

Judge Macy of Winchester will be here next Monday to give his decision in the Gallmeyer case which was tried early last spring. It will be remembered that shortly after the case was heard the judge became ill and was unable to attend to the affairs of court, consequently this very important matter has been postponed until this time. There are many parties in this county who are interested in the outcome and will be on hands Monday to hear the decision.

On Thursday of next week, Judge LaFollette will be in Decatur to take up initial steps in the cases of F. M. Schirmeyer trustee, against various parties who refused to pay the assessments on their lots, in which a change of judge was taken. Judge LaFollette also has some other cases here which he will look after.

On the same day, Thursday, Judge Merryman will go to Bluffton to hear evidence regarding the injunction asked by D. D. Studabaker vs. the Faylor heirs and in which he has granted a temporary restraining order.

Attorneys Peterson & Moran are attorneys for the plaintiffs The First National Bank of Decatur in a case filed against George M. Tyndall, it being a suit on a note in which the demand is \$500. The summons was made returnable September 17th.

A marriage license has been issued to John Taylor, aged fifty-two, a farmer from near Geneva, to Mary Nevil, aged sixty-two, also of Geneva. Both parties have been married once before.

Real estate transfers: Elizabeth F. Losh et al to John G. Harmon et al, lot 436, Decatur, \$2,000. Maggie S. Vesey et al to W. O. Newton, inlot 12, Monroe, \$155. W. O. Newton to N. F. Martz, lot 12, Monroe, \$240. Anthony Glendenen to J. M. Rose, part lot 11, Berne, \$35. Dyonis Schmitt to John Smitley, lot 294, Decatur, \$4,000. Amos Ellenberger to Jeremiah Luginbill, lot 190, Berne, \$4,400.

While recovering from the effects of a fall sustained two weeks ago, and apparently enjoying good health, Mrs. Lucinda McConnell succumbed to a stroke of apoplexy and died a few minutes past 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon. She seemed better today than since the accident mentioned, and joked with the family of Frank McConnell, at whose home she has lived for many years. She was a most devoted mother and has lived a long and useful life, the most of it in Adams county, where she was widely known and always highly respected. Her maiden name was Lucinda McDermet, being born in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, September 28, 1822. In 1838 she came with her parents to this county, they settling in Monroe township, she later marrying John McConnell, then a prominent citizen he having served the county in many prominent positions, being county commissioner, auditor, clerk of the courts, township trustee and a member of the legislature, being elected to the latter position in 1872. He died some thirty years ago. Six children were born to them, they being Mark, Margaret, Joseph, George, Mary and Frank. Mrs. McConnell has for many years made her home with her son Frank, at whose home she died this afternoon, and where she has always received the attention and care of a son to a mother. She is eighty-six years, eleven months, and four days old and during the last two years has been partially blind and to a degree helpless, but during it all she has been courageous and got much good out of life.

The annual reunion of the Chick-emauga Battle association will be held at Marion, September 20th and a number of the veterans from this county will attend. The program as issued will be as follows:

Music by Marion National Soldiers' Home Band—Capt. John Pitt Stack, leader.

Called to order at 10 a. m. by the President, Capt. J. C. Fulton, of Bluffton.

Prayer—By Rev. David E. Myers, Chaplain of Marion Soldiers' Home.

Music—By the G. A. R. Quartet, of Logansport, Col. H. C. Cushman, leader. Miss Sallie Horne, pianist.

Reading of the minutes of last meeting by the secretary—R. A. Love, Marion.

Music—G. A. R. Quartet.

Address—By Department Commander, Col. O. A. Somers, of Kokomo.

Adjournment for dinner.

Assembling at 1:30 p. m.

Music—By the Soldiers' Home Band.

Call to order by the President.

Music—G. A. R. Quartet.

Address—By Judge D. B. McConnell, of Logansport.

Music—G. A. R. Quartet.

Recitation—By Miss Minnie Har- nish, Bluffton.

Music—G. A. R. Quartet.

Recitation—By Miss Vernie Miller, of Bluffton.

Five minute talks by the Comrades. Dr. Fulton, of Bluffton, the president of the association, has issued a statement in which he says: I believe the history of the war will show that Indiana had more men engaged in the Battle of Chancellorsville than in any other great battle of the war; and Wells, Allen, Adams, Grant and Huntington counties lost more men on that battlefield than on any other during the war. So let the survivors of that bloody battle, their friends and families, and all comrades and ladies of the Relief Corps of the various counties join with us on that day in perpetuating to the coming generations, the great sacrifices we made in defense of the stars and stripes, the emblem of the greatest nation on earth.

Mrs. Katie Harke, the unfortunate woman who Thursday, subsequent to a plea of guilty to the charge of pro- voke, was remanded to jail by Squire Smith to await the expiration of a nine days' sentence, was liberated last evening by order of the court after the various officials had remitted the costs accruing as a consequence of her arrest. The woman returned to her humble home to administer a mother's cares and caresses to her offspring with a stain upon her character which will for many months be held fresh in the minds of at least her antagonists. It is indeed awful to contemplate the incarceration of a woman with circumstances such as are those of Mrs. Harke. Bereft of the support she deserves as a wife, destitute as only the most unfortunate are, and with several little tots dependent upon her in most part for their livelihood, Mrs. Harke certainly merits the sympathy of the people had she provoked a hundred people and been arrested as many times for the mere satisfaction of a vengeance fostered by another. A fine of one dollar was imposed and this Mrs. Harke served in the Adams county jail. She has satisfied the law and if that bit of humiliation which falls to her serves to impart complete satisfaction to the interested parties, let us hope that a similar occurrence is never again recorded in the annals of Adams county history.

Dr. E. W. Dyar, a physician at Os- sian, his little son, Edwin, aged three, his uncle William Weirich of Robinson, Ill., and the latter's son Herbert Weirich, an Ossian merchant, had a frightfully close call from death or terrible injuries Thursday when the doctor's automobile, in which all were passengers, was struck by a north bound limited traction car over the I. U. T. and Wabash Valley at a dan- gerous road crossing at Greenwood, seven miles north of Bluffton. Their escape with hardly a scratch when the machine was hurled off the track is considered little less than miracu- lous. A house and a corn field ob- structed Dr. Dyar's view as he ap- proached the crossing and he was almost upon the track, so that he could not stop his machine when he saw the car approaching at a speed of forty to fifty miles an hour. He put on high speed and got his auto- mobile so far across that the traction car struck only the rear end of it, but enough to knock it into the ditch and demolish the top and body of the machine. Dr. Dyar had a badly sprained back and his uncle was in- jured slightly across the chest, but the elder Mr. Weirich and the baby escaped injury. Dr. Dyar said that he heard no crossing signals as he approached the interurban track but the crew claimed the usual signals were given.

The managing board of the Great Northern Indiana Fair Ass'n were in session Thursday at office of the secretary, Earl B. Adams, the prin- cipal duty being the allowing of bills and the checking up of premiums and moneys paid out, preparatory to mak- ing a report to the association. The board is composed of Charles Dunn of this city, E. E. Zimmerman of Kirkland, and James Foreman of Blue Creek. So far the only totals obtainable are premiums, \$1,654.42 and race purses, \$1,397.75. Besides these, of course, there was a stack of bills so high that Mr. Adams had to raise up to look over them, and no figures could be obtained as to the exact earnings for the association this year. On the first Monday in November the stockholders of the association will meet in annual ses- sion, at which time a complete re- port will be filed and new officers elected for the next year. It is be- lieved that the association made a lit- tle money this year, and that they are now on a solid basis from which they can grow rapidly. The fair is a good thing for the county and in many ways, and it is hoped that they will continue to live and prosper. The Great Northern has a clean record for paying its bills and premiums and de- serves success.

DR. BLACKMAN TO MARRY

He Will Marry a Young Lady from Jersey City.

Dr. C. J. Blackman will leave Mon- day for New York City where he will meet his cousin Dr. Wilbur Black- man, who is now in the east and will be married the 7th of this month to a young lady from Jersey City. The approaching wedding has previously been announced here, although the date was not made public at that time. Dr. Charles Blackman will act as best man during the ceremony, and will accompany the groom-elect from New York to Jersey City. Dr. Wil- bur Blackman is very well known to Bluffton residents, having resided here with the local Dr. Blackman, who is his cousin. They were partners here for several years prior to Dr. Wilbur Blackman's leaving for Flor- ida. It was in this state that he made the acquaintance of his future bride. —Bluffton Banner.

The delinquent taxpayer will not appreciate the fact that the public accounting board considers that delinquent taxes are part and parcel of the accounts of county officials and that the board will investigate them the same as all other accounts coming under their supervision. It thus be- hooves the delinquent to pay and thus save an added expense of col- lection. While the payment of these taxes have been a little slow yet every day there are several accounts of this kind paid in this county, and it is probable that the most of it will be cleaned up and paid. The follow- ing letter from the public accounting board may be of interest to many in the county:

Dear Sir:—The public accounting law, passed by the last legislature requires this board to examine all public accounts. Taxes being con- sidered public accounts, it will be our duty to see that they are col- lected as provided for under Sections 7,332, 7,333, 7,334, 10,324 and 10,325 Burns' Revised Statutes of 1903. We request that you enforce the pro- visions of said sections by making proper efforts to collect your delinquent taxes. It is our desire to cause of- ficials no unnecessary work and trou- ble, but being our duty to see that the law is properly followed, we therefore ask that you make every effort possible to collect said taxes, making the necessary returns to the county auditor as provided by law, that you may obtain the proper credit for all unpaid taxes. Trusting this matter will be given your prompt at- tention and assuring you of our hearty co-operation, we remain, very truly yours,

W. A. DEHORITY,
State Examiner.

Several people from this city and county expect to leave here on the 21st for a trip to the Canadian north- west, the greatest wheat country in the world. They are going with a view of seeing the country and inves- tigating the merits of investment in realty in that country. It will be hard for them to go wrong in buying land whether they do so for invest- ment or for the purpose of develop- ment. The Saskatchewan and Al- berta provinces contain the most fer- tile wheat land in the world and it is being rapidly taken and settled mostly by Americans, many of them moving right into that country and all of them are apparently growing rich. Land is being purchased from fifteen to forty dollars an acre and the price is rapidly advancing, each year seeing several dollars added to the value of an acre of land. The Canadian government are taking a hand and offering inducements to the American farmer to invade that coun- try and try his fortune. They are succeeding and this year thousands upon thousands of our people have gone there, either entering land from the government or buying it for a very little money. During the next ten years you will hear much from this great and interesting part of the country, and the time is coming when they will make the people of the United States sit up and take no- tice.

Jacob Meyer, who for several years worked for the Decatur Packing Co., now in the employ of Fred Mutchler, the Monroe street meat man, received a letter this morning from Wash- ington, D. C., in which he was informed that he had been appointed a govern- ment meat inspector. The letter also stated that he would be expected to report at Kansas City, Missouri, by the sixteenth of this month for duty. Mr. Meyer early this spring took a competitive examination for the po- sition of meat inspector and he re- ceived a very creditable grade. In fact he so impressed the government officials that he is among the first of the applicants to receive an appoint- ment. Mr. Meyer is well versed in the meat business. Although com- paratively young, he has had world's of experience in the various depart-

ments of a packing house. He will likely be assigned to a very respon- sible position at Kansas City, which will carry with it a neat salary.

A picnic supper was given at Ma- ple Grove Thursday for Miss Eliza- beth Rathfon of Indianapolis. Those who composed the party were, the Misses Marguerite Garard, Anna Fahrenbach, Agnes Webber, Gene- vieve Berling, Vivian Closs, Catharine McClean, Emma Kinney, Germaine Coffee, Messrs. Glen Tague, Bob Mei- bers, Stuart Niblick, Felix Holthouse, Walter Corbett. Several other boys came out later in the evening.

The Boston store girls gave a picnic at the park early this morning. Ris- ing with the dawn they walked to Steele's park and spread a picnic breakfast, which was excellent after their walk.

The September meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the M. E. church will be held on Thursday, Sept. 9, when the final arrangements will be completed for their ransack sale to be held in the city hall, beginning the first week in October and continuing for about two weeks. This society gave a sale last year and it was such a success in many ways that they at once voted to make it an annual occurrence and have in connection with it an apron sale.

Great preparations have been going on for several weeks among the girls who are going away to school. At the last minute they are all as busy as can be making final arrangements. Among those who will leave in a few weeks are the Misses Frances Dugan who will attend Vassar; Leota Bailey, Wellesley; Helen Niblick, Ferry Hall, Lake Forest, Ill.; Bessie Boyers, Champaign, Ill.; Pearl Burdge, In- dianapolis; Marie Allison, Washing- ton, D. C., and the Messrs. Clyde Baumgartner, Indianapolis; Earl Bre- merkamp, Collegeville; John Wem- hoff, Collegeville; Von Burke, Indiana University; Walter Baltzell, Indiana University; True Daugherty, Purdue.

The first meeting of the Shakes- peare Club was held yesterday com- mencing the winter's study. Lessons will be on the history of the new possessions of ancient Rome. Some of the papers will be on famous men before Christ, and many evenings this winter will be spent in a profitable as well as pleasurable way.

An action to quiet title to sixty acres of land in Blue Creek township was filed by Attorneys Hooper & Lenhart, the title of the suit being Alexander M. Campbell, Alice Niblick, Harvey P. Niblick, Dora Todd and Franklin Counterman vs. William Campbell. The complaint was docketed and the complaint taken out by the attorneys to add the names of some other parties interested.

The vacation period for court of- ficials is practically over and every- thing is in readiness for the opening of the September term Monday morn- ing. From the looks of the docket, there will be plenty of business during the next few months.

Real estate transfer: David P. Ken- worthy to John J. Summers et al, 30 acres in Monroe township, \$8,000. John Smitley to Dyonis Schmitt, lots 533 and 534, Decatur, \$2,000.

Joseph Hill, aged 28, a laborer of this city, and Alma Watts, aged 18, daughter of James Watts of Mon- mouth, were granted a marriage li- cense.

Frankfort, Ind., Sept. 3.—After wor- rying for weeks over the opening of the Frankfort schools, of which he was elected superintendent less than a month ago, Prof. W. O. Hiatt, for four years a teacher in the local schools, killed himself yesterday morning by taking carbolic acid. His body was found about 7 o'clock at the First Ward school building by the janitor. Superintendent Hiatt was appointed following the resignation of Superintendent Monroe. From the date of his appointment he appeared greatly distressed, and as the time for the schools to open approached his worry greatly increased. The matter of buying school supplies seemed constantly to prey on his mind. Mr. Hiatt frequently went to members of the school board and asked them if they were satisfied with his work. The routine of holding examinations at the beginning of the school term was another matter which rested heavily on his mind. He had spoken of his uneasiness to his private sec- retary, Mrs. Russell. When he left his office yesterday evening he told her that in case anything happened and he was unable to be present in the morning she would find some coal bids on his desk. Prof. Hiatt left his home about 2 o'clock this morning, but this did not cause his wife un- easiness since Mr. Hiatt has previously complained of sleeplessness and had

before arisen at early hours. Mrs. Hiatt arose at 5 o'clock this morning and prepared breakfast. This done, she went to the First Ward school building near by, but was unable to find her husband. It was not until two hours later that the janitor dis- covered the body in the basement. The fact that the drug was purchased by Prof. Hiatt two weeks ago at the Hammond drug store in this city seems to indicate that he had con- templated the act for some time. Prof. Hiatt was a graduate of Indiana University. He taught two years at Anderson, Ind., and from that city went to Rensselaer, Ind. From Rens- selaer he came to the Frankfort schools. Prof. Hiatt is survived by a widow and one child. He was a mem- ber of the Methodist church.

Herman Henry Brake, one of the older residents of Decatur, died at his home on north Fifth street, at a few minutes after 7 o'clock Thursday evening. For a year past he has been

suffering more or less from stomach trouble, which finally developed into an acute disease, believed to have been cancer of the stomach, from which he has suffered considerably during the past few weeks. He was born in the Kingdom of Hanover, Ger- many, April 14th, 1847, and was sixty- two years old at time of death. While not an old man he was considered a pioneer here, since more than half his life was spent as a resident of this city. He immigrated to this country in the early seventies and located at Cincinnati, where he remained a short time, when he came here. Later he again spent a few years in that city, then removed here about thirty years ago, and has since been a respected citizen of this locality. He was married when a young man to Miss Katherine Holthouse and she with six children survive. They are Miss Mamie, of this city, John of Cairo, Ill., Mrs. Minnie Brown of Indianapolis, Harmon, who has not been heard from for several months, since he started home from the Philippine Islands, Bernard, who is at home, and Louise, who is also at home. Other relatives are a brother, Conrad Brake, of Kansas, two sisters who reside at Cincinnati, and Conrad Brake, the venerable and well known citizen who is an uncle of the de- ceased. The funeral services were held Monday morning at nine o'clock from the St. Marys church. Father Wilken officiating. Interment at St. Joseph cemetery.

TOM HAEFLING LIKES FLINT

Secured Seven Contracts First Day and Has His Eye on Some More.

James Haeffling has received a let- ter from his brother Tom who re- cently went to Flint, Michigan, to open an electrical store, in which he says he is having splendid success. The first day he was there he secured seven contracts for wiring houses and has his eye on the contract for a big opera house block just being roofed, and owned by the Elks lodge. If he secures this job it will take him two months to complete. He says the Decatur colony there are prospering, all working and making good money.

Mrs. Chas. Lang entertained Thurs- day evening at 6 o'clock dinner at her home on north Fifth street in honor of Miss Sylvia Dappleman, of Louis- ville, Ky., and Tony Lang of Cincin- nati, Ohio. The evening was spent in a very pleasing manner during which music was furnished by Miss Sylvia and Josephine Lang. The house was beautifully decorated with ferns and potted plants and souvenirs with "Oh you kid" on were hung at various places which made a very neat appearance. Later in the evening a three-course dinner was served by Mrs. Lang assisted by Miss Cecilia Smith and Mrs. Theo. Dappleman. At a late hour the guests departed for their homes and com- plimenting Mrs. Lang as a very neat entertainer. The out-of-town guests were Miss Dappleman of Louisville, Ky., Tony Lang of Cincinnati, and John Hoover of Fremont, Ohio.

Miss Margaret Gerard gave a picnic Thursday night at Maple Grove in honor of Miss Elizabeth Rathfon of Indianapolis, and Miss Cath McClain of Circleville, Ohio. They left on the four o'clock car and after enjoy- ing themselves for some time par- took of a good supper. About eight o'clock they started to leave for home when some mishap to the car forced them to foot it in. Any way they en- joyed themselves very much. Those who attended were Miss Elizabeth Rathfon of Indianapolis, and Miss Cath McClain of Circleville, Margaret Gerard, Agnes Melbers, Agnes Weber, Leona Niblick, Irene Gerard, Germain Coffee, Anna Fahrenbach and Marie Gass, Walter Corbett, Bob Melbers, Lynn Shoemaker, David Studabaker, Stewart Niblick, Felix Holthouse, Glen Tague and Bob Peterson.

Miss Helen Fanner was hostess at

the regular meeting of the Waste R. Club yesterday at her home north of the city. With their sewing the afternoon was spent in a most pleasant way by the members.

Miss Bessie Congleton gave a de- lightful picnic at Maple Grove park last Thursday in honor of Mrs. Arthur Rose of Jackson, Michigan, who is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Barkley. Mrs. Blanche Huffman of Preble, Misses Eva and Minta Ac- ker, Lizzie Peterson and Bessie Con- gleton, Rose Christen, Mrs. Arthur Rose and Mrs. Floyd Britton com- posed the party.

Miss Edith Miller entertained a few friends in honor of Miss Beatrice Ol- iver, her guest from Huntington. Music and games were in order and proved pleasant and interesting. Late in the evening luncheon was served. Guests were Misses Othilla Schneider, Lena Meyer, Mayme Harting, Lena Dodane, Anna Meyer, Beatrice Oliver.

The Middletown family reunion will occur at the home of Mrs. D. O. Steele next Sunday and the event promises to be a happy one.

Mrs. E. F. Yarnelle has issued in- vitations to a bridesmaids luncheon that she will give on Monday in hon- or of Miss Clara Porter. The guests will be the young women of the bridal party for the Yarnelle-Porter wedding Mr. Yarnelle will entertain the men of the bridal party at a luncheon at Anthony Wayne club at the same time. Miss Porter is to have nine brides- maids, of whom Miss Elizabeth Por- ter, Miss Hazel Pearse and Miss Al- mana Beebe are from this city. The others are Bryn Mawr college friends, Miss Morehouse, of Danville, Ill.; Miss Kelly, of Racine, Wis.; Miss Ullmann, of Chicago; Miss Niles, of Salt Lake City; Miss Mayo, of Rochester, Minn., and Miss Brownell, of Peru.—Fort Wayne Sentinel.

An automobiling trip that promises to be unusually pleasant will be the one that Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Brackett, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Dugan and daughter Frances will take to the Van Wert fair the coming week. The races at the fair promise to be splen- did this year.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Dugan will go to Fort Wayne Thursday to attend the wedding of Miss Lucille Porter, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Porter of that place to Mr. Yarnelle at the First Presbyterian church. The wed- ding will be an elaborate affair, a large number of guests being invited. The bride, who is a graduate of Bryn Mawr will have at her wedding some of her classmates. The groom's circle of friends is wide and most of his friends will be there. After a trip to Pennsylvania the couple will live on Wayne street.

The Epworth League members in- vite you to be present at their next Sunday's meeting when a good pro- gram will be given. Song, readings and orations will be a part of the entertainment.

Members of Sam Henry Post G. A. R. held a meeting Thursday at their hall, where they transacted much im- portant business. The committee who had been appointed to solicit funds for the purchase of grave markers for the departed heroes reported that the fund aggregated about one hundred dollars. It was decided that markers with the raised letters, G. A. R. in- scribed thereon would be purchased, and the committee was ordered to communicate at once relative to the purchase of about four hundred of these. Sufficient money to pay the freight on the markers will be re- tained from the one hundred dollars.

The reunion of the 89th regiment will be held in Decatur September twenty-ninth and thirtieth, and an effort is being made to make it a county reunion for all old soldiers. Members of the local post, G. A. R. are negotiating to engage the ser- vices of a state staff officer for the event and a splendid time is assured.

NO ASSIGNMENT MADE YET

Bluffton Congregation Uncertain as to Their Pastor.

The members of the local Catholic church have as yet received no word as to who the new pastor of the local charge will be. They do not expect to know until the regular Sabbath for meeting when the priest will be here to conduct services. These services, will, it is thought, be held twice a month, as before, although a few of the members are somewhat worried over the report that they may be re- duced. The official Catholic paper in the last issue said that no assign- ment here had yet been made. Recently a Huntington paper stated that Father Blederman, of the Nix settle- ment, Huntington county, would come to the Bluffton and Sheldon churches, but he did not report last Sunday and nothing more has been heard in the matter.—Bluffton News.