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THURSDAY, OCT. 7.

The grinding of resolutions still
continues at the old stand.

Not a thing sensational happened
for three days. Think of it. The
Klondyke is preferable to such
pesky monotonous.

The attention of our busy street
commissioner is hereby directed to
the undesirable mess of filth that
lays decaying in the East Second
street alley. Fumigation will soon
be necessary.

The municipal election at our
capitol city occurs next Tuesday.
The republican campaign of vilification
has had but little effect and the
re-election of the present mayor is
almost assured.

MAYOR CARTER HARRISON in
company with the Cook County
Democracy, one of the strongest
political organizations in Chicago,
are in Indianapolis today, on their
way to Nashville.

OCTOBER 29 has been designated
by the governor as Arbor day, when
the planting of trees is encouraged
by the chief executive. Decatur
will have but little interest in this,
as we deal in nothing but electric
light poles.

The city council could better
have been buried beneath injunctions
and counter injunctions than
to have permitted themselves and
the city to now face the odium their
actions necessarily embrace.

The beneficiaries of the new
Dingley tariff don't seem to be making
any noticeable revival in the
industry of farming. The prices of
farm products still remain on the
decline while the necessities of life
gradually increase. Great are the
beauties of the Dingley tariff.

As the Ohio campaign advances
the hotter the opposition seems to
be making it for Marcus Hanna,
the political God of the republican
party. He is making all kinds of
frantic efforts to save himself from
political annihilation, and may do
so, but chances seem not to be un-
favorable for the triumph of free
silver, the money of the constitution.
Should that prove true Mark
will be buried in Salt Creek.

The council have been accused of
building monuments to their mem-
ory, in improvements that will be
fully appreciated during generations
to come. It is a mighty cheap
way to get a monument. Of all
the improvements they so proudly
boast it must be remembered a fu-
ture council will have the pleasure
of squirming around to pay for.
Any one could do business on
those terms.

HENRY GEORGE has accepted the
nomination tendered him by the
democrats of Greater New York,
and will be their standard bearer in
the mayoralty contest soon to be
waged there. The platform reaffirms
adherence to the creed of
democracy set forth in the platform
adopted by the national convention
of the democratic party in Chicago.
The platform also sends greeting to
the gallant leader, William Jennings
Bryan.

BE it resolved by this uncon-
mon council, that we have met with
more opposition in the destruction
of the Edwards electric light prop-
erty than we expected, so be it re-
solved that this unwarranted oppo-
sition to our august will and pleas-
ure must be largely due to the fact
that our terms of misrepresentation
will soon expire. Therefore be it
resolved, that we form a stock com-
pany and issue trust mortgage bonds,
with which to pay the costs of the
present suit for alleged damages.

By way of emphasis the Journal
small caps the only hole the council
can find in the lately resurrected
Edwards franchise, which reads,
"that the said council reserves the
right to revoke this grant, and de-
mand that the poles be removed
and remove the same if necessary."
For the enlightenment of our edi-
torial brother we will state that the
above is not a license for the council
and others to commit criminal
violations of law by the riotous
destruction of property. In addi-
tion that franchise could only be
revoked for cause, such as the main-
taining of a public nuisance or the
non-fulfillment of their agreement.

THE cutting of poles is liable to
make a demand that will be both
taxable and irresistible.

"GOOBER" MOUNT can now take a
dog hunt in this city and look for
white cappers. The Ripley county
lynching sinks in utter insignifi-
cance.

COMES now the white caps who
after licking the day lights out of a
wife beater can say they were fol-
lowing the regulations of our city
dads, the custodians of the people's
interests. However, the dads are
not safe angels to pattern after.

THE farmers' wife who takes ten
dozen eggs to market and gets less
sugar for them than she got for
eight dozen three months ago, will
not study a long time before she
understands how a tariff bill that
increases the price of sugar depre-
ciates the price of eggs.—Ohio
Patriot.

The free advertising Decatur is
receiving away from home would be
valuable indeed, were not the stains
of lawlessness so boldly apparent.
As it is, the city's long established
reputation for peace, sobriety and
good will to fellow man, is now
tarnished by the lawless acts of a
few people, who can't even be ex-
cused with that ever prevailing rem-
edy, indiscreteness.

GOVERNOR MOUNT strikes the
nail on the head on this proposition:
"Laws upon the statute books
against crime are not sufficient to
deter criminals. They become ef-
fective only when enforced. The
execution of the law will be deter-
mined by the sentiment supporting
the law. That is the situation as to
the anti-trust law. When the gov-
ernor and attorney general acquire
an anti-trust sentiment it will be en-
forced.—Sentinel.

THE seeds of discord grow with
alacrity. Following the butchery
of Mr. Edwards' electric light poles
and wires, comes the white caps,
who in the dead hour of night drag
a defenseless wife beater from his
couch of repose and lash him in
historic style. It must be true that
history is repeating itself, and it also
must be true that it is a self acting
repeater. Let'er go Gallagher, but
remember that the mills of justice
grinds slowly, but they nevertheless
grind surely.

THE Manroville barbecue last
Thursday was a ripping success, if
a crowd of 5,000 enthusiastic peo-
ple could make it a success. Adams
county was well represented, and
the best of reports come from those
who attended. An all day
speaking was attentively listened to
and enjoyed. Able addresses by
Ex-Governor Matthews, Hon. A. J.
Warner of Ohio, and many others
Monroville did herself proud in the
hospitable entertainment of so
many people.

SUIT has been filed in the circuit
court for the recovery of damages
in the destruction of the electric
light plant. J. D. Edwards is the
plaintiff, and according to the com-
plaint demands \$15,000 for the in-
jury sustained. THE DEMOCRAT
don't wish to encourage the animosity
existing between Mr. Edwards and
those concerned with this suit,
but it is an acknowledged fact
that Edwards has been damaged,
and that damage cannot be meas-
ured by the paltry value of the poles
and wire and actual property de-
stroyed.

It was a niggardly trick in the
Journal to try to shoulder some of
the council's rot upon attorneys
whose legal advice they sought.
The gem in question says that "the
council believed they were right in
the course they took is certain, es-
pecially as they had the advice of
France & Merryman and Mann &
Beatty for their action." As to one
of the above named firms we know
that the advice given was decidedly
the reverse taken by the council.
We don't believe that any of the
attorneys mentioned or any other
lawyer would advise any council
or set of men to violate the law.
The Journal's defense is as sickening
as it is false.

THERE is an unusual lot of growl-
ing among the office seekers in
Washington because of the little
time that Mr. McKinley devotes to
them. They go to the white house
every day but few of them get an
opportunity to see Mr. McKinley,
and those who do get to see him do
not get much satisfaction. He
makes some appointments nearly
every day, but lots of them are men
whom he knows personally or wishes
to reward for personal work done
for him. As a result there is some
plain talk in the hotel corridors
from those who believe themselves
entitled to official recognition and
who have been led to suppose they
would get it. Slowly, but surely,
an anti-McKinley sentiment is grow-
ing among republicans.

WHITE capping may be deserving
in many instances, but it were better
that every one who may entertain
this method of punishment, use
their time and knowledge in seeing
that justice is meted out through
the channels of law. Decatur should
get back to that civilized plane
where courts are recognized and the
laws upheld.

The old soldiers of Adams county
met Tuesday with a view of
forming a county organization, the
object of which will be principally
social enjoyment, although many
other features are accessible. Quite
a number were present and the or-
ganization completed, and next year
a very successful meeting is pre-
dicted. The Hon. A. O. Marsh of
Winchester was present and made
one of his usual brilliant and flow-
ery speeches along the lines that
always remain near and dear to the
old soldiers. Hon. A. N. Martin of
Bluffton, also made a short address.
That evening a camp-fire was held
at the court house, Judge Marsh
being the principal speaker. He
very ably portrayed the pride of
the American people in protecting
the virtue of the flag of liberty.

THE Decatur DEMOCRAT grows in-
dignant at the action of a republican
council in cutting down electric light
poles, while the Fort Wayne Gazette
is quite as indignant at the rock ribbed
democracy of this city for the same
action. It appears to be a plain case
of both papers trying to make political
capital out of an occurrence which is
to be regretted and shows how easy it
is to twist everything into politics when
the twisters so desire. Somebody should
now lay the blame on the prohibition
party and the cycle would be complete.
—Daily Journal.

Frank, your modesty is something
lovely. It is the first time we have
heard the subject of politics men-
tioned, so we readily conclude that
your grand stand methods of de-
fense of official criminalities is
purely for political reasons. You
defend the council and those who
performed their dirty work, but at
the same time think the white caps
who visited the Parrish home Sat-
urday night, should be punished for
violating the laws of the state.
Both are guilty, so no discrimina-
tions should be made. In speaking
about political tumble-toads, you
surely beat all competition and if
there was any one time when you
really knew where you was at, we
would like to know when it was.

THE white caps have been in town
as can be fully testified to by the
victim of their malicious assault,
James Parrish of the west end.
After the cappers had finished vent-
ing their surplus stock of spleen,
Jim looked as much like a skinned
rabbit, as is possible. His body
was a solid mass of mushy flesh,
and those fortunate parts that es-
caped the severe drubbing of the
lash were bruised and peeled. If he
had been run head first through a
sausage grinder he couldn't have
looked worse, and we presume that
he felt even worse than he looked.
But this unlawful and malicious at-
tack can't be allowed to go unpen-
alized and we hope the officers of
law will leave no stone unturned
that will bring to justice those who
were interested in the attack. They
should all be summarily dealt with
according to the Indiana statute
upon white capping. It may be
true that the injured received noth-
ing but his just deserts, but six,
eight or ten persons have no right
to violate the law in order to justly
punish one criminal. Our laws are
for the purification and justification
of the ill that be. Observance of
these laws must be maintained. Let
it not be said that the citizens of
Decatur uphold the barbarism of
ante-bellum days.

THE rock-ribbed democracy of
Adams county, following out its
latest political creed, determined to
take the law in its own hands and
cut down the electric light poles of
a private corporation. The perpe-
trators think, no doubt, they have
done right. If the corporation thus
injured should retaliate by blowing
up the court house, or firing the
town, the Decatur people would ob-
ject, but really they ought not, for
they have set the pace. They have
preached disrespect to law, and now
they are practicing what they
preach. The end is not yet.—Fort
Wayne Gazette.

The Gazette is quite right in its
denunciation of revolutionary acts
of the Decatur city council, but un-
fortunately for its partisan purpose,
the body is composed, with but one
exception, of republicans. It is not
often the Gazette tells the truth
about its friends, but it did so in
this instance, and well may it de-
clare the end is not yet. It will be
years before the city of Decatur re-
covers from the harm the partisan
council has done for capital will
hesitate to engage in enterprises,
where it is liable to be destroyed
under cover of darkness, and then,
too, the violence of the council is
likely to cost the people a great deal
of money. Republican rule is an
expensive luxury and a dangerous
expedient.—Fort Wayne Journal.

JAMES S. DODGE Indiana's G. A.
R. Commander, has been appointed
consul to Nagasaki, Japan. Mr.
Dodge hails from Elkhart.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tab-
lets. All druggists refund the money
if it fails to cure. 25c. 281f

Notice to Taxpayers.

Your taxes are now due. Books
will close Saturday, November 1,
at 5 p. m. Positively no receipts
made out except when money is
paid in advance.

DAN P. BOLDS, Treasurer.

A large number of old soldier-
left Wednesday morning to attend
the reunion of the 89th Indiana, to
be held at Pendleton, Ind.

WANTED—At the Burt House,
a woman for laundry work. One
who will do the work as it should
be done. Can go home nights.
Apply at once

Coffee & Baker still lead in fine
bread. The same old price—two
loaves for five cents, and the
loaves are larger than any five
cent loaf in town.

Estrayed. A small black Berke-
shire sow, from the farm of Henry
Krick, near Decatur. A reward
will be paid for her return.

GEORGE KRICK

WANTED—White Ash Heading
Bolts, cut fifty-five inches long
from seven inches upward in size,
delivered at my factory for which
I will pay \$3 a cord. Also all the
other customary timber bought.
9-6m J. W. VAIL.

James Parrish was able to make
his appearance on the streets Tues-
day and yesterday, after the ter-
rible whipping he received Satur-
day night at the hands of vigilantes.
If he recognized any of his tor-
mentors he is not giving out any
information, but it is generally
believed that the perpetrators will
go scott free.

NOTICE—I will sell at private
sale, in parcels or as a whole the
Lawson Linhard farm in Root
township, two miles north of De-
catur. For further information
inquire of the undersigned or at
the county clerk's office.

LOIS LINHARD, Adm'r.

May 13, 1897. 91f

Our prosperity pile has been
somewhat increased the past week
by the following subscribers: Jer-
ret Covalt, John R. Smith, Henry
Stevens, Dora Day, G. E. Copeland,
Henry Heideaman, Chas. F. Alle-
gar, C. Kourt, D. S. Mauller,
Barney Meibers, H. Tettman,
Henry Eiting, Geo. F. Cook, R.
K. Erwin, James K. Martz.

Fruit trees and grape vines, cut
roses and carnations, designs or
sprays for funerals, ornamental
trees for cemeteries, all kinds of
roses, flowers, house plants, bulbs
and sawberry plants. Sale yards
on Court street, near gas office.
Leave orders for cut flowers at
New York millinery store. Deliv-
eries: Spring, April and May.
fall, October. I. J. Miesse, Deca-
tur, Indiana.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday
of next week is the dates of the
annual cloak opening at the Boston
Store. You will find a more spec-
ific announcement in their quarter
section advertisement elsewhere.
Their display this year will be of
unusual interest to the ladies who
are interested in elegance, fit,
style and comfort, and we can as-
sure you that their former reputa-
tion will be upheld in each and
every instance.

The grocery fakir is still at work
in this county, and we again warn
farmers to have no dealings with
him. Buy no groceries of him, or
you will be swindled. Numerous
complaints are coming from neigh-
boring counties in which these
sharpers have been at work, and
in every instance the purchaser
has been ruthlessly swindled.
Have no dealings with him what-
ever and you will save money and
not be obliged to use inferior gro-
ceries, only fit to be picked up by
the city scavenger. Give him the
marble heart. Turn him down, if
necessary with the assistance of
the dog.

FOR SALE.—Twenty and forty
acres each. The 40 acres is the
west half, east half, northwest quar-
ter of section 7, township 26 north,
range 14, in Monroe township,
Adams county, three miles south-
west of Monroe, opposite Henry
Harsberger. A tenant lives on the
land by name of Jeff Andrews.
The 20 acres is the north half,
southwest quarter of section 12,
township 26 north, range 14 east,
in Monroe township, Adams coun-
ty, Ind., two and one-half miles
southeast of Monroe. J. D. Martz
lives on the land. Both these farms
are improved. I desire to sell
especially the 40 acres. Look at
these farms and write me your best
cash offer.

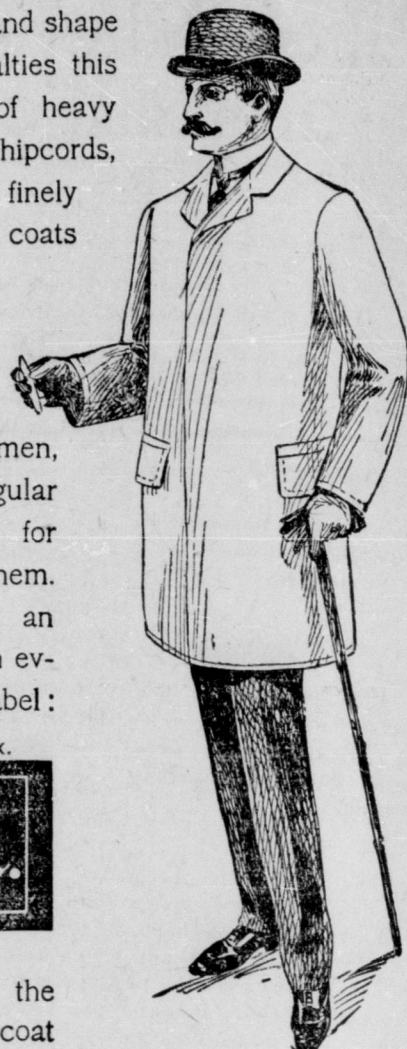
B. F. WHEELER,
Vincennes, Ind.

TOP COATS

of the correct length and shape
are among our specialties this
Fall. They're made of heavy
Covert Cloths and Whipcords,
handsomely lined and finely
finished; the nobbiest coats
we ever saw and the
best in quality and fit.
The jaunty short Cov-
ert style is especially
becoming to young men,
and we have the regular
length Fall overcoats for
any who prefer them.
Prices moderate and an
iron-clad guarantee with ev-
ery coat bearing this label:



The Trade Mark of the
World's best overcoat
makers.



When in the city

Call in and see our immense
stock of new fall suits and
Overcoats, in men's, boys'
and children's. Will be pleased
to show you through, even if
you don't buy.

Yours to please,

Pete Hothouse & Co

Leading Clothiers and Furnishers.

In 1895 California produced \$15,000,-
000 worth of gold and Colorado \$13,-
300,000.

But 14 towns in Massachusetts and
17 in Connecticut are without public
libraries.

Florida, of all the states, has the
most water within its boundaries, 4,340
square miles.

People who sell newspapers in the
streets of Moscow are compelled to ap-
pear in uniform.

Worcester, Mass., turns out more en-
velopes each year than any other city
in the United States.

In France 4,000,000 tons of potatoes
are annually used in the manufacture
of starch and alcohol.

During 1896 Illinois produced more
than one-third of all the distilled spirits
made in the United States.

Women sailors are employed in Nor-
way, Denmark and Finland and are
found to be excellent mariners.

The income of a teacher in a private
school of China is very small, about a
half penny a day for each pupil.

The Chinese condemn criminals to
death by preventing sleep. Sufferers
last from 12 to 20 days, when death
comes to their relief.

The gold production of the United
States was greatest in 1853, when it
aggregated \$65,000,000. The greatest
silver year was 1892.

The average daily attendance of chil-
dren in the public schools is highest in
Pennsylvania, being 779,000, while in
New York it is 757,000.

The largest amount of gold coin and
bullion in circulation in the United
States was in 1890. The most silver
was in circulation in 1891.

The national guard of Connecticut,
2,800 men, can be concentrated in four
towns ready for service outside the
state in from 8 to 12 hours.

Cabbage is said to be a cure for in-
toxication. Natives of Egypt eat boiled
cabbage before their other food if they
intend to drink wine after dinner.

The cost of the official records of the
rebellion has been thus far \$2,334,328,
and the total when the work is done is
expected to foot up to \$3,000,000. This
is \$26,785 a volume.

In Brazil, at a funeral of an unmar-
ried woman, the mourning color is scar-
let. The coffin, the hearse, the trap-
pings of the horses and the livery of the
driver are all scarlet.

The Mosque of St. Sophia, at Con-
stantinople, was built over 1,000 years
ago, and the mortar used is said to have
been perfumed with musk. The musky
odor is still perceptible.

The specie room on ocean steamships
is usually 16 feet long, 10 feet wide and
8 feet high. It is formed of steel plates
a quarter of an inch thick, with a steel
door, which has a burglar proof combi-
nation lock.

It is said that the Irish language is
dying out. Ten years ago 64,000 people
spoke Irish only. In 1891 there were
38,000. In 1881 there were 885,000 who
could speak Irish and English, and last
year there were only 642,000.

Dodge Gets a Consulship.
WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—J. S. Dodge,
Indiana department commander of the
G. A. R., has been appointed consul to
Nagasaki, Japan.

NEBRASKA POPULISTS.

Antifusionists Postpone Their Conventions
Owing to Absence of Delegates.

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 5.—The an-
tifusion Populists' state convention yester-
day was almost a failure. Bohannan's
hall was advertised as the place of
meeting, but the convention was held
in a private office, the purpose being, so
it was announced, by the delegates, to
outwit those favorable to fusion. After
ascertaining the almost total absence of
delegates from outside of this county it
was voted to postpone the state conven-
tion, which means its abandonment.

Reports From Copper Creek.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 4.—The steamer
Wolcott has arrived from Prince Wil-
liam sound, Alaska. The Wolcott had
two passengers, who report that every-
thing was quiet on the Copper river.
Ex-United States Marshal Lewis Wil-
liams of Alaska, who was one of the pas-
sengers, states that it is utterly impos-
sible for boats to ascend Copper river
owing to rapids and other obstructions.

Black Vomit at Edwards.

JACKSON, Miss., Oct. 5.—The follow-
ing report has been received from Dr.
Dunn at Edwards, this state: "The
situation here is fairly good, consider-
ing the circumstances. There have
been reported 18 new cases, 7 whites
and 11 colored; 10 cases seriously ill; 2
with black vomit; 2 deaths.

Still Spreading at Mobile.

MOBILE, Oct. 5.—Seven new cases and
one death was the report for yesterday.
Total cases, 93; deaths, 14; discharged,
51; remaining under treatment, 28.
Thirty-two persons went from here to
the detention camp at Mount Vernon
yesterday.

SOLD HER HUSBAND.

St. Louis Woman Pays \$4,000 For a
Streetcar Conductor.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 2.—John A. Truitt, a
conductor on the Northern Central elec-
tric streetcar line was sold yesterday by
his wife for \$4,000 to a woman who de-
clares that she loves the man more than
his wife does. The deal was the sequel
to the following remarkable statement
made to Mr. Truitt by a Mrs. Stephens,
who lives in this city with her father.
"Mrs. Truitt, I love your husband and
I want him. I have traveled the world
over and he is the first man I ever loved.
I will give you \$4,000 cash for him if
you will give him up."

Truitt, who is the father of four chil-
dren, seems to agree to the deal.

It is stated that last Tuesday Mrs.
Truitt, knowing that her husband loved
another, attempted to take her life by
swallowing a big dose of morphine.

One Follower Was Enough.

A little Atlanta girl had been told by
her mother that God was always watch-
ing her—that he followed her wherever
she went. This made a deep impression
on her, and one day, when she was
walking on the street, and a large dog
had followed her some distance, she
stopped, and, stamping her foot, said an-
grily:

"Go away, sir! It's enough to have
God following me!"—Atlanta Constitution.