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J. H. HELLER, Manager.

STRANGE INCIDENTS

The price of eggs dropped one cent yesterday in Decatur. We don't know why. They didn't anywhere else.

Ossian quotes butter at 20 cents, eggs at 14 cents, wheat at 88 cents. Perhaps the demand is greater there than here.

A farmer living within three miles of Decatur, hauled a load of hay to Willshire recently, and brought home a load of material to be used in his new house. The difference paid him for his hogs over that offered here, equalled two days' wages with his team. His trade is needed here.

A Decatur business man owns a farm near the city. He sells his products at Monroe. One would think he would prefer to keep it here and he

would if he could, perhaps.

A man who was formerly in the grain business twenty miles from here said he bought thousands of bushels from this vicinity. He didn't lose money, in fact, he made a neat fortune. Will the same thing happen this year?

A well known farmer living a few miles north of here makes two trips to Ft. Wayne each week to sell his produce. He makes good wages by doing so, and often brings home merchandise that he should buy here.

Decatur has the reputation of being the best horse market in Indiana, and from January 1st to June 1st nearly a million dollars was exchanged in that trade in this city. Do you know why? Because they pay the top price. Can it be done in other lines?

This city has spent thousands of dollars to build macadam roads. Of what good are they if we permit the farmer to use them to haul his produce to other towns and trade there?

There is no occasion for threatening, blustering or calling us hard names. The conditions are well known, the results are inevitable if they continue.

Let's find a remedy and use it.

Monmouth is the oldest town in Adams county. It is also the smallest.

It has other honors—it pays more for country produce than Decatur. Is it the demand?

Several business men who are members of the Business Men's Association have complained to us that the campaign being waged against the market trust in Decatur affects them also, as they say it leads the farmer to believe that they also belong to a combination which fixes buying and selling prices. This is not the case, and our remarks should only affect directly those who deal in farm products.

However, every business man in Decatur who allows such conditions to exist, without any effort to break it up, does a wrong to his customer, his neighbor and himself. The Business Men's association has done some good things for themselves and the community. They can do more, and this is one important one they can and should do at once—help smash the market trust.

The first contract pertaining to the erection of the new motor car factory was secured by Kirsch and Sellmeyer, it being for two cars of cement. Preliminary work is to be started next week and before snow falls the Copcock factory will be operating in Decatur. Its future is bright, and it's only one of the many things that is going to make Decatur the best town on earth.

Decatur merchants enjoyed a fair trade today. It might have been better

by far, could we have announced the right kind of a change in the markets. Try it next week, Mr. Merchant, and see if it don't work. If you can't do anything else, make a special offer for one day a week.

DECATUR'S CHURCHES

ST. MARY'S CHURCH.

First Mass at 7 o'clock Standard time.
Second Mass at 9 o'clock Standard time.
Vespers at 6:30 o'clock Standard time.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
9:15—Sabbath school. Lesson theme: "Duties Toward Men." Ex. 20:12-17.
10:30—Morning worship. Sermon theme: "The Better Country."
6:30—Christian Endeavor Society. Topic: Exodus 20:12-17.
7:30—Evening Service. Talk theme: "Christian Victory."

The public cordially invited to all of the Sabbath services.

Alfred Fowler, Pastor.

GERMAN REFORMED.

Sunday school at 9:30. "Duties Toward Men." Ex. 20:12-17. German service at 10:30. Rev. B. Ruf, of Ft. Wayne, will preach on "Infant Baptism" Christian Endeavor Society meets at 6:45. Topic: "The Last Six Commandments." Evening service at 7:30, conducted in the English. Text John 5:1-8. "The House of Mercy." You are cordially invited to worship with us. Louis C. Hessert, Pastor.

SERVICES AT THE MISSION HALL

There will be preaching at the Mission Hall this evening at 8 o'clock. Sabbath school Sunday afternoon at 1:30 p. m. C. H. Dibble, superintendent. Prayer and praise meeting at 2:30. Preaching in the evening at 7:30. Mrs. Mathews will preach Sat-

urday evening. Sunday evening Mrs. Mathews and John Gibson, of Monroe, Ind., will preach. We invite all to attend all these meetings. We wish the people would come in on the inside and not stand on the outside looking in at the windows, and the door. You are all welcome on the inside. We will make room for you. Chancy Stetson, Leader.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

E. Ernest Bergman, Pastor.
9:30—Sunday school. Wildy Watts superintendent. Lesson, Ten Commandments. "Duties Toward God."

10:30—Preaching service. Text, Ps. 8:2-3. "Where I consider Thy heavens the work of Thy fingers." Talk theme, Heaven. 7:30—The regular order of service will be observed.

We extend a very cordial invitation to the public to meet with us. An hour spent with the Lord will refresh our spirits.

Insists on Afternoon Nap.

"The afternoon nap cult is growing," said a mother of six children, "and I'm glad of it. Just look at me. I'm over 50 years old and my complexion is as rosy as any schoolgirl's. I attribute it all to the afternoon nap. The cook can leave; the stock in which we invest can pay panicky small dividends, the boys may 'funk' in their 'exams,' and still I take my afternoon nap."

Murderer's Hiding Place.

A rich man in a village near Foggia, southern Italy, who has been searched for by the police for eight years on a charge of murder, has at last been found in a garret, where he had only a space about four feet high, three feet long and two feet broad available. He had lived in this place the whole of the time. The police had to take the tiles off the roof to get at him.

World's Debt to Bessemer.

We owe to Sir Henry Bessemer the improvements in our modern steamships, the strength and lightness of the bridges which cross our rivers, countless modern forms of machinery and their cheapened products, and the skyscrapers of New York, Philadelphia and Chicago, which could not have been built save by the use of steel.

MAGLEY.

Subscribe for the Daily Democrat. Good news all the time.

The farmers are very busy harvesting the wheat and making hay at present.

Mr. Huffman, of Craigville, was the guest of Miss Mindwell Case, Sunday evening.

Ed Fruchte, of R. F. D. 11 Decatur, was the guest of Miss Emma and Lena Reppert Saturday evening.

Mr. Herman Sellmeyer, of Decatur, Sunday with his mother and brother William and family.

A quiet wedding took place at the home of Mrs. Lizzie Borne Saturday afternoon, when her oldest daughter Clara, and Westley Mankey, were married. The bride wore a white silk dress and white carnations, the groom wore a dark blue suit and white carnations. Rev. Schneider performed the ceremony, which made them man and wife. A wedding supper was served. Only a few of their near relatives being present. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Mankey.

About sixty young boys and girls gathered Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Kolter, to remember their son Fred of his twenty-second birthday. A splendid time was enjoyed by all present. Fred received several presents.

Scheduled All Real Estate.

The tax collector of Adelaide, Australia, officially reports the conscientiousness of a taxpayer who, in getting up a statement of the real estate he owned, for taxation purposes, put down a piece of land of his measuring nine feet by six feet in "cemetery," and under that column, "Name of Occupier," gave that of his departed wife.

Judge Worthy of the Bench.

In the court of Judge Klamroth, of Pasadena, Cal., the other day, when a witness had testified that she was married and a cross-examining attorney asked her: "Will you swear that you are married?" the judge stopped him and made him apologize, remarking: "Never, in the eight years I have held court have I allowed a woman to be insulted."

Farmer's Income Doubled

Could you increase your earnings if you owned more land? Do you know that thousands of farmers have bettered their conditions, have doubled, yes tripled their earnings—by simply moving from dear land to cheap land? Do you know that North Dakota lands are "cheap" only in price. Do you know that the rich, fertile soil of North Dakota produces as much per acre as farm lands anywhere—actually more wheat, flax, oats, barley, speltz, potatoes, alfalfa, than the tired out lands in the older Eastern states? Do you know that thousands of farmers from Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois and Iowa have doubled and tripled their incomes by going to North Dakota? A trip of investigation will convince you that you get more for your capital and labor by farming in southwestern North Dakota than you can in the older states. Good land is selling cheap now simply because it is not thickly settled. As the people come in, prices are advancing. Thousands came last year; thousands are coming this year; thousands will come next year. We are now selling land so low—for \$12.00 to \$20 an acre that the first crop will almost pay for it. The quicker you come the more land you can get for your money. We own over 100,000 acres for you to select from. Ask today for maps, facts, prices and Browns Farmer, in whose columns the farmers in this land of sunshine, big crops and free fuel tell what they are doing. Or come right out—don't wait until the land goes higher. Bring a home-seeker with you. Write WM. H. BROWN CO., 131 LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill., or Mandan, Mott or Richardson, North Dakota.

L. E. Watson, Dist. Manager
DECATUR, INDIANA

Clothing



MEN'S SUITS

Men's stylish working suits in a variety of Scotch and Cheviot mixtures. Substantially lined. Values as high as \$6.50. This sale \$3.98

Men's Stylish Working Suits in a variety of Scotch and Cheviot mixtures; some blues and blacks. Excellent patterns and color effects; substantially lined. Values as high as \$8.00. Our Clearance Sale \$4.98

Another lot of desirable suits, stylishly made, lined substantially, and made to stand hard and exacting wear. Values positively up to \$10.00. Our Clearance Sale \$5.98

In this lot you'll find a variety of materials and patterns, but every suit is an example of the tailor's best efforts in style and workmanship. Double and single breasted. Actual values \$12.50. Our Clearance Sale \$6.65

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE TO BE CONTINUED

Owing to the fact that we have odds and ends in all departments, we have decided to continue our great Midsummer Clearance Sale for one week longer in order to give those people a chance to partake of the many bargains who have been unable to attend. Never in the history of Decatur have such splendid bargains been offered. Note a few of the many bargains.

\$20,000.00 worth of High Grade Clothing and Shoes to be Sacrificed!

Better made suits, nor more stylish ones at even treble the price have never been shown here or elsewhere and with a variety of styles to select from you'll agree with us that here's a bargain. Real value, \$15. Clearance Sale Price \$8.79

The man who is posted on either Style or Material the man who knows what is being worn by the exclusive dressers will wonder how we do this; he'll expect to be asked for these suits at least \$16.50. Clearance Sale Price \$9.98

For Nobby Dressers—men who would conform to the 1906 requirements of style fashion—this lot will prove a revelation. Styles that you'd expect to obtain only from a merchant tailor, and at least \$18.00. Clearance Sale Price \$10.98

Fine Hand Tailored Suits in all the new Broadway effects. Some staple blacks, too, every suit a triumph of the cutter's art and the tailor's skill. A bargain any time at \$20. Clearance Sale Price \$11.48

BOYS' SUITS

All Sizes from 4s up.
Regular \$1.25 Pants, Price 83c
Regular \$2.00 Suits, Price \$1.39
Regular \$3.00 Suits, Price \$1.78
Regular \$4.00 Suits, Price \$2.63
Regular \$5.00 Suits, Price \$3.83
Regular \$7.00 Suits, Price \$4.88

MEN'S ODD PANTS

All Sizes, All Kinds, All Prices, Too
Regular \$1.25 Pants, Price 83c
Regular \$2.00 Pants, Price \$1.63
Regular \$3.00 Pants, Price \$1.98
Regular \$3.50 Pants, Price \$2.59
Regular \$4.00 Pants, Price \$2.79
Regular \$5.00 Pants, Price \$3.29
Regular \$6.50 Pants, Price \$3.88
Regular \$7.00 Pants, Price \$4.60

BOYS' KNEE PANTS

Regular 25c Pants, Price 21c
Regular 75c Pants, Price 43c
Regular \$1.00 Pants, Price 63c
SPECIAL! SPECIAL!

OVERALLS

Regular 50c value. Now here's your chance men. Only two pair to a customer, and then they can't last very long. Our Clearance Sale Price \$44c

Furnishings

Men's Bal. Underwear, reg. 35c val. 21c
"Bal. Underwear, reg. 50c val. 42c
"Best Underwear, reg. \$1.25 val. 89c
"Good Dress Shirts, reg. 65c-val. 42c
"Best Dress Shirts, reg. 1.00 val. 88c
"Durable Hose, reg. 15c value. 7c
"Fine Fancy and Plain Hose, reg. 20c value 11c
"Best Fancy and Plain Hose, reg. 25c value 19c
"Bandana Hdks, reg. 10c value. 6c
"Good White Hemmed Hdks, reg. 10c value 3c
"Fancy Spring Ties, reg. 25c val. 21c
"New Fancy Tecks, reg. 50c val. 42c
"Dep'dable Suspds, reg. 35c val. 21c
"Best make Suspds, reg. 50c val. 43c
"Best Working Gloves, regular 50c value 42c
"Arrow Brand Collars 10c

MEN'S HATS AND CAPS

We shall show you only the new spring blocks and shapes and we're

going to sell them as cheap as you'd expect to buy a last season's hat. That's fair isn't it?

Reg. \$1.25 Hats, Cl. Sale Price 89c
Reg. \$1.50 Hats, Cl. Sale Price \$1.19
Reg. \$2.00 Hats, Cl. Sale Price \$1.63
Reg. \$2.50 Hats, Cl. Sale Price \$1.98
Famous Hawes' \$3.00 Hat \$2.48

Straw Hats and Caps at Correspondingly Low Price.

EXTRA SPECIAL! SOX! SOX!
Men's 10c grade in plain and fancy colors. Our Clearance Sale Price only 3c

MEN'S GOOD WORK SHIRTS

Blacks, Fancies and Stripes
You've Always paid 50c for them. Our Clearance Sale Price only 42c

EXTRA SPECIAL! HANDKERCHIEFS

Regular 10c values. The chance of a life time. Only four to a customer. Our Clearance Sale Price only 3c

XX SPECIAL

Men's best grade Elkskin Shoes, guaranteed better than any \$2.25 shoe ever shown in Adam's county, Sale Price 2.73

Shoes



Men's work shoes, guaranteed to be \$2.00 value, Sale Price \$1.84
Men's Kangaroo Kip, sold in every respect, \$2.50 values. Sale Price \$1.84

Men's Dress Shoes in all leathers, would be good value at \$2.50. Sale Price \$1.84

Men's shoes, high grade velour vic and box calf in the newest toes. Shoes that are dressy and up to date; \$2.75 val. Sale Price \$1.98

Men's shoes made in the very finest leather, including Lobdell's famous Vic and box calf. \$3.50 val. Sale Price 2.49