

CITY AND COUNTY.

Additional Local News Will be Found on the Seventh and Other Pages.

Rensselaer will soon have a laundry run by a Celestial.

The Keough Comedy company Saturday evening, Aug. 31.

See notice of Pilot stockholders meeting in another column.

E. P. Honan was at the races at Washington Park last week.

Mrs. E. P. Honan has been visiting in Kentland since Saturday.

Charles Spitler, Louis Wilcox and J. J. Hunt made a trip to Delphi Sunday.

Vacation expires and the "winter of discontent" begins Monday for the small boy.

Sam Fisher and Ray Goddard were guests at the home of A. Hamilton last Sunday.

J. A. McFarland and family left Tuesday by team for a two weeks' visit in Park county.

The great events of the Remington fair have been postponed on account of rain till Saturday.

E. L. Hollingsworth is spending this week with his family who are summering in Asbury Park.

James H. Watson and wife of Crawfordsville were guest a few hours last Sunday of T. J. McCoy and family.

Mrs. W. D. Bringle and son leave tomorrow for a week's visit in Chicago, with her sister, Mrs. Rosa Graff.

Mrs. A. Stronach and niece, Miss McSweeney, from Winnipeg, Manitoba, are now visiting Mr. Stronach's daughter, Mrs. M. R. Stronach.

J. C. Norman of Blackford is spending a few weeks in Rensselaer. He is in ill health and will go to Chicago for medical aid next week.

Manager Ellis is to be congratulated on securing so excellent an attraction as the Keough Comedy company to open the dramatic season.

Isaac Glazebrook employs in his blacksmith, horseshoeing and wagon repairing shop more workmen than any other like establishment in Jasper county.

William Evans and family, who left for California two months ago, have returned and are stopping for the present with A. Hamilton, father of Mrs. Evans.

Over Twelve Hundred sets of window shades in colors, qualities and prices never before equalled. You can't help buying after seeing them. At Frank B. Meyer's "Old Reliable" drug store.

A couple of toughs from Indianapolis "fought it out" on the rear end of the Cedar Lake excursion train last Sunday and both fell off, breaking bones and otherwise rending a term in the hospital necessary.

Frank Foltz is not near such an accomplished bicycle hurdle jumper as F. D. Craig. Mr. Foltz gave an exhibition of his skill in front of the Pilot office the other day, but failed to clear the court house fence.

Now that the council has ordered cement walks for all of Washington street between Front and Van Rensselaer streets why not extend the improvement to the Makeever house and south Phegley's livery barn.

A magnificent home grown watermelon has just been received from the hands of Horatio Ropp. It is the finest looker brought to the Pilot office, and the owner will be remembered when the carving is done.

Rev. M. R. Paradis invited from the pulpit last Sunday all the members and adherents of his church to a reception which he and Mrs. Paradis will hold at their residence next Tuesday evening, Sept. 3. It has leaked out that it is their twentieth wedding anniversary.

Miss Kate Rodgers, formerly of Gilliam township but now of Rensselaer, has accepted a position in the schools here and will commence on her duties Monday. Miss Rodgers is a young lady of high literary attainments and will prove a brilliant acquisition to Rensselaer social circles.

The telephone between Rensselaer and Remington was completed Wednesday and is now in fine working order. The phones work splendidly and conversation can be as readily carried on between the two towns as between two points in this place. It is the beginning of a complete system embracing all the towns in this locality.

Cash for Poultry.

Highest prices paid for poultry, eggs, veal, etc., at my newly-opened place north of railroad near depot. JOHN F. MCCOLLY.

Presbyterian Church.

Regular services are now held every Sunday in the court house. The Christian Endeavor society meets in the same place at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting is held at private houses.

More About Water Works.

Has the preacher-lawyer who is author of the long-winded article published in the Republican this week in favor of water works got some more old worthless engines and boilers that he wants to get rid of at an exorbitant price?

It looks that way to a man up a tree.

Why bond the town for fifty thousand dollars for twenty years just to make a market for old, worthless boilers? Every taxpayer in the town has a good well of pure water. When why burden ourselves with taxes to construct water works?

If there is anything in the world that Rensselaer has a right to boast of it is its wells of clear, pure, cool water—the very best on earth. Then why should we vote a tax of \$50,000 upon ourselves, and which is to hang over us for twenty years? Just because the voters in Fowler, Monticello and Kentland did? They may not have good, pure water within the limits of either one of these corporations, but may by a combined effort get good water from outside the corporation. No such a reason exists here. Vote against the water works tax next Monday.

JOHN DOE.

NOTE—The article referred to in this communication will be found on the eighth page of this issue.—Editor.

Cement Walks.

Among the numerous public spirited citizens who are having cement walks placed in front of their residences, are James Randle, George Serrickfaden, Ed Rhodes, Grant Warner, William Washburn and L. Strong. The work is being done by Ira E. Rinehart of Delphi, who has also done a large amount of work on Washington street, including a most excellent job on both fronts of Nowels' House, and extending in front of the stores of C. D. Nowles, N. Warner & Sons and C. C. Starr. The work is very fine and promises to give entire satisfaction. These walks have crushed rock foundations. Mr. Rinehart has had several years experience in this class of work and takes pains in doing it neatly as well as substantially.

Waterworks, Electric Light & Power.

Two communications appear in this issue concerning water works. The Pilot is in favor of this improvement and believes it should be of sufficient capacity to meet all the requirements of double the present population. The power plant should also be large enough to run an electric lighting plant and furnish electric power to the several manufacturing institutions located here and to encourage others to start. These are three legitimate functions of a municipal enterprise of this kind.

The one certain demand of the people who must be financially responsible for this investment is that they shall get exactly what they pay for, and that it will be efficient in all respects.

The mistake made by the promoters, including the council, is that they have failed to give the public full information on the subject. In so important a matter an expression of opinion through a mass meeting would have been but the courtesy due the people whom must pay the improvement. The citizenship of this community have a right to the confidence of their representatives, and if the election fails it will not be because the water works are not wanted, but because they have not been consulted in this matter.

It is reported here as the Pilot goes to press that Monon was visited by a large fire Thursday.

One thing is painfully evident—that it takes bonds to sustain this gold standard system. Sherman issued bonds directly after silver was demonetized in 1873; and Carlisle issued them after silver was demonetized in 1893.

What if this country has a larger circulation of money than any other on earth (which isn't so) that does not change the fact that there is not enough money to transact a cash business. Suppose every other country on the earth committed suicide—is that any reason why we should do the same?

WHAT OTHERS SAY.

A. J. Kitt, late editor of the Herald, left for Chicago Tuesday. A. J. thinks of traveling for a Chicago newspaper. Al is a keen observer, wields a trenchent pen, and would make an excellent correspondent. His many Goodland friends would peruse with interest anything with Al's name attached even to the extent of a promissory note.—Goodland Herald.

The new law requiring the publication of reports by township trustees is evidently what was needed. Four trustees have been arrested since the publication of their reports and one took poison rather than face the music.—Goodland Herald.

Are you going to cut some corn? You will regret it if you don't. If you can't do any better take four or five acres and tie it up in bundles and put in the hay mow. There are plenty of men wanting work, and next spring you will want the feed badly. There is not going to be enough for the livery horses and others kept in town, to say nothing of the hundreds of farmers who are short. Yes, save all the fodder you can.—Goodland Herald.

The cannery factory started up Monday afternoon, canning both corn and tomatoes.—Brook Up to Date.

Young Pete Hugert and two other boys, all under 14 years, were out hunting plums the latter part of last week and had two large Pot hounds with them. In the woods one and one half miles east of town, on the Monell farm, a large lynx attacked them, but the dogs made such a savage onslaught upon it that it ran up a tree. The boys clubbed it off of the tree and the dogs ran it for a half hour until it was almost exhausted and finally it came back and ran up again the same tree. The boys, thinking it was a coon, made war on it with clubs, and at last one of the biggest boys climbed up the tree and went out on the limb. The weight of the lynx caused the limb to bend, so that with a little shaking the lynx fell to the ground where the dogs killed it. Next day some men went out to see it and at once recognized its true character. Those boys came off lucky and a great risk of losing their lives, for its teeth were terrible to look upon.—Francesville Enterprise.

About 5 o'clock Tuesday evening M. H. Hooker, who is here from Illinois to see after land, called at J. A. Tillett's drug store in Francesville and had a prescription filled to be used for a liniment for an injury on a horse's leg. The ingredients were as follows: Nitric acid, quick silver, oil of spike, oil of british and spirits of turpentine, all in separate bottles and labelled in the true name. Hooker then left the store and Dr. Tillett never saw him again alive. Pete Hugert told Dr. Tillett that Hooker had only mixed the nitric acid, quick silver and oil of spike and then corked the bottle. Dr. Tillett thinks the explosion was caused by the nitric acid cutting the quick silver while the bottle was corked and before it had time to settle and cool. The mixture was in a beer bottle and the heat was so great that it burned their hands to handle it. Pete Hugert and Mr. Rohman were with him. Hooker was sitting on a pile of ties in the barn lot near Hugert's house one half mile south of Francesville. He was shaking the bottle when it exploded, making a terrific noise that was heard all over Francesville. Hooker was cut in thirty-seven places, and an artery in his left leg was cut off and he bled to death in about fifteen minutes. Hugert ran for Dr. Sharer, but life was about gone before Dr. Sharer could get there. Hugert and Rohman were both badly cut but will recover soon. Hooker's remains were taken back Wednesday to Chatsworth, Ill., where his family reside. He was about 55 years old and well respected where he resided.—Hammond Tribune.

It is doubtful whether next season will see any material reduction in the price of bicycles.

Studebaker Bros. say that they

have been giving some thought

to the subject of cheapening bi-

cycles but have not reached

any conclusion themselves,

much less authorized the an-

nouncement that has been

going the rounds of the press to

the effect that they would make

wheels for \$30 next year.

The main thing that will operate

against a reduction is the con-

stantly growing demand. Bi-

cycle factories have trouble to

obtain supplies, especially of

rubber tires, and some of the

rubber tubing concerns have al-

ready refused to take any more

orders for next season. With

the demand constantly in ad-

vance of the supply it is not

likely that anybody will go to

making bicycles for their health.

—Monticello Herald.

The phonograph or "talking

machines" so often seen at fairs

and other gatherings now-a-days,

is in many instances but another

name for a new contrivance of

the devil to corrupt the morals

of youth. The men who control

them invariably have in stock an

ample supply of lewd songs and

which young men and not unfre-

quently quite young boys are

permitted to hear provided they

have the price. Fair and other

associations will make no mis-

take by sitting down hard and

flat on the "talking machine."—

Morocco Courier.

The election of a county super-

intendent of schools will take

place next Monday. The trus-

tees will undoubtedly have no

difficulty in selecting a good man

for the place from the abundant

material at hand.

STATE CROP REPORT.

From The U. S. Weather Bureau at Purdue University.

WEEK ENDING MONDAY, AUG. 26.

The weather for the past week has not been as warm as the preceding one but about as dry; a few local showers have been chronicled, but sufficient rain did not fall to materially benefit the growing crops. The corn on low, gray and marsh lands is doing fairly well and a good crop is still expected, but on stony, sandy and clay lands the crop is hastening to maturity without full development; it is burning up in many parts. Pastures, with few exceptions, have become brown and are drying up; stock, necessarily, is being fed. Potatoes and tomatoes are doing fairly well; late potatoes are being injured by the dry weather. Tobacco is being prematurely ripened, consequently it is being cut and housed. Fruit is still falling, but apples and pears will be plentiful. Water very scarce; wells, springs and brooks in many places have become dry. Fall plowing has been discontinued in many localities on account of the ground's dryness.

JOURNALISTIC JABS.

Men who were a year ago sneering at Coxey and his plans are now seriously studying them.—Nonconformist.

W. C. Whitney, a rank gold-bug of New York, and Governor Matthews, who is a free silver man, provided his party is willing, are talked of as democratic candidates for president and vice president next year.—Tipton Union Dispatch.

A great many great financiers are afraid that if we remonetize silver it will drive gold out of circulation. If they will tell us where gold is in circulation, we will investigate and report.—Progressive Farmer.

The democratic and republican parties have been "killing" each other since the war; yet if either were in danger of going under for good the other would risk its own life to save it. If they did not have each other to "kill" both would die.—Chicago Sentinel.

It is rumored that there is a movement on foot for the combination of all existing railroads in the U. S. under one control. If that is true, the one control should be the United States government. If not, the combine will be far more powerful than the government.—Progressive Farmer.

The two old parties would like to bring the tariff question to the front again, but the people will not have it so. The finance question is uppermost and will have to be met in 1896. The speaker who can talk nothing but tariff will not be independent.—Logansport Advance.

The gold bug press everywhere are trying to create the impression that the people in the east are a unit in favor of a gold standard. To make a test of public sentiment the New York Mercury submitted the question of free and unlimited coinage to a vote, which resulted in 18,151 responses, no one person allowed to cast a second ballot. The ballot stood 17,338 for free silver and 813 against it. If submitted to a vote silver would win by an overwhelming majority.—Logansport Advance.

Just now the people seem set on a determination to hear joint debates. Scarcely had Mr. Harvey respectfully consigned the remains of his esteemed opponent to its last resting place until Gen. St. John, the great prohibitionist, and Gov. Tillman take a tilt over the question of abolition or government ownership of the liquor traffic and the judges decided in favor of Tillman. These debates are all right to educate those who desire education and those who prefer to remain in ignorance must be governed by the wise.—Nonconformist.

A man up in Michigan had \$2,800 deposited in a Lansing bank. There came a "run" on the bank and fearing its failure he drew out his money. The bank did fail and passed into the hands of a receiver. The receiver then brought suit against the man who drew out his \$2,800 on the grounds that he knew the bank was insolvent and the law was that no depositor should have the advantage over another. This leaves the case standing about thus: If you deposit money in the bank and the bank becomes insolvent and "busts,"

you lose your money because you didn't know; If you happen to discover that the bank is insolvent, and draw your money out, you must pay it back and lose it because you did know. You see its the best banking system on earth. There is no getting around it. The banker is protected on every side. Great banking system! Glorious country! Let go another bunch of firecrackers.—W