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Two policemen and a soldier exchanged 30 shots at Kansas City without hurting anybody. Is western marksmanship a myth?

Now the summer girl checks up her accounts, striving to strike a balance between her damaged complexion and her conquered young man.

Oysters are reported to be unusually fat this year. Evidently their feeding grounds were not much damaged owing to the drought.

A professional swindler of lawyers has been caught and not a single one of the profession has volunteered to build him a case of craziness.

In Denver a divorced woman millionaire married a detective set upon her track by her former husband. Detective work is full of hazards.

Chicago may have a fourteen-story school building. Perhaps it will be superfluous to add that the intention is to make it a high school.

A hotel for the accommodation of chorus girls only is to be built in New York. It is perhaps but fair to suspect that Pittsburgh capital is behind it.

There is in Ohio a man who has written 21,000 words on a postcard. Now let him round out his useful career by trying to swim the English channel.

A Wisconsin man has by fasting cured himself of appendicitis. It is not likely that this treatment will be generally recommended by the doctors.

Harrison explains that he is trying to save the railroads. The trouble, as a great many people understand it, is that he is trying to save them for Harrison.

A woman of 108 attributes her long age to the fact that she never has worn corsets. Most members of her sex will consider a corsetless life a waste of time.

A treasury official says there is only one bad dollar in every 150,000 in circulation. And generally it lands in the pocket of a man who hasn't the other 149,999.

Somebody has made the interesting discovery that blonde criminals outnumber the brunettes who go wrong. It may be, however, that the brunettes who bleach are counted as blondes.

"The touch of a friend," remarks a Missouri contemporary, "may hurt more than the cut of an enemy." No doubt about it. Especially if the friends forgets the amount he touched you for.

Within a month after the proclamation of the new constitution, two hundred and sixty-five newspapers were established in Turkey. Now the experiment in free government will not lack editors ready to tell how it should be carried on.

Idle and inconsiderate persons take pleasure in putting freak addresses on letters, to test the ingenuity of the clerks in deciphering puzzles. The British postmaster-general has very properly given orders that government employees must not hereafter waste their time, which is public money, in trying to decipher intentional cryptograms.

A third of our total population is urban; the rest is more or less rural. What the country dwellers need to make them happy, says Harper's Weekly, are religion, education and material prosperity. The farms cannot employ as many laborers per acre as they did before the coming of agricultural machinery. Therefore they must either raise fewer children or export some of their population to the cities.

"HOOSIERISMS"

Little Items of Interest All Over the Length and Breadth of Indiana.

Some Evidence of "Ginger."

Cecil Marshall, 16, was stabbed by Ralph McKay, 8, while in a political argument at Shelbyville.

Freeman's Little Pick-up.

Freeman Smith, a Hancock county farmer, picked up a \$1,500 pear along Blue River.

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Big Collection of Pumpkins.

An Indianapolis cannery concern has disposed of 600,000 pumpkins this season. This means a pie for every man, woman and child in Indiana and Illinois.

Fell Dead in School.

Lydia Kramer, an Evansville school girl, over-exerted herself at play and fell dead in school. He claimed to have spanked the late President Benjamin Harrison when the latter was a boy.

Good Roads in Tipton.

Of the 112 gravel roads which have been under way in Tipton county the past year, forty-two have been completed.

Coal Trade Looking Up.

The cooler weather, especially in the Northwest, has stimulated the Indiana mining industry, which has been duller than in any October since coal was first mined in Indiana.

Father and Son Killed.

W. S. Cunningham and his 10-year-old son were struck and killed by a train at a crossing near Delphi.

Quite a Change.

Dr. C. S. Mack, coroner of Laporte county, who became known over the country through the Guiness case, has accepted a call to the Swedish Evangelical Church in Toledo.

Spring Violets in Fall.

While Mrs. Cornelius Means, of Shreveville, was raking part of the rear yard at her home she uncovered a number of spring violets which were in full bloom.

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To Push Big Interurban Project.

The directors of the Winona Interurban Railway Company at their annual meeting at Winona Lake subscribed \$300,000 to rush the completion of the Warsaw-Peru division, giving a through service from Benton Harbor, Mich., to Indianapolis and Louisville, Ky.

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Duck Season, But No Ducks.

The duck-eating season is here, but there are no ducks. This is an unusual situation. The drought is responsible for it. Dealers would fain sell ducks, but can not get a duck to sell—not one. Their supply usually comes from the Kankakee marshes and the White River bottoms. But "nary a duck" is seen in these feeding grounds. Not enough water there.

He Spanked a President.

Joshua Parker, aged 95, who served as a pallbearer at the funeral of President William Henry Harrison, died at Rockport last week. He claimed to have spanked the late President Benjamin Harrison when the latter was a boy.

Tippecanoe Shaft Complete.

The last stone of the Tippecanoe battle Field Monument was laid last week. The monument will be completed in detail several days before the date set for its dedication, Nov. 7, the ninety-seventh anniversary of the battle. The last stone raised was 11 feet 8 inches long and weighed six tons.

Indiana Militia Gets \$41,442.

The War Department has made apportionment among the States of the \$7,000,000 appropriated by the last Congress for the use of the militia. The share of Indiana is \$41,442.08, which is about an average received by other States of the size of Indiana. The enlisted strength of Indiana is stated as 2,121. Of the total appropriation for the Hoosier State, about \$28,881 is for supplies.

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Signs Point to Hard Winter.

C. J. Jeffries, of Morocco, asserts that there is no longer any doubt about the coming winter being a severe one. Recently he chopped down a tree, in a large hollow of which a squirrel had laid up its winter store. He took from the hollow more than a peck of corn and almost a peck of nuts of various kinds. Jeffries, who is an old hunter and a close observer of wild animals, says that squirrels are storing more food this fall than at any time within his recollection. He regards it as a sure sign of a long and extremely cold winter.

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