

The Showers Factory has been running day and night to fill contracts. This is a healthy state of affairs, and was brought about by the judicious administrations of the Republican party. How will it be in the near future, though, when the effects of Democratic mismanagement begin to be felt?

There are now 17,065 members of the G. A. R. in Indiana, the largest number ever before enrolled. The increase during the third quarter was 833, and if a proportionate increase be reported for the fourth quarter, the number will approximate 18,000.

A farmer of Washington Territory loaned his dog to a man on Snake river to whom he had sold a flock of sheep to drive home, distance of thirty miles. The drover found the dog so useful that, instead of sending him home, he locked him up. The dog escaped, and concluding the drover had no more right to keep the sheep than to lock him up, he collected all that had belonged to his master and drove them home again.

An Englishman now a resident in England, who lived in America for many years, says that he is quite unable to discover an increased interest there in this country. The men take little interest in it, the women less. Such a man as Mr. Lowell was scarcely known outside of a small circle until he became minister, and even then only, as a rule, to London people. Names which are household words to us here are unknown there.

Those who insist upon prohibition or not, who because they can not crush intemperance and the liquor traffic at one stroke will not help to regulate it so as to reduce the evil and make liquor help pay the cost it produces, are the mangumpes of the temperance cause and continually retard the cause they advocate.

High license has been the law in Illinois less than two years and the Inter Ocean answers the sneering inquiry of what it has accomplished as follows:

"What has high license done for Illinois?" Well, it has reduced the number of saloons from 13,000 to 9,000. In Chicago it has shut up 600 of the lowest dens, and increased the revenues from \$200,000 to \$1,500,000. Prohibitionists may say "it is blood money," but one thing is sure, it makes the evil bear a large portion of the expense it entails sober people, and is so far good until better things will be upheld by public sentiment.

That is quite palpable, from the lips of one man, will not be swallowed when coming from another. The eccentric Sam Jones claims the right to say anything he pleases, in his own sweet way, and his own good time, and his audience allows him the delightful privilege.

The revivalist labored a long while in Tennessee and raked the sinners into the gospel fold, and according to the Nashville Americans an imitator arose who thought he would practice the methods of Brother Jones: "a minister of the gospel is one of the counties of Middle Tennessee bordering on the Cumberland range, thought that he would try one of the Rev. Sam Jones' dodges on his congregation and see how it would work. He had seen the Rev. Sam use it with wonderful effect, and he could see no good reason why it should not prove equally as effective with him and he was hardly in need of mucilage of some sort to make his hearers stick until he could reach his 'lastly.' On the occasion referred to, he ascended the platform as usual, and, after a preliminary service, he slowly removed his glasses, and, glancing over his audience, remarked solemnly that he was going to deal in some plain, unvarnished gospel truths 'to-day, and would, the Lord being willing and helping, expose the hypocrisy of professing Christians, and if there were any person or persons present who did not want to hear it, they had an opportunity right then to 'rack out.' To his bitter surprise and consternation, the congregation arose as one man and 'racked'."

For YOUNG PEOPLE.—The old and every way the best young people's paper in the country is the Youth's Companion, of Boston— a weekly paper published in quarto form, and finely illustrated. It grows fresher as its years increase, and has been familiar to us for a generation.

It has perpetuated itself and swelled its subscription list to 350,000 by the generosity of its publishers and the ability with which it has been conducted. We know a pair of bright eyes that snap every week at sight of it. The publishers will send you sample copies or will send you the paper every week to January, 1887, if you send them subscription price, \$1.75 now.

**County Institute.**  
The County Institute was in session last week. The attendance was large, though a number of teachers from the out townships did not appear in an appearance. Instruction was given in Arithmetic, Grammar, and School Management by Prof. W. B. Lugenbeel of Mitchell Normal; in Physiology, Hygiene, Reading, Orthography, and Science of Teaching by Prof. Beck; in Literature, History, Civil Government and Geography by Prof. Woodburn; Prof. J. W. Carr of the High School gave a lesson in History, and Prof. Rawles in Physical Geography. State Superintendent Holcombe was present on Wednesday and gave the Institute a pleasant talk. Prof. Lugenbeel gave a good lecture in the Walnut St. church, Monday night on the "Story of the Rocks"; Prof. Branner gave a lecture Tuesday night on "Brazil," which was very instructive and pleasing to the teachers; Dr. Jordan delivered his lecture on "Higher Education." Wednesday afternoon, and Rev. S. R. Lyons addressed the Teachers Thursday afternoon on "The Moral Responsibility of the Teacher." Taken altogether the yearly meeting was very pleasant and profitable, and the teachers seemed to get a good many useful suggestions. Sept. Hazel is to be commended for his successful management, and his cordial sympathy with the teachers. He will spare no pains to see that schools of the county continue their progress. Several new features were inaugurated for the improvement and encouragement of the country schools and teachers, referred to elsewhere. The Superintendent thinks the next institute will be held in August.

**NOTES.**  
At the next annual gathering of Monroe County teachers, John Foster, of Van Buren Township will deliver the first Annual Address before the Association. Mr. Foster is an educated gentleman, and one of the leading teachers of the county, and his address on that occasion, on some educational subject, will be one of interest and profit. An annual address will hereafter be a permanent feature of the Institute, and will, no doubt, be one of the most interesting things of the week.

A committee of five (Miss Goodale of Van Buren, Miss Davis of Clear Creek, Mr. Butcher of Salt Creek, Mr. Null of Richland, and Mr. Birch of Indian Creek) was appointed to arrange for a "Literary"—a piano contest if practicable—to be furnished from the teachers of the county exclusive of Bloomington. The exercise will be held some evening during Institute week. It will be novel and entertaining—a good means for development and culture among our teachers.

A committee of one from each township was appointed to arrange for the Reading Circle, and provide for its organization in the various townships and districts. Such an organization is much needed among Monroe county teachers.

Prof. Beck gave some useful instruction on the effects of narcotics on the human system. Alcohol, opium and tobacco received a just share of attention. The teacher should apply the instruction.

Prof. Carr presented some important points in history with good effect.

The music was first rate,—what there was of it.

Prof. Bell of the Indiana School Journal spent a day in the institute, and gave a talk on Mental Science. He is a leader among Indiana teachers, and we of Monroe are always glad to welcome him. He always has something good and new to present. His Journal ought to be in the hands of every Monroe county teacher.

Prof. Rawles' recitation in Physical Geography marked its author as a rising man in his profession. There was not a teacher present but what received instruction from him. He knows superficial pretense from genuine scholarship.

Mr. Carter of Stanford made an efficient Secretary, likewise Mr. Birch, of Indian Creek as Recording Secretary.

Miss Emma Davis and Miss Eliza Botkin, of Clear Creek, were noticeable attendees of the week.

Miss Blossom was well represented. The worthy Trustee, Mr. Headley, U. H. Smith, Misses Barbara and Vina Fowler were among their number.

Miss Julia Clark is teaching in Salt Creek.

Jack Randolph was a faithful and interested listener.

Prof. E. P. Cole gave the teachers a good talk on life insurance.

The following vigorous article is found in the Indianapolis Grocer, and at the request of a dealer in this place, it is given space in the Progress:

**Shake off the Parasites.**  
There were any one thing in the world that would cause us to doubt the ability of the Americans people to govern themselves. It would be the incapacity they exhibit in the financial management of their domestic affairs. Even our common laborers, to say nothing of our mechanics and other wage workers, receive, generally, such pay as would enable them to live comfortably and keep free from debt if they were not wanting in the tact or the will to bring their wages to the best advantage.

Our working people buy their families' supplies at great expense per day, as if inexorable fate herself had decreed that it should be done that way. It seems never to enter the heads of wage workers, however large or small their pay, to pinch along for awhile and get enough ahead to pay as they go. They seem to willfully refuse to see that after the first great effort it would be just as easy to keep always a little ahead of family expenses as to always lagging away behind.

Under the present system of the retail credit wage workers anticipate their long before it is earned. They incur obligations far in excess of their ability to pay within any reasonable length of time. They fall away behind in the payment of their bills for groceries, for dry goods, for fuel, for furniture, for contributions to the church, for lodges dues, indeed for everything for which they have found it possible to obtain credit. We do not think we put the estimate too high when we say

that fully half the people of Indiana owe bills which they cannot or will not pay. Hundreds of men whose business it is to do walk our streets continually to collect. They go from door to door, over the city, coast, and country, collecting debts, into paying, only to be told by them to call again, or that they are out of work, or that misfortune and sickness have rendered it impossible for them to pay at all. Most people are too strongly infatuated with the belief that people are respected by the world just in proportion as they dress well, furnish their houses expensively and keep up a stylish appearance. To live inside their incomes and pay their honest debts would not apparently seem to such people to play any part whatever in the world's estimation of their worth having. Men of healthy, wholesome thought and good judgment will probably never understand that peculiar trait in a large part of humanity that causes them to believe that if they can contrive in some way to array themselves in fine, tawdry clothes, and deck themselves off with glittering jewelry, real or imitation, that then they have done all that is required to have themselves looked upon as respectable members of society.

Even the religion which professes the same standard of conduct as the world, has been corrupted from those who have lost up to worth having. Men of healthy, wholesome thought and good judgment will probably never understand that peculiar trait in a large part of humanity that causes them to believe that if they can contrive in some way to array themselves in fine, tawdry clothes, and deck themselves off with glittering jewelry, real or imitation, that then they have done all that is required to have themselves looked upon as respectable members of society.

## TAXES FOR 1885.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Tax Duplicate for the State and County Taxes for the Year 1885 is now in my hands, and I am ready to receive Taxes thereon charged.

### TURNPike ROAD TAX.

I have also received the Turnpike Duplicate, for the collection of Taxes on the following roads: ROGERS, STEPHENS, HIGHT AND WYLIE. The following table shows the Rate of Taxation on each one hundred dollars worth of Property, and also on each Poll, in the several corporations in Monroe county, Indiana, for the year 1885:

#### TOWNSHIPS AND CORPORATIONS.

	Polls.	State Tax.	State House.	Endowment Fund.	Township.	Tuition Tax.	Supt. School.	Bridge.	In. Tax.	Repair Tax.	Road Tax.	Total with Road.
Bean Blossom,	\$2 00	12	2 16		66	10 20 25	10	6	24	25	1 95	
Washington,	2 00	12	2 16		66	15 15	30	10	6	24	25	2 00
Marion,	2 00	12	2 16		66	20	20	10	6	24	10	1 65
Benton,	2 00	12	2 16		66	20	10	10	6	24	10	1 85
Bloomington,	2 00	12	2 16		66	15	15	10	10	6	24	1 75
City of Bloomington,	2 00	12	2 16		66	10	6	24	20	10	1 70	
Richland,	2 00	12	2 16		66	5 15	15	10	6	24	20	1 70
Town of Ellettsville,	2 25	12	2 16		66	25	35	10	6	24	10	1 60
Van Buren,	2 00	12	2 16		66	10	20	10	6	24	10	1 60
Perry,	2 00	12	2 16		66	5	7	10	6	24	10	1 55
Salt Creek,	2 00	12	2 16		66	10	35	10	6	24	10	1 75
Polk,	2 00	12	2 16		66	10	5	10	6	24	10	1 60
Clear Creek,	2 00	12	2 16		66	10	10	10	6	24	10	1 60
Indian Creek,	2 00	12	2 16		66	10	10	10	6	24	10	1 60

In addition to the above there is charged to each person owning, keeping, or harboring within the County One Male Dog \$1.00; One Female Dog, \$2.00. Each additional Dog, \$2.00.

The Taxes as above stated can be paid at the Office of the County Treasurer, in the City of Bloomington, until the Third Monday in April, 1886, without penalty.

Taxes become due on the first of January, and the tax payer may pay the full amount of such taxes as or before the Third Monday in April, or may, at his option, pay one-half thereof on or before the said Third Monday in April, and the remaining half on or before the first Monday in November, in the manner prescribed by law. All Road Taxes to be added to the first installment.

When first installment is not paid prior to third Monday in April, the Taxes for the whole year become delinquent.

The Treasurer will not be responsible for the penalty and charges on Delinquent taxes resulting from any omission of the person paying to state definitely on what property, in whose name, and in what Township or Corporation it was assessed.

Persons owing delinquent taxes should pay them at once. The late law is of such a character that there is no option left the Treasurer but to enforce the collection of delinquent taxes, however much he may regret to collect the same, by sale of property.

The owner of property on the first day of April in any year, shall be liable for the taxes of that year. The purchaser of property on the first day of April shall be considered as the owner on that day.—See. 103.

The Treasurer has no option in rebating the Penalty on Taxes allowed to be delinquent. Tax-payers are particularly notified that all the Road Tax is due and payable with the First Installment. No credit will be allowed on Road Tax unless the Receipt is presented. Road Receipts will not be received in payment of Second Installment of Taxes. No County Orders will be endorsed for persons owing Delinquent Taxes.

The Annual Sale of Delinquent Lands and Lots will take place on the Second Monday of February.

#### PARTICULAR ATTENTION:

Tax-payers should examine their receipts before leaving the Treasurer's Office, and see that they are correct. Those who have lands or other property in more than one Township, must see that they have a receipt for all.

ISAAC CLAMAN, Treasurer Monroe County.

BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, December 28, 1885.

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