

Monmouth.

Rev. Miller preached at Concord last Sunday.

Several of our people went to Decatur last Tuesday to hear the Hon. Ben Tillman.

Several of the boys gathered at the home of Wm. Waggoner last Thursday night to give him and his new bride an old-fashioned belling. The boys were treated to cigars and wine.

Cards are out announcing the wedding of Mr. T. A. Peoples to Miss Ella Magley. The wedding will occur Thursday, Oct. 25. We offer congratulations.

Mrs. Ferdinand Droege died at her home near this place last Saturday morning. Her death was caused by blood poisoning. She was about 38 years of age. She leaves to mourn their loss husband, two sons, one brother, and sister and a host of friends. The funeral was held Monday afternoon from the St. John's Lutheran church, Rev. Hugo officiating. Interment in the cemetery near the church.

Central Sps.

Miss Zella Stultz is on the sick list.

William Warden and family visited Jacob Koos and family.

Clarence Broadbeck of Bobo, Sundayed with G. W. Cramer.

Ray, the small son of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Light is very ill with typhoid fever.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Davis Dailey is very ill at this writing.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Brown was buried last Sunday.

Rev. S. C. Cramer of Logansport, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cramer, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Kern of Monroe, were the guests of their son, T. D. Kern and family, last Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Brown and little son, Ray, of Fort Wayne, are visiting relatives and friends in this community.

Mrs. James Archbold and Mrs. T. D. Kern were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Somers at Williamsport, last Thursday.

French Township.

John Roth and wife—a boy.

John Wanner moved to Linn Grove last week.

Fred Donbaugh husked corn with the machine last week.

Frank Morrow will move to Linn Grove after the election.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Stuckey returned from their visit in Allen county.

Meetings were held at the Alliance and Defenseless Mennonite churches last week.

Herman Yatt's barn was struck by lightning in the electrical storm on Tuesday as last week and was totally consumed by fire. The building was a new one 35x70 feet, and was built this summer. It was insured.

Rudolph Schupp, our democratic candidate for trustee, has been laid up for five weeks with typhoid fever and inflammation of the bowels. It is feared at all events that he can possibly not do any canvassing over the county before the election. But nevertheless let each and every liberty loving voter take the matter into consideration as to what the duty of a loyal democrat is, and they will find that it is their just duty to stand by and help fight the battle for victory to the party they claim to belong to.

Linn Grove.

Abram Studaker and wife of Wells county, spent the Sabbath with Ed Huffman and family.

David Fox while hauling gravel had a leg broken, caused by the kick of a horse the latter part of last week.

Sanford Reynolds and Miss Bertha, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Stauffer were joined in matrimony last week.

Wm. Mertz and wife of Ft. Wayne, were entertained by our towns people, Edwin Heller and wife, while attending the dedication of the Evangelical church at Berne last Sabbath.

John Wanner of French township, moved into our town last week. John Hornady of Nottingham township moved into the Sherman Higgins property 2½ miles southwest of town.

The Hon. W. H. Eichhoven of Bluffton, will discuss the political issues at this place on Friday evening of this week. Democracy will also be further stimulated on Tuesday evening, Oct. 30, when a pole raising, speaking and good music will be the program of the evening.

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dropped and that of history was taken up which was conducted by Oscar Hoffmann as a class service. Many points of interest were discussed on reading circle work. The institute with unanimity passed the following resolution: Inasmuch as Wm. Hall, the township trustee, has during his term of office rendered such efficient supervision in which he has ministered to our comfort and convenience and this being the last session held under his supervision. Therefore be it resolved, that we, the teachers of Hartford township, extend to Mr. Hall our sincere thanks for his assistance during his term of office. Adjournment until the 15th day of December, 1900, next session at district No. 1. Ed. Huffman, Sec'y.

Steele.

Miss Hazel Freeman is visiting her uncle, George Shrank.

Miss Jesse Bartling is visiting relatives and friends at Gas City.

Several of our folks attended protracted meeting at Bethel Sunday night.

Rev. N. P. Barton, former pastor of the M. E. church here, was seen in our midst Saturday.

There is quite a bit of sickness in this community. Typhoid fever seems to be the disease of most of the sick.

The oil well on Mr. Kohn's farm is to be shot next Wednesday, and a good flow of oil is expected.

Will some one please remind that man who borrowed a hog rack on Sunday, that in six days thou shalt labor and do all thy work.

Mrs. Hannah Atkison of Stroud, Oklahoma, who has been visiting relative at this place, returned to Rockford, Ohio, last Thursday.

George Bartling and family left for Oden, Mich., last week for the benefit of Mrs. Bartling's health. We sincerely hope she will be benefited.

There was quite an exciting time at the new Williard church last Saturday, at which time the voting was held that should determine to what denomination the church should belong. The Brethren got the church.

Berne.

Mrs. J. C. Brown went on a visit to Decatur Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Botkins, of Geneva, were callers at Berne Tuesday.

Dave Fox, west of town, was kicked by a horse, resulting in a broken leg.

Mrs. Tony Michaud, of Portland, is here the guest of relatives and friends this week.

Miss Cora Gottschalk, who is teaching school at Anderson, attended the dedication services.

Sam Kuntz and Amos Sprunger are at Ridgeville, in the employ of P. W. Smith, this week.

The Riesen Bros. barber shop is now in the old restaurant building next to the postoffice.

H. S. Michaud returned Monday from his trip to Michigan and reports a fine stock of trees and vines than ever before.

The contracting for new stone or cement sidewalks is nicely progressing and as fast as can be made we will be supplied with fine pavements.

Don't forget that John Moran and C. J. Lutz will address the people of Berne and vicinity on the issues of the campaign Thursday evening, Oct. 25, at Berne.

The dedication services last Sunday were largely attended. Financially it proved a success as the debt that was left on the hands of the trustees was covered by a 2,025 collection and subscription.

Pleasant Hill.

Our schools are progressing nicely.

Rev. N. P. Barton Sundayed here with friends.

F. W. Brittson, of Decatur, was a caller here last Friday.

Dick Boyd and family Sundayed with James Boyd and family.

Ott Martz and family spent Sunday with relatives at Celina, Ohio.

Grandfather Comer is visiting relatives and friends at Decatur this week.

Relatives from Chicago are spending a few days with Rev. Brown and family.

Mrs. H. A. Fristoe, of Decatur, gave her mother a pleasant call here last Thursday.

Mrs. D. E. Morris entertained her mother and sister, of Middlepoint, O., last Sunday.

Mrs. D. McLeod spent the past week in the country with her son George and family.

Rev. Wren, of Bellefontaine, Ohio, preached at the Baptist church last Sunday morning and evening.

John Custer, who is making his home in Decatur, was here Monday calling on relatives and friends.

Mrs. Charles Colter, of Decatur, spent a few days here last week with her brother Wilson Beery and family.

Charles Bartling, the magnetic healer, is in Decatur this week, healing the afflicted as he claims, by his magnetic power.

Messrs. A. M. Fuller, O. J. Suman and George Davis, took in the excursion to Toledo last Wednesday. They report a pleasant trip.

Eastern Dispatch.

Jenny Durr and family visited Ohio relatives last Sunday.

Senator Tillman was the center of attraction at Decatur last Tuesday.

Mr. Roop of Decatur, visited with friends in this vicinity last Sunday.

Many people from here attended the dedication at Berne last Sunday.

Andrew Artman had his sale last Thursday and will soon move to Decatur.

Montgomery and Ensley of Findlay, are visiting J. W. Hakes and family.

The Blue Creek and Pleasant Mills stone quarries are running again this week.

Real Estate Transfers.

R. B. McKeenan to L. Keller in lot 64 Monroe, \$675.

Margaret Ruby to Clara M. Fairchild 4 acres St. Marys township, \$1,700.

Leonard W. Johnson to Joseph Johnson 10 acres Washington tp., \$300.

Mary J. Merriman to Charles Workinger in lot 12 Salem, \$100.

Mrs. Victoria Foster.

Victoria Daily, widow of the late J. J. Foster, was born in Adams county, May 13th, 1844, and died in the city of Decatur October 15, 1900, aged 56 years, 5 months and 2 days.

Her father was a farmer and stock buyer. She was brought up in this county and in Ohio. Her mother dying when she was a young child, she lived with her relatives in Athens county, Ohio, for a number of years, and there she received her education, and afterward engaged in educational work. Her father and mother have long been dead. Two sisters and four brothers are living and present with us today.

Our sister was married to Mr. Foster March 8, 1863. The newly married couple settled here in Decatur, and lived here for three or four years, when they purchased her father's old home farm, on which they resided till their children were large enough to be educated. They then removed to Van Wert, Ohio, and remained there until the education of their children was finished. They then returned to Adams county. There were five children, one son and four daughters, of whom one daughter a year ago last April departed this life. Our sister was left a widow by the death of her husband four years ago this present month.

Mrs. Foster united with the Methodist Episcopal church when she was first married, but in the moving to and from never removed her membership to any other church or any other place.

She has been in failing health for the last two years. Two years ago she had a severe attack of aggraphe, which left her in a very weakened condition, and the sickness and death of her daughter made such inroads upon her health and strength that she went to Colorado, where for a time she was somewhat benefited. The original trouble seemed to disappear. But other symptoms and troubles made their appearance. She has not been able to sit up since last May. She was brought back to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Allison, and has since continued to fail. Growing weaker from day to day, with every attention that love could bestow, without any apparent change from week to week, Saturday night she began to grow worse, and somewhat unexpectedly passed over the river about 4 o'clock Monday morning. "He giveth his best loved sleep."

The long decline she bore most patiently, never complaining and without a murmur. She was naturally a woman of strong mind, never inclined to fret or worry, taking life as it came from day to day, saying very little about her life and sickness. She was brave and perfectly resigned to whatever event might be sent by the Divine will.

Heroism is not all on the field of battle. Nor is it all in facing the terrible storms of the ocean. Nor is it all in going down and facing the pestilence. There is as much heroism in going from hour to hour down the long decline into the valley of the shadow of death, into the unknown and untried, going all alone, foreseeing the inevitable end every day and knowing it full well, and yet making no complaint and showing no tremor of fear. And such heroism did our sister display.

Sister Foster was very intelligent—above the average. She was bright, cheerful and happy. Her greatest ambition was for her family. She made her home a refuge, a true home.

She was a faithful and loving wife and a tender mother. As has been said, she was a first-class mother, the best on earth. Not caring for the applause of the world, not thrusting herself to the front, as the manner of some is, not caring for the pomp and vain show of earth, she preferred rather to live for her own, to bring them up in the paths of virtue, of morality, and of religion, and to leave behind her the legacy of good teaching, virtuous precepts, and a spotless example. Her memory shall be one perpetual record in the hearts of her children and her friends and neighbors. Her life is her best monument.

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Pretty Children

"We have three children. Before the birth of the last one my wife used four bottles of MOTHER'S FRIEND.

If you had the pictures of our children, you could see at

a glance that the last one is healthiest, prettiest and

finest-looking of them all.

My wife thinks Mother's

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and grandest

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world for expectant mothers."

Written by a Kentucky Attorney-at-Law.

MOTHER'S FRIEND

prevents nine-tenths of the

suffering incident to child-

birth. The coming mother's

disposition and temper remain unruffled

throughout the ordeal, because this relaxing

penetrating balsam relieves the

usual distress. A good-natured mother

is pretty sure to have a good-natured child.

The patient is kept in a strong, healthy

condition, which the child also inherits.

Mother's Friend takes a wife through the

crisis quickly and almost painlessly.

It assists in her rapid recovery, and wards

off the dangers that so often follow de-

livery.

Sold by druggists for \$1 a bottle