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THE recent elections are surely gratifying to the mighty hosts of free silver.

SOUTHERN Indiana democrats are united for Mayor Taggart for governor in 1900.

FORAKER republicans are now accused of trying to send John Sherman back to the senate of the United States, that much coveted position so eagerly sought by Marcus A. Hanna.

THE Journal refers to Smith & Bell and John W. Vail for a verification of the fact that prosperity is sweetly smiling and abroad in the land. We will refer the matter to the laborers of those institutions.

HANNA's indorsement by the people of Ohio is numbered by five on the legislative joint ballot. By popular vote it is several thousand less than nothing. It don't speak very flatteringly for the big Italian chief and the administration now in power.

THANKSGIVING will no doubt be properly observed in this city. On this occasion every poor family should be given an opportunity of tasting all the blessings this universal day of Thanksgiving is wont to imply. In order that they may fully realize that Christianity means more than attending worship dressed in all the latest fashions and frills, the churches should combine their efforts towards making every family in our city happy for one day. Happy over the delicious perfumes of roast turkey and cranberry sauce. A full stomach can do more toward broadening the smile of peace and contentment than any other christian method. Get together. Organize and see that every family in Decatur has something to be thankful for. It is more blessed to give than to receive. Don't be a pessimist upon this occasion.

COL. WATTERSON the fiery editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, announces his retirement as a leader in Kentucky politics. He will no longer fight the regular organization of democracy. This would indicate that he fully realizes when he has had enough.

GOVERNOR MOUNT has appointed Hon. W. H. Eichhorn of Bluffton, as a member of the board of managers of the state reformatory at Jeffersonville. The appointment pleases a score of people in this corner of Indiana, and as the appointee will make a valued member of the board, his appointment will be commended by every one interested in this humane work. Without any degree of flattery we can truthfully say that Henry is one of the rising and promising young men of Indiana, who will be heard from some day from a more exalted position than the one named.

BEFORE departing to answer the call of his country, Bro. Everts gave his readers another story about a little bird warbling something in his ear, giving full account of corruption in the grand jury room. We very well remember that Bro. Everts once made some very harsh accusations about the DEMOCRAT, and when manfully asked to explain them, crept behind the cover of another, and not only failed but refused to explain that which he so boldly paraded before the public. His fairy story now is of the same stripe and don't contain enough truth to make it sound well.

FRIENDS of the administration have prepared the following resolution: The common council of the city of Decatur has created the indebtedness of several thousand dollars against said city, and for which the city was in no way benefitted, and whereas, this common council, has by resolution or otherwise, bonded all city property in sight, or that will come into sight for the next four years, except the city's interest in the fountain on the northeast corner of the public square, therefore be it resolved by this common council, that bonds of said city be issued in the sum of \$10,000, falling due when there shall be another republican administration elected and installed in power in said city. And be it further resolved that stock mortgage bonds be issued upon the city's interest in the fountain. Therefore be it resolved.

FROM all directions come complaints about the tremendous rise in the price of almost everything, excepting the only article that more than half of our people have to sell—their labor. An expert says of the effect of the Dingley tariff upon the price of men's clothes: "A suit of clothes that could be bought last year for \$15 cannot be duplicated now under \$20, and that fact is an annoyance to dealers and customers. With men of ample means, who have their clothes made by fashionable tailors, \$5 or \$10 advance on a suit is hardly noticed, and if noticed evokes no complaint. It is very different, however, with those who have to be careful in their expenditures, for to this class \$5 represents a considerable sum. The number of men who buy \$15 and \$20 suits is largely in excess of those who pay \$40 and \$50 for a suit, and it is from the poor and the middle class that the kick against the Dingley tariff is sure to come.

THIS country fought the greatest war of modern times without finding it necessary to issue a single gold bond, yet, now, in a time of peace and amid boasts of continued and continued prosperity, the administration will ask congress to authorize the issue of a sufficient quantity of gold bonds to refund the entire bonded indebtedness of the country and to add a hundred or two million to the gold reserve fund. Some of the arguments advanced in favor of the change are little short of ludicrous. For instance, when Mr. Gage says that making our bonded indebtedness payable in gold "would strengthen and confirm the public credit and put us in a position to command the markets of the world for our securities on the most advantageous terms." Every schoolboy knows that we already occupy that position; that the securities of no country on earth are in greater demand all over the world than those of the United States.

MR. GAGE repeats the Cleveland-Carlisle recommendation that the greenbacks and treasury notes be retired, and offers as a substitute the probable increase of National bank notes that would follow the adoption of his recommendation to allow National banks to be established with a capital of \$25,000 in towns of less than 2,000 inhabitants and to allow the National banks to issue notes to the par value of the

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bonds they have deposited with the government to secure their circulation. Taken all in all, the financial recommendation of the present administration bear a close resemblance to those of the Cleveland-Carlisle regime, and the following words written by Mr. Gage, after telling how prosperous the country is now on account of bountiful crops, etc., indicate that the administration might even follow Mr. Cleveland's example in giving the country a financial object lesson to impress its view upon congress.

Teacher's Institute.

The teachers of Hartford township held their first institute for the year at Lion Grove, Indiana, on Saturday Nov. 6, 1897. Opening exercises were conducted by W. H. Miller and his pupils. "Plato the Teacher" was the first subject taken up. Carrie Dunbar gave the "General Introduction." "Apolo- gy" by Anna Adler, "Eutymides" by

Ellis Hall. The entire subject was discussed by W. H. Miller and the institute, Alice Rynon and E. L. Huffman read excellent papers on the subject "Teaching the Language Arts." Here a rest was taken and dinner was the next on the program. After dinner Morris L. Wells gave a lesson on "Method" and discussed the subjective and objective method. Minnie Dunbar read a very interesting paper on the subject "Young People's Reading Circle." Miss French told all about "School Organization." After a few remarks by the county superintendent the institute adjourned.

NOTES.

Lillian Huffman a teacher of French township, and Adolph Schun truant officer, were in attendance.

The teachers of Hartford township are wide awake and made the general discussion very interesting.

Trustee Hall was present and expressed himself as being well pleased with the work of the session.

The teachers of the township were all present and the institute made 100 per cent. in attendance.

W. H. Miller and pupils entertained the institute with several vocal selections, and extended a hearty welcome to those present.

The teachers of Hartford and French townships will hold a joint institute in Lion Grove, Dec. 4, 1897.

Sunday November 14 the Clover Leaf route will sell excursion tickets to Indianapolis at \$1 for round trip. Leave Decatur train No. 3 Sunday morning. Tickets will be good returning leave Indianapolis 7 p. m. Sunday or 7 a. m. Nov. 15. E. A. Whinrey, Agent.

J. C. Berry, one of the best known citizens of Spencer, Mo., testifies that he cured himself of the worst kind of piles by using a few boxes of Witch Hazel Salve. He had been troubled with piles for over thirty years and had used many different kinds of so-called cures; but DeWitt's Hazel Salve was the one that did the work and he will verify this statement if any one wishes to write him. W. H. Nachtrieb.



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