

THE LOCOMOTIVE.



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Next week the days and nights will be of equal length—the sun setting and rising at 6 o'clock. The long winter evenings will soon be upon us, when a comfortable seat, by a pleasant fire, will be enjoyed by all. These evenings will hang heavy without something to read, and now is the best time in the world to subscribe for a paper—one that you can take to your firesides, and read to your families, for your and their edification and improvement. For this purpose you do not want a wrangling political sheet, that will carry the bitterness of party politics to the very place of all others where it should be excluded, but an agreeable companion, that brings no wrangling news—no murders and outrages—no tales of doubtful morality—no bitter sectarian views, to excite bad feelings and promote angry discussions. If you think the *Locomotive* is a paper of this character, take it—if not, take some other, but take some papers to help you pass pleasantly the long winter evenings. Hundreds of names are now being entered on our books—our steam presses will enable us to add thousands of more names—send them along.

A MONSTER OWNER WANTED.—An article, made of straw, with strong paper wrapper, that measures exactly 30 inches long, 6½ inches wide, and 4 inches thick, was found on the street on Saturday last, and left at this office for the owner. The finder says it was picked up on the north side of Washington street, on the side-walk, just after three fashionably dressed ladies passed—it was not on the walk before they came up, and he supposes perhaps they were the losers. The owner can get it at this office—no charges are made, and no questions will be asked—Until called for it will be retained on exhibition, and perhaps taken to the County Fair, for a premium under the head of "Manufactured articles."

We would again call the attention of the Council and the public to the importance of making three or four good stone crossings on Washington street. The Fall is now here, and we must expect muddy streets, unless good stone walks are made. From this time until Spring our streets will be crowded with strangers, and for the credit of the city walks should be made that Ladies can go over dry shod. The property on Washington street pays the bulk of the city taxes, and the Council has spent little or nothing in improvements on this street, nearly all that has been done up to this time has been at the expense of the property holders. The Council owe this improvement to the whole city, and should at once take the proper steps to have it done.

MARION GUARDS.—A new Military Company has been organized at Lanesville, in Marion County, numbering fifty members, mostly young men. They have been armed and equipped as the law directs, and organized by electing the following officers. Elijah McVey, Captain; L. A. Hardesty, 1st Lieutenant; John Hazly, 2d Lieutenant; and John Whitt, 3d Lieutenant. The Guards intend having a grand social Picnic on the 2d of October, on the farm of Thomas Arskens, six miles east of the city, and one mile north of the National road, to which they invite all their friends.

PREPARE FOR IT.—The State Fair, with its rush of business from strangers, will soon be here, and this rush is anticipated as much in the Printing offices as in any other place. It would be well for all that intend to have cards, or bills, or circulars printed for distribution at the Fair, to prepare them now when you have time, and have them printed when the offices have time, so as to have them ready. This will be the best plan all round. We will state now that we are well prepared with cards of all kinds and colors, papers of all kinds and colors, a full compliment of hands, and three of the best steam Presses in the world, to turn out work as neatly, as cheaply, and on as short notice as any office in the State. We ask all cash paying customers, wanting work, to give us a call.

NEW CARRIER.—On the east side of the city we have a new carrier. We have tried to learn him our selves the route, and believe we have done so. Should any subscriber be missed, we trust he will attribute it to oversight, and call at the office and have it corrected. When our new carrier gets to fully understand the route, he will leave the papers promptly and regularly, and will not leave until he has instructed his successor.

The debt of the city at this time, as shown by the Clerk's Report in another column, is \$32,913.27, in outstanding orders. According to the report of the Finance Committee it is \$44,708.12. If the assessment for this year is \$9,500,000, and the rate of taxation 60 cents on the \$100, it will yield a revenue of \$57,000, if all paid.

TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE.—The Board of County Commissioners, at their session last week, appointed John McMAHAN Township Trustee for Center Township, in place of John Hoegeen, who resigned, in consequence of removing from the Township. This is a good appointment.

Good dry wood is now selling at from \$2.50 to \$2.75 per cord, delivered and corded up.

Next week the County Fair will be held in this city. The officers have presented an inviting list of premiums, to be awarded to all branches of industry, and ask the farmer and artisan to respond by competing for the same. This Fair belongs exclusively to the people of this County, and it devolves on them to make it interesting by their attendance. From indications we have received, we have no doubt this will be as well attended as any previous Fair of Marion County.

Monday and Tuesday will be devoted exclusively to making entries, and all entries for articles to be exhibited must be made on these days.

Wednesday and Thursday will be occupied by the Committees in examining articles and animals on exhibition, and making up their reports. It is desired that every member of the committees as published in the premium list, will be on the ground promptly, and attend to the duties assigned them.

Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock the Mule race will come off. It must be remembered that no person can ride his own mule, or one that he has an interest in, and that the last mule round takes the premium of \$10. If this does not make fun, then we are mistaken. After the mule race the Boys Ponies will be exhibited.

On Friday Morning the National Guards, City Greys, and Marion Dragoons companies, will parade on the ground, in full uniform, with their Bands. After the parade the address will be delivered by Hon. Wm. D. Gallagher, Secretary of the Kentucky State Board of Agriculture. After the Address the list of awards will be read.

The above are only a few of the attractions, but they are sufficient to draw a full attendance.

The price of admission is one dollar for a family ticket, admitting one person and his family (males under age,) during the Fair. Single admissions 25cts. Let there be a full attendance at the Marion County Fair, next week.

We are satisfied there is some person or persons in this city, trying to engage wood to families with the view of swindling either buyers or sellers—that persons are contracting to sell wood that have no wood to sell, expecting to buy it of other parties, pocket the money, and let the wood haulers slip. A circumstance of this kind has come to our observation, and we mention it to put honest buyers and sellers both on their guard.

It is reported that the Ohio State Fair, held at Sandusky City, this week, is nearly a failure, owing to the difficulty to get stock and articles to the Fair over the single railroad to that city, and the fear entertained that accommodations cannot be had. This difficulty will never exist in this State, as persons from any part of the State can come and attend the Fair during the day, and return home by night. Our Fair this year will be larger and better attended than ever before—the weather permitting.

The Ladies' Home Magazine, for October, has been received. This is a \$2.00 Magazine, but is the favorite of our better half, on account of the excellent articles it contains. The October number is fully up to any of its predecessors.

A CLUSTER.—Mr. J. M. W. Langsdale left at our office a cluster of nine tomatoes, growing closely together on one stem, that weigh six pounds and fourteen ounces. The largest in this cluster is larger than the one noticed last week, and will weigh more.

Judge Blackford is laying down a flag stone pavement in front of his new block, on both streets. The three lower rooms are now rented, at \$1,000 each—one as an Express office, the next as a clothing house, and the next for a wholesale grocery store.

REMOVALS.—The Indianapolis Branch Banking Company removes into the room now occupied by the American Express Company, as that company has removed to the Blackford corner. The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund will occupy the old Branch Bank Building.

Graham's Illustrated Magazine, for October, is at hand. It contains five colored fashion plates, besides a number of other illustrations, and a good assortment of interesting literary articles.

Some weeks ago the chills and fever were quite prevalent in some parts of the county, but they yielded readily to the remedies employed. The Doctors now report the city and vicinity quite healthy.

The Council has levied the tax this year, for general purposes, at 60 cents on the \$100—the same as last year. The school tax this year is 15 cents—last year it was 20 cents.

Some person or persons are in the habit of carrying off the daily papers left on our stairs. We notify them to desist—if they don't we will give them an unenviable notoriety.

Robert Duckworth, charged with robbing the mail, was committed to jail on Tuesday, in default of \$500 bail. Special Mail Agent Garver is making quite a haul of mail robbers.

On Friday morning there was quite a heavy frost. Whether it will injure the corn to any extent, we are unable at this time to say.

Arrangements have been made with all the railroads leading to this city, to carry freight and passengers to and from the State Fair at half price.

J. & J. Bradshaw are now receiving a large and fresh stock of Groceries, &c., purchased in the Eastern cities within ten days.

COMPOSITOR WANTED.—A good compositor is wanted at this office, on Book-work. Apply immediately.

The fourth year of the N. W. C. University commenced on Wednesday last, under better prospects than any preceding year.

A circus is advertised to exhibit in this city next Wednesday, the first day of the county Fair.

Let all that want fun enter their mules for the \$10 premium at the county Fair, for the mule race.

The Marion Light Dragoons appear on the Fair Ground next Friday morning, in their new uniform, for the first time.

The Indiana Female College will be opened on Monday next.

The Baptist General Association for Indiana meets next week, in this city.

The new Theatre is advertised to be opened next Monday week.

The Campbell Minstrels, a Star Company, perform to-night, at Masonic Hall.

A large and good company of Negro Minstrels perform at Masonic Hall to-night.

Wm. B. Astor, of New York, paid this year \$85,000 city tax.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Council met in regular session at 7½ o'clock on Saturday evening.

By Mr. Vandegrift: a petition from Park & Braden, asking for the erection of a hay and grain scale on Tennessee street, west of the new theatre building.

The position of placing scales on the streets was discussed at some length, and the prayer of the petitioners refused.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

By Mr. Fletcher from the Committee on Finance: a statement of the financial condition of the city on the 1st day of September:

Amount of orders over drawn.....	\$32,913.57
Amount of street script unpaid.....	418.24
Amount owing Winslow, Lamier & Co.	5,318.05
Amount of interest on same.....	415.60
Amount of City Bonds.....	7,000.00
Amount of appropriations on City Hospital, officer's salaries, and all other items unenumerated above, about.....	39,000.00

Total.....	\$75,065.46
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Amount of revenue collected.....	\$22,239.00
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J. D. Skeen's account.....	7,000.00
J. T. Robert's judgement.....	113.09
J. Petty's note.....	12.16

Total.....	\$30,357.34
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Balance.....	\$44,708.12
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Mr. Hadley, from the Committee on Cisterns: in favor of the construction of a cistern at the crossing of Pennsylvania and St. Clair streets. Report rendered in, and the Engineer instructed to locate the cistern in the middle of the street crossing.

REPORT FROM TREASURER.

The Treasurer reports a balance in the Treasury on the 1st of August of..... \$ 134.86

Receipts from all sources made, with the balance above..... 741.40

Amount of orders redeemed in August..... 488.65

Balance September 1st.....	252.75
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CLERKS REPORT.

The Clerk reported the amount of orders overdrawn on the Treasury..... \$32,913.27

Receipts from 31st of March, 1858, to the 1st of September 1858..... 18,793.57

Amount of orders issued from the 1st of March to the 1st of September..... 27,254.92

The Sexton reported 76 interments for August—9 from the country. Cholera infantum was reported as the prevailing disease.

The Chief Engineer asked in his report for several sections of hose for the Marion and Union Companies—100 feet for the Marion Company and 50 for the Union Company, costing about \$170.

The expenditures connected with the Fire Department were discussed at some length, and appropriations asked for by the Engineer refused.

The Street Commissioner made his usual report, which was accepted, and several accounts presented therewith were allowed.

The Civil Engineer reported progress in various street improvements, and the cost of the same: presented the bonds of several contractors, and profiles for streets to be graded; and submitted proposals from contractors for the improvements ordered at the last meeting of the Council. The proposals were given the usual reading.

The Captain of the Watch reported 76 arrests for August. The offences named were intoxication, prostitution, counterfeiting, violations of street ordinances, &c.

By Mr. North: for the construction of a culvert across Washington street at the crossing of Pennsylvania. Lost.

By Mr. Hadley: a motion to the effect that the commissioners appointed to estimate the damage that may be caused by the opening of Delaware street, between St. Clair and St. Joseph, be notified that a report will be expected at the next meeting of the Council.

By Mr. Fletcher: instructing the Street Commissioner to place painted signs on those streets where the feeding of teams is prohibited by ordinance.

On motion of Mr. Fletcher the ordinance for raising a revenue for general purposes for 1858 was taken from the table. The per cent levied is 60 cents on each \$100 of taxables.—The ordinance being on its third reading, passed.

On motion, Council adjourned.—*Journal.*

ADVANTAGE OF TREES.

We do not know the author of the following beautiful notice of trees, but we think its perusal will cause many of our readers to involuntarily and heartily respond to the familiar and popular language of the song "Woodman spare that tree":—

How beautiful, most beautiful of earth's ornaments, are trees! Waving out on the hills and down in the valleys, in wild wood or orchard, or singly by the way side. God's spirit and benison seem to us ever present in trees. For their shade and shelter to man and brute; for the winds the music make among the leaves, and the birds in their branches; for the fruits and flowers to delight the palate and the eye, and the fragrance that goes out and upward from them forever, we are worshipful of trees.

"Under his own vine and fig tree"—what more expressive of rest, independence and lordship in the earth! Well may the Arab reverence the date-palm a God-given source of sustenance. Dear to the Spaniard is the olive, and to the Hindu his banyan, where in dwelt the families of man, and the birds of heaven build their nests. Without trees what a desert place would be our earth—naked, parched, and hateful to the eye! Yet how many are thoughts of the use and beauty of trees. How many strike the axe idly or wantonly at their roots. Above all other things in the landscape we would deal gently with trees. Most beautiful where and as God plants them, but beautiful as planted even by the poorest art of man, trees should be protected and preserved.

If he is a benefactor who causes two blades of grass to grow where one grew before, how much greater his beneficence who plants a tree in some waste place, to shelter and shade, to draw thither song birds, and to bear fruit for man. Plant trees, O man, that hast waste land, and be careful of those that are planted.