

BLOOMINGTON PROGRESS.

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WEDNESDAY, OCT. 13, 1869.

The Railroad Meeting.

On Wednesday last, was well attended. Quite a number of delegates, from the counties of Bartholomew, Brown and Greene, were present. A dispatch from Hon. Will Cumback, one of the directors in the proposed organization, was received, stating that the Decatur county men were unavoidably detained. The delegates had a preliminary meeting in J. B. Mulky's office, and upon a report made of the stock subscribed, there was found to be about \$8,000 of a deficiency, which it was expected the counties of Decatur and Sullivan would furnish, and no doubt had already subscribed, but was not reported. The delegates, and proposed directors present, at a second meeting, adjourned to meet in Indianapolis, on the 18th inst., where it is expected to perfect the organization, and then the Boards of Commissioners of all the counties through which the road is proposed to be run, will be petitioned to order a vote to be taken, to aid in the construction of said road. If the Counties should vote tax, there is but little doubt that the road will be built, but should they refuse to be taxed, the enterprise must be abandoned, as no Railroad corporation will undertake to build a road without such aid.

Railroad Meeting.

Bloomington, Oct. 6.

At a meeting convened to consider the importance of building a Railroad from Greencburg, through Columbus, Nashville and Bloomington, thence west to Merton, on the Wabash, then connecting with the Effingham Railroad and forming a Straight Line Road to St. Louis, Hon. J. S. Hester, of Brown Co. was chosen President, and B. F. Jones, of Bartholomew, made Secretary.

On taking the Chair, Mr. Hester, presented a clear and concise view of the progress made by the friends of the enterprise, toward placing it in course of construction, and closed by a very powerful and forcible argument in favor of levying a tax to aid in the construction of the road.

Judge Butler, also made a few remarks, favoring immediate action.

Mr. Mulky, also spoke briefly, showing the importance of the work.

A motion was made by Judge Butler, to take a vote whether we are in favor of levying a tax to aid the contemplated road, whereupon Gov. Dunning was called on for a speech, and responded briefly and eloquently. The motion was carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned.

J. S. HESTER, Pres't.
B. F. JONES, Sec'y.

FOREPAUGH'S GRAND Menagerie and Circus, which is advertised in another column, will arrive in the city of Bloomington, on Monday, Oct. 18. For a long time we have watched the career of this gigantic establishment, and read the comments of the public press; and, judging from what we have read and seen, it must be the grandest Equestrian and Zoological Aggregation, that ever pitched a tent in the fertile soil of this State. It therefore affords us much pleasure to announce the approach of a first-class exhibition in our midst. The collection of animals is large, the specimens are rare, and the variety infinite, requiring twenty-five elegantly decorated, massive cages and dens, to contain the animals alone, besides the huge Asiatic elephant, "Romeo," weighing over five tons, "Baby Annie," and "Bolivar, Jr." the petit calf elephants, scarce three feet high, and the only white, double-humped, Bactrian Camels, Dromedaries, etc., now in captivity.

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"No show has visited our city for years that has drawn together such

immense crowds of people, and all with whom we have conversed, pronounce "4 Paws" unobjectionable every way, and the prevailing opinion is, that when he comes to Detroit again, he will have to increase his capacity, which is already large, in order to accommodate the people."

The bills tell us to see the procession, and then if we think the show is not all that it is claimed to be, not to patronize it. We therefore say, come in early and see the great display in the streets, and for further particulars use your own judgment.

The great freshet in New England, New York, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Maryland, seems to be one of the largest and most destructive to everything but life, that has ever occurred in this country. Railroads have been washed away or covered up several feet, houses, mills, mill-dams, fences, barns, crops and cattle, carried away, and travel and business generally interrupted. It is impossible to estimate the loss yet, but it will probably be several millions of dollars. Freshets have come to be one of the elements of danger and damage to property, against which precaution must be taken as regularly, and with as careful a measure of chances, as is done with vessels at sea. Every year millions of dollars are swept away by them, and doubtless skillful engineers can devise means of avoiding or mitigating their effects, either by direct protection, as dikes and levees, or by dividing and diverting the dangerous accumulation of water. The matter is getting to be of too vast importance to be long neglected.

Imagination is said to be the most powerful nation in the world.

An infant at Westport, Connecticut, died from sucking a green vine.

A jewelry house, under the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, has been robbed of \$30,000 worth of diamonds.

Anna Dickinson don't like the Chinese. She'd better try the Pawnees.

Judge Eckels is suffering from an affection of one of his lungs, and has been obliged to seek relief from his judicial duties.

Widow-burning is going out of date in India. The Hindoo widows believe, with St. Paul, that it is better to marry than to burn.

John Chenoweth, with \$1,020 in his pocket, cut his throat and died, at Columbus, Ohio, Monday night.

They shake in Lebanon. A druggist of that vibrating town retailed sixty-five ounces of quinine in one week. Ugh!

The Spanish Government troops had had a fight with the Republic's insurrectionary forces, and compelled them to fall back to the mountains.

The gale on Monday night drove four vessels ashore, on Lake Erie, near Cleveland, utterly wrecking one, and much injuring the others.

Wm. Bunstion, a sixty year old printer, died in Lebanon, Ohio, recently. He worked for thirty years on the Lebanon Star.

At the recent fair at Ripon, Wis., a skunk got under the ladies' bazaar, and for three days made it smell like night blooming castor oil. On the third day he was killed, when smelled worse than ever.

John G. Sanderson, of Vincennes, coveted his neighbor's farm. He made a deed of conveyance to himself, and signed his neighbor's name to it, duly authenticating it by the signature of a justice of the peace. He is waiting for a pass to Jeffersonville.

Detectives have discovered the man who murdered William R. Smith, at Faribee Station, and burned the station house to hide the crime, a few months ago, and promise to startle the community shortly by arresting him.

The misunderstanding, or whatever it might be called, between the Spanish Government and ours, in regard to our mediation in the Cuban difficulty, has been settled. The Regency Cabinet have refused temporarily to allow any interference, in any form, in the matter, and Mr. Minister Siekles has withdrawn his offer of mediation. This ends all negotiations for the cession, purchase, or independence of Cuba.

A woman at Plattsburg, New York, didn't know whether she could fill a kerosene lamp while it was burning until she tried. She now wears a wig, and is perfectly satisfied that, in most cases, it is safer to extinguish the lamp before filling.

The receipts of the State Fair were as follows:

Gate tickets, \$19,100; amphitheater, \$1,300; stands, \$1,962. Total receipts, \$22,362. Being \$3,872.25 more than last year, when the gate receipts were \$13,747.25; amphitheater, \$1,059.80; stands, \$1,315, and entry fees \$2,867.70.

The number of persons in attendance, including dead heads, was about 80,000, which considerably exceeds the recent Ohio State Fair.

The City Council adopted a resolution pledging one hundred thousand dollars to the Bloomfield Railroad as soon as satisfactory evidence shall be furnished that a sufficient sum (\$300,000) has been subscribed by cities, counties and individuals to insure the building of the road. Mayor Cookerly was appointed a commissioner to make the subscription on behalf of the city.—*Terre Haute Express.*

It is said that in Illinois, where large deficiency of crops was apprehended, the immense yield of oats will do much to make up the loss of the corn, and that the extent of buckwheat nearly makes good the lack of spring wheat.

Arthur Smith, John Carter and Charles Murray, three young men about twenty years of age, respectively connected, all of whom have been clerking in Indianapolis, after making raids upon clothing, furnishing and shoe stores, left for parts unknown. The clothing was obtained by misrepresentation. The shoe store was entered by a key in the possession of Carter, where he was clerking; but the money drawer was forced open, and twenty-five dollars captured. It is said that these nice young men had been practicing negro minstrelsy for a while, and it is probable they have departed to join some traveling troupe.

As between Etheridge and Johnson, in the Tennessee Senatorial contest, it matters little which wins. Whichever is elected, their constituents will soon wish they had taken the other. But is there nobody but these two? Forrest lives in another State now, but where are all the original, representative rebels?

A former Auditor of Dearborn county, Indiana, named Crosby, has just entered the State Penitentiary for forgery. It seems that he was tried and sentenced on his own confession, the act having been the result of intertempore.

James Bright Still Liveth.

Hon. Josse D. Bright, our former Kentucky Senator, aspiring to be returned to the Senate Chamber from his own State, is now in Washington City, and the correspondent of the Boston Journal makes the following paragraph about him, which, will be of interest in this State:

"Jesse D. Bright, formerly a United States Senator from Indiana, but now of Kentucky, where he finds more congenial spirits, has been in the city for some days. Mr. Bright is very anxious to come back to the Senate as a representative of Kentucky Democracy, and as that State has done some very foolish things in the past it would not be surprising if he should be elected. It may be interesting to loyal people to know that Mr. Bright's opinions have not materially changed since the day he was expelled from the Senate for disloyalty. In fact, he boasts of his expulsion, and 'glories in his shame' by saying his opinions have not undergone a change; and, referring to his expulsion in his conversation, he says the war waged by the United States for the preservation of the Union was the 'most brutal, unnatural and God-abandoned in the history of any country, and which he would not in the beginning vote a man or a dollar to crush.' He says he would not now pay the debt, but would repudiate every cent of it. When talking upon this point he becomes very earnest. He is an admiring disciple of Henry Clay Dean, of Iowa, and says Dean, and not Pendleton, is the author of what is known as the Pendleton theory of finance; but while he is uncompromisingly hostile to the Radical party, he avows his willingness to compromise with moderate Republicans and relax his feelings for expediency's sake. To use his own language: 'We must give and take, and perhaps select a middle man like Chase.' But at the same time he hopes that the developments between this time and the next Presidential election may be such that the Democracy can nominate a straight-out candidate of their own party. As Mr. Bright expressed these views in a very public manner, and as no confidence is violated in publishing them, the presumption is that he will not object to having the people know in advance the line of conduct he would probably pursue if returned to Congress."

The question whether it is a sin to sleep in meeting, is discussed in some of the journals of Connecticut. The *Killingly Transcript* puts it in a general and impersonal manner, by asking whether it is a sin for Mr. Smith to sleep in meeting; and then goes on to answer, as follows: "We should call it a sin of infidelity, not of intention, and regard it as his duty to use every means in his power to overcome this infirmity."

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Gen. George B. McClellan visited the New England Fair, and while there an old gentleman from the rural districts, seizing both his hands, exulted with sympathetic tears coursing down his sunbrowned cheeks: "General, I am glad to see you! I have long desired to meet you! I always believed that you managed the army as well as you knew how!" The General thanked him.

King Stanislaus, of Poland, was in the habit of saying, when he got drunk, which was tolerably often, that "Poland wobbles; Poland staggers; Poland cannot keep her feet." So France has sickened and wavered and wobbled during the changes in the Emperor's health. If any one doubts that Napoleon is the Emperor, let him read the European press, and see how his decease was likely to affect the peace of France. How unfortunate that the French people have not yet shown themselves capable of self-government.

Mouse soup is a Nevada luxury. It is served up as a pleasant surprise, the mouse not being down on the bill of fare, but lurking privately in the soup kettle.

Dissolution

THE partnership heretofore existing between Charles Roth, S. F. Dunn and E. Batterton, under the firm name of Roth, Dunn & Co., was dissolved by mutual consent, on the 1st of October, 1869. Amounts due the firm, can be paid to Charles Roth, or to the firm of Dunn & Company.

CHARLES ROTH,
S. F. DUNN,
E. BATTERTON.

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JAMES W. COOKERLY,

LIVERY, SALE AND

FEED STABLE,

REAR OF BLOOMINGTON HOTEL,

BLOOMINGTON, IND.

SADDLE HORSES, HORSES AND BUGGIES,
and teams, hired on reasonable terms.
Stable just east of the Postoffice, and in
rear of the Bloomington Hotel. Oct 6 '69

James W. Cookerly,

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THE LAST CALL.

THOSE KNOWING THEM,
solvent indebted to the undersigned, are
hereby notified to call and settle their
accounts immediately, as longer indulgence
will not be given, after the 1st of October.

JAMES SMALL.

Bloomington, Ind., Sept 22, 1869.

CATHARINE E. GILMORE,

Sept 22 1869. Administratrix.

For Sale.

A commodious dwelling of ten rooms, a basement, two cellars, together with wood house, wood shed, barn, stable, excellent pump, well and cistern; four lots, each 52 by 132 feet, enclosed with good palings, and divided into yard, garden, barn lot and pasture. Several bearing fruit trees, consisting of peach, apple, cherry and pear. Garden well set with all kinds of fruit bearing bushes. On College Avenue, two squares north of public square. Price, \$2,500. Terms easy. Enquire of J. M. McCoy, or the undersigned.

C. W. HENDERSON.

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ORDINANCE NO. XXIV.

Passed by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Bloomington, Indiana, October 4th, 1869, providing that the space around the Public Square of said town, between the outer edge of the gutter to the hitching rack, be paved with stone as is hereinafter provided:

SEC. I. Be it ordained by the Board of Trustees of the town of Bloomington, Indiana, That, whereas public convenience requires that a stone pavement be constructed around the public square in said town, from the outer edge of the gutter of the streets bordering thereon, around said square, to the hitching racks, the said pavement be, and is hereby required to be constructed by the 10th day of November, A. D. 1869.

SEC. II. That said pavement be built from the outer edge of the gutter to the hitching rack, (12) twelve feet in width, of good sound limestone rock, set on edge, the same as the gutters, the rocks to be not less than (6) six inches in width, with the bottom edge squared, so as to rest firmly upon the ground.

SEC. III. That said pavement be made to the following grade, viz: Beginning at the outer edge of the gutter, and ascending at a regular grade, so that the outer edge of said pavement will be (8) eight inches higher than the outer edge of the gutter.

SEC. IV. That when said pavement shall have been completed, any person or persons tying, hitching, or driving any animal or animals theron, shall not be liable to the penalty imposed by ordinance No. 2, of said town, "regulating and protecting streets, alleys, sidewalks, gutters, etc., adopted by said Board of Trustees, 1