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MRS. M. PARRISH. GENERAL MERCHANDISE

Those who are in search of the very best goods at the lowest prices should not fail to take advantage of the



-0-0-0-WE CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO OUR IMMENSE STOCK OF-0-0-0-

Yarns, Flannels, Jeans, Blankets, Comforts, Hosiery, Notions, Velvets, Etc., Etc.

We have a complete line of gents' Furnishing Goods, Clothing, Overcoats, Hats, Caps, Boots and Shoes. Our line of Gloves will be sold below cost.

READ THIS LIST OF ARTICLES AND PRICES:

Star Tobacco, 40 cents per pound.
All other Brands of Tobacco, 35 cents per pound. Soda, best in the market, 5 cents per pound. Arbuckle's Coffee, 19 cts per pound. Best Brown Coffee, 5 pounds for one dollar. Prunes, finest in the market, 5 cents per pound.

Best Flour, fifty pounds for one dollar and ten cents. Fine Syrup, 30 cents per gallen. Best Pepper, 30 cents per pound. Best Baking powder, 25 cents per pound Our Best Tea. 35 cents per pound.
Starch, best in the market, 6 pents per pound.

Nice White Honey in comb, 10 cents per pound. Tomatoes, two pound can for ten cents. Best Canned Corn, two pound can for ten cents. Best Canned Peaches, two pound can for 15 cents Twenty-one pounds of Good Sugar for one dollar. A nice Lamp trimmed for 35 cents.

All kinds of Queensware and Glassware at correspondingly low prices, and many other things in the grocery line too numerous to mention. These prices will be given until further notice for cash or produce. Come and see us and save money as we mean to sell exclusively for Cash, and many the lowest prices in the county. Produce always taken in exchange for goods at the best prices. Anyone wishing to buy the entire stock, it can be always taken in the county.

PARRISH,

On the west side of the square, keeps on hand the best stock of

GROCERIES! -:-

As the Holidays are approaching call and see us, we carry the most desirable goods to be found on the market. And we allow no goods to become stale with us.

THE BEST SELECTED STOCK OF THE FOLLOWING GOODS IN THE MARKET:-

SYRUP,

SPICES, , FOREIGN & DOMESTIC DRIED FRUITS,

FLAVORING EXTRACTS,

HOLIDAY CANDIES,

SUGAR,

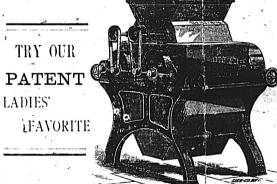
CANNED GOODS,

CRANBERRIES,

FLOUR,

NEW ROLLER MILLS

Will say to the Farmers and Public generally of Moultrie County: Call and give me a trial. I Guarantee my Flour to be unexcelled by any in the State or Money Refunded.



CALL-FOR OUR

STRAIT BELL OF

THE PANTRY

Wheat taken on exchange. Will give from 28 to 35 pounds flour per HATS, CAPS AND GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS

CASH PAID FOR GRAIN. All orders filled at short notice from merchants. Merchants from adjoining towns please write me when you desire to try us. Call and see us before buying elsewhere. Kindly soliciting the trace of all. Respectfully.

AGRICULTURAL

A. T. JENKINS, --- DEALER

GLASS AND QUEENSWARE,

Plain and Decorated Lamps, Woodenware, Stoneware and every thing usually kept in a First-Class Grocery.

We will buy your Poultry, Butter and Eggs and pay you the highest market price in cash or trade.

WEST SIDE GROCER, SULLIVAN, ILI

emer

Plows, Cultivators, Harrows, Cheek Rovers, Corn Planters and Pumps constantly on hand, and sold on the best of terms. Agent for the Columbus Buggy, and Birdsell Buggy and Spring Wagon, the best in the market. IIAM-ILTON CULTIVATOR is without an equal. McCormick Harvester. Binder and Mower, the best made; Manny Mower and the Key Stone Disc Harrow.

Mason & Hamlin and Esty Organs, and Decker & Methusek Pianos GROCERIES, QUEENSWARE A. T. JENKINS,

We are still in the field with a full stock of Groceries, Wrockery,

GLASS AND QUEENSWARE. We are ready to supply your wants at

PRICESTO SUIT THE TIMES!

Poultry and country produce taken in exchange for goods. Give us a call on 1-5m the East Side of the Square, Sullvan, Illinois.

R. McCLURE.

ILLINOIS.

GO TO ANSBACHER'S FOR THE GREATEST AND BEST

OF CLOTHING:

Eyer shown in Moultrie County. My stock has been selected with care, and I flutter myself that I can please you. If you want a dress suit made to fit as well as any custom made suit, come and see me.

A FIT GUARANTEED OR NO SALE.

__ALL OF WHICH WILL BE SOLD-

NORTH SIDE SQUARE

SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS.

SMYSER'S GROCERY HOUSE.

-Don't fail to go to see-

-He has the most complete and varied stock of-

WOODENWARE, ETC.

I call especial attention of ladies to my new and elegant display of faney glass and Queensware, the

NEST EVER EXHIBITED IN SULLI

And more coming. My Nos. 23, 38 and Mc-maja are without comparison. I am still selling Golden Crown Flour. Thanking you for past patronage, I Remain,

SMYSER, THE GROCER.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

Lunch baskets at H. & R's. 52-tf Cloaks of all kind at Mayer's, 49-1f All kinds of Xmas fruit at Haydon's2 Go to Scott Sisters for your millinery. Blankets and comforts at Mayer's, 9tf Birchfield's is the place to stop. 1-2 Varner, four blocks west of the square.3 Go to P. A. Burk for your cheap can-

Take your hides and pelts to Miller & Co. 1-2

For fancy holiday eards, call on

Call on J. R. McClure for holiday TIN. 35-tf Red coal oil for sale at Harris' drug

store. 44 tf Insure your property with Geo. W.

Paine. 23-tf Go to Birchfield's for good shaves.

School teachers, go to Haydon Bros

Boots and shoes and rubber goods at Mayer's. 49-tf

Children's jersey cloas and caps at Mayer's. 49-11

Smoke Sucker State, 5 cents at Hay-Don't forget about those bargains at

All kinds of fancy yarns at Dobson &

For bargains in rubber goods call at

M. Layman's 1-3 Candy in one and two pound cartoons

Lunch, hot coffee and oyster stews Brosam Bros. 52-3

Buy your flour, meal and groceries of J. R. McClure, 4-2

Ladies, stop at Birchfield's for work done. East side, 1-2

Millinery goods of all kinds at Dobson & Anderson's. 1-3

Remember that Birchfield has come to stay. East side. 1-2

Let everybody live, and buy their eandy of Brosam. 52-3 New and fresh candy and toys at

Marshall & Hale's. 1-2 Iarshall & Hale's. 1-2

New goods arriving every day at Belle of the Pahtry

the Palace store. 32-tf "Three_log of bread at Brosam

34-tf ld's for a first-class

at-Clarksdale over Sunday. Clean plucked chix and turk for holi-

day trade. - [SMYSER. 52-3 Dried Auits of the finest kinds for the holidays at H. & R's. 52-tf

Call and examine the stock of yarns and flannels at Mayer's. 49-tf

You can buy coal of Paine as cheap as any place in the city. 50-tf

Finest line of dressing cases in city at S. D. Patterson's. 51-3

The best eigar in town is the Inimitable at Livers' drug store. 51-4

Don't fail to see Patterson's holiday goods before purchasing. 51-3

The latest shades in dress goods, and dress flannels at Mayer's. 49-tf

A new invoice of ladies' coats and toboggan caps at the Palace: 1-2

Go to the Palace for cheap clothing and men's furnishing goods. 1-2

Mayer's is headquarters for winter goods of every description. 49-tf

Ladies furnishing goods for the hol-

wear of all grades at Mayer's. 49-tf Eadies', misses' and children's tobog-

gan caps and hoods at-Mayer's. 49-tf

Dr. Scott's dental office is open every day. South side, Sullivan, Ill. 49-tf

Thoroughbred Plymouth Rock roosters for sale by Chas. T. Harris. 48-1f

Try Marshall & Hale's south side res-

Parties having friends visiting them will please notify. THE NEWS reporter If you want the best organ that is

You can bay a doll at Brosam's at your own price. Go and see what it is. 52-3

Take your butter and eggs to P. A. store. 1-2 Burk and get the highest market price in trade. 1-2

Mayer has the largest stock of ladies', misses' and children's wraps in the county. 49-tf

Why not go to P. A. Burk for your standing lamps? Y cheapest there. 1-2 Your can get them

The highest market price in goods ro cash for poultry, eggs and butter at J.R. McClure's 52-2

Books, games, toys, jewelry and everything nice for Xmas at Lilly's, Eden house building. 1-2

2. 160 acres of good land for sale cheap. Terms reasonable. Call on Wm. Kirk-wood, Sullivan, Ill. 47-tf

The biggest variety of men's shoes in town; direct from the manufacturers.—

[Mat Layman, Agent, 1-3]

Go to Marshall & Hale's for holiday ties contemplating buying will do goods, on the south side of the square. to call on or address, T. J. Hill, Now goods and low prices. 1-2

Those knowing themselves indebted Cloaks of all kind at Mayer's. 49-tf to'R. B. Utterback will please call and Oysters in every style at Haydon's 12 settle as I need the money. 44-tf Don't forget that Brosam Bros. store

Postoffice corner for holiday goods. 3 has the largest stock of candies in town with prices to suit the times. 52-3 Buy your flour of P. A. Burk. Ol-

Christmas cranberries.—[SMYSER, 2-3] ney and St. Louis at \$1.20' per sack, Buy your fresh meat of Miller & Co.2 For holiday goods, silk mufflers, and

> Higginbotham & Reimund have the line of foreign and domestic dried

ket. 51-tf

novelties of all kinds, call on Millie

Bus to any part of the city. Leave calls at the Elen house. I will attend a 41 acre farm, in cultivation, drame all calls, day or night.—EDEN & MARIS house with four rooms, stable room for

A. T. Jenkins keeps constantly on hand the Estey organ, the best in the market. Call and see him before buying. 48-tf

Boot and shoe repairing done in good style and on short notice by G. H. Brown. Shop in the rear of Dunlap's store. 51-4

A new Chicago Cottage organ taken on advertising for sale cheap at this of-tice. Call and see it if you want a bar-gain. 44-tf

Student's note books, slates, standard examination paper, envelopes and paper for sale at postoflice by William Bucklen's Arnier Kirkwood. 45-tf

Five hundred different styles of autograph and photograph albums which I will close out "regardless of cost. [S.D. Patterson. 31-3]

Brotherton & Monroe will handle gives piles, or no pay required. It is coal at the Bristow dump. All orders guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, promptly filled and at reasonable prices. Give them call. 49-tf

If your wagon tire, is loose, or you want your horse shod, or any kind of blacksmith work done call on William Ham. Shop by Eden & Martin's livery stable. 40-tf

Mat Layman, the popular boot and shoe dealer, has a large quantity of overshoes which he proposes to sell during the holidays cheaper than anyone in the county. 52-3

be sold very low. 1-3

Be sure and call for Ennis' 4 unsurpassed money refun

James Whitfield visited Will Dawson tred by treampagers. 1-1

Call at the Farmers' store for grocer-

Itch, Prairie Mange, and Scratches of every kind cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. Use no other. This never fails. Sold by C. T. Harris, druggist, Sullivan. 7-ly.

Having sold, out, I take this method of asking all those indebted to me to eall and settle immediately, for I must have money. It will save you costs by so doing.—[Dock Patterson. 51-tf

EDUCATIONAL .- Notice is hereby giv-

Good salaries on commission to men. paper.)

Higginbotham & Reimund have and get a trial bottle free. A brand new stock of mea's fine shoes. [Mat Layman, Agent. 1-5]

Ladies', misses' and children's undergone. 51-tf

Don't forget to call at Smyser's for Belle of the Pantry and Ladies Favorite Out of 175,000 pounds sold in thirty days run made at the Bethany Mills.

The following official bulletin from the Sweetwater Record: there has never been a complaint. - [A

Save doctor bills by using at proper time Newborn's antibilious pills for bil-iousness and indigestion. Teaberry Gents, remember that Birchfield keeps first class razors for sale. East side 1-2

Particle 1 - 2

Particle 2 - 2

Particle 3 - 2

Particle 2 - 2

Particle 3 - 3

Particle 4 - 3

Particle 5 -

All persons indebted to me by note or account age requested to make pay-ment at once as I have waited on you If you want the best organ that is made and on easy terms call on Elliott.
One thousand pounds of eandy that must be sold. Price it.—[SMYSER. 51-3] alent.—[WM. KIRKWOOD. 46-tf.

See the holiday display of fine glass-ware and queensware at H. & R's. 52-tf

You can bay a doll at Brosam's at watches with elgin movements for \$20.

Considerate the same of going to Decaum to buy goods when you can buy them them at home for less money. Gold watches with elgin movements for \$20. Silver plated easters for \$3. Gold spec-tagles for \$4. 'at Lambrecht's jewelery

HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS.—The P. D. & man court in tickets December 24th, 25th and 30th, and January 1st, to all stations on their dead. line at rate of one and one-third fare for round trip, tickets good to return until January 3rd.—[F. W. HENLEY, Agent.

Everybody likes it. Any person sending fifteen cents to the advertising department of the Wabash route, St. Louis, Mo., will receive by return mail a handsome, well-bound book, entitled "Social Amusements," containing all the latest and most novel parlor games, charades, etc. The best publication ever issued for anyone giving an evening party. . 51-tt

Kansas and Minnesota lands for on easy terms and at low prices. at Sullivan, Ill. 31-tf

We have money to loan on improved arms in Moultrie county at lowest current rates. Loans closed promptly. Correspondence solicited.

BRINKERHOFF & OLIVER. Springfield.

To Whom it May Concern.

LAKE CITY, Ill., Dec. 14, 1886. My wife having left my bed and and board without any just cause or provocation. I hereby notify all persons finest line of foreign and domestic dried fruits that can be procured in the market. 51-tf Isaac N. Saffle.

four horses, good well of water, land well tiled lying one mile north of cast of Sullivan, in Coles county, just across the Moultrie county line. Will be sold on easy terms. Enquire at this office.tf

A two-thirds interest in a tile factory winter and summer, at Gays, Moultrie county, Ill. Splendid location, machinery all new. No. 4 clay from five to eight feet deep Address, H. C. Misen-

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world, for bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, chapped hands, chilblains, corns and all skin eruptions, and positively or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by S. D. Patterson.

Ballard's Horehound Syrup. Messrs. Barber Bros, Law Kan., write: We always recommend Ballard's Horehound Syrup to our customers because it gives better satisfachave ever sold. Ballard's Horehound Syrup, for consumption, coughs and coughs, colds, bronchitis, asthma. eness and all affections of the thest and lungs yield at once to ful curative powers.

> 's Snow Linimon is a positive pralgia, lame 4

a free trial bottle at

chest, old sores, wounds, spra all bruises. It is the most pen ies and clothing. We propose to close out our clothing cheap for cash. A lot of boys' vests at fifty cents, worth one dollar.—[A. B. McDavid. 51-4] chief the worst case of crons. It is an elasticity; rubbed on the throat it will cure the worst case of croup. It is an absolute specific for corns. Iruises. chapped hands, etc. Ladies will find it particularly effective in lame back. S. D. Patterson, agent.

Active, Pushing and Reliable

S. D. Patterson can always be relied upon to earry in stock the purest and best goods, and sustains the reputation of being active, pushing and reliable, en that I will hold a public teachers' by recommending articles with well esexamination December 25, 1886, at the tablished men't and such as are population. by recommending articles with well espublic school building in Sullivan, Ill. lar. Having the agency for the cele--[B. F. Peadro, County Supt. 51-tf brated Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, will and women to act as local or traveling agents. No experience needed. Steady work.—[James E. Whitney, Nursery-surely cure any and every affection of man, Rochester, N. Y. (Mention this the throat, lungs or chest, and in order to prove our claim, we ask you to call

> A Business Sheriff. [DUBLIN (TEX.) TELEPHONE

The newly elected Sherift of Nolar county wants his people to understand that he means business from the start. The following official bulletin is dipped

NOTICE. This is to inform all citizens burg, and strangers sojourning the that on and after this date.

MONDAY, NOV. 8, 1886, it will be unlawful for anybody t carouse or whoop

On and after this date there in this town also

No more compelling people to drink when they don't feel like it. No more shooting of plug hats

No more short card games of c No more drinking whiskey out of oottles when the bars are open. No more noisy deviltry.

Any man riding or driving a into a public bar will be shot. Any man or men compelling :

nan or men to dance will be shot man raking down the pot at poker out the cards to back it up will be shot

Tramps, tin horn gamblers, door lunchers, beggars, boneyard mers, horse thieves, three-card men, swill pail scrapers and coffin demolishers are

WARNED AWAY EROM THIS BUIL It is the determination of the new administration to usher in an era form, and all good citizens will array themselves on the side of the law others will be turned over to the cor-SHERIFF JA

CASTORIA,

* For Infants and Children.

children that I recommend it as superior to any prescription known to me. Kills Worms, gives sleep and promotes in the superior to any prescription known to me. H. A. ARCHER, M. D., 111 South Oxford street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

"CASTORIA is so well adapted to CASTORIA cures Colic, Constipation digestion without injurious medication. The Centaur Company, 182 Fulton street, N. Y.

H. MINOR & CO., DRY GOODS.

GREAT BARGAI for cash money.

H. M. MINOR & Co.

well supplied with pipes for running Now have a complete line of general merchandise which they are offering at greatly

Reduced

cuts for the next thirty days for Cash or country Produce. They have a large stock of Boots, Shoes, Hats and Caps, Gloves, Millinery Goods, Etc., that will suit Anybody.

$\mathbf{AT} \cap \mathbf{REDUCED} \subset \mathbf{PRICES}$.

Also a fine line of Ladies' Cloaks and Dress Goods. Jerseys offered for less Money than in any other Market: Bed Comforts, Blankets, Hosiery and Notions in great varieties. A fine line of

MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING.

A nice stock of good jewelry has been added to the stock at J. P. Lilly's book store. Eden house buildig. This stock syrup not only consists of the latest patterns and will coughs, colds, bronchitis, asthma.

Syrup, M. Consisting of Overcoats, Suits, Pants, Overalls, Work shirts, Etc., just received. We also have a full line of Groceries, Queens and Glassware, including 100 coughs, colds, bronchitis, asthma.

Lamps for less than cost. Come at Lamps for less than cost. Come at once and secure bargains as these prices are only

FOR THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS.

H. M. MINOR & CO., LOVINGTON.

& I LANDERS OLD STAND

Thomas A Hollonbeck, successor to Dr. J. A Dunlap, has opened out at the same place, West Side of the Square, and intends to keep a choice selection of

'amily Groceries,

CLASS AND QUEENSWARE.

Which will be sold at the Lowest Living

Country Produce of all kinds taken in Exchange for Goods at the

Highest Market Price Allowed.

Danville and City Mills Flour for sale, every Sack being warranted. Call on me for Plain and Fancy Candies bought for

HOLIDAY TRADE.

It will be sold at rock bottom prices. Call in W. D. EWING. G. J. GRAMMER, General Manager, Traffic Manager, E. O. HOPKINS, G. T. and P. A.

PROFESSIONAL.

(LEO. P. CHAPMAN, hardware, tinware and

OR A QUARTER OF A CENTURY—William Thuncmann has furnished harness for the farmers of Moultric county. His work is his best recommendation.

IS AGENT FOR THE Home Insurance Company. Office in the Court House, Sullivan, Illinois. A. F. ROBINSON.

CITY LIVERY STABLE.

Good rigs; splendid accommodations; easy terms. One block north of square, Sullivan, I inois. 16-1ly

GEO. M. WILLIAMS,

UNDERTAKER AND EMBALMER. Office on northeast corner square, Sullivan, Himois.—Calls attended to day and night, 16-ly

W. E. STEDMAN, M. D. PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON, Sullivan, Illinois. Office on wes side of the square over the bank.

W. H. SHINN,

ATTORNEY AT LAW, Office over postoffice, Sullivan, Illinois.

S. W. WRIGHT,

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, Makes deeds, mortgages, and general conveyances. 1-lly ...

S. W. WRIGHT,

WRIGHT & EDEN,

Make abstracts of title to any lands in Moul trie county, Illinois. Office southeast corner of court house. 1-lly. WALTER ROSE,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, Office with W. H. Shinn, postoffice corner, Sullivan, III. 27-ly

WM. A. SMITH, M. D. PHYSICIAN & SURGEON

Office over Pifer's drug store. Special attention given to chronic diseases. All calls attended day or night. Lovington, Ills. 30-ly MEEKER & SMYSER,

Sullivan, Illinois.—Office on west side of square, over Chapman's hardware store.

J. MEEKER. S. M. SMYSER,
County Judge. State's Att'y.

ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

W. G. COCHRAN, L. H. POLLARD. Attorney at Law. Notary Public COCHRAN & POLLARD,

Office in Lovington Bank, Lovington, Ill. With F. M. Harbaugh, Sullivan, Ill. JOHN R. EDEN, J. B. TITUS EDEN & TITUS.

ATTORNEYS AT LAW. Office in Opera Building Sullivan, Illinois

WINOR &SPITLER, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, M ATTOINNEYS AT LAW, and land agents, Sullivan, Illinois, Office in Elder's Block. Will sell, purchase, rent and exchange lands and houses in Moultrie and adjoining counties. No charges unless the purchase, sale, rent or exchange is effected, will give special attention to collections and making of deeds and mortgages. Will attend promptly to all legal business, Persons wishing to sell or rent farms or city property are requested to give us a call.

DeLAND'S SODA.



For Baking Purposes. Best in the World.

TIME TABLES.

PEORIA, DECATUR & EVANSVILLERAIL-WAY, -Short Line Between the-NORTHWEST AND SOUTHWEST.

The favorite ronte for Burlington, Councit Riuffs, Omaha, Galesburg, Davenport, Rock Island, La Salle, Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapors and all points north and northwest. Connections made at Peoria in union depot, for all points in Iowa. Nebraska, Minnesota and Wisconsin. The most direct route for Nashville, Chatanoga, Atlants Macon, Montgomery, New Orleans and Jacksonville, Florida.

TIME TABLE. Trains passs Sullivan as follows: EASTWARD.

No. 2, Express
No. 4, Accommodation
No. 14, Freight
WESTWARD.

CONNECTIONS.

Through freight leaves Sullivan 5:12 a.m. arrives at Mattoon 6:20 a.m.
Through freight leaves Mattoon 2:00 p.m.
arrives at Sullivan 3:20 p.m.
Mattoon—Connects with I. & St. L. and Ills.
Central ruliroads.
Sullivan—W. St. L. & P. R. R. (Attamont branch.)

branch.)

Decatur—Connects with W. St. L. & P., I. B & W., and Ills. C. railroads.

Mt. Pulaski—Crossing Ills. C. railroad Spring field division.

Lincoln—Crossing C. & X. and C. H. & W. railroads.

roads.
Delavan—Crossing C. & A. Taliroad.
Pekin—Connects with W. St. L. & P., I. B. &
W. and C. S. & L. W. nilroads.
Peorin—Northern terminus connects with all
trains at union depot.
Evansville—With L. & N. R. R. for all pointe

THROUGH TICKETS TO ALL POINTS NORTH, EAST, SOUTH AND WEST. BAGGAGE CHECKED TO DESTINATION FOR RATES, TIME, AND RELIABLE IN FORMATION, APPLY

MAYER'S DRY GOODS STORE.

ANEW

SYSTEM!

It is none of your business whether this is a periodical January 1st swear off, or whether the grand jury have indicted us for extortion, or whether we have made money enough. The point that interests you is here, we promise you the

-=- LIVELIEST TIMES -=-

Watch us we mean business. To start these times we make the following cuts, catch on to the prices: Our entire Millinery to be closed without regard to cost. All Wool and French felt hats which have to start half price. All our tips worth from \$1.00 to \$2.50 per bunch at 65 cents per bunch. One lot of fine all wool Sateens, Tricots and Serges in the leading shades worth from 75 cts. to \$1.00 at 55 cts. per yard while they last. One lot of Ladies', Misses' and Children's wool hose worth 30 to 50cts.

AT 15 CENTS A PAIR.

On account of the backward as Jon we laited to move that Leggins, the entire lot of Ladies' Risses' and Children's, worth from 25 to 75 cts, choice thirty-five cents per pair. Lot of Ladies' skirts worth \$1. to be closed at 79 cts. All wool flannels worth 30 and 35 cents at twenty-five cts. Cloaks for one-half price, all sizes, Ladies' 30 to 44 bust measure, Children's 4 and 16 years.

M A Y E R!

The Best Factory Flannels worth 40 and 50 cents at 32 cents per yard. All wool Twilled Red Flannels worth 40 and 50 cents at 28 cents per yard. Big let of men's all wool shirts and drawers, sizes 30 to 44 at 80 cents. Worth \$1.25. Lot of Misses' and Children's Hoods choice 35 cents.

Worth 50 and 75 cents. Blankets and Comforts without regard to cost. Rubber and Leather Goods cheaper than anybody. The Best Brands of Rubber Boots, Shoes and Artics. Our stock of Velvets is large. We reduce to close. All Silk Velvets worth \$1.25 and \$1.50 at 90 cents per yard. Velvets ens in black and colors, plain, brocade and striped worth 75 cents and \$1.00 at 50 cents per yard.

POSITIVELY NO GOODS CHARGED!

KEEP YOUR GOOD EYE ON IKE MAYER,

OPERA BLOCK

SULLIVAN.

FARMER AND WHEEL; OR THE NEW LOCHINVAR.

ter hearer came)
Den't you see that there's a feller on a straddle of the same?" An' it was as nice a shaver as you'd see 'most any day. Who was traveling through the country in that onexpected way.

He was rather young on' han'som' an' as smil-

smite on us month.

Simile on us month.

Ikin glt a gal whose father fines my father on the south?

Iv.

was workin in my wood-house, on a snowy winter day.

It was workin in my wood-house, on a snowy winter day.

And Joshah Baker, Junior, couldn't get a civil word.

Simile on us month.

Ikin glt a gal whose father fines my father on the south?

Iv.

was workin in my wood-house, on a snowy winter day.

And reflectin on a letter that had lately come our way.

It was workin in my wood-house, on a snowy winter day.

And reflectin on a letter that had lately come our way.

It was workin in my wood-house, on a snowy winter day.

Kennedy settled in Marrowbor ship in 1828. Jacob McCun the deal could need.

An' Joshah Baker, Junior, couldn't get a civil word.

suys, "You're very fine:
But this gal that you are courtin' is Josiah's gal an' mine:
You're a mightly breechy critter, and are trespassin' all around."
Why, this very grove you sit in is Josiah's father's ground."
Then he rose up stiff an' civil, an' helped Belle browses the critical and civil, an' helped Belle browses the critical surface.

Theil he rose up, stiff an' civil, an' helped Belle heross the stile. Also put the masheen over, with a queer but quiet smile.

Then the wheel-scamp spoke up quiet, but as tory and place to trade.

Then I might have told my daughter that 'she two good buthr mills and Lovington'

ty is flat or level, the soil a black loam where the light shines but dimly from two to ten feet deep, and is one of As time passes, changes and rapid the greatest grain belts in the state.

trembling on his new.

And remarked: "I beg your pardon, if I've done you any harm. But so far as 'tre-pass' matters, I've relieved higg north, west and again meander-group to that load. enters the county in section 24, East have to wait for the next train. trespass' matters, I've relieved ing north, west and south-west, and you of that load.
Since the place I now am standing is, I think, the public road, the public road, and making numerous crooks and turns the public road, and this year sweet young have some yours may call.

But she's mine, sir, in another—and Josiah's not at all.

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Then the wheel-scamp spoke up more than if the words he meant:

If would like to wed your daughter, and have come for your consent.

She is very dear to me, sir, when we walk or when we wille:

Affil, I think, is not unwilling to become my cherished bride.

I can give her love and honor, and I ask of you no dower: The village of Bethany is fast becom- MINOR AND SPITLER, Wherefore, please bestow your blessings; we mills in the county, Sullivan having mills in the county, Sullivan having

Then I might have told my daughter that 'she one.

And remarked that on this question there is should be list one speech more:
But I rendered my decision in a flame of rightcous rage.
And I shouted, "You'd no business for to engage!

I was boeing in my cornfleld, on a spring day, Just at noon.
And acheurkin' in my stomach for the dinner trumpet's tune, And reflecting when my daughter should be more be gone."

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Dalton City, on the Peoria, Decatur & Eyansville railroad, and Lake City on the Midland are both surrounded with a rich agricultural district, both yours of the more be gone." And reflectin', when my daughter should be married, twould be best.

She should take Josiah Baker's son, who joins me on the west.

And consolidate our acres into one immense abode.

When my hired man says, "By ginger, look a-yender down the road!"

Well." I says, "my goodness graceffats! things is rather overgrown.

When a bugay wheel gets loosened and gets runnin' round alone."

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"Toommanded, very vexed;
"They'll be hustlin' off your daughters on a streak o' lightnin', next!"

An' we took Josinh's wagon, an' his old gray spayined mare.
An' proceeded for to chase 'em with no extra

Thus it will be seen that the sounty time to spare.

time to spare;
And Josiah whipped an' shouted—it was such a dismal pinch—

neuros of transportation by instrondin' as you please.

An' his pants' they signed a contract with his stockin's at the knees;

An' he had a pair o' treadles some at "inderneath his seat.

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Down the turnoise road we rattled; an' some sain in the genute without a vision in the genute with couldn't gain an inch!

Jonathan Creek being the only town-bown the turnpike road we rattled; an' some ship in the county without a railroad fellow loudly cried:

So storm the queer contraption by a workin' of his feet;

An' the sun decended on it in a mamer warm warm of the sun decended on it in a mamer warm decended on it in a mamer warm warm of the sun decended on it in a mamer warm warm of the sun decended on it in a mamer warm warm of the sun decended on it in a mamer warm warm of the sun decended on it in a mamer warm warm of the sun decended on it in a mamer warm warm of the sun decended on it in a mamer warm warm of the sun decended on it in a mamer warm of the sun decend An' he have nown to the house.

An' he heff two silver dollars in an easy-noticed spot.

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the greatest grain belts in the state. Strides are being made; and je who proposes to stop the wheels of time will are the Okaws, known as the East and find the car of progress will pull out West Okaws. The East or main branch from the depot on time, and he will

A CHRISTMAS GREETING

wheel here in your care.

And come back in fifteen minutes to arrange the whole affair.

And please do not touch the 'cycle'—'tis as comprise into the Obaco in southerly course and yet without a flaw,

or wheel here in your care, ing exchanged the word "Sulfays" for "Moultrie County." Not that to were 6, and flows in a southerly course and yet without a flaw, empties into the Okaw in section 17, stood that our paper is published in the township 13, range 6. Whitley Creek, interest of the whole county, Since father-in-law.

If this Mr. Baker junior follows up his glanewhich drains the southeastern part of taking charge of this paper we have thinks his cake is dough."

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Then he left us both suspectin' that he rather got the start, and the worker to make the News and recognition the southeastern part of Sullivan able and regular visitor to our many township. The West Okaw, which readers, and its appearance is as regutownship. The West Okaw, which readers, and its appearance is as regularly apart;

And the acres of the daddies seemed increasin'ly apart;

An we didn't wait to see him; but, with one impairment jets.

We shock four heads in concert, an' went back anount a mile and a half north of the both time and money to make it what coundy thelp reflectin', "He is steady the county line. It flows in a south- its name indicates, a newspaper. That like and cool.

'that wheel may be a folly, but it didn,t bring a feel."

westerly course through Lovington we have made mistakes, we are free to township and the northwest corner of admit to expect us to always be right Sullivan township, along the east side and never wrong, would be to expect I was on my stoop a restin', on a hazy autumn of Marrowbone township, touching the more of us than should be looked for in Ruther drowsy from a dinner that had just northeast Corner of Shelby county, a human being. But the year has passregrettin', when old Baker's an' my where it changes its course to south- ed, and it has been a pleasant year mas passhomestend jined in one.
That he wasn't to furnish daughter, an' I wasn't to furnish son.
So's to have my name continued, 'stead of lettin' it go down.
When Josiah Baker, Junior, came a-drivin' home Leon town.

We wasn't wasn't to furnish son.
So's to have my name continued, 'stead of lettin' it go down.

When Josiah Baker, Junior, came a-drivin' home Leon town.

We wasn't wasn't to contain the section words of kindness and good cheer have encouraged us to perseyere. We have Creek is the largest tributary of the added new presses and new type and And a little ways behind him came that wheel scamp, ridin' hard.

And they both to once alighted, an' came walkin' through the yard:

When, as fate was bound to have it, also came my daughter-Belle

From a visit in some neighbor's, lookin' year. er-Belle trait portions of Marrowoone township. Some neighbor's, lookin' very Besides the natural drainage hearly with a subscription list of 400 -to-day well: sweet an' well:

An' they stood there all together—that 'ere strange dissimilar three,

An' remained in one position—lookin' steady down at me.

Bes.des the natural drainage nearly with a subscription list of 200—10-uay we send out 1,600 papers. And flow we and what was known a few years ago say to one and all, if we have offended down at me. Then Josiah spoke up loudly, in a kind o' sudden pet,

"If this gal an' I's to marry, it is time the day was set!

For that one wheel feller's always 'round here contin' on the fy.

An' they say she rices out with him, in the highest and the ears the largest of any in the field.

Loyington is next in size to Sullivan. Here the and and dower, where fore, if she wants to have me, please to set the day an hour."

as swamp or waste land, is fast becoming a loam as mellow as an ash-heap, where the wornged you, we did not do it knowingly. We have wronged you, we did not do it knowingly.

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560 ACRE FARM.—Rich, black, roung prai-ić. All tillable, and has all been cultivated

73 ACRE FARM.—In Moultrie county, Illinels, about four miles from Sullivan. All under fence, with some cross fencing, and all tillable but about ten acres of timber and pasture. Soil principally black and rich, never failing stock water from living springs. Lor house with one room, also log stable, shed and corn crib. Title perfect. Price \$31 per acre; terms reasonable.

No. 30.

5.212 ACRE FARM.—Situated in Moultrie county, Illinois, within 214 miles of railroad station. All tillable, and the very best of soil. All under fence, with cross fences. Small young orchard of carefully selected fruit. Well of good water, house, burn, etc. Title perfect. Price \$40 per acre.

No. 109.

60 ACRE FARM.—In Moultrie county, Hinnois, about 64 miles from Sullivan. Dwelling house with three rooms, smoke house, stable, corn crib, orchard, garden, walled well of good water, etc. All under fence, and well drained. Living stock water. One half mile from residence to school house and 14 miles to church house. Title perfect. Price \$20 per acre.

160 ACRE FARM.—In Moultrie county, Illinois, about 44 miles from Sullivan, the county sent of said county. All rich, black, rolling prairie, and woll drained. All under fence, with cross fencing. Large dwelling house, burn, cribs, grannry, cic.; also well of good water, and small orchard. Title perfect. Price and terms very reasonable.

80 ACRE FARM.—In Moultrie county, Illinois, about 3½ miles from Sullivan. Dwelling house of four rooms, stable, orchard, etc. Two walled wells of good water. All under fence. About 55 acres tillable, and balance timber and pasture. About 54 mile from dwelling house to school house. If the perfect. Price \$57.50 per acre.

No. 111.

80 ACRE FARM.—In Moultrie county, Illinois, about 2 miles from railrond station, with postoffice, grain market, etc. All under fence, and well drained. Dwelling house with three rooms stable, etc. About 30 acres in cultivation, balance timbor and pasture. Title perfect. Price and terms reasonable.

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All other fence water and a nice cistern. Title perfect. Price and terms casy and reasonable, teet, grainary, crib, and other out-middings.

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No. 70.

54 ACRE FARM—In Moultric county, Himos, smiles, from Sullivan and 25 miles from

No. 82.

No. 110.

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83 ACRE FARM.—In Moultrie county, Illi-nois, two miles east of Williamsburg and just north of the Midland milroad. Rich, bluel-prairie soil. All tillable, and all under geo-fence. Small house and good stable. This farm belongs to fee, W. Leffler, and will be-thin a very reasonable price. Terms, two ments, the so one and two years, with 8 per cent, interest.

54 ACRE FARM.—In Moultrie county, Hii, nois, about 5x miles west of Sullivan, and about 3x miles from Bethauy. About 10 acres Hilable, about 5x acres of pasture, and about eight acres young timber. Dwelling house with three rooms, well, stable and smoke-house. Young bearing adple and peach orchard, also grapes and other small fruits, also living stock

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A DESIRABLE dwelling house of six good rooms, in the city of Sullivan, on one of the principal streets and four blocks from public school building. Walled well of never failing good water. A variety of choice fruits. Smoke and the new principal streets and four blocks from public good water. A variety of choice fruits. Smoke are and the new principal streets and four block of ground. Title perfect. Price, \$1400.

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Mrs. N. W. Lane has been quite sick with neuralgia.

All is quiet on the Okaw, the grand jury having adjourned.

Hillory Rhodes and wife were shopping in Sultivan Saturday

Call at the Palace and take advantage for the bargains offered. 2-1

R. T. Jones is assisting Higginbotham & Reimund in their Christmas trade.

The prices of corn and wheat are adacting. This is good news to the

Mrs. Mary.Whiting and her daughter. Carrie, have returned from their visit to Indiana. In the local of Rus Connard in re-

gard to his lost sow it was 250 instead of 150 pounds.

C. H. Bradley, of Lovington, spent Sunday with his cousins, George and Charles Dunscomb.

Mrs. Birchfield has moved to the Wash. Linder property where she will keep a boarding house.

Remember the Palace for your boliday goods and buy something useful as well as ornamental. 2-1 Higginbotham & Reimund have an

immense stock of Christmas goods. The show is worth seeing. In our local columns last week the

typo said "a gallon saloon at Cush-man" instead of at Hammond. Keep your head cool by keeping your feet dry. In order to do this go to Ut-terback for your toot wear. 2-2

J. A. Dunlap lett last Friday for a look through Missouri in quest of a location. He may be gone a month.

Read the ad. of Thos. A. Hollonbeck in this issue. He proposes to do a cash business and make prices a cordingly.

John Earp plead guilty last week to the charge of burglanding Lambrecht's store and was sentenced to two years at Chester.

J. D. Warren, chairman of the republican state central committee of New York, died at his home in Buralo Last

Geo, Brooks was murdered between Friday night.

The board of supervisor of last week. We will supervise proceedings now the supervise of last week.

E. B. Edőn is servied a berth with fee. Co., of St. Louis, and the had but six cents. He with the had but six cents and he had but six cents. He with the had but six cents and he had but six cents. He with the had but six cents and he had but six cents and he had but six cents. He with the had but six cents and he had but six cents. He with the had but six cents and he had but six cents. He with the had but six cents and he had but six cents. He with the had but six cents are held to be the had but six cents. He with the had but six cents are held to be the had but six cents. He with the had but six cents are held to be the had but six cents. He with the had but six cents are held to be the had but six cents. He with the had but six cents are held to be the had but six cents. He with the had but six cents are held to be the had but six cents. He with the had but six cents are held to be the had but six cents. He will be the had but six cents are held to be the had but six cents. He will be the had but six cents are held to be the had but six cents. He will be the had but six cents are held to be the had but six cents are held to be the had but six cents. He will be the had but six cents are held to b

W. Monroe of Mt. Pul

Dr. Driver lectured on "Longfellow in Mattoon last Thursday night. He also attended the funeral of Edward Steele on Friday and preached at the Methodist church Friday night.

Mrs. J. B. Titus and daughter Winnie returned from Chicago last Thursday, where they have been for several weeks past. J. B. now wears a smile on his face and is happy once more.

Now hear the children gayly shout half past four and school is out. And to the Palace they all go, for shoes, rubber gossamers and cloaks, to protect them from the rain and snow. 2-1

Mrs. Niles, the mother of Williams and David Niles, died at her home six miles southeast of Sullivan, last Saturday night, of dropsy. She was buried at the Whitley Creek graveyard on Monday.

Judge A. Thornton, Hon. W. C. Headen an lone of our rising young lawyers, E. A. Richardson, were professionally at the sitting of the Moultrie county circuit court last week.—[Shelbyville Democrat.

Mayer presents our readers with a page ad this week. In it you will notice the deep cuts in prices. These cuts are deep and mean business. at the front door-the grand jury has gone home.

Messrs. W. W. and Bus Eden, representing the St. Louis Barnard station-ery and blank book company, were in the city Tuesday. The boys are look-ing well and seem to be doing well.— Shelbyville Democrat.

Aaron Britton, formerly of this countv, but now of Correctionville, Ia., was visiting his brother-in-law, John Oakes the latter part of last week. He had been to Chicago with stock and stopped off on his way nome.

last Friday. He was 67 years of age, and had filled the pulpit at Charleston for twenty years. He was a grand good man and an eloquent preacher.

Young man Blue on Wednesday last weeck ejoped with old man Moore's daughter. They skipped by the limit ed for Stewardson and before the ink on this paper has lost its moisture the entire party will be Blue.—[Shelbyville

The Mattoon Commercial came to us last week in noliday attire. It consist-ed of twenty pages, printed on finely finished paper of a pinkish hue. We imagine we can see an improvement in the Commercial in the past twelve months. This issue is a daisy.

The casualty agent of the Illmois number of others took dinner with Central railroad company has paid to the Charley Reeyes last Saturday the administrators of the estates of Albert Dunlap, John McDonald and John Todd \$5,000 each. These were the parties killed at Savoy in the railroad accident on the 22nd of last month.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Moultrie County Park Association last Friday J: E. Eden and Chas Shuman were elected directors to fill vacancies. After the election a meeting of the directors was called and J. E. Eden was elected president and Chas Shuman treasurer.

Utterback is still on top and ready to sell you choice brands of boots and shoes, or he will bend the knee and condescend to take your measure and with his own hands make you a boot or shoe that will wear you from twelve to eighteen months and at the same time cure those corns. 2-1

Gambling has had a severe back set and it is to behoped that a quietus—will be put on this dangerous practice. It is fun at first but it generally leads to serious results. If a married man his place at night is with his family. The social game is intoxicating, and leads to neglect of business if nothing worse.

Buy goods of home mercants. They help school your children, make your roads, pay your taxes, and you lowe them your patronage, especially when they make prices as low as foreign merchants. And what is true in regard to merchants is also true in regard to printing and other branches of home industry.

Before adjourning the grand jury found lifty-eignt indictments. A good many were for gaming and winor offences. Some paid their a Sothershad their cases certified to the county court. By request we refrain from publishing any names, hoping that the

Newton and Falmouth on Monday, De-Cember 13th. His body was discovered-Tuesday morning. He had been to Vincennes on business and left there with \$800 on his person and when found he had but six cents. He was a prominent business man and had large saw

F. B. Wendling's lecture on the life of Grant, at the opera house last Wednestroe of Mt. Pulperior half a ground one. The last day night was a good one. The last our two specially worthy of mention the speaker getting off some fine trains or for Alls naving to refer to the last of the lecture deserved a larger house than was accorded to it.

We are under obligations to Dr. Lewis for a copy of the Telephone published in Erath county. Texas: bock knows a good thing when he sees it, and we thank him for this copy. shot that killed Haddock.

The Champaign County Herald, usual, came out in holiday attire last week on fine cream tint book paper. It consisted of twenty-four pages, filled with all that is interesting, while its advertising columns are the best evidence of the enterprise of the county's business men. Although it does not compare with the Old Settler's edition issued last July, yet, we know of nothing lake that heats it.

The Palace store under the management of Lane & Frazer is enjoying a healthly trade. Step in when you will you can see the ball rolling, first from one side of the house and then the oth-er, to the cashier who quickly returns it with the correct change. This system en ables one clerk to do the work of two where the clerk has to run to the money drawer and make change. And then their large and elegant room is so well lighted that a customer can see what he is buying. This no doubt is one of the causes that helps them draw die heavy visited Hammer trade that they are now enjoying.

Arthur.

David Magner ran on the road last

Wm. Pribble is visiting in George town.

Elder Rippy will preach here January 2nd. Miss Rebecca Martin is visiting near

Turcola. Mrs. Wm. Thomas visited in Bloom-

ington last week. There will be a Christmas tree at the Christian church.

Miss Daisy Wyeth of Bagdad is visitng Miss Emma Cox.

Henry Littleton is at Coles helping his brother on the farm.

Rev. Robert A. Mitchell, an eminent Joe Davis is able to be out again af-Presbyterian divine, died at Kansas, Ill., ter an attack of neuralgia.

T. L. Wiley was at Leroy

twite frequently to see his consir

ooking after his farm there Claude Binegar and John Hiday each Jack White of Williamsburg comes

Thomas McCord has enlarged his store and is filling it with new goods. Joe Hamburg has purchased an interest in J. B. Henry's blacksmith shop. Frank Sutton is building a black-smith shop and will be realy to do work in a few days.

Miss Etta Smith of near Gays, but now teaching school near her , was in our city last Saturday.

A. B. Howell and family and quite a number of others took dinner with Un There is a car famine on the I. M. R.

R. and as a result therefron we about to freeze for the want of coal. Mrs. Orvil Gibson was take't suddenly ill Sunday night. Dr. Kelley was called and she is doing nicely under his

little girl, and Isaac Ansel a little boy. They both arrived last Saturday a

Clarence Linn intends keeping posted on the news of the day and therefore subscribed for the MOULTRIE COUNTY

Thos. McCord had a car load of cast the to ship last week, but owing to the searcity of cars here, had to ship from

Frank Hunsaker and Ver Cox are going to Arkansas next speck to kill bath. "so look out for some blood-curde ling stories

like a love letter? Because is arrival is anxiously awaited and eagerly read when received. J. L. Sutton is talking of starting

a paper. John has the ability and is a good boy but he will have to issue an hourly edition to make it a success here Supervisor Jake Dumond visits here very frequently. It seems he has a

deep interest in this part of the county.

and even sometimes gets over into

W. H. H. Reeder is one of our mos useful citizens. He is an instrance and loan agent, makes deeds and mortga-ges, is a notary public, and also a notorious republicair.

Elder Barker has been hooting a re-vival at Union Chapel the last week and much interest was manifested. He preached an extra good sermon Sunday night to a crowded house,

Foster Cahill lost two calves a few weeks ago from black-leg (or gan-grene) Another was sick but cured it by the starvation treatment, said to be a certain cure. T report.

Mack Birch of Sulligan was less and before last in the capacity of said it seems strange to see a republicant to iff, but this is an era discicle reform," according to the lowers at Washington," you had

Control FranksM. Websel Cheek Sies in our site a second of the same fellow, notwithstanding his feat by the combined forces als Linder and Lansden at

Avnold fook the loves and trees and Lansden at the residence of Mes. A Cox in honor of her 25th birthur has from honor of her 25th birthur has from Lansden at the residence of Mes. A Cox in honor of her 25th birthur has from Lansden at the residence of Mes. A Cox in honor of her 25th birthur has from Lansden at the residence of Mes. A Cox in honor of her 25th birthur has form the residence of Mes. A cox everther, besides guests creat, who is a voung man, and bruised hur pretty badly.

Elder J. S. Clements returned to Sulfard has here forever have Utterback make your shoes. 2-1

For your own good we advise you to cast your eye upon the ad. of Lans & Frazer and see what's what. Their advice is in the right direction, so profit by it by seeing them.

All persons indebted to Doctors A. & S. E. Dunlap will save cost by calling and settling at once. We must have a settlement of some kind bearing the capitally so this winter.

Sylvester Grand where he will also conduct reveival meetings. He has been this fall and we hope he profit by it by seeing them.

All persons indebted to Doctors Lansden at the residence of Mes. E. Cox in honor of her 25th birthur has from Chesterville, Joliet and other distant cities. They had a magnificent stant cities. They had a m

.Christmas goods as cheap at Bruce of it we never knew any such person. is at any place

in this neighborhood last week Rev. Colston of Gavs, preached at the M. E. church last Thorsday night.

There will be a Christmas treat the badges.

Whitfield school house A grant the you suffer with dyspepsia and

is anticipated. Married, at the residence of the par-mts of the Bride, John Scribner to Miss Clara E. Walker, Esq. Fry officiating. We wish the young couple a, long and

happy lif vay from that terrible cough. Shiloh's cure is can buy the remedy for yon. Sold by C. T. Flour, Harris. 47-6-1 There is no use of going away from home to buy goods when you them at home for less money. \$1.80 per hundred-weight; teen pounds for one dollar, prices to suit the purchaser at eadbetter & Carter's. 2-1

Jonathan Cr Asa Johnson has built a new parn.

A. H. Bolia has built an addition to

Frank Writer and Mattoo

Misses Lucidiand and And visited Hammond ast week. warry and debating The business

society met last anday night. Mort Webb has sailt con new fence on his trum this fall.

James Puryis has bought fort of land from Benjamin Freeman Grant Daizey and E. Miller in ing corn on Salathial Miller Bement.

Uncle Benjamin Freeman going to Tennessee in a few spend the winter with his brother Will Louis returned from a synsit in West Virginia and The

He says there was a big snow

left Tennessec.

Dick Logsden started for in Springfield, Kentucky, Mordy, will spend Christmas with his there. His departure is much by his many friends.

HOWSTO SAVE MON

LANE & FRAZER, DRY GOODS DEALERS.

Don't Speculate in Mines.

Don't Speculate in anything that you are not convinced will pay you.

Don't go on anyone's bond.

Don't drink when asked to.

Don't drink when not asked. Don't buy anything you don't

Don't waste your time.

Dor't marry an extravagant

Pon't marry an extravagant

Don't marry a penurious man. Don't marry a penurious wo-

Don't get amusement crazy.

Don't get crazy at all.

Don't buy wheat and sell at a

Don't buy wheat at all.

Don't lend money.

Don't spend money.

Don't dabble in stocks.

Don't stay out late at night.

Don't have anything to do

Why is the More Letter? Because its arrival But Make Money and Save it, by Buying anything and everything that you want at the

PALACE

Where practical experience with economy in buying household goods has enabled even the most humble to butter their bread on the right side, put jelly on the other. and use cream in their coffee at all times.

LANE & FRAZER

Moore began to write poem the girl who cloped with an—"I was driven to it."

When baby was sick, we gave her Castoria, When she was a child, she cried for Castoria, When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria

Milton began to woo the muse when

Croup, whooping cough cotts immediately relieved by Shiloh's Gare. Sold by C. T. Harris. 47-6-1. A dumb belle-but, come to think

That hacking cough can be so quick-A. E. Richardson of Shelby ille was ly cared by Shiloh Cure. We guarant this neighborhood last week lee it. Sold by C. T. Harris. 47-6-1

> you suffer with dyspepsia and Tarris. 47-6-1

If your neighbor's limb you'd save Then scatter ashes on the pave. Sleepless nights made miserable by ()R BL()()D AND*LIVER SYRUP

The woman question-may I order a Other new bonnet? Catarrh cured, health and sweet breath secured, by Shiloh's Catarrh plaints, and all diseases indica-Remedy. Price 50 cents. Nazal injector free. Sold by C. T. Harris. 47-6-1

-the blind man. For lame back, side or chest, use Shiloh's porous plaster. Price 25 cents. Sold by C. T. Harris. 47-6-1

The man who would like to see you

Child: "Does the Lord take the

Child: "Oh, I thought he didn't, it takes our minister so long to tell him about things."

Cure is sold by us on a guarantee. It cures consumption. C. T. Harris. 47-6-1

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uterine functions, it cures all female
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A pearless remedy for Scrofula, White Swellings, Cancer, Erysipeias, Gout, Cronic Sores, Syphillis, Tumors, Carbuncles, Salt Relang, Malaria; Bilious Comting an Impure Condition of the Blood, Liver, Stomach, Bowels, Skin, etc. This Grand Remedy is composed of vegetable extracts, chief of which are Sarsaparilla and Stillingia. The cures effected are absolute. For sale by Har-

ris, Druggist. Mother: "No, my child, why do you [O][N F. HENRY & CO., N. Y. Vrite for Illuminated Book. 2e3w-1v

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"Does yere kape nothin' but dry ods here?" 'No, ma'am." "Thin here will I be after goin' for a water is silk?"

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COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

Todd's Point.

All claims due J. M. Parrish must be etitled immediately fo save costs. WALTER ROSE, assignce.

Okaw Bend.

Frank Bragg was yery sick with a sore throat recently.

Einis Weeks, who has been very sick is now convalescent.

Simean Downs expects to thresh his oats about Christmas.

Arthur Dancay, has been very sick. Dr. Kellar is treating him,

Wes Woods bought a bunch of nice cattle last week of J. K. P. Rose. Francis Osborn of Wyoming, former-

ly of this place, is here on a visit to his sister and many friends.

Tramps are getting to be numerous in this vicinity.

Several farmers in this vicinity are

hauling tile. John Kennedy is visiting home folks near Mattoon.

A mother at this place has named her little boy nothing.

R. W. Comstock has gone to Indiana

to see his best girl.

Blayton Doner visited his girl at Prairie Home last Saturdays

S. D. Freeland bought a team horses in Whitley township last week. The choir met on Monday night instead of Wednesday. Rev. Barber hav-

ing the pulpit on that evening. Perley Russel has not rented the farm where Caleb Clark lives as reported. An item in the contract in regard to hauling and putting in tile caused the parties to disagree.

Gays.

or has been on the killis weather is on the side its

holding a series of west church

Miss May Fulton has returned from a month's visit in Bloomington.

Monday, Dec. 13th, a daughter. Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh Jr. have returned to their home in Stockton.

Frank Clem, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is convalescent.

B. F. Peadro, county superintendent of schools, visited our schools last week. Mr. Miles Munson of Warrensburg is visiting his sister, Mrs. Jennie Walk-

Miss Kate Harrison has returned going to his office and equipping him-rom Carbondale, where she went some self, he soon stood in his back door are or four months since 10 visit with his kands full of the necessary imfrom Carbondale, where she went some three or four months since to visit friends. She reports having had a splendid time.

Dalton City. Capt. J. A. Freeland went to Decatur

John Blackwood's beaming counte- ed groans there came roars of laughter

nance was seen here Monday for the from a house full of friends. To make first time in a long while. Why can't Dalton City have a fire which had teaten him home, was in the

why can't Daiton City have a fire alarm bell, so that in case of another fire the town can all be aroused at once? By all means let us have the bell.

The Dalton City cornet band will give a festival at McCarty's store room Christmas eve. Let everyone attend and standard sta

and spend a pleasant evening, and financialy assist the band.

Jacob Sheets brought in last Monday the largest steer ever brought to this market. His weight was 2,585 pounds. Mr. Sheets sold him to Blentz, of Decatur for six cents a pound, aggregating

\$155.10. About two o'clock Monday morning T. J. Freeland's residence in the east and of town was found to be on fire The citizens, aroused from deep sleep rushed to the assistance of the family On arriving at the scene of the fire it was concluded that there was no use to try to save the building. So all went to work with willing hands to try to save the household goods, about two-thirds of which was got out in good order. The fire is thought to have origthe family of Joe Dedman last week.

have been defective. We learn that
there was \$600 insurance, which will
not cover more than two-thirds of the

Mr. Osborn, of Texas, is visiting his Mr. and Mrs. Freeland have the sister, Mrs. Elsa Waggoner on Whitley sympathy of the community in the loss of their pleasant little home.

Cushman.

Shooting match to-day.

Who shot my. dog?[-GEO- KNIGHT. Tom Kenney went to Sullivan Mon-

W. D. Tateman moved to Steward-son this week.

The leading question: "Were you be-fore the grand jury?"

Go to A. Pierce, Cushman, for clean,

Pierce, is spending the holidays in our village.

Sullivan last Saturday.

Mrs. Tally at Effingham. Ask Andy Cunningham why he didn't

go to Sullivan last Monday. Ten Freeman returned one day last

George Pilcher of Edgewood, Ill., is visiting Joe Sharp and family.

C. H. McCoy was here Monday. He ume from a hunting excursion.

Rev. Laughlin of Bethany has been holding protracted meetings at Pull-

Lafe Bacon returned home one day st week. He has been staying near

O. T. and James Smith, who have been visi.ing in Kansas, returned home

Robt. Armentrout went to Chicago last Monday night with two car leads of fat cattle.

Crit Pierce's partnership in the store at Farlow was of short duration. He quit the business last week.

Wm. Spillman went to Etna on Friday last to attend the funeral of his grandfather, who died at the age of 86.

We are having a water famine. Many farmers have to haul all their water for family use and it is rather difficult to

Turkey shooting is now the order of Sew Hope. the day. They put up the turkeys and Capt. Freeland visited Decatur Months sportsmen shoot at a target. Thus avoiding the penalty.

Isaac, Thornberry and Wm. Spillman have each bought two lots of Robt. Armentrout and are to put up two dwellings at Coles as soon as the weather will permit.

A letter from Margaret Bloxom to: A letter from Margaret Dioxon to her parents states that she is married to Isaac Dodds. She went to see him by appointment, they haying corresponded for several months. They live near Stational Valuarity Ashland, Nebracka.

Mattoon Lodge A. F. & A. M. held beir annual election December 20. The following were elected: Frank M. Law-ler, W. M.; D. R. Springer, S. W. O. B. Weber, J. W.; L. Jennings, treasurer: S. B. Patheal, Secretary: J. B. Wolf, Chaplain; G. B. Shinn, S. D.: J. A. Wilson, J. D.; D. H. Barnett, Tyler; J. B. Kinser, S. S.: J. F. Kingston, J. S.

Lake City.

Mrs. W. A. Griffith has been visiting at Decatur.

The protracted meeting is successful-

The proving growthing of continuing.

Miss Mary Hogan has been employed of take the place of the Morrison growth and the place of the morrison growth and the place of the morrison growth and the place of the province of t to take the place of Moultrie county and

better than pulling teeth it is music. So he laid down his horn reluctantly, while it was plain to see his thoughts were not of the most pleasant. After

his surprise more complete the band

Steele Station.

Here is success to THE NEWS and all

Mrs. Z. B. Whitfield ra'sed 175 tur-

Mr. Shields, south of Coles, will

A merry Christmas to all.

86 years old December 25.

eys this year.

John McCartney and ship near Wm. Purvis'.

Joe Dedman sold the best lot of hogs They averaged 340 pounds.

profracted meeting at the Christian church on Christmas eve.

Mr. Shipman, of Coles, attended the Tue second quarterly meeting of the funeral of his grandfather at Etna last Betllany circuit will be held at Sanner week. He was 86 years old.

A young man in this neighborhood says all that will prevent his having as cher per than they were eyer sold in booming Christmas will be money pan-Bethany.—[J. H. VADAKIN.

shooting matches are getting to be very common. E. Grahamsis considered the best shot having taken six turkeys in as many shots.

Oliver Lewis recently borrowed a water tank and filled his well. When he went to water his horses that night the well was dry. He says his well. fraud and he is going to cut it up into post holes for the retail trade.

School closes Friday until January 3,

Mrs. Lou. Hardy visited Taylorville ast week.

Go to H. M. Minor & Co. for millinery

day goods in Lovington. The Misses. Fords of Maroa special

ted here Monday and Tuesday A little child of John Howell has been quite sick, but is improving.

H, M. Minor & Co. have a large stock f rubber goods, artics and gossamers.2 The largest and finest line of candies ver brought to Lovington at Riggin's. H. M Minor & Co. give four per

The ladies of the C. church will give a festival Friday evel. Let all at-

umbus, O., where she will reside in the The M. E. Sunday school will give

M. E. church. Mr. Plowman who has been visiting

in Murdock for the past week returned home Monday. The M. E. S. S. will have a snow nouse and Santa Claus on December, 24

School teachers and others. look your interest and buy your Christmas candies at Riggin's.

The teacher,s institute held here las Saturday was not very well attended account of the weather.

FReynolds, who has been o

patent for a machine a farm and will pay Also will sell a law M. at S. W. Morthland value.-[C. L. Lovington. 2-1 umes at one-half

CAMP. 2-4 Born, to Mr. and Mrs. A. Gaddist, mitteth birthday, his family and friends londay, Dec. 13th, a daughter. gave him quite a surprise. While he gave him quite a surprise. While he was attending band practice in the evening, the necessary arrangements were made, after which a boy was sent to missioner. Q . summon him home to extract a tooth for a lady who was suffering great pain. Now if there is anything the dortor likes

Bethany Ike Brightman is in Mattoon.

Asa Shuttleworth's babe is very sick. The terrified are returning one by

child. John Adams has returned from the

Sunday.

Monday.

iting his brother John. The finest line of holiday goods at Kennedy, Smith & Co's.

ing in this neighborhood.

. Tom Donahoe is at Dalton City put-

in a side track for the P. D. & E:

the Christian church Tuesday evening. Take your gun work to A. T. Lynn, Bethany, Ill. All work guaranteed. 2-1 Remember my reduced sales in gent's

furnishing goods, etc. -] J. H. VADAKIN. I am still selling boots and shoes cheaper than any body.—fJ. H. VADA-

W. K. McCullouch has obliged his Christian brethren by moving his wood-

Wright and moved to a farm near

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Martin of Cen Gordo were in Bethany Monday ar

Thos. Roney has rented his farm term of five years and will move Bethany.

Don't forget to go to Kennedy

Wilkinson Bros, have lately added a yan, have moved into Neson town-Mosler lire and burglar proof safe to ship near Wm. Purvis'.

I vill sell you hardware, stoves, etc.

Morris Hatfield is suffering from

Martin Bros., the photographers, will

Peter Brown was in the city Tuesday. Finest Christmas cards at Patterson's. Riv. J. H. Crowder will commence

Bear meat and venison at B. F. Sen-

Wm. Kirkwood is able to be out again.

McDavid bought over 100 turkeys Tuesday.

Fresh oysters for Christmas at Smy-er's 2-1

A large stock of mits and gloves at McDavid's Call on J. R. McClure for holiday goods. 2-1

Best goods, quality considered, at Livers'. 2-2

Five thousand books at Lilly's can suit you. 2-2 Mrs. A. B. McDaivd will spend Christ-

mas in Mattoon. Will Atchison, of Lovington, was in town last Friday

Cheapest and best overalls at the

Farmer's store. 2-1 Born, to Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Hager-

man on Monday night, a girl. P. A. Burk sells all kinds of lamps cheap for eash untill January 1st.

Albert Lynn, of Bethany, spent Sunday with J. L. Varner of this city. Ray Hollingsworth, of Loyington, pent Sunday here with his mother. thanks to express his thanks

The Christian church S. S. will give a

oncert at the church New Year's eve. A nice Christmas present is a Singer ewing machine. For sale by Elliott, 2

Mis. Kittie Seaney returned last Mon-

day from a protracted visit in Kentucky. Mrs. Rose Cox visited Mrs. McMillan at Paris last week. She returned home Monday.

The smoothest shavers and the best hair cutters are found at the North Side barber shop. 2-1 . Miller & Co. will butcher one of the

filmest beeves for their Christmas trade ever killed in Sullivan. Dick Mercer was recently married at

ermont, Ill., to Miss Ada Aringdale. Dick used to be one of our typos. To get value of your money: chew Quality and Quantity tobacco, at Spit-ler's, west side of the square. 2-3

Francis Farlow was found guilty of firing a pistol at a man named Smith and sentenced to one year at Chester. The M. E. S. S. will have a Christmas

tree at the church Christmas eve. good programme has been arranged. Milt David was married in his own house Wednesday morning, having pre-pared the cage before entrapping the

or will exchange for produce at Me-David's store on the corner. Give a call.

aris mas and the childrens toys with spectral play of week.

The Backhousens moved into the black of the black of the day of week. Ladies' hand bags, dressing cases, odor cases, hair Brushes, combs, per fumeries, etc. cheap at livery drug store. 22

I have just received a large invoice of grasswate for the holidays. Will be sold cheap until January 1st.—[P. A. Buen. 2-2

W. H. Shinn has been engaged in almost every case in this term of court and has been on the winning side near Hugh Morrison, who for three year

has worked in Chapman's tin-shop, has quit and returned to his home in Me-Coupin county Elder Reed came over and held quarterly meeting Tuesday night.

ve were too busy to attend we can not tell what was done. Dr. Driver's subjects for Sunday are: Morning, "My Good Tidings of Great Joy?" Evening, "The Significance of

Xmas to the young." Mrs. Remine, the short hand reporter. is still taking evidence in Judge Hughes' court but we have not been able to read

Little Giant fence machines for sale for thirty-live dollars, the best machine made for the money, at planing mill, Sullivan, Illinois. 2-tf Judge Minor was called to Decatur

Tuesday to preside in a case where Judge Nelson was interested as an attorney before his election. Ray and Clara Meeker returned Wed-

nesday from Irvington, Ind., where they have been attending school. They will remain until after the holidays. Robert Bean, of Verona, Mo., visited his brothers James and J. R. from Friday until Monday morning, leaving for

is home on the 5 o'clock train. Not by giving "tafty," but by contin-uous good treatment, the North Side barber shop has gained the lead, and now leads them all in Moultrie county.

Look here. Let every body come to the dance, to be at Armory hall, Sullivan, Friday night, December 24. Admission. 50 cents. - TBIRCHFIELD & Co.

Hon. and Mrs. John R. Eden and daughter Blanche are expected home from Washington the latter part of the week as congress will adjourn until week as congress will adjourn until after the halidays.

Wire slat fence put up on posts in good shape, seventy-five cents per rod. Old pickets or boards woven in when furnished for forty-five cents per rod .-II. T. HAGERMAN. 2tf Don't look in the jewelry show case

at Lilly's book store or you might be tempted to buy. Good, and the latest styles in jewelry, at not the 'jeweler's usual exorbitant prices. 2-3 ars of suffering he yeilded to the The nicest present you can buy is the Haines Bros, piano or the Packard and

and cheerful disposition he many warm friends wherever he leaves a wife and one child his untimely end.

Haines Bros, piano or the l'ackaru and Cottage organs. See me before placing your orders and get low prices on strudard goods.—[ELLIOT 2-2]

Look at P. A. Burk's glassware. 2-2 Now is the time to renew your subscriptions for your papers or magazines. Jno. P. Lilly, bookseller, Eden house building, will forward your subscrip-

tions without extra charge. 2-3 Dr. Driver will deliver his war lecture on "Dark Days in the Sixties." at the M. E. church in Lovington on Tuesday evening. January 4th, the proceeds for the benefit of the Sunday school.

The Tuscola Journal came to us last week printed on tinted paper and consisted of 20 pages, with blue cover. It is nicely gotten up and reflects credit upon its gentlemanly editor, Mr. Glass-

Don't forget to call on S. D. Patterson, at the post office corner, and see his fine display of holiday goods. His prices are excedingly low. Read his page ad and see the bargains he is offering.

America's greatest 5 cent cigar—Lilly's Violet—Ladies, buy your gentleman friend a box and insure him a gift that he can appreciate.—Lilly's Boquet is the leader in 10 cent cigars, obtainable only at Lilly's book store, Eden house building. 2.3 house building. 2-3

THE NEWS.

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In Moultrie County.

Town Clerk Sharp did business in

Miss Lute Fread is visiting her, sister

week from Washington Ter.

W.D. Barnes closed his school for the holidays and has gone to Indiana. Miss Louie Kenney attended the teachr's institute at Lovington last Satur-

last Saturday. Coles.

Miss Rittie Layton has been quite ill, but is much better.

John Whetrock's family has moved into S. T. Fleming's house. Subscribe for THE NEWS and be happy. It is rich, rare and racy. J. W. Mathers preached at the mile school house last Sunday.

Miss Lizzie Fleshner is visiting her sister Mrs. Anna Beal at Tuscola. Ed Foster of Todd's Point, visited

the family of Joe Dedman last week.

Thanks to our old friend, Peter Parns for a copy of the Custer County (Neb.)

The Vernon school is progressing nicely under the supervision of Miss Laura Boyd. Mrs. Judge Minor and Anna Hostet-ler. of Lovington, visited at Geo. Purvis' recently

Whetrock & Thomason are doing a good business with their saw mill on the Smyser farm. Mrs. Geo. Wright of Courtland, Neb., township failed to put in an appearance and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. at the recent court.

missioner, resigned last Monday night. The board appointed Joe Daily village marshal and Jasper Bright street com

John A. Crowder has a very sick

Lawson is visiting at Nora

Bethany is full of walnut-logs and log men: Rev. D. T. Black visited in Decatur

for a few days. Con Langton of Denver, Col., is ris-

Mrs. T. A. Mayes of Dal ited her sister Mrs. Dock Sunday.

Vadhkin. Hot lunch at all hours at Z. H. Clark's Lovington. per quart. 52-tf Little Virgil Gailey is quite ill.

M. C. Foster of Decatur was here

J. C. Riggin has the finest line of hol-

unday with their brother J. J. Mr. Chas. Armstrong of Decrear St

cent. discount on all cash purchases. 2

Miss Anna Hostetler and Mrs. Rittenhouse started Wednesday for a visit in Gran Ima Shirey left Monday for Col-

Snow House" Christmas eve at the

at 7 o'clock P. M. The festival given by the M. E. Sanday school was well aftended, as it should have been.

Isaac Kennard, marsha of Loving-ton and C. M. Hamilton street com-

J. H. Vadakin is putting up ice.

plements of torture. But who could imagine his surprise when instead of the old lady writhing in agony, with a profusion of poultices and liniment, he Home. Albert Lynn was in Sullivan over saw before him a long table most bountifully spread; and instead of the expect-

Walter Wiggins has been in our town

Chas. Fruit of Logan county is visit-Newt Pugh is sinking a public well in the southwest part of town.

The G. A. R's, will have a festival at the old C. P. church Christmas eve, Elder Arnel of La Place preached at Don't forget that J. H. Vadakin is still selling watches, clocks and jewelry.

Ped Fortner has sold his farm to Joe.

Tuesday.

take produce in exchange for photographs at the highest market price. Having added a complete stock of harqware, I am prepared to sell cheaper than anyone.—[J. H.

a trunk fall in

restaurant. Also a fine line of Christ-mas candies. Bulk oysters at 35 cents All persons indebted to J. M. Parrish rote or account are requested to make immediate payment with the unders gned.--[Walter Rose, assignee.

Murried, at the M. E. parsonage, in Bethany, on December 19, 1886, by Rev. D. T. Black, Mr. Oscar Cavinder to D. T. Black, Mr. Oscar Cavinder of Miss Etta Clapsaddle. They have our Rev. D. T. Black was made the reipic**nt of** a fine horse, harness and fur p-robe hist week by his parishioners.

Bonnie, daughter of Mrs. Robert Marin, died last Saturday night and was buried at 2 o'clock P. M. Monday. Rev. Wm. Bankson of Mt. Zion preached the funeral.

CHRISTMAS.

[FO: THE CHRISTMAS EDITION OF THE NEWS.]

Tis Christmas? well what of it?
Haven't we Christmas every year?
How comes this great ado;
Why is it we thus revere,
As a day of much rejoicing,
With gifts and great display,
Forever the against coming,
Of our traditional Christmas day?

Tis Christmus in the pulace, And the hovel just as well, O'er city and through county, There resounds the Christmus bell. As it's pealing forth the tidings, 118 echoes far away, Give notice of the dawning Of another Christmus day. Tis Christmas, and we ask you To think as you pecuse
For the Christmas pages
Of you MOULTIE COUNTY-NEWS,
If the many sparkling papers
In their holiday attires,
With their cheerful Christmas gre
In this happy land of ours.

Tis Christmas and the foolish, Yea; the thou htless fool that That he can eclebrate it By the use of poisonous drinks Bridgly desscenter, And unworthy of a place and the grateful mixded of his tellow race. Christmus and the Christian Should celebrate the birth Him that went about, a good upon the earth. in His footsteps, ess and distress, of kindness and are oppressed.

ristmas and the NEWS wish you many joys, g amid your mirth, above your gifts and toy remember with grateful look with thankful eye,

i look with thankful eye, e giver of perfect gifts, he land beyond the sky.

—D. N. ASHMOI

Teacher's Institute The Teacher's Institute held its regular meeting at Lovington, Saturday, December 18. The next meeting will be held at Sullivan.

The following program was made out for the next meeting:

Is what measure are we responsible or the health of our pupils.—S. C. Melntyre. Discussion, C. E. McCoy and Miss Emma Eden

Class recitation in history.-B. F.

McClelland.

C. S. Edwards.

Citicisms by the institute. Civil government in country schools: court but we have not I any of her manuscript. There is Dawson.

D senssion, Miss Bell Hoke and Mr.

CLORIE DAWSON

Seey. Pro Tem. Mrs. C. Smyser and Mrs. Edith Haydon are expected to render a vocal duet

Death of J. E. Steele. are pained to announce the death ames Edgar Steele, son of the late Chas. B. Steele and brother of Wm. A. Stelle of this city. He died at Terre , Wednesday, December 15, ried in Mattoon the follow-

ased was born March 16

ris, Ill. His early life was in Sulliyan where his father began the practice of law. In 1864 the family removed to Mattoon and it was there that the most of his life was spent. there that the most or his life was spent.

Fo many years he occupied a position in he First National bank of that city and became very proficient as a book-keep and accountant. About four ago he accepted a position in the tentional bank of Champaign, a remained until his health fail-the fook a severe cold which He took a severe cold which d in his throat and lungs, and, alh the best physicians were called, ief could be obtained, and after

destroyer.

Steele was an upright, Christian His character was above re-and by his kind and courteous and cheerful disposition he

CHRISTMAS IN COONEY CAMP

Mhe citizens'of Cooney Camp were considerably excited. I do not social life at Cooney Camp was usually very stagnant. It has always been known as the liveliest camp on the river and nobly did its citizens strive to sustain-its reputation. But there was something so strange about the present ty bunks in bold relief. excitement that I feel it my duty to chronicle it.

Cooney's was simply a lumber camp in the wild north woods of Michigan. In a little clearing on the side of the hill a few rough log buildings were in camp. gathered. The public buildings were not known by any high-sounding names. They were simply the "Men's Shanty," the "Cook's Shanty," and the "Foreman's Shanty." These, with barns Mike, who was to "call off", stood si and sheds, and a few small, log houses for such lumbermen as could be induc- act of ordering "s'lute pardners." ed to bring their families into the woods, made up the whole settlement.

But if the architectural Acvelopment of Cooney Camp was of an inferior go up ter Smith's ad' git his woman an quality, its society, to use a camp phrase, "way up." The thirty lumbermen who made up its working force were, for the most part, as rough specimens of humanity as could be found. They were proud of the fact that they produces two fiddlers, five singers, and one gentleman who could play numberless airs on a "mouth organ."

Heavy literary work was not, perhaps, much in their line, but if occasion college student, who had come into the and strength in the rough out-door life.

But greater than all these attractions, the point wherein Cooney's stood far ahead of other camps, was the fact that 'she possessed the society of "two wimmim an' a kid." The foreman's wife kept house for her husband in the little log shanty nearest the wood, while on the other side of the clearing, opposite the "Men's" shanty, lived "Cracknosed" Smith, with his wife and little girl.

Smith had been given his nickname from the singular appearance of his nose. This member had been broken and twisted and cracked, until it was unlike any ofher Cooney Camp

but it would have without t anity that question delicate

pensed with the

mountain flower gre

bare, bleak rocks. I . remember one day that "Cracknose" attempted to wind her. A doz en men at once mformed him, in the forcible language of Cooney Camp, that if he touched her they would thrash

It is needless to say that'the whipping was postponed:

him within an inch of his life.

But, as we started to say, there was a strange excitement in Cooney Camp. It was Christmas eve, and some little reflection of the happiness and goodcheer in the world outside seemed to have fallen upon the camp.

The men came in from their work in the woods in good humor. It is wonderful how, at such a time, the true nature of a man shines out, and how little, foolish, blundering acts betray a warm heart beneath a rough exterior. Each man, as he came into camp, brought, half foolishly, some little Christmas token. It was only a bunch of hemlock branches, or a bunch of red berries, or, perhaps, some fragrant cedar boughs; but, slight as they were, the little tokens them. showed their appreciation of the day.

. In a more civilized community it would have been considered a very simple thing for a man to pick up a bit of green at Christmas, but with these Jack stepped up to the window and least there were two left and Bill and set was red-haired Tom, who had killed a with him? Why did he not go in with took out a blank. Frank was man in the next county, coming in with the committee and thump the life out with Jack and act as Santa a bunch of winter berries. Here was of Smith? Jake, who had kicked an Indian out of a great mass of hemlock, and even old up and took off the rough cap he wore. road, but by going through the forest on Jack. He shouted back: 'We want- Jack had become suddenly independent, his flannel shirt. This, with a little Bill coming in with a great tree on his He stood without a covering in the one mile each way could be back, which he proceeded to decorate cold night air. This was too much for Jack determined to try the with old boots and shoes, to the great the endurance of the waiting crowd, and immediatedly started delight of the boys. Every one was To be sure they had sent the committee into the forest, leaving Fra good-natured, and all were bent on to do their work, but if its members re- as best he could. having a good time.

its tone to be perfret, laid it carefully the snow and looked over Jack's shoulaway in his bunk until after supper.

a committee of arrangements, and an- eyes silenced them in a moment. name for a square dance.

the motion. Those who are to impersonate ladies are distinguished from the others by removing their hats. They stand as solemn as owls in the consciousness of their new dignity, and and then began a prayer of her ow, with becoming modesty. The fiddler sits above them on an empty pork bar- bless everybody, and pease less wish to be understood as implying that rel, with his fiddle lovingly clasped under his chin, ready to set the party in night." There was nothing more. The The lantern hangs from a nail in the roof. The fire-light flashes over all, outside stole silently back to the shapbringing out the rough walls and emp-

So the Cooney campers stood that when the door opened and in rushed roughest, uglies, and most profane man port progress.

"Shet up this yer old circus," he shouted, "an' hark what I tell ye."

The "set" broke up in a moment. Hugh dropped his fiddle and bow, and Christmas. lent, with his mouth open in the yery

"Thar's a man in this .yar camp," said Jack, "ez wants humpin." It kinder come over me all ter onst thet I'd kid ter come down an' see the fun. But when I got thar, blame me of he warn't layin' ez drunk ez a doon, his woman a-pellin' an' thet little kid jest a-lookin' at him with them big eves of hern, plain. They were like great children,

Now blame me'ef it's right. Some thin' orter be did."

Jack's story was, I regret to say, Irue. Poor Cracknose, being anxious matters, began: to celebrate the day in a manner becoming his birth and education, had see required they could produce Frank, a provided himself with a large bottle of whiskey. He had partaken so frequents bring thet blame doll-baby ter-night of bess everybody.' Perhaps the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to bess everybody.' Perhaps the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to bess everybody.' Perhaps the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to bess everybody.' Perhaps the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to bess everybody.' Perhaps the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to bess everybody.' Perhaps the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to bess everybody.' Perhaps the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to be see the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to be seen the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to be seen the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to be seen the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to be seen the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to be seen the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to be seen the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to be seen the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to be seen the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to be seen the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to be seen the little for them to see in the moraling. It is to be seen the little for them to see in the moraling. woods in the hope of finding health by of his Caristmas cheer, however, that Fill lick the face offen him.

A how of indignation went up from the crowd as Jack finished. It may be that the indignation of some of the boys was not unmixed with envy at 'Smith's good fortune in securing the wherewith at to get as drunk as a loon. There were probably very few men in camp they puts the truck in them who, had they possessed the means, then lows ter the kids would not nave speedily drunk themselves into Smith's condition. They all had enough manhood, however, to despise one who would get drunk be-fore his woman and kid, and such a lit-tife kid, too. They cortainly believed. Old Jack listened attentively the kid, too. They certainly believed so this yer hull bizness is a deruction with Jack that Smith deserved a 'humpin' of the most advanced kind.

What should be done about it? Unconsciously the men resolves

Barney, the logical man of eamp, moves that we sends ap'a 'kermithy. 🔪

'Kermithy be hanged,' put in Jack; the only kermithy yer want is a kermithy to go up that an' thempp the life out of Smith, an' I app'ints myself as doll. cheerman of said kermithy.' Then he quickly, 'Is they any remarks? Ef not, them as stands by it say aye!'

There was a loud chorus of 'ave! Anything in the shape of a free-fight was to be encouraged by all possible means in Cooney Camp.

Jack went on, 'Them ez is agin it say 'No,' an' I'll thump ther heads fer them,' Not a word was said, and the motion was certainly earried. Jack's fist was too heavy to admit of much argument. Some of the voters could hardly see the practical good of thumping the life out of a man who was already dead drunk, but they were silent from prudential motives

er-members of the 'kermithy' and the company Jack. three worthies started out.

dow of Smith's house, and through it the "kid."

He stood looking in at the window, doors but the week before, dragging in and presently his hard old hand stole fused to serve, they must take the mat-Hugh, the first fiddler, put a new ter into their own hands. As one man, and watched them till they passed out string in his violin, and having found they ran as silently as possible through of sight under the trees. the snow and looked over Jack's shoul-der. If any of them had any inclination were all out, and the moon shown Mike and Fred appointed themselves to be noisy, the sight that met their

nounced that, as soon as supper was . The same scene was being enacted, like diamonds. over, the floor would be cleared for a no, doubt, in thosands of homes at that A gentle breeze blew softly through "two by four," that being the camp time, but nowhere under the same cir- the forest. The thin-le cumstances. The little "kid" was just whispered and rustled Supper was caten in a great hurry, going to bed, and was kneeling, as chil- growing branches. The chi and back the men rushed to the shanty dren do, before her mother to say her locks held their wandering and took their places on the floor to prayers. At the back of the room lay moment to send it on again, freigh walk through the great "two by four." Cracknose in a drunken sleep. In front with a rude harmony, while the g Sing, ye muses, of a pine wood's sat the mother, listening to the little pines spread out their long, needledance! The men stand in place, with girl, and correcting her when she for numberless Ædian harps to swell their outer clothing tossed aside, ready got a word. The poor woman had been grand symphony of nature.

eyes, as she watched the small petition- sake of

the old "Now I lay me down to sleep?" "gallivant left" and "ladies chain," speaking in her baby voice so that the Caus put a dolly in my stocking do burst out crying, while the saudien e

The childish praye Jouched a chord in the hearts of men that had long be gave them all a n

The dance was forgotten lently laid his fiddle away, and the co a- Gally, pany stood waiting for Jack, the acceptance knowledged leader, to speak.

'Who is this yer blame Santy Claus?" said he at last with a seowl.

The boys tried to tell him. them, perhaps, had seen a Christias kin. beard. But none of them could is he could.

Santy Claus must hev done kids they kinder take it all in,

on thet kid, is it? Blame me white ter swap lies with thet. Ye just wnit & nd out he strode to su

d wonderingly fo respectful distance, and

that the little girl had at lasts bed. Her small blue stock and worn, hung from a bed, all ready for Santa Claus

Jack came out at last and walked on his coat and fur cap.

doll-baby fer the kid, an' ez Santy Caus with me and git some things fer it?

'I don't want but one uv ye -draw lots, said Jack.

hold the hat. The men crowded around A bright light shone from the win- him, all anxious to do something for

> They pulled on their rough hats and coats, and started at once.

The men stood at the shanty door,

through the trees, glancing on the fast- store. But now, for the first time since rough clothing, half ashamed of their boys that troubled him. He evidently covered branches, till they spar led the start, Jack hung back. He could errand, creeping like copyiets through wished to go over to Smith's, and yet

at the signal to throw themselves into crying, and the great tears stood in her Jack strode on ahead, like

boots.

. The little one went slowly through crowd outside could hear hand Did for Crystal. Frank could hardly keep large orange. There were also a few lingered. The orange could not be in-

motion at the touch of his magic bow, woman caught the child in her arms and ta Claus, that Frank began to doubt the stocking-hanger. This was all. wisdom of the journey. He began to Not a word was spoken. Jack and walk twenty miles through the frozen lifty miles fer it." 'kermithy' had forgotten their wission snow simply to procure a "doll baby". The merchant prince of Crystal, evi- and asked in her baby-voice, 'Is you Christmas eve, waiting for the signal, of thumping the life out of Smith. and for that little girl? The idea was ab- dently anxious to return to bed as Santa Clus? there was not a man in the camp who surd! How much more comfortable quickly as possible, suggested that his No! be hanged of I be, said Jack,

> dumber log for Frank to overtake him. Then This started Jack's ire at once, "Ye The two impersonators of Santa Clus Then he added apologeti- finm's. been swapin' lie's told, an', hang me, came down-stairs to try and settle the Cooney camp. Santa Claus did find

At last, Ira, who as the lend of the first known to do a good weakest little child can touch to life. Years.

Large and constantly increased to be posted to be p

em all, ye see. Ye see the for schristmas, and staved off, for a while There may have been a tear in her But the rest of the Cooney Campers

of the world? down the chimbly, don't he?' Frank stated that this was his favore way of entrance.

went in, they gathered again ones. In which stood, perhaps, a half-dozen through the window they confull a small houses clustering around a sawwid Jack.

was something weird and roin the sight as they looked pon the little hamlet.

straight to the shanty, the crowd fol- ing which looked to the two represent unable to correct their way. lowing him. Without a word he pulled tatives of Santa Claus on the hill as if The woman says she ain't gut no out a great handful of the forest. The kowever. His hand was hurt somewhat the journey to Chrystal, and seek to stockin' myself. Who'll go ter Cristal clearing like sentinels watching while Frank asked him how his hand felt, deer and bells. the village slept. The moonbeams "Dern the hand," he growled: Every man in the camp shouted, I played over all, bringing out each till I see of that doll-baby is broke." midst like a watchtower.

ing on the door. On a shingle over the see it.' end and head appeared.

terbacky.

Crystal was 'ten miles away by the these two staples had but little effect waiting for them at the shanty, but proceeded to pin, with great gravity, to sayed, er git some Christmas truck, so open Say, what's the use for the hull crowd sprig of pine in the buttou-hole of his up yer door, or I'll kick it down," and ter go inter this thing? Why no: I am vest, made up the extras of his Christúp.

door and grumbled as he bade them his jovial, happy self.

ars more than he could do.

ething about these things, ut yer truck, an' mind ye.

Emporium' was not very extensive. by the table. One could find plenty of flour, sugar or pork, but the purely holiday goods pretty hair straggling flown over the little girl thought of Santa Claus. were almost gone.

How he did walk! Logs, stumps, harp a jumping jack with only one leg Though he did know it, he looked like brush were as nothing to him. He that could possibly be induced to jump. a veritable Santa Claus with his grizzled plunged and pushed and dodged his a tin whistle with a most melancholy beard and rough fur cap. way along, ever keeping straight ahead sound, and, as luck would have it, a The stocking was full, and yet Jack as due to the fact, or took with many misgivings. He feared it on the pillow by the side of the little his first experience as San, its effect on the stomach of the little sleeper. Perhaps the child-face on the

fear that they had come on a very ri- The kid wants a datl-baby, an hang over and besed the tiny rosehud of a diculous errand. Why should they me of she don't hev it of I have to walk mouth

much the same way, for he waited on a pass fer a doll-baby."

whegan: "Wot blamed fools we be - don't ring no jumpin' jack with one leg stole silently from the cabin. Here we be driven off here off onter me. I tell ye I want a doll- went, Jack growled in his old threatenof lection, jest fer a kid. It baby with two sound legs an plenty of jug way. If ye tell the boys of thet, I'll

ef I don't stay by it. She'll find out dispute. She was such a motherly his way over the rough winding road, soon nuff that this yer Santy Claus is a looking person that Frank took heart and guided by a strange, tender beaudarned whelp, and I'm in fer makin' and told her the whole story of the little-tifel power, he stopped at the poor cab-Most of her think he's all straight as long as I girl's prayer, and her want of a dolly, in on the hill.

saint enter with his bells and great while Frank struggled after him as best have been otherwise, living as she did cold, and fame! He came and did his in such a place. But in every woman's work and went his way with a lighter Rough old Jack! He had hardly heart there lies a spot that the smallest, and purer heart than he had known for

Wall, he's a man; an ole was ye woods on that cheerless journey to a rough bed in which lay two children were stirring. Crystal? Perhaps the words of the lit- asleep. Over their heads hung two lit-. The cook had been up for an hour, Wall, but in Jack, the wants ter the "kid" came to him even then, Dod the stockings, crowded full of trinkets working

least, the knowledge of the deceit eve as she thought of the little girl far were for the most part still in their nick stopped again. This prevent her genial husband from re- rest. It was the great day for card-Santy Claus in this yer marking, incidentally, that the doll was playin and dancing, and when Christ-"wuth about two shillin's."

wan, that and the enimole ter the distribute put in the the forrest, meaning to follow their track back to camp.

They had hardly gone a mile before an axe, so we can keep to the four the blamed play.

They had hardly gone a mile before an axe, so we can keep to the four they sprang to the floor and hastily prepared for breakfast.

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small houses clustering around a saw- black clouds came rushing over the sky," was "gittin' overshis drunk," mill. Here we be here's Crystal, and, one by one the stars were hid from In delegations of two and three the sight. Under the trees the darkness lumberman visited his cabin, and it is was complete.

they could, apparently going deeper vious celebration of the holiday. The village was built in a small clear- and deeper into the forrest, and set

once more.

was written the word 'go.' These were hurried down the one street of the vil- well 'nuff till mornin', but the 'p'int is legs, an' when ye yank the string. I Jack appointed Tom and Bill as oth- the one drawing that block should ac- log house, and began a vigorous kick- till I build a fire. Praps the boys will all.

go it forcibly informed the citizens of Crys- and tired as they, were, it was nearly ber's shop in one corner of the shanty cus. tal that it hadn't gut no whisky ner in three o'clock when they came in sight of camp.

This announcement of the lack of They knew that the boys would be bank a soiled paper collar, which he occeded to bestow upon it a series you jest do this work and hev it did?

shanty to the little house, each one a olent struggle.

Jack and Frank passed into the Lttle in of reindeer, but just two men in collar or the fear of ridicule from the walk or fight or swear for the 'kid,' but the cold. They pushed oped the door could hardly summon enough courage selecting presents for her stocking was of the rude cabin, and entered as silent- to start. ly as possible. The lamp was turned. As a fighter Jack was supreme. spushed Frank ahead, saying: You low, and the fire burned dimly.

tried to sit up for him, but, worn out calls, or at framing excuses for a visit, The stock of goods at the 'Crystal by watching, she was asleep in her chair the smallest boy could beat him easily.

pillow. Frank filled the stove with

After a careful search, however, wood, while Jack hastily thrust the few Frank found a few nuts, an old Jew's- simple presents into the stocking.

ounces of cheap candy, which Frank duced to enter the stocking, so he laid pillow was too much for him, for, as it Jack was determined to find a doll. moved by a sudden impulse, he bent

The little one woke for a moment,

old Jack-gruff, grizzled old Jack, the would call upon them to rise and by the fire? woman could kinder slip a sorter dress and then, remembering where he was, Jack seemed to have been thinking in like onter the jumpin - jack so it could be blushed, as nearly as he could, through his red face.

lick ye till ye can't see.

see some blamed fool hez. Just at this point the merchant's wife. Thus was the one stocking filled in them, perhaps, had seen a Christicas kin.

The woman was probably a very scome without his sleigh or bells! What tree, and had watched the good old After this oration Jack started again practical person. She could hardly though the journey left him weary,

away in his shanty at the Christmas breakfast. He had not voice had awakened in his tough old Jack stood and looked in wonder, much material with which to work, but heart some me nory that had lain shum. All lie could say was "Santa-Clause by taking extra cage of his fried meat and boiling the potatoes without their At any rate, in his rough way, he had The good woman took a small packs, peeling, he hoped to be able to win the spoken the right idea. What was the age from one of the stockings, and applause of the crowd. He had also a long, cold walk, after all, to the thought handed it to the astonished Jack, say-surprise in the shape of several dejectby taking it they kept ?alive ing: "Here is a doll for you. It is the apple pies, with which he hoped to Lachieve a grand triumph.

away in the woods, but this fact did not beds. Sunday was always a day of mas came on the same day, they surely Jack and Frank gathered their treas- could not think of getting up as early ures and started back. They hurried as usual. So they lay in their bunks Wall, thar ain't no chimbley ter thet up the steep hill into the forrest, mean- and waited until the horn blew, when

But not quite quick enough. Great was a general desire to see how Smith

safe to say that on that Christmas he Jack and Frank wandered on, as best received more visitors than on any pre-

The visitors came back with wonderful stories of the liberality of Santa Suddenly Jack fell down, over a log Claus. It seemed to be understood that some huge giant in his rage had pulled and lay with a groan. He was up soon, they should entirely deny knowledge of snow lay deep on the ground and great and his leg caught under a light. As he carry out the less probable but more aint nothin', I'm jest genter fill thet blacked stumps stood all about the pulled his leg away from it fastening remantic theory of Santa Claus and his

"I'll be hanged," said Tom thoughtfully, ... ef this yer Santy Claus ain't ghostly corner and hole, while the tall The toy was uninjured, and when this done a big thing. Talk about yer play smokestack of the saw mill rose in the had been ascertained, on they started truck-Litell ye that kid hez got some ez lays over the largest. Leavin' out Thirty little blocks of wood vere But Jack and Frank had no time for At last Jack stopped. This thing thet doll-baby, that's a figger of a man quickly prepared, and on one of them such romantic thoughts as these. They hez gut ter be broke. We kin live out with a string hangin' down betwist his shaken in a cap, and it was agreed that lage, until Jack stopped before a small ter git back ter fill thet stockin'. Wait derived of the off leg don't kick ter beat

The unexpected visit of the good old As a compliment to his supposed lit- door Frank read in black, straggling. Jacky oon found a dry cedar, with saint had started all the latent aestheti-The rest of the men stood and watch- erary ability Frank was appointed to letters. Poste Offis - Goods to Traide which he quickly built a fire at the foot cism which had thus far lain dormant Jack warned his toes on the door, of a huge pine. The flames went roar- in Cooney Camp. There was a general till above it a small window opened, ing up into the air, and by their light overhauling of old clothes, in the hope the two Christmas commissioners saw of finding a clean shirt or a paper coithe long desired road but a few rods lar. Several of the men even expressed soft out of bed, and seemed to belong to side of it in the wrong direction. I after carefully sharpening a knife on the rough fellows it was different. Here looked in. But what was the matter Frank to draw. Bill drew first and a very profane man; for, in a loud voice, They had nearly, eight miles to go, grindstone, opened an imprompta bar-

> Even old Jack caught the infection: He pulled out from somewhere in nis mas costunce. He mad a desperate efhat would soon have caved it | Jack's word in such a case was surely fort to bring his mop of hair into some not the owner profanely agreed law, and so the two men crept by the sort of shape, but gave it up after a vi-

In a short time he appeared at the very guilty Santa Claus, quite unlike After making all his preparations, he lounged about the shanty, evidently, ill. There was no jingle of bells or pulling at case. It may have been the paper

> wooderaft or in all the social qualities Smith lay as before. His wife had, which became lumbormen, he had no perhaps, surmised Jack's errand, and superior; but at making Christmas He blundered about to find some pre-The little girl lay asleep with her tense for going over to see what the

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The Mems.

Continuation of "Christmas in Cooney

drinked up all his whiskey. He felt an never git set up.' It beat all how gone down before their active kinder picked, an' 'lowed he'd empty that man could drink, and Smith sighed and forks. the bottle dern soon. It was a good as he thought of the moral effect he But a silence, entirely new to the oc-

Transparent as this excuse was, it of whiskey without getting set up. was enough for the boys. They said This explanation started all the bile

belabor the air most violently.

Hugh, the musician of the camp, was the Jew's-harp, while Mike blew a dole- fore it. blast on the tin whistle. Mrs. Smith, But Jack was not satisfied. "Jest many days. Rven "Cracknose" Lim- tin set up. self, blear-eved and weak-kneed and

knee to show them.

If one of the men had cared to insin- more of the spring and sight more. The she was young was sufficient that in all Jack's nature there was outside will do yo a blamed sight more. The she was young was sufficient that in all Jack's nature there was ness, he would have been knocked deternationers. The little face of the ture, Jack thrust his hands into his known to Cooney Camp.

Little face of the ture, Jack thrust his hands into his known to Cooney Camp.

Little face of the ture, Jack thrust his hands into his known to Cooney Camp. something of the kind. She climbed fearlessly upon his knee, and spread out her presents for him to see.

Jack was in a most awkward position. It was strange that he did not raise collar biles on my neck." Frank suggested both love and loveliness make her get down. But there he sat, handling the doll and the jumping-jack. always a wonder to the boys how he not very thorough students and even attempted to play a tune on

Santa Claus. She had seen him too. started many pleasant memories, or it She was awake, she said, while he was may be that the journey of the night curosity was, however, dispelled by I had come all the way from Boston. filling the stocking, and had a good before had given him a pleasant theme. the appearance of Cracknose, who The boys watched him as he cut the

the track by describing an imaginary wimmin ain't ye? meeting with Santa Claus. The oththeir heads encouragingly at each point. sowewhat limited.

gam out of the Shanty about twelve old doll-baby the us two derayd fools slick up, one on em mought stand a Sinta Claus to send her a dolly." The dow. o'clock, like enuff, an' seen a man brung from Crystal last night is a blam-climbin' on the ruff of yer house. I ed sight too slam fer seen a kid. I'd The inform lowed it might be Santy, so I jest slip- like ter git a doll-baby with fillygrees the boys on their mettle at once. Such toiled wearily into camp on Christmas lowed it might be Santy, so I jest support santy support s hat, and a kinder shirt made out of Then we kin kinder keep the thing hot this. clumb along the ridge pole, an kinder doll-baby out of him." stopped by the stove-pipe jest like he The cook came in just then, and Jack secured possession of the coveted article sac who sent the doll was listening to jumped up and down, he was ser mad. Claus. Then he comes down from the ruff, an kinder pushed agin the door and went Claus came wandering into Cookey dignity as possible to the in. I low he must hev filled the stockin' then. Then he come out and started off down the road playin' a tune on good old saint was almost forgotten by the erection of an arch of green boughs ing. Peahaps all our prayers are jest sech a Jew's harp ez this one here. I 'low it must have been the mate to

The little girl listened in open-mouthed worder to Jack's story, but Smith amazed the crowd by beginning to crossquestion the narrator.

'Ye said he hed on a fur cap, didn't

'Wall, yes, I 'low I said so!'

'Did he hey a big nose, an' kinder gray beard, an' red hair, an' a pair of kinder brown pickydillies?

he did or of he didn't; he didn't hev no harp, while Cracknose had accidently as they graphically expressed it. 'stub-

he? growled out Jack, for he felt that he was being pushed into a corner.

he kinder hed an idee thet Santy Claus tears over the misfortunes. The other boys had been anxious "to must hev looked jest like unto a man The worth citizens of Cooney Camp

nothing, and Jack, fortifying himself in Jack's nature. To think of associat- that if any part of their eliquette was with an immense piece of tobacco, ing Santa Claus with a champion drink- praiseworthy at all, it was their coa strolled carelessly over to Smith's er was too much, even for him. Not duct at table. They fully believed in house. He stopped long enough at the that he was a special advocate of tem- the physiological proposition that good door to throw a long stream of tobacco perance. In fact, if one had wished to nature and good digestion go hand in juice over the white snow, and then give him a most particular compliment hand. A flow of delicate and refined he had only to speak of him as Smith wit could always be observed at their Quite a number of the boys were spoke of his friend. But to his mind, meals. Eating contests were legaly there already, and the little girl was Santa Claus was a different sort of a encouraged, and the bare walls of the holding a regular levee in one corner, personage. Besides there was no dan-cook's snanty had looked clown She was displaying her treasures in ger of his mixing up his story, if the many a gartronomic triumph. subject was not continued.

held between his great fingers. Bill battery of sarcasm. "Shet up, you week and many pleasant little ance-had the poor jumping-jack, pulling the whelp," he roared. "Hang me of you dotes were always refailed for the benestring, and making the one sound leg ain't mean 'nuff to steal the corn from fit of the company. ' afore a blind sow."

busy over the stove, looked at the jolly roust out that their bottle o' yourn, an' fresh and direct evidence that the world erowd, and smiled for the first-time in Till larn ye how ter drink without get- is all a fleeting show.

light-headed from his Christmas cele- produced his bottle of Christmas bever- ed: "Miss Julia Watson, care of T. bration, seemed to catch something of age from its hiding place in an old boot Smith, Cooney Camp. the fun and good-will of the moment, in the corner. No doubt he expected. The box was simple enough in its Jack nodded gruffly to the company, to see Jack empty it down his own way, but it fell like a shell into the so and taking a stick of wood from the pile throat, yet his wind was buoyed up by cial life of the camp. The excitement behind the stoye, made himself an im- the thought that he might possibly get was raised to fever-heat when the team week way? promptu seat against the wall. He for- some little insight into the secret of his ster informed the crowd that the ow got his supposed errand in regard to drinking friend's endurance. Jack er of the box would follow it on Sunday the was violent blast on the supper horn. the whiskey, but sat and watched the grasped the bottle but instead of drink. "Miss Julia Watson, care of group around the happy little 'kid' in ing it he walked out of the door and de- Smith!" The lumbermen studied to roup around the happy little 'kid" in ing it he walked out of the door and descenter.

It may be it was because Jack was he leader of the camp, and hence descented by the walked out of the door and descented by the reception committee fell in and liberately broke it over a log. Then address carefully. Perhaps they are reception committee fell in and casting contemptuously upon the fragpected to obtain some information from the same and before, the meal, so far as the leader of the camp, and hence dements a quantity of tobacco juice, he the shaky black letters, written on the served more attention, or it may be walked back to the door to give Smith cover. The society of young and be that something told the little maid that a little wholesome advice. Look here, ful ladies was in active domaid he was a relative of Santa Claus. At Cracknose, of ye want to larn the trick Cooney Camp. By a some of here any rate, she gathered her treasures in of drinkin' without gittin' set up jest arguments and inferences, the hunter her apron, and came and stood by his hump yer back an go down to thet men came to the conclusion that spring an' drink all ye kin. . A little Julia Watson' must be both young and If one of the men had dared to insin- more of the: spring water inside an' Leauniful.

At any rate he wrote on, covering shouldered the box and started with it sing and took of the payer. thought, very much like Jack himself. page after page of paper. Jack watch for his cabin. This action tended to This was, perhaps, the greatest com- ed him in silence for awhile and then spread abroad the fact that to the sompliment that the little one could give, broke in with: "Who ist yer write to so what plebeing name of Smith he had saggested Bill. but it almost made Jack blush for much? Hang me of yer don't sling joined the more esthetic name of Theoshame to think he was so near being more ink than a district school. Must dore. hey more girls than a dry goods clerk. Not a word could Cracknose be in- removed the cover, and revealed to the

skin, and a pair of light 'pickadilly' an' cook up some lie about meetin' Barney and Bill even went so far as men' had sent Jack 'p'ints' with good pants, an' a pair of rubber boots. He Santa Claus agin an' gittin' another engage in a fight for the possession of

wuz comin' down. He histed up one moved away as if a shamed of his errand, the black eye he received in obtaining her own little ones as they sleepily foot and stuck it inter the pipe, but but Frank wrote the letter to his mother it tended to neutralize the general ef- nurmured the same little prayer. Perthar it stuck. It wouldn't go down, not asking for p'in's, but simply telling fect it produced. an' Santy, he jest yanked it out, an' the story of how he acted as Santa

Two weeks had gone by since Santa front of the shanty, to give as min Camp, and aired his pickdillnes on the the coming belle of Cooney C roof of Smith's cabin. The visit of the Some of the more poetic s

events had happened in the meantime, meet with popular favor.

The little 'kid' remembered him, The air of restraint that hangs over however, though time had made sad every reception gradually passed away, havoc with the presents he left. The and the free and easy style of Cooney candy and orange had long since gone Camp returned. The boys relieved the Spich a sight had never before been the way of their kind, and, revengeful tedium of their waiting by betting upon is such things are apt to be, had made the general appearance of the lady. the little stocking-hanger sick in going. "I'll bet ye," began Tom, "the The jumping-jack had kicked his one show up with valler had sound leg completely off, and now wose." There were some viewed the world with a most melancholy with Tom. They seemed to countenance from the shelf over the opinion that the young lady would ap-Wall, p'raps he did, an' then agin bed. Santa Claus himself could hardly pear with black hair. Others were pospraps he didn't. What is it ter ye ef have extracted a tune from the Jew's- litive that her nose would be short, or,

duced its former note the greak. The unconsciously described his own ideal holt on the handle unbeknownst ter the she took her dolly with her. Just as poor little doll-baby had fallen and of feminine loveliness. Tom's Venus-other?" And the crowd laughed in the little eyes were closing in sleep, she Smith meekly admitted that in broken her nose off, much to the sor-like description of valler hair an peckcourse' it warm't nothin' ter him, but row of the little kid, who shed many sed nose seemed to suit the majority.

see how Smith was gittin' over his ez he knowed onct. The best feller ter, were partaking of their early Sunday drunk," but Jack took a more proba-drink he ever see. He had seen him supper. The great mountains of Leans ble reason for going. He lowed at last with his own eyes set by a bar, and and salt pork which trad confronted that he'd go over an' see of Smith hed drink from a dozen to twenty glasses, them at the beginning of the usent had

sight better fer a man ter drink it ez could produce on the community if he casion, hung over the party. The faces hed head enough fer keep right side up, could only drink an untimited quantity of many of the men were dark with wrath

The denizens of Cooney Camp felt

The Sunday meal had heretofore

But now the men sat with glum faces There was comething so terrible in and ate their meal in silence. They felt | Hent, and then remarked thoughtfully. extracting a very melancholy tune from this statement that Smith cowered be that they had been imposed upon. The it don't pear to me that yer nose looks shadow of a great sorrow had fallen upon them, and they had just received

Three days before, the supply team Smith dared not refuse, but at once ster had brought into camp a box mark-

oad than harm—ye hear?" proved by the fact that she is After delivering this temperances less Tho genus 'spinster' was an

and spread Here his first act was to divest him-thing in the name. Ever since Rome Here his first act was active to the self of his paper collar. "These yar harness." he remarked, is likely ter harness." he remarked, is likely ter harness, because his foolish neck climbing up to the dam started. 'Pears like it have and loveliness. sat writing at the greasy table. It was The Cooney campers were probable could write so many letters. To-day speare, but still there was somethin he was unusually busy. Perhaps the about the name that pleasence them; read easily be dispensed with, and pants. I jest went up ter him an' sez, The little girl was loud in her praise of thought that this was Christmas day Considerable curiosity was developed sipped out of the door. as to who 'T Smith' might be. This

He made haste to throw the 'kid' off' I s'pose yer quite a master among the duced to say in regard to the lady's apastonished eyes of the crowd a beautipearance. She was simply a relative fel doll dressod in the height of fashion, Frank was obliged to confess that his who was coming up, as he said, to see and apparently smiling sweetly at the ers listened with grave faces, nodding knowledge and feelings of the ex was his woman. There was a sly twinkle rough faces gathered about it. in his eye, unperceived by the boys, as A little folded slip of paper lay in the Ye see, said Jack, I run onto this "Wall, what I wuz thinkin" on wuz he gravely announced that of the yer Santy Claus myself last, night. I this. It kinder strikes me thet this yer wuz a mind ter hustle round an kinder the little girl in camp who prayed for the kid would do, peeped in at the win-

engage in a fight for the possession of a paper collar. Though Barney at last '' was praying in the rough cabin,

the supply team, the boys gathered in hise

most of the boys. Many weighty over the road, but the proposai did not

eall ter put truck in your stockin', did stepped on the tin whistle, and thus re- bed.' It is my cpinion that each one

Jack was the only man in camp who looked with undisguised contempt upon

y he feared that the newcomer sorb much of the attention given to the little 'kid.' He was on the point of giving a sarcastic description of the charms of the newcomer when the supply team came slowly uner the two trees that stood where the oad entered the forest. Sure enough if the seat by the driver was a woman.

vagon slowly rolled over the rough oad and came to a halt before them. The belle of Cooney Camp had come. A thin woman wrinkled and bent, un the seaton the wagon, and lookoly about her. There was someing pitiful and yet ludicrous in the

The expectant crowd waited till the

The boys were too much overcome to peak. Bill could only mutter, Be we gonter start a bone vard up here?' Jack hughed at the discomfiture of the toys Barney sat with the doll carefully. He turned on poor Smith with his been particularly lively. News of the and Cracknose, with a Howdy, Aunt week and many pleasant little ance- lule? stepped forward and helped the ald lady out of the wagon.

Her greeting was characteristic. She Boked at Cracknose critically for a mo quite ser bad ez it did, though p'raps 's beenuse I ain't gut my glasses on. Smith received the delicate complient in silence, and at once led the way the cabin.

It was a critical moment in the histoof Cooney Camp. The boys were a the undecided what to do. Should they march in a body and mob the whole Smith family, or should they show their displeasure in some more

Luckily, at this moment the cook mpelled by the force of habit, the

versation was concerned, was a future. It is hard, however, for a with a full stomach to retain his relong. The greatest hate and the complete disappointment can seland before a good dinner.

by and the end of the meal the boy:

two to see something of the joke of releangh with Jack.

> heis old lady, he stated, hed this andle gin her ter be brought out, all the fillygrees. of the crowd fixed upon him.

Frank looked at the bundle curiously.

"I 'low somebody's sent ye a box of egars. I smoke onet or twict a year,'

The paper taken off disclosed a long pasteboard box. Frank wonderingly

Bitie ones prayer had been heard. A The information was enough to set far gentler Santa Claus than he who

hips she sat watching them after they Nearly an hour before the time for had fallen asleep, not with tearful eyes he supply team, the boys gathered in live extra ho watched beside that little the forrest, but with a happy ankful heart. It may be that He.

> moving her to fill the little blue stockanswered thus. Would that we could b ve it! Would that we could have

tho heard both prayers, answered by

When the box was opened, there was an astonished silence for a moment. scen in Cooney Camp. The doll was nout and carefully landed about

tion.

bottom of the box were a few books. These were seized by e more literary members of the crowd, ho explained the pictures for the bene if of the less educated. The big men re like children with a new toy.

"I'll be hanged," shouted Tom, "do mind the other young lad with his

the first boy would receive.

But the doll, after all, was the great center of attraction. The little red lress and cape, the blue eyes and the hair, to use Jack's expression, "kinder gut away with a carpet store.'

After the toy had been handed about for a while, Jack suggested it was time o "eall it in.

He placed it carefully in the box, and announced his intention of taking it over to the "kid" at once,

"Ye see," he argued, "I hev hen wappin' lies with the kid afore, an' 1 kin kinder keep the thing hot. I'll tell the story, an' don't one of ye say a word or I'll lick him.

No one was disposed to question Jack's right to the position of spokeman.

Free thought and free speech are two great elements of our national freedom but when such a fist as Jack's is held in front of him, one is willing to look upon them as the fox regard the grapes. With Jack at their head, the men ad-

fourned to Smith's cabin. Those who could, crowded into the room, while the others looked in at the door and windows.

The antiquated 'miss' had evidently just been giving the family an account of her journey

Perhaps she looked upon the sudden arrival of the delegation as something in the light of a popular reception extended by the citizens of Cooney Camp

In order the more fully to show her uppreciation of the good will of the company, she made haste to put on her 'glasses,' and through them she viewed Jack with undisguised admiration, which tended to embarrass him exceed-

The admiring glance of a lady's eyes was enough by itself; but when it was magnified by passage through the convex lens of a pair of glasses, to use his own expression, it 'gut away' with him.

He began his remarks by saying that he 'lowed he warn't so derned small thet it tuck four eyes ter see him. Ef he wuz, he'd grow a little.' This delicate intimation had the de-

sired effect. The glasses were remov-

Jack then proceeded:

"Yer see when I ketched this yer Santy Claus on the ruff here a couple of weeks ago, I didn't say nuthin', but it receined to me that the doll-baby he sent ag only has a 2.10 1 see in sor. (ag opple) h'on big doll-babies that nyself, ef I ever bizness, but I sez ter fer von,' and he handed the see h'm agin, I'll jest tech him up a bit. Frank. Then, seeing the I wuz out in the woods ter-day, and hang me ef I didn't come plumb onter inferred that his presence him. I knowed him by his pickydilly

Hev yer got any terbacker?' He sed hed see, an' opens his bag ter find some. When he opens it I see inside cz fine a doll-baby ez ever was growed. I made up an' told him jest how the thing stood, an' I'll be hanged, ef he didn't do the square thing. He jest yanked out thet doll-baby an' gin it ter me. He sed he hed a long walk afore him, and kinder asked me ef I wouldn,t bring it around. I told him I would, an' hang me ef it ain't here,' and Jack placed the box in the little 'kid's' hands, and then deliberately walked out of the

Most of the crowd followed him, but

The little one opened the box with wondering eyes, which grew wider a sight of the doll.

As a woman takes her baby to her breast, so the little 'kid' gathered the toy in her arms, as she rocked back and forth in her chair.

At last she looked up and saw on the shelf the mutilated face of the other dolly looking sorrowfully upon her. She laid the larger doll down on the floor while she climbed on the bed and took the smaller one from its place. When she sat down again, she held both of them.

Just after dark, Jack came in again, pretending that he wished to see Smith about an axe.

The little girl sat with tears in her eyes, looking wistfully at the new dolly perched upon the wall above the looking-glass.

The 'belle' noticed Jack's look of wonder, and made haste to explain.

'Ye see, I kinder thought the little gal might sile the doll's dress, an' then it looked kinder pert on the wall, so I thought I'd stick it up there, an' let her set an' look at it.'

For a moment Jack was speechless with anger. Then he took down the doll and gave it to the litile girl.

yer stick that doll-baby up thar agin, I'll wring yer neck!'

The doll never went to the wall again When the child wert to bed that night

And the crowd laughed in the little eyes were closing in sleep, she great glee at the thought of the ducking murmured to herself. Dod bless Santy laus foe sendin' my dolly.

And Santa Claus will be blessed.

I wish I could close this story py telling how this little incident started a permanent reform in camp. Most stories end this way but mine cannot.

Jack and Bill and Tom and all the rest went back to their old ways. They drank and swore and fought as-hard as? ever, and yet I cannot help thinking that they were all made purer and better in some way by that little girl's orayer and its answer.

The oftener the tender, diviner chords of our being are touched, the more easily will they stir in sympathy for oth-

The little 'kid' will not forget that thristmas eve, nor the present Santa laus sent by Jack.

Ah! if we only knew the pleasure nd comfort we might give by a single kind word or look or generous act! If we only knew of the thousands of human beings who only need the kindly and gentle impulse to lead them to purer and better lives, we might still act a Santa Claus, and make life one perpetual Christmas, more merry even than he celebration at Cooney Camp.

But we cannot, for our eyes are blind-

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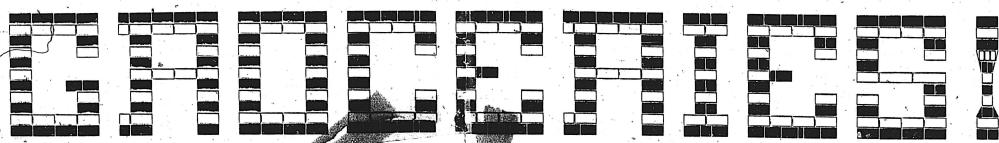
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