

## COUNTY CONVENTION.

The Adams County Democracy to Nominate a Treasurer.

At a meeting of the Democratic County Central Committee it was decreed that a delegate convention be held at the court room in this city on Friday April 8th, at ten o'clock at which time a candidate for treasurer of Adams county will be selected. A convention is something new for the Adams county democracy, they strictly adhering to the primary system as a means of making candidate elections. When the other nominations were made last January, it was then thought that no county treasurer would be elected this year. Since however, the opinion has been handed down that the law extending the terms of county officers was unconstitutional. As yet there has been no decision by the supreme court but it is certain to come and in line with the opinions already given by learned members of the profession of law. There being but the one office the committee thought best to give the convention a trial, it being cheaper, and perhaps as satisfactory to the masses of the party. The delegate representation will be one delegate for every twenty votes or fraction over ten votes cast for the presidential electors in 1900. This will make a representation in convention as follows:

Precincts	No. delegates
Union	8
E. Root	5
W. Root	6
N. Preble	5
S. Preble	6
Kirkland	7
W. Washington	6
E. Washington	5
N. St. Marys	2
S. St. Marys	3
N. Blue Creek	4
S. Blue Creek	4
N. Monroe	7
Middle Monroe	5
French	7
N. Hartford	7
S. Hartford	5
N. Wabash	5
Ceylon	4
E. Jefferson	5
W. Jefferson	4
Decatur, 1st. A	4
Decatur, 1st. B	5
Decatur, 2nd. A	7
Decatur, 2nd. B	5
Decatur, 3rd. A	5
Decatur, 3rd. B	7
Berne A	6
Berne B	5
Geneva A	5
Geneva B	6
Total	165
Necessary to choose	83

The committee also decreed that the selection of delegates should be by mass convention in the the precincts, the highest vote governing and to be the choice for delegates. These mass meetings are to be held at any hour between one and nine p. m. of Thursday April 7, the day previous to the county convention in this city. The precinct committeemen will no doubt report the precinct meetings, and the time and place will be given extensive notice. The convention details were placed in the hands of the campaign committee, which is composed of Judge Erwin, D. E. Smith, Clark J. Lutz, J. T. Merryman, A. P. Beatty, Calvin Miller, H. S. Michaud and A. W. Carpenter, who will proceed to give us a convention that you read about.

## Completed Survey.

Chief Engineer Cleveland and his assistant, Mr. Skinner completed their survey of possible sites for Clover Leaf yards and division buildings at noon Friday. Mr. Skinner left at 11:25 for Frankfort, while Mr. Cleveland remained to complete some investigations of

the court house records. They were assisted by Engineer John W. Tyn dall of this city. Every piece of ground from the old fair ground west to Thirteenth street has been measured and surveyed and a record of same is being prepared and will be in the hands of President Shonts by tomorrow. Until some opinion is given by that official and his associates as to the magnitude of the improvements which he may desire to make here at this time as well as the future opportunities, it will be impossible to give an estimate of the grounds. President Shonts will probably visit Decatur again in a few days and decide after a personal investigation. However, the desirable locations have already been condensed to three properties, namely the old fair ground, the Jelleff land and old cemetery and the strip of land lying between the Clover Leaf and Chicago and Erie roads from the transfer house west to Thirteenth street. The latter is the best location and the only serious question is whether or not the room is sufficient. Mr. Cleveland was interviewed this afternoon and said: "I can give no definite estimate as it has been impossible for us to decide on which location would really be the most advantageous. However, the delay will only be for a few days until Mr. Shonts can express his desire. The several locations are all excellent and any of them should be made into good yards. In my opinion the round house here should be at least a twelve stall building and such a house would cost from \$10,000 to \$12,000. Besides this will be the repairing shops and the artificial ice plant and refrigerator house. The making of Decatur a division means a future for the city and merchants here will be greatly surprised at the benefits they derive from such improvements. I will have my report ready for Mr. Shonts by this evening and will leave at 9:19." Decatur citizens are more enthusiastic than ever and scarcely a dissenting opinion has been heard. It is the general belief that whatever sum is necessary should be raised by voting a tax and this may be the outcome. The opportunity is the best Decatur has had in years and if landed as now seems certain means that our population will be doubled within a few years. Messrs. Cleveland and Skinner were entertained at the Commercial Club last evening and both expressed themselves as being favorably impressed by the spirit of hustle so apparent among Decatur's business people. Mr. Cleveland said, "a town with such a class of men is bound to prosper." Further word from the Clover Leaf official and a definite estimate will be anxiously awaited. The proposition sprang into life rather quickly and even the road officials have not had an opportunity to decide for themselves what will be necessary or best for everyone concerned. Clover Leaf employees and officials are all well pleased with the prospects for Decatur and are doing their share of boosting and every boost means much for our city.

## Last Day of School

The Monroe school is preparing for their closing day exercises which will mark the last day of the term, next Friday when the following program will be rendered: Recitation, "Asking Mother"

Miss Lewton

Instrumental Solo,

Adda Brandyberry

Play—Dr. Cure-All" Room Three

Recitation, "What is a Gentleman"

Stella Duer

Recitation, "An Old Man's Story"

Dessie Andrews

Dialogue, "Hab a Shine, Sah?"

Room Two

"A Backwoodsman's Views".

O. V. Graham

Instrumental Solo Pearl Ray

Comediette, "Frank Glynn's Wife"

Room Two

Solo, O. V. Graham

Recitation, "Little Budd"

Miss Lewton

Recitation, "A Schoolboy's Com-

plaint

Willie Ruper

"Death Doomed" G. H. Laughrey

Comedy, "Hans Van Smash"

Room Three

Henry Lauhgrey is the teacher

## NOTICE.

I am doing shoe repairing and am located in Kauffman & Smith's harness shop, next door to Schlegel's blacksmith shop. Bring in your shoes if they need any repairing.

Peter Couter.

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Practice limited to the correction of defects of the eye. Glasses fitted to relieve strain, with its numerous functional symptoms to improve vision and for loss of accommodation due to age.

## REFERENCES THE BEST.

At Dr. Coverdale's office, at Decatur, Ind., First Tuesday each month

## Extended an Invitation.

The following invitation has been extended by Mr. French Quinn, representing the Commercial Club to President Shonts:

Mr. T. P. Shonts, Pres.,  
Clover Leaf R. R. Co.,  
Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Sir:—On account of our business relations which have been so pleasantly begun, and also our desire to meet you and become better acquainted with you socially, we beg to extend to you all the courtesies of our club and hope you will see your way clear to honor us with an early visit. Hoping to be remembered pleasantly to the other gentlemen of your staff, and that we may have the pleasure of a visit from them also, I beg to remain,

French Quinn,  
Pres. Commercial Club.

Officials of the road who were here with the surveying party last week intimated that Mr. Shonts would like to visit Decatur and the citizens at once hastened to urge him to do so. The result if he accepts should be profitable to both the railway and the city. No report of the action taken on Surveyor Cleveland's report has yet been received and it will probably be several days before any news is at hand. However a party who is deeply interested in the movement informs us that he thinks beyond doubt the company will ask for the territory between the railway tracks west from the transfer house to beyond the city limits.

## Meeting of Red Men.

The Fort Wayne Sentinel says: An event of great importance to the Improved Order of Red Men in this vicinity is the district meeting which will be held in this city on April 29th. This is one of a series of meetings held each year in different parts of the state for the purpose of promoting interest in the order, of teaching the unwritten work in a more uniform manner and to more closely unite the different tribes in social and benevolent work. A special session of the grand council of Indiana will be held in the afternoon for the purpose of conferring the great council degree on those who are eligible, and afterward the exemplification of the unwritten work will take place in charge of the great council chief. In the evening there will be a short street parade, after which the Red Men will proceed to Harmony hall, where the first, or adoption degree, will be conferred by Mechecaunnoqua tribe No. 160 of Fort Wayne; the second warriors' degree by Okloboji tribe No. 237, of Wabash, and the third or chief's degree by Mishinewa tribe No. 81 of Huntington. The tribes of this district are located in Montpelier, Ridgeville, Huntington, Bluffton, Keystone, Garrett, Mill Grove, Dunkirk, Baldwin, Decatur, Van Buren, Barker's Mills, Wabash, Auburn, Red Key, Warren, Hartford City, Stroth, Monroeville, Lagro, Uniondale, Dillman and this city. Reports from these tribes indicate that there will be a large attendance.

## A Close Call.

Otto Bremerkamp had a very narrow escape from instant death last Friday and in all probability his presence of mind is all that saved him. He is employed by his father in his grist mill and his work includes the looking after the engine. During the morning something got wrong with the machinery upstairs which necessitated the stopping of the engine until repairs could be made. Otto at once hastened to the basement and took hold of the lever to stop the engine and in so doing his coat, which at the time was unbuttoned and flapping around caught in the fly wheel and commenced to draw him in fast. Just at this moment his brother Raymond, came into the engine room, and noticing his predicament grabbed him by the feet and thus held him until he could slip his coat off and thus free himself. While in this position he was struck in the small of the back and on his

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The shoulders are broad, the collar clings closely to the neck, the back hangs gracefully, the whole garment is as shapely as the best tailors in the land can make it.

The illustration gives a good idea of the appearance and fit of the coat, but you will better appreciate its merit by seeing it.

Come to our store and examine it, look at the material, the lining, the trimmings—try it on and see what a superb garment it is.

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Holthouse,  
Schulte & Co.



right leg by a projection on the wheel. His brother assisted him upstairs where his wounds were immediately looked after and he was sent home. This morning he is hobbling around on the street with the assistance of cane. This was certainly a very narrow escape for had he been completely drawn into the wheel he would undoubtedly have been crushed to death instantly. It was only the timely appearance of his brother that saved him.

## Real Estate Transfers.

Abe Schnepf to Emma Traster pt sec 33 St. Marys tp \$2400.

Geo. W. Jackman to W. A. Foner pt sec 16 Root tp \$1.00.

John Burlay to Benj. Batzer lots 133 and 134 Berne \$900.

J. W. Wilson to R. O. Beard pt sec 33 Hartford tp 5 acres \$450.

Roy Archbold to Sophia E. Hudnett lot 96 Decatur \$1800.

John W. Kelley to F. A. Louis pt sec 24 Jefferson tp 80 acres \$4200.

Mary Barkley et al to Phillip Schemmer pt sec 4 Union tp \$100.

Samuel Butler to A. A. Butler pt sec 30 Root tp \$2800.

C. C. Sprunger to Helena Leichty pt lot 372 Berne \$15.

David E. Uhl to James L. Wheeler lot 238 Geneva \$2000.

David Studabaker to Mathew Miller lot 341 Geneva \$110.

For Sale or Rent—A 11 room house with good barn and five acres of ground, on West Monroe street. Inquire of Simeon Weiand, city. 2-2w

I have one hundred thousand dollars 100,000) to loan on real estate at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent interest. No commission. D. B. Erwin.

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ABE BOCH, Auditor, Adams County, Ind.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed Executor of the estate of Sylvester Wolf, late of Adams county, deceased. The estate is probably solvent. A. R. WOLF, Executor.

March 12, 1904.

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed Executor of the estate of Louis A. Henning, and the matter of said assignment is now pending in the Adams circuit court of the state of Indiana.

FRENCH QUINN, Assignee.

Dated this March 17, 1904.

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Merryman & Sutton, Attorneys.

CINCINNATI, RICHMOND & FORT WAYNE RAILROAD COMPANY,

Richmond, Ind., March 17, 1904. The annual meeting of Stockholders of the Cincinnati, Richmond and Fort Wayne Railroad Company will be held at the office of the company in the city of Richmond, Ind.

Thursday, April 7, 1904,

at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing eleven directors and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

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S. B. LIGGETT, Secretary.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors, heirs and legatees of Eliza J. McConnelley, deceased, of Decatur, Indiana, on the tenth day of April, 1904, and show cause, if any, why the final settlement accounts with the estate of the said decedent should not be approved; and said heirs are notified to then make proof of their heirs, and receive their distributive shares.

WILLARD B. SUTLES, Administrator.

Decatur, Ind., March 21, 1904.

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Merryman & Sutton, Attys.

## NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENTS