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J. H. HELLER, Manager.

In view of the president's attacks on various and sundry individuals, including governors of states, senators and members of congress, would it not be well for him to send a message to congress reproducing his speech on the muckrake? He then dealt scornfully with those who threw mud at public officials.

After feeding for a year or so at the Hearst crib, Rheno M. Isherwood, of Delphi, is back in the Democratic fold, and has undertaken the task of publishing a Democratic paper in Tippecanoe county—the Tippecanoe Democrat. Isherwood is a good newspaper man, and it is to be hoped he will not again be lured from the old ship of true Democracy by the blandishments of a man with a real or fancied grievance.—Lebanon Pioneer.

The Roman Catholic church has an organization doing most commendable work. It is called the Holy Name Society, and its object is to restrict or abolish profanity. Dr. Lounsbury, of Yale, holds that profanity is the language of emotion instead of reason. He says it is far more prevalent in uncultured persons than among the cultured. So the Holy Name Society may be said to be doing a civilizing work as well as a religious one. It certainly is a worthy cause in which they are engaged. There is abundant reason for the commandant, "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain."—South Bend Times.

PUBLIC SALE.

Having sold my farm and going to move to Wisconsin, I will offer at public sale at my residence one mile east and two miles south of Poe, or 1½ miles northwest of Freidheim, known as the old Crist Hoemeyer farm beginning at 10:00 o'clock a. m. Tuesday, Feb. 2, 1909, the following property to wit:

Horses—One 7-year-old mare, one 10-year-old mare, both safe in foal, one spring colt.

Cattle—Five cows, 1 fresh now, 1 will be fresh in March, 1 in April, 1 in June, and 1 in August.

Hogs—Two sows with pigs by side, 1 will farrow in April, 8 head of shoats, 100 chickens.

McCormick binder, good as new, 1 mower, good as new, 1 hay rake, 1 hay ladder, 1 fanning mill, 1 Shunk plow, 1 shovel plow, 1 double shovel plow, 1 corn sheller, 1 riding cultivator, 1 spring tooth harrow, 1 spike tooth harrow, 1 sleigh, 1 wagon, 1 mud boat, 1 cider press, 1 wheel barrow, 1 washing machine, corn fodder in the mow and field, 3 kitchen stoves 1 heating stove, 1 churn.

Terms—\$5.00 and under cash on day of sale; over \$5.00 a credit of nine months time will be given to purchaser who gives approved security. 6 per cent off for cash.

AUGUST MILLER,
Noah Frauhiger, Auct.
Herman Reece, Clerk.

SOCIAL COLUMN

Mrs. D. V. Steele Gave a Delightful Dinner Party Last Night

BEN HUR BANQUET
K. of C. Boys Are Making Arrangements for Installation Night

In honor of the fifty-seventh birthday anniversary of her husband, Mrs. D. V. Steele gave a delightful dinner party last night to a number of their relatives. Those in attendance were Messrs. and Mrs. Ernest Steele, R. F. Mumma, George Steele and Albert Steele.

Mrs. Arthur Fisher gave a delightful dinner party today in honor of Mrs. Duke Stoops of Petersburg, Ind. A number of the friends of the guest of honor were entertained.

Among the greatest social events ever held by the tribe of Ben Hur was held last night, the inclement weather was no bar for the faithful. After one of the finest banquets ever held in the order served by the newly installed officers of the order, a pleasant hour was spent, after which all departed feeling glad they were Ben Hurs.

The K. C. boys are making arrangements for a gala time tomorrow evening, at which time their installation of officers takes place. It will be an interesting session.

This has been an exceptionally busy week in society, quite a number of well appointed dinners and other social events having taken place. Next week bids fair to chronicle some equally pleasant events.

TO GIVE FRANKING PRIVILEGE

Mrs. Grover Cleveland will have the privilege of dispatching her mail free of postage if a bill introduced by Representative Overstreet, of Indiana, chairman of the house committee on postoffices and post roads, is enacted into a law. It is a custom of congress to extend the franking privilege to the widows of late presidents. This was done in the case of Mrs. McKinley as well as that of Mrs. Garfield. Mrs. Harrison has not been authorized to use the frank for the reason that she was not wedded to General Harrison when he occupied the presidential chair.

CONFEDERATE FLAGS.

The Stars and Bars and Then the Red Battleflag.

The first Confederate flag was the stars and bars, a blue field and three stripes, one white and two red, and on the blue field seven white stars in a circle, a star for each state that up to that time had seceded. In battle, however, it was seen that this banner bore altogether too close a resemblance to the stars and stripes, and thus there came into use the Confederate battleflag, the origin of which seems to have been as follows:

This is the statement of General William L. Cabell: "When the Confederate army commanded by General Beauregard and the Federal army confronted each other at Manassas, it was seen that the Confederate flag and the stars and stripes looked at a distance so much alike that it was hard to distinguish one from the other. General Beauregard, thinking that serious mistakes might be made in recognizing our troops, after the battle of July 18, at Blackburn Ford, ordered that a small badge should be worn on the left shoulder by our troops and, as I was chief quartermaster, ordered me to purchase a large amount of red flannel and to distribute it to each regiment."

This Confederate battleflag was adopted in September, 1861, and was designed by Generals Johnston and Beauregard. Red was its color, with a blue St. Andrew's cross reaching from corner to corner and white stars on the cross representing the different southern states. The women of the south made these flags by hundreds out of their red and blue silk dresses. Miss Constance Cary, who afterward became Mrs. Burton Harrison, the well known novelist, was one of the three southern girls who made the first three battleflags.—Magazine of American History.

THE MAN IN THE MOON.

The dark markings so conspicuous on the moon and known as the "man in the moon" are great plains, lying at a much lower level than the brighter parts. In all probability they are old sea bottoms, some of them having undergone upheavals and other changes since the water retreated from them, others presenting the appearance of being unchanged since the time when the waters dried up or were in some other way removed from them.

AIM TO SEND BRYAN TO SENATE

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 23.—The Nebraska house approved the report of the committee of the whole recommending the passage of the Humphrey bill for the election of senators by the Oregon plan. This bill will pass both houses. The bill is intended to give W. J. Bryan a chance to be elected senator, as democratic leaders believe that a preference would be expressed for him, although the next legislature, which under the present law would elect a senator, is expected to be republican.

WON THE LAURELS

Brunswick Bowling Team of Fort Wayne Defeated the Locals

BY A BIG MARGIN

Another Game Will Be Pulled Off in the Near Future

The Brunswick bowling team of Fort Wayne played the locals last night at the Palace alleys and won a decisive victory over the Decatur boys. The Fort Wayne club was in the lead at all times, although by a small margin at times. The contest was interesting, however, even though Decatur players were out of trim and another will be pulled off between the same clubs in the near future in which we will seek revenge. The tabulated score:

Fort Wayne—
Hillman 189 227 180
Hills 166 166 149
Snelker 162 176 168
Harkenrider 166 181 148
Sanderson 201 157 143

Totals 887 904 788

Decatur—
France 145 149 147
Vaughn 146 188 197
Covendale 149 141 140
Berling 144 179 148
Shafer 155 193 181

Totals 739 850 813

An Exception to the Rule.
"It is an invariable fact," said the professor at the club, "that the sense of sight travels more rapidly than the sense of sound. You will observe, sir, that when a bit of ordnance is fired from a fortress or a man-of-war you see the puff of smoke that comes coincidently with the explosion several moments before you hear the report thereof. Thus it is always!"

"Not always," said Little Todgers from the corner. "I know of a case where hearing antedates seeing by really considerable lapses of time." "I know of no such thing in the whole broad range of science," retorted the professor pompously. "Perhaps you can enlighten us, sir."

"Well," said Todgers, "it's the case of an Englishman and a joke. In almost every case the Englishman hears a joke about a week before he sees it and."

But the professor had gone, and they say that nowadays when he sees Todgers he shies off like a frisky horse in the presence of a motor car.—Harper's Weekly.

WATERPROOFING MATCHES.

Perhaps some of your readers would be interested to know that I have found a simple, inexpensive way to waterproof matches. Into some melted paraffin, care being taken that it was as cool as possible, I dipped a few ordinary parlor matches. After withdrawing them and allowing them to cool it was found that they scratched almost as easily as before being coated with the wax. Several were held under water for six or seven hours, and all of them lighted as easily as before immersion. When the match is scratched the paraffin is first rubbed off and the match lights in the usual way. Matches treated as above would be very useful on camping or canoeing trips, as they do not absorb moisture. Since more rubbing is required to light them than the ordinary match, it would be practically impossible to set them on fire by accidental dropping.—Scientific American.

Tom, Dick and Harry.

"Some folks have a hard time to find odd enough names for their children," said a man in an up-town club the other evening. "They will search through all kinds of books on the subject, consult all their friends and relatives and finally burden the youngster with something never heard of before. "I know one man, however—he is a banker and lives on West End avenue—who, while he did not spend much time in search of names, adopted a scheme which is very novel. It took five years to carry out the scheme, now complete. The first boy he named Tom, the second Dick and the third Harry. This particular trio is about as much talked about in the neighborhood as the noted Tom, Dick and Harry of whom nearly every one has heard."—New York Times.

OPENS WEDNESDAY

A Good Program for the Farmers' Institute

LASTS TWO DAYS

The Corn Contest is Developing a Great Deal of Interest

Wednesday, January 27—9:15 a. m.

Music.
Opening Exercises—Rev. Richard Spetnagle.

The Farmers' Garden Arrangements and Tillage—J. B. Burris, Cloverdale, Putnam Co.

Farm Management—William W. Miller.

Spraying for Our Insect Foes—J. M. Cantley, Logansport, Ind.

Appointment of committees.

1:00 p. m.

Music.

Can a Young Man Pay for a Farm

J. M. Cantley.

Commercial Buttermaking—Mrs. Geo. Bright.

The Hog as a Money-maker—J. B. Burris.

Evening, Wednesday, 7:15.

Music.

The Farmer as a Citizen—J. M. Cantley.

Country vs. City Life—Judge J. T. Merriman.

Waterways—Charles Bash, Fort Wayne.

Thursday, January 28—9:15 a. m.

Opening Exercise—Rev. J. Miller.

The Soil: How Impoverished and How Improved—J. B. Burris.

Reasons for and Against Centralization of Schools—J. M. Cantley.

Discussion—L. E. Opliger, Co. Supt. of Schools.

Recitation—W. Alexander.

1:00 p. m.

Woman's Auxiliary—Mrs. D. E. Studabaker, president.

Music—Mrs. Jesse Sellemyer.

The Home Maker—Mrs. Charles Schank.

The Farmer's Daughter—Mrs. Dike Frisinger.

The Women on the Farm—Mrs. Jennette Harden.

How to Care for Young Chicks—Mrs. J. Nidlinger.

Report on Corn Contest.

Election of Officers.

Corn Contest.

Cash prizes and articles, given by business men, aggregating the following total value will be given:

Yellow corn—First prize, \$15.35;

second prize, \$9.75; third prize, \$4.25.

White corn—First prize, \$12.25;

second prize, \$8.45; third prize, \$10.05.

NEEDFUL KNOWLEDGE

Decatur People Should Learn to Detect the Approach of Kidney Disease.

The symptoms of kidney trouble are so unmistakable that they leave no ground for doubt. Sick kidneys excrete a thick, cloudy, offensive urine full of sediment, irregular of passage or attended by a sensation of scalding. The back aches constantly, headaches and dizzy spells may occur and the victim is often weighed down by a feeling of languor and fatigue. Neglect these warnings and there is danger of dropsy, Bright's disease or diabetes. Any one of these symptoms is warning enough to begin treating the kidneys at once. Delay often proves fatal.

You can use no better remedy than Doan's Kidney Pills. Here's Decatur proof:

Daniel Weldey, retired farmer, S. First street, Decatur, Ind., says: "I have had bad kidney trouble for years and at my advanced age, I considered a cure impossible. However, I have used Doan's Kidney Pills produced by the Holthouse Drug Co. and from the results received, I consider them a remedy worthy of endorsement."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

A Religious Author's Statement

For several years I was afflicted with kidney trouble and last winter I was suddenly stricken with a severe pain in my kidneys and was confined to bed eight days unable to get up without assistance. My urine contained a thick white sediment and I passed same frequently day and night. I commenced taking Foley's Kidney Remedy, and the pain gradually abated and finally ceased and my urine became normal. I cheerfully recommended Foley's Kidney Remedy.

THE HOLTHOUSE DRUG CO.

SIX BRANCH LIBRARIES.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 23.—Negotiations that have been pending for some months came to a successful conclusion when Andrew Carnegie notified Mayor Bookwalter he would give \$120,000 to the city of Indianapolis for the extension of six branch library buildings. The gift is conditional on the city furnishing the sites and \$12,000 each year for the maintenance of the libraries. It had been expected for several days that Mr. Carnegie would reach a decision in the matter soon.

CAPTURED PRIZES

Michael Miller Did Well at Huntington With His Birds

GOT MANY PREMIUMS

Was There for Three Days—Had a Great Average

Michael Miller, of south of the city, returned this afternoon from Huntington, where for the past three days he exhibited his excellent collection of Light Brahma chickens. He captured several prizes and is more than satisfied with the showing made. There were a thousand birds on exhibition and Mr. Miller was compelled to show against the entire Asiatic class in competing for the loving cup which was offered. In this class Mr. Miller had ten birds and secured 42 points, while the other two exhibitors had respectively the following: 18 birds and 43 points, 38 birds and 58 points. The following premiums were secured by Mr. Miller: First on breeding pen, second on cock, second on hen, 1, 2, 3, 4 on both cockerel and pullet. It will be readily seen that considering the amount of birds Mr. Miller had on exhibition he had by far the largest number of points.

The laws of Indiana, of interest to all, the Democrat premium to its subscribers who pay in advance, is meeting with the approval of all who have secured one. It is a great gift.

J. F. Tison has just completed a very neat job on Seventh street. He raised and placed a foundation under the house belonging to J. M. Rice. The work was done in record breaking time.