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CITY AND COUNTY.

MATTERS OF LOCAL INTEREST.

Brief Personal Items and Other Interesting Information Regarding Current Events of The City and Vicinity.

Ferry's seeds at Spittler's. 12-14
 George W. Cole was here on business Tuesday.
 E. A. Lilly visited his son at Windsor Monday.
 John West of Bruce was here on business Monday.
 W. N. McKamy of Mattoon was here visiting Monday.
 Landreth's seeds have no equal on the market. 12-14
 C. J. Booze transacted business in Lovington Tuesday.
 Halle's Wilson was with home friends at Gays last Sunday.
 Elder Mathers of Allenville was here on business Tuesday.
 T. A. Lansden was in Bethany on business Wednesday.
 Choice coffees are a special line with Ozeo & Righter. 12-tf
 W. A. Duncan was a business visitor in Lovington Tuesday.
 Special prices are being made on the Baugher goods. 12-tf
 Dr. W. H. Davis was at home over Sunday with his family.
 Ozeo & Righter are increasing their stock of groceries. 12-tf
 G. W. Dalby of Mattoon was here visiting friends Wednesday.
 Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Scott of Bethany visited friends here Sunday.
 Landreth's seeds in bulk and package at L. M. Spittler's. 12-14
 Ashworth was a business visitor in Dallas City Wednesday.
 Miss Rose Milligan was the guest of Mrs. Maud Harper over Sunday.
 F. M. Powell and Tittle Warren of Arthur were in the city Tuesday.
 Our stock of family groceries is pure clean and healthy; Ozeo & Righter.
 High grade Moyune and breakfast teas sold by Ozeo & Righter. 12-tf
 Elder George Bridges of Windsor was greeting friends here Monday.
 Willard Johnson was a business visitor in Peoria the first of the week.
 Business room for rent. Call on S. T. Butler, east of Douglas House. 12-tf
 Robert Bean was in Decatur Tuesday in the interest of his milling business.
 Misses Gertrude and Stella Meeker were Mattoon visitors the first of the week.
 Mrs. Castelle of Springfield is here the guest of her daughter, Mrs. R. E. Archer.
 Hugh Price, the base ball man of Windsor, was in town greeting friends Tuesday.
 B. Hall returned Monday from a visit with the family of his uncle at Edgewood.
 Mrs. Jonathan Elder went to Bethany Wednesday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Joe Fread.
 C. Lane was in Hervey City Wednesday on business connected with a real estate deal.
 Mrs. S. Scruggs returned home the first of the week, having spent several days in Mattoon.
 James Dorrell of Mason City was here several days this week visiting his son, J. T. Dorrell.
 A. J. Patterson, Marion Walker and A. S. Creech were business visitors in Decatur Monday.
 Mrs. Robert Low of Bethany visited her father, T. A. Lansden and family the first of the week.
 T. T. Springer of Lake City and T. C. Kearney of Lovington were here on business Wednesday.
 Cut prices on heavy syrup California canned goods for the next ten days; Ozeo & Righter. 12-tf
 Eggs from pure bred Plymouth Rock fowls; thirteen for twenty-five cents. Inquire of Mrs. J. R. Bean. 12-14

Mrs. Effie Wright, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Waggoner, returned to Chicago Tuesday.

The P. D. & E. local was delayed here about half the day Wednesday by the bursting of the cylinder head of the engine.

Mrs. J. T. Trowbridge went to Bethany Saturday to spend a few days with her father, John Busbers, who has been quite sick.

Miss Ida Miller, who is teaching near Lovington, attended the teachers' institute, and visited with home folks over Sunday.

Carl Probesting of Canton was here the first of the week, the guest of his father-in-law, H. A. Smith, of the firm of Poland & Smith.

A. S. Creech is located at the Jenkins implement store where he is prepared to do general repairing; watches and clocks a specialty. 12-14

Mrs. Joe Fread and children of Bethany visited Jonathan Elder and family over Sunday, returning home Monday accompanied by her sister, Mrs. C. Hampton.

Mrs. Milt David and daughter went to Decatur Wednesday to spend several days with Mrs. Light. Mr. David and son Ralph will go over tomorrow to spend Sunday.

For first class dental work of all kinds including crown and bridge work visit Dr. Butler's ground floor dental parlors, east of the Douglas House, Sullivan, Ill. 12-tf

Fred Bangher went to Chicago Saturday to attend the funeral of his little nephew, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Grantham, who died of diphtheria. Mrs. Bangher intended to go also but on account of her son's illness was advised by a physician not to do so.

The Tuscola Journal has entered upon its thirty-second year of publication and celebrated the event by issuing an edition of twelve pages on fine book paper and containing a well-written history of the paper, besides cuts of the different members of its staff.

Moultrie county will probably have a candidate for member of the state board of equalization in the person of J. R. Pogue who is well qualified for the position which he seems to stand a good chance in securing. He will certainly receive the hearty endorsement of Moultrie county.

Boone & Dunn Comedy Company which has been playing a week's stand here, beginning last Monday, have been very well received. The audience each night so far has been fairly good and the extremely low prices of admission has been one attraction. They are reported to be a very good company.

Rev. E. A. Squier went to Lovington Wednesday night where he delivered the address at the formal opening of a new library. While it will be under the direct supervision of the M. E. church society yet it is for the use and benefit of the general public and entirely non-sectarian in character. It comprises about 600 volumes.

The Croker Uniform company have the contract to furnish uniforms for the agents of the C. & E. I. railway. H. H. Croker of the above company passed down the line a few days ago taking the measures of the men. The order goes into effect May 1, and after that time the C. & E. I. agents will be equipped with blue clothes and gold buttons.

Articles have been filed with the secretary of state for the incorporation of the Moultrie County Abstract Co., the incorporators being T. H. Scott, W. O. Glines and J. H. Baker. The abstract business of the county has heretofore been pretty equally divided Scott & Glines, Walter Eden and Wade Hollingsworth, all having complete sets, but this is an unnecessary expense which it is now proposed to avoid by consolidation and the keeping up of one set of books instead of three. The company will be capitalized at \$20,000, divided into 200 shares at \$100 each, some of which will be placed on the market, and it is confidently predicted will prove a remunerative investment.

A SUCCESSFUL INSTITUTE.

Moultrie County Teachers Hold Very Advanced Ideas.

The spirit of energy and enthusiasm which manifests itself in the series of teachers' institutes which are being held in this county from time, augurs well for the proper development of the children for the future. The subjects for discussion are not merely those of technical book knowledge. The children of the present day are not crammed their studies are not confined to the "three R's," but the teachers teach for the production of life and character, and not a mere meteoric flash of knowledge, but a steady fire that gives the proper temperature to their after lives. Moultrie county teachers are not one whit behind the spirit of the times, and some of them are really leaders and promoters of this spirit of progress.

The institute that was held in the High School building in this city Friday and Saturday was one of the most spirited and interesting of the series. A very large number of teachers were in attendance from all over the county, the number in all probability reaching one hundred. The number of subjects under discussion was not large, but were of such interest that there was no place to finish, and they simply closed for want of time. One of the pleasant features of the institute was some especial music, furnished by a quartette from the High School, namely, Misses Freda Strickland and Maud Durborow, Archie Cochran and Lucius Harshman. The pupils who were being examined at the final held by Supt. Lowe were invited to attend the opening of the meeting and hear the music.

The time of Friday morning was devoted to a discussion of the subject of the consolidation of the classes in the country schools. It seemed difficult to reach any definite conclusion on this subject, and as one bright teacher remarked, they discussed every thing and agreed upon nothing. "The Art of Asking Questions" was also a theme for discussion. In this the teachers all took an active part. It was agreed that teachers should be so versed in the art themselves that they should be able to lead out their pupils into the field of inquiry. The consensus of opinion seemed to be that the method of stimulating not only curiosity, but that active interest which leads to practical results, was the very best.

Friday afternoon the entire session was delighted by the able presentation of a paper on "Language, Composition and Literature" by Prof. H. E. Kelly, superintendent of the Sullivan schools. The paper was masterly and thoughtful, and not only of pleasing presentation, but of great practical merit as well. These subjects are strong ones with him, and his plea for better systems of teaching, better text books, and for the use of the classics, should stimulate action that he will productive of good results. He started a general discussion which caused great enthusiasm among the teachers.

Saturday morning, "Elementary Science" was the theme of discussion, being generally participated in. The advisability of such teaching, where it should begin, how and when, were points brought out by the practical experience of the speakers. A very excellent practical talk was given by Prof. Edmunds of Lovington, he relating his own experience in teaching science to small pupils for a term of fifteen weeks, in which he secured the most lively interest. The discussions were animated and thoughtful, and spiced just enough with wit to sharpen the mental appetite and make them keenly relished. The last hour was devoted to the "Question Box," and that the teachers had this art reduced to a science was fully demonstrated. There were a number of visitors present, and they, and all, were much delighted and edified by attending this gathering.

It was a pretty close race between Lan Lee and James Kelley for the nomination for collector, which only tends to show how strong both are.

Church Notes.

The Senior Endeavor of the C. P. church are practicing for an Easter entertainment.

Go to the C. P. church next Sunday evening and spend a pleasant hour with the "Junior Endeavorers of China."

The collection at the C. P. Sunday school last Sunday morning was \$1.68, averaging two cents for each one present.

After the Endeavor meeting at the C. P. church Monday evening it was heard remarked, "Wasn't the meeting just splendid!"

Rev. E. A. Squier, pastor of the M. E. church, will preach next sabbath morning on "Growth in Grace". In the evening he will deliver an address on "How to keep in Preaching Condition".

After the Sunday evening service at the C. P. church, Rev. C. G. Watson was called to the Eden house, as many supposed to see some one who had suddenly become ill, but, oh! no, on his arrival he found two couples waiting for him to pronounce the words that would bring them happiness ever afterward.

Good Words for the Band.

The Sullivan Knights of Pythias band came over on Friday last, in full uniform, twenty-five strong, and in their attractive suits attracted much attention, among the fair sex especially.

At night the opera house was well filled to hear their concert, under the direction of Prof. Wade Hollingsworth and the audience was delighted throughout. The band rendered many difficult selections from the greatest composers, and the manner in which they carried them demonstrated the fact that every note was played with every selection was encored and the audience showed its appreciation of Sullivan's superb band in marked demonstrations. That city should be proud to possess such a talented organization, and should encourage it. The orchestra furnished music for the dance that followed.—Tuscola Review.

The Sullivan K. P. band, the finest organization of the kind in the state, and composed of twenty-seven members, is giving a series of concerts in Sullivan and adjoining towns, which are everywhere spoken of with the greatest enthusiasm.—Charleston Scimitar.

Tuscola Journal.

Surprised on His Birthday.

John Welsh of Whitley township was very agreeably surprised last Sunday by the unexpected arrival of about fifty of his relatives and friends, who called to remind him that he had reached the thirty-sixth mile-stone in his life's journey. Mr. Welsh had been enticed away from home and when he returned found the house full to overflowing with friends, who showered him with their best wishes.

After recovering from his surprise, he entered into the full spirit of the occasion and when dinner was announced it was found that the ladies had anticipated the wants of the entire company by providing a generous supply of tempting delicacies that were ample for all.

It was a very pleasant affair and one that will be pleasantly recalled by all present.

Literary Notes

McClure's Magazine for April has an account of Lincoln's courtship and marriage, based on the testimony of intimate friends of his still living, completely disproves a shameful story, accepted by some of the best biographers, that Lincoln once subjected the lady who afterward became his wife, to the unspeakable humiliation of abasing himself, without warning or explanation on an occasion appointed for their marriage. Along with this is given an account of a debate, with passages from a little known speech of Lincoln's, wherein he had Douglas for an opponent and completely discomfited him, twenty years before the historic debate of 1858. The pictures are abundant and apposite.

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REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

A Strong Ticket That Will Command a Large Vote.

In pursuance to the call issued by the committee a very large number of enthusiastic and representative Republicans assembled at the court house last Saturday afternoon to nominate candidates for the township offices. The convention was called to order by R. P. McPheeters, the township chairman, who read the call and after the selection of J. R. Pogue as secretary, nominations were declared in order.

For supervisor five candidates were named, W. O. Glines, Thomas Monroe, G. W. Barger, C. Enterline and D. C. Frantz.

Assistant supervisor, W. P. Leeds. Town clerk, C. F. McClure and J. Ross Wilson.

Assessor, Z. T. Deeds and W. P. Leeds.

Collector, Lan Lee and James Kelly, Commissioner of highways, I. N. Marble and M. T. Monroe.

Pound master, Charles Vogle.

A motion was made and adopted that the candidate for supervisor receiving next the highest number of votes be declared the nominee for assistant supervisor, but this action was afterward rescinded.

A motion made by W. G. Cochran that Hon. William McKinley be indorsed for President was carried unanimously by a rising vote. It having been determined that the voting be by ballot B. F. G. Hagerman and J. W. Nazworthy were appointed judges with G. A. Sentel and Elmer Richardson as clerks. An adjournment was then taken until five o'clock to allow time for voting and when the polls were closed the result was as follows:

SUPERVISOR	
G. W. Barger	45
Thomas Monroe	67
W. O. Glines	47
C. Enterline	53
D. C. Frantz	26
ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR	
W. P. Leeds	149
D. C. Frantz	98
TOWN CLERK	
C. F. McClure	206
J. Ross Wilson	52
ASSESSOR	
Z. T. Deeds	223
Perry Leeds	40
COLLECTOR	
Lan Lee	143
James Kelly	185
COM. HIGHWAYS	
Isaac Marble	146
Millard Monroe	122
POUND MASTER	
Charley Vogle	243
Mark Peters	13

The convention was entirely harmonious throughout and the ticket selected is one that will command the full strength of the party.

A Lecture on Pythianism.

Hon. J. J. Brown of Vandalia, grand chancellor commander of the Knights of Pythias of the state, lectured before the local lodge and a large audience at the M. E. church Tuesday evening. His hearers were delighted with him and his lecture. He possesses a personality that wins every one with whom he comes in contact. His subject was Pythianism, and being like Sir Galahad, "the knightliest of all," loyal through and through to his order, and to the spirit of its teaching, his entire audience was thrilled.

He assumed rather a conversational tone than that of a set lecture, and this was all the more attractive. He was both witty and eloquent, and Sullivan people will always be delighted at an opportunity to hear him. The local lodge attended in a body.

What They Carry.

Four full sets of scenery all on a magnificent scale are used in "Old Farmer Hopkins." Act first: An exterior of a millionaire's summer residence at Long Branch. Act second: An interior of a newsboy's lodging cellar, Mott street, New York City. Act third, An East River dock, New York City, Brooklyn and her famous bridge, illuminated in the distance. Act fourth: Exterior of Farmer Hopkins' home in Vermont. Two different sized sets are carried and the company guarantee the management of our Opera House that one or the other will positively be used. The company appear at the Opera House next Thursday night.

MORE HOPE FOR CUBA

Great Britain May Recognize the Patriots.

SECRETARY OLNEY GETS A NOTE.

England Would Not Object to Any Action the United States Might Take in Regard to Cuba and Would Even Welcome Any Reasonable Interference to Stop the Butchery on the Island—Two Nations to Stand as Informal Allies.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Aid for Cuba has come from an unexpected source. John Bull will pat Uncle Sam on the shoulder in any proposition to intervene to stop the butchery on the island. An informal intimation to this effect has been received at the state department and the status of the Cuban question has changed at once owing to this sudden development. While Spain has been preparing for an appeal to European nations against the United States, Great Britain has quietly taken the other tack, and decided to join with the United States in helping the Cuban patriots. Naturally, such a communication was not conveyed in an official letter, but Secretary Olney was given to understand by Sir Julian Pauncefote that Great Britain would not only not object to any action the United States might take in regard to Cuba, but would even welcome any reasonable interference which would tend to stop the butchery now going on in the island. That such an intimation was given semi-officially was learned positively Tuesday night, and the effect of the information when it becomes generally known will be to render almost certain speedy action by this country.

Spain Is Checkmated. Dispatches from Spain within the last few days are authority for the statement that a definite policy has been agreed upon there. Spain proposed to pose as the champion of European nations holding possessions in America against the arrogance of the Yankees. The European nations were to be sounded in order to secure concert of action, and then Spain was to tell President Cleveland to go ahead if he dared in the face of a formidable alliance which would prevent active intervention by force if necessary. This plan has been blocked completely by the action of Great Britain, and President Cleveland's hands have been strengthened immeasurably by Lord Salisbury's government. Great Britain deplored the inhuman Spanish warfare on the island, and English commercial interests could not look on unmoved while the price of sugar was moving upward as the result of the destruction of Cuban cane fields.

Great Britain would gladly stand in and see the United States take the initiative in Cuba.

England to Accord Belligerent Rights. No promises were made that could bind Great Britain in any way, and the queen's government was not put on record in any way, but Secretary Olney has been given to understand that if the president decides to recognize the patriots as belligerents Great Britain will not be far behind in doing the same thing. British capitalists are large holders of the Spanish bonds based on Cuban customs revenues, and they might not relish the independence of the island unless these bonds were provided for. With the United States as an intervening power, it might be possible to secure an arrangement by which the Cubans themselves would assume the bonds, with this country as a guarantor. Intervention by this country in any way, even if it did not result in the immediate independence of the island, would unquestionably force Spain to grant local self-government, promote the commerce of Cuba, and therefore increase the value of the bonds, whose only security are the receipts of the Cuban custom houses.

All Fear at an End. Such a suggestion might be expected to come later, but for the present Great Britain is contented with informing the United States that all fear of European interference with our Cuban policy is at an end.

This will be a body blow to the coterie of senators who have opposed action on the Cuban resolutions on the ground that they would result in war with Spain. With John Bull as a silent partner of Uncle Sam, Spain would be compelled to stand by and swallow any dose the two great nations may prepare for her. Hitherto President Cleveland has hesitated to interfere in Cuba, because it seemed possible that Great Britain might seize the opportunity to slide with Spain and thus embarrass this country while the Venezuelan matter was still in the air. Now the situation is entirely changed. Lord Salisbury has intimated his desire for a cessation of the warfare in Cuba, and if this country interferes, with the moral support of Great Britain it will make the two countries allies and hasten rather than retard a favorable and friendly conclusion of the Venezuelan boundary dispute.

Cuba the Gainer. In any event Cuba will be the gainer, for the island is now assured of either independence or genuine colonial government, such as Great Britain gives to Canada and Australia. This country is now in a position to dictate terms to Spain without fear of armed opposition. Great Britain and the United States are the two powers having the greatest holdings in the western continent, and they are also the two countries whose commercial and political interests are most closely interwoven with Cuba. With the United States openly intervening and Great Britain standing ready to prevent outside combinations Spain would be helpless, and this fact will be recognized as soon as the news travels across the Atlantic to Madrid that an informal alliance in behalf of Cuba has been reached between the two greatest powers of the world.

FULTON COUNTY SEAT CASE.

Complying with a Petition a Special Grand Jury Is Called.

LEWISTOWN, Ill., March 25.—Another sensation in the Fulton county seat case was sprung when Judge Orr, complying with a petition of forty citizens of this county, called a special grand jury to act on the Farley detective conspiracy cases, in which prominent citizens of Canton are said to be implicated.

Among those who are accused of being mixed up with the Farley Detective agency in the arrest and the alleged imprisonment of Baughman, Brown, and Henry, after they had been decoyed to Chicago last August, are C. E. Snively, editor of the Canton Register and secretary of the Republican county central committee; ex-State Senator Meredith Walker, a prominent Democratic politician, and Mayor C. J. Mann of Canton. The Lewistown people believe that the evidence that was sufficient to convict Farley before a McDonough county jury in February last will be sufficient to indict all of the Canton citizens above named.

CARRIED OUT IN THE LAKE.

A Number of Fishermen Adrift but Not in Serious Danger.

BAY CITY, Mich., March 25.—A strong south wind blew the ice away from the shore at the head of Saginaw bay Tuesday afternoon, and a large part of the population of the ice city, composed of fishermen's shanties, was carried with it. There are not over 200 men on the ice this winter, however, and many of these were not on the ice floe. It is impossible to say how many were taken out, certainly not more than forty or fifty, and no apprehension is felt for their safety, as the ice is solid and in no danger of breaking up. As soon as a change of wind comes it will be blown back, even if it does not reach the east shore with the present wind. Several men who noticed the movement of the ice in time succeeded in poling themselves to shore on large cakes of ice.

Delegates at Large to St. Louis.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 25.—In the Minnesota state Republican convention held Tuesday in Exposition hall, in which Harrison was nominated four years ago, Robert G. Evans of Minneapolis, George Thompson of St. Paul, Charles F. Hendry of Sauk Center, and L. R. Hunt of Mankato were elected delegates at large to the St. Louis convention, and instructed to use all their influence toward securing the nomination of William McKinley.

NEW YORK, March 25.—New York Republicans chose the following delegates at large: Thomas C. Platt, Warren Miller, Chauncey M. Depew, and E. Lauterbach. Alternates: Hamilton Fish, F. S. Witherbee, C. H. Babcock, and D. M. Millan. Electors of large counties: Tracy and E. H. Butler.

Nominated for Congress.

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex., March 25.—The Democratic convention of the Eleventh district nominated Rudolph Kleberg of Cuera for congress to succeed the late Congressman Crain. Kleberg was the law partner of Crain.

WARRENSBURG, Mo., March 25.—The Republican congressional convention for the Sixth district met at Warrensburg Tuesday. Hon. R. E. Lewis of Henry county was nominated for congress. Frank H. Dabbs of Cedar county was nominated for elector of the Sixth district.

MEXICO, Mo., March 25.—The congressional committee of the Ninth district met at Warrenton Tuesday and nominated Congressman William M. Treloar for reelection.

High School Building Destroyed.

BUSHNELL, Ill., March 25.—The high school building burned in this city Tuesday afternoon. The fire started in the roof. A high wind prevailed at the time and the building was in flames before the fire department could reach it. No lives were lost and not the slightest accident occurred, although school was in session and much excitement prevailed at the time among the pupils. The building was of brick, about twenty years old, and cost \$35,000. There was an insurance of \$1,500 on contents and \$9,500 on building.

Supposed to Be Suicide.

DETROIT, March 25.—Mathew Weidenbach, proprietor of a saloon and grocery store on Gratiot avenue, was found dead in the rear of his place Wednesday morning with a bullet wound in his head. An investigation of the store showed that the money drawers had been drawn out and dumped on the floor. Several boxes of cigars stood piled up on the counter with a bag close beside them. Weidenbach had been acting strangely of late, however, and his family believe that he committed suicide.

Choked His Wife to Death.

BOSTON, March 25.—Hiram H. Morrison, who was placed under arrest Monday night after his wife had been found dead in their home with finger marks upon her throat and other bruises about her head and face, has confessed that he choked the woman to death while in a fit of jealous rage at her action in having a crowd of neighbors in the house drinking. He alleges that he also was drunk at the time.

Reaper Works in Trouble.

AKRON, O., March 25.—The J. F. Seiberling company, manufacturers of the Empire mowers, reapers and binders, made an assignment late last evening to W. H. Carter, one of the employees of the company. President J. F. Seiberling said that the liabilities would reach \$250,000, but he refused to make a statement of the assets of the company.

German Royalty in Italy.

GENOA, March 25.—The Emperor and Empress of Germany arrived here Tuesday evening, embarked on board the imperial yacht Hohenzollern and proceeded to Naples.

MANY MINERS KILLED

FRIGHTFUL EXPLOSION IN A SHAFT AT DUBOIS, PA.

Two Parties Were in the Mine, One Consisting of Fifteen Men and the Other Three—The Explosion Occurred in the Heading Where the Larger Number Were, and Every One of Them Was Killed—Bodies Frightfully Mangled.

DUBOIS, Pa., March 23.—A terrific explosion of gas occurred at the Berwind-White shaft in the eastern limits of this city Monday, and fifteen miners were killed. The mine is a new one which the company has been opening up and working crews in shifts to push the headings out in various directions for big work later on. Eighteen men went on at 7 o'clock Monday morning, fifteen going into the north heading and three into the south heading. At about 10 o'clock the four men were sensible of a shock and a few minutes later the mine boss came to them and told them something had happened and that they should get out as soon as they could.

Nearly Overcome by Gas.

When the party, then consisting of four, reached the foot of the shaft they were nearly overcome by gas and were hurriedly taken up in the cage. Assistance was immediately summoned and practical miners from the Lell Lewis and Yates companies' mines volunteered their services. As the work of rescue proceeded it was found that the shock in the north heading was so terrific that some of the bodies were mutilated almost beyond recognition. Nearly all the bodies had been found at 1 p. m., but up to that time they had only been brought to the foot of the shaft, where they were collected preparatory to being hoisted to the surface.

Fifteen Bodies Removed.

Fifteen dead bodies have been recovered. The first two bodies found were badly mutilated, but the balance had evidently been suffocated by the foul gas. The names of the dead recovered are: George Harvey, married, no children; Henry Harvey, married, two children; Harry Smith, married, two children; James Graham, married, large family; James Graham, Jr., single; Lindsey H. Bradley, married; Jacob Monroe, two children, married; Jesse Postlewaite, married, three children; George Postlewaite, married, large family; Andrew Nowak, married, and the following are still in the mine and supposed to be dead: David Bell, married; Reuben Noble, married; George Ainsley, married.

KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

Church Spire Struck While Two Men Were Working Upon It.

GUTHRIE, O. T., March 23.—News of a most remarkable occurrence was received here Saturday from Beaver county. At the postoffice town of Beaver and the Baptist congregation is building a rather commodious church containing a spire seventy-five feet high. The woodwork on the steeple was completed last Thursday and on Friday morning James and Harry Somers, painters, were employed to oil and paint the spire. They began working from the bottom to the top, using circular scaffolding. Saturday afternoon at 4 p. m., while Somers and Ford were giving the finishing touches to the top of the spire, a thunderstorm came up, accompanied by fierce flashes of lightning.

The two painters were seen making efforts to lower their scaffold, when a flash of lightning struck the spire, knocking away the scaffolding, splitting the spire, and leaving Somers and Ford pinned to the roof, dead. To add to the awful scene the clothing of the two men was ignited and for ten minutes the bodies were seen burning in midair. Heavy rain finally extinguished the flames, and three hours later the remains of the painters were brought from the steeple, charred, incinerated and almost unrecognizable.

British Campaign in Egypt.

CAIRO, March 24.—News from the front received here Monday confirms the report that British-Egyptian advance guards under Major Collinson occupied Akasha on Friday last without opposition. A fort is now being built at that place. The Egyptian debt commission met in order to again discuss the question of the withdrawal of funds from the reserve with which to defray the expenses of the British-Egyptian expedition up the Nile, but, owing to the illness of the Ferman commissioner, the meeting was adjourned until Thursday.

Fatal Labor Riot at Indianapolis.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 23.—A riot broke out between the non-union men employed in the iron works of Chandler & Taylor and a number of strikers and their sympathizers. Three men, William Watson, Walker Davis and Hook Lee, were shot, Davis fatally, and a number of men were more or less injured by flying stones and bricks. The trouble originated over the fact that a number of non-union men are employed in the works, taking places of members of the union.

Rev. Brown Returns to His Pulpit.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 23.—For the first time since the exposure of the Davidson-Overman scandal Rev. C. O. Brown occupied his pulpit in the First Congregational church yesterday. The building was thronged with curious people, many of them strangers. Dr. Brown did not refer directly to his recent trials, and after the service many people crowded forward to shake his hand.

Tells of Spanish Atrocities.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 23.—A letter has been received here by an American from an American on a sugar plantation in Cuba telling of atrocities committed by Spaniards. It states that since sympathy has been shown by the people of the United States toward the Cubans the feeling of the Spaniards towards Americans on the island is growing in bitterness.

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- Children's Spring Reefers, 98c, \$1.25 and 2.00
- Ladies' Spring Capes, cloth, \$1.98, 2.98 and 4.98
- Ladies' Spring Capes, silk, \$5.00, 7.50 and 10.00
- Ladies' Spring Capes, velvet, \$5.98, 8.50 and 12.50
- Ladies' Spring Suits, \$6.98, 8.98, 10.00 and 15.00
- Misses' Spring Suits, \$6.98 and 7.98
- Ladies' Separate Skirts, \$1.98, 2.98, 3.98, 4.98, 5.98 and 8.98
- Ladies' Silk Waists, \$2.98, 3.98, 4.98, 7.50 and 10.00
- Ladies' Laundered Waists, 49c, 75c, 98c, \$1.25 and 1.50

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- 25 " " " " " 30c "
- 25 " " " " " 33c "
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PROTEST FROM FRANCE

Will Not Sanction Use of Egyptian Reserve Fund

UNLESS ENGLAND GIVES A PLEDGE.

The French Republic Demands Precise Information Regarding the Matter of the Evacuation of Egypt—The British Dongola Expedition Is Also a Source of Annoyance to the Turk—The Ministers Appeal to France and Russia.

PARIS, March 25.—A semi-official note was issued Wednesday morning, stating that France will refuse to sanction the use of the Egyptian reserve fund for the purpose of the British-Egyptian expedition up the Nile to Dongola unless she receives precise pledges concerning the British evacuation of Egypt.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 25.—The council of ministers which was held at the palace on March 21 exhaustively discussed the situation in Egypt. Both the palace authorities and the porte were greatly annoyed at the fact that Turkey had not been consulted in regard to the Dongola expedition and were also irritated because of the khedive having ignored the porte in the matter, and messages were addressed to Moubktar Pasha, high commissioner of the porte in Egypt, reproaching him for not having put a stop to the expedition.

The ministers also addressed an appeal to France and Russia, requesting them to intervene to the end of regulating the position of Egypt, and Germany was also asked to use her good offices in the same direction. It is believed in well informed circles that the action of the porte in this matter was taken at the instance of Russia. Costaki Pasha, Turkish ambassador to Great Britain, has been instructed to make representations to Lord Salisbury, expressing the porte's idea in regard to the Egyptian situation.

BLACKMAILERS SENTENCED.

Two of the Men Who Persecuted Max Le Baudy Get Punished.

PARIS, March 25.—Ulric de Civry, formerly editor of the Echo de l'Armee, and Count Lionel Werther de Cesti, two of the men who have been on trial for some time past on the charge of black-



MAX LEBAUDY.

mailing the late Max Lebaudy, the young millionaire conscript who died in the military hospital at Amelle-les-Bains, were sentenced Wednesday to thirteen months' imprisonment and to fines of 500 francs each. The other defendants, who included Armand Rosenthal, otherwise known as "Jacques St. Cere," formerly of the Figaro, and at one time correspondent in this city for a New York newspaper, were acquitted.

Booth-Tucker Sails.

LONDON, March 25.—Mr. Booth-Tucker sailed for New York Wednesday. He embarked with his wife on board the St. Louis on Saturday last; but just as the pilot was leaving that steamer a telegram was handed to Mr. Booth-Tucker saying that his youngest child, an infant 7 weeks old, was dying. Mrs. Booth-Tucker, who was accompanying her husband to New York, and who has been in bad health for some time past, desired to return, but she felt too weak to descend the rope ladder, and so Mr. Booth-Tucker returned to the city. It is now hoped that the child will recover.

Funeral of a Noted Author.

LONDON, March 25.—The remains of Thomas Hughes, Q. C., who died at Brighton Sunday last, were interred Wednesday in the presence of a crowd of friends and admirers. In accordance with the desire of the deceased the funeral ceremony was of the simplest kind. The grave was lined with ivy and there were many floral tributes.

Receivers Removed.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 25.—Judge Woods of the United States circuit court Tuesday heard arguments in the suit brought to oust the receivers of the Louisville, Evansville and St. Louis consolidated railroad. The result was that Edward O. Hopkins and James H. Wilson were removed and George T. Jarvis appointed single receiver of the road. Mr. Jarvis takes hold of the affairs of the company May 1. His bond was placed at \$25,000.

Editor McBride Withdraws His Suit.

ST. PAUL, March 25.—A Mitchell, S. D., dispatch says: Great surprise was created here by the action of Robert McBride's attorney, who has withdrawn his suit for \$25,000 against forty-nine citizens of this place for destroying his printing outfit about a month ago. No satisfactory reason is given for dropping the case so suddenly. McBride still claims that The Mail will be resumed here in the near future.

BAYARD CENSURED.

The Resolution Passes the House by a Vote of 180 to 71.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—The debate on the resolution to censure Thomas F. Bayard, United States ambassador to England, which has already occupied the attention of the house for two days, was resumed Friday under an agreement entered into the preceding day to take a vote at 9 o'clock Friday. It was decided to vote on the resolutions separately. The first resolution censuring the ambassador was passed by a vote of 180 to 71.

Cummings of New York, Bailey of Texas, Latimer of South Carolina, Sorg of Ohio and Cockrell of Texas voted with the Republicans for the resolution and Cook of Illinois, Willis of Delaware and Baker of Maryland, Republicans, voted with the Democrats against it. The second resolution, which expresses the general opinion that our foreign representatives should not make political or partisan speeches, was adopted by the house—101 to 59.

The Benoit Boatner contested election case from the Fifth Louisiana district was called up after the adoption of the Bayard resolutions. The majority report, which will be adopted, declares the seat vacant and that there will have to be another election.

NEWS FROM HAVANA.

Report of a Battle in Which a Good Many Were Killed.

HAVANA, March 23.—Lieutenant Colonel Frances, in operating against Cayajobos, province of Pinar del Rio, first opened fire with his artillery upon the insurgents' position and then charged with the bayonet and dislodged the enemy, who left fourteen killed and retired with many wounded. Thirty-six horses belonging to the insurgents were also killed. The troops lost seven men killed and had three officers and forty-four privates wounded.

The columns of troops commanded by General Linares and Colonels Suarez, Inclan, Sanchez and Echevarria arrived in the vicinity of Cayajobos after the fighting was over. Major Sirugeda, reconnoitering in the vicinity of Managua, this province, engaged the insurgents at Menocal. They were commanded by Lastra and were men who had recently joined the cause of the insurrection. The insurgents left several killed on the field.

TO TAX EXPRESS COMPANIES.

A Subject Which Is Interesting the Bankers of Ohio.

CLEVELAND, March 24.—Cleveland bankers and their associates all over Ohio are interested in the question of taxing express companies for issuing money orders. It is maintained by the banks that the companies carry on a banking business, which pays practically no tax, and that it furnishes a branch of the business that is extremely profitable to capital interested in banks. A bill soon to be introduced provides that any person, firm or corporation engaged in the transferring of money without actual transference of the currency shall be subject to the banking laws of the state and shall be required to maintain in every county in which it carries on this business a deposit of at least \$5,000, which shall be subject to taxation. Nearly all of the local bankers approve of the measure.

DYNAMITE EXPLOSION.

Two Men Instantly Killed and Horribly Mangled in Maryland.

BALTIMORE, March 23.—A special dispatch to The News from Ellicott City, says: A terrific dynamite explosion occurred here Saturday resulting in the mangling and killing ex-Tax Collector John Claggett of Howard county, and Lee Williams, colored, employed on the grading work of the Edmonson avenue, Catonsville and Ellicott City Electric railroad.

So great was the concussion that dozens of windows in near-by dwellings were broken and men who were passing along the road fifty yards distant were thrown to the ground and badly stunned. Goods in a number of stores in the town were thrown from the shelves and several windows in the town hall were shattered.

REPUDIATES THE LETTERS.

John Hays Hammond Misrepresented by American Newspapers.

JOHANNESBURG, March 23.—The Diggers News announces that John Hays Hammond, the American engineer and member of the reform committee, now on trial, repudiates letters which have appeared in American newspapers purporting to emanate from him and ten of the reform committee prisoners.

A fresh outcry is being raised against the alleged Americanizing of the Rand by the mining magnates, who, it appears, have adopted the method of placing machinery orders in the United States instead of England. It is pointed out that directors of English mining companies are also directors of American machinery companies.

Made an Assignment.

COLUMBUS, O., March 24.—W. S. Ide made an assignment to Edwin S. Sharpe. The assets, mostly real estate, are estimated at \$240,000, and the liabilities at \$175,000. The assignment is the result of slow returns on real estate and failure to meet a large number of notes which are about to mature. The assignment does not in any way affect any of the banks with which Mr. Ide has been connected, he having sold his interest in the Fourth National bank. The assignment is a purely personal one.

Mrs. Davidson on Trial.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 25.—The selection of the jury to try Mrs. Davidson on the charge of extorting money from Rev. C. O. Brown was completed Tuesday and the taking of testimony commenced Wednesday.

SHORT PARAGRAPHS.

Some of the Events of the Week Given in Condensed Form.

An early challenge for a return match between English and American chess experts may be expected from the foreigners.

William Boucher committed suicide at his home near Needham, Ind. Domestic trouble is given as the cause of the act.

The finest tomb in Great Britain is undoubtedly that of the Duke of Hamilton, in the grounds of the duke's seat. It cost over \$1,000,000.

Walter Russell, a young man from Cleveland, went skating on the ice near Toronto, Ont., and has not been seen since.

Dr. H. C. Lloyd, now of St. Louis, who was indicted by the grand jury in Kansas City last year for conducting a lottery there, was fined \$1 and costs.

Martin Vogel, a young Hollander, aged 16, fell beneath the wheels at the street stable car company's cleaning yards, south of Fulton, Ill., and was killed.

The effort of Anthony Comstock to induce the New York legislature to prohibit the wearing of tights by women on the stage has failed.

It is said that Representative Wood of Illinois has listened to every speech made in the house since the present session began.

Mr. Jewett Lynch, who died in Morgantown, W. Va., divided \$100,000 between the Baptist Missionary society and the Baptist Educational society of West Virginia.

Rev. Dr. Logan of Scranton, Pa., has been elected a member of the Victoria Institute of Great Britain. The purposes of the institute is to reconcile the revelations of science with the statements of the Bible.

The portraits of General Harrison, recently added to the White House collection, is considered one of the best works ever done by Eastman Johnson.

William Nelson Cromwell, American counsel of the new Panama Canal company of Paris, said in New York there would be no consolidation of his and the Nicaragua canal enterprises.

Don Jayme de Bourbon, only son of the Spanish pretender, Don Carlos, has entered the Russian army as a sub-lieutenant of dragoons.

Edward Haggerty was found lying in an unconscious condition across the Illinois Central tracks at Arcola, Ill. He is thought to have been assaulted and robbed.

During a general fight at the Illinois Central depot in Fort Dodge, Ia., an unknown participant fell under a moving engine and was killed.

Fifty-one samples of American food examined in London were found to contain no adulteration.

Rhoda Judge, a tough citizen of Butte, Mont., murdered Policeman Parlin and then committed suicide.

Frank Baldwin, 20 years of age, was killed at Pittsfield, Ill., by the accidental discharge of his gun.

Secretary of State Gardner has revoked the license of the Granite State Provident association of Manchester, N. H., to do business in Michigan.

The North Carolina Republican state convention will be held at Raleigh, May 14.

Governor Altgeld has restored citizenship to Frank Peterson of Chicago, who served one year in Joliet for robbery.

J. W. Lintz & Co., grocers of Canton, Ill., have been closed on judgment notes held by Canton and Peoria wholesalers.

Samuel O'Brien of Bourbon, Ind., was badly burned by the explosion of a gasoline stove.

Wesley Bellis, 12 years old, of Egypt Mills, N. Y., dragged his little sister from a furnace while she was ablaze and saved her life by plunging her into a creek.

Nelson Robb of Williamsport, Ind., was held up by masked thieves and relieved of \$117.

John Gurtis, engineer at a sawmill near Williamsport, Ind., was fatally injured by an explosion.

W. M. Capron, R. E. Holland, and E. W. Rice have been nominated for aldermen on a "law and order ticket" at Marion, Ill.

O. H. Hoyt, a farmer of Eldora, Ia., was killed by a runaway horse.

Candidates for revenue cutter service as cadets will be held in Washington early in May. There are twelve vacancies. Applicants must be single men, between 18 and 25 years old.

Secretary of State Frank Reeder of Easton, Pa., was elected a delegate to the National Republican convention from Northampton county. He is a Quay man.

James Martin, a Chicago plumber, hunting near Jefferson, Ia., handed a cooked gun to a boy, when it was discharged into Martin's thigh, inflicting fatal injuries.

Scott B. Hayes, youngest son of the late ex-president, is a successful electrician in Cleveland.

Elijah Rutter and John White of Brice, O., quarreled over the former's wife and both were fatally injured.

Donovick, one of three men seriously burned by the overturning of a tower of molten metal at the Illinois Steel company's at Chicago, is dead.

J. W. January, formerly postmaster at Minonk, Ill., is said to be the only man living that ever amputated both of his own legs with his own hands and afterward recovered.

Edward Hopkins, colored, aged 103 years, probably the oldest person in Onondaga county, is dead at Rome, N. Y. He was an inmate of the poorhouse.

Sheriff Hayes of Crown Point, Ind., has begun a war on improper houses near Cedar Lake, a prominent summer resort.

A Faulty Sonnet to the Boston Owls. "To whit, to whom!" so spake the Wordsworth owls.

And "limiting them and their poor speech, "To whit, to whom!" Chicago owlets screech—Most grammarians, most meaningless of howls! Know well ye are the scorn of Boston fowls. Ye owls who rashly break the sacred laws Of holy Lindley Murray—pray to pause And note well how a Boston owl can teach To youths in their impressionable days— Who wandering beneath the lovely moon, Themselves to nature's teachings do attune— To them the Boston owl correctly says These odifying words from out the gloom: "To whit, to whit, to whom! To whit, to whom!"

—Chap Book.

COW AND CALF WISDOM.

Cut This Out and Keep It by You For Reference.

We have had the best success this year with calves that we removed from the cows as soon as they were dropped. They learned to drink at once. The cows did not mourn for them as they (the cows) were gently and kindly treated.

After the third day give the calf skimmed milk warm with flaxseed jelly and the water in which some wheat bran and middlings have been boiled.

After they are a few weeks old the grain need not be strained out. This grain balances the cream which is taken out. Then feed regularly. It does not pay to feed even milk to calves in a haphazard way. This has been proved to be the most profitable way to raise calves.

Arrange to have a greater number of the cows fresh in September and October. A cow coming in fresh in the autumn will give at least one-third more milk in a year than one fresh in the spring.

Give the cows a good feeding of hay before turning them out to pasture. Do not neglect this year to provide plenty of soiling crops. Sow a quantity of oats and peas. All that you do not use green will be valuable when matured.

Plant a big patch of sweet corn. You cannot feed too much of it. Repair all the pasture fences before turning the cows out. It will save time by and by, as well as keep the cows in good habits.

A good remedy for lice on cattle is Persian insect powder dusted freely in the air. As soon as you discover them go for them with something; do not allow them to multiply. A cow that is worried or uncomfortable in any way will not do her best.

If you make pets of your cows, they will help fill your pocketbook.

No person who owns a cow can afford to have her afraid of him, for it is a loss every time she is frightened or ill used in any way.

The cow is simply a milking machine, and for best results she should be kept in the best possible working condition. The best conditions are quiet and comfort.

Look carefully after the udders of the fresh cows. The udder of a cow is a very complicated and delicate affair and should receive careful attention. If there is any inflammation to take or inflammation, bathe with hot water and rub thoroughly with the hand. Milk out often. If the case is a very bad one, it may be necessary to poultice the entire udder in flaxseed meal swung in place by cords and bagging. The poultice should be put on hot.

Do not allow a cow or any animal to go out to pasture in poor condition. Do not turn out too soon. Give the ground time to settle and the grass to acquire strength.

A cow that has aborted twice or three times should not be retained, but fattened as soon as her milk flow is reduced.

Are you fattening calves? Plan to save time and strength in handling them. Large hooks in the siding behind the cows render tying and untying of the calves unnecessary. Don't have ropes, but collars and chains. These are easily unfastened, and no calf can suck or chew one in two, while the collar and buckle never slip off or choke a calf.

A teaspoonful of allspice in the mess of the scouring calf will cure him usually. It may need repeating once or twice.—Dorothy Tucker in Farm Journal.

Visible Butter Supply.

It is estimated that the stock in cold storage in New York city, irrespective of private stores, is lighter than it has been in a number of years, being variously estimated at \$5,000 to 40,000 packages. It is certain that Boston has not any more stock than she had at this time last season, which shows a large consumptive demand there, while the report comes from Chicago that the cold storage houses there have been unloading stock very fast.

As I have all along predicted, since our large output went into export, I believe if we will not be too anxious to advance prices, and be conservative, we will clean out nicely on all this season's production.—New York Cor. Creamery Journal.

Honoring Her Heroes.

Japan does not mean to forget her heroes who perished in the late war with China. Statues of the chief military and naval officers will be erected in the imperial palace.

Clogged by Eels.

A mass of eels weighing 300 pounds clogged the water wheel which runs the electric plant of Riverhead, N. Y., and the town was in darkness for several hours.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 1896.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

WE are authorized to announce F. E. ASHWORTH as a candidate for the office of Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the Republican County Convention.

WE are authorized to announce C. H. MCCOY of Lovington as a candidate for the office of Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the Republican county convention.

WE are authorized to announce W. P. WIRTHIE as a candidate for the office of State's Attorney, subject to the action of the Republican primary.

WE are authorized to announce S. D. PATTERSON as a candidate for re-election to the office of circuit clerk, subject to the action of the Democratic convention.

WE are authorized to announce E. A. SILVER as a candidate for the office of Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the Democratic Convention.

WE are authorized to announce RAY D. MEEKER as a candidate for the office of State's Attorney, subject to the action of the Democratic Convention.

WE are authorized to announce O. T. ATCHISON of Lovington as a candidate for Representative from this district, subject to the action of the Democratic Convention.

WE are authorized to announce Dr. W. H. GLADVILLE of Bruce as a candidate for the office of coroner, subject to the action of the democratic county convention.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION.

The republicans of the several townships in Moultrie county are requested to meet in town convention, at their usual place of meeting, except in Dora township, the meeting will be held at Dalton City, on Saturday, April 11, 1896, at 8 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of selecting delegates to the county convention to be held at the court-house in Sullivan, on Sunday, April 13, 1896, at 10 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of nominating candidates for county offices, and selecting delegates to the state, congressional and senatorial conventions.

The basis of representation to the county convention will be one delegate for every 25 votes cast for state treasurer at the election of 1894, and one for every fraction of 13 votes. The several townships will be entitled to representation as follows:

TOWNSHIP	VOTES	DELEGATES
Dora	118	5
East Nelson	119	5
Jonathan Creek	108	4
Lowe	133	5
Lovington	262	10
Marrowbone	224	9
Sullivan	318	13
Whitley	142	6

Total vote, 1424 Total delegates, 57
 By order of the County Central Committee.
 W. G. COCHRAN, Chairman.
 A. T. JENKINS, Sec. etary.

CALL FOR CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION

VANDALIA, ILL., March 12, 1896.
 The Republican Congressional Committee of this Eighteenth Congressional District of the State of Illinois convened at Vandalia, Illinois, this day, and hereby issue the call for the Republican Congressional Convention to convene at Litchfield, Illinois, Thursday, the 23rd day of April, A. D. 1896, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Congress, a Member of the State Board of Equalization, two delegates to the National Convention and two alternates, and one elector, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the convention.

The ratio of representation shall be one delegate for each 150 votes cast for the Hon. W. F. L. Hadley, Nov. 5, 1895, or a fraction of 150 votes cast at such election exceeding 75.

The counties forming this Congressional District are entitled to representation as follows:

Counties.	Votes.	Delegates.
Bond	1507	10
Fayette	2267	12
Madison	4983	33
Montgomery	2986	20
Moultrie	1101	7
Shelby	2417	16

Total number Delegates.....101
 Necessary to a Choice..... 52
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 Collector.....LAN LEE
 Commissioner of Highways.....ISAAC MARBLE
 Pound Master.....CHARLEY VOGLE

Two hundred and seventy-eight votes is certainly not very bad for the Sullivan township republicans to cast at a primary election, but some of our democratic friends profess to be much surprised. There are probably many other surprises in store for them which will appear later on.

LOCAL OVER-FLOW.

Mrs. Grant Atterbury was here the first of the week, leaving on the P. D. & E. north Wednesday.

Harry Pifer of Lovington visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Pifer, the first of the week.

Nathan Higginbotham of Decatur was entertained Saturday and Sunday by his many little friends.

Mrs. Eugene Bland of Blandsville was here Saturday on her way to Decatur to visit her daughter.

Mrs. Will Luttrell and children of Lovington visited Jacob Dumond and family the first of the week.

C. H. McCoy was down from Lovington Wednesday looking after his interests in the circuit clerkship.

Rev. Claxon of Oakland will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock and in the evening at seven.

J. C. Millsbaugh, the genial traveling passenger agent of the Vandalia system, was in town Saturday.

WANTED, a good girl can find a permanent situation by calling at once at City Hotel Bethany, Ill. 12

M. Ansbacher is making some radical changes and improvements to his residence on West Jefferson street.

Miss Emma Shook of Lovington attended the teachers' institute, and visited with Miss Grace Cochran until Monday.

Miss Freda Baum, who has been attending school in New York state returned home yesterday, after finishing the spring term.

A Miss Endries of St. Louis will have charge of the trimming department of Miss Mary Davis's millinery emporium this season.

Hay for sale, by D. E. Freeland, two miles south of Bruce. Three kinds, timothy, clover and baled clover straw the latter being excellent for either cattle or horses. 13-14

"How shall we spend our Money," will be the subject of Rev. Atwater's sermon at the Christian church next Sunday evening. The morning sermon will be upon the duty of parents to the Sunday school.

There was a double wedding at the Eden house parlors Sunday evening. The contracting parties were Charley Elliot and Miss Clara Baugher of this city, and Frank Moore of Philadelphia and Miss Dollie McKown. Mr. Moore was a member of the Howard Comedy company which played here last week. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. G. Watson about nine o'clock after the close of church.

County Superintendent Lowe has been appointed by the Hon. W. F. Hadley as one of five of a board to examine applicants for appointment to the cadetship at the naval academy. The time and place of examination have been fixed for Tuesday March 31 at Greenville. Any one desiring further information can obtain the same by applying to Supt. Lowe, who has in his possession a circular of information.

The P. D. & E. road has made some quite radical changes in the time of some of its passenger trains, the new time table taking effect the first of the present week. The south-bound mail and express formerly arriving here at 12.34 p. m. now arrives at 11.54 a. m. and No. 31, the local passenger due here 9.08 p. m. now arrives at 6.08. These are the most important changes, the others being the 5.36 morning passenger now passes at 5.11 and the time of the afternoon train west is 1.42, four minutes earlier.

M. M. Walker, who has had charge of the seventh grade at the north side school building since the first of the year, has resigned and the place was taken by E. E. Leggett, who has just finished a term of school at the Forest district. Mr. Walker is a good instructor, but for some reason an unruly element became generated that was difficult to control and finally resulted in his resignation. Mr. Leggett bears a good reputation, both as an instructor and disciplinarian and will probably be able to bring about a more harmonious feeling.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day.

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THE DEATH RECORD.

Mrs. Isabel Musgrove.

Mrs. Isabel Musgrove, widow of John Musgrove, died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Frank Webb, Saturday night. Her maiden name was Isabel Soloman, being a sister of Ab Soloman of this city. She was born in Butler county, Ky., Oct. 14, 1826. When but a child the family moved to Clark county, Ill. She was married Nov. 26, 1846 to John Musgrove, and in the fall of 1854 they came to this county. In 1856 they removed to Iowa. Her husband enlisted in the army from that state, and died in 1863 on the hospital boat at Young's Point, La. The family returned to Illinois in 1869, and ten years later went to Kansas, where one son, Christopher, died. Returning here with her children, she has since made her home with them. The children she leaves are Mrs. Frank Webb, Mrs. Allen in Iowa, John of near this city, and Henry of Kansas, who was here and attended the funeral.

The services were conducted from the Christian church Monday afternoon by Dr. A. L. Kellar, assisted by Elder Amzi Atwater, and the interment took place in the city cemetery.

"Grandma" Ewing.

"Grandma" Ewing passed peacefully away Sunday evening about ten o'clock. It was appropriate that her life should end with the Sabbath day, and she went into the future with a bright and confident hope. Her death was caused by the ailments incident to old age, she having been in feeble health for almost a year past, but for a few days before her death she had been able to be up and around the house.

Elizabeth Culbertson was born in Warren county, Ky., April 17, 1808, and was thus almost eighty-eight years of age at the time of her death. She came with the family of her father to Illinois when she was but eight years of age. She was married to Reuben Ewing Aug. 19, 1824, and to them were born ten children, six boys and four girls. The living are Robert of Peoria county, Charles of Des Moines, Iowa, Mrs. N. J. Fruit of Bethany, Mrs. Louisa Elder and Mrs. D. F. Bristow of this city. Her husband died in July, 1876, and since then she has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Bristow.

She was known as "Grandma" to everybody. Although time had made furrows upon her sweet face, and had caused her step to be less elastic, yet her spirit never grew old. She was bright and happy always, and her presence was perfect sunshine. Her spirit went into the future as hopeful and new as when she entered this world, and her life was spent in the labor of love. She lived during the formative period of our national history and is one of those pioneers whose labors we now enjoy. She loved the young people, and there was not one who knew her who did not love her in return. She has been a familiar spirit among our people for years, and one that will be missed. Yet her influence will live for long.

The funeral services were held from the residence of D. F. Bristow Tuesday afternoon by Rev. D. F. Howe of Decatur, and his words were most beautiful and impressive. The interment was at the local cemetery.

High School Notes.

Opha Blair ex '99 of Findlay visited the High school Wednesday.

Marie Eden, '96 after several days absence, is again able to attend school.

The members of the graduating class are; Roselle Wood, Lucinda Whitfield, Gertrude Allen, Lucius Harshman, and William Sherman.

The exercises by the first year on last Thursday were very interesting the medley by a High School quartette was especially entertaining.

The High School pupils aided in making it pleasant for the teachers and pupils who attended the institute and final examination last Friday.

Tuesday Mr. Kelly explained the anatomy of the heart to the Physiology class and made his explanation effective by the use of a cow's heart. The whole High School were given the benefit of his excellent explanation.

This item comes to the correspondent: The fourth year class is the graduating class and they desire to call special attention to the false report that there will be no graduating class this year. Let it be distinctly understood that there will be, although the numbers are small what they lack in quantity is made up in quality.



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NEWS FROM DIFFERENT SOURCES

Important Events in Various Places Collected and Arranged for Readers of The News.

BETHANY.

"Uncle" John Bushert is on the sick list.

L. T. Hudson is now clerking for W. H. Logan.

Ed Myer was a business visitor in Decatur Saturday.

Frank Conner and family left for Toledo Wednesday.

A son was born to Rev. and Mrs. A. B. McDavid Friday.

Sidney McCartney has a position in a drug store at Toledo.

J. L. Brock and Robert Jackson were Decatur visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. M. M. Crowder spent Sunday with relatives at Mt. Zion.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Scales were entertained by Decatur friends Saturday.

Jacob Keim went to Arthur Tuesday and sold the village board a road grader.

John Frowin and wife were called to Virginia Thursday by the serious illness of their daughter.

The annual commencement exercises will be held at the C. P. church Wednesday evening, April 8.

Miss Tella Hurs will teach a subscription school in this place after the public schools close in April.

Mrs. J. T. Trowbridge of Sullivan was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bushert, last week.

There was no school Friday. The teachers all attended the institute at Sullivan Friday and Saturday.

Remember the band concert this evening and do not fail to attend. This will be the last of the season before the open air concerts.

Miss Mamie Reed of Peru, Ind., Mrs. W. H. Logan's milliner, has returned to Bethany from a visit of several months in her Indiana home.

S. McLaughlin and his sister, Miss Mary Holbert, were called to Shoals, Ind. Monday by telegram announcing the serious illness of their father.

Thomas Smith and Miss Mary J. Wright were married at the residence of T. E. Wright Wednesday evening in the presence of a few relatives and friends. They reside on a farm near Hampton.

The quarterly conference of the M. E. church was held last Saturday by Presiding Elder Stevens of Mattoon. The regular services on Sunday were conducted by Rev. Squier of Sullivan who preached morning and evening.

Some tramps set a box car on the field track on fire early Sunday morning. It happened about the time of the morning passenger and the train was run in on the switch and separated the other cars from the one burning. The wrecking crew came out Monday and picked up the remains.

PEOPLE'S CONVENTION.

After the Republicans adjourned, the People's party met at the council room and after being called to order organized with L. H. Younger as chairman and J. A. Rowsey as clerk. After some remarks by different speakers the following ticket was nominated:

Town clerk, J. A. Rowsey.
Assessor, Jacob Keim.
Collector, J. R. Mitchell.
Com. of highways, F. O. Ward.
Cemetery trustees, L. B. Florey, A. L. Marlow, George McLaughlin.
Central committee, J. Kiem, A. L. Marlow and Chas. Waggoner.

This party is keeping up its organization in the face of considerable discouragement and while they do not expect to elect their ticket it is as one of the members remarked, "We must have some place to vote." Their nominees show that they have some ability in their party.

MARRIED FORTY-FIVE YEARS

Ira Bankson and Miss Polly Walker were married March 20, 1851, by Rev. M. Wilson of the C. P. church, at the home of the bride's father, Jesse Walker, near Bethany. The above event,

as will be noticed by the date, occurred forty-five years ago, and the 20th of March this year it was remembered by an anniversary celebration that was one of the happiest ever noted in Bethany. The entire day was given up to the festivities of the occasion, all the past was lived over again, both of shade and sunshine, and every one present will remember the occasion as a very happy one. The guests numbered fifty-five, including the children, grand children, and other relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Bankson have spent the whole of their long and happy married life but eight years in Bethany, during which time they resided in Nebraska. They recalled the ways and manners of "other days," and related many interesting and amusing incidents. Among these were the facts that the bride made her own wedding-dress at the age of sixteen years, one month and twenty days, and that the wedding party made the journey on horseback. The charivari party was led by "Uncle" Perry Walker. Mr. and Mrs. Bankson are the parents of seven children, two of whom are dead. The living are Mesdames J. M. Bushert, J. W. Hale and J. Rowsey, Andrew M. and John H. Bankson, all of this city. The wedding dinner that was served was all that could be desired, and the day was spent royally.

REPUBLICAN TOWNSHIP CONVENTION.

The Republican voters of Marrowbone township met at Beavers' opera house last Saturday afternoon pursuant to the call and were called to order by D. M. Crowder, chairman township committee.

Capt. J. A. Freeland was elected chairman and L. T. Butt secretary. The tellers were J. P. Hill and D. W. Summers. J. M. Hogg received the nomination for town clerk on the first ballot, and for assessor J. A. Mitchell was nominated by acclamation but when the collector was reached a spirited fight ensued. J. P. McCord, T. M. Bone, John Freeland, G. T. Hill and J. A. Fruit were before the convention and three ballots were necessary before a choice was made, when J. A. Fruit was declared nominated. Commissioner of highways was decided by one ballot and John Stark was the lucky candidate. The grave yard trustees were named next and are A. J. Mulholland, George W. Walker and J. P. McCord. It was moved by A. J. Mulholland and carried unanimously, that the chairman of the central committee be elected by the convention first and the other members afterward. D. M. Crowder and W. P. Guthrie were named and if the latter runs in the county as he did in Marrowbone township, his election is a foregone conclusion. The other two members of the committee are T. L. Bone and John Freeland. Capt. J. A. Freeland presided in his usual acceptable manner. That the ticket named will be elected is an assured fact, for better men for the various offices could not well have been found in a township noted for putting good men in office.

LOVINGTON.

A. Wacaser of Hammond was in the city Monday.

Attorney Za Donovan transacted business in Monticello Tuesday.

Mr. Hayes, the blacksmith, moved his effects to Dalton City Monday.

Mrs. Lida Brown of Decatur is visiting her brothers, the Dawson boys.

We regret to chronicle the fact that Mrs. Polly Gibbon is still quite sick.

The News reporter is under obligations to M. L. Hines for recent favors.

L. S. Runyan was a business visitor at the recorder's office of the county capital Tuesday.

O. T. and W. A. Atchison and J. A. Gregory attended the convention at Decatur Monday.

Miss Kenzil and little brother of Oakland are the guests of their cousin, Miss Edna Kinzel.

T. T. Springer will have a public sale south of town Saturday, March 28. T. F. Reynolds will be the auctioneer.

J. J. Jones and W. D. Hoggard were in Arthur Monday on business connected with the affairs of the late Edward Hoggard.

Call at J. E. Casteel's studio and see

cure one of his beautiful large crayon portraits, free with one dozen cabinets. 12-13

Miss Emma Shook, who lately closed a successful term of school near town, was the guest of Miss Grace Cochran at Sullivan over Sunday.

C. H. McCoy, Republican candidate for circuit clerk, has been sick for several days, but has sufficiently recovered to enter his canvass for nomination.

The commissioners of highways were in session last Tuesday at W. B. Shook's office settling with the pathmasters and attending to other business.

Thomas Kearney and one of his tenants named Julian had a difference in regard to rent and possession which was settled in E. q. Jones's court to which it was taken on a change of venue from W. B. Shook.

The pupils of the Prairie View school gave a literary entertainment last Tuesday evening, the proceeds of which were used to enlarge the library. J. A. Patton is the teacher and deserves much credit for his work in that district.

John Elliot, who resided with Mrs. Idall near town, died last Saturday morning and was buried Sunday at the Hewitt cemetery. The deceased was sixty-three years old and unmarried. He had always been supposed to be in straightened circumstances, but after his death he was found to have money, amounting to several hundred dollars, deposited in the Bement and Lovington banks.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

The largest and most enthusiastic township convention ever held in this township was the one at the opera house last Saturday. The voters were out in full force and when called to order by the central committeeman, J. A. Gregory, filled the large hall to its utmost capacity. L. G. Hostetler was elected chairman and John M. Gibbon clerk. The following ticket was nominated:

Assessor, Wm. Redding.
Collector, P. M. Reynolds.

Highway commissioners, long term, J. B. Rainey; short term, David Kimler.

Cemetery trustees, C. H. Binner, J. H. Wood and John W. Dixon.

Found master, M. M. Durham.

The ticket is a strong one and will undoubtedly be elected, as it ought to be, at the election April 7. James A. Gregory and Daniel Sutter are the central committee.

DALTON CITY.

Ben Watts and family have moved to Decatur.

W. D. C. McClure has returned from St. Louis where he has been under treatment for cancer the past two weeks.

Go to A. S. Clark's store for all kinds of new spring goods. This is the leading store in town for all kinds of goods kept in a general store, having by far the largest trade in town. Goods are always fresh, being in constant receipt of some every day.

The meeting at the Christian church is still in progress, with large congregations each evening. The congregation was taken somewhat by surprise Sunday evening by the happy marriage before the congregation at the close of the services of Charles Watts and Miss Edith McClure. The entire congregation took turns in shaking hands with the bride and groom and wishing them happiness. The News also extends best wishes to this worthy couple.

The Republican township convention met here Saturday afternoon and organized by electing John Uppendahl chairman and Isaac Yantis clerk. The

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following ticket was nominated:

Supervisor, Isaac Yantis.
Town clerk, Dan Fletcher.
Assessor, David Donor.
Collector, Henry Snyder.
Commissioners, Wm. Reeter and George Van Sickle.

A rising vote on the presidential ticket revealed the fact that the convention was unanimously in favor of McKinley.

The Democratic township convention met at Lake City and nominated the following ticket:

Supervisor, James Foley.
Town clerk, Jacob Vollmer.
Assessor, H. L. Grounds.
Collector, Joseph Burns.
Commissioners, Joseph Stocks and Henry Myers.

GAYS.

Mr. Booze of Sullivan visited Gays Sunday.

Miss Jessie Wallace was in Windsor Saturday.

John Hardwick was a Mattoon visitor Friday.

Rev. S. Curry preached at the C. P. church Sunday.

James Baker visited Will Baker of Paradise Sunday.

Halee Wilson of Sullivan visited home folks Sunday.

Mrs. D. Dole entertained friends from Windsor Sunday.

Miss Carrie Moffit entertained a few of her friends Monday evening.

Mrs. R. Watkins, and mother of Mattoon visited friends in Gays over Sunday.

Miss May Vincent entertained her friend, Miss Hillis, of Watson over Sunday.

Miss Ota Peters returned to her home in Lerna Saturday, after a two weeks visit with relatives and friends in Gays.

Mrs. L. Reynolds is at the bedside of her brother, who is very low with consumption.

Miss Eva Layton closed a very successful term of school at the Crabapple Wednesday.

Gertie and Edith Wallace of Windsor are the guests of their sister, Mrs. Will Treat.

Mrs. Ed Curry of Mattoon visited her mother, Mrs. George Williams, over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wilson visited their daughter, Mrs. Will Woods, the first of the week.

FINDLAY.

John Newby visited in Chicago this week.

Evangelist Dooley is sick with the measles.

Fritz Christman is the possessor of a new cycle.

John Crowl and James Meeds are each building new residences.

Jesse Tull, candidate for representative, was shaking hands with us this week.

Grant Holding has purchased Dr. Mauzey's residence and will again locate in Findlay.

Miss Clara Parish has resigned her position at Dickson's stores and Miss Lillie Hill has succeeded her.

The Democrats held their primary Saturday and the following ticket was nominated:

Clerk, Emery Crowl.
Collector, N. F. Keim.
Assessor, Simon Jones.
Commissioner, James Carpenter.
Chairman, John Fearman.

The Republicans of Okaw township held their primary here Saturday and the following ticket was nominated:

Clerk, Will Fear.
Collector, John Crowl.
Assessor, W. S. Waters.
Commissioner, G. W. Dixon.
School Trustee, Joseph Mackrell.
Chairman, O. E. Stumpf.

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When Tesla gets his battery and winks the other eye.
The man who gets his treatment, sir, will never die.
No matter what his ills may be or whence or how they come,
This man will cure a fever or reset a broken thumb.
He'll gently jar your liver when its labors it would shirk;
He'll exercise your muscles and relieve you from all work;
He'll freshen up your tissue and renew the worn-out parts;
He'll give you health and vigor with his mystifying arts;
He'll renovate your system with a half a dozen sparks;
He'll brighten your complexion in the morning after "larks";
He'll keep you always healthy, and, though dangers may be rife,
You're safe, because, if dying, he could shock you back to life.

—Chicago Post.

THE RUSSIAN EMBASSADOR.

M. Kotzebue Comes to Washington After Long Diplomatic Experience.

Washington society is said to be much pleased with M. de Kotzebue, the newly appointed Russian ambassador, who has recently arrived. In the first place his name is much easier to pronounce than that of Prince Cantacuzene, whom he succeeds. In the next place, he is not only a polished diplomat, but an accomplished society man, with a beautiful wife and an interesting family. Mrs. de Kotzebue did not accompany her husband, as she is ill in Russia, but she will probably arrive before the winter is over, and then it is expected that the Russian embassy will be a more lively place than it was under the regime of the prince, who, while being a refined and able diplomat, did not care much for social gaieties.

Ernest Charles de Kotzebue is about 57 years old and comes from a prominent and powerful Russian family. He is a very wealthy man and has vast estates in the Baltic provinces. His grandfather was a famous Russian naval officer and was one of the first foreigners to enter Japan. M. de Kotzebue himself has had some naval experience, having served for three years as a midshipman, but his wife persuaded him to enter the diplomatic service. He became an undersecretary in one of the foreign legations and has held some important posts. He is a privy councillor and chamberlain, and his last mission was as Russian minister to the court of Wurtemberg. It is understood that he exchanges places with Prince Cantacuzene, who is his cousin, at the latter's request. The new ambassador speaks English with no perceptible accent. His daughter, who is the wife of Count de Rebinder, is a tall, beautiful blond, and his son is an officer in the Russian army who has just married a very pretty Russian girl. His son accompanies him as secretary.

HERMIT, SCIENTIST, PHILOSOPHER.

Dr. Oswald Has a Roving Commission From Nature to Find Out Queer Things.
Many readers of scientific and popular magazines are familiar with the writings of Felix L. Oswald, but few persons know who he is or where and how he lives. Even the editors with whom he has business dealings or the



FELIX L. OSWALD.

publishers who print his books would not know him if they met him, although his peculiar manuscript, written with violet ink in a crabbed but legible hand, would at once be recognized in almost any sanctum in the country. Dr. Oswald is now living quietly in Louisville, but it is probable that his residence there is only a temporary one, as he spends most of his time far away from the haunts of men. Besides being a writer he is a hermit, scientist and philosopher.

Dr. Oswald was born in Belgium about 50 years ago, but he was graduated from a Russian college, and for many years has been roving about the earth, always with his eyes wide open and pursuing some sort of scientific study or investigation. He was educated as a physician, but turned his attention to natural philosophy, and it was this science that led him to become a wanderer. He is a most prolific and versatile writer and finds a ready sale for his articles. He has visited all sorts of out of the way places and wrote a

series of most entertaining articles entitled "Summerland Sketches; or, Rambles in the Backwoods of Mexico and Central America." Many of his writings deal with the laws of health, and he is regarded as something of an authority on this subject. His stories of animal life are always very interesting, for he writes from personal observation. To him have been revealed many of the secrets of nature and whether he is writing about the habits of snakes or presenting a new theory concerning climatic changes he is always entertaining. One of his best known books is "Physical Education; or, The Health Laws of Nature."

A few years ago Dr. Oswald was living on the top of a mountain in Tennessee. For ten years he tramped over the Smoky mountain range, selecting various peaks as a location for a humble cabin, which is all the home he asks for. He generally lives hermit fashion, cooking his meals over an open fire, Indian style, and sleeping on a bed of boughs.

NOT THE ENEMY'S CAMPFIRES.

The Mistake of a Recruit Whose Imagination Was Stimulated.
At the beginning of the war there were a lot of "raw" soldiers who, though ardent fellows and good fighters, were not up to the West Point standard on military matters. At Warrenton, Va., one of the new companies happened to be stationed early in the conflict, and many were the lessons that had to be learned by the earnest but ignorant southerners, who had but a slight idea of the rigid rules of warlike discipline. But on the whole they did well.

It was one balmy September evening, just that time of the year when the cool breeze is laden with the rich odors of the dying leaves and full of an exhilarating crispness that fills one's blood with dreams of love and happiness. The moon was just peeping from behind a bank of clouds resting on the crests of the Blue Ridge, and the line of light crept down the sides and crawled across the fields of waving corn and the meadows full of chirping insects. About in the field were scattered the white tents of the Confederates, and beneath them the tired men were deep in slumber.

One of the most ignorant men had been put out as a picket, and for hours he trod his beat, watching with eager eye the lights from the distant farmhouses, lest some fire of an enemy's camp break out into the gloom. The air was warm and fragrant, and the soldier's mind was full of the romance of the situation.

Presently the moon sank behind the dark billows of the cloud bank and the world was wrapped in silence and darkness. But in each bush there sparkled a glowworm, and about in the air circulated some of the bright insects known as "lightning bugs," whose tiny tails are seemingly pointed with fire.

Now the sentry suddenly became alarmed and gave the signal, and the camp was soon in turmoil. The men, hastily awakened from their sleep, began to saddle up, and were full of delight at the thought of meeting the enemy, whose campfires, so the sentinel said, had just gleamed out from a distant hill.

The men were ranged up to begin their march, the colonel exhorted them that this was the "time to win their spurs," and all was excitement, when the sentinel crept up to the colonel. "Colonel," said the fellow in a discomfited voice, "I am mighty sorry, but I have made a mistake—there is no campfire of the enemy—it's a lightning bug—you see, I am a bit nearsighted." And the man crept back to hide under the flap of his desolate tent, while the disgruntled men took themselves again to slumber.—Philadelphia Times.

Lincoln's Modesty.

The Tribune has received a letter from Mr. George Kluetsch, editor of the Lincoln (Neb.) Freie Presse, setting forth that he has in his possession a letter in the handwriting of Abraham Lincoln, written in 1859, of special historical importance. Mr. Kluetsch received the letter from T. J. Pickett, at one time editor of the Republican paper in Rock Island, Ills. The letter is as follows:

SPRINGFIELD, Ills., April 16, 1859.
T. J. Pickett, Esq.
MY DEAR SIR—Yours of the 13th is just received. My engagements are such that I cannot, at any very early day, visit Rock Island to deliver a lecture or for any other object. As to the other matter you kindly mention, I must, in candor, say I do not think myself fit for the presidency. I certainly am flattered and gratified that some partial friends think of me in that connection, but I really think it best for our cause that no concerted effort such as you suggest should be made. Let this be considered confidential. Yours very truly,
—A. LINCOLN.

CUBA.

It looks more and more as if Cuba would before long be in a position to do some recognizing on her own account.—Washington Star.

With Havana seriously threatened the Spanish soldiers who came over for a holiday brush with the "rebels" must wish most profoundly that they were once more defending Madrid.

If Cuba should win its independence without recognition or assistance of any of the great powers, it would be the fitting culmination of a long line of gallant struggles by one of the most oppressed peoples on earth.—Houston Post.

FANCY EGGS AND PRICES.

It Pays to Pack and Label Carefully For the Best Markets.

There are fashions in eggs as in nearly everything else. Catering to a trade that they have created out of the whims of people for delicately and daintily put up dairy products, there have been established in New York city this past year or two a half dozen and more artistic shops. These have but little "shop trade," but from an early hour each morning their wagons through fashionable sections deliver cream, milk and eggs fresh from great dairies up the river and the products of world famed herds and poultry yards. In each of these wagons is a smartly dressed "button," a delivery boy that seems from his immaculate uniform like a private servant.

The eggs are packed in dainty paper boxes, each in a compartment by itself, and are carefully stamped with the poultry yard's name, which is a guarantee of their absolute excellence. The dairies sold such eggs in December at 48 cents a dozen, or double the ordinary price for "strictly fresh" eggs in New York, and in some places they are sold for even more than that.

An interesting fact about this is that at the same shops precisely the same eggs could be purchased without the stamp and without the careful packing in dainty boxes for as low as 30 cents a dozen even. These of course are not guaranteed, but as a matter of fact they are just as good. The distinction the dairies make is that these unstamped eggs are for kitchen use, and the stamped ones for the table. There are any number of orders upon the books of these shops for a dozen or 18 stamped eggs to be sent to residences each morning of the year.

That old proverb, "eggs are eggs," is not correct according to modern ideas. One egg, it is certain, can quite differ from another in point of excellence. The poultry yards which are owned by these dairies find it no small task to keep their product up to their standard. To do this they have to pay the most careful attention to their fowls, feeding them a special diet and keeping them healthy by the best known scientific methods. These precautions entail no small amount of extra work, and guaranteed eggs therefore have quite naturally an increased market value.

A GOOD OUTLOOK.

With Grain Low and Eggs High Success Is Well Assured.

There was never a better outlook for the poultry keeper, says Poultry Monthly. Grain is very low, and so low, in fact, that the like was hardly ever known before. On the other hand, eggs bring a good price. It is a splendid time to start in business. Lumber and building materials, paint, etc., are low and labor is plenty, so any man can put up a good, substantial henhouse at a very reasonable cost.

Talk about the poultry business being overdone, we have never seen any indication of it in this section of the country. There is a steady, active demand among city people for eggs of known and indisputable freshness and quality. The supply is not equal to the demand very often, and therefore there is an abundance of room for further enterprise in the line of poultry keeping. Our advice to any prospective poultryman, to any man or woman who thinks of going into poultry raising, would be, start now. Everything is favorable. Fine stock can be obtained from breeders of pure bred fowls in abundance and at lowest cash prices.

Go at the work in a businesslike manner. Post yourself and find out all you can by reading poultry books and papers and, above all, by visiting as many practical poultry keepers as possible. Glean as many ideas as can be found; then carefully sift them. Cast aside the chaff and preserve the sound grain, for let it be understood there are always to be found some chaffy ideas. The wisest and most sensible men have some points upon which they are often a "little off." Do not, beginner, branch out too largely the first season. Work prudently ahead, and a fair measure of success is well assured.

Artificial Heat For the Henhouse.

I have had no experience with warming a poultry house, especially with an oil stove, but some little observation and a careful study of conditions impel me to say that artificial heat in a poultry house is injurious. The artificial temperature debilitates the fowls and prepares them to take cold when exposed to outside air, or through an accidental dropping of the temperature through neglect to keep up the fire or the flame of the oil stove. The latter especially, owing to the supercombustion of the oxygen in the air, I would think very injurious. I have many times advised against it and would advise any one not to attempt it. Plenty of food and plenty of exercise will keep the fowls well warmed up.—A. F. Hunter in Rural New Yorker.

How to Make Walnut Sandwiches.

Use a cupful of the meats of English walnuts chopped very fine, mix with enough fresh Philadelphia cream cheese to make a paste, add a little salt and pepper. Spread this mixture on thin pieces of bread, cut into triangular, round or diamond shapes or pieces large enough to roll. To cat thin and roll nicely bread should be one day old.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The up to date novel should end, "And so they were divorced and lived happily ever afterward."—New York Press.

There are two species of husbands among New York's Four Hundred—ex-husbands and husbands pro tem.—Washington Times.

Li Hung Chang wants more missionaries sent over to China, but they haven't finished killing those they already have yet.—Rochester Times.

Professor Andree of Sweden hopes to start by balloon for the north pole next summer. The date of his return is not definitely fixed.—Boston Globe.

Rev. Dr. Madison C. Peters says, "War is hell," and Colonel Ingersoll says, "There is no hell." From which we infer there will be no war.—Buffalo News.

Richard Mansfield has been lecturing his audiences some more. Richard ought to provide himself with a satisfactory audience and patent it.—Nashville Banner.

Fortunately most of the real German shoes and sausages are made in this country, so the prices will not be affected by the war scare.—Philadelphia North American.

All the great nations are well supplied with engines of destruction in case of war, but the trolley car continues to hold first place in times of peace.—Chicago Times-Herald.

The Gould family are making a terrible fuss about the amount of taxes they have to pay. A large majority of the people in this country would be more than satisfied if they only had the taxes, to say nothing of the principal on which they are paid.—Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

The difference in morals between Franklin and some other Revolutionary fathers, which question is agitating New York's exclusive "patron" Knickerbocker circles, was merely a question of honesty. Franklin told the truth about himself; others kept it dark.—Philadelphia Press.

They are going after the north pole in a balloon this time. If there is a shortage in the ice crop this year, the pole might be brought back and sold at profitable figures. There is one advantage at least in a balloon trip to the arctic regions—there are no icebergs en route.—Albany Journal.

CHICAGO WATER.

Ice Water.—Take 2 pounds of ice, fresh from the lake, boil two hours, place in a refrigerator and serve.

Cookies.—Take as much lake water as required and allow it to stand over night until it has curdled. Place in cookie tins and bake in a hot oven.

Sausage.—Place 1½ pounds of government pier water in a mill and grind until chopped fine. Cook in a larded spider until some member of the family gets hungry.

Salmi of Game.—Take a quart of water from the neighborhood of the outlet of the Chicago river, remove the feathers, dress and stuff with sage. Place in the oven and roast for two hours.

Plain Drinking Water.—Pour 10 gallons of lake water into the washbasin and place it on the top of the furnace until it boils briskly. Do not stir. Strain through a salt bag and place in a refrigerator for seven hours. Serve in glasses or mugs.

Lac Michigan Frappe.—Take 2 quarts of water, a cooking stove, a filter and a kettle. Strain the water through the filter, dilute it and pour into the kettle. Place over a quick fire. Cook until soft. Pour into a milk pan and set on the back doorstep to cool.

Inner Crib Tea.—This is a delightful beverage. Take the water, boil briskly, place in a jar and allow it to jell. Remove from jar, taking care not to break the form, and pare off pieces as required. Place in a pot with a cup of filtered water and boil two hours. Serve hot.

Mince Pie.—Mince 4 quarts of water from the Hyde Park intake, mix with raisins and dried currants and leave it on the floor over night. Make the pie crust and place the mince meat in the crust. Bake until a knitting needle cannot be forced through the pie without bending. Serve on a shutter. A dash of flavoring extract will often be found to give the pie a fine flavor.—Chicago Record.

A Mohair Crepon Skirt.

The sensible woman, says a fashion paper, in purchasing her winter wardrobe will buy a mohair crepon skirt for theater wear. A skirt of this material will be found silky in appearance, will look well with any bodice, and its wearing capacity is unequalled. The fact that this quality of crepon does not wrinkle makes it particularly desirable for theater wear.

How to Bronze Plaster of Paris Figures.

Apply a coating of shellac varnish. When this is dry, follow with another coat, in which has been stirred some bronze powder. The latter may be procured from a paint store.

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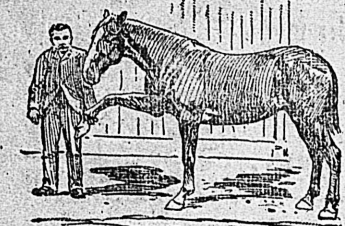
LIVE STOCK

A FARMER'S HORSE.

Alpha Has More Sense Than Some Human Beings Have.

The extraordinary degree to which intelligence can be cultivated in a horse is shown in the tricks performed by an animal now on exhibition in London. His ringmaster and owner claims to be only a plain Lincolnshire farmer, who saw early in the horse indications of extraordinary intelligence. He began developing this intelligence just to see how far it would go. The result is little less than marvelous.

The "human horse," as he is called, is named Alpha. He is a chestnut gelding 15 hands 3 inches high, 7 years old, and has a blaze face, but no white on



ALPHA.

him anywhere else except just above the hoof of his rear hind leg. Alpha will select any letter of the alphabet he is asked to from a set of cards containing them. But he evidently knows more than the doctors do about microbes and disease germs, for he will not touch any card that has been fingered by strangers, and small blame to him, for he lifts the cards with his teeth. He plays "God Save the Queen" on a harmonium with his left fore leg. A special arrangement of keyboard enables him to do this.

Another one of Alpha's exploits is shown in the second picture.

We have given these illustrations of some of Alpha's accomplishments for the purpose of calling attention to what may be done by horse owners who will cultivate equine intelligence. There is much more of it and to it than most farmers and breeders suspect. Alpha's owner says he has brought his education thus far simply through patient kindness in his training and that that training is not near done yet. It looks indeed as if man might in a measure hypnotize horses and other intelligent animals to



PUSHING THE BABY WAGON.

make them reflect and execute the idea in the master's mind. We wish horse breeders would talk to their horses more and patiently train them to obey words of command. They can be made to understand almost any spoken words. Their value will greatly increase through such kind, patient training.

Dressing Hothouse Lambs.

It is one thing to grow a lamb and another thing to dress and ship it properly. Judging from the appearance of many of the lambs received, many more people have solved the problem of growing the lambs than have mastered the mysteries of preparing them for market. As the latter often makes a difference of one-half or even more in the price received it may at least be considered as important as the raising. The market for these is of course limited, as is that for any extremely high priced product. Not every one can afford to eat lamb that costs \$8 to \$10 and weighs but 25 to 30 pounds dressed. The latter weight is plenty light enough for them; 85 pounds would be better. The season for these opens with the Christmas market and continues through the winter, prices usually being highest before Christmas. They should be grown as quickly as possible to reach the required weight and should be fat and plump.

In killing cut the throat, making as small an incision as possible, and hang up by the heels that the lamb may bleed thoroughly. The blood must be entirely removed to have the meat present an attractive appearance. Open the lamb from the tail to a point about opposite the fore legs. Remove the entrails, but leave on the head, feet and skin. Skin the hind legs and draw the caul over them and also draw it down over the kidneys, securing it with skewers. Sift the caul just enough to let the kidneys through. Put in what are known as back sets. These are small pieces of wood about 14 inches long for an ordinary sized carcass and pointed at both ends. One end of each is inserted in the flesh about opposite the first rib. They are crossed over the back, and the other ends inserted far enough back on the carcass to draw the carcass open sufficiently to present a good appearance, making it as flat as possible.

Remove all traces of blood and make

the carcass look as attractive as possible in every way. Let it hang until perfectly cool. Replace the skin on the hind legs. Cover all the exposed flesh with clean white cloth and sew the whole up carefully in burlap or bagging. Mark plainly with the names of both the consignor and the consignee, send by express and also advise consignee by mail. Don't send late in the week, and if prices received are not satisfactory the probability is that it is because some detail in the work has been neglected. It would be a good idea for a tyro in this work to visit some successful grower and shipper and see the whole operation performed.—Rural New Yorker.

CALL FOR HEAVY CARRIAGE HORSES.

Chunks of Cold Fact For Breeders of Showy Driving Teams.

For years the heavy pleasure vehicles—the closed carriage for town use, such as bronchams, landaus and Berlin coaches, and such open vehicles as victorias, carts, mail phaetons and four-hand coaches—have been horsed from our native stocks and for the most part poorly horsed. What more could be expected? Behold a nation gazing intently not on a horse, but a stop watch. That was the arbiter of value. A horse that could win was worth money. A speedy roadster brought thousands. Harness racing was the great American sport. But with the augmented wealth and consequent ostentation in our cities came an increase in the demand for heavy, comfortable family carriages and the fashionable English and continental traps, and the problem was to horse them. Those who went abroad became familiar with the magnificent horses to be seen pulling such vehicles in parks and boulevards, especially in Britain, France and Germany, and on returning they were unable to find among our light and speedy horses those which were suitable in their size, substance, bone and action for heavy leather. Hence arose the movement for the importation of the foreign breeds of coach horses and the hackney. It is idle to say we had no need of such horses. If breeders of trotters had by selection, training and breeding evolved a distinct type of heavy carriage horse, as they did the light harness horse, we might not have required the blood of the foreign breeds, but their energies were bent in a different direction, and the demand for a heavier horse with finish, style and high action led to the resort to foreign studs, where for years they had been perfecting breeds for the especial purpose of horsing these heavy carriages.

The first introduction of the foreigners was viewed with some indifference by trotting horse breeders, as their eyes were on the race track. But as the imported stallions began to come in competition for mares, and as the racing game lessened in profit and prices for 2-30 horses dropped lower and lower, the trotting horse advocates came to imagine that their territory was being invaded by a foreign foe, and a cry went up that has finally swelled to the "grand roar" that now resounds against the foreign harness breeds. Men who heretofore knew nothing of the trotter except as a race track horse now swear to heaven that he is the best race horse, the best road horse, the best carriage horse, the best coach horse, the best high stepper, the best farm horse and even the best draft horse. They make frantic appeals to the patriotism of the farmers and on that ground urge his adherence to the "true blue Yankee horse," as though it were not merely a question of the market place.

In short, trotting horse breeders have finally awakened to the fact that there is a demand for heavy carriage horses. At first they denied it. Then they ridiculed it, sneered at the heavy vehicles and denounced their adoption as an offensive form of Anglomaniac and scoffed at the dock tailed 'ackneys. But the stern facts of the horse exchange finally brought them into line, and now they are only too willing to steal the livery of the hackney and coach horse for their trotters—to dock their tails and pull their manes and manner them for heavy harness. In short, those who came to scoff at the "dude's horse," at the "Anglomaniac," at the "high acting 'ackney," now remain to pray—to pray for some of these big prices for their made over trotters.

It is well. Some of these Daniels have finally come to judgment. If they had divested themselves of this prejudice five years ago, they would be just that much nearer the goal of supplying heavy harness horses from the trotters. It can be done in time, but they are at present hard to find. It is a fact, however, that Canada has sent us some of the finest of our carriage horses seen at the New York show. So far as can be learned they are bred from an admixture of thoroughbred, trotting and foreign blood.—Breeder's Gazette.

Be not surprised some day to see eggs taken to a huge hatchery and in due time the chickens taken away by the surrounding poultry raisers. That was done in Asia 800 years ago, and may be done again.

In extreme northern Minnesota is a henhouse in which water or eggs never freeze. It is sided and battened on the outside with good lumber, and on the inside with matched stuff, with building paper on each side of studding, making a dead air space. Winter eggs are the rule in that house.

RINGS AND RING LORE.

Rings with bangles attached have been worn in India from the earliest times.

After Hugh Capet every French king wore a ring as part of the royal regalia.

The serpent ring, or ring made in the shape of a serpent, was a favorite in Rome during the later republic.

Until the seventeenth century a ring formed part of the official dress of every priest in the Roman church.

Conveyances of property in mediaval times were frequently made by means of a ring, this ornament serving as a title deed.

The Empress Plotina had a gold thumb ring weighing six ounces which bore her portrait. This ring is now in the British museum.

In both Egypt and Assyria porcelain rings were in common use. They were often painted with great delicacy, the painting being burned into the enamel.

Roman dandies in the first, second and third centuries of our era wore heavy rings in winter, which they exchanged for others of lighter weight during the summer.

The scarabæus, or sacred beetle of the Egyptians, was a favorite subject for a setting in the early Egyptian rings. It was carved in stone, the work often being exquisitely done.

Mourning rings were greatly used in Europe during the seventeenth century. After the execution of Charles I his sympathizers in England wore mourning rings in token of their grief.

The ring of Caesar Borgia is still preserved in Florence. Its setting was hollow, and by pressing on a spring a quantity of poison could be dropped from the cup of the ring into the glass Caesar designed for his enemy.

Key rings were in common use among Roman ladies. They were of various metals and sizes. The housekeeper's ring was of iron or brass and bore a large key at the back. A fine lady's ring was of gold and the key unlocked her jewel casket.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

John Hare has not yet decided whether he will go to Australia from America.

Fanny Davenport may be seen next season in a new play by an American author.

Adelina Patti declares that the greatest sorrow of her life is the fact that she is childless.

"The Sporting Duchess" has passed its two hundredth performance at the Academy of Music, New York.

Jessie Bartlett Davis is suing a publishing house which put her portrait on the title page of a sensational novel.

James O'Neill's first role was the sentimental "Mazepa." He played it at the National theater, Cincinnati, during the war.

Loie Fuller will present her historical ballet "Salome" in New York in March. She will receive \$1,000 a performance—or less.

If Nat C. Goodwin had not arranged for a tour of Australia this summer, he would have produced Leander Richardson's new comedy.

A scribe who must be in league with a scale company discloses that Beerbohm Tree's Svengali weighs ten pounds less than Wilton Lackaye's.

Edgar L. Davenport will have the principal role in the new play shortly to be produced by the Empire Theater stock company of New York.

"Mrs. Ponderbury's Past," written by Charles Burnand and played by Stuart Robson, is the greatest "laughing success" since "Charley's Aunt."

R. A. Barnett is looking around for a man eight feet tall to play the role of the giant in the production in February of "Jack and the Bean Stalk."

Abbey and Grau will shortly relinquish the management of Lillian Russell. Next year, however, they will have an opera comique company bearing their name on the road.

CURIOSITIES OF WAR.

Exactly 288,200 patriots fought in the American Revolution.

Great Britain now owns 6,212 cannons; France, 8,210, and Germany, 5,920.

The war of the lovers was the seventh religious war of France, waged between the years 1576 and 1578.

At the present time all Europe is a well armed camp and has so been for more than a quarter of a century.

The great gun factory at Washington—one of the largest in the world, employing 1,500 men—turns out guns valued at \$50,000 apiece.

At Gettysburg, the American Waterloo, 140,000 men fought, of which number 28,198 Federals and 37,000 Confederates were killed, wounded or captured.

In I Chronicles xlii, 17 record is made of 500,000 being slain on one side, which, however, may not have been in a single battle. I Kings xx, 26 tells of 100,000 men being killed on one side in a single day.

Bohn says that since 1850 the world has expended \$15,000,000,000 in waging war and four times that sum in holding standing armies in readiness. England claims to possess a navy of 707 vessels of all classes, aggregating 1,700,000 tons, and 1,600,000 horsepower.—St. Louis Republic.

ADVERTISING TRUTHS.

The souvenir craze is about the most idiotic thing that ever masqueraded in the guise of advertising.

The man who gives away an advertisement which is all advertisement and nothing else is wasting his money and paving the way for the sheriff's red flag.

Pretty nearly the worst advertisements ever seen in this country are those put out on the elevated railroad stations by several of the big daily newspapers of New York city.

Most of the popular priced and highly successful magazines have put their advertising rates up to a point where it is practically impossible for the advertiser to make use of the space at a profit. This policy is bound sooner or later to cause a violent reaction.—Octavus Cohen.

Help

Is needed by poor, tired mothers, debilitated and run down because of poor, thin blood. Help is needed by the nervous sufferer, the men and women tortured with rheumatism, neuralgia, dyspepsia, scrofula, catarrh. Help comes quickly when Hood's Sarsaparilla begins to enrich, purify and vitalize the blood and send it in a healing, nourishing, invigorating stream to all the nerves, muscles and organs of the body.

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Pleading Guilty to Embezzlement.

ST. LOUIS, March 25.—Alfred L. Avery, the confidential clerk of the grain firm of Messrs. Garrett & Co., who embezzled \$30,000 last September and lost it speculating in a bucket shop, pleaded guilty Tuesday. Judge Harvey reserved sentence until April 6, owing to the quarantine at the penitentiary.

Breakwater at Marquette.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—The war department, in reply to a resolution of inquiry, has sent to the house an estimate for a breakwater at Marquette Bay, Mich. The cost is estimated at from \$20,000 to \$30,000, according to length.

Colonial Soldiers for the Nile.

ST. JOHNS, N. B., March 25.—The Eighth regiment, Princess Louise Hussars, of Kings county, N. B., has notified the British government that it will raise volunteers out of the regiment to send four squadrons to the Nile on the proposed expedition. This regiment made a similar offer for the Sudan for General Gordon's relief, but Australia was ahead.

Failure at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, March 24.—Executions on judgment notes aggregating over \$20,000 have been issued against Hugh J. Hamill, trading as B. Hamill & Bros., with a mill in Germantown. The creditors' claims are principally for money loaned. The failure is attributed to the prevalent business depression.

They Are All for McKinley.

ST. LOUIS, March 23.—At a meeting of the Republican state central committee a poll of the members showed that every one of the thirty-seven present was favorable to McKinley for first choice.

Mrs. Blaine Has a Grandson.

AUGUSTA, Me., March 23.—A son has been born unto Mrs. H. Truxton Beale (nee Blaine), wife of H. Truxton Beale, ex-minister to Persia, and there is great happiness at the old Blaine homestead. Messages of congratulations have been pouring in. Mrs. Beale is rallying splendidly.

Popular Election of Senators.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—The house committee on elections of president and vice president Monday reported favorably the bill introduced by Corliss of Michigan providing for the election of senators by a direct vote of the people. Some amendments of minor importance were adopted.

Big Storage House Destroyed.

CHESTER, Pa., March 25.—The big storage house of Ebenezer Birchwell, located at 610 Crosby street, this city, was destroyed by fire Tuesday. The building was mainly occupied by Woodward & Stillman of New York, who had 10,000 bales of cotton in storage at the time the fire broke out. Their loss is about \$50,000; partially insured. The loss on the building is \$5,000, fully insured.

Bank Cashier Arrested.

SUPERIOR, Wis., March 25.—John McLaren, cashier of the defunct Douglas county bank, has been arrested at Chippewa Falls, charged with receiving deposits knowing the bank to be insolvent.

The authorities of St. Clair county, Ill., think Robert Wilson, arrested in Fort Smith, Ark., is the robber who relieved William Huckel of \$500 several weeks ago in broad daylight at Alma, west of Carlyle, Ill.

It is said Dr. Jameson's medical practice in South Africa was worth \$15,000 a year.

Democrats of the Thirty-eighth Illinois senatorial district will hold their convention June 3 at Litchfield.

At Wilkesbarre, Pa., the Wyoming county Republican convention elected Dr. Watkins of Mehoopany delegate to the national convention. He is a Quaker man.

Photographed His Own Ribs.

CLEVELAND, March 25.—Professor D. C. Miller, of Case School of Applied Sciences, has succeeded in obtaining a photograph of his own ribs and backbone by means of the Roentgen ray. The exposure lasted an hour, the professor lying face downward on a photographic plate 8 by 12 inches without divesting himself of his clothing, the Crookes tubes being suspended over his back.

Ethics of the Rail.

"That man over there must be riding on a pass."
"Why do you think so?"
"He's stretched out in one seat, with his foot on another one."—Chicago Record.

No Question About It.

Bruder—Do you think the government should own the railways?

Burrows—Well, I think it would be better than the present plan of having the railways owing the government.—Truth.

TIME TABLES.

PEORIA, DECATUR & EVANSVILLE.

The Short Line Between Peoria, Decatur Mattoon and Evansville.

Trains pass Sullivan as follows:

SOUTH.

No. 1, Mail and Express	12:14 p. m.
No. 3, Mail and Express	11:23 p. m.
No. 31, Passenger	9:05 p. m.
No. 11, Local Freight	5:35 p. m.
No. 13, Through Freight	2:42 a. m.
No. 35 Accommodation (Sunday only)	1:52 p. m.

NORTH.

No. 2, Mail and Express	1:46 p. m.
No. 4, Mail and Express	2:43 a. m.
No. 30, Passenger	5:36 a. m.
No. 10, Local Freight	7:15 a. m.
No. 12, Accommodation	8:43 a. m.
No. 36 Accommodation (Sunday only)	6:00 a. m.

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FOR THE WEST.

No. 75, Mail and Express	9 44 am
No. 77, Passenger and Express	6 30 pm

Trains leave Decatur

FOR THE WEST.

No. 75	11 30 pm
No. 79	8 30 am

FOR THE EAST.

No. 76	8 10 pm
No. 78	7 40 am

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TIME TABLE.

In effect April 7, 1896.

SOUTHBOUND.

71, Chicago and Shelbyville Mail	5 10 pm
76, Local Mixed	8 12 pm

NORTHBOUND.

72, Chicago Mail	7 33 am
74, Local Mixed	8 50 am

All trains daily except Sunday.

Passengers taking No. 72 arrive in Chicago at 5:55 p. m.

Train leaving Chicago 8:00 a. m. connects with No. 71 for Sullivan.

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Chicago.

WABASH LINE.

SULLIVAN.

GOING NORTH.

No. 84, Mail	8:50 a. m. Ex. Sunday
No. 88, Local Freight	10:20 a. m. Ex. Sunday
No. 80, Freight	6:30 p. m. Ex. Sunday

GOING SOUTH.

No. 85, Mail	5:10 p. m. Ex. Sunday
No. 87, Local Freight	8:50 a. m. Ex. Sunday
No. 89	4:14 p. m. Ex. Sunday

No. 88, leaving Sullivan at 10:50 a. m. connects with fast train at Bement for Chicago arriving at 5:30 p. m. Passengers leaving Chicago at 11:03 a. m. arrive in Sullivan at 5:10 p. m.

Information in regard to routes, rates, time of trains, connections, etc., will be cheerfully furnished on application, personally or by letter, to any agent of the Wabash Railway.

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COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

ALLENVILLE.

Esq. Burns of Sullivan was in our village Friday.

Robert Greenwall transacted business in Decatur Saturday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Williams, a daughter, recently.

Misses Cora Bland and Ruby Hinton were Sullivan visitors Saturday.

Cam Hoke commenced the spring term of school at Nelson Monday.

Eva Nichols of Marshall, Miss., who has been visiting her uncle, William Greenwell, and other relatives the past week, has returned home.

The Republicans nominated the following ticket here Saturday:

Clerk, Howard Hoskins.
Assessor, J. E. Lilly.
Collector, J. D. Goddard.
Trustee, J. A. Knott.
Commissioner, J. T. Blackwell.
J. P., A. W. Sutton.
Constable, Wm. Cox.

The trains of the P. D. & E. pass Allenville as follows:

WEST

No. 2 Passenger, 1:32 p. m.
No. 30 Passenger, 4:59 a. m.
Local Freight, 6:20 a. m.

EAST

No. 1 Passenger, 12:01 p. m.
No. 31 Passenger, 6:20 p. m.
Local Freight, 6:55.

The Christian church at Gays was the scene of a happy ceremony last Sunday morning after the morning sermon, in which Elder Harrell spoke the words which made Cicero Gilbreath and Miss Vira Munson man and wife. The church was filled with an audience all of whom were friends of the happy couple, and while the ceremony was a great surprise to many, all join in good wishes for Mr. and Mrs. Gilbreath. The newly married couple will reside at Allenville.

TODDS POINT.

Lee Morris shredded fodder one day last week.

Mr. Fleming's sawmill is running full time now.

Snow, sunshine and bad roads have been the order during March.

Our carpenter, Wm. Rhodes is building a Town House south of the Point.

More improvements at the Point. Harry Surman's barn is almost completed.

J. W. Atkinson, one of our hustling business men, made a business trip to Sullivan one day last week.

Dr. Hughes, formerly of Findlay, is now located at the Point. We also learn that another doctor will soon locate here.

As a result of last winter's meetings held here, the prayer meeting is well attended every Thursday evening by an interested and earnest people.

Mr. David Perry returned from Kansas on Monday of last week, where he has been viewing his farm and the surrounding country. He reports a beautiful country, though greatly retarded from development by want of rain.

ADKIN'S CHAPEL.

Miss Dotta Kearney attended the final at Sullivan Friday.

Wm. Hupp was visiting at Sullivan the latter part of last week.

Rev. Dillavon filled his regular appointment here Sunday night.

E. O. Ridge of Oakland was here on business Wednesday of last week.

W. G. Duncan and wife of Cushman visited relatives here last Sunday.

W. P. Hupp of Argenta visited relatives here the latter part of last week.

Miss Cora Smith is at home from Bloomington to spend a few days vacation.

Ed Julian and family have moved to Piatt county near La Place to make their home.

William Dickson closed a very successful term of school here Thursday of last week. Lack of space, we regret to say, compels us to omit a very interesting program.

KIRKVILLE.

School will commence Monday.

H. H. Richie was in Shelbyville Thursday.

Cleveland Merritt made a business trip to Arthur Tuesday.

J. E. Evans and family spent Monday with friends near Bruce.

Eugene Donaker and family spent Sunday with friends near Findlay.

Tom Hughes, section boss of Shelbyville, worked his men here last week.

Rev. Shuey will preach at the school

house Saturday night and at Pleasant Grove Sunday.

The people of this vicinity are building a house for Mrs. Wheeler on Sam McKown's farm.

Mrs. Allen of Bethany spent part of last week with her daughter, Mrs. James Kirkwood.

A. A. Luby went to Dalton City Monday after a corn burr and will soon be ready to grind corn.

LAKE CITY.

Doc Foley was in La Place Sunday evening.

Robert Hudson visited in Bethany Sunday.

Miss Sallie Byrum has returned from Mt. Zion.

Dr. Bowers of La Place was called to this place Sunday to see S. W. Adams.

Miss Retta Binner of Lovington visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

There will be services at the Christian church Sunday morning and evening.

J. J. Hogan has returned from Chicago where he has been attending college.

W. H. Dickson, A. B. Lynn and Chas. Seiders were in Sullivan Friday and Saturday.

Quarterly meeting was held at the M. E. church Saturday and Sunday. The presiding elder was present in the evening.

ARTHUR.

Merritt Weaver of Tuscola was here on business Monday.

Dr. E. L. Hardin transacted business in Sullivan this week.

Bert Barrum has moved into the house recently erected by Mr. Clayton.

Mrs. Belle Thomason and little daughter, Ruth, were in Arcola Tuesday.

Miss Sue Harrison of Tuscola transacted business here Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Levi Seass and daughters Bertha and Nellie visited relatives here this week.

Misses Mabel and Clara Taylor, of Fairbanks were the guests of the Misses Campbell the first of the week.

The revival meeting which has been in progress at the Lincoln Street church for several weeks closed last Friday.

CADWELL.

A revival meeting is being conducted at the Ridge by the pastor, Elder Henry.

The lecture given at the M. E. church by Elder Scrimger was well attended and highly appreciated.

E. W. Davis received a car of fine potatoes this week from Michigan and he is selling them out very reasonably.

J. F. Cailey has purchased the barber chair of L. E. Powell and will set up a shop in E. W. Davis's grain office.

Master Lorin Cailey found a piece of money under the depot Tuesday. Any one losing money call at the depot and describe property to agent Cailey.

The young man who was employed to work for Henry Smith for the summer, met with quite a serious accident in jumping off a shed, running a nail into his foot.

BRUCE.

W. K. Baker transacted business in Sullivan Saturday.

The babe of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Reed is very ill with pneumonia.

C. C. Luttrell and wife visited with H. M. Huydon in Sullivan Sunday.

George Gowan of Humbolt is visiting his brother, Rev. H. M. Gowan, this week.

John Barnes and wife visited with friends and relatives in Strasburg over Sunday.

John W. Holt was very seriously injured last Monday while boring a well for M. Taylor, by the crank of the well auger hitting him on the head.

CUSHMAN.

Mrs. Sarah Fuqua of Hammond visited here Tuesday.

Mrs. A. Cunningham visited Sullivan friends Tuesday.

Several of our farmers have commenced to sow oats.

Owen Cochran and Hark Weatherly of Decatur were in our town Tuesday.

Bert Williams of Auburn Junction, Ind. is visiting Mrs. J. C. Brooke and family.

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E. B. Trenner's store was closed up by the sheriff Monday morning on a confession of three judgment notes amounting to \$2,975, one in favor of Mrs. Amanda Bowman of \$1,600, one in favor of Mrs. Trenner of \$1,200, and one of \$175 in favor of the Merchants and Farmers State bank. Mr. Trenner has been engaged in business here nearly four years, having opened the Racket store in the summer of 1892, and has seemingly had a good trade. It is to be hoped that some satisfactory arrangement can be made with his creditors so as to allow him to re-open soon.

(OFFICIAL PUBLICATION.)
REPORT OF THE CONDITION
OF THE

Merchants and Farmers

STATE BANK,

At Sullivan, State of Illinois, before the commencement of business on the 17th day of March 1896, as made to the Auditor of Public Accounts, of the State of Illinois, pursuant to law.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	\$ 92,163 97
Overdrafts Secured and Unsecured	3,876 03
Other Bonds and Stocks	2,094 50
Cash on hand	27,000 11
Due from other Banks	8,018 39
Other Real Estate	500 00
Furniture and Fixtures	2,000 00
Current Expenses, including Taxes	609 99
Total	\$137,762 29

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock paid in	\$ 30,000 00
Undivided Profits	3,947 22
Individual dep's sub'ch'k	77,116 70
Demand cert's of dpt	8,738 62
Time certificates of dpt	10,000 00
Due to other banks	1,491 85
Bills payable	8,500 00
Total	\$137,762 29

STATE OF ILLINOIS, }
County of Moultrie, } ss

I, James A. Steele, cashier, of Merchants and Farmers State Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JAS. A. STEELE, Cashier.
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W. O. GLINES, Notary Public.



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For Township Elections to be held Tuesday, April 7, 1896, in Moultrie County, Ill.

SULLIVAN TOWNSHIP.

<input type="radio"/> DEMOCRATIC.	<input type="radio"/> REPUBLICAN.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Supervisor, A. J. LITTLE.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Supervisor, C. ENTERLINE.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Assistant Supervisor, ABIA CHIPPS.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Assistant Supervisor, W. P. LEEDS.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Town Clerk, F. M. WAGGONER.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Town Clerk, CHAS. F. M'CLURE.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Assessor, M. H. KIRKWOOD.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Assessor, Z. T. DEEDS.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Collector, W. H. SELBY.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Collector, LAN LEE.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Commissioner of Highways, JACOB STEVENS.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Commissioner of Highways, ISAAC MARBLE.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Pound-Master, DOCK THOMASON.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Pound-Master, CHARLES VOGLE.

DORA TOWNSHIP.

<input type="radio"/> DEMOCRATIC.	<input type="radio"/> REPUBLICAN.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Supervisor, JAMES FOLEY.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Supervisor, ISAAC YANTIS.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Town Clerk, P. J. VOLLMER.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Town Clerk, DANIEL FLETCHER.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Assessor, H. L. GROUNDS.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Assessor, DAVID DONER.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Collector, JOSEPH BURNS.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Collector, HENRY SNYDER.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Commissioner of Highways, For three years, J. R. STOCKS.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Commissioner of Highways, For three years, W. F. REETER.
<input type="checkbox"/> For one year, HENRY MYERS.	<input type="checkbox"/> For one year, GEO. VANSICKLE.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Pound-Masters, (two to elect), JOHN HUGHES.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Pound-Masters, (two to elect),
<input type="checkbox"/> BENJAMIN PARKER	<input type="checkbox"/>

LOWE TOWNSHIP.

<input type="radio"/> DEMOCRATIC.	<input type="radio"/> REPUBLICAN.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Supervisor, SAMUEL DICK.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Supervisor, A. H. DOLAN.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Town Clerk, W. M. FLEMING.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Town Clerk, E. M. RICHEY.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Assessor, GEO. H. ERHARDT.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Assessor, T. A. WALKER.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Collector, A. F. WARREN.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Collector, O. E. GIBSON.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Commissioner of Highways, J. W. FUNSTON.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Commissioner of Highways, AUSTIN HARRIS.
<input type="checkbox"/> For School Trustee, JOHN JONES.	<input type="checkbox"/> For School Trustee, C. FRED EBERHARDT.

MARROWBONE TOWNSHIP.

<input type="radio"/> REPUBLICAN.	<input type="radio"/> DEMOCRATIC.	<input type="radio"/> PEOPLE'S.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Town Clerk, J. M. HOGG.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Town Clerk, W. H. SCALES.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Town Clerk, J. A. ROUSEY.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Assessor, JAS. A. MITCHELL.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Assessor, D. E. PEA.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Assessor, JACOB KEIM.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Collector, J. A. FRUITT.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Collector, T. J. MORRIS.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Collector, CHARLES WAGGONER.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Commissioner of Highways, JOHN STARK.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Commissioner of Highways, ED PYATT.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Commissioner of Highways, F. O. WARD.
<input type="checkbox"/> For Cemetery Trustees, G. W. WALKER.	<input type="checkbox"/> For Cemetery Trustees,	<input type="checkbox"/> For Cemetery Trustees, L. B. FLOREY.
<input type="checkbox"/> JOHN P. M'CORD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> A. L. MARLOW.
<input type="checkbox"/> A. J. MULHOLLAND	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> GEORGE M'LAUGHLIN.