

#### Solid Gravel Road Discussion.

**ED. PILOT.**—The opposition to the stone road have charged that there was no intention on the part of the promoters to build a gravel road but that they intended to use the rock now obstructing the Iroquois river at this place. At first this charge was denied, but an article appeared in last week's PILOT making a full confession, and giving reasons why this rock should be used.

"If the gravel roads are voted now this loosened material can be furnished free for crushing and the drainage project saved the cost of storage."

This writer should have added, "and also the cost of excavation."

Here is the sequel to the whole thing. Here is the motive for rushing the gravel road project. Now, to gain this end Simon P. Thompson, James H. Loughridge and James W. Cowden are most devoutly praying night and day. The enormous expense of this scheme they are trying to transfer from the drainage project to the backs of the voters of this township who have no interest in this drainage project.

The other will require the excavation of 28,000 cubic yards of this material (rock) at a central point for distribution.

This is an inspiration emanating from the trinity of this scheme as recorded by the hand of the stool pigeon. The amount of rock to be taken out is 28,000 cubic yards. The omnipotent trinity to \$25,000, but that is too low by \$3,000 at least. This rock will never be taken out for less than one dollar per cubic yard, which will bring the cost to \$28,000.

This enormous sum, probably one-half of the cost of the river improvement, is to be saved to the drainage project, and saddled onto the taxpayers of the township! A great scheme, this! Now add to \$28,000 the probable cost of storage, which would consist of hauling the loosened rock out of the channel to some 80 acre field purchased or rented for this purpose, and it will not be less than \$5,000, and you have \$33,000 saved to the drainage project, saved to Simon P. Thompson, James W. Cowden and other owners of wet lands along the river, and it is this \$33,000 that these philanthropic gentlemen are trying to get the voters of this township to obligate themselves to pay March 2nd. They have been scheming for years to evolve some plan to get these now worthless lands drained at somebody else's expense, to enhance their value without paying for it.

The opportunity has arrived and with your help they intend to secure the prize. These men intend to save this \$33,000 to the drainage project and place it securely in their pockets. They have kicked up a great cloud of dust about \$1 wood, race tracks and work for the laboring man with no other intention than to rob him while he rushes forward to their rescue. If this infamous scheme is carried it will add \$15,000 to Simon P. Thompson's ill gotten gains and save him \$3,000 or half of his probable assessment for the drainage project, making \$18,000. It will add \$8,000 to James H. Loughridge's charity and puolic improvement fund and save him \$1,700 of his assessment for the drainage project or \$9,700. It will add \$2,000 to James W. Cowden's private protection account, and save \$320 on his drainage assessment, making \$2,320 saving to him.

And what is the cost to these great philanthropists of these great savings and this magnificent increase in value to their properties? It will cost Simon P. Thompson \$370.24, James H. Loughridge \$17.86, and James W. Cowden \$95.23. What wonder they are anxious that this thing be a go. They are playing for big stakes and are willing mighty hard to keep up their courage. We intend that every voter shall see, if he will, the motive behind this gravel road. It is pushed forward for the sole purpose of shifting the cost of removing the rock from the men who own the swamp lands, now worthless, to the taxpayers of Marion township. It remains to be seen whether this scheme of these shysters and pill peddlers can be carried out, whether the voters will assume this enormous burden that it may be expense saved to the drainage project.

ANOTHER READER.

ble financial panic had subsided. The farmers, of few acres, and small means who are at present overtaxed and discouraged on account of poor crops and low prices, are not in favor of any unnecessary and expensive public improvement at the present time. We would much rather pull through the mud two or three months in the year, keep our farms and pay our honest debts. We are now paying tax on six miles of gravel road, which the most of us never saw, and likely never will. How much more will it be when we have them in all directions?

Where is the money coming from? I suppose the farmers will soon pay their portion of it, selling oats at the present price of 55 cents a bushel, wheat 50 cents, wool 12½ cents per pound, sheep \$1 per head, and horses all the way from \$10 to \$40. This is the time for public improvements. Couldn't some one suggest something else that ought to be done just now?

Under the present laws that men make, women are not allowed to vote, no matter how nearly the question may concern their welfare, they are expected to stay at home election day, and attend to their knitting, but they are allowed and compelled to pay all the taxes these men see fit to levy on their homes and property, and if from any cause they fail to do so their homes may be sold, and they can "go over the hills to the poor house." Therefore, I hope that every widow and old maid who has a dollar or a dog to pay taxes on, will use her influence against this gravel road nuisance.

LUCY.

#### Another Side Of It.

"By previous arrangements, a meeting was held in the Presbyterian church, on last Sunday afternoon, for the purpose of organizing the various churches of Rensselaer so that they could establish a relief fund to be used among the poor of this place. This is the first decided action that has been taken by our churches and it certainly is a move in the right direction. There are several families in this place who are in actual need of help from our citizens and this is a matter that should not be neglected. The organization effected by the church was as follows: president, R. P. Benjamin; secretary, Mrs. Belle Kerr; treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Wasson. Committees from the various churches were appointed to solicit among its respective members, and the entire collection will be thrown into a general fund for the relief of the poor of this place."

The above appeared in the local columns of the last issue of the PILOT. Pile on \$18,000 more, and at least one third or \$6,000 of this will fall to day laborers and widows—on to the poor of this township, and this committee will have to be enlarged very much to accommodate its customers. "On with the dance."

Dr. Washburn in his zeal to promote the "Stone" road is reported to have secured the pledges of persons who are now objects of charity—and worthy objects too—to further oppress themselves and their poor neighbors by voting a burden of \$18,000 upon their shoulders. Have you tried the poor farm? You may be able to find some "promoters" there.

#### Gravel Roads.

**EDITOR PILOT.**—Poor men who are afraid to vote for the gravel road tax should consider the fact that when the roads are bad the price of wood goes up. I have been informed that at Monticello since gravel roads have been made, wood is fifty cents cheaper per cord. That would be quite an item each winter to a poor man, who cannot purchase a supply in the fall to do his family all winter and thus be able to laugh at the man who asks him \$3.50 to \$4.00 per cord, when the mud is too deep for any one to haul.

There are also a few men who think that men who do not pay tax should not be allowed to vote.

The man who twists and turns and squeezes and pinches every one he can in order hoard up a little money, is not the best man in a community.

They hire men to cut wood at fifty cents per cord, but they do not sell it for any less than they did when they paid one dollar per cord for cutting it.

The entire community will be proud of good roads when they are made and every public spirited citizen should be willing to aid the good cause not only with his vote but his money in the

way of taxes and he should do it cheerfully or he may miss the blessing as the people as well as "The Lord loves a cheerful giver."

Lawyers, ministers, physicians, teachers, business and county and town officials, who have been aided by the public should in turn be willing to return some of their gains to the public that has so generously patronized them.

Every one despises the stingy skin flint who shlock like, wants the pound of flesh without regard to consequences.

None of this tax if voted can be collected before January 1895, and then only one half between Jan. 1st, and the third Monday in April, 1895, and the other one half before November following.

Those who wish to sell their farms and move where the mud is as deep or deeper will have many long months in which to do that.

A count of noses so far as completed, shows a good majority in favor of it, but the friends of good roads must not fail to work and vote to keep out of the mire. Let us all work together and bring hard roads out of hard times.

#### GOOD ROADS.

#### Some Rambling Remarks.

The PEOPLE'S PILOT is a good name for our paper and the PILOT has been and is a good paper for the name, but we can make it still stronger and better, by giving to it a more liberal support, by an increased subscription list and by intelligent contributors.

Now ye who love righteousness and hate iniquity and ye who would promote righteousness among men, some forward and take your places in the line of battle.

Our enemies are falling into line, the fight has begun and for a thorough organization and a forward move all along the line one success depends largely upon on the PILOT, so let every one resolve in their hearts to overcome the opposition and make the paper what the name implies, yes, a safe and trustworthy PILOT along the different lines of life and sends it forth a preacher of righteousness, temperance and of judgment to come.

Righteousness in legislation, temperance in the use of the peoples' money and judgment to come at the ballot box. Long live the PEOPLE'S PILOT.

#### RAMBLER.

#### List of Patents.

Granted to Indiana inventors this week. Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., solicitors of American and foreign patents, opposite U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C.

G. J. Bowley, Indianapolis, furniture caster; P. C. Burns, Peru, electric battery cell; T. P. Butterfield, Indianapolis, washing machine; W. E. Duthie, Indianapolis, cigar-tip cutter and lighter; R. W. Purnas, Indianapolis, street-sweeper; A. J. Graydon, Indianapolis, electric cigar lighter; C. S. Hisey, Aurora, gas engine; C. H. Jenne, Indianapolis, railway-rail; E. Kirwin, Indianapolis, catamenial sack; D. D. McKee, Anderson, photographic embossing press; W. E. Murbarger, Indianapolis, combined umbrella tie and name plate; B. F. Perry, Spiceland, trace-fastener; D. P. Stirk, Indianapolis, gas-mixer; P. Walter, Mount Vernon, bake-oven.

#### Report of Relief Committee.

The committees from the several churches met Sunday afternoon, and gave reports of their subscriptions. Though only a partial canvass had been made, yet the result was very encouraging. The committee believes \$200 will be sufficient to supply the needs of our poor till spring work begins in earnest. This amount should be raised, and can be if all our citizens do all in their power to help on this good work. The committee made disbursement of \$45 of the funds on hand for the immediate relief of nine families.

BELLE KERR, Sec'y.

#### BUCKLIN'S ARNICA SALVE.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by F. B. Meyer.

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#### Resolutions of Condolence.

Hall of  
RENSSELAER LODGE, No. 346,  
D. of R.

We, the committee, appointed to draft resolutions of respect to the memory of our beloved sister, Alvena F. Antrim, who departed this life Feb. 6th, 1894, do hereby submit the following:

WHEREAS, Death has again invaded our lodge and taken from our midst our beloved sister and has left behind to mourn her loss, a loving husband and son of tender years, and

WHEREAS, knowing the warm heartedness of the deceased and the noble life she has lived, the bright example she has left us, it is but fitting that we should give expression to the high esteem in which she was held. She was a noble woman, a devoted christian, a true companion, and a loving mother. She now sleeps the sleep that knows no waking, her life work is done. Her home is with the blest. Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we extend to the bereaved family our sincerest sympathy in this affliction and commend them to the fellowship and love of the Heavenly Father who doeth all things well.

RESOLVED, that in token of respect for our departed sister, the charter of this lodge be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days and that these resolutions be entered on the records of this lodge, and a copy be sent to each of the county papers for publication.

A little while our loved ones with us linger. A little while of mingled joy and pain. Then at the signal touch of Death's cold finger.

They leave us never to return again.

AMANDA W. WARREN,  
JENNIE STEWARD,  
EVA HEMPHILL,  
Committee.

Hall of  
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.  
Rensselaer, Ind.

WHEREAS, death has entered our order, and taken from us our beloved sister, and co-worker, Alvena F. Antrim, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that in her death, the Corps has lost a faithful member, and each sister of our order a personal friend.

RESOLVED, that the Corps extend to the bereaved husband and son, and other relatives, our heartfelt sympathy, in this, their great bereavement.

RESOLVED, that our charter be draped in mourning for thirty days, and also that the symbol of mourning, be placed upon our badges.

RESOLVED, that these resolutions be spread upon the records of our lodge, and a copy be presented to the bereaved husband and also a copy be furnished to each of the city papers for publication.

JULIA A. HEALEY,  
HETTIE E. REYNOLDS,  
ALICE OSBORNE,  
Committee.

#### Personal Responsibility for the Liquor Traffic.

What are we personally to do with this blighting curse of liquor selling? This is the all-absorbing, all-important question now up for consideration, and in the most emphatic manner demanding our most thoughtful and active efforts for its suppression. If we would retain our self-respect, this duty must not be shamelessly evaded, nor can we by shutting our eyes secure freedom from personal responsibility.

If we are true to our manly convictions and seek to know and conscientiously serve the best interests of our country, we will soon determine that the manufacture, importation, and sale of alcoholic beverages not only produce the most traitorous and lawless outrages on our homes, rights of labor, and merchantile interests, but that they require and must have the most enthusiastic, determined, personal active and judicial condemnation for their suppression, assisted by the most effective means which we can command, which is the ballot. —From Demarest's Magazine for March.

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NEW SUBSCRIBERS.

Clara Blake, Tipton. 1 00

Margaret Crumley, Tappan, O. 70

C. E. Robinson, Sylvan Grove, Kan. 70

J. C. Whitaker, Signal, O. 70

Tele. L. Webb, Webster. 1 00

#### OUR MILK CHURCH.

Devoted to the Dairying Interests of Jasper County.

A baby cream separator is manufactured at Kansas City, Mo., run by dog power tread mill.

#### NOTICE.

Services at the Milk Church every day, beginning at 6 o'clock A. M., continuing until 6 P. M. Everybody invited to attend.

#### OLEMARGERINE TEST.

Place a little genuine butter in a tin cup and a little of the suspected article in another, and heat them on the stove. The butter will melt quickly give off its peculiar flavor and foam, while the oleomargarine will sputter but will not foam.

#### THE NATIONAL DAIRY UNION.

—Is the name of an organization recently perfected for the purpose of securing legislation to prevent the sale of counterfeits of pure butter and cheese, D. W. Wilson Elgin III, is the present secretary of the organization.

#### A NATIONAL DAIRY CONVENTION.

A National Dairy Convention was held in Cleveland, Ohio, on Feb., 7, at which meeting a national association was organized for the purpose of providing an authentic channel through which all dairymen may give to the department of agriculture that loyal support which is due from all citizens and receive in return reports of the work of the department in behalf of the dairy and kindred interests.

#### STERILIZING MILK.

This is a process of destroying the injurious germs which the milk may contain. This is accomplished by placing it in bottles and submerging them in water which is heated to a temperature of not less than 50 nor more than 55 degrees Fah. The bottles are then removed from the heat, kept closely covered for half an hour, when all the germs are destroyed. Sterilization should always be resorted to when children are raised upon cows milk.

#### FEED.

Many make the mistake of trying to save feed. It is a waste of feed to try to save it by not giving a cow all she can eat profitably. Many cows are not considered good ones simply because they have not had a chance to show what they could do. They have been stinted on feed and of course they turned very little of it into milk, because they required the most of it for self-support. Cows need training in feeding and by careful feeding some of those cows that are not thought to be good ones, may be developed into heavy feeders and good yielders of rich milk.

#### EXPERIMENTS.

By A. L. Crosby of Maryland. We should always be making experiments in Dairying, with the feed for the cows, the way it is fed, the number of times a day it is fed, whether to change the feed often, and in the dairy room we should try different ways of keeping the cream and varying temperatures in churning until we find in all these things just what suits our particular cows and their product best. Experimenting adds interest to the business. It causes us to think and the result should be the saving ourselves much time and work and make the dairy routine more certain of accomplishing the good results we are working for. The difference between profit and loss in dairying may be caused by a neglect of the little things. It is the little things that count up after all.

#### TUBERCULIN.

Tuberculin is a substance prepared from the Bacillus, first by Dr. Koch of Germany, who claimed that it would cure consumption, but this proved a failure. It is, however, a true test of the