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Wants, For Sale, To Rent, Exchange, Etc.

HOUSE AND LOTS FOR SALE—House and three lots, well out-buildings, fruit of all kinds; on Elm St., Rensselaer; price \$300. Enquire at Democrat office.

PASTURE FOR HORSES AND CATTLE—We will have plenty of pasture to accommodate those wishing pasture for cattle or horses, at the old Cleveland farm in Milroy township, 7 miles southeast of Rensselaer and 2 miles south of Crockett graveyard; plenty of good water. T. M. HIBLER.

BARRED PLYMOUTH ROCK EGGS—Hillside Egg and Poultry Farm: Barred Plymouth Rock Eggs for setting, \$1 for 15. Mrs. ALICE PERKINS, Box 88, Fowler, Ind.

LEGHORNS AND LANGSHANS—Pure bred Brown Leghorn and Black Langshan eggs for setting, price \$1.00 for 15. Strawberry plants of the finest quality, 75 cts. per 100. Call at "Cottage Grove Fruit Farm," or address R. P. BENJAMIN, Rensselaer.

FENCE POSTS AND OAK LUMBER—Five hundred cedar hedge posts, at 8 cents each; 1000 oak posts, 5 cents. Leave orders for hardwood lumber sawed to order. M.H. will start about April 1st. Address at Rensselaer, Telephone 176. D. H. YOUNG.

FIVE PER CENT MONEY—On well improved farm lands in this and adjoining counties. We can loan on two to ten years time, with privilege of partial payments of \$100 or more at any interest paying time. Money ready as soon as abstract is approved. Least red tape. No publicity. BAUGHMAN & WILLIAMS, Atty. and Loan Agents, Rensselaer, Ind.

THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The city council met in regular session Monday evening.

The city attorney was instructed to prepare a new ordinance in regard to stock running at large within the corporation.

The treasurer's report for the month of April shows the corporation fund overdrawn \$158.57, the electric light fund overdrawn \$502.27, and balances on hand as follows: water fund, \$1057.08; road fund, \$396.03.

The city attorney was instructed to draft an ordinance for a sidewalk from Vine street south along the west side of Jefferson street to the alley at Wm. Day's and also for the improvement of Vine street from Forest to Main.

The clerk was ordered to advertise for coal for the city plant, contract to be let the first meeting in June.

The clerk was ordered to certify to auditor the amount of \$1 each against A. Parkison, Granville Moody, M. E. church and A. Leopold for taps made in sewer, said amounts to be placed on the tax duplicate.

A petition for a sidewalk on Van Rensselaer street from the light plant to Susan street was granted. The cost of the walk will fall on the city and school board.

The fire warden recommended that the fire limits be extended to include blocks 11, 14 and 15, and the city attorney was instructed to prepare an ordinance covering those blocks.

C. B. Steward was reappointed fire warden.

B. H. Dillon was reappointed night watch, with an increase of salary from \$40 to \$45 per month.

The marshal was instructed to have guards placed at each house in which there is smallpox, the guards to prevent the occupants from leaving the house and outsiders from entering.

The following claims were allowed:

ROAD FUND.

Wm. Huffman, burying dog..... 50
John Brown, hauling dirt..... 25
Chris Sack, mowing Weston Park..... 75

CORPORATION FUND.

Fred Phillips, superintendent Makemself..... 24 00
E. R. Hopkins, repairs on ladder trucks..... 75
Burt-Terry-Wilson Co., order book..... 6 00
B. H. Dillon, night watch..... 40 00
F. M. Abbott, marshal..... 45 00

ELECTRIC LIGHT FUND.

C. S. Chamberlain, salary..... 37 50
C. L. Thornton, salary..... 25 00
Lem Huston, salary..... 25 00
Parks Co., Coal Co., coal..... 196 00
J. H. Chapman, freight and express..... 178 04

WATER FUND.

Conrad Hilderbrand, salary..... 25 00
Harve Moore, work on mains..... 3 00
John Hormean, work on mains..... 1 50
Standard Oil Co., waste..... 7 21
Wm. Dilts, work on main..... 3 00
Jas. E. Clow & Sons, pipe..... 23 45
J. H. Chapman, bond and coupons..... 96 00

Notice To People Of Rensselaer.

Notice is hereby given to the people of Rensselaer, Indiana, calling your attention to the provisions of Ordinance No. 2, of said City, which Ordinance defines the duty of City Health Officer, and that the Mayor and City Council will stand by the Health Officer in the discharge of his duties and assist him in enforcing the requirements of said Ordinance. Done by order of City Council, this 9th day of May, 1903.

Attest, CHAS. MORAN,
City Clerk.

ABOUT THE COURT HOUSE.

Items of Interest Gathered in the Offices and Corridors of the County Capitol.

Marriage licenses issued: May 9, Blanchard Elmore to Ina May Denham.

May 12, Frank E. Lewis to Queen E. Ingle.

New suits filed: No 6500. S. C. Curtis Sons & Co. vs. Jay J. Jones as guardian of Cyrus V. Jones.

The town of Kentland quarantined against the court officers and attorneys here, and Judge Hanley appointed Frank Compton of Kentland special judge to look after the business of the Newton circuit court this term. All cases from this county were continued, and will go over to the October term, we understand.

Judge Howard's decision in the Thompson tax case set down on this thing of going back and making re-assessments of personal property for taxation, and we are informed that the decision will result in some of the victims of this hold-up scheme filing claims for the amounts paid into the county treasury under this so-called tax-farret investigation.

"Honest Abe" will have his hands full at his June session. John W. Alkire, (Remington) Isaac Stephenson, (Parr) and August Rosenbaum and Henry Hildebrand, (Rensselaer) have each made application for saloon license and it is understood that remonstrances will be filed against each one. The hearing in these cases will tax Abe's time for at least a couple of days, no doubt.

Following is a report of the balance of the proceedings of "Honest Abe's" court for the May term:

All the old bridge petitions continued except No. 977, in Carpenter tp, for which order was made for bids for letting on 1st day next term, and John W. Fain was appointed engineer to prepare plans and specifications for removal of the old Grooms bridge and re-erection of same at point in Marion tp, south of A. Padgett's, southeast of Rensselaer.

Following are the more important doings of the circuit court during the closing days of the April term, not previously reported:

Jesse J. Frey of Rose Lawn, was admitted to the Jasper County Bar.

Charles H. Schatzley vs. Albert A. Knour et al; judgment for plaintiff in sum of \$4,441.95; real estate ordered sold.

Julius Spencer vs. Seth B. Moffitt; judgment for plaintiff in sum of \$246.08.

Lucius Strong was appointed commissioner to sell the real estate of Ella C. and Rossa B. Culp.

Judson J. Hunt vs. Isaac Saidel et ux; judgment for plaintiff in sum of \$596.22 and costs; U. M. Baughman appointed receiver to take charge of rents and profits of real estate owned by defendants.

Ella Mason was given temporary charge of her child, pending suit for divorce.

In the Forsythe tax case the Court took the matter under advisement and will render his decision at next term.

Maude and Mildred Klouse were adopted by Thomas Wallace as heirs at law, and their names changed to Wallace.

In the case of Anna Putt vs. Fred D. Gilman, administrator of the estate of Richard M. Putt, for wages as housekeeper of decedent, the court gave her judgment for \$440. She had sued for about \$800.

Connecticut Mutual Life Insur. Co. vs. Sherman Naugle et ux; judgment for plaintiff in sum of \$1,091.99; real estate ordered sold.

A Startling Test. To have a life, Dr. T. G. Merritt, of No. Mehoopany, Pa., made a startling test resulting in a wonderful cure. He writes, "a patient was attacked with violent hemorrhages, caused by ulceration of the stomach. I had often found Electric Bitters excellent for acute stomach and liver troubles so I prescribed them. The patient gained from the first, and has not had an attack in 14 months." Electric Bitters are positively guaranteed for Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Constipation and Kidney troubles. Try them. Only 50c at A. F. Long's.

ONE DOLLAR AND COSTS.

The corn stealing case against John Iselman, from Hanging Grove, was tried in the circuit court Friday afternoon and Saturday. While the evidence was somewhat conflicting the jury agreed on a verdict of guilty after several hours deliberation and fixed his punishment at \$1 fine. Here is another travesty on justice. If the man was guilty at all he should have been given a much heavier punishment; if innocent he should have been acquitted. But, as one juror told us, some of the jury said if the punishment for stealing \$8,000 worth of cattle was only \$25, a man who stole only \$10 worth of corn ought to go free. This is poor reasoning, however. Because one jury failed in its duty ought not to cause another jury to do the same.

The trial brought out a large number of Hanging Grove people, and a great deal of petty thievry that has been going on for some time in that locality is now laid at Iselman's door. Randle himself had missed corn and oats heretofore. This particular corn alleged to have been stolen, was found in Iselman's hay-mow, and one witness swore that he saw the latter driving away from the direction of the Randle crib on the night it was stolen. On the other hand his family swore that he had not left home on this particular night, and that the corn found was seed corn he had placed there for safe-keeping.

COURT HOUSE CASE APPEALED.

Monticello Journal Court Note:

In the case of State ex rel Elmer R. Bingham vs Board of Commissioners of Newton county; plaintiff, by its attorneys, files separate demurrers to each of the four paragraphs of defendant's answer. Demurrers sustained by court to which ruling defendant excepts and refuses to plead further and stands upon said answer. Adjudged by court that a peremptory writ of mandate issue to the defendant, the Board of Commissioners of the county of Newton, commanding said Board to proceed to let contract for and cause a court house to be constructed at the town of Goodland, Ind., without delay. Defendant prays an appeal to the supreme court, which is granted, and files a bond in the sum of \$500. There were originally three suits filed against the Newton county commissioners but the other two were dismissed at the last term of court.

CURE FOR SMALLPOX.

A subscriber requests the publication of the following: "I am willing to risk my reputation as a public man," wrote Edward Hines to the Liverpool Mercury, "if the worst case of smallpox cannot be cured in three days, simply by the use of cream of tartar. One ounce of cream of tartar dissolved at intervals when cold is a certain, never-failing remedy. It has cured thousands, never leaves a mark, never causes blindness and avoids tedious lingering."—Canton Saturday Roller.

USE ROYAL POULTRY MIXTURE.

It beats all; the greatest egg producer on earth. A guaranteed cure for Cholera, Roup, and Gaps. THE ROYAL LICE KILLER, the world's greatest medicated stock food. Sold under an absolute guarantee of satisfaction or money refunded.

Agents wanted. Call on or address, B. E. CASTER GEN. AGT. for Jasper and Newton counties, Gifford, Ind.

Don't Forget the New Lumber Yard Where you can get all kinds of Lumber, Lime, Hair, Brick, Cement and Plaster; also the celebrated alabastcent Wall Plaster. I solicit a share of your trade at my old stand.

Respectfully, HIRAM DAY.

A Sure Thing.

It is said that nothing is sure except death and taxes, but that is not altogether true. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is a sure cure for all lung and throat troubles. Thousands can testify to that. Mrs. C. B. VanMetre of Shepherdstown, W. Va., says "I had a severe case of bronchitis and for a year tried everything I had, but got no relief. One bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery then cured me absolutely. It's infallible for Croup, Whooping Cough, Grip, Pneumonia and Consumption. Try it. It's guaranteed by A. F. Long, druggist.

DEATH OF CHAS. BORNTRAGER.

Charles Borntrager, a well known and respected German farmer residing 5½ miles southeast of town, died suddenly yesterday morning at 8 o'clock, of what the doctors call cancer of the stomach, aged about 70 years. Mr. Borntrager had been complaining of his stomach troubling him for some time, but was not considered at all in a dangerous condition. He was in Rensselaer with his wife Wednesday. Deceased had resided in this county for 40 years. He leaves four sons, Joseph, George, John and Frank, all of this county, and two daughters, Lizzie and Anna, now at Columbia, South Carolina. At this time no arrangements have been made for the funeral but it will probably not be held until Monday in order that the daughters may reach home from South Carolina.

NEW G. A. R. OFFICERS.

At the G. A. R. state encampment this week, Major George W. Grubbs of Martinsville, was elected Commander; Jerry J. Musser of Anderson, Senior Vice Commander; and E. E. Georgia of Muncie, Junior Vice Commander. The ladies of the G. A. R. elected Margaret Blose of Richmond, President; Lillie Reeves of Indianapolis, Senior Vice President; and Laura Hanes of Indianapolis, Junior Vice President. Mrs. Carrie Porter of Rensselaer, was elected Counselor. The place for holding the next annual encampment will be decided later.

NO OCCASION FOR ALARM.

Don't get excited over the "small-pox scare." Just stop and realize for a moment that you go to Chicago, Indianapolis and other large cities, that always have the disease, and in a malignant form, too, and you think nothing of it, and don't stay away because of this or pay any attention to it at all. The few cases in Rensselaer are not as bad as the mumps, but some people here appear to take offense if anyone speaks disparagingly of the severity of the disease—they want it understood that Rensselaer "has it" and therefore it's the best there is going.

"Nothing's too good for Rensselaer," seems to be their motto in this small-pox scare.

As a matter of fact it has been advertised and talked about too much, and many people, especially country people, have got scared. The Democrat believes in vaccination, even when there is no small-pox in sight, but it doesn't believe there is any danger in citizens and country people going along about their every day business just the same as is done in the larger cities, and letting the health officers take care of the small-pox.

CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

Irwin & Irwin are making loans on farm or city property at a low rate of interest and commission and on more liberal terms than can be obtained elsewhere in Jasper County.

BLACKSMITH NOTICE.

Having purchased the old Glazebrook blacksmith shop and business on Front street we wish to announce to the public that we have secured competent blacksmiths to have charge of same, among whom is Abe Wartena, and we will be prepared to execute all work entrusted to us promptly and in a workmanlike manner. Horseshoeing, plow work, wood work and repairing a specialty. Give us a call.

WAYMIRE & KING.

NEW STORE AT GIFFORD.

John Kimble has again engaged in the general merchandise business at Gifford, having put in an entire new stock of groceries, dry goods, notions, etc., and will sell the same at the lowest possible prices for cash; will do a strictly cash business and will make it to your advantage to trade with him. Produce taken at highest market prices in exchange for goods. Motto: "Full Weight, Honest Measure and Lowest Prices."

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

May 10, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rhodes, a son.

May 11, to Mr. and Mrs. George Sharp, a son.

THE SMALL-POX SITUATION.

There are a few cases of varioloid, or small-pox in mild form in Rensselaer, but there is no occasion for any great alarm. All the cases have been quarantined and the necessary steps taken to prevent its spread. Dr. Hurty of Indianapolis, secretary of the state board of health, was here Thursday and inspected some of the cases. He pronounced it small-pox in a mild form, and in a talk given at the court house at 1 p. m., said that the proper thing to do was to require everyone to be vaccinated; that vaccination was a sure and only preventive, and so long as we had unvaccinated people in our city or community there would be small-pox.

He said that it was foolish for the farmers to stay away from town on account of small-pox, for if they were unvaccinated and kept out of town to avoid the disease, it would go to them.

He also told the county health officer that it was unnecessary to close the schools or churches, we are informed. Dr. Hurty's whole talk was practically "get vaccinated," and regarding length of time it took vaccination to run out he said it varied, but would advise everyone to be vaccinated who had not been in the past three or five years. If the vaccine takes it is evidence that the old vaccination had run out; if it failed to take, the person was immune by reason of the old vaccination. Those who were vaccinated need have no fears whatever, and even after having been exposed immediate vaccination would head it off invariably, because it took two weeks for small-pox to "take" after exposure, while vaccine "takes" in from three to five days.

It was Saturday morning that the doctors got together and diagnosed the cases which had been prevalent here for two weeks or more as small-pox. So mild was the disease that some afflicted with it had never stopped work.

It was thought, however, best to take immediate action to prevent its spread and to stamp it out entirely, and public meetings church services, etc., were ordered not to be held for the present. The disease seems to have been brought here by a telephone man employed by a telephone line and the telephone girls were all taken down with it, Miss Lora Rhodes having the most severe case, and even she has not been very sick only about two days. Owing to the mildness of the disease a great many people were exposed before it was known what it was.

Among the cases now known to be in this county and quarantined (some perhaps, there being a little doubt regarding) are: Mrs. Barney Daywitt and a Marion boy at