 Ludington St., Escanaba, Mich.

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Bicycles Rented and Repaired.
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DEALER IN
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50 doz. wool Slippers, soles... .12

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IN SECRET SESSION.

Summer Hotel Committed Discuss their Troubles Alone.

ARE BETWEEN DEVIL AND DEEP SEA.

Now Have to Deal With Competing Railroads and Must Use Diplomacy to Accomplish Their Purpose.

The executive committee which is looking after the interests of Escanaba's proposed summer hotel held a star chamber session Wednesday evening. The object of the meeting was reported to be the discussion of communications received from some of the parties in Milwaukee interested in the N. Ludington company's share of the Tilden House property, which has been selected as the site for the hotel building. A representative of The Iron Port asked admission to the meeting, but was refused with the explanation that the committee desired to discuss matters of a private character which, if published, would injure their chances of accomplishing the aim in view.

What was contained in the communications from Milwaukee can only be guessed at, and the only information given out after the meeting was the statement that H. H. A. Upham of Milwaukee and J. W. Wells of Menominee, general manager of the I. Stephenson company, and both representing interests in the Tilden House property and Escanaba & Lake Superior railroad, had been invited to visit Escanaba and confer with the committee relative to the title of the hotel site. The mayor is authority for the statement that these gentlemen will be in Escanaba on Saturday, December 15.

The condition of the summer hotel deal at present is decidedly complicated, and it will require some very careful manipulation on the part of the local committee if it is to be brought to a successful end. In failing to secure the title to the site before proceeding to raise the \$15,000 bonus, the committee has made the grave mistake of getting "the cart before the horse." This was due to their having placed too much reliance upon the promises made some three years ago by the owners of the Tilden House property. At that time the city officials were given to understand that whenever they were ready to have the hotel built, the site would be theirs simply for the asking. Conditions effecting the interested parties have changed very materially since that time, and the committee has but recently discovered that a promise of three years ago can not be relied upon as a promise of today. The site is owned jointly by representatives of two railroad companies, the Chicago & Northwestern and the Escanaba & Lake Superior, and inasmuch as the latter has already entered upon a traffic agreement with the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul giving it an entrance into the city it is virtually the Northwestern and St. Paul companies with which the city must deal.

The most casual observer can see at a glance what an undesirable position this is. The competition between the Northwestern and St. Paul companies is too acute to permit the former granting any concessions that will give the latter a right of way into the city if they can avoid it. The Northwestern company had already agreed to grant its half interest in the site when the St. Paul's part in the drama was disclosed by the Milwaukee parties meeting the request of the committee for a grant of their share with a demand that in return for it they be granted a favor which they were about to ask from the city's council. This "favor" is supposed to mean a right of way down Thomas street to the Stephenson dock for the tracks of the E. & L. S. road.

This is the very thing that the C. & N. W. naturally wants to prevent and should the city agree to grant it, there is every probability that the Northwestern people would at once withdraw their support from the hotel project or demand some equal compensation for their share of the site. While it is evident that the E. & L. S., or St. Paul road, prefers entering the city through Thomas street, a movement has been on foot for sometime past to secure for it a right of way across the city to the south shore and down that to the point. John P. McColl has been securing options on the property along this proposed route, and sometime ago stated to a representative of The Iron Port that he had enough

in hand to insure the accomplishment of it if decided upon. Should this be done the road would pass along the water's edge in front of the best residence portion of the city and directly in front of the summer hotel, cutting off its view of the bay and injuring the site in such a way that it would be practically worthless. Many citizens are inclined to scout the idea of the south shore right of way and believe that talk of it is only a subterfuge. Nevertheless, the E. & L. S. road seems to want a down town station, and if it cannot get the route it wants there is reason to believe that it will do like other concerns in a similar position and take what it can get.

STRANGE ORGANIZATION.

Paris Fair Club Still Exists Though Fair is Over.

Some four years ago several gentlemen of this city organized what was known as a Paris Fair Club with the object in view of depositing a stipulated amount in its treasury each week to be used in paying their expenses on a trip to the World's Exposition at Paris during the past summer. Though the Paris exposition is a thing of the past, the club is still in existence and the regular weekly assessments are still being paid, but the object of the organization was never fully attained.

Those who identified themselves with the club were: Nick Gunter, president; Paul Jaeger, treasurer; August Olinger, secretary; Nick Niess and Peter Lemmer. Each member has paid \$2 per week into the club treasury which now has a fund on hand of more than \$2,000. The only members who attended the Paris fair were Nick Niess and Peter Lemmer and neither of these gentlemen withdrew their deposits from the fund. The members have decided to continue the club and allow the fund to accumulate but for what purpose has not yet been decided upon although the majority of them favor its investment in some business enterprise.

RUMMAGE SALES.

An Eastern Custom that Might be Used in Escanaba.

The custom of holding what is known as rummage sales, which prevails in the east could be introduced here to advantage. It is announced that on a certain day an auction will be held and that all who wish may send things to be sold any old thing. You have in your attic a lot of stuff which you have been wanting to get rid of for years—broken furniture, worn carpets, old lamps, a box of screws, old clothes, old bottles, etc. You send these to the auction and they are sold for what they will bring, or above a minimum price if you prefer. There is always somebody to whom the old traps are of value and the result is a redistribution of property to the advantage of all.

PARDONED BY PINGREE.

Generals White and Marsh Get Off With \$5,000 Fines.

Gov. Pingree created quite a sensation Tuesday night when he announced that he had pardoned both General W. L. White, ex-quarter-master general, and General A. F. Marsh, ex-inspector general of the Michigan National Guards, who were convicted of complicity in the state military clothing frauds, the pardons being conditional upon the payment of \$5,000 fine by each.

Cleared a Fair Sum.

The benefit pedro party given last week by the North Star society for the family of August Ohman was largely attended and proved a gratifying success. The amount cleared and presented to Mr. Ohman was \$45.30. Martin Anderson and Mrs. Louis Jefferson were awarded the prize for winning the most games during the evening.

Finger Crushed Off.

James Cleary, the nineteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Cleary of Wells avenue, had the third finger on his left hand crushed while at work in Henry & Linn's blacksmith shop on Elmore street last Saturday. The finger was caught in a drilling machine and so seriously injured that it will have to be amputated.

Notice To Tax Payers.

The Tax Roll for the Township of Baldwin is now in my hands for collection. I will be at my office in Henry H. Winde's store at Perkins, Mich., every Friday during month of December to receive taxes.

Dec. 30. JOHN FUHRMANN, Baldwin Township Treas.

The chicken pie supper given by the ladies of St. Stephen's Episcopal church Wednesday evening was a success both socially and financially.

TERSE TOWN TOPICS

Many Minor Matters More or Less Interesting.

WEEK'S ROUND-UP BY REPORTERS

Interesting Paragraphs Concerning the Happenings of the Week in Escanaba and Adjacent Territory.

Methodist Episcopal church. Class meeting at 9:30. Morning service at 10:30, theme "The Attainments of a Spiritual Life," evening service at 7:30, theme "A Short Story of a Hero." Sunday School at noon. Epworth League at 6:30. Mid-week prayer meeting on Wednesday evening. All seats free.

The steamer Eugene C. Hart of the Hart line of Green Bay was in port Monday on her last trip of the season. The C. W. Moore and Fannie C. Hart were placed in ordinary last week.

Mrs. Gust Nelson, who died last week, left but one child instead of several as was reported at the time. Impellant Lodge, No. 470, I. O. O. F., nominated the following officers at its meeting last Tuesday evening: Peter Stead, N. G.; Hans Hanson, V. G.; Matt Peterson, R. C.; L. J. Hetrick, P. S.; P. Aronson, Treasurer.

For Sale—A 1,200 mare perfectly sound, gentle, good roadster, and will work any place. Cheap if taken at once. Apply at this office.

Henry Adams has moved his barber shop from 709 Ludington street to the room back of Knute Peterson's saloon, corner Ludington and Charlotte streets.

Mr. Alden Bass and a strong company will present "A Poor Relation" at the Peterson Opera House in this city on the evening of December 15. Fred G. Berger who manages this company is also manager for Tim Murphy in "A Bachelor's Romance" and Sol Smith Russell.

The short session of the fifty-sixth congress convened at Washington Monday at noon and after hearing the president's message took up the consideration of the ship subsidy and army bills.

The Goodrich boat Georgia will leave Chicago Tuesday evening Dec 11 for Escanaba and intermediate points. This boat will continue to make regular trips as long as the weather permits.

A slight wreck occurred on the E. & L. S. about one half mile north of the Groos postoffice last Saturday. A box car left the track and rolled into the ditch. Tuesday the C. & N. W. wrecking car from this city picked up the car and placed it on its wheels again.

RAPID RIVER RIPPLES.

Joseph Simons who recently moved his bicycle factory from Garden to this place, is getting his shop in readiness to resume operations. He has a number of wheels which he made, and they compare favorably with the best, workmanship and material being of the highest order.

Supervisor Darling will put a new store front in his building, and make improvements to the interior. Darling & Simons will put in new and handsome fixtures and add a stock of jewelry.

The board of health held a meeting on Tuesday and took precautionary measures against small-pox by ordering a general vaccination.

It is currently reported that Rapid River is to lose its newspaper, which, according to Dame Rumor, will return to its first love—Gladstone. The Tribune has proven itself a most valuable acquisition to our village, and the people sorely regret its departure from their midst, yet "there is a tide in the affairs of men which if taken at the flood leads on to fortune," and we suppose the editor sees the tide approaching.

Bed Time
Cordova
CANDLES

Notice to Tax Payers. The tax roll for the Township of Wells for 1900 is now in my hands for collection. I will be at my office in said township every week day during December to receive taxes.

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Having just been purchased my stock is the newest and most up-to-date in the city. It will pay you to come and look it over. Much of my present stock was purchased with a view to supplying the
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If you ever contracted any Blood Disease you are never safe unless the virus or poison has been eradicated from the system. At times you see alarming symptoms, but live in hopes no serious results will follow. Have you any of the following symptoms? Sores on the tongue or in the mouth, hair falling out, itching, pimples, itches of the skin, sores or blotches on the body, eyes red and smart, dyspeptic stomach, sexual weakness—indications of the secondary stage. Don't trust to luck. Don't ruin your system with the old foggy treatment—mercury and wash—which only suppresses the symptoms for a time only to break out again when they are in domestic life. Don't let quacks experiment on you. Our NEW METHOD TREATMENT is guaranteed to cure you. Our guarantee are backed by **ORANGE BONDS** that the disease will never return. Thousands of patients have been already cured by our NEW METHOD TREATMENT for over 25 years, and no return of the disease. No experiment, no risk—not a "patch up," but a positive cure. The worst cases solicited.
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- 15-inch kid body doll, eyes open and close..... 25
- 12-inch dressed doll, 1 in a box..... 23
- 20-in dressed dolls, fancy dresses in 10 different styles45, 69 and 95
- Felt body dolls with bisque head and nice hair. 10-inch size..... 10
- Regular \$1.00 kid dolls with bisque heads and natural hair..... 50

We carry a full line of the unbreakable dolls.
Boys' air guns and toy guns of every description and all kinds of mechanical toys imaginable will be seen here.

SKATES for Boys and Men, 48, 75, 95, 1.25, to 2.50.



SKATES for Girls at 75, 1.25, 1.69 and 2.50 per pair.....

Dolls' Iron Beds with springs..... 98c



Child's Washing Set, like cut..... 48c

Toys for the Children--2d Floor



Climbing Monkeys and Sailor Boys..... 10c



Children's China Tea Sets, 3c



- Child's 3-piece Silver Set, in fancy box, knife, fork and spoon..... 8c
- Mechanical Ducks..... 10c
- Combination Safes..... 10c
- Nickel plated Sad Irons..... 10c
- Child's fancy painted Piano..... 17c



Christmas Candles, 36 in a box, for..... 8c



- Children's Combination Safes, made of aluminum, 14 inches high and 10 inches square, with sells for paper and books, each..... 95c
- Miniature Nursing Bottle, Rattle and Teething Ring, 3 pieces in box, for..... 5c

The largest assortment of good Iron Toys of all descriptions. We have everything you could ask for in this line. Worth 50c anywhere, choice..... 25c

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Christmas Tree Ornaments

- Fancy colored Glass Bells, per string, 1c, 2c, 3c, 5c and 10c
- Tinsel in all colors, per bunch..... 1c, 2c, 3c and 5c
- Fancy decorated and colored blow glass balls, for tree ornaments, 1 doz. in box, for..... 8c
- Fancy Japanese Feather Duster..... 5c
- Crape Paper, all colors, per roll..... 3c



Double Rocking Horses, like cut..... 43c



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- Sleighs, with bent knees, shod with half oval iron and braided, has tinned swan necks..... 80c
- Iron Sleighs, 2 knees..... 67 and 60c
- Iron Sleighs, 3 knees..... 1.25
- Real fancy Iron Sleighs, with swan necks..... 1.65

Groceries

- Sale on flour will continue another week..... 2 19
- Mixed candy, per lb..... 8
- Mixed nuts, per lb..... 12
- Pop corn shelled, lb..... 6
- Chickens, dressed, lb..... 12
- Turkeys, lb..... 14
- Nice salt pork, lb..... 8
- Picnic hams, lb..... 8
- Cranberries, qt..... 8
- Seedless raisins, lb..... 12
- Nice prunes..... 6
- Creamery butter, Roach & Seebor's at..... 27
- Very best dairy, in jars..... 24
- No. 2 butter, nice and clean, at..... 19
- Cooking butter..... 15



Remember that we have turkeys and chickens every Saturday and will also keep on hand fresh meat, pork, beef, etc. Our price will be the lowest.

Furniture

- Iron Beds, brass vases..... 2 98
- Fine scroll pattern Iron Beds..... 4 75
- Wool top Mattresses..... 2 40
- Hotel Dressers, plate mirror..... 6 75
- Bureaus, 3-drawer, plate mirror..... 9 95
- Couches, upholstered fine velour, fringed..... 6 75
- Plain top Couches, fancy frame, upholstered in velour..... 9 00
- One lot of high grade Couches, largest size, fancy frames in quarter sawed oak and mahogany, 8-row tufted, upholstered in the best velour, to go on this sale at a big reduction. Former price \$22.50, this sale, 15 75
- Couch, former price \$18.75, this sale..... 13 75

What a Penny will Buy.

- 3 China Dolls for..... 1c
- 2 Trumpets for..... 1c
- Fancy Dancing Balls..... 1c
- Dressed Dolls, for tree ornaments..... 1c
- Rubber Balloons..... 1c
- Fancy Set Rings..... 1c
- Celluloid Balls, fancy..... 1c
- Box of Paints..... 1c
- Japanese Parasols..... 1c
- Toy Watches with chain, 1c
- Rooster Whistles..... 1c
- Children's Spectacles..... 1c

Toy Drums at 15c, 29c, 47 and 63c

Silver Tableware

By far the largest and best display of silverware ever shown in the city. Don't fail to see this display on the First Floor in the dry goods department.

Rogers Bros' 1847 genuine 12 dwt Knives and Forks, guaranteed for 20 years, all styles, set \$3.95

Table Spoons, the very best, a set..... 2.75

Tea Spoons, a set..... 1.50

Rogers' 12 dwt Tea Spoons, shell pattern on handle, set of 6 for..... .95



- Fancy Silver Cake Baskets from 1.45 up to..... 9.50
- Silver Pickle Cruets at 95 up to..... 3.45
- Silver Butter Dishes from 1.19 up to..... 4.95
- Silver Fruit Dishes from 1.45 up to..... 6.00
- One assorted lot of fancy silverware, including Cups and Saucers, Salts and Peppers, Ink Stands, Card Receivers, Puff Boxes, Match Trays, Tobacco Boxes, etc. These are all lacquered goods and will not tarnish. Choice for Silver Napkin Rings, 2 in fancy box, for..... 25
- Engraved Fancy Silver Salt and Pepper in fancy box for..... 45

ALBUMS

A Fancy Celluloid Album at 49, 89 and 79

10 Different Styles of Fancy Albums Plush and Celluloid designs at..... 95

"The Dewey" Album, tiger plush back and fancy Celluloid front with Dewey's picture; gilt mounting and gilt edge, decorated pages; a regular 3.00 album for..... 1.50

TOILET CASES—We are showing the largest line of toilet cases, work boxes and fancy Christmas ware ever shown in the city. Styles are too numerous to describe here. A visit will interest you and will be a treat to be remembered by the children. Come early! Come now!

CROCKERY } Twenty-five different styles of Fancy China pieces, such as Ash Receivers, Match Holders in imitation shoes, boots, caps, birds; comb and brush trays, Glove boxes, Trays, Water bottles, Statues; all go at one price, the low one of..... 25 cents.



Fine Dinner Sets, all new patterns, just received, in American ware, English ware and Imported China ware, put up expressly for the 1900 holidays, 6.95, 7.95, 9.95, 11.50, 14.87, 25.00 and 35.00. These sets are 100 to 110 pieces each, and they are simply grand for the price.

Miniature Bisque ware, all styles of statues and ornaments, 10 Latest decorated Cups and Saucers, something new, 25 and 50 Genuine Havelin China Cups and Saucers, or Plates, at each 25

A new and complete line of Chamber Sets, just received for the Christmas trade. See our stock of fancy lamps.

GLASSWARE } Genuine Cut Glassware, the largest and finest assortment ever shown in Escanaba. Admirers of this class of goods will find that we do not charge you fancy prices on them. We are satisfied with our regular small margin. Cut Glass Water Bottles, Vases, Claret Jugs, Water Pitchers, Finger Bowls, Barry Dishes, Creamers, Sugars, Pickle Dishes, Olive Trays, Tumblers, Goblets, Wine Glasses, Sherbets, and every thing conceivable in high art cut glass Cut Glass Water Bottles from 1.95 up to 15.00; Heavy Cut Glass Tumblers at 47. Display on First Floor in dry goods room.

In our regular Glassware Department we are showing many new things, including New "American Beauty" decorated ware. Do not fail to see the new "Colonial" ware in this department.

Musical Instruments

Viols, Mandolins, Banjos, Guitars, Accordions, Blow Accordions, etc. All kinds of musical goods. All the celebrated makes for less than half the price you buy them for anywhere else.

Good Viols, all warranted, at..... 2.25 up to 15.00

Violin Strings, the best, each..... 5c

Mandolins from..... 3.45 to 12.00

Mandolin Strings, each..... 5c

Accordions, every one guaranteed for 50c, 95c, 1.50, 2.25, 2.95, 3.50 and 4.50.

Guitars, perfect tone and guaranteed, at 2.95, 3.95, 4.95, 5.45, 6.95 and 9.00.



Rocking Horses, like cut.... 69c