

FAIR OAKS, March 20.—Robert Schofield builds our new school house.

Clarence Frye is painting his father's house.

George Stowers has returned to Joliet Illinois.

Elias Brockus has moved into the John Mehary house.

Richard Stowers absconded to parts unknown.

Ray Casey is convalescent from having the measles.

Mr. Thompson has moved into Mrs. Near's house.

Lizzie Gilmore of Rensselaer is visiting her sister Mrs. Katie Dester of Fair Oaks.

Samuel Thornton of Surrey is visiting Mr. Miles Moffit of Fair Oaks.

The foundation for the new school house in Fair Oaks was begun the 19th, and several men will find employment.

Charles Standish and wife visited Abigail Johnson last Sunday.

Wm. Cooper the trustee was in Fair Oaks Monday looking after the new school house. We understand that the contract for building being 30 days.

Mr. Cottingham the section foreman on the L. N. A. & C. railway has recovered from his illness sufficiently to be able to work again.

Eward Burnes is still slaying the ducks and geese around Fair Oaks.

A. E. Arnold of Fair Oaks has gone to Marion township, to work for Chas. Israel.

Simon P. Thompson of Rensselaer came up to Fair Oaks, and paid his woodchoppers in full.

John King of Rensselaer continues to kill and ship game to Chicago.

Thomas Snider the mighty hunter is out in the center of Mud Lake concealed and disguised in his geese suit. He kills more game than any other man.

John Guess has sold another farm located somewhere in the neighborhood of Bruce Moffit's.

Thomas Florence and Chas. A. Harrington of Virgine visited Fair Oaks last Sunday.

Thomas Frye is busy in the store of Schofield & Frye.

Charley Barker has rented the James Cox property and will move in the near future.

Walter Cottingham has absconded from Fair Oaks, he left on the local going south on the L. N. & C. railway last Monday.

We are informed that James Garrott, an old broken down soldier of Union township has at last been granted a pension by the government.

In reading an account of the literary entertainment recently held at the Burnes school house in Burkley township, we find the question "who deserves the most honor the statesman or the soldier?" Now we don't desire to cast any insinuations on any person on earth politically or religiously but we believe that we have already read a correct decision in the matter of who side to be on. That question has been permanently settled at Indianapolis in the closing hours of our state legislature by Democrats and Republicans. Good honorable statesmen fighting and bleeding over the Governor's veto in time of profound peace. But any man in our Indiana legislature that inten is to rise to distinction has got to fight and the whole shooting match will then be published in all the leading newspapers and their names on the roll of honor. Aren't we proud of our bleeding statesmen. The other side of the question will please take a back seat while we adjourn. sin die.

PULSATILLA.

BROOK, March 19.—Health good at present.

Sayler Jones of Brook has sold his interest in the hardware store to his partner Bert Turner. Mr. Jones will locate in Kentland in the near future as he was elected Auditor of Newton Co.

On March 6th, Squire Warren united in marriage Gallagher Barker and Miss Mary Deardoff both of Jackson township, they are now living on Mr. B's farm.

William Chamberlain has his lumber hauled for a new barn.

The dance at John Ulyots last Saturday night was well attended.

We are informed that Fred Warren has resigned his office as Justice of the Peace.

While in Foresman the other day we met a horse buyer, and judging from the price he offers, we ought to have a high tariff on horses, to keep out foreign competition.

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Milroy Items.

This winter has been one of the severest on the people of Jasper county that we have had for twenty years. It has been a winter of solid cold weather, and also the longest in breaking up.

The prospects of crops are somewhat discouraging; wheat and rye are looking bad, somewhat killed; but the people are not discouraged, making great preparations to go ahead and put out a crop.

Schools are prospering nicely. Church matters or gospel teachings are somewhat discouraging.

Health in Milroy is on the average.

Mrs. Liddie Iliff is recovering from a very bad stroke of paralysis.

Uncle Peter Foulks asks the question of the people of Jasper county: Who is to blame for slaying the christians and burning Rome—St. Augustine, or Calvin, or Nero?

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BARKLEY, March 16.—Charley Pullins, living near Parr, was in this vicinity, buying cattle, the first of the week.

Lyman Zea is pressing hay on the Burns farm.

James Randle of Rensselaer was in this locality this week, looking after cattle.

Literary at Burn's school house every Friday evening, with a full attendance.

Married—John L. Nichols and Mrs. Mary Read, last Thursday evening, at the residence of Mr. Ady, near Aix.

The Burr Oak Center school closed last Tuesday with very entertaining exercises and eleven visitors. The following is the program:

1. Song by the school, entitled: "My Country."
2. Declaration: "The Last Day," by Edith Kliney.
3. Declaration: "Homesick," by Miss Anna A. Lane.
4. Declaration: "Ten Little Boys from School," by Miss M. Lane.
5. Dialogue: "Our School Day," by Misses Musley Baker, Anna J. and Rose Lane.
6. Declaration: "Grasshoppers," by Sylvia Kramey.
7. Song: "Farewell to School."
8. Dialogue: "Plenty of Proof," by Misses Rosa A. Lane and Emma M. Lane, Chester A. Halsstead and Chas. J. Lane.
9. Declaration: "Love on a Railroad Train," by Miss Musley Baker.
10. Song: "Unfurled the Flag."
11. Declaration: "A Day with Body," by Emma M. Lane.
12. Declaration: "Mrs. Pyser," by Miss Rosa A. Lane.
13. Song: "Hall, Columbia."
14. Essay: "What the Man in the Moon Saw," by Miss Rosa A. Lane.
15. Dialogue: "Our Neighbors," by Misses Rosa and Anna Lane and Musley Baker.
16. Song: "Sweet Marie," by Misses Rosa Lane and Musley Baker.
17. Declaration: "Compensation," by Chas. J. Lane.
18. Declaration: "Women's Rights," by Misses Anna and Emma Lane.

The first prize for spelling was awarded to Chas. J. Lane and the next to Anna Lane; the prize for writing to Rosa May Lane.

Literary Notes.

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A talk with the author of "Trilby" Mr. Geo. Du Maurier, wherein with the same frank kindness and good fellowship that have made "Trilby" the most popular novel of the period, he tells the story of his adventurous life, and how he became an artist and, later, a novelist, and how he draws and how he writes, will appear with portraits and other pictures in McClure's Magazine for April.

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Harper's Magazine and the People's Pilot will both be sent one year for \$4.00, which is but the regular price of the Magazine alone.

Catholic Notes.

St. Patrick's Day was celebrated in a most appropriate manner by the members of St. Augustine's. The Catholic Foresters attended in body and occupied reserved seats near the altar railing. The choir sang a beautiful hymn in honor of the great saint immediately before high mass. The shamrock was everywhere conspicuous.

Next Sunday a sermon will be preached at the morning service (10 a. m.) on the sacrament of baptism.

Ceremonies of Sacrament of Baptism

The solemnity with which the church administers this sacrament, though not essential to its validity, is of great importance, and should by no means be omitted. The principal object of the various rites and prayers which she makes use of, is to draw down the blessings of God upon the person to be baptised, to impress upon our minds the magnitude of the blessings which we here receive, and the obligations imposed on us by the Christian character.

Conformably to the practice of the primitive church the person to be baptised is presented by his godfather and godmother, as sureties for the fulfillment of his baptismal engagements. The name which they give him on this occasion, should be that of a saint, because it is intended to remind him of his having been associated with the saints of God, and of the exertions he should make to imitate the virtues of his holy patron. The sponsors having asked in his name to be admitted to the faith, various ceremonies are performed to prepare the soul for the grace of baptism, such as blowing thrice on the face, in contempt of satan and commanding him to depart; imprinting the sign of the cross, first on the forehead, to signify that we should never be ashamed to make open profession of the faith of Christ, and then on the breast, to impress the desire which we should have at all times to obey the commandments of God; putting into the mouth a grain of blessed salt as an emblem of true wisdom and of the happy influence of divine grace in preserving the soul from corruption of sin. Then, after repeated exorcisms to expel the evil spirit, the person is conducted from the interior of the church where he makes a solemn profession of faith, and his ears and nostrils are touched with spittle in imitation of our Savior, when He cured the deaf and dumb man, the priest at the same time saying, "Be thou opened," to signify that the senses should be ever opened to the truth and grace of God. To a solemn renunciation of the devil and all his pomps and works, succeeds the unction with holy oil; first, on the breast to denote the courage imparted by the Spirit of God, to combat and overcome the enemy of salvation; then, between the shoulders to express the necessity of this same courage in supporting the crosses and trials which we must necessarily meet with during life.

After a second profession of faith the sacrament is administered by pouring consecrated water on the head of the person, with the words ordained by Christ: "I baptize thee in the name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Ghost." The new Christian is then anointed on the top of the head with the sacred chrism, as an emblem of the eminent character which he has received and of his special consecration to the service of God. After this a white garment is laid upon him to denote the robe of innocence with which he is clothed in baptism, and lastly a burning light is put in his hand to signify the lamp of faith which he is always to keep burning with the oil of charity and good works, that he may be ever ready to go forth and meet the heavenly bridegroom, and be admitted to that happy nuptial feast which will have no end.

St. Patrick's Day at Collegeville. That last Sunday was St. Patrick's day was very evident at Collegeville, not only from the celebration commemoration of the day, the religious exercises in the morning and the literary entertainment in the evening, but also from the "wearing of the green" which told its tale better than words could have done. Green was indeed predominant. It was to be seen in ribbons and shamrocks on the coats of the Rev. Fathers and the students; on hats, canes and umbrellas; everywhere, in fact, except the flag-staff over the college building, which was reserved for the stars and stripes.

The day was commenced with the celebration of High Mass at 8 a. m., followed by an excellent discourse by the Rev. M. F. Walz who spoke eloquently upon the Apostle of Ireland and proved that it is not necessary to have Irish blood coursing through the veins in order to appreciate his great work and to wear a spray of shamrock in his honor.

The literary program, the chief feature of the day commenced at 7 p. m. in the "Auditorium," under the auspices of the Columbian Literary Society.

After an opening piece by the College band, Mr. Besinger stepped to the front of the stage and displayed his well known orationary abilities in the recitation of "Erin's Flag." Mr. Cogan then read an essay: "The Poor Scholar," a well written paper describing the manner in which the priests of Ireland were educated during the days of the penal laws. He was followed by Mr. Pfeifer with a guitar solo which so captivated the audience as to call for an encore. The Society's paper The Columbian was read next by editor Fitzpatrick, Mr. Buerer sang "The sinking ship" and upon an encore gave "That Fatal Pack of Cards" and Mr. Conroy delivered an oration on Irish Patriotism which was highly applauded.

A humorous recitation by Mr. Seimetz who was dressed in Irish attire, ended the program. It was a source of regret that the sickness of several members of the college band prevented the execution of music prepared especially for the occasion and confined the musical part of the program to ordinary selections.

The program was a success, nevertheless, as the frequent applause of the audience among whom were many visitors from Rensselaer and the vicinity bore testimony.

SURRY, March 21.—Weather fine and roads good, wild geese and ducks plenty.

D. B. Nowels was to our neighborhood Sunday.

Mrs. G. M. Wilcox is convalescing.

Wonder why Jake Gilmor goes to Surry so often?

S. W. Mooney and his lady spent Sunday evening at Thomas Gilmore's.

Simon Kenton has been on the sick list for the past week, but is better at this writing.

C. D. Thornton was the guest of Miss Katie Gilmore Sunday evening.

T. F. Lang has not gone west yet as he was out of a sick Sunday evening.

D. B. Nowels has bought a herd of steers.

Mrs. Lillie Lang and Elsie Rowen are on the sick list.

W. D. Parks and C. B. Knight were the guests of Miss Alida Kenton last Saturday evening.

Jane Gilmore is indisposed, heart trouble being the cause.

Warren Hopkins and his lady went to church in town last Sunday evening.

Melvin Kenton one of our young men of Surry, went Chicago one day last week on business.

Chas. Pullins shipped a car load of cattle from this place Thursday night.

Miss Maggie Lang spent last Sunday at home. WILD ANNA.

WHEATFIELD, March 21.—Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Stumble on the 18th, a girl, Geo. is the happiest man on earth.

Grandma Brown who has been quite poorly for the past few days is reported better at this writing.

Wm. Souders has moved with his family to Stoneyville on the C. C. & I. railroad this side of Goodland where he expects to keep boarders.

Those who are at present enrolled on the sick list are Mrs. John Greves, Jim Swisher, L. Langdon, Grandma Page, Mr. and Mrs. Scott, Mrs.ie. Nick, Bill Brown, Grandpa Taylor, Mrs. Joudren and Lucy Taylor all of whom are convalescing.

Dr. Horton the dentist of Rensselaer who was here Monday and Tuesday of last week was kept very busy and still there were many who came too late to get their work done this time and will have to come again at the next appointment.

We learn that the branch of the L. I. & I. Railroad called the Buffalo run, running on the C. C. & I. C. railroad from Wheatfield to New Buffalo and return will be taken off April 1st, 1895, at which time the L. I. & I. railroad will place their men in the old depot (which has been fitted up for that purpose), and will

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