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senior vice president, ALONZO ZIMM, junior vice president, Lewis A. Olm- ons; quartermaster, William M. Davis; chaplain, Jerome J. Turner; officer of the day, John Groat; surgeon, John Curley; guard, M. F. Farley; dele- gates, James O. Spencer, William M. Davis, Shep L. Vibbard; alternate, John Groat. All of the above named officers were unanimously elected, making 18 years that James O. Spencer has been elected commander. There was a large attendance of comrades, and after the election of officers, a nice banquet was served in post room by John Groat.

A Valuable Gift.

Basing his claim on the averment that he is the legal heir of James Monroe, fifth president of the United States, Dr. R. H. Cabel of Chilli- cothe, Mo., has written to Senator Stone and Representative Champ Clark of that state asking that they in- troduce a bill directing the secretary of the treasury to turn over to him a valuable cask which he declares is now held in a vault in the treasury department.

The cask, according to the writer, was proffered as a gift by Japan to President Monroe in 1823. Congress never authorized the president to receive the gift and pending action by congress it has been held in a vault since 1823.

Dr. Cabel writes that he has been advised that the cask was found in the treasury in 1886, where it had been overlooked for 63 years. The cask contains, according to the claim- ant, "diamonds, pearls, attar of roses and a lump of gold."

Dr. Cabel's mother, he says, was a niece to President Monroe, being the only daughter of Monroe's brother. Another brother of President Monroe died childless.

Out for the Coin.

A young man who works in a Chestnut street store was invited to his employer's home for supper, re- cently. The purpose of the invitation was to introduce the young man to the employer's daughters. After supper the old man said: "Yes, I am proud of my daughters, and would like to see them comfortably married, and as I have made a little money, they will not go penniless to their husbands. There is Mary, 25 years old, and a really good girl. I shall give her \$1,000 when she marries. Then comes Rose, who won't see 35 again, and I shall give her \$3,000. And the man who takes Eliza, who is 40, will have \$5,000 with her." The visitor reflected a moment and then inquired: "You haven't one about 60, have you?"—Philadelphia Times.

Fully Equipped.

A native-born American member of

Cheney was commissioned captain at its organization. He was engaged at the battle of Chancellorsville and was captured by the enemy at Gettys- burg. On the ninth day of his cap- ture, while marching under guard through a piece of woods near Martins- burg, he broke from the ranks and ran, was hotly pursued into the woods, but escaped and was a fugi- tive for 22 days before he reached the Union army. Colonel Cheney's account of his escape from the South- ern forces is both thrilling and in- teresting and he has been called to recount this chapter in his life. Captain Cheney was promoted to major and then to lieutenant colonel in March, 1865.

After the war Colonel Cheney took a prominent part in the affairs of his town and county and in 1876 and 1888 was member of assembly from Cattaraugus county and was an hon- est and conservative legislator. Colo- nel Cheney was engaged in agricul- tural pursuits until 1881, when he entered the United States mail ser- vice as railway mail clerk. He is probably the oldest mail clerk in that branch of the service. For 20 years Colonel Cheney has made Roch- ester his home. He lives with his daughter, Mrs. Cassius C. Wood, at 96 Jefferson avenue.

Colonel Cheney was three times married, first to Mary J. Foote, daugh- ter of Harvey Foote, of Deerfield, N. Y., second to Mrs. Frances D. James, of Freedom, and third to Mrs. Sarah Beers, of Rochester. His last wife died in 1906.

Colonel Cheney is a man of striking personal appearance, is athletic and active and judging from present in- dications bids fair to become a nono- genarian in the service of Uncle Sam. He is an active member of First Baptist church and one of the "young" old members of the famous Hubbell class.—Post Express.

Two Little English Words.

Esau Wood sawed wood.
Esau Wood would saw wood.
All the wood Esau Wood saw Esau Wood would saw. In other words, all the wood Esau saw to saw Esau sought to saw.

Oh, the wood Wood would saw!
And, oh, the wood-saw with which Wood would saw wood!

But one day Wood's wood-saw would saw no wood, and thus the wood Wood sawed was not the wood Wood would saw if Wood's wood-saw would saw wood.

Now Wood would saw wood with wood-saw that would saw wood, so Esau sought a saw that would saw wood.

One day Esau saw a saw saw wood as no other wood-saw Wood saw would saw wood.

In fact of all the wood-saws Wood



requirements of the season. There ar- sides hundreds of and beautiful thing- clusive in design

not to be found elsewhere than There surely is more pleasur Christmas shopping when you can cl from such varieties as these.

The Store of Good Servi

From now until Christmas goo vice will be a thing that count much. Thousands of people will to the store for their holiday sho because they know they can find ju things they want at the price they to pay. But many more will con cause this is the helpful store, the of good service. Courtesy, intellig promptness are as much a part o service we give as quality is of the chandise we sell.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Deeds Recorded in County Clerk's Office Since Our Last Report.

- Allegheny—C. A. Bucher to Jacob W Bucher, Nov. 11, 09, \$1.
- East Otto—Electa Utley to Jos. H. Phillips, Dec. 9, 09, \$1.
- Ellicottville—Jennie Winsor to Chas. L. Randall, Oct. 9, 09, \$900.
- Humphrey—Fred E. Lynn and wife to Jason D. Case, Nov. 24, 09, \$1.
- New Albion—Charles M. Rumsey, et al., to Ralph Young, Nov. 25, 08, \$4,300. Wm E. Mosher and wife to Oel L. Bailey, Dec. 7, 09, \$830.
- Olean—Wm. Woodruff, by referee, to Nellie Fitzgerald, Feb. 25, 09, \$705.
- John Pedlo to William Wint., May 6, 03, \$50. John P. Craker, by guardian, to Louis K. Foote and one, Oct. 27, 09, \$—.
- Lydia F. White to Clara J. Luther, Dec. 8, 09, \$1.
- Otto—Perus Bull to Alton C. Bull, June 29, 01, \$200.
- Portville—Catherine Archibald, by referee, to Nellie Fitzgerald, Nov. 2, 08, \$425. Isaac Rood to George Bur- lew, Nov. 23, 09, \$450. Albertina Wendell to J. W. Fairchild and one, Sept. 30, 08, \$1.
- Randolph—Leigh G. Kirkland to Frances A. Kirkland, Dec. 2, 09, \$2,200. Emma L. Hemenger to Jay S. Burley and one, Oct. 13, 09,

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