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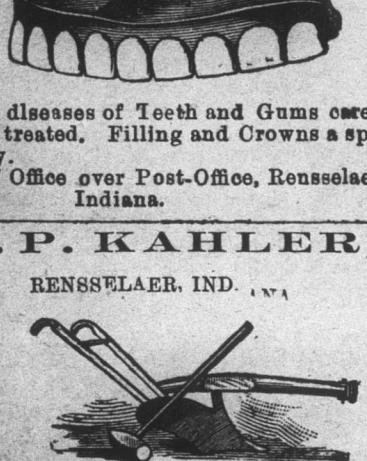
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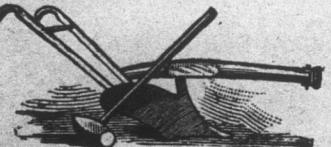
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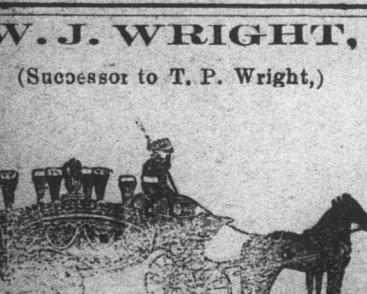
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**WHEN THE WIFE IS GONE AWAY.**

When the wife has gone away, they tell me that I seem like some one that's a-walkin' an' a-talkin' in a dream, I move so quiet roun' the house, an' speak so soft an' low, Or sit there by the winder, where her sweet geraniums grow— Or take the willer rocker beside the old fireplace, An' stare above the mantel, where I see her pictur' face, For hours and hours together! I'm "strange," the neighbors say, An' they don't know how to take me, when the wife has gone away! The mokin' bird keeps singin' in the old mulberry tree, An' from the little garden all the roses nod to me. The mornin' sky is just as bright—ain't anythin' to be done, It's so my heart ain't beatin' right, jest me that isn't the same! You see, when folks have lived so long together, that sometimes brought 'em gladness an' sometimes sighs and tears. They kinder feel like they was one, an' hard it is to part; An' they time each other's absence by the beatin' of the heart. An' so, I'm always lonesome when the wife is gone away; It seems just like it's winter roun' the roses of the May, An' there ain't no joy in livin', an' there ain't no peace or rest, Till once more we're united, an' I foll her to my breast. —Utter Globe.

**LIVE TOPICS OF TO-DAY.**

The French National Library has 72,000 books on the French revolution.

A Liverpool glass manufacturer has a chimney at his factory 150 feet high built entirely of glass bricks.

From Bologna and Berne, as well as from fictitious universities in the United States, fraudulent medical degrees are being issued.

Capt. Slocum of Boston, with his three-ton sloop Spray, has reached Newcastle, New South Wales, on his solitary sail around the world.

Food is served in one of the London restaurants on electrically heated plates so that the guests can eat leisurely and still have the viands continue warm until the close of the meal.

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A Colorado genius claims that he has found a way to telegraph without wires from one mountain top to another in an east and west direction, using atmospheric strata which are already electrified as his conductor. The apparatus employed has not been publicly described, but the inventor is said to be experimenting in Colorado and Utah, and says he has transmitted messages by his method over a distance of eighty miles.

The case of Mr. Newcomb and others whose hands have been damaged by continuous exposure to "X" rays recalls that the World has several times suggested the intimate connection between these rays and heat. If accepted theories are correct the only difference is one of vibration, and further experiment will probably show that X rays in excess have to a limited extent the same disorganizing effect on animal tissue that is produced by excessive heat—New York World.

The most highly paid ruler is the Emperor of Russia, who receives, says the Golden Penny, the nice little salary of £2,000,000 per annum. The Sultan of Turkey gets £1,400,000 a year; the Emperor of Austria manages with £912,500, while Emperor William only receives £730,000 a year. Lower still is the King of Italy with £585,000, while Queen Victoria has exactly the same income, which is unfair, seeing how much greater her empires. The President of the French Republic gets £438,000, but the King of the Belgians can only boast of £120,000.

**PHILADELPHIA POINTS.**

Jerry Simpson takes no interest in the recent invention by a Chicago woman of a machine for darning stockings.—Telegraph.

The Supreme Court has decided that witnesses must testify, but it has not announced the way to make them talk.—Public Ledger.

Poet Laureate Austin may also have taken that plunge into the Tweed for inspiration, in which event some more watery verse will undoubtedly eventuate.—Call.

Half a century ago glass was unknown to the tables of royalty, and half a century hence it won't be known anywhere else, if the glass trust shall have its way.—Record.

Li Hung is again out of favor and any moment may see his wardrobe unsettled. What's the matter with giving the old statesman a bureau of some kind and be done with it?—Times.

Prince Louis of Savoy says Boston is the finest American city. That's all right. He had to say something when they asked him what he thought of the town, and that was the first thing that came into his mind.—Press.

Governor Matthews is right in urging the passage of a compulsory education law. The perpetuity of free government depend upon the intelligence as well as the honesty of the people, and the logic of a compulsory tax to support public schools is the logic of compulsion sufficient to make intelligent citizens.—Richmond Item (I.P.)

In retiring from the office of governor the Hon. Claude Matthews may do so with the consciousness of having served the state of Indiana wisely and well. It is needless to refer to his acts of intelligence and courage in the discharge of official duty. They are numerous and known and ap-

preciated far beyond the confines of this state. He has been a strong, broad minded, fearless executive, and he will be remembered as one of the best and most conscientious governors that ever served the people of Indiana.—The democratic party missed the opportunity of its life when it overlooked the statesmanship of Claude Matthews and nominated the eloquence of William J. Bryan.—Ft. Wayne News (ind.).

The trusts are largely represented at Washington dictating a large increase in tariff rates. High duties is what trust's best grow and thrive upon. Consumers are conspicuous by their absence.

Healy's Christmas shoes are the great attraction.

One of the largest London hotels has 9,742 locks and keys.

The horse has a greater variety of gaits than any other quadruped.

Judge Healy's is the place for shoes—Gents', Ladies' and Children's. Don't forget it.

The Queen has sixty pianos at Osborne, Windsor and Buckingham palace.

The patent leather dancing shoes take the cake. Judge Healy has them in stock.

City Engineer Bostwick has located in rooms up-stairs in the Forsythe building.

Bob Johnson will furnish you the Daily Indianapolis Sentinel at 50 cents per month.

Senator Turpie has been appointed a member of the reception committee at the inauguration of Major McKinley.

A man residing ten miles from Topeka, Kansas, lives in a house made entirely of baled hay, except the roof which is canvas.

If you newspaper men wo'd call on me often," said the President, the other day, to a correspondent, "you wouldn't make so many mistakes."

There lies in the port of Darien, Georgia, 29,000,000 feet of timber and 22,000,000 feet of sawn lumber, most of which will be shipped to foreign ports.

Wm. Jennings Bryan has commenced suit against the city of Lincoln to prevent the issue of gold bonds for public improvement. The case will be heard by the supreme court.

Judge Healy will hereafter keep on hand a select stock of ready made boots and shoes, and will also continue to manufacture to order work entrusted to him.

Such is the well-deserved tribute paid to Governor Matthews by the Indianapolis News, the ablest republican paper in Indiana.

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Ad. Robinson, of Kansas, and  
Frank Robinson, of North Dakota,  
are circulating among friends in Rensselaer:

A new platform, composed of  
crushed stone, is being put in at  
the depot.

**Ira W. Yeoman and Jasper Guy,**  
Remington attorneys, are transacting  
business in the Circuit Court, to-day.

Lewis Davison is erecting a  
commodious, substantial and hand-  
some residence on his newly pur-  
chased lots in Rensselaer.

Gran Warner is invoicing a  
stock of hardware for Paxton  
Bros., Albany, Ind.

Joe Kig' has sold the city  
laundry to W. F. Smith.

Mrs. L. A. Bostwick has been  
commissioned a Notary Public for  
Jasper county, Ind., by Governor  
Matthews.

Advertised Letters—Wm. Ho-  
gan, Mr. Clarence Rogal, George  
Rogal, Miss Nettie Williams, Guy  
Williams.

Miss Flora Wharton attended the  
funeral of her cousin, Norie Robin-  
son, Burrows, Ind.

Married at the residence of the  
bride's mother, near McCosbyburg,  
January 1, Eva Lutz and John C.  
Maxwell, Rev. Weston officiating.

The Rensselaer Lecture Club  
has the following popular list en-  
gaged for the dates named:

Jan 19, Rev. Frank Bristol.

Feb. 18, The Tennesseans.

March 25, Dr. Willets.

April 9, Col. Copeland.

On Sabbath last Rev. M. R. Par-  
adis, owing to the continued ill-  
health of himself and wife, re-  
quested the session to join with him  
in an application to Presby-  
tery to dissolve his pastoral rela-  
tions with the First Presbyterian  
Church of Rensselaer, which was  
reluctantly acceded to. Immediately  
after services the matter was pre-  
sented to the congregation, and the  
request granted. Mr. Paridis is  
in his short stay here has accom-  
plished vast work, and it is with  
extreme reluctance that his request  
is granted. Farewell sermon, Sab-  
ath, January 31. He will accept  
a call from the Presbyterian church  
at Hastings, Minn.

Dr. Willets the 25th.

Mrs. Maria Hopkins is visiting  
friends in Lafayette.

Don't miss the Willets lecture  
at the Opera House, the 25th.—  
It's a treat for a city the size of  
Rensselaer.

A fine boy at George Spitzer's  
Thursday morning.

The depot at DeMotte was de-  
stroyed by fire, yesterday noon.

"The Model Wife," a lecture by  
Dr. Willets—well received every-  
where. At Opera House, Jan. 25.

Pres E. Davis and G. O. Stam-  
bel, of Wheatfield, visited Rensselaer,  
Thursday.

The Monon has placed switch  
lights all along its lines.

Everybody that heard him last  
year wants to hear him again. We  
refer to Dr. Willets. At Opera  
House, 25th.

Fairbanks is the first million-  
aire senator from Indiana. Tur-  
pie has the brains and Fairbanks  
the money.

P. H. Smith of Chicago, we un-  
derstand will assume charge of  
the laundry next Monday.

NOTICE TO LECTURE TICKET  
HOLDERS—We have been com-  
pelled to change the next from  
January 19 to January 25th and  
have Willets first, and Dr. Bristol  
in March.

J. H. S. ELLIS.  
B. F. FENDIG.

F. J. Sayler has bought the coal  
and lumber business of the Rob-  
inson Brothers.

Miss Mary Moody has entered  
the Conservatory of Music, Bos-  
ton, Mass.

Mrs. Dr. English and son have  
returned from a two weeks visit  
with friends in Danville, Ill.

The Citizens' Gorget Band will  
give an entertainment Jan. 29th,  
and are making great prepara-  
tions.

870,000 pounds of freight was  
handled at this station in the month  
of December.

**WANTED**