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For Congress—Fifth District,
IRA G. CHASE of Hendricks County.

For District Prosecutor, B. S. LOWE.

CHIPS AND SPLINTERS.

—Hereafter the American Express Co. will not permit their wagons to do any outside hauling. Harry Witherby will have charge of the transportation department and express goods will be delivered to all parts of the city—Col. Matson was in town on Wednesday. The Colonel could give us no information about that pension—A paw-paw merchant with a wagon of his own, was on the streets last week, selling the Hoosier bananas—

—Fount Jones of V. B. township, has made the Kansas round-trip, but will winter in Monroe county—Bone dust has been hauled in all directions by farmers during the past week—Squire Brown has sold to John Rogers of Perry 1p, a fine pair of mules for \$210. John will take them to Illinois—Mrs. McMillan of Perry, 1p, who has been visiting relatives in Cedarville, Ohio, (where the farmers raise lime for the Cincinnati market,) has returned to Hoosierdom—The corn crop will be very short in some portions of Kansas, owing to the dry weather—John Beers is a father—Judge Bicknell will try the turpentine cases in circuit court, this week—Mrs. Gibbs of Kansas, is visiting her parents east of town, Mr. and Mrs. Aquilla Rogers—Jas. B. Allison's family will go to Indianapolis to remain this winter—The Sunday School of College Avenue M. E. church has selected B. F. Adams jr., for Superintendent. Mr. A. is an active Sunday school worker and his ability in this line is receiving recognition—205 students are attending the new college buildings—J. F. Pittman is now pension examiner at Mattoon, Ills.—W. W. Durand came home last Thursday and remained till Sunday. His circus business will close in three weeks—On the 24th and 25th there will be an old soldiers' reunion at Hindostan, this county, to which all are invited

THE RE-UNION.

Last Thursday morning the grounds around the court house presented an animated scene. The air was filled with the notes of martial music. Above the blare of bugles and the sounds of "the ear-piercing fife" could be heard the hoarse tones of command. The Union flag waved everywhere. Fire-arms glinted in the sun, and the boys in blue were

"swifly forming in the ranks of war."

This war was for the suppression or extermination of the commissary stores which the good people of Bloomington and vicinity had most liberally contributed for the veterans in their re-union at Camp Morton C. Hunter. After listening to patriotic speeches by the rival candidates for Congress, Messrs. Chase and Matson, who were both soldiers, the procession was formed and headed by the Harrodsburg brass band, marched gaily away to camp.

The weather was threatening and showery, but everything was carried out according to the program. There was an all night performance not down on the program, which was delightfully entertaining to those whose happy privilege it was to participate therein. Next morning the thunder of artillery "Roused up the soldier on the morning star."

and soon again all was bustle and activity. This day the attendance was very large. The number of soldiers registered was 259. Probably there were many others present who were not registered. The speech of Mr. Ferguson was listened to by a large and sympathetic audience. Dr. McPhee's entertained the audience with reminiscences of the war. Short speeches were made on the first day by Rev. Lyons, H. C. Duncan, J. E. Bostin, Thos. Langley, and others. In the night attack on the picket line the rebels captured a battery which was taken in the battle of the next day. In these sham battles many laughable incidents occurred which the old soldiers tell with a good deal of gusto. There were no serious accidents of any kind, the supply of provisions was ample and various, including hard-tack and beans, and the Monroe County Soldiers' Reunion of 1886 may be truthfully called a success.

Congressman Matson, in his speech at Spencer, said that he pointed with pride to the fact that not a solitary Republican was now holding a Government office in his district.

Of course the candidates all over the country are now putting in their finest work. "A good politician to keep his position must be a magician in arts that are vain, must eat and be merry with Tom, Dick and Harry, with Mollie and Carrie, and Susan and Jane. Must fuddle and pamper their children that scamp, love their gramma and gramps and cousins and aunts, love old aunt Maria and Uncle Benjamin and good aunt Keziah, who made Tommy's pants," and do any quantity of things that would seem rather humiliating to any one else but a politician. The polling and hauling of the candidates puts one in mind of the old darky who said he was willing to have the itch for the fun of the scratching.

We very earnestly believe that the Republican who desires the success of the prohibition movement will be more likely to have his desire gratified by voting for the candidates of his own party, than by voting for the third party ticket, which cannot possibly be elected. The most that can be effected by the largest attainable vote for the Prohibition candidates would be to render certain the election of the Democracy, and the friends of prohibition could effect no worse thing than Democratic success.

Columbus Republican: If anything prevents a general and sweeping victory for the Republicans this fall it will be the prohibition party. They are nominating candidates in most of the States, also legislative candidates, and if they have any effect at all it will be to draw enough votes from the Republican party to let the Democrats in, and knowing this the latter are furnishing money and doing everything to encourage the movement.

Bad State of Affairs in Texas.

Jackboro, Jack co., Texas, Sept. 6th '86. Dear Sir:—I am sorry that I have not got up that little amount for your paper for it is a welcome visitor in the family. The fact is that I have made nothing hardly since I have come to Texas, and less this year than ever. The drought has ruined us all. We have made no cotton—cotton is dead for the year. Our grass is all burned up, and stock is already dying for want of food. If my cotton does not burn up I will send you that money as soon as I can get it out of my cotton. If I was able to get out of here I would leave, this Fall, and go where a man can live. I would like to come back to the old Hoosier State.

Your Friend,

JESSE RAPER.

Indiana State Fair.

Agriculture is on a boom. Everybody is interested, as all business prosperity is largely dependent upon the farm crops. Never before in the history of the State was there a greater abundance of the necessities of life, with general good health prevailing and corresponding happiness.

The social features of this Annual Festival have assumed great importance for friends meeting from a distance, and the amateur farmer meeting the professional, as arranged by correspondence for months previous.

The volume of business in connection with the State Fair by orders for live stock and machinery is immense, and would look incredible if stated in figures.

The Board of Agriculture congratulates the farmers and the community in general on the bright prospects for the future, and feel assured that the coming State Fair, the week commencing September 27, will be an improvement on all others heretofore.

Death of John Graham, Sr.

John Graham Sr., whose funeral took place on Saturday last, was one of the oldest citizens of Monroe county. He was born of Scotch parentage, in the county of Tyrone, North of Ireland, on the 20th of November, 1799, consequently at the time of his death had almost reached the 87th year of his age.

An extremely truthful, his father having died, he emigrated to this country, and apprenticed himself to a carpenter, of the Quaker faith, in Philadelphia, Penn., with whom he thoroughly learned his trade. Having finished his apprenticeship, he went to Richmond, Va., where he worked at his trade a short time, and while yet scarcely more than a boy, he went to the then comparatively new country of East Tennessee, and formed the acquaintance of and married Isabella Pendleton.

In the year 1829, he removed with his family to this county, purchasing and settling upon the farm now owned and occupied by Hugh B. Campbell, near Clear Creek Station. Here he remained but a short time, when he removed to Bloomington, then a small village, where he followed his trade and was the principal carpenter for many years. He was a strong, sturdy, and very existing monument of his hard work will testify.

He was industrious, and it was not in his nature to slight his work. His rule was to owe no man, and no human being could truthfully say he ever wronged them out of a cent. He was a respected citizen; was one of the first trustees of Bloomington after its incorporation, and was afterwards elected a member of the Board of County Commissioners.

He was a man of many talents, and

had a large library.

He was a natural student, and few were better read in the history of the world than he.

His people were Presbyterians, to which

church he belonged for years, but after

wards united himself with the M. E. church, of which he was a member for

several years, and of which he remained

member until his death. Although of a

sociable and genial disposition, after the

death of Mrs. Graham, which occurred in

1875, he often became lonesome and

restless, seeming to never become reconciled

to his loss.

On the 14th day of last December he

fell, while walking in his door-yard, and

fractured his thigh-bone, though

in good condition, and it took

him a long time to get over it.

He was a great sufferer

during the last few months of his life,

but at the last fell asleep and peacefully passed away. His years were more than

80, and he was almost a centenarian.

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