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The State Campaign.

When the habits of the state offices have nothing else to do they talk politics. The political affiliations of the present officers make this talk largely republican just now, but occasionally a democrat drops in and there is an interchange of opinion. It recently happened that representative men of both parties were together, and the conversation turned upon the state campaign for next year. It was taken by consent, of course, that all the present republican state officers would be renominated. For governor various suggestions were made, and it was stated that the general talk throughout the state indicated either Colonel R. S. Robertson or Will Cambuck. There would be no trouble in giving the nomination to ex-Governor Porter if he wanted it, but he is said to be very decidedly averse to taking it. Warren G. Sayre is also spoken of, and he has a very steadfast following among the more stalwart members of the party.

The democrats are somewhat at sea about their candidate for Governor. Green Smith wants it, but probably wont get it, as he does not seem to have a substantial and serious support. Colonel Nelson of Logansport, an excellent man, who made a creditable race for lieutenant governor last year, is ineligible, having handicapped himself by becoming mayor. Some people want Senator Voorhees to make the race, but he doesn't want it. Recently there has been considerable talk about Charles S. Denby, of Evansville, who now has a foreign mission. Congressman Holman is also probability, as he always is for anything and every thing, and Congressman Matson is an open and avowed candidate. As horsemen say, he will probably "set the pace" for the other runners, as he is a political hustler. Representative Jewett would probably not get on a limited express to get away from the nomination, if it should set out in pursuit of him. For the state officers there is a probability that nearly all the gentlemen who were on last year's ticket will be renominated.

State House Contractor Howard has notified the commissioners that the building is completed, and asks for the 10 per cent. reserve, which had been kept out of his estimates, and which now amounts to \$170,000. Under an agreement with the commissioners he is to receive the \$70,000 now on hand and wait for the \$100,000 until the legislature meets. These figures indicate that the total cost of the building in the main contract was \$1,700,000. About \$280,000 have been expended on the contracts, leaving the total cost \$20,000 short of the original two-million dollar limit fixed by the law.

Railroad earnings, notwithstanding the fact that the wheat crop is smaller than in 1887, continue to show an increase nearly up to the average of the early portion of the year. For the first week of October the expansion was 11.21 per cent., fifty-one roads reporting, over the income of the same lines in the corresponding week of 1886. Ten of these roads show a decrease, but it is trifling in every instance. This is an evidence that there is no falling off in the activity of general trade throughout the country.

The modern prize fight is a knock-out. It used to be that men would fight 100 rounds with bare knuckles, while now it is the rule to knock a man out with gloves in a few rounds. It is not that the men have less endurance than formerly, for it is not a question of endurance. The secret is a blow from the shoulder on the side of the neck. In a modern prize-fight it is a question of skill in getting in this neck blow. Occasionally two men are so equally matched as to skill that neither can get in this blow, until either is too weak to make it effective. In such a fight we have the old contest of endurance. In the majority of recent fights this neck blow does the business in a few rounds. It is not a new discovery, this neck blow. In "Lemuel Chilling" Bulwer introduces it with a wonderful effect. When the light and trim hero meets a robust thumper, he neatly plants this blow on his neck, and the big one goes down like a struck ox. But Bulwer warns his readers that it is a very dangerous blow, and may kill a man. The danger in it is one reason why it is seldom resorted to by fighters. But since the introduction of glove-fights they seem to have concluded that there is less risk in it. The philosophy of the thing is simple enough, and has nothing to do with the regular veins, as fighters imagine. It forces the neck vertebral against the spinal cord, producing temporary paralysis. The danger is in dislocating the neck. One of these days a neck-bitter will kill his man and then this blow will be discarded.

Mrs. Porter has filed a \$10,000 damage suit against the I. & V. Railroad Company, which she charges with being responsible for

the death of her husband, W. D. Porter, in July last. Mr. Porter was a traveling salesman for E. C. Atkins & Co., and was killed near Sanburn by falling from a passenger train. It was reported at the time that he had committed suicide. The friends and relatives of the deceased have thoroughly investigated the case and claim to have discovered how the death came about. The complaint alleges that Porter got on the regular passenger train at Sanburn going south and soon afterwards became very sick. He went out on the platform to get some fresh air, and while standing on the steps of the car, the brakeman, it is charged, came out and ordered him to go inside. The sick man made no reply to the brakeman, who then took hold of him by the coat and shoulders, and caused him to loosen his hold and fall from the car. The train was running at the rate of thirty miles per hour, and death was almost instantaneous.

—Indianapolis Journal: Mrs. Annie Sachs, who threw the large brown pancake at Mrs. Cleveland, at St. Louis, was fined \$50 for her yearning desire for fun. Her offense was technically called disorderly conduct, but the large fine would indicate that she had been

charged with assault—at any rate, it was battery—and the punishment seems excessive. Mrs. Sachs lacks the money to pay the fine, being a poor cook, and her friends have made up a purse for her and appealed the case. We hope her cake will not be all dough.

—The Detroit Tribune says of Grover: President Cleveland has now been in several western states where great men have lived and died. He has made numerous speeches in each, but we fail to find in them any reference to the late Oliver P. Morton, of Indiana, or to the late Abraham Lincoln or Stephen A. Douglas, of Illinois, or to any other of the great men, living or dead, except Hendricks and Voorhees. It would have been gratifying to the patriotic people of all states if he could have found time to speak of the great and good Lincoln with half the fervor and emotion he exhibited in his glowing tribute to the life and public services of the great nullifier, John C. Calhoun.

—How I Came to Quit Smoking. Happening over at Louisville the other day, I came across an old dental friend, and in the course of our conversation I remarked that he was looking very fresh and clean, as if he had quit smoking. "Yes," said he, "I quit long ago. You remember our popular friend, Mr. So-and-so, on Jefferson street, where we used to buy our fine cigars?"

"Yes," said I, "he is out of the trade now, I believe." "Well," he added, "I grew very intimate with him, and used to lounge around there of evenings, and when he came to close up shop for the night he would say, 'Hold, until I wet down my tobacco for to-morrow's work.' He would go into the rear room, fill his mouth full of water, then spurt it in fine spray all over the tobacco to moisten for the next day. This practice was never neglected each day, and is common for all cigar makers to do the same."

"A long while after," continued this dental friend, "he came into my office to have some examination made of a tooth. I may have seen filthy mouths, black and rotten teeth, gummed with decomposing matter and teaspoonfuls of pus running out of gum boils, but if there ever was one that could exceed this in the stench and luxuriance of pus, I can't recall it. I began to be reminded of the 'fragrant cigars' I had enjoyed, over which the spray from this cesspool of stinks have emanated, and it did not take me long to decide about quitting smoking. I have done now of it since."

W. R. B.

—Do You Know Him. The one horse farmer has a life long ambition to gain a reputation for wearing a dirty shirt.

He will alarm the neighborhood by getting up two hours before day, then sit around and not go to work until after noon.

—He will run around a week looking for a \$5 hog.

He will complain of hard times, then have his pants climbing the fence where a good ought to be.

He will pay \$3 for a new bridle, then let the saddle fit it up before Sunday.

Stock will get in and destroy his crop, at a place in the fence that he has been putting on fixing for six months.

He will sprain his back lifting something to show how strong he is.

He will go in his shirt sleeves on a cold day to show how much he can stand, then return at night and occupy two-thirds of the fire-place till bed-time.

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CHIPS AND SPLINTERS.

A sermon for the children was preached in the Presbyterian church last Sunday by Rev. Minton—The Taylor Vose barber shop, at the rear of Paris Bros. drug store, has been sold to a Salem man—Rev. Minton and family have returned from a visit to friends in Illinois—Bert. Smith is looking well, and is doing well at Indianapolis—The entertainment at the M. E. church on Tuesday night of last week was a pleasant and largely attended affair—

Pay your taxes before the 7th of next month or suffer the penalty—Senator Bruce (colored) of Mississippi, will be the next lecturer of the regular course. He will be here on the 21st of November—

Chesley Chambers will soon have completed his term as a convict in the State Prison South. The probability is that the Express Co. will cause his arrest again, and require him to answer for the robbery of the safe—Addison Smith has been visiting relatives in Illinois—

Henry Catheart and family of the vicinity of Stanford, have gone to the State of Mississippi to reside—Several of the residents of Stanford are preparing to remove to Brazil, Ind.—Rev. Terry preached in the Baptist church on Sunday morning and evening last—

A daughter of Mr. John A. Morris, proprietor of the Louisiana Lottery, recently married. Among the wedding gifts was \$1,000,000. Wonder how much of that amount was contributed by Bloomington investors. There used to be a number of men here who bought tickets regularly each month and dreamed of fortunes that they never got—

Salem has two gas wells. That's coming pretty near. Now let some of those gas men come to Bloomington and dig our well deeper—it might pay them handsomely—

The 7th of November will place you on delinquent tax list if you have not paid up—Fred Brown of Mitchell, a saloon keeper, is the latest arrest on the charge of shoving counterfeit money—

—David Todd of Polk tp. attempted to drench his horse, which had choked on dry oats, at the south side of the court house fence, Thursday, when the animal reared up, fell back and was so seriously injured that it was found necessary to put it out of its misery—John Jacobs, the shoemaker, who died with consumption last week, had a \$1,000 insurance policy in the Knights of Honor—A young man named Lamb was arrested last week on a charge of robbery. It was he, it seems, who had been "going through" houses south of town, among them those of Ed. Stipp, Cliff Thompson, Robert Henry, Mac Wylie, Wm. M. Moore, Wm. J. Moore, Wm. Butcher and Sam Wyoof. Lamb pleaded guilty, and his bail was fixed at \$500, failing to secure which he went to jail—

—Thos. B. Buskirk, connected with the internal Revenue Department, has resigned his position. It paid \$8 per day—Several boys, Lon. Taylor, Ambrose Macafee and Fred. Johnson, the two last named colored, were arrested last week for intoxication, when they confessed to breaking open a freight car from which they had stolen some bottled beer. This is a serious charge, as the boys are under 16 years of age—

—Chas. Gregory, who for some time has been book-keeper for Waldron, Hill & Co. will accept a similar position with the Studebaker spoke works soon to be put in operation in Paoli—Rev. W. P. McNary is no longer connected with the "Midland," having sold his interest to his partner—The electric light is produced by power in the new house west of the depot

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Len. Field and James Jackson left Bloomington for Toledo, O., on Friday, to get their spring samples from the boot and shoe house for which they travel.

Miss Maggie McCollough of this place is teaching a class in painting, at

—Mrs. G. W. Norman and her sister, Miss Carrie Sager, were in Valparaiso, Ind., last week, in attendance upon the funeral of their brother, Harry Sager, who died with diphtheria.

—Stella Crain leaves to-morrow with Mrs. Burford for Chattanooga, Tenn. Miss Crain will spend the winter with relatives in Chattanooga, and in Dalton, Georgia.

—John Sears has returned from Paducah, Ky. He says Bert. Slomcomb, who has been working in a furniture factory in Paducah for some time, will return to this place soon.

—Maj. Jas. B. Mulky was in Spencer last week, in attendance upon Owen circuit court.

—Clint. Worrall and wife have gone to Hot Springs, Arkansas, to remain during the winter.

—Mrs. John P. Smith has been seriously ill with fever, but is now convalescing.

—Mrs. Lillie Boggs has gone to Pueblo, Colorado, where Chas. Corr and wife are located. It is in Pueblo that Chas. H. Campbell resides, and Prof. M. M. Campbell is with his son in that city.

—Messrs. Loudon, Miers, Rogers, Buskirk and Grimes went to Indianapolis Tuesday, to be present at the injunction argument before the supreme court.

—Dr. Belding of Troy, N. Y., will preach in the Christian church Sunday morning and evening.

—T. E. Laws of the "National" Hotel was called to his old home in Terre Haute by the reported sudden and serious illness of a sister.

—Jas. Lamb was caught Monday afternoon while going through the residence of a Mr. Chambers, in Polk tp. He seems determined to "get there." He will not escape from jail this time.

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Arrive, Kansas City, 8:00 a. m., 7:33 p. m., 10:00 a. m.

Going North—Leave Terre Haute, 3:45 p. m., 6:00 a. m.

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