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## The National Banner

### LOCAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

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Henry Watchorn is laying brick at Charuwood.

Mrs. R. R. King and Mrs. Brunner are visiting friends in Ohio.

And now the autumn leaves partake of a sombre hue and the nuts are gently falling.

The Huntington county Fair was a magnificent success. Receipts over \$5,000. They had no family tickets there.

Judge Wadd left for Iowa on Monday afternoon, to look after his real estate interests. The tax sharks have been after him.

We are grieved to learn that a number of young men of this place are slowly but surely falling victims to the vice of gambling.

J. B. Foley, of the Peru Sentinel, desires to sell a half-interest in that establishment, having made arrangements to engage in other business.

Quite a number of Ligonier ladies and gentlemen attended the Chicago Exposition last Tuesday morning. The railroad company sold tickets at excursion rates—half fare.

A. Beamblossom, of this place, has a spectacle case that has been in possession of his ancestors since the year 1777. To all appearances, the case is good for a hundred years more.

The members of Christian Church have procured a stand on the fair ground and will furnish good, warm meals at all hours, and at reasonable rates, to all who will favor them with their patronage, during the fair.

The *Goshen Times*, pointedly remarks: "Nature never makes any blunders. When she makes a fool she means it, and when the man who got up those gates for the court house fence was turned out, she was terribly in earnest."

The Christian church in this place is still undergoing repairs. They expect to have the inside work completed in a few days, but the building will not be ready for services until Sunday—next week.

Two weeks, a shivering little town five miles east of Walkerton, on the B. & O. road, is noted for its fountain wells. Whenever a pipe is put down to the depth of 12 or 15 feet the water rushes up and continues to flow a foot or two above the surface of the ground. There are now five of these fountains. So says the *LaPorte Herald*.

Mr. Wm. Adee, a citizen of this place, has put up exhibition at THE BANNER office some corn that measures almost fourteen feet to the top of the stalk and ten feet to the tip of the ear. We call this pretty tall corn, but would suggest that if any of our agricultural friends can beat it there will be a splendid opportunity to display their product at the Fair next week.

We direct special attention to an excellent article on the Kindergarten, from the pen of the superintendent of the public schools of Indianapolis. The article will be found on the fourth page of this week's *BANNER*. This much as efforts would doubtless soon be made to introduce the Kindergarten here, we expect every parent in Ligonier to give the article an attentive perusal.

M. W. Fisher, telegraph operator at Union, Sandusky county, Ohio, has been spending a few days in our midst, visiting friends and relatives. He says the campaign in Ohio is "red hot" and that finance is the all-absorbing topic of the day among the Buckeyes. He gives it as his opinion that Gov. Allen will be defeated, as many Democrats refuse to embrace the rig lobby.

During the storm last Tuesday night the residence of J. E. Kniesley, on Cavin street, was struck by lightning. Mr. and Mrs. Kniesley were absent at the time, but the hired girl and the children, who were at home, were considerably shocked and a good deal frightened. The lightning rod evidently received the main force of the electric current and no serious damage was done to the building.

On Thursday night of last week Mr. Dickinson Miller, of this place, lost a valuable horse. Nothing unusual had been noticed, but it is supposed that during the night the horse was taken sick, and in his struggles managed to throw himself in such a position as to break his neck. He had kicked off a portion of the siding, so that when found in the morning he was dead and lying partly out of the stable.

The Elkhart *Review* says: A letter has been received from Rev. S. H. Rhodes in which he says the San Francisco conference has been in session and has given him an appointment for the position which he has filled for sometime. He is located at North San Juan, Sacramento Co., Cal., about 40 miles from Marysville, and Mr. Rhodes writes that it is a very pleasant place. From the tenor of the letter they are much pleased with his new home. Their friends here will be glad to learn of this.

It may be of interest to the members of the Ligonier Building, Loan and Savings Association to learn that Teutonia Building Association No. 1 (of Indianapolis) has wound up its affairs after an existence of five years and three months. The capital stock amounted to \$100,000, divided into 500 shares of \$200 each. We hardly think our association will be able to call in all its shares within five years and three months, but the probabilities are that a little less than seven years from the beginning will bring about that result.

The *Houbron Mirror* is offered for sale on favorable terms.

A synodical convention of Lutherans is being held at Spencerville, DeKalb county, during the present week.

The Lagrange County Fair is said to have been a success. We did not learn the extent of the net earnings.

Fair of the Northeastern Indiana Agricultural Society at Waterloo this week. A number of our citizens are going there.

The horse disease seems to have made its appearance on the Hawpatch, at least some of the horses of that locality have taken to sneezing.

Our citizens should show the Fire Company next Thursday evening that they appreciate their efforts to give us some protection against fire.

One of our merchants, hard money Democrat, says he had a dream the other night that the rag baby would be snatched in Ohio next Tuesday to the tune of about twenty thousand.

Our excellent Avilla correspondent, after a protracted illness, appears with quite an interesting letter this week. He never writes unless he has something to say, and what he says is always to the point.

The special order that has been under discussion in Excelesior Lodge No. 267, I. O. O. F., during the past two weeks, has been continued to next lodge night. All the members are requested to turn out and participate in the final decision. Come!

It is to be greatly regretted that the "boys" who participated in the reunion at Ft. Wayne did not have more pleasant weather. How true the words of the German poet:

"Mit der Schicksal's Maechten  
Ist kein ew'ger Bund zu machen."

Prof. Burrier, superintendent of our public schools, is at present engaged in the examination of pupils, preparatory to the grading of the school. The Professor is making excellent progress in promoting the educational interests of the place.

Ligonier can boast of a new String Band of six instruments. They have gone to considerable expense in purchasing new music, and from what we have heard and know about music, should judge, that they had made some very good selections. They will play for the Firemen's Dance next Thursday evening.

All lovers of dancing are expected to attend the Hook & Ladder Company's Dance, on Thursday evening of next week. Turn out and give the boys a lift. Those who do not dance can come and look on. The company are in need of funds to purchase a bell, lanterns, etc., and it is the duty of every citizen to come forward and help a helping hand.

At the election for a city judge of Elkhart, held last Monday, O. H. Main, Esq., the democratic nominee, was elected over his republican competitor, C. W. Fish, by 170 majority. The *Observer* attributes this result to the "treachery" of Col. A. M. Tucker and C. H. Chase, who came in for a bit of saucy repudiation.

We learn from the South Bend *Tribune* that the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern railway has issued a notice prohibiting all persons, not employees of the company and engaged in performing duty, against walking, driving or going upon the tracks of the railway, except in crossing public streets, and such crossing should be done quickly and with care. Persons violating the prohibition will be regarded as trespassers.

The sharpness of the frost this country prevailing over the unsuspecting farmers, says the *Sullivan Democrat*, have concocted another new scheme for victimizing the people. They pretend to be hunting for stray animals. One gets a description of an estray horse taken up by a farmer and claims the horse, giving the description of it as evidence that he owned and lost it. Usually, he states that he is a long distance from home, and proposes to sell the animal for much less than its value rather than be troubled to get it home. The farmer, minus unusually sharp, accepts the proposition and pays the money, when the scoundrel decamps.

The following, clipped from Monday's *Elkhart Review*, will be read with interest by the Catholic portion of the population of this vicinity, where the gentleman referred to is well and favorably known: "Rev. Father Quinlan announced to his congregation yesterday that he was about to leave St. Vincent's charge here and go to Union City, Ind. He leaves sometime this week. He will be succeeded by a Rev. Mr. Null of Union City. Rev. Father Quinlan has done good work in St. Vincent's church since his advent here in 1871, and his departure is sincerely to be regretted. When he came here the society was \$1,140 in debt. Under his management this debt has been paid, a lot that cost \$1,140 has been purchased, and only \$300 is due on it. The congregation is left in most excellent condition for his successor. Our best wishes go with Father Quinlan."

The performance of Cal. Wagner's minstrel troupe at Elkhart was thus noticed by the *Review* of that place: "About seven o'clock last evening the brass band with Cal. Wagner's minstrel troupe began a serenade from the balcony of the Opera House. This entertainment was much enjoyed by a very large gathering who frequently applauded the excellent music. At eight o'clock the hall was well filled by a large and for the most part fashionable audience, who were prepared to hear and enjoy the entertainment. We regret to say that the outside concert was the most praiseworthy part of the performance. The singing was good, the cornet and flute solos were good, but the remainder of the entertainment was nothing to be landed very highly. Cal. Wagner has an excellent brass band, but his minstrel performance is not sufficiently elevated in tone or excellent in character to merit very hearty praise. His audience was considerably disappointed." These remarks tally exactly with the opinion expressed by the most competent judges who witnessed the performance here. We only wish to add that the manager of the troupe, by his general deportment, did not win friends among our people. He was exceedingly rude, if not positively ungentlemanly, to several of our best citizens.

The Fair Next Week.

With favorable weather next week, we shall have a splendid County Fair. Quite a number of entries have already been made; every mail brings information pointing to a grand turnout.

We regret to learn that in certain quarters there is still some objection urged against the abolition of the family ticket arrangement. If these persons would but reflect a moment and inquire into the causes which prompted that action, they would soon discover that the Board of Directors did exactly right. We will state a few reasons in support of this proposition:

1. There is no equality about the family ticket arrangement. There is no sense in an arrangement which permits Jones to take six persons to the Fair, while Smith can take but three, for the same money.

2. The family ticket system has been most shamefully abused. Despite the vigilance of the gate keepers, from three to four families have gained admission on one ticket, so that by a fraudulent use of the ticket from 20 to 30 persons attended the Fair for one dollar.

3. There are now scarcely a half dozen Agricultural Societies in the State that have not been obliged to abolish the family ticket arrangement. No society can offer any kind of remunerative premiums while adhering to this system.

4. The premiums offered this year are about three times greater than in former years. To obtain the means for paying these premiums, the society must raise additional revenue by charging a reasonable fee for each person (except children under 12, who are admitted free) and by preventing the abuses existing under the former system.

These are only a few of the reasons that may be urged in justification of the abolition of the family ticket. Now a few words by way of explanation to the general public:

No entry fee is required for exhibiting articles, except in Class 24 (trotting and running), and in Class 25 (hook and ladder companies).

Admission: 25 cents. Children over 12 and under 15 years, 15 cents; children under 12, free. Only 10 cents will be charged for admitting a team or buggy; in other places 25 cents are charged.

Exhibitors of stock will be furnished with checks for themselves and necessary attendants, to go in and out without any other charge than the general fee of 25 cents per day.

Now, citizens of Noble, LaGrange, Elkhart and other adjoining counties, come to the Fair at Ligonier next week and enjoy a good time.

BURLINGTON.—On Thursday night of last week, 20th ultimo, two business houses of this place were entered and goods stolen therefrom. The night was lowery and the surroundings favorable to the perpetration of deeds of darkness. A theatrical entertainment had kept many of our citizens until a late hour, when, after a rich evening's enjoyment, they hastened homeward and were soon wrapt in the silent embrace of Morpheus. Then it was, in the dark and dreary stillness of the night, that sneak thieves cautiously made their debut. They found themselves masters of the situation and at once proceeded to their nefarious work. The hardware store of E. B. Gerber was entered, a pane of glass being removed from the window in the rear end of the building. The money drawer was perhaps the first object to receive their attention. It was accordingly removed and relieved of its contents, some \$2. Six revolvers, one dozen pocket-knives and a half-dozen razors were stolen from the show-case. Mr. Gerber's loss is not less than \$75. Some two weeks previous, a \$100 shot-gun was stolen from the manufacturing department of Mr. Gerber's establishment. The jewelry store of Messrs. Higginbotham & Son was burglarized to the amount of about \$100. The articles missing consisted of silver and plated rings, chains, silver and plated rings, a few gold pens, and a quantity of violin and guitar strings. Fortunately, all their watches and fine jewelry were locked in the safe and did not fall into the hands of the burglars. Mr. Higginbotham estimates their loss at \$100, but says it may be considerable more, as the variety of articles taken makes it difficult to arrive at their real value. The entrance was gained from the large window at the north side of the building. The clerk, John J. Lape, who is in charge, usually sleeps in the store, but he had gone to Kendallville that night and no one was left in his place. However, Mr. Lape is at his post and assures us that he is prepared to give nocturnal visitors a warm reception.

MRS. LATTA wishes all the ladies to know that she is now ready for the fall trade and prepared to do all kinds of work, both in the Millinery and Dress-making line, in the best manner and shortest time possible. Also, that she keeps all the latest fashions for the Singer Sewing Machine. 22-4f

If you want to see a neat, clean and tasty drug store, call at the establishment of Eldred & Son. With its counters, shelves, drawers, boxes, etc., well stocked with the best articles in their line of trade, they are prepared to accommodate the public in number and style.

Our customers will please take notice that, on account of holidays, our store will be closed Saturday, October 9, 1875.

SHEETS & WERTHEIMER. SETTLE UP!—All persons knowing themselves indebted to the United Brethren Church, at Elkhart, or to J. B. Poltz, Sec'y, are hereby notified that they must call and settle immediately. 22-3f

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Hopewell Sabbath School Concert.

The concert at Hopewell (Shobe's) Chapel, last Saturday evening, is deserving of more than a passing notice. It seldom ever was our privilege to hear better singing and recitations.

The exercises were opened with a prayer by Rev. Groves. A short address was then made by Rev. Dodge. Daniel Keen was programmist and Miss Katie Brown played the organ.

The piece entitled "Polite Swearing," by two little boys, sent home a lesson to older boys who are in the habit of taking God's name in vain. "Make Haste Slowly," rendered by two little girls, was splendid and suited to the times. "The Two Paths," recited by Miss Blackman, elicited applause, and the crowning piece, by Master Cole, "A Drop of Water Personified," won credit to the young orator. We noticed one failure, and that was our gain, for it brought the tear of sympathy to all eyes. Little Charlie, never fear, but try, try again.

This is Hopewell. And well may she hope, with such a corps of literary talent and real workers. The brilliant lamp-lights, the evergreen wreaths, and the happy faces, were good to behold, and we said in our heart: "It is good to be here." The closing quartette, "Tell Me, Gentle Angels," by Miss Carman—soprano—and Miss Cole—alto—was sung with taste and pathos. Mr. Bothe deserves credit for his success in the training of his singing-class. Indeed, all was a grand success.

May the Church Hope-well, hope on, and hope ever. Mrs. D. D.

LaGrange Fair.

LA GRANGE, IND., OCT. 5, 1875.

EDITOR BANNER:—The Fair of the LaGrange Co. Agricultural Society, which closed on Friday the 1st, proved a grand success, there being 217 more entries than at any previous year.

C. B. HOLMES, Pres.

N. B.—On the last day of our Fair when all the families had left their horses, ten or twelve of them were entered by sneak thieves, and thoroughly cleaned out. Various small sums of money, jewelry and silverware was taken. Caution your people to look out and leave somebody around the house. C. B. H.

James McConnell has at last found an occupation. A fellow named Konaire, hailing from Chicago, has been giving exhibitions here, at Kendallville and at Albion. He professes to reveal the secrets of Free Masonry, by going through a performance which he styles initiating a candidate. James officiated in the latter capacity here and at Kendallville. He cut a splendid figure, James did. Being good for nothing else, we hope a permanent engagement may be effected for the exhibition of James' voluptuous form. A more suitable specimen of humanity for this purpose could not be obtained anywhere.

Mr. John Young, of near Wolf Lake, Noble county, father of Mrs. J. W. Adair, of this place, and in the 70th year of his age, determined to visit a Konaire living in Kansas. Accordingly he loaded up a wagon with grapes and other fruit and started on his journey. When last heard from he had ridden into Texas, and was believed that he was in the best of health, and that he felt just like he did when he was a boy. The trip was certainly a rather unorthodox one, but he was accompanied by his dog and gun, drive up to his door. —Whitely Commercial.

A card.

Having given up all outside business, I have assumed complete control of the repairing department at Higginbotham's Jewelry Store, and shall hereafter give my personal attention to all work done. Our facilities for repairing Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, etc., and for engraving are complete. All work warranted. Respectfully, J. W. HIGGINBOTHAM.

The conflict of Science with the Christian Religion as at present waged is a vital question of the day. The new work on that subject by one so able as Prof. Moore, advertised in another column, will add new interest and give new light upon a subject in which every one is interested. The work is published by J. C. McCreedy & Co., Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis, and agents are wanted to sell it.

Don't wait till the Cough gets hold of you literally "by the throat" and worries and tears you. One or two doses of Hall's Balsam for the Lungs will stop it, cure it, and entirely remove it. It is kept in every family as readily as flour or any other necessary of life. Ten thousand physicians prescribe it. Price, \$1.00.

At the Old Stand Again.

Mr. J. L. Lape desires to inform the public that he is again at the old stand, the Rochester Mill, one mile east of Ligonier, where he invites his old friends and former patrons to give him a call. The Mill has been thoroughly repaired and is now in condition to do all first-class work. Flour and Feed will be delivered to customers in any part of the country, either by rail or by stage. Satisfaction guaranteed. 22-4f

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KENDALLVILLE LOCALS.

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The School Trustees have made considerable improvements on the school grounds, adding greatly to the appearance of the building. The grounds have been nicely graded, and a new fence, new walks, etc., built there.

The city has also built along the west side, on Railroad street, a new sidewalk, eight feet wide, and a portion of the way on Diamond street. These are improvements which will have long wanted. Now our children can get around and enjoy themselves.

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