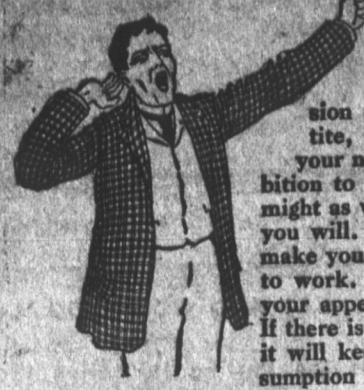


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Mrs. James D. Brown, wife of a prominent farmer of Kirkland township, is seriously sick, suffering from an unusual injury, that of a floating condition of a kidney, which was torn loose from the supports of the back, during a strain she received in a fall. Last Friday Mrs. Brown went to the barn to close the doors, and while swinging them shut she slipped and fell. At the time of the accident she was suffering from appendicitis, but the report of the doctor today is that the kidney was torn loose in the fall. Mrs. Brown is sixty-four years of age, an advanced age which makes the injury the more serious. Her husband is at present serving on the regular panel of the jury.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 27.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—At 2 o'clock this afternoon the leaders of the railroad men left the opera house, where the conference is being held, and negotiations have been broken off. A meeting of the labor leaders is now on. It is believed they will call a strike, which will affect 20,000 men.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 27.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Governor Noel today announced the appointment of James Gordon of Okolona, Miss., as United States senator to succeed Senator McLaurin, who died of heart failure. The appointment is effective until the legislature, which meets January 4th, elects a senator.

Under the auspices of the High School Athletic club, and the direction of Mr. Henry Thomas, "A man in Black" will be presented at the opera house on Friday and Saturday evenings of this week. Your patronage is respectfully solicited. The seat sale will open at the Holthouse drug store Friday morning. Admission, 25 cents.

With the coming of the snow sleighing parties are in season and many have been planned for the week. A jolly party drove Sunday evening to the Alphonse Kohne farm south of the city, where a good time was spent. An oyster supper, savory and steaming hot, was much enjoyed after the long ride. Those who formed the party were Agnes, Ida and Stella Kohne, Bess Jeffrey, Genevieve Coffey, Charles Cole, of Richmond; Cal Robinson, Clifford LaDelle, George Sheeler and Frank Chronister.

Christmas day was a day of glad reunion for the Joseph Mann family at the old homestead in Root township,

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when the several children with their families—seventeen grandchildren in all—assembled at home and enjoyed the pleasures of the day, including the royal dinner at noon. Shelby Vance and family of Willshire, Ohio; William Archbold and family of this city; Jesse Singleton and family, Robert and Frank Mann, Dr. Grandstaff and family of Preble, were the members of the family present, with Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Grandstaff of Monmouth also guests.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gay and family had as their guests at Christmas dinner the grandmother, Mrs. Catharine Teeple and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Teeple and babe.

Christmas at the J. F. Lachot home was a happy day. Among those who were invited to share the pleasures with the family were L. L. Baumgartner, Clyde, Beissle and John Baumgartner, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Michaud and daughter, Florine; Mrs. Michaud's sister, Miss Catharine, Miss Matilda Sellemeyer, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Hughes, Marguerite and Earl Hughes of Fort Wayne and Ralph Broadwell, a student at Purdue University.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Harkless gave a Christmas dinner Saturday, proving a very happy event, enjoyed by everyone who partook thereof. The dining room was nicely decorated for the occasion. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Harkless and family, Ed Ahr and family of Decatur; Ross Harden and family and Mr. and Mrs. David Flanthers.

The Henry Lankens family will enjoy their annual reunion at the parental home in this city on New Year's day, and a joyous time is anticipated.

Joe Rice and family, Mrs. Elizabeth Wherry and daughter, Bess, W. R. Smith and family were entertained at Christmas dinner by Perry Robinson and family, the day being a most happy one.

The family dinner party given on Christmas day at the James Niblick home was a most enjoyable one, in which the following joined: Mrs. Catharine Niblick and daughters, Mary and Amelia; Mr. and Mrs. C. X. Niblick and daughter, Mary Frances; Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Houlthouse and son, William.

One of the pleasant Christmas dinner parties was that given by Mr. and Mrs. David Stoler at their home on West Monroe street. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harve Smith and son, Mrs. Mary Steele and Don Smith.

The annual family Christmas dinner was given Saturday by Mr. and Mrs. James Hurst of West Monroe street, the party including their children and their families.

The J. R. Daniel home at Preble was the scene of Christmas cheer Saturday. Guests were Mrs. Amanda Daniels and daughter, Miss Margaret, of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Fisher of South Tenth street entertained their children at an elaborate Christmas dinner. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Will Gilpin of Battle Creek, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Syphers and daughter, Ruth, of Fort Wayne; Beatrice and Ruth, of Peterson; Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Eady and children, Cecil, Irene and Vera of this city. The other guests were Mrs. Rachel Maloney and daughters, Etta and Ada; also their grandchildren, Marion and Frances Hoagland. One member of the family, Mrs. Anna Buhler, of Marion, was not present, as she was spending Christmas with her son, Jesse, in New Mexico.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Salem church will meet with Mrs. Oliver Walters Thursday afternoon for work which the society has planned. All are asked to attend the meeting. It is quite an important one.

C. S. Mumma and family were the guests of his father, J. H. Mumma and family at Christmas dinner at their home east of the city. Another son,

W. W. Mumma, and family of Monroeville could not be present on account of the illness of his wife.

Mrs. F. F. Frech of Third street gave a Christmas dinner Saturday, the guests being her daughters, Mrs. Frank McIntosh, and children of near this city and Mrs. Harry Funk and son, Scott, of Mansfield, Ohio. The day was a very pleasant one for all.

Miss Harriet Wertzberger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wertzberger, is gaining laurels in her chosen work, that of millinery, and will leave Friday for New York City, where she goes to study designing for the season, having been offered a position as designer in a large wholesale house in Indianapolis. Miss Wertzberger has had much experience in her chosen work, and for the past year has been manager of a large millinery establishment at Delphi. She has been growing more and more in excellency, until her originality and artistic work has been recognized by those who are considered the best, hence the offer from the Indianapolis wholesale house, which is quite an achievement in the millinery world.

For while many are gifted with the talent of imitating the productions of others, not all are given the gift of original designing which fails to the great artists in any profession, and Miss Wertzberger's friends are rejoicing with her in her recognition. She spent Christmas with her parents here and left today for Indianapolis, where she will spend a few days before going to New York.

Christmas, always a happy period, was made more than usually merry for the Rev. L. W. Dornstiel of the St. Peters church in Root township, for he was presented with a valuable horse, a present that he will derive much pleasure from. The horse was the gift of a large number of his congregation, than whom by the way, there are no better people on the face of the earth. They are the very salt and Rev. Dornstiel is willing to sanction the opinion that they are liberal and all right. The St. Peters church, known as the Fuelling church, is in the midst of a happy and thrifty people who believe in passing Christmas cheer around. The Rev. Dornstiel thoroughly appreciated the present and desires to thus publicly thank the kind folks who remembered him so substantially.

A marriage license was issued to Albert R. Parker, aged 34, superintendent of schools at Cayuga, Indiana, to Mrs. Steele, 27, daughter of Dr. W. V. Steele, of this city.

Judge Merriman has re-appointed S. B. Foyce of this city and H. A. Fristoe of Geneva to serve as jury commissioners during the year 1910. They have served in this capacity for two years past and have given good satisfaction. They will meet just before each term and select the petit and grand juries.

Marriage licenses were issued Friday afternoon to Ray McDaniel, 24, a farmer of near Berne, to Eliza Myrtle Andrews, 20, daughter of Robert A. Andrews of St. Marys township; Clarence V. Hilyard, 21, farmer, to Goldie E. Durr, 19, both of Blue Creek township.

The case of Linda Yoder vs. Peter Hoffman et al., damages and possession of property, has been set for trial for January 13th.

Absalom Brown vs. Fred Schaefer et al., breach of warrant, joint demurrer filed by defendants to complaint.

A new case filed last week by Attorneys Peterson & Moran, R. A. Parish of this city and Gordon of Bluffton, entitled The F. M. Mercer Lumber Co. vs. Aaron Emery et al., foreclosure of mechanic's lien, demand \$375, has been dismissed, the costs being paid.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—Confronted with a deficit of \$17,479,770, the present administration of the post office department began its operations. This was the largest deficit in the history of the postal service. So long as the deficit in the department aggregated only a few millions of dollars annually, little attention was paid to it; but when, in the last few years, it leaped upward to \$10,000, and finally, in 1909, exceeded \$17,000,000, ordinary business prudence suggested that the causes be definitely located. These are statements in the annual report of Postmaster General Frank H. Hitchcock, made public today. Concerning results of inquiries into the deficit, the postmaster general says: "Recent investigations have shown that the two great sources of loss to the postal revenues are second class mail matter and rural delivery. The loss on second class mail matter has been increasing for many years, until it now amounts to \$64,000,000. The loss from rural delivery, a service begun hardly a dozen years ago and of

unprecedented growth, reaches as high as \$28,000,000. In these two items alone the postal service now suffers an annual loss of more than the entire national deficit of the last fiscal year."

The Salem Evangelical Sunday school and Young People's Alliance have held their annual election, resulting in the naming of the following officers for the coming year:

Sunday School.
Superintendent—C. D. Spuhler.
Assistant Superintendent—O. H. Walters.

Secretary—Laura Helm.
Treasurer—William Allfather.
Librarian—Johnnie Walters.
Chorister—D. A. Helm.
Organist—Nora Helm.

Young People's Alliance.
President—Freeman Walters.
Vice President—Mrs. D. A. Helm.
Recording Secretary—Blanche Warden.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. William Allfather.
Treasurer—Mrs. D. A. Helm.
Chorister—Nora Helm.

Real estate transfers: Sarah J. Passau et al. to John A. Carey, 40 acres, Jefferson tp., \$2950; John H. Hiltz to Peter Hiltz, tract in Wabash tp., 2667, and to Christian Hiltz, lot 366, Berne, \$1250; Conrad G. Gallmeyer to Wilhelm Gallmeyer, 80 acres in Preble tp., \$3850.

The case of Cardwell Mill & Lumber Co. vs. John W. Vall et al., suit on note, demand, \$250. Cause dismissed and costs paid.

The case of Conrad D. Gallmeyer trustee, vs. Edward Gallmeyer et al. has been compromised and dismissed from the court docket.

Attorneys Peterson & Moran and R. C. Parrish have filed a new case entitled George W. Brewster vs. Phillip Wendel, to foreclose mechanic's lien, demand \$325.

After five years in the west, most of which time he has been in the vicinity of Denver, Colorado, Charles Peterson unexpectedly turned up here Monday for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shafer Peterson. The visit was most unexpected to the parents, and Charles insists that it was in the nature of a Christmas present, though a little late. He will remain here for a day or two and then go further east on business for the real estate firm of which he is a member. He will be here for about two months, with excursions through the east during that time, and his wife and son, Thomas, will arrive next month to join him here in a visit. Charles has been quite successful in his western home, and in connection with the real estate business operates a publishing plant. That the climate agrees with him is evidenced by the fact that he has taken on considerably more avocados, and is a pretty fair specimen of western brawn and muscle.

Fred Lawrence, a man aged about fifty, who worked at the Hotel Murray in this city for a long time, and who left here some six months ago, to accept a similar place as night clerk at the Bliss hotel at Bluffton, was caught red-handed Monday, and confessed that he had been systematically robbing Clem Stair, who conducts a cigar case in the Bliss. The Bluffton News tells the story as follows:

Lawrence had started in with a scheme to systematically rob the cash drawer in the safe in the hotel office, in which Mr. Stair kept his cash. Some weeks ago a key to another drawer out of the half dozen in the safe was missed, and it was thought to have been lost, but it developed this morning, as Lawrence confessed, that he had taken this key and watching his opportunity filed it out so that it corresponded to the key to Mr. Stair's cash box which it would open. He had then started in on his plan of extracting ones, fives, and tens, as he thought the pile would stand without detection.

Last Friday night Clem missed a one dollar bill, but being afraid Lawrence might have spent it he did not push a search then, but when a five came up missing this morning out of a deposit of \$146.50 he felt sure Lawrence would still have it, and he called Sheriff Lipkey and together they proceeded to Lawrence's room. At first Lawrence made emphatic denial but Clem told him that he had been watching last night by a man stationed in the dining room, who saw him go into the safe. Believing this to be true, Lawrence broke down and confessed without waiting to be seated. He turned over the missing bill, No. 36,843,984, and confessed to taking \$66.50 previously which he turned over out of about \$55 which he had in his pocketbook.

Lawrence has been keeping company with a lady here who is in business, and many believe no what he was only waiting an opportunity to make a haul from her and get away,

and he probably would have finally made a big haul at the Bliss and did not he been detected in time.

BOB SAUER HAS MEASLES.

Bluffton Man Forced to Lay Down in Clerk's Race.

Robert Sauer, residing on Miller street, was quarantined at his home Sunday, with a severe case of measles. Mr. Sauer had not been feeling very well for two or three days, and on Saturday became quite ill while attending a family Christmas dinner at the Ed Bartleman home and was taken home in a cab suffering from a sort of bronchial fever. The next day the measles appeared. Mr. Sauer is one of the candidates for the democratic nomination for county clerk, and the sickness will make it impossible for him to make a further canvass before the primary on January 8th. It is supposed he became exposed to the measles some place while campaigning over the county.

A trained nurse was secured from Fort Wayne to take care of Mr. Sauer. The case is pronounced one of the most severe that has come under the observation of local physicians.

Bluffton News.

Decatur friends of Marion Smith are just learning of his marriage, which, as nearly as can be learned, took place a week ago last Sunday, the bride being a popular young lady of Mt. Pleasant, Mich. Marion has been in the real estate business at Mt. Pleasant during the past year, going there from Midland, Mich., where he had been engaged in business two years. His parents, Mr. and

Mrs. Joseph Smith, of this city have received word of the marriage, but as yet have learned none of the details, except that the wedding has taken place. The groom was one of the best known young men of the county and a graduate of the Decatur high school. His friends here extend to him their best wishes.

W. E. Kidd, who for the past three years has been in New York state, is here for a visit with his parents, Milton Kidd and wife, living near the Washington M. E. church, west of the city. The visit came as a surprise to the parents, who knew nothing of his intended visit until they went to church Sunday morning as usual and found the son, sitting there in the pew. Since going east Mr. Kidd has become quite a successful poultryman. He worked seven months as attendant in one of the largest poultry plants at Amsterdam, N. Y., and a year at the W. B. Condee poultry plant in Syracuse. This plant is one of the most up-to-date in the world, and has a hatching capacity of 21,000 eggs at one hatching. Mr. Kidd then took a course in poultry husbandry in the New York State College of Agriculture, graduating this year. Though the college makes all efforts to place its graduates in positions, Mr. Kidd was the only one out of fifty-four to receive an immediate position with a recommendation from the professor of poultry husbandry. He is now in charge of the poultry department of the Clifton Springs Sanitarium, Clifton Springs, N. Y. Where others failed he has made a success of the plant, and the employers are enlarging that department to three times the producing capacity of the past season, which will be about 5,000 ducks and 5,000 chickens.

The building committee of the Knights of Pythias lodge, including Orval Harrill, O. L. Vance, James Hurst, E. B. Lenhart, Dan Erwin and J. L. Gay, have been very busy the past few days selecting furniture, carpets and other things for the new K. of P. home, which is rapidly nearing completion. The furnishings, in accordance with the building itself, will be of the best, and all in all, the home will be one of the finest and most complete in this part of the state. The lodge expects to hold its first meeting in the new home next week, though the dedication will not take place until the first of February.

A revival service will begin next week at the Methodist church in preparation for which cottage prayer meetings will be held this evening at the homes of various members of the church. The Rev. Powell will be assisted in the revival by the conference quartet, the members lending their aid in both the music and the discourses. The members of the quartet are the Rev. L. J. Naftzger, D. D. of Muncie; the Rev. D. H. Guild, of Wabash; the Rev. Fred F. Thornburg of Knightstown; and the Rev. Powell of this city. The quartet has taken part in many revivals in the state and are a recognized power for good. The ministers will be here three days next week and three days the following week.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Jones and daughter, Addie, have returned from Columbia City, where they spent several days with relatives.

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