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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 gov-
ernor in 1900.

FORAKER republicans are now ac-
cused of trying to send John Sher-
man back to the senate of the Uni-
ted States, that much coveted position
so eagerly sought by Marcus
A. Hanna.

THE Journal refers to Smith &
Bell and John W. Vail for a verifica-
tion 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 Italia I
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 univer-
sal 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 fam-
ily 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 christ-
ian method. Get together. Organize
and see that every family in
Decatur has something to be thank-
ful for. It is more blessed to give
than to receive. Don't be a pes-
simist 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 man-
agers of the state reformatory at
Jeffersonville. The appointment
pleases a score of people in this
corner of Indiana, and as the ap-
pointee will make a valued mem-
ber 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 cor-
ruption 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 re-
fused 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 resolu-
tion: The common council of the
city of Decatur has created the in-
debtedness of several thousand dol-
lars against said city, and for which
the city was in no way benefited,
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 admin-
istration elected and installed in pow-
er 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 re-
solved.

FROM all directions come com-
plaints 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 fash-
ionable 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 find-
ing it necessary to issue a single
gold bond, yet, now, in a time of
peace and amid boasts of continued
and continued prosperity, the ad-
ministration 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 ad-
vanced in favor of the change are
little short of ludicrous. For in-
stance, 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 se-
curities 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 estab-
lished 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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Extra heavy, all wool, (Staley's make) \$1.00.

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FACTORY SOUTH BEND - IND.

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 selec-
tions, and extended a hearty welcome
to those present.

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

Sunday November 14 the Clover Leaf
route will sell excursion tickets to In-
dianapolis 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.

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

NOTES.

The teachers of Hartford township
held their first institute for the year at
Linn Grove, Indiana, on Saturday Nov.
6, 1897. Opening exercises were con-
ducted by W. H. Miller and his pupils.

"Plato the Teacher" was the first sub-
ject taken up. Carrie Dunbar, gave

the "General Introduction." "Apology"
by Anna Adler, "Eutynedemus" by

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

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.

BIG CLOAK SALE

LADIES', MISSES and CHILDREN'S JACKETS AND CAPES.

500 garments, all of the latest and nobbiest styles out. These come right from the manufacturer, and you will have no middle men's profits to pay on these garments.

Friday and Saturday, November 19 and 20,

We will have with us at our store in Geneva, an agent from one of the largest Cloak manufacturers in this country, with a full line of all grades of Ladies', Misses and Children's wraps. No opportunity equal to this will present itself again this season. For you to have such a large assortment of all that is "the very latest" in style in the way of Winter Wraps to select from, and at such "extremely low prices. Remember that the Cloak Sale is for TWO DAYS ONLY---Friday and Saturday, Nov. 19 and 20. In addition to the above we propose to make

THE GREATEST CUT PRICE SALE ON RECORD,

Eclipsing all reduced prices heretofore offered to the people of this vicinity, on Dry Goods, Clothing, Gent's Furnishing Goods, Boots and Shoes and Notions. From Saturday, Nov. 13, until Tuesday, Nov. 30, sweeping reductions in prices will be made on all lines above named.

FIELDS & COMPANY,

GENEVA,

INDIANA.