

Attend the Model grand clearance sale during February.

Frank Makeever of Mt. Ayr made Rensselaer a business visit Thursday.

B. Y. Miller of Mt. Ayr has sold his farm to Robert Crisler, and moved to the south part of Illinois.

Alfred Crisler of Mt. Ayr, superintendent of the creamery of that place, made Rensselaer a business trip last Thursday.

Mr. Elmer Steward of Columbus, Ind., visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Wishard this week.

Mrs. Will Wishard visited her mother at Mt. Ayr yesterday.

Model clearance sale this week.

Ike Leopold of Wolcott was in town Thursday.

Geo. Haskell of Remington spent Thursday in this place.

Miss Mae Easlen has returned from an extended visit with friends in Evanston, Ill., and Raub and Marion, Ind.

Model remnant sale during February.

Wm. Rinehart of Buffalo, N. Y., was in town last week on business, the guest of T. J. McCoy.

Be sure and read the Model grand clearance sale in this issue.

Mr. Wood, late landlord of the Nowel's house was up from Monon Saturday.

There was a box supper at the Rob Hopkins school house last Friday evening.

Uncle Heady Brown and wife gave a dinner party last Thursday, in honor of the 50th anniversary of H. W. Porter's birthday. About 20 guests participated in the feast.

A Leopold made a business trip to Wolcott yesterday.

Mr. H. W. Porter, after a severe illness of about 10 days, is able to be about.

Mr. Walls, the corporation council of Chicago, was in the city Wednesday.

Erastus Wright of Leavenworth, Kans. is visiting his uncle, Willis Imes, this week. Mr. Wright has not been in this country for about forty years.

Miss Glenn Porter is rapidly improving after a severe sickness of about two weeks.

Rev. J. L. Brady baptized 7 converts last Saturday at the Christian church.

Matt Worden and Jerry Shea visited friends in Remington last Sunday.

The Catholics have added electric lights to their new club room and Foresters hall over Eaglesbach's meat market.

Dennis Gleason the horse-buyer, shipped a fine car-load of horses to Cincinnati last Thursday.

Bertha Alter returned from Chicago, last Wednesday, after an absence of two weeks.

Mr. Frank Alter who has been visiting friends and relatives here for the past two weeks, has returned to his home at Russiaville.

John Q. Alter is visiting relatives and friends in Russiaville, this week.

Miss Nellie Hopkins has been visiting in Monticello, this week.

Marriage licenses issued since last reported:

Chas. A. Parker.  
Della R. Ewen.  
Osa A. Ritchey.  
Minnie A. Powers.

Rev. L. E. Conner will preach at the Church of God next Sunday morning and evening.

Professor A. H. Purdue, principal of the high school, is giving a series of lectures on Geology, for the benefit of the teachers and students. He is very proficient on that subject it is possible that many others would be glad of an opportunity to hear the lectures.

John McColly, of Fair Oaks, was in Rensselaer yesterday.

John Nichols returned from a two week's visit in Kansas.

Charley Cox made a pleasure trip to Lafayette last Thursday.

Sheldon Smith of Morocco, was in attendance at the farmers institute Wednesday.

A Dedication party was given at the Pavilion by Miss Jessie Barton last Tuesday evening; taffy pulling was indulged in by the thirty guests.

Newton Humphrey is reported sick with scarlet fever.

## GRAND CLEARANCE SALE

To wind up the Fall and Winter Season at the  
**Model Dry Goods and Clothing Store.**

If you are looking for bargains don't miss this advertisement.

**REMEMBER  
THIS SALE WILL BE  
A MONSTER  
CLOSING OUT  
SALE OF ALL SUR-  
PLUS STOCK.**

### CLOTHINGS.

Men's good overcoat, \$3.45  
Men's metton " 7.75  
Boys' overcoat, \$1.00  
Boys' fancy overcoat, \$2.75  
Men's satin suits, \$4.50  
Men's all wool " 8.50  
Boys' satin " 3.00  
Children's " 1.25

### CLOAKS.

Good jackets at \$2.50  
and upwards.  
Plush capes at \$9.00  
and upwards.  
Children's cloaks at \$1.00  
and upwards.  
Don't fail to give us a call.

Our stock is complete in all departments, and it will be closed out at a great sacrifice to make room for spring goods, of which we will carry an immense line. Here are a few of our

## SPECIAL BARGAINS.

All our 50c ladies' cloth, 30c  
All our 35c cashmere, 21c  
All our 10c delaine, 8c  
All our 10c gingham, 8c  
All our 84c dress gingham 5c  
All 30c red table linen, 21c

All 75c flannel shirts, 49c  
75c fleeced underwear, 68c  
50c Randie underwear, 39c  
Our 50c ladies' vest, 39c  
Children's underwear at cost  
Blankets comfort at cost

Good calico 5c.  
Towelings, 34c.  
Gingham, apron check, 4c  
Shirtings, 4c.  
Lawrence LL muslin, 44c

**REMNANTS IN ALL GOODS; DON'T FAIL TO CALL.**

Ladies' shoes worth \$1.25, only 90c; Men's \$1.75 congress or button shoes \$1.29. Men's boots \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00. Felt boots and overs \$2.00 a pair. Boys' boots 95c, \$1.25, \$1.50. Children's grain button shoes 89c a pair. Cash only, this is no idle talk. Goods must be sold. Seeing is believing. So come to the store and see for yourself. Come early and avoid the rush and get first choice.

## MODEL STORE,

Leader of Low Prices.

Will A. Mossler, Manager.

Rensselaer, Ind.

### The President Criticized.

The Hon. William J. Bryan, the leading congressman from Nebraska, contributes a severe but judicial and unimpassioned criticism of "The President's Currency Plan" to the February Arena. These are some of his points: He says Mr. Cleveland raises an issue in his message that will not be finally disposed of until bank notes are substituted for government paper, or until government paper is substituted for all bank notes. His position is exactly opposite to that taken by the first democratic president, Thomas Jefferson. Mr. Cleveland has declared the issuance of paper money to be the function of the banks. Jefferson regarded the issue of paper money as more properly a function of government. Mr. Cleveland declares that "the absolute divorcement of the government from the business of banking is the ideal relationship of the government to the circulation of the currency of the country." Jefferson, on the other hand, fought for such legislation as should make the banks go out of the governing business and attend only to the legitimate business of banking. This, with the currency, or any portion of exchange, in their control, they will never do. Jefferson wrote on this matter: "Interdict forever, to both the state and national governments, the power of establishing any paper banks, for without this interdiction we shall have the same ebbs and flows of medium, and the same revolutions of property to go through every twenty or thirty years." Congressman Bryan shows how utterly disastrous to every interest in the community, except that of the bankers, the Cleveland-Carlisle plan would be in operation, and how all the old evils of the state bank system, with its loss and inconvenience, and its pressure upon the debtor would be upon us again. In the case of any great panic, say such a fearful panic as that of 1893, the value of bank notes would sink almost to zero and gold would be at a greater premium than ever. The evil to be remedied is the appreciation of gold. The president's plan only aggravates this, and Congressman Bryan's final point is that the only thing that will bring relief,

and an adequate volume of stay-at-home money for the people is the restoration of silver at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, and a proper system of national paper invested with legal tender qualities and acceptable for all the purposes of commerce.

### The Farmer's Institute.

The event of the week, and it was of sufficient importance to have been the event of the whole year for Jasper county, was the Farmers Institute which was held at the court house on Wednesday and Thursday.

The attendance this year was better than on former occasions, though far from what it should be. It should be borne in mind that the state is at great expense to send out lecturers who have made certain lines of farming a specialty and a success, and are qualified to tell others intelligently how to profit by their experience. Space will not permit the publication in this issue of the remarks of the state lecturers but it is only feebly expressed when stated that every farmer who stayed away from the institute stood squarely in his own light, and can count his loss in tens of dollars if not more.

The institute was called to order by the president D. H. Yeoman, who made a few terse remarks on the benefits of these occasions, after a fervent invocation was offered by B. F. Ferguson.

The address of the Hon. Cal. Husselman of Auburn, Ind., was indeed instructive, practical and charming. A synopsis of it will be given next week in this paper, but the reader will not get the forceful expression as it came from the speakers lips.

Following Cal. Husselman was a most valuable paper read by Prof. A. H. Purdue on "Origin of Soils," which was received with great attention and has been highly spoken of since. It is printed in full on first page.

The paper by Rensselaer's talented Veterinarian H. J. Kannal, succeeded that of Prof. Purdue, was highly appreciated and a scholarly effort. It is published on first page and will be generally read and commended. J. J. Billingsby filled the last number on the first day's program, and thoroughly interested his hearers, though his remarks very greatly negated his sub-

ject title, "Legislation, what it can and should do for the farmer," the logical deduction being that legislation could do nothing for him, and he should be content with his present condition.

The attendance on the second day was better than the preceding session, Bruce Porter was in the chair and Luther Ponsler secretary, having taken the place of E. D. Nowels.

"Farm Drainage" by J. J. Billingsby was ably handled and well received by the audience.

### St. Joseph's College Entertainment.

The regular semi-annual examination at the college closed with an entertainment. The exercises were held this year on January 25th. At 7:30 p. m., when the hour had come for the fun to begin, the boys assembled en masse in the college auditorium. As usual the audience was a demonstrative one.

Songs and recitations agreeably interspersed with selections by the college band and orchestra followed without surcease for fully two hours. Messrs. Frank Muench and Edward Vogel made pronounced hits with their comic dialectic renditions. Several choice recitations were delivered by Messrs. James Fitzpatrick and William Hordeman succeeded in arousing enthusiastic applause by his comical lecture "On the Union."

The following priests attended the examination: Fathers August Young of Garret, John Guendling of Lafayette, John Blockman and I. Wrobel of Michigan City. George Schram of Reynolds, Rev. Cyprian O. S. F. of Joliet, Illinois.

### Blessing of St. Blase.

Next Sunday services will be conducted at eight and ten o'clock a. m. in St. Augustine's church. At the late service the blessing of St. Blase will be imparted to those wishing it.

The following interesting sketch is kindly contributed by a correspondent:

St. Blase was born at Sebaste, in Armenia, of which place he was subsequently appointed bishop, on the solicitation of the people. At the time of the persecution against the Christians under Sicius, he betook himself to Mt. Argaens, and there hid himself in a cavern. One day Agricolaus, who had been

sent to Sebaste to search for Christians, ordered a hunt to be held by his soldiers on the mountains. A deer running to the cave where the holy bishop was secreted, caused him to be discovered as he was kneeling in prayer before a crucifix. He was immediately brought by the officers to Sebaste. Agricolaus first by flattery, then by torture, endeavoring to dissuade him from his adherence to Christ. But neither promises nor the painful scourgings which he endured, nor the torture of the sharp iron instruments with which his flesh was lacerated, could shake his faith and love. Finally, having been three times brought before the court and each time shown the same constancy he was taken outside the city and beheaded, in the year 316. This saint wrought many miracles, and is yet invoked in dangerous diseases of the throat because he had saved the life of a rich widows son, who had nearly died in consequence of swallowing a fish bone. The church accordingly sanctioned a special blessing of throats on this day. Holding the blessed candles near the throat, in the form of a cross, the priest says through the merits and intercession of St. Blase, bishop and martyr, God deliver thee from all diseases of the throat and preserve thee in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, Amen. If we take part in this pious custom of the church, we should above all consider that while we unite our supplication with the prayer of the church, that we may be preserved from bodily illness we ought to guard our soul against sin particularly sins of the tongue and of the palate, being more dangerous ills than any that can afflict our bodies.

A. B. Lewis of Lee, postmaster, merchant and farmer, was in the city Monday.

The ladies of the M. E. Church will give a New England supper and baby show, at the opera house, Feb. 22nd. Every one is requested to come and the babies have special invitation.

Frank E. Rupert of Pekin, Ill., has purchased the Warren Robinson farm, three miles north east of town, containing 320 acres, at \$40 per acre, Chas. Dean of Washington, Ill., effected the sale.

Dr. J. W. Horton has lately finished a course at the Haskell post graduate school of prosthetic dentistry at Chicago. He is prepared to make meta plates, bridges, and crowns of any kind, at reduced prices.

Wm. Downs of Battle Ground was in this city Tuesday. He is one of the successful cattle feeders of this state.

The home of Jacob Keener nine miles north of town in Union township, was destroyed by fire Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Clark were in Frankfort the first of the week.

Herman Diener and Miss Tillie Hildebrand, after spending a few weeks with their friends in Rensselaer, have returned to their home in Chicago.

Miss Lucy Donnelly who has been sick for the past two weeks with intermittent fever is rapidly improving.

LaRue Bros. are moving their furniture stock into the John Eger grocery room.

An eight pound son has been in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Murray since last Saturday, Jan. 26th. All doing nicely.

Rival meetings have been held at the Free Will Baptist church all this week and the date of termination has not yet been announced.

Jesse Roberts, son of Presto Roberts who lives near Mt. Ayr, received the foundation of his education in Rensselaer, then graduated at Ann Arbor law school. He is now located in Chicago and recently won an important case for B. F. Fendig.

At the Christian church the subject Mohammedanism vs. Christianity will be considered, next Sunday, both morning and evening.

### Degree Ninety-nine.

February 12th has been fixed as the date for the Lafayette corps to visit the Masonic lodge in Rensselaer and administer degree ninety-nine, Sir Knight of Birmingham. It is understood that the visitors will work off a large stock of superfluous jocundity. The banquet arrangements provide for twenty-five guests from abroad.

### False.

Some one has falsely stated that I have gone out of the Insurance business but I want my MANY, many customers to not believe a word of it. It is all false and made for personal gains to the party making it. I am in it to stay. We do our work right and will guarantee satisfaction. B. F. FERGUSON.

### High School Notes.

Pupils of Rensselaer have the privilege of going to one of the best high schools of the state, and they are proud of it. The school is doing the best work it has ever done, especially in literary work. Each room has its chosen trainers for those scholars who are to perform on literary day. There is no more going before the school to declaim from a book without knowing whether to read or to speak, or when the listeners don't know who spoke the most of the piece, the prompter or declaimer. The last debate was one of the best ever had here. It was distinguished for its logic rather than its words. The question was, resolved that women should have a domestic elevation rather than a literary one. Affirmative, Fanny McCarthy and Lessie Warren; negative, Mary Choler and Erma Kannal. STUDENT.

### The Plain Oldfashioned Way.

A plain oldfashioned way social will be given at the independence school house, Hillam township, on Saturday evening, Feb. 9th, proceeds of which will be used in purchasing reading circle books.

Remember this is a plain social and any lady found to be wearing ruffles, jewelry, or with bangs or hair curled will be liable to a fine of not less than five or more than twenty-five cents.

Should a gentleman be found guilty of wearing a "biled" shirt, collar, cuffs, or necktie, or having his bangs or mustache curled, he will be subject to a fine of not less than ten or more than fifty cents.

A prize cake will be given to the most unique looking couple of "ye olden times."

An excellent supper will be served by ladies of Martha Washington's day.

Come, and have a good time "wid ve plain folk" and feel yer self highly honored by being waited upon by these distinguished personages.

So-EAST MARION, Jan. 30. —Geo. Havens who has been on the sick list is about again.

Mr. Chilcoat who has been absent for some time has returned.

Mr. Gish has moved into his house.

Mr. Sanghoof will move to his new home in this township the first of March.

Thomas Daugherty will move to Rensselaer about March 1st.

Jesse Smith will move to his new home in Carroll county in a few weeks.

There will be two new houses built in this locality in the spring.

Mr. Strawser and another man have rented the William Haley farm.

There were several more Illinois men here last week looking for land. Let them come, for they are good men and that is what we want.

Charles Slaughter was a guest at Mr. Haven's Sunday.

Mrs. Grant Daly's sister from Ohio is still visiting at the later's home.

The dance at Mr. Kendle's the other night was a failure as there were no girls present. So, next time take your girls with you.

M. Y. Slaughter can furnish out with the best fruit trees and also seed potatoes.

### TOPSEY TURVEY.

### A Financial Proposition.

Through personal acquaintance with the editors of the following great reform papers, special arrangements have been made to club them with the People's Pilot. These papers are each \$1.00 per year, but your choice is given with Pilot for \$1.50: Vincent's Searchlight, Chicago; Tom Watson's Paper, Atlanta, Ga.; National Watchman, Washington, D. C.; Chicago Times, (weekly); The Road, Denver, Illustrated; Missouri World and Free Trader; Chicago Express; Norton's Sentinel, Chicago.

The People's Pilot and Vincent's Searchlight both one year for \$1.50, regular rates \$2.00.