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**LOCAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.**

ELD. S. A. CHAPLIN will conduct religious services at Westervelt hall next Sunday morning and afternoon. All are invited.

The resignation of the Rev. Wm. LISK Jr. has been accepted by the vestry of St. Thomas church. Parties interested will please take notice.

J. C. CUSHMAN furnishes us this week with some interesting items relative to the late session of the circuit court.

TRADE in skunk skins has been lively the past week, judging from the stretch which has been so thick at times that it could have been cut with a knife.

A NUMBER of our exchanges copy from this paper, and credit the *Republican*, an article giving the number of marriage licenses and divorces in this county the past year.

Geo. DAVIS is the name of the young man who succumbed on Tuesday of last week, near Argos. His age was about 17 years, and there is no cause known for the rash act.

H. A. BROWN & Co. have purchased the post office news depot, and will fill it up with a complete stock of goods suitable to the trade. Anything in their line not on hand will be furnished by express as a favor.

We intended publishing the resolutions adopted at the Republican state convention, on the 22d, but a press of other matter has prevented. But there will be plenty of time between now and October to study and condemn them.

If the dealers in skunk skins will figure up their probable profits in the business, we have no doubt but that a liberal subscription could be raised for their benefit to induce them to desist from further indulgence in the traffic. Put us down as opposed to the skunk trade.

When Mr. WADSWORTH, of the Laporte *Argos*, last Friday, at his office, and found him "busy as a bee." He is one of the most graceful and able writers in the state, and having chosen his proper sphere, is meeting with the success he deserves.

We lost a subscriber last week, and still survive. Our explanation must give us a little time to "bust up," and we will try to accommodate him. We may also remark that we received the names of ten new subscribers during the said week.

REUB. WILLIAMS says he was offered a bribe to suppress the evidence in the BEAVER case. It may be true, but he never was offered as much as one penny by the authority or with the knowledge or consent of WHEELER or VINALL. Would REUB. mind telling how much he was offered?

Last Monday Mr. WHEELER gave bail in the sum of \$50,000 for his appearance at the next term of circuit court. The prosecutor refuses bail for VINALL, and that gentleman is now absent, but we have no doubt he will be admitted to bail before the next term of court.

"Toss Talk" is the title of a new weekly recently started at Indianapolis by W. B. VICKERS, and will be furnished at the rate of five cents per copy. It treats on "matters and things" in a jocular, off-hand way that is truly refreshing. Send for a copy, and see how you like it.

A NEW INDUSTRIAL JOURNAL—THE TECHNOLOGIST is the title of a new journal, devoted to engineering, manufacturing and building. All the articles and illustrations are original. The number before us consists of forty-four large pages, and is the finest-looking journal of practical science now before the people. Issued by the Industrial Publication Company, 176 Broadway, New York. Every mechanic ought to send for at least one number. If they send for one, it will be strange if they do not send for all; \$2 per year; single numbers twenty cents.

THE P. K. & P. R. R. W. H. SINGLETON writes to the *Crown Point Register*, urging upon the people of Lake county the necessity of prompt and energetic action if they would secure the Plymouth, Kankakee & Pacific railroad. He requests the editor to copy an article which appeared in THE DEMOCRAT a few weeks ago, on the same subject.

The people of Stark county are aroused on the subject of the proposed road, and will doubtless do all that their means will warrant. In addition to liberal subscriptions, they will probably vote the two per cent tax.

A special election, to vote on the proposition to levy a tax of two per cent on the taxable property of Center and West townships, in this county, has been called for the 26th instant. As yet there has been no particular interest manifested in the matter, although there seems to be a majority in favor of the tax.

THE Van Wert Times has changed hands—A. C. TUCKER retiring in favor of D. McD. HALL.

**Local Personal.**

E. J. KELSEY is night watch. NAT. HICKSON is running the news depot for H. A. BROWN & Co. If he don't run it right, call on us for damages. LORY CARPON has had the measles.

W. H. H. MATTINGLY, of the Rochester *Spy*, was in town last Sunday.

HANK LOGAN thinks of going into the insurance business. If he undertakes it, mark him down a success.

J. F. VAN VALKENBURGH has been appointed agent of the Continental Life Insurance company. Good agent and good company. Our advertising columns are not quite full.

C. H. REEVE and M. A. O. PACKARD are attending circuit court at Rochester.

A. C. THOMPSON has a financial article in today's paper. His figures are plain, but very repugnant.

DAVID HOW, sheriff, has promised us a goodly number of sheriff's sales as soon as he can get time to write 'em out.

**Expenses of the Law.**

At the term of the circuit court just closed, the jurors' fees amounted to \$710; grand jurors, \$252; regular panel of petit jurors, \$266; petit jurors selected from bystanders, \$192. Each trial not exceeding one day costs the county \$24, and the same for each additional day, besides mileage of the regular panel. The party losing a suit is charged with a jury fee of \$4 50, leaving the county short \$19 50.

Much valuable time is lost, and expense made in trials of petty cases as appealed from justice's courts. During the late term of court the case of Troyer vs. Arnold on appeal from Justice Neff was tried. The amount in controversy was a quantity of hay valued by a jury before the justice at \$12 50; from this judgment an appeal was taken, a jury was called at an expense of \$24 to the county, one half day of the court was occupied, cases involving large amounts were kept waiting, and witnesses brought here at an expense to the parties of \$61 80; attorney fees and other costs will add about \$40; and the jury returned a verdict against the party who appealed for \$9—a pretty good bill for less than two tons of hay. We speak of this particular case, because it is a sample of many cases brought to the higher courts on appeal, which it were much better to have left as disposed of in the court below.

Of the criminal docket, 15 cases were continued, 2 dismissed, 7 cases were tried, one of which was on a plea of guilty. Of the 7 tried, 4 were convicted, and 3 acquitted. In 5 cases the indictments were quashed. In the case of the state vs. David Webb and Geo. Webb, charged with grand larceny, Daniel Webb was tried separately, convicted and sent to the state prison for two years. The cause as to Geo. Webb was continued. In case of state vs. Jonathan Camp, on indictment for petit larceny, Camp was acquitted. In case of state vs. Connor, Krier and Haslanger, the cause was continued; bail was fixed by the court at \$5,000 each for Connor and Krier, and \$10,000 for Haslanger. Krier and Haslanger have given bail. Connor remains in jail.

Of the 293 causes on the civil docket, 89 were continued, and 213 disposed of. During the 15 days court was in session, 325 pages of record were made on the order books by the clerk, which is equal to 162,500 words, or 10,833 words per day, which, in addition to the other duties of the clerk during a term of court, makes the amount of his labor enormous. The clerk had only one assistant, his deputy, Mr. O. P. Klinger.

**Careless Shooting.**

Last Friday evening, as three or four young men were driving home from Plymouth, they came to a farm-house four miles north of town, occupied by a family named WOLFENBERGER. Seeing a chicken in the road, one of the men told SWIHART, who had a revolver, and was riding in a light wagon, that he dare not shoot at the chicken. He did shoot at it, and missing his aim, shot again, the last time the ball going so far from the mark as to strike a window in the house shattering the glass, and striking Mrs. WOLFENBERGER in the breast. She fell to the floor, and it was at first thought that she was fatally injured, but an examination of the wound showed that it was not serious. Her husband came to town and had a warrant issued for the arrest of SWIHART, who was brought, before Esquire O'BORNE, on Saturday. On examination it was clearly proven that the shooting was accidental. The injured party proposed to SWIHART that if he would pay the costs, he would be troubled no more; he did so.

THE many who assume the responsibility of the *Republican* says the Laporte abortion case was not like the recent one here, and it was, "what of it?" There is about as much sense in that answer as could reasonably be expected. The "what of it?" is, that the great noise made about the case here was for political effect, and to gratify personal malice; and yet the blow-hards who are making every possible exertion to keep the public mind in flamed would have us believe that they are conscientious in their course of conduct. We know them too well to be deceived by any such specious pretext.

**Death of an Editor.**

P. H. O'BRIEN, editor of the Rochester *Standard*, died on Monday of last week. His disease was lung fever. Although he had no personal acquaintance with him, we have long regarded him as a young man of unusual promise.

**Does the Marshall County Agricultural Society wish to be considered a political organization, whose announcements should only be made through a Republican paper? If it does, it is certainly pursuing the proper course. We see the proceedings of the last meeting of the society were published in the *Republican* last week, and also a call for a meeting of the directors, signed by the secretary, neither of which were handed to us for publication. This is no loss to us, as we have no difficulty in filling the space which such matter would occupy; but we have already been asked why the notices referred to were not published by us, and we make this statement in explanation.**

**Is today's paper may be found the law passed at the last session of the legislature concerning taxation in aid of railroads. As this subject is now prominently before the people of Center and West townships, but little is generally known of the law under which a tax of not over two per cent may be levied by the county commissioners under certain circumstances, it will be a convenience to all interested to have the law sent to them in this convenient form.**

We take pleasure in announcing that Hon. R. P. LOGAN, of Indianapolis, designs lecturing in Plymouth on the first of April, and will engage in the practice of the law. He will be a valuable acquisition to the Plymouth bar, having been judge of the Rushville judicial circuit, and as a practicing lawyer is known all over the state. He has many true friends in this town, who will extend to him a cordial welcome.

**There is one lie, particularly mean and contemptible, as much because its authors know it to be a lie, as of its inherent falsity, which we will expose and unequivocally denounce. We refer to the statement made in the last issue of the *Republican*, that we have made THE DEMOCRAT the apologist for the revolting crime of murder. The author of this falsehood proves himself a liar every time he utters it, as the files of the paper will abundantly show. We have only asked for WHEELER and VINALL a fair and unprejudiced hearing before a proper court. This position has been misrepresented by the black Republican papers, here and at Warsaw, in order to place ourselves and the accused in a false position, and thus make capital for the prosecution, whose case they are prosecuting. But it will make no difference with us if there is not another man in the county who agrees with us, our opinion would be the same that it now is. The times when our position, that a man accused of the commission of a crime is entitled to a hearing according to the law and the facts, was popular; but is just now one that is the most unpopular, in certain circles, that could be thought of.**

**Two brothers named Chamberlain, in a loaded wagon, had a quarrel with three men in an empty wagon, about the right of way in a public highway near Lafayette. Jeremiah Chamberlain had his skull fatally fractured.**

A VIGO county farmer, who refused \$1.25 for his wheat, is now fattening nice with it, and cursing his luck.

**Farm for Sale.**

The undersigned offers for sale his farm, situated in Union township, Marshall county, about eight miles from Plymouth. There are 280 acres of land, about 100 acres under cultivation, good house, and good young orchard of the best kinds of fruit. Will be sold very reasonable for cash. For further particulars enquire of ALFRED BUCKLEW, on the premises, or P. McDONALD at the DEMOCRAT office.

**BUSINESS LOCALS.**

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