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SUMMARY OF A WEEK'S HAPPENINGS.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK CONCISELY CONDENSED.

What Our Neighbors are Doing—Matters of General and Local Interest—Marriages and Deaths—Accidents and Crimes—Personal Notes About Indiana.

Minor State Items.

ROY HALL, 3, fell in a cistern at Lebanon, and was drowned.

Elwood has secured the eighth semi-annual convention of the State Y. P. S. C. E., to be held next October.

The highest point in Indiana is said to be at Haisley, which is 1,140 feet above the sea level.

RICHMOND police have stopped the slot machines. They have been declared gambling devices.

The safe in the P. J. Kern's Carriage Factory at Frankfort was cracked by burglars and six stores in the town burglarized.

Tommy, a merchant tailor of Peru, Wayne have agreed that all their bad debts should be sold at public auction at the Court House door April 2.

ELIAS M. SMITH and wife have lived on the same farm near Crawfordville for fifty-eight years. On March 13 they had been married sixty years.

The Peru City Council are making a big kick against the straw-board works at Wabash emptying the refuse into the Wabash River, from which streams the water works at Peru gets its supply. An analysis of the water shows it is not poisoned by the refuse.

ERZA MARKER, 14 years old, while pumping at one of the oil wells east of Montpelier, was caught by a bolt on the head, and was thrown by a blow which fractured his neck and bones were crushed. Doctors amputated the leg, but he died immediately after the operation.

The Citizens' Bank, just organized at Mattingville, has for its directors Sylvanus Barnard, John H. Jones, E. S. Huff, Charles Hamilton, C. S. Cunningham, and F. W. Woods. The bank was cracked by a thief who took \$100. The bank is to be reorganized.

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WOMAN AGAINST WOMAN.

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CHAPTER XVI.—Continued.

The moments of excitement and anxiety while the burglar was captured had driven it from his mind; but now he remembered all that Sir Humphrey had said, and, even while his heart was torn with fear that she, perhaps, was lost to him forever, a thrill of pride went through him for her sake.

Sir Humphrey was pacing the floor of the library as the Earl entered.

"You have no picture of your wife?" he asked abruptly.

"I have no picture of her," Alice replied quietly, "but Sir Humphrey road his face."

"Please God you will need none," he observed.

"Surely she must be found to-night," Alice said.

"Their hands unconsciously tightened in each other's grasp."

"I have no picture of it," muttered Roy hoarsely. "The old woman has confessed that—just that—Jura loved her. She is his hands. When I know that I feel mad."

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