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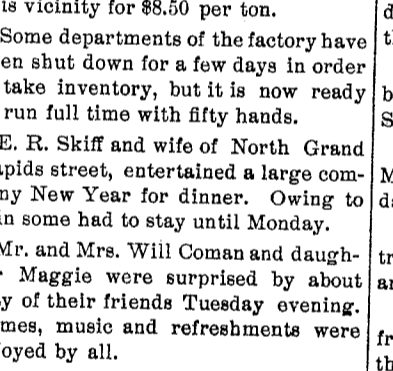
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LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

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Remember M. C. B. concert Jan. 20.
Remember the M. E. Aid society tomorrow evening.
Send a 2 cent stamp for a handsome set of Jaxon Soap pictures. 28*
Farmers and fruit growers, your attention is called to M. Wright's ad. in another column.
If your subscription to the SUN expired Jan. 1, '97, or before that date, it is time to renew.
The man who can be easily persuaded to "swear off" can usually be just as easily persuaded to "swear on" again.
The proceeds of the Congregational Aid society supper, given by the young people's bible classes Jan. 1st, '97, was \$9.60.
Homer French had the misfortune to cut his foot so badly last Monday, while working in the woods, that he is disabled for a few days.
G. H. Hatton unloaded a car load of bran Thursday, shipped from Eaton Rapids, which he sold to the farmers in this vicinity for \$8.50 per ton.
Some departments of the factory have been shut down for a few days in order to take inventory, but it is now ready to run full time with fifty hands.
E. R. Skiff and wife of North Grand Rapids street, entertained a large company New Year for dinner. Owing to rain some had to stay until Monday.
Mr. and Mrs. Will Coman and daughter Maggie were surprised by about fifty of their friends Tuesday evening. Games, music and refreshments were enjoyed by all.
The Cold Spring Creamery Co. has declared a dividend of thirty per cent besides having invested twenty-four per cent in improvements. Annual report next week.
Saturday afternoon the band boys gathered at the engine house and marched to the porch of the St. James hotel where they played "King Cotton", one of John Philip Sousa's best marches, and other fine selections. How is that for January 2 '97?
The Ladies' Aid society of the Cong'l church on Friday elected the following officers for the ensuing year:
President—Mrs. G. W. Matteson.
Vice-Pres.—Mrs. S. Campbell.
Secretary—Mrs. R. T. French.
Treasurer—Mrs. J. C. Otto.
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tewksbury Wednesday evening of last week, entertained quite a party in honor of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. LaBar, who have been their guests during the holidays. Refreshments were served and a general good time enjoyed.
At a meeting of the Modern Woodmen of America, held Monday evening the following officers were elected:
Consul—G. E. Gardner.
Clerk—H. E. Hendrick.
Banker—J. R. Cook.
The remaining old officers were re-elected.
A very pleasant surprise was sprung on J. C. Martin and wife Christmas day when about a dozen of their friends walked in, loaded with goodies, and informed them they had come to stay to dinner. A very pleasant day was spent and all went home wishing them many happy returns of the merry day.
The L. M. C. met with Miss Olive Clever last evening. The time was very enjoyably spent with the initiation of a candidate and with games, after which refreshments of a marshmallow roast and pickles were served, but two of the girls, not being satisfied with what was furnished, found the cupboard and disposed of some of the hostess' strawberries.

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W. ARMSTRONG

PERSONAL POINTS.
Mrs. George Coman is sick.
J. E. Ackerson is on the sick list.
Rev. W. A. Biss was in the Rapids, Monday.
Dr. A. L. Taylor was in Nashville Saturday.
E. P. Whitmore and wife are in the Rapids today.
Frank Moxon and wife are visiting near Big Rapids.
Mrs. J. J. Stark was in Grand Rapids last week Thursday.
Amanda Steeby of Wayland is visiting at Mrs. N. Griswold's.
Sheriff Ritchie has appointed Will McKevitt deputy sheriff.
Miss Lena Griswold was in Grand Rapids the first of the week.
Miss Edith Clark is time-keeper at the Keeler Brass Co.'s works.
Miss Carrie Schuman of Hastings is visiting at H. E. Hendrick's.
Mrs. G. W. Ickes of Grand Rapids is visiting friends in the village.
Arthur Tewksbury is clerking for J. Schondelmayer, during his sale.
Wynn Nobles of Hastings was the guest of Will Jordan over Sunday.
Mrs. David Lee of Edgerly, N. Dakota, is the guest of Jeff. Lee and family.
Mrs. Hall of Prichardville, has been visiting her sister Mrs. Eva Talbott.
Mrs. John Schondelmayer, who has been quite sick, is slowly improving.
Mr. Edith Hinkley has returned from an extended visit in Kalamazoo.
J. B. Hebeon and little son, spent Sunday with relatives in Grand Rapids.
Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Griswold of Lowell were New Year's guests at R. E. Combs'.
Miss Myrtle Green of Grand Rapids was the guest of Nell White over Sunday.
Mrs. Walter Foster is again able to be about the house, after a few days illness.
Leon Bass, who has been very sick for several weeks, is now slowly improving.
I. H. Keeler and family of Owosso, spent a portion of the holidays in the village.
Miss Electa Furniss of Nashville, is spending a few days with her sister Minnie.
Miss Bessie Saunders returned Saturday from a visit with relatives in Charlotte.
W. C. Sackett was in Vermontville Monday a. m., on account of the illness of his mother.
R. T. French spent New Year's in Chicago, returning Monday accompanied by his wife and son.
Miss Anna Winters returned Saturday noon from Dowling where she spent the holiday vacation.
Ernest Southwick of Hastings, has been spending a few days with A. E. Southwick and family.
Lloyd Clever returned Monday to the Museum of Art at Detroit, after a few days' visit with his parents.
Will M. Jordan leaves on the 9:41 train this evening for Tipton, Iowa, for an extended visit with his uncle.
Ex-Sheriff McKevitt and wife move from the county bastille to their farm three miles west of the village, today.
Miss Mable Hanlon, who has been spending her holiday vacation with her parents, returned to Albion college Monday.
Messdames J. E. Ackerson, H. E. Hendrick, J. W. Saunders and P. H. Richards were in Grand Rapids Monday.
Miss Maud E. Southwick returned Saturday evening having spent the holiday vacation in Charlotte and vicinity.
J. C. Rouse returned Tuesday evening from a few days' visit with his daughter, Mrs. Frank Burr, and family of Hart.
Miss Mae Shirley, who has been the guest of her friend Mrs. Rose Mitchell, returned to her home in Kalamazoo Monday.
Mrs. Geshwind and daughter Nellie returned to their home in Grand Rapids Monday, after a few days' visit at C. Clever's.
Alfred Wright who has been working at the SUN office the past two weeks, returned to his home in Grand Rapids last Saturday.
Miss Mae Manley of the west county line returned Saturday evening from Van Wert, Ohio, where she has been attending school.
Chas. Banfield who has been the guest of his father, C. A. Banfield, the past two weeks, returned to his home in Portland Tuesday.
Mrs. Appleton returned to her home in Grand Rapids Tuesday, after a two weeks' visit with her son, Rev. H. Appleton, and family.
Mrs. M. Loew returned to her home in Grand Rapids, after a week's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Garrett of the Prairie.
If you want to know the correct time of day, ask Grace Skiff, as on New Year day she received a very fine gold watch and chain, a present from her grandpa Abner Skiff. Wish we all had such a grandpa.

THE FINAL TRIBUTES.
The funeral of Rev. F. N. James, late pastor of the M. E. church here, took place from the above church, Tuesday, at 2 p. m. The service was under the charge of Dr. Cogshall, presiding elder. Hymn 992 was sung. Rev. R. D. Freeman read the 90th Psalm, which was followed by a short selection from the funeral service read by Rev. Mr. Boon of Caledonia. Rev. J. E. White lead in a very touching and helpful prayer. The choir sang "Shall We Meet Beyond the River?" Instead of the usual sermon a few short addresses of tribute to the dead were given by Revs. Cogshall, Marshall, Freeman, Boon and White. The first and last named had been acquainted with Mr. James for many years and they were able to speak of his true worth and of the purity of his character. Dr. Cogshall read the obituary which showed Mr. James to have been 52 years of age at the time of his death, Sunday, Jan. 3, 1897. He had been twenty-three years in the active work of the ministry. The K. O. T. M. of which Mr. James was chaplain, who were represented by about thirty Sir Knights, had charge of the remainder of the service, when the large congregation was permitted to view the remains and look for the last time here on the face of one whom all had learned to love. The funeral was attended by a brother of the deceased, Mr. E. P. James and wife, a brother-in-law, John M. Bayes, and his little girl, all of Homer; Rev. C. W. Marshall of Wayland, Rev. R. D. Freeman of Irving, Rev. Mr. Boon of Caledonia, also the Rev. Mr. Cogshall. The remains were taken, on the 7:35 a. m. train Wednesday, to Homer, Michigan, for burial.
Watch for program of the band concert to be given the 20th inst.
I am paying the highest market price for poultry. 53-3 Wm. Corson.
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A state farmers' institute for Allegan county is to be held in Allegan Jan. 11 and 12, 1897. A. A. Crozier of the Agricultural college will be the operator. A woman's section will be conducted Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. Ella Rockwood of Flint.
The old lady was right when she said, the child might die if they waited for the doctor. She saved the little one's life with a few doses of One Minute Cough Cure. She had used it for croup before. Dr. Nelson Abbott.
HAVE YOU A COLD?
If so, then instead of taking so much quinine and other strong medicines, take a pleasant and mild stomach and bowel remedy, which will cleanse the system, and you will be surprised how quickly the cold will leave you. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin will do this better than any other. Trial size 10c (10 doses 10c), large sizes 50c and \$1, at J. W. Armstrong's.
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"Excuse me," observed the man in spectacles, "but I am a surgeon, and that is not where the liver is." "Never you mind where his liver is," retorted the other. "If it was in his big toe or his left ear DeWitt's Little Early Risers would reach it and shake it for him. On that you can bet your gill-lamps." Dr. Nelson Abbott.
The Czar of Russia has turned down the plan for the introduction of the gold cure in that country.
For a pain in the chest a piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on over the seat of the pain, and another on the back between the shoulders, will afford prompt relief. This is especially valuable in cases where the pain is caused by a cold and there is a tendency toward pneumonia. For sale by J. W. Armstrong, druggist.
The 32d annual reunion of the 13th regiment, Mich. Inf. will be held in the G. A. R. hall, North Rose st., Kalamazoo, Mich., on Jan. 14 and 15, 1897. Everybody come.
Yours in F., C. and L.
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I am a trained nurse. Seven years ago my weight was reduced 36 lbs. by a harmless treatment; have not regained; health is perfect; will tell you how it was done. I have nothing to sell. Address with stamp Mrs. Kathron A. Wagner, 611 Wells St., Chicago, Ill.
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9 Bars Lenox Soap	.25	Heavy wide Shirting	8c
Arm and Hammer soda	.05	Very Best Prints	5c
All package coffees	.18	Staple Ginghams	5c
Very best XXX oil	.07	Buffalo Flannels	29c

Shoes.		Cloaks.	
Ladies' \$3 and \$3.50 at	\$2.48	Ladies' \$12 to \$15 at	\$9.75
Ladies' 2.75	at 2.00	Ladies' 8 to 10 at	6.75
Ladies' 2.00	at 1.78	Ladies' 6 to 8 at	4.75
Ladies' 1.50	at 1.33	Ladies' Flannelette Wrap- pers, good patterns, full skirt, \$1.35 and \$1.50 grade at \$1.19.	

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