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Indiana—Her Growing Trade.

CONTINUED.

The Franklin Life Insurance Company—
Indianapolis.

Few persons are aware of the magnitude of the Life Insurance business in this country. Ten years ago it was an uncommon thing for a man to have a policy of insurance on his life, and the companies were few in number and comparatively slender in resources. Within this period, however, the business has made such rapid and steady progress, that Life Insurance has become one of the greatest interests in the country.

Leaving out of view the advantage to individuals, which this certain provision for dependent ones affords, its influence on society at large is very great, and as beneficial as it is great. Not only has it kept many a widow and orphan from privation and beggary, but by removing want, and the fear of want, it has given peace and security and comfort to many a household.

Besides, Life Insurance Companies exercise a great influence in the financial world. From the nature of their organization they are compelled to hold large sums in trust for meeting future losses, and these sums the companies are also compelled to keep constantly invested in securities of unquestioned character. Thus a Life Insurance Company partakes of the nature of a bank; its funds all being employed in assisting the development and general business interest of the country; being in fact, circulating or movable, instead of fixed capital. One great cause of the large accumulation of money at New York and Hartford, is the immense sums held there by their Life Insurance Companies.

The companies of Hartford—a city not as large as Indianapolis—have assets amounting to thirty millions of dollars, a sum as large as the total valuation of property in Indianapolis; while one single company, located at New York, has accumulated nearly forty millions of dollars. In 1866 several of our most sagacious and far-seeing business men, appreciating the advantages to be derived from having one of these institutions built up at home, organized the company whose name heads this article. They organized it without any capital stock, so that it is a purely mutual company, and all its accumulations and profits belong to the policy holders, by whom all its affairs are managed. The representatives of foreign companies realizing the fact that our citizens would naturally prefer to insure in a company located in their own State, and managed by their own friends and acquaintances, rather than send their money away to be retained for a long series of years in distant States, have opposed the progress of the Franklin to the extent of their power; but it has, notwithstanding, attained a steady growth, and has progressed as rapidly as many companies which are now among the largest in the country, as the following table will show: We will first give the age of the company, next the assets, excluding capital stock, and lastly number of policies in force: St. Louis Mutual (not official) five years, \$122,547; Knickerbocker 6½ years, \$133,025; 87, number of policies in force, 707; National of Vermont, eleven years, 145,758 57, policies in force, 1,117; Berkshire 12½ years, \$2,59,554 44, policies in force, 1,140; Northwestern (not official) 4 years, \$103,695 37; Guardian 3½ years, \$9,234 63; policies in force, 845; Franklin 3½ years, \$132,707 01; policies in force, 706.

In three years and a half of business, the company has paid \$22,000 for losses, and it will be seen that it has accumulated in its receipts, over and above its losses and expenses, more than \$132,000. We desire to recommend this home institution to the favorable consideration of our readers, as it is now established on a firm foundation, and because the success of this pioneer Indiana Life Company will no doubt cause many more to be organized; thus enabling our citizens to obtain their insurance in their own State, with men whom they know, and the large and constant drain of money to the East for this purpose will thus be stopped.

The President of the Company, James M. Ray, Esq., well known as

the President of the old Bank of the State, is respected throughout the State for his ability and integrity. The other officers of the Company are men of prominence, most of them well known to our citizens.

We hope the company may soon be represented in every portion of the State, and we would recommend all persons whose attention has been directed to the subject of Life Insurance to apply to the officers of the Franklin, whether they desire a policy or an agency.

Primary Elections and Rotation in Office.

Editor Progress—While a number of the citizens of Monroe county were sitting together in one of the business houses of your city, the subject of the best mode of selecting candidates for the several county offices came up. And it was the general expression of all present that the best means to select them was a Primary Election, when every one would have the same chance and the defeated ones would be satisfied, as they would see who the majority of the people of the party wanted. But in a Convention the defeated candidates might say that they slaughtered them for the promotion of some other, when at the same time the Convention might have done all right. Another subject was rotation in office. The following Resolution adopted by the Republican Party at Indianapolis, two years ago at the Marion County Convention, was read:

Resolved, That in the future the Republicans of this county are in favor of one term principle, so far as the offices of Sheriff, Treasurer, Clerk and Auditor are concerned.

Now sir, we as citizens, all have a vital interest in the management of Public Business. We want competent and faithful men. I would not for one moment think or say anything against the competency or faithfulness of the gentlemen who now hold the offices, but on the contrary would say that they are honorable and good men, and that they are well qualified for the stations which they fill. But have we not in the County of Monroe as good men as they are; as much entitled to the offices as they are. Gentlemen that are as well qualified, Have they not held the offices long enough, certainly some of them have. Now such gentlemen as Wm. Kirby, Wm. Peterson, Parker Thompson, Absalom Ketcham and many others, would make good Commissioners. Captain Samuel Mayfield or Robert Gamble, would make and fill the office of County Clerk with credit. And no one could fill the Auditor's office any better than Wm. F. Browning or John J. Cherry. And who can say anything against Silas Grimes or Milt Rogers for Treasurer, and there is John W. Walker, or J. F. Manly, who lost his arm in the late war, why would not either of them make a good Recorder. Captain Samuel Mc. Wylie, Michael Gabbott, or Richard Fulk, would make good Sheriffs. And we should head the ticket with a good man for Representative. Andrew Reeves, Clelland Dodds, or James B. Mulky, would represent us in the halls of the Legislature with honor to themselves and to the county. Now Mr. Editor I am no politician, but I feel like I would like to see some men in the county offices that have worked as hard, if not harder, for the Republican Party, than the ones who now hold them. Yours Respectfully, PERRY.

Conductor Hanlon, of the Louisville, New Albany and Chicago R.R., found a prize in the ears on Saturday—a fine healthy boy, about four weeks old, minus a mother's fostering care. The baby had been left on the ears at Orleans, the mother having got on to Mitchell. The baby was well taken care of and left in charge of the landlady of the Franklin House, New Albany. It the mother fails to put in an appearance, the baby will be named "Tommy Hanlon," in honor of the Conductor.

THAT BABY AGAIN.—Eliza Richardson, the mother of the baby left aboard the ears on the Louisville, New Albany and Chicago Railway, last Saturday, arrived in the city yesterday evening. She immediately made inquiries as to the whereabouts of her child, and went to it without delay. The scene that occurred when the mother once again took her babe to her arms, is said to have been very touching. She wept profusely and it was a long time before she could be quieted. The mother has been living at Mitchell, and will probably return there with her child in a few days. She assigns various reasons for having deserted her baby on last Saturday evening.—N. A. Commercial.

General Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna, aged 72, is as ripe for riot and revolution as ever.

A Missouri paper says that the Digger Indians are never known to smile. They must be grave diggers.

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Proclamation.

To all whom these presents may come, greeting: Know ye that the Congress of the United States, on or about the 27th day of February, in the year 1860, passed a resolution in words and figures as follows, to wit: A resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States:

Resolved, by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, two-thirds of the House concurring, That the following article be proposed to the Legislatures of the several States, as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which, when ratified by three-quarters of said Legislatures, shall be valid as a part of the Constitution, namely:

ARTICLE 15TH, Section 1.—The rights of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States, or any State, on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude.

SEC. 2. Congress shall have the power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

And further, that it appears from official documents on file in this department, that the amendment to the Constitution of the United States, proposed as aforesaid, has been ratified by the Legislatures of the States of North Carolina, West Virginia, Massachusetts, Wisconsin, Maine, Louisiana, Michigan, South Carolina, Pennsylvania, Arkansas, Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, New Hampshire, Nevada, Vermont, Missouri, Virginia, Alabama, Kansas, Mississippi, Minnesota, Ohio, Rhode Island, Nebraska and Texas, in all twenty-nine States; and further, that the amendment to the Constitution of the United States, proposed as aforesaid, has been ratified by the Legislatures of the States of New York and of the District of Columbia.

Editor Progress—Please announce the name of A. W. Reeves, as a candidate for nomination to the Office of Representative from Monroe county, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention.

MANY VOTERS.

CLERK.

Editor Progress—Please announce the name of R. C. Foster as a candidate for re-nomination to the Office of Clerk of Monroe county, subject to the decision of the Republican Convention.

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Editor Progress—Please announce that William F. Browning became a candidate for the Office of Clerk of Monroe county, subject to the nomination of the Republican Party in Convention, to be held on the first Saturday of June next.

MANY VOTERS.

TREASURER.

Mr. Editor—At the solicitation of many

of my constituents, I submit my name as a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to the action of the Republican Delegate Nominating Convention.

L. E. MCKINNEY.

Editor Progress—You will please announce the name of L. Milton Rogers as a candidate for the Office of Treasurer and Collector of Monroe county, subject to the decision of the Republican Primary Election.

A VOTER.

SHERIFF.

You are authorized to announce the name of Robert M. Gamble, as a candidate for Sheriff of Monroe County,

subject to the decision of the Republican Convention.

M. BLAIR.

Mr. Editor—Please announce to Captain Blair, and all others whom it may concern, that if the people are willing, I am willing, and more than willing—you even anxious to serve them in the capacity of County Recorder for a second term—a favor, which a faithful public servant has a right to ask, without being required to answer foolish questions. My name is JONES.

ASSESSOR.

Editor of the Progress—Please announce the name of Thomas Spicer, as a candidate for Assessor of Bloomington Township, subject to the decision of the Republican Convention.

M. BLAIR.

RECORDERS.

Editor Progress—You will please announce my name as candidate for County Recorder, subject to the decision of the people at a Republican Primary Election.

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