

## INDIANA HAPPENINGS.

### EVENTS AND INCIDENTS THAT HAVE LATELY OCCURRED.

An Interesting Summary of the More Important Doings of Our Neighbors—Weddings and Deaths—Crime, Casualties and General News Notes.

#### Return of a Prodigal.

About twenty-five years ago a 10-year-old boy named George Davis, who resided with Isaac Houghland, then a prominent farmer and doctor living in the southern part of Scott County, suddenly disappeared. The day he left he was severely chastised for some offense, and going to the station at Vienna, fell in company with some soldiers and went with them to Louisville, from there he went to Cincinnati, and thence to Nashville, Tenn. In the course of time he married and engaged in farming. Some time since he and his wife separated, and he resolved to return to Scott County in search of his relatives, having never heard from them since his flight. On his arrival he was informed that during his absence his widowed mother had married Asa Broady, and, after his death a few years ago, removed to Kansas, where she now resides. Davis started anew on his journey to find his mother, who has mourned him as dead for years.

#### Family Poisoned.

A very strange case of poisoning occurred at Greenburg recently. Mr. Lafayette Shelhorn has resided on a farm in Adams township, but removed to Greenburg the other day. The family brought with them everything they ate, except bread, which was procured at a bakery. About 10 o'clock at night the entire family was taken violently ill. The physician was sent for and soon pronounced it a case of poisoning. Mr. Shelhorn was least affected; his wife and two daughters, aged 8, 10, and 22 respectively, were all very sick, and Ida Cline, a servant, 15 years old, was worse than any of the others. All are better, though the servant is very ill, and her case may yet prove fatal. Dr. Falconbury says that the symptoms indicate poison from croton oil, and he can account for it in no other way than that some miscreant threw some of the oil in the well, and it was brought up by use of the chain pump.

#### Minor State Items.

There are ninety-nine lakes in Steuben County by actual count.

Mooresville has decided to issue \$2,000 bonds and have free gas.

Levi Mercer, of Rochester, proposes to open a park at Lake Manitou.

Wheat on the farm of James W. Blue, near Linden, Montgomery County, yielded forty-one bushels to the acre.

A new military company is being formed at Crawfordsville, and will be under the charge of Gen. Lew Wallace.

Henry Wildbacher and his team fell into a hidden cave while plowing, in Harrison County, and were rescued with difficulty.

Receiver A. D. Lynch, of the defunct Richmond Bank, expects to declare another 4 per cent. dividend, making 75 per cent.

John M. Short, time-keeper of the Evansville and Richmond road at Seymour, attempted suicide with morphine, but failed.

John Bowman, aged 75, a pioneer and one of the oldest Masons of Clark County, dropped dead suddenly at his home in Bethlehem.

A lamb-killing snake, alleged to be seventeen feet long and eleven inches in diameter is reported to have been killed near Muncie.

A curious freak of nature is owned by William Harris, a farmer near Danville, and consists of a beautiful young drake with four perfectly developed feet.

The body of a man was found in the river at Jeffersonville. It was very much decomposed, and is believed to be the corpse of one of the Johnstown victims.

At Rankin, Thomas Gough, a Monon brakeman, went to sleep in the shade of his train on a side track. The train started up, crushing one arm and the hand of the other.

Jasper Vanduine, of Huntington, has received a notice from White Caps, threatening injury unless he left town. He has procured a repeating rifle and shotgun and bids defiance.

Abner Cox, a prominent farmer, jumped from a freight train on the Grand Trunk road, near Union Mills, and was instantly killed. Cox boarded the train at Stillwell, and was on his way home.

J. T. Graden, a prominent young business man, died at his home in Wabash, of cerebral hemorrhage. He leaves a wife and child. Mr. Graden was 39 years old. He was born in Ohio.

Mary Lomax, No. 512 West Twelfth street, Austin, Tex., is anxious to hear from her sister, Susan Gibson, who was raised by Ephraim Kelly, colored, in Southern Indiana twenty-five or thirty years ago.

Mamie, the 7-year-old daughter of Matthew Hootger, a clothing merchant of Elkhart, was drowned in Simonton lake, four miles from the city. She and another young girl were on the lake in a boat, and when the Hootger girl attempted to turn the boat around, she fell overboard. The body has not been recovered.

At Lakeville Peter Hathaway returned home drunk, and compelled his wife to get up from her sick bed and cook supper for himself and a boon companion. She did so and shortly afterwards fell dead.

At North Webster, Bert Kiser was riding a two-wheeled spring-tooth harrow, when an obstruction was met, and he was jerked forward, his body falling between the frame-work and wheel. The unfortunate man's neck was broken, and his body was wrapped around the axle when found.

A fine, large barn, belonging to George Tedrow, six miles south of Martinsville, burned with its entire contents of hay, grain, farming implements, etc. His horses happened to be out on pasture. His residence caught fire from the flames and was, with difficulty, saved from destruction. Loss, \$2,000; no insurance.

Mrs. D. L. Bouslog, aged 35 years, was killed at her home, six miles east of Middletown. She had gone to the barn lot, with her two small children, to milk the cows. She had just begun the milking when the cow kicked her, striking her under the chin, with sufficient force to break her neck, and she died in the presence of her two little children before older persons could be summoned.

—Egbert Lee, assistant agent of the Lake Erie road at Frankfort, met with a horrible death. In boarding a west-bound passenger train to ride down in the yards, his hold on the railing loosened, and he was thrown under the train. The wheels of the hind car passed over his head and shoulders, severing the head from the body. Mr. Lee was a member of the class of '89 of Frankfort High-school, and a model young man.

—A. C. Staley, president of the Satyale woolen-mills, of South Bend, was by a mistake of a druggist, given morphine instead of quinine for a billious complaint, with probably fatal results. Mr. Staley took the dose on retiring at night, but the mistake was not discovered until next morning, when his wife attempted to arouse him. Physicians have constantly worked with him since then, but have not been able to arouse him from the stupor produced by the fatal drug. Mr. Staley has always been identified with public interests, and was a man of advanced years.

—County Treasurer-elect Osterman took charge of his office on Wednesday, and required a cash settlement with Treasurer Loftin. When the latter took the office two years ago he accepted about \$100,000 in paper from his predecessor, and Loftin has lost heavily, owing to his inability to collect the notes. One of the notes was on John E. Sullivan, the defaulting County Clerk, for \$15,000, and this has proven an entire loss. After being in the office two years, and paying out everything he has made to make up the bad paper received from his predecessor, Loftin had to borrow \$24,000 in order to settle with the strikers.

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## THE STRIKE IS STILL ON.

### LONDON WORKMEN HAVE NOT RETURNED TO WORK.

Both Sides Quiet, Though Some Discontent Is Manifested by the Workmen-Raising Funds for the Strikers—Coal Increasing in Price.

A London dispatch says: The great strike remains unchanged, neither side having made a move to-day. There are signs of discontent, however, among the agitators, and it is asserted that a small committee has been appointed to consider the advisability of abandoning the strike. There is also trouble over the relief funds, the stevedores complaining that they are not receiving their proper share, but the men are generally standing firm and there is nothing like disaffection in their ranks. Ten thousand tailors joined the strikers this morning.

Information has been received by the police and by Home Secretary Matthews that Burns to-day urged the strikers to proceed to the docks and expel the men working there. Eight hundred strikers visited the Albert docks this afternoon and compelled the laborers there to quit work. Men at work on vessels in the Medway were also forced to quit. The government is now employing convicts to unload vessels in the Medway.

The dock companies express themselves as better satisfied with the aspect of affairs. They have an increased number of men at work. The officials state that plenty of labor would be obtainable if the strikers' picket system were abolished. A deputation of ship-owners, representing eighty of the leading houses in the metropolitan district, waited upon the officials of the dock companies to day and urged upon them to give the shippers power to make their own arrangements with the men for the discharge and loading of vessels. Mr. Norwood, chairman of the joint docks committee, appealed to the shippers not to press their request, as to grant it would be impossible without conceding the points which the companies are fighting against. At a meeting of wharfingers a resolution was adopted advising the strikers to accept the dock companies' offer.

Mr. T. P. O'Connor's paper, the Star, has collected £2,500 for the strikers' fund. A dispatch to the Star from Melbourne, Australia, says that at a meeting there the sum of £1,500 was collected on behalf of the strikers.

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## ELECTRICITY WILL KILL.

A New York Man Struck by an Alternating Current.

A New York dispatch says: Darwin A. Henry, aged 28, son of Charles V. Henry, superintendent of the Standard Underground Cable company of Pittsburg, and himself superintendent of construction for the East River Electric Light company, was instantly killed to-day by electricity in the company's factory. Mr. Henry was standing on a step ladder arranging some wire on a switchboard at the time. It is believed he missed his footing while on the ladder and caught hold of the wires while trying to steady himself. It is said the shock was from an alternating current of 1,000 volts. The e-h on his right hand and fingers was burned to the bone. His left hand was slightly scorched, and on his left elbow there was the imprint of a wire. Efforts were made by physicians to resuscitate him in vain.

## A MONTANA CAMP BURNED.

Barker Nearly Destroyed—Several Lives Thought to Have Been Lost.

Great Falls (M. T.) dispatch: The mining camp of Barker was almost destroyed by fire yesterday. The fire started in a miner's camp, three doors below Zeigler's house, and swept from there up the valley, burning all the eastern portion of the camp. It is supposed that Ellis, his wife, and four children all lost their lives. There are also three men missing. Mr. Heibley lost seventy tons of hay, farm tools, and everything but his household goods.

Barker is the business center of the entire Barker district and is about sixty-five miles southeast of Great Falls. The mineral deposits are on both the east and west sides of the camp, the burned portion being on the east side of the creek, where most of the business was done. The place will be at once rebuilt.

## CENSUS EMPLOYEES.

Robert Porter, Superintendent of the Census Bureau, Makes Appointments.

Robert Porter, superintendent of the census bureau, has appointed Dr. Charles A. Ashburner and John H. Jones special agents to collect statistics of coal for the eleventh census. Ashburner was formerly in charge of the geological survey in Pennsylvania. Jones was the statistician for the Pennsylvania railroad company.

James H. Blodgett, Rockford, Ill., has been appointed special agent to collect the educational statistics.

James M. Swank of Philadelphia has been appointed special agent to collect statistics of the iron and steel trade, and Joseph D. Weeks of Pittsburg has been appointed special agent to collect statistics of petroleum, coke, natural gas, and glass.

Burned to Death for His Crime. Lexington (Ky.) dispatch: The 12-year-old daughter of William Oates, a wealthy farmer of Wayne county, Kentucky, was assaulted Saturday by a negro servant. As soon as the crime was made known a posse was organized and a search began for the negro. He was found and identified and after some delay was placed in a trench. Dry rails were placed on him. After being saturated with coal oil the rails were set on fire. The fiend was burned to a crisp.

## WHAT BASE-BALL COSTS.

### RECEIPTS OF THE LEAGUE AND AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

The Race for the Various Pennants—What the Clubs of the League Are Doing on the Season's Home-Stretch—Diamond Dust.

[CHICAGO CORRESPONDENCE]

The race for the League championship grows in interest as the season draws to a close. New York and Boston are still running neck and neck, and no one can safely predict which will come out ahead. Chicago has shown a marked improvement in play during the past two weeks, and threatens to displace Philadelphia from third position, if, indeed, as "Old Anse" boasts she does not give Boston and New York a tight rub for first place. The Philadelphias are in hard lines. They haven't a man to place in the box in whom they can put any feeling of security, and the rest of the team is not doing the sort of work that permits of loose pitching. The poor "Babes" are having a serious run of bad luck, losing most of their games by only one run. They couldn't come down the list any faster on a greased pole. Cleveland crowds are souring on them and seem not to care whether they hold fifth place or the last. The Pittsburghs are close behind and are out for all they can get. Hanlon's management was all that was needed to put the Jonahs on their feet. The Indianapolis people continue to break out quite regularly and grab off a game here and there. The Washingtons, too, give an occasional black eye, but none of their scrap seem to return them any benefit and they are as heavily anchored at the bottom of the list as ever. The Western clubs have of late been showing the best work and some radical changes in the league standing may be very properly watched.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

The following tables show the standing of the clubs to date:

NATIONAL LEAGUE.				
	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Per cent.
Boston.....	98	63	35	.642
New Yorks.....	100	62	38	.620
Philadelphias.....	101	53	48	.524
Chicago.....	100	55	51	.518
Cleveland.....	99	50	54	.480
Pittsburgh.....	107	48	59	.448
Indianapolis.....	106	45	61	.424
Washingtons.....	98	34	64	.346

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.				
	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Per cent.
Brooklyn.....	107	71	36	.663
St. Louis.....	108	71	37	.657
Baltimore.....	104	60	44	.576
Athletics.....	104	60	44	.576
Cincinnati.....	109	58	51	.532
Kansas City.....	107	43	64	.401
Columbus.....	111	43	68	.387
Louisville.....	108	23	85	.212

WESTERN ASSOCIATION.				
	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Per cent.
Omahas.....	97	69	28	.711
St. Pauls.....	100	62	38	.620
Minneapolis.....	95	49	49	.500
Sioux Citys.....	99	49	50	.494
Denver.....	99	45	54	.454
S. J. Josephs.....	93	40	53	.430
Milwaukee.....	97	41	56	.422
Des Moines.....	95	34	61	.357

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