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The House of Representatives, at Indianapolis, organized Tuesday with the election of Hon. Mason J. Niblack, of Knox, as presiding officer.

The Indiana Legislature is now down to business. Both houses are Democratic. Now let us have a good, stringent election law. Give Dudley a black eye, and choke the life out of the school-book and all other monopolies.

Robert S. Robertson, the republican pretender, gave notice that he was anxious to preside over the deliberations of the Indiana Senate, but that body selected its presiding officer, and permitted that gentleman to occupy the rotunda.

George W. Childs, editor and proprietor of the Philadelphia Ledger, gladdened the hearts of his employes with Christmas gifts which cost about \$40,000. One old employe found \$500 in his envelope.

The Democrats who voted for General Jackson propose to celebrate Old Hickory's birthday in Indianapolis on the 15th of March next.

Knox Ledger: The Shelbyville Times, a paper started to run out the Shelbyville Democrat, has turned up its toes and quit. The editor, James McGill, says "the Democrat is too well established and has too many friends to be run out; that it takes money to run a paper, and that the sore-heads, when money was needed, did not materialize." The editor is still a good democrat and will always be found voting the democratic ticket.

FROM WHEATFIELD.

Business of the town is good. Weather exceedingly fine for the time of year.

Wm. Sweeny is shipping about fifty tons of hay from this place daily.

Daniel Snider has moved on to his farm in Walker township.

Silas Graham will move to White county the last of this week.

S. W. Hamilton has moved into the house vacated by Benjamin Thornton.

Book and fruit tree gents are numerous in this vicinity.

Died—At his home, in Kankakee township, on January 1st, of measles, John Nier. Mr. Nier was a good citizen, and news of his death was painful to all who knew him. He leaves wife, two small children, and numerous friends to mourn his loss. His remains were interred in the Wheatfield cemetery on the 3d inst.

Mouroe Nier (brother of John Nier, who died last week) at this writing (Monday eve) is said to be dying of measles.

There are several cases of whooping cough west of town.

There is some kind of a disease proving very serious among the horses in this township. Noah Frame has just lost two good work horses, and we understand that others are very bad with the same disease.

ANON.

On Wednesday last our friend J. W. Duvall reached the 62d mile stone of his pilgrimage in this life, on which occasion his family prepared a sumptuous feast. Surrounded by his family, children and grandchildren, Mr. Ludd Hopkins and wife, Mr. Wolf, wife and child, J. W. McEwen, wife and daughter, the day passed off alike gratifying to all participating. We can but wish many pleasant returns of the day to our worthy friend and family.

Mother Crockett, who recently left Rensselaer to make a visit with her children in Nebraska and Kansas, died on Wednesday last at the home of her son William, in Springfield, Nebraska, after a brief illness. The remains reached Rensselaer on the 11 o'clock train, to-day, and will be interred in the Crockett Cemetery to-morrow.

Mother Crockett had been for many years a resident of Jasper county, and her true motherly nature had endeared her to all. Her loss is not alone to her immediate family, but is felt alike by the community at large.

"None knew her but to love,
None named her but to praise."

Mr. Chas. Crockett, of Olathe, Kansas, accompanied the remains of his mother from Springfield, Nebraska, to this place.

Mr. Steward, of Williams county, Ohio, is visiting his brother-in-law and sister, Rev. M. L. Tressler and wife, in Rensselaer.

The rapid progress of pupils in the Art School, under instruction of Mr. and Mrs. Brown, is a source of genuine astonishment and surprise to all visitors of the school.

On Saturday last M. L. Spitzer returned from his visit among friends in Virginia.

A meeting of all those interested in the drainage of the overflowed and wet lands situated in the Kankakee Valley, from South Bend, Indiana, to Momence, Illinois, has been called to meet at the Club Room of the Palmer House, Chicago, Friday, Jan. 18th, 1889, at 2 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of devising ways and means to straighten the Kankakee River in Indiana, and lower the ledge of rock at Momence, with a view of reclaiming the one million acres of overflowed and wet lands along the valley of the Kankakee River, in the State of Indiana.

The call is signed by B. F. Gray, A. B. Kyle, W. E. Singleton, Committee.

The remains of Mr. Stanley were interred in Weston Cemetery last Monday. Rev. W. R. Nowels will preach the funeral sermon, at Union school-house, Sunday, January 20th.

The Town Board has entered into a contract with the Rensselaer Power, Water and Electric Light company to furnish electric lights for the streets one month, on trial with the proviso that if not satisfactory the lamps to be removed and nothing to pay by the town; if satisfactory, they will be accepted at one dollar per month for each light.

Services will be held in the Presbyterian church during next week, beginning Monday evening. The Rev. Otis A. Smith, of Frankfort, Ind., will preach every evening. Mr. Smith is a clear, forcible, enthusiastic, practical speaker, and will interest all who hear him.

The singing will be a prominent feature of the meetings, and the "Gospel Choir" will be the book used. An earnest invitation is extended to all.

A contemporary of Burns, Mrs. Gilchrist, died at Edinburgh, Scotland, October 3. In her youth she was a resident of Kilmarnock, and she had a distinct recollection of Robert Burns, and of the occasion on which she saw him.

When she was between four and five years of age she accompanied her mother to the house of a relative who resided in Nelson street, Kilmarnock, and while there, Burns was visiting some of his acquaintances a few doors off.

His presence in the neighborhood excited quite a sensation, and when he left the neighbors trooped out to look at him, young Martha Brown among the rest. He wore a Tam o' Shanter bonnet. His general appearance was that of a well-to-do countryman, and Martha, the only a child, was impressed with his tall and sturdy form, his swarthy complexion and kindly expression.

Without exchanging remarks with anyone, he proceeded down the street, followed by the gaze of the curious crowd. Burns visited on this occasion Mr. and Mrs. McEwen, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Black. Elizabeth is supposed to have been the heroine of one of the songs which Burns wrote on the eve of his intended departure for the West Indies.

Wedding Flowers.

For recent weddings some beautiful floral designs have been made, some of which are novel. At one, the bouquet of the bride was composed of Lily of the Valley, several hundred sprays being used in this one bunch. The bridesmaids' bouquets were of Crimson King Carnations, fringed with "Maid of Guernsey" chrysanthemums; each bunch contained 150 carnations, and the edging of the wild white petals of the chrysanthemums was exquisitely lovely.

At a charming wedding, the bride and bridegroom stood under a wishbone of flowers in heroic size which was swung from one end of the drawing-room from a stem fringed with autumn leaves. The top of the wishbone was studded with brilliant carnations of *La Purete* variety. The ends were also of this flower. The limbs of the wishbone were woven with white carnations. Smilax garlanded the bannisters. The plant decoration was small but choice. The bride carried a bunch of *Mermet* roses and the bridesmaids' bouquets were of crimson King Carnations and *Perle des Jardin* rosebuds. For another wedding, a lattice screen was made to cover the long mirror before which the marriage took place. This screen was composed of coils of smilax plaited, and the effect of this light lattice was very beautiful. Over the top was suspended a large basket of roses and spring flowers. There was a straw vase filled with pink rosebuds and mimosa, with a cluster of Jacquemintas at the center. The novelty in ornamental growing plants for the house is the hanging shell of *Lycopodium*, which is extremely pretty. Some of the shells are ordinary conch shells; others are made of glazed plaster, and colored with foam tints. The moss is arranged to droop, and it has a light and refreshing effect. Brackets filled with *Lycopodium* add grace and cheerfulness to any apartment. The only care required is sprinkling as often as the moss dries. Growing ferns are the fashionable ornament for the table. Recent adornments for an evening reception consisted of a floral piece representing a musical score, the bars woven in flowers on a white background, the whole supported by a floral harp. Over the mirror was a network of delicate smilax, which crossed the glass in deep festoons, on which rested tiny humming-birds and butterflies. Against the wall, on one side, was a lyre, on the other a harp. Around and on the mantle were arranged handsome plants; amid which stood a piano made of flowers. Over the folding doors leading to the library was suspended, from corollons of smilax, a flower violin and flute.

Birch-bark canoes, lined with tin and planted with ferns, or filled with cut-flowers and trailing vines, suspended from the chandelier, have a very pretty effect, in conjunction with other decorations, for evening entertainments.—*Floral World*.

FARMERS who burn green wood are probably not aware of the waste of heat. The sap uses up—that is, carries off in a latent state—a very large portion of the heat produced by its carbon, or its dry material. As much man and team power is required to haul three or four cords of green wood as for six or eight cords of dry wood. The lesson is: cut the fuel and split it as finely as it is to be used, in the grove; haul it home when well dried, and keep it in a dry place for use. It will be worth far more for heating purposes than if burned green, or wet, or damp even. The only exception to this advice is, when by reason of easier hauling on snow, and on account of the leisure of men and teams in winter, it may be expedient to haul home the green wood then; but in all cases let it be well dried before it is used.

Files.

In a file twelve inches long, the first six inches from the point does the most of the work. In a machine-cut file the teeth of this part are shorter, and in practice will not bite as well as they will further up. This is because of the shape of the files, in many instances making it impossible for the machine to work on all parts with the same effectiveness. Out of a dozen or more machine-cut files you will not find more than one that is perfect-looking, and very few machine-cut files will bite as well as the hand-cut article. For this reason their teeth break out less easily because they won't bite.

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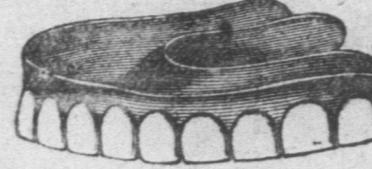
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