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KETMAN DITCH REPORT FILED.

THIS WAS A GOOD YEAR FOR BEES.

Philip Paulus of Newton, Ind., has given "bee culture" considerable attention the past few years, and on a small scale has been very successful in handling them. The past season, from 15 stands, he harvested 1,200 pounds of honey, which he has sold in Rensselaer, Goodland and Brook at 12 1/4 cents per pound, or \$150-\$10 per stand for one season.

This yield is an exception rather than the rule with handlers of bees in this locality, however. The past season has been an exceptionally good summer for the bees to gather honey—a white clover season, as bee growers call it—and it is only about once in four or five years that we get a good growth of white clover with the necessary dry weather to save its honey from being washed off the blossoms.

A wet season is not good for bees, and they will harvest very little honey. During what is called a good honey flow, Mr. Paulus says, a stand of bees will make from 10 to 15 pounds of honey per day, which is certainly "going some."

Mr. Paulus sold a stand of bees last spring to Mrs. Mark Reed, west of town, for \$3.50. Mark didn't think much of bees, and told his wife that she was throwing the \$3.50 away; that the bees would likely die, and that she wouldn't get any honey from them.

From this one stand she has got two new swarms or stands this season and 170 pounds of honey! The honey at present prices would bring her \$21.25 and the two new stands are worth \$7, or \$28.25 profit in about eight months on a \$3.50 investment. And Mark loses the satisfaction of telling his wife "I told you so."

MAD DOG SCARE AT DELPHI.

Two Strangely Acting Animals Killed and Third Escapes.

Delphi, Ind., Nov. 23.—The mad dog scare in this city continues to increase. The dog which bit Meade Titlow and Harry Maxwell, who are now taking treatment at the Chicago Pasteur Institute, was killed and its head sent to the institute where the physicians pronounced it a case of genuine hydrophobia. Three other dogs in the northern part of the city ran several persons to places of safety Saturday. A party of searchers finally killed two of them, but not until a boy named Kently had been bitten. The third dog got away and has not been found. The dogs killed last night acted much in the same manner as the one that bit Titlow and Maxwell. Much uneasiness is felt because one of the dogs got away, as it is feared that other dogs in the city may become affected. Mayor Cochrane has issued orders requiring the muzzling of all dogs, to take effect immediately.

MONEY IN THE "GOOD" KIND.

James Walter Sells Ten Colts, Four Yearlings and Six Spring, for \$1,050.

There is good money in raising the right kind of horses. James Walter is shown by the sale of ten colts last week raised by James Walter of north of town. These colts were all the product of one horse, "Marengo," a Percheron Norman stallion known hereabouts as the Leek & Lane horse.

Mr. Walter has raised 12 colts in the past two seasons from six mares. They are good mares and he got good colts. He had bred to this same horse heretofore but got no results until William Ervin, who is conceded to be the best stable horse manager in this section of the state, was given the management of Marengo, and he attributes much of his success to Mr. Ervin's intelligent management of the sire of these colts.

Marengo was imported from France by C. M. Moots of Normal, Ill., and last week Mr. Moots was over here to buy some of Marengo's colts. He went out to Mr. Walter's and bought six 8-months-old colts and four yearlings and paid him \$1,050 spot cash for the ten.

Mr. Walter still has two yearlings left, which is not doing bad for two seasons from six mares that have done most of his work on the farm during this time, and shows conclusively that it pays to breed to good horses and raise the good kind of colts.

PUBLIC SALES.

The Democrat has printed bills for the following public sales:

Tuesday, Dec. 8, James A. Keister, 8 1/4 miles southwest of Rensselaer. General sale, horses, cattle, hogs and farm implements.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our sincere heartfelt thanks to our friends for their prayers, sympathy and kind remembrance in this our great and deep sorrow.—Mrs. J. W. Williams and Family.

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THE COURT HOUSE

Items Picked Up About the County Capitol.

Attorney Guy of Remington was in the city on business yesterday.

Marriage licenses issued: Nov. 13, James C. Clark of Rensselaer, aged 38, occupation engineer, to Lora Pearl Meyers of Parr, aged 28, occupation milliner. First marriage for each.

The Heilscher ditch in Walker and Wheatfield townships, was ordered constructed by Judge Hanley Saturday. John H. Titlow of Wheatfield was appointed superintendent. W. S. Potter, J. W. Burget and John Knox had filed remonstrances but the court held the remonstrances were filed too late.

The case of Bowers vs. Bowers, or Eppler case, ended Saturday. That is the evidence was all in, but one of the parties asked for a special finding of facts, which we understand now will be withdrawn and the court will be asked to decide the matter in controversy.

The jury came in Monday but was excused until Tuesday, 1 p.m., when the case of Dr. Solt vs. Warren White of Wheatfield, case came up. This is the case where Dr. Solt of Medaryville is suing for professional services, and is likely to be closely contested, probably lasting two or three days.

The case of the State vs. August Rosenbaum, the old "blind tiger" case, was dismissed by the deputy prosecutor Monday, who stated that the prosecuting witness was some place in Michigan and that there was no funds provided for getting her here. The whiskey and beer seized when this raid was made last spring will now be returned to Mr. Rosenbaum. There were nearly two barrels and a case or two of bottled beer and a score of quarts of whiskey in the lot which has been in the sheriff's charge since the raid.

In the Peacock vs. Peacock case, while no entry has been made by the court, it is understood an agreement has been entered into whereby Mr. Peacock will pay the \$7 per week to his wife, ordered paid by the court last March, dating from the filing of her suit for support last January, and \$30 has already been paid the clerk on account thereof.

In consideration of this we understand Mr. Peacock is to be given possession of the small farm at the west side of town, owned jointly by the husband and wife, and the case of indirect contempt of court filed against him is to be dismissed. He is to pay the \$7 per week dating from last January, less the net amount Mrs. Peacock has received as income from the farm.

DIPHTHERIA CASE HERE.

Nine-Year-Old Son of Ed Kirk Has a Mild Attack.

Kersey, the nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kirk, is sick at their home on South Van Rensselaer street with a severe sore throat.

A culture was taken and sent to Indianapolis Monday to determine if there was anything contagious in the ailment, pending the report on which the house was quarantined.

Later: Just as we are about to go to press Dr. Miller received a telegram from Indianapolis stating that the specimen sent contained diphtheria bacilli. Prompt measures will be taken to prevent a spread of the disease. This case had few of the usual diphtheria symptoms, but the attending physicians was not satisfied that it was not diphtheria and sent specimens from the throat of the patient to Indianapolis for analysis, with the above result.

Hugh Kirk, a brother of the sick boy, has been going to school right along but has slept in another part of the house and kept away from the patient. Mrs. Alter, the boy's grandmother, has also kept away from him pending a report on the disease. The boy is getting along nicely and has but little fever.

For Sale.—Two fall bar pigs, Poland Chinas. Sired by L. & W. Perfection, good ones. Prices reasonable.

D. A. BICKEL,
Remington, Ind.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Nov. 19, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Turner, a son.

We will sell you our best Kansas four at \$1.35 per sack.

THE G. E. MURRAY CO.

We are in right on the flour deal. For the next two weeks we will sell our best known flour for \$1.35, and our Sleepy Eye at \$1.40. THE G. E. MURRAY CO.

ANOTHER SIDE TO THE STORY.

The item in Saturday's Democrat, in the Mt. Ayr items copied from between John Bicknell and Frank Beagley over the ownership of a flock of turkeys, Mr. Bicknell thinks does him an injustice. Mr. Bicknell says he had some full blood Bronze turkey hens and a gobbler which they had bought from parties, and had marked them. The hens raised young turkeys this season and they roamed about considerably, as turkeys will.

This particular flock had been away a short time and, missing them, they started out to find them. They were found on Mr. Harris' land and they drove them home, they passing, as we understand, through a field of Beagley's.

The latter came to them later and claimed these turkeys were his. The Bicknell's told him that they were not, and to settle the dispute offered to turn the turkeys out, old and young—the old hens they had bought and had marked, and could therefore identify—and those that went with the old hens were to be theirs and any strange ones, if there were such, was to take about two-thirds of the flock away with him.

Mr. Beagley would not consent to this, they say, nor to any other fair way of settling the dispute, but claimed some of the hens which they had bought and marked as before stated. Finally, in order to settle the matter without going to law about so small a matter, they say, he was allowed to take about two-thirds of the flock away with him.

They still feel that the turkeys were theirs, but did not think they worth going to law over, and preferred to lose them rather than do so. The turkeys in the flock in dispute were all Bronze turkeys, while Mr. Beagley had a white tom, they say, and if the turkeys had been his they would have showned their breeding.

THE COMMON COUNCIL.

The city council met in regular session Monday night with all members present.

Resolutions on the death of Jay W. Williams were adopted.

Resolution passed fixing time of election of successor to J. W. Williams. The time set is Dec. 7.

The sewer committee was instructed to act in the matter of extending sewers to the river.

In the matter of South Van Rensselaer street improvement, resolution adopted.

In the matter of Division and Scott street improvement, resolution adopted.

In the matter of the North Van Rensselaer street improvement, resolution adopted.

The following claims were allowed:

CORPORATION FUND.

W. S. Parks, salary marshal, \$30.00

W. M. Thomas, same nightwatch, 30.00

Chas. Morlan, clerk, 25.00

Geo. A. Williams, city attorney, 50.00

J. C. Gwin & Co., lumber, 20.59

ROAD FUND.

Chester Zea, labor with team, 30.00

W. S. Day, sup't on streets, 18.50

J. L. Gray, same, 27.00

L. Sanders, work on sewer, 3.00

John Hordeman, same, 13.12

Cecil Clouse, work on streets and hauling coal, 10.10

ELECTRIC LIGHT FUND.

Moses Leopold, freight, 146.85

W. S. Chamberlain, sal. and tele, 50.35

Mell Abbott, salary, 30.00

Dave Haste, same, 30.00

Tom Hoyes, work on line, 23.25

Illinois Electric Co., supplies, 94.52

General Electric Co., same, 3.88

Smith, Yester & Co., labor and cement, 16.50

Ehrnsaum Coal Co., coal, 68.92

WATER FUND.

Moses Leopold, freight and water pipe, 123.71

Cor. fund, water hose sold, 25.00

Ed. Hopkins, salary, 30.00

Jas. B. Clow & Sons, sup., 66.71

John Hordeman, wk, main ex, 14.00

Geo. Platt, same, 2.70

Lem Huston, same, 9.45

Ed. Randle, same, 11.50

Roy Thomas, same, 7.50

Ernest Cochrel, same, 8.40

Wilcox, same, 6.40

W. Richmond, same, 7.20

Richmond, same, 5.40

Jim Russell, same, 5.60

Stoney Smith, same, 4.80

Albert Timmons, same, 2.70

W. T. McLone, same, 4.35

Fred Kilgore, same, 1.60

NO. CULLEN ST. FUND.

Moses Leopold, bond paid, 50.60

CULLEN AND FORE. ST. FUND.

Moses Leopold, bond and int., 385.50

ESTRAYED OR STOLEN.

Extrayed, or taken from my place near Surrey, Nov. 12, one roan mare pony, one sorrel colt wearing halter. Both are whitefaced. A reward for any information as to their whereabouts. C. L. PARKS, R.R.3.

Rensselaer, Ind.

BONDING COMPANY GUILTY, ALL RIGHT.

Evansville, Ind., Nov. 24.—A fight waged for several months by Vanderburgh county to recover the shortage of money of ex-County Treasurer John P. Walker from two bonding companies came to an end in the Gibson county circuit court at Princeton, Ind., when Special Judge Frank Hatfield awarded the county \$68,912.66 on Walker's first term shortage of \$54,152, and decided that the shortage for the second term was \$9,648. Walker was acquitted of embezzlement.

HE PAID AN OLD GRUDGE.

Richmond, Ind., Nov. 24.—Sheriff Meredith went to Greensfork and placed Robert Gambler, age thirty-five years, under arrest on the charge of assault and battery on William Baldwin, of Webster, seventy-five years old, a former well-known educator of Wayne county. Baldwin punished Gambler when the latter was a school

LAID AGAIN

GHOST OF MRS. GUNNESS WALKS NO MORE

AT TRIAL OF RAY LAMPHERE.

Evidence Nearly All In and How the Case for the Defense Stands—Hoosier State Items.

La Porte, Ind., Nov. 24.—The trial of Ray Lamphere, for the murder of Mrs. Belle Gunness and her three children is drawing to a close. The defense has most of its testimony before the jury, but one important witness will be heard this afternoon—Dr. Walter S. Haines, who found strychnine in the stomach of the bodies supposed to be those of Mrs. Gunness and her three children. When the defense resumed its testimony Mrs. Robert Gaecle, the first witness, said that a big, covered automobile passed her house at 3:30 o'clock the morning of the fire, which started about that time. Mrs. Rachel Lyons testified to having seen the Gunness fire at 3 o'clock, corroborating the testimony of Mr. and Mrs. Wright.

LETTERS ARE OF NO VALUE.

After finding that no person of the name signed