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## Honduras.

Peter Ebuit and wife—a girl.

Our tile mill is running in full blast at present.

John Ashbacher of Bluffton, gave us a pleasant call on Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Albert Reppert is slowly recovering from a severe attack of typhoid fever.

It is rumored that there will be a double wedding in this vicinity in the near future.

Tuesday evening of last week two of our lads engaged in a regular knock-out contest.

The Sunday school celebration held by the Reformed church of this place was a grand success.

## Linn Grove.

D. Forest Hoffman and wife were at Bluffton on Monday.

David Yoder of Archbold, Ohio, Sunday here with his parents.

L. L. Dunbar shipped some of his work to Lima, Indiana, the first of the week.

Frederick and Peter Hoffman were at Poneto and Petrolm on Friday of last week.

William Dunwiddie who has been at Colorado Springs for the past six months has returned.

Fred Hoffmann was looking up the firm interest in the contracting business at Bluffton Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Ricka Wortner and daughter of Dayton, Ohio, is paying her brother Mr. Frederick Hoffman and family a visit.

B. F. Kizer and wife went to Decatur on Friday returning on Monday. While in the city the former passed examination for teachers license.

Anson Vancamp, Joseph Vancamp and their wives, Henry Ashbacher and Albert Graber of Decatur, Frank Miller and family and Charles Brozier of Boundary City, Ind., were entertained by their kindred here on the Sabbath.

## Pleasant Mills.

Mrs. John Brigeman is still quite ill.

Our farmers are nearly all done threshing.

Ezra McBarnes has purchased a new carriage.

Harry Hill of Bobo, is a frequent visitor in our burg.

Jacob Huston and family moved to Decatur Wednesday.

The meeting at the U. B. church last Sunday was largely attended.

Joy, the youngest child of Jesse Steele, is very sick at this writing.

Mrs. Diadem McLeod moved to our burg this week, and is occupying her own residence.

Any one wishing a clock or watch repaired will please call on Mr. Miller, who is permanently located at his shop on Main street.

Our genial grain merchant, W. N. Acker and wife, entertained a number of their friends at the grove on their farm last Sabbath. Among those present were W. F. Beery and wife, Asa McMellen and family, O. J. Suman and wife, Homer Faust and wife, and the Misses Grace Ayers and Ethel Bartholomew and Messrs. Isaiah Suman, Ed Beery, John and Lee Custer and Charles Yager. All report a very pleasant time. Among the good things to eat were plenty of chicken, cake and ice cream. All left wishing their host and hostess many more such pleasant occasions.

## Wabash Township.

Our pike is now being repaired with crushed stone.

Frank Ford visited friends at Jay City last Sunday.

John Felty visited friends at Bluffton over Sunday.

Nelson Bricker was at Portland last Saturday on business.

Mrs. B. F. Ault of Geneva, visited friends here last week.

E. F. Bierbower returned to Sisterville, W. Va., last week.

The threshing machines are closing up their work for this season.

O. O. McCollum visited friends in Jefferson township last Sunday.

Miss Pearl Beohn is on the sick list, but at this writing is improving.

Owen Sapp was a business caller at New Corydon and Portland last week.

Nearly all of our young people attended church at Pleasant Valley last Sunday.

Wabash is still a little on the improve. New buildings, a telephone, street repairing, and a racket or two every week keeps things a humming.

A free for all knock down took place near Union last Saturday evening, in which Jess Ford and Isaac Baker tried for the championship of that place, the result was that Jess came out second best, and no doubt the school funds of the state will be increased to some extent.

## Pleasant Valley.

The social at Monroe, Saturday night was well attended.

Mrs. Thornton, of Portland, preached at this place Sunday night.

John Lee, returned Monday from a two weeks visit at Elwood.

Rev. Miller preached Sunday afternoon at Oak Grove church.

Joe Wiggs, and wife, of Jay county visited over the Sabbath, with relatives in this vicinity.

Frank Hartnett, returned Thursday from Chicago where he was called to the bedside of his father.

Lorin Rupp returned last Thursday from a six weeks visit in Kansas. He also made a trip through Oklahoma, and was very much impressed with that thriving territory.

James K. Martz, and son Clem, took in the excursion to Chicago Sunday. From Chicago they go by the way of boat to Ludington Mich., and will visit in Mason county, Mich., for a while.

Geo. E. Hause, of Fort Wayne special agent for the Union Central Life Insurance Co. of Cincinnati, O., was in this vicinity last week delivering policies and writing applications for insurance.

J. D. Hendricks, Jacob Kessler, C. H. Nelson, and G. R. Martz, attended the corner stone laying of the new Jr. O. U. A. M. hall at Monroeville last Thursday and heard Congressman Robison of Fort Wayne deliver one of his speeches for which he is famous.

John Durbin, met with a distressing accident last Monday while driving the water tank for Peter Lichty's machine. His foot slipped while getting off the tank while in motion, and the wheel running over his foot, smashed the bones which will necessitate John stopping work for a while at least.

## Berne.

Rud Lehman Sundayed at Fort Wayne.

Eli Ray attended the G. A. R. Day at Rome City, Tuesday.

Jacob Atz of Decatur, was a business caller here Tuesday.

Miss Barbara Soldner of Ft. Wayne, is at home on a two weeks vacation.

Misses Jennie, Ella and Pearl Ray rode their wheels to Monroe Tuesday.

Eli Waggoner took advantage of the excursion rates to Chicago Sunday.

David Gerber of Decatur, was a business caller in town Thursday of last week.

The Chattanooga Telephone Co. wires are now connected with Celina and New Corydon.

Wilhelm Bierry and Chas. Braun are the coilers at Hawk's hoop factory at Ft. Recovery, Ohio.

Amos Hirshey left for Duck Lake, Mich., where he will visit relatives and a week's fishing.

Miss Lydia Boyer of Duck Lake, Mich., was the guest of Amos Hirshey and family last week.

J. D. Augsburg will embark in the fruit tree business under the commandment of Bob Michaud.

The telephone rates from Berne to Geneva in the future will be from fifteen to ten cents at Stengel & Craig's.

Peter Boegli and wife and Joel Wely of Fort Wayne attended the dedication of the Mennonite church Sunday.

The Berne Telephone Co. has reduced the telephone rates from Berne to Linn Grove from fifteen to ten cents.

Bert Harruff of Decatur, was here the latter part of last week in the interest of the Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Elkhart.

Ted Worcup returned Monday from Sturgis, Mich., where he was filling a vacancy caused by vacation for the past three weeks.

Miss Fannie North of Portland, who was the guest of Mrs. Mary Baumgartner for the last few days, returned to her home Friday.

Wm. Farraner and some other roustabout had a regular sparring contest Friday evening on Main street. Wm. F. came out the victor.

The Mennonite congregation dedicated their new addition to their church and bell last Sunday. Rev. D. Goertz of Newton, Kansas, was one of the speakers.

We are glad to learn that Sam Kintz received the foremanship at P. W. Smith's mill at Bryant. Sam is an industrious young man and is deserving of the position.

H. L. Surface and J. D. Warshaw of Stones Crossing, Ind., who have been students of Prof. F. G. Haacker several years ago, made him a pleasant visit the latter part of last week.

The Mennonite choir of 100 voices and the Mennonite male choir will sing at the Sunday School Day at the Island Park Assembly at Rome City, August 8. Tickets will be sold at Berne at \$1.00 for the round trip.

## Eastern Dispatch.

Joseph Hakes of Van Wert, Ohio, is visiting relatives here.

Walter Hakes called on friends near Monmouth last Sunday.

Wm. Custer, wife and daughter Iva, are improving from the sick list.

E. Woods is hustling his stone quarry business fast and very successful here, running night and day.

Decatur is drawing much trade from this section on account of the Blue Creek bridge being out.

The Clover Leaf railway company are repairing their bridges and raising their track and putting a gravel bed under it through this section.

Many relatives and friends of D. Ray gathered at his home Saturday night to remind him of his birthday. Ice cream and other sumptuous were served and a very enjoyable and social evening was spent by all.

## Excursions.

Winona Lake and return, 15 day limit \$1.95; season \$2.60.

Chautauqua Lake and return, season \$1.4.

Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, and return, one fare. To Young Peoples Christian Union. Tickets sold August 1 to 5. Return limit August 15.

Special low excursion rates to the Island Park assembly Aug. 8, Sunday School Day.

The Moving Picture Exhibition by C. D. Megs is a special feature of the program at Island Park assembly August 8 special rate \$1.00 for the round trip including admission to the grounds.

Special Excursion to Rome City on August 8. The famous German Choir of Berne, Ind., will sing. Fare \$1.00 round trip including admission to assembly.

Sunday School Day at Island Park assembly August 8. Special Excursion, fare \$1.00 including admission to the assembly.

Rome City—Commencing May 15, the G. R. & I. will sell excursion tickets to parties of one to nine at rate of \$2.35 each, good until Oct. 31, 1899, for return. Parties of ten to forty-nine \$2 each, return limit three days from date of sale.

For the homeseekers excursions south and west the Clover Leaf will issue the usual low rate excursion tickets from all stations on the first and third Tuesdays in June, July, August, September and October. Stop over privileges on the going trip, return limit as previous excursions. Call on nearest agent. 11m3

Interesting literature regarding the south is now being distributed by the Southern railway—"Southern Homes" folders, large map folders, "Land of the Sky" booklets, "Southern Fields" "Minerals and Mines" books, etc., mailed free to any address. "The Empire of the south," a very handsome volume of about 200 pages, profusely illustrated, also issued by the Southern railway and sent to any address upon receipt of 25 cents, which amount approximates cost of delivery. Address Wm. H. Tayloe, As. G. P. A. Louisville, Ky.

Sunday Excursions Toledo, Casino Detroit and Put-In-Bay. Clover Leaf fast line No. 6 under recent change of time is scheduled to arrive at Toledo Union Station 8:45 a. m. On Sundays the Detroit Boat leaves foot of Adams St. 9:00 a. m., Put-In Bay Boat foot of Madison St. 9:15 a. m. Sunday rate from Toledo 50 cents for the round trip. Low Excursion tickets will be issued to Toledo and return nearly every Sunday during the Excursion season with the privilege of returning from Toledo 5:00 p. m., or 12:20 midnight. The boats returning from Detroit and Put-In-Bay reach Toledo 8:00 p. m. in time for evening show the Casino. Excursion tickets to the Casino are on sale at all stations at 15 cents additional to the Excursion rate. 14t2m

Should you pass a friend on these days on the streets he looks at you with a scowl in his face or a sort of a painful grin spread over his countenance, don't get the idea that he is making a face at you. If some person of the opposite sex sickly smiles at you on the street don't get inflated over the idea that he or she is casting smiles in your direction. These facts are caused by the rays of the sun on the streets and sidewalks. The average individual squints both eyes shut, twists his mouth caterwauls and looks like his general system hurt him. His brow wrinkles, he frowns and his whole appearance is that of pain. If wrinkles get to be too numerous it will be the fault of the sidewalks which reflect the sun's rays with terrible directness in one's face.

## MARKETS.

CORRECTED BY J. D. HALE, GRAIN MERCHANT, DECATUR, IND.

Wheat, new.....	\$ 64
Corn, per cwt (mixed).....	42
Corn, per cwt, yellow.....	42
Oats, old.....	23
Oats, new.....	15 @ 18
Rye.....	40
Barley.....	30
Clover seed.....	3 60 @ 4 00
Timothy.....	90
Eggs, fresh.....	11
Butter.....	12
Chickens.....	05
Ducks.....	05
Turkeys.....	08
Geese.....	04
Wool.....	16 to 18
Wool, washed.....	18 and 20
Hogs.....	3 40

TOLEDO MARKETS AUG. 2, 1:30 P. M.  
Wheat, new No. 2 red, cash.....\$ 70  
Sept wheat.....71½  
Cash corn No. 2 mixed, cash.....34  
Sept corn.....32  
Prime clover.....3 50

## SAMOAN COMMISSION

### MANIFOLD RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO NEW GOVERNMENT.

Resolutions Are Based Upon the Best Features of the Berlin Treaty—Opinion Expressed That the Original Act Was Too Rigidly Construed.

San Francisco, July 31.—The Call publishes the report of the tripartite commission sent to Samoa, making various recommendations regarding the new form of government decided upon by these as most suitable for the islanders. These resolutions are based upon the best features of the Berlin treaty and include the principal features of the new treaty, as amended and modified by the commissioners. The official report of the commissioners and the draft of the proposed amended treaty are said to be now on the way to the respective governments.

The commissioners say: The chief evils may be, in our opinion, grouped under four heads.

1. Those which appear to inevitably attend the election of a king in Samoa and his subsequent efforts to exert his authority.

2. Those which are due to the rivalry of foreign nationalities between themselves and to their position to take sides in the native politics, and thus increase the importance and bitterness of the disputes which arise.

3. A third class of evils have their origin in the fact that for many years there has been no law or government in Samoa other than native custom outside the limits of the municipality. Murder and other serious crimes have remained unpunished, when committed by persons of rank, and the supreme court and the nominal government at Mulinuu have been equally powerless to exert any force.

4. The insufficient enforcement of the customs regulations has allowed unscrupulous traders to distribute large numbers of arms among a native population rent by political factions and ready to fight both one another and Europeans.

We are of the opinion that the original act of Berlin was drafted and has been construed in too rigid a manner, and that greater elasticity in its provisions would have a beneficial effect.

To meet the first of these evils we have temporarily abolished the kingship and recommend that it be permanently abolished. The action which we have taken in the matter does not appear to have aroused any hostile feeling among the natives.

Perhaps the evils which it is least easy to cure are the second class, those which arise from the rivalry and mutual hostility of the different nationalities. This hostility permeates all departments of life. We propose to introduce an element of unity and centralization into the government by the appointment of an administrator, which will doubtless be chosen from disinterested power. We propose to give this administrator a large measure of authority, which, if exercised by a just and capable man, should enable him to put an end to many disputes.

The third class of evils arises from the lawlessness in Samoa outside the municipality. For many years there has been no law in these districts, and native institutions permitted chiefs to commit crimes with impunity. Murder, theft and other offenses were left unpunished, and trade suffered owing to the difficulty of affording planters adequate legal protection in their dealings with the aborigines. We hope to improve this state of things by giving the chief justice an enlarged jurisdiction over all these islands so as to include all cases between natives and foreigners as well as the lower grades of crimes committed by natives against each other.

Fourth, we have felt it our duty to deal somewhat severely with the importation of arms and ammunition into Samoa. The prohibition existing in the treaty has become a dead letter; the management of the customs has been exceedingly lax, having been largely in the hands of merchants who naturally found it convenient to have easy regulations. Private commercial houses have been allowed to discharge goods direct into their own receiving sheds without any examination, and though we make no specific accusations, it is clear that there can have been no difficulty in introducing large quantities of arms, and that arms were so introduced. We therefore feel it essential that the customs regulations should be stringently enforced under the supervision of the administrator and that adequate customs accommodation, with an adequate shed, shall be provided with as little delay as possible.

## DOUBLE DUTY

Government Asks Nicaragua to Return \$9,000 to Merchants.

Washington, July 29.—United States Minister Merry was instructed yesterday to represent to the government of Nicaragua that in the opinion of the state department the \$9,000 collected by General Torres from the American merchants in Bluefields should be returned to them. The merchants were required to pay this amount of money on goods that had been previously assessed by the revolutionary party while the latter was in control at Bluefields. Our government objected to this double collection and the money was placed in escrow with the British consul at Bluefields awaiting the decision of the legality of the last collection.

Assaulted, Murdered and Robbed.

Little Rock, July 29.—The aged wife of John Pritzke was found dead yesterday at her home in North Little Rock. The body was horribly mutilated, having been chopped to pieces with an ax. Near the body sat John Pritzke, the husband, in a dying condition from wounds inflicted with an ax. The house had been robbed and the woman assaulted. There is no clew to the perpetrators of the crime.

# August Cut Price Dress Goods Sale.

Through the entire month of August I will clean up my dress goods stock to make room for fall goods. Everything in the store is marked in plain figures, and you can see for yourself that this is really a "CUT PRICE" sale. Remember CASH IS KING. Since adopting the cash system last February I have increased my sales more than 25 per cent. WHY? Because people are getting their eyes open to the fact that CASH always secures the lowest price. This August sale will prove a great benefit to you if you will but improve the opportunity. School dresses for fall and winter will soon be needed, and you can not afford to let this sale pass by without supplying yourself.

Double fold woolen dress goods, regular price 12½c, go this month for 9 cents.

Double fold woolen plaids and fancies, regular price 15c, go this month at 11 cents.

36 and 38 inch all wool and mixed, plain, plaids and fancies, regular price 25 to 27½c, now at 19c.

36 inch genuine Jamestown Worsteds, the best goods in America for wear, regular price 33½c and 35c, go this month at 25 cents.

36 inch Jamestown Coverts, regular price 42½c, go this month at 31 cents.

My entire line of 50c goods, plaids, plain and fancies, all nice and new, go this month at 38c.

Fine wool dress goods in all the best and latest patterns, in plain plaids and fancies, regular price 60c, go this month at 45 cents.

High class suitings of all kinds, regular price 75 cents, go this month at 55 cents.

The entire line of very best suitings, plain and fancy, regular price 90c to \$1.00, all at 72½c.

## IN ADDITION

to the Dress Goods Sale for August, I will give you the same liberal DISCOUNT on SILK SHIRT WAIST PATTERNS. You can get these rare bargains only through the month of August. Come early and get best selections.

# True's Cash Store

Chas. F. True.

## GOMEZ SORE

Believes All Newspapers Lie—No Foundation For Interviews With Him.

Havana, July 29.—General Gomez has declared that a majority of the alleged interviews with him published in the local press were entirely without foundation, and that he has decided to write himself anything he may hereafter have to say to the press.

"I believe all papers lie," said Gomez, "and that those of one country are in this respect no better than those of another. In the future I will give over my own signature alone anything intended for publication."

General Gomez refused to discuss the presidency of the Dominican republic, claiming to know nothing regarding the matter.

## MME. DREYFUS

Increase In Police Force Guarding Her Route to Her Husband's Prison.

Rennes, Aug. 1.—Already the crowds that gather daily about the home of Mme. Dreyfus and the prison where her husband is confined as she passes from one to the other, have become so augmented as to demand a material increase in the force policing the route. Gendarmes, therefore, have been placed at close intervals along the entire distance from the Rue de Chatillon, where Mme. Dreyfus resides, to the prison in the Rue Duhamel. Strict orders have been issued to prevent persons passing from the Rue Duhamel to the prison precincts. This has resulted in a number of conflicts between the people and the gendarmes, none of which, however, have been serious.

## COLONEL ROOSEVELT

Doesn't Care to Advertise Rough Riders by Public Parades.

New York, July 29.—Governor Roosevelt has written to the committee on plan and scope of the Dewey reception saying that he does not think it possible or desirable to have the Rough Riders take part in the land parade in this city when Dewey arrives. The governor says: "I have grown a little sensitive about having the regiment appear in any public function, because of a tendency to advertise and make it look as if it was advertising itself."

## Destructive Hailstorm.

Hamilton, N. D., Aug. 1.—A hailstorm swept over a stretch of country yesterday from Tynes, between Cavalier and Hamilton, to Glasston, 12 miles long and five miles wide. The destruction is total. The damage will amount to \$250,000 and is in one of the finest wheat sections of the state.

Cincinnati, July 29.—Colonel William Jennings Bryan met a few political friends here yesterday enroute from Indianapolis to Franklin, O., where last night he addressed a very large audience on the problems of the day under the auspices of the Miami Valley Chautauqua association.

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