

## INDIANA HIGHLIGHTS

### EVENTS AND INCIDENTS THAT HAVE RECENTLY OCCURRED

An interesting summary of the many important happenings of our neighborhood which does not mention names, characters and General News Notes.

#### White Cap Acquited.

The Leavenworth White Cap trials resulted in the acquittal of all the defendants, the jury returning a verdict of not guilty after being out but three hours. The trial was a long and tedious one, lasting a week, and the expense to the county will be great. There were 120 witnesses, mostly poor people, and it was a great hardship upon them to be compelled to remain in Leavenworth and pay hotel bills during the time. They were not permitted to go home at any time because eight sessions of court were held. There was some direct evidence against the defendants, and a great deal of strong circumstantial evidence against a few of them, but they proved alibi by their families, and, as there was a reasonable doubt as to their guilt, were acquitted. There is practically no sentiment in Crawford County against White Cap methods, and it is not only impossible to get a jury to convict, but witnesses cannot be made to swear to what they know.

#### Robbed the Corner-Stone of a Church.

A queer robbery was committed at Cambridge City. Some persons, evidently acquainted with the surroundings, took a revolver and removed the corner-stones of the Baptist church from its place in the wall of the building. He was poorly repaid for his trouble, however, as the receipts beneath it contained only a few coins, amounting to about \$1.50.

The stone was laid in 1864 and its contents comprised such miscellaneous papers, books, etc., as are usually deposited on such occasions.

#### A Change of Seats.

Lori Hansen, of Goshen, was out of work and concluded to go to bed to seek employment. He emanated from Cedar Rapids, having built a fire out of rubbish and fodder. During the night the fire spread and the clothes of Hansen took fire. He awoke to find his clothing in a blaze, and it was some time before he could relieve himself of the burning garments. He was seriously burned, and had to be removed to Bedford, where he died from his injuries.

#### Miner State Notes.

The town of St. Marys of experiencing a boom.

Tippencanoe farmers are arranging for a systematic boycott of the binding-twine trust.

The shortage of John E. Sullivan, the defaulting Clerk at Indianapolis, as shown by experts, amounts to \$47,000.

Rev. Rudolph Randolph, living near Andrews, was thrown from a wagon and fatally injured. He is 65 years of age.

While cutting a tree at Galena, Floyd County, Noble McDaniel, aged 15, had his neck broken by a falling limb.

A mad bull made a dash at Peter Draper near Alexandria, and threw him through a nail fence. Mr. Draper's leg was broken.

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C. Scott, who walked out of the Muscat court room while being tried for forgery, was captured at Upland, Grant County. He will now receive a three years' sentence in the penitentiary, in accordance with the jury's verdict.

In tearing down one of the oldest buildings in Seymour, a few days ago, workmen found, concealed in the foundation, five large hickory clubs and a bundle of stout hickory switches, relics of the vigilance committee, days of 1862.

Edward Powell, one of the river pirates who plundered and attempted to burn the town of Bethlehem, and subsequently escaped from jail on March 8, has been recaptured at Indianapolis. A kit of burglar tools was found in his possession.

William Benson, under sentence of death at Jeffersonville for the murder of Jacob Motteier, has made a full confession, in which he says his sole motive for the crime was his love for the girl Sallie Soder, the domestic in Motteier's family.

Farmers in Miami County and the north part of Wabash are combining to resist the demands of the binder-twine trust. They have decided to hire men to bind wheat after being out with binders. Determined opposition to the trust has been developed.

William Jones, an industrious farmer of Hurley, Bartholomew County, recently received warning letters from White Caps, followed by bundles of switches on his door-step. He suspects certain neighbors of the offense, and will begin prosecution at once.

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