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The Direct Line to  
Chicago,  
Indianapolis,  
Cincinnati,  
LaFayette,  
Louisville,  
West Baden,  
French Lick Springs  
and  
All Points South.  
FRANK J. REED, G. P. A., Chicago.

Monon Time Table No. 23, in Effect Sept. 13.

NORTH BOUND.		SOUTH BOUND.	
No. 40.....	4:30 a. m.	No. 33.....	10:55 a. m.
No. 40.....	7:31 a. m.	No. 33.....	1:35 p. m.
No. 40.....	10:33 a. m.	No. 33.....	4:37 p. m.
No. 40.....	3:30 p. m.	No. 33.....	7:39 p. m.
No. 40.....	6:30 p. m.	No. 45.....	2:40 p. m.
No. 40.....	9:30 p. m.	No. 45.....	5:40 p. m.
No. 74 carries passengers between Monon and Lowell.			
No. 30 makes no stops between Rensselaer and Englewood.			
No. 32 makes no stops between Rensselaer and Hammond.			
Train No. 5 has a through coach for Indianapolis and Cincinnati, via Roachdale; arrives Indianapolis 2:40 p. m.; Cincinnati, 6 p. m. No. 6 has through coach returning; leaves Indianapolis 8:30 a. m.; leaves Indianapolis 11:50 a. m.; arrives Rensselaer 3:30 p. m. daily. Tickets can be purchased at regular rates via this new route.			
W. H. BEAM, Agent.			

## CHURCHES

**FIRST BAPTIST.** Preaching every two weeks, at 10:45 a. m. and 7 p. m.; Sunday school at 9:30; B. Y. P. U. 6 p. m. Sunday; prayer meeting 7 p. m.; C. E. Voliva pastor.

**CHRISTIAN.** Corner Van Rensselaer and Susan. Preaching, 10:45 and 8:00; Sunday school, 9:30; J. Y. P. S. O. E., 2:30; B. Y. P. U., 6:30; Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30. Ladies Industrial Society meets every Wednesday afternoon. The Missionary Society, monthly.

**PRESBYTERIAN.** Corner Cullen and Angelica. Preaching, 10:45 and 7:30; Sunday school, 9:30; Junior League, 2:30 p. m.; Y. P. S. O. E., 6:30; Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30. Ladies Industrial Society meets every Wednesday afternoon. The Missionary Society, monthly.

**METHODIST.** Preaching at 10:45 and 7:30; Sunday school, 9:30; Junior League, 2:30 alternate Sundays. Prayer meeting Thursday at 7. Dr. R. D. Utter, pastor.

**LADIES AID SOCIETY** every Wednesday afternoon by appointment.

**CHURCH OF GOD.** Corner Harrison and Susan. Preaching, 10:45 and 7:30; Sunday school, 9:30; Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30. Rev. P. L. Austin, pastor. Ladies Society meets every Wednesday afternoon, by appointment.

**CHRISTIAN-BARKLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST.** Preaching every alternate Lord's Day, Morning, Sunday School, 9:30; Preaching, 11:00; Evening, Y. P. S. O. E., 7:30; Preaching, 8:00. Rev. R. S. Morgan, Pastor.

## LODGES

**MASONIC.** PRAIRIE LODGE, No. 120, A. F. and A. M., meets first and third Mondays of each month. C. G. Spitzer, W. M.; W. J. Innes, Secy.

**EVENING STAR CHAPTER.** No. 141, O. E. S., meets first and third Wednesday's of each month. Nellie Hopkins, W. M.; Maud E. Spitzer, Secy.

**CATHOLIC ORDER FORESTERS.** Willard Court, No. 418, meets every first and third Sunday of the month at 8 p. m. E. P. Honan, Secy., Frank Maloy, Chief Tanager.

**ODD FELLOWS.** IROQUOIS LODGE, No. 148, I. O. O. F., meets every Thursday, W. E. Overton, N. G.; S. O. Irwin, Secy.

**RENSSELAER ENCAMPMENT.** No. 201, I. O. O. F., meets second and fourth Friday's of each month. T. J. Sayler, C. P.; John Vannatta, Secy.

**RENSSELAER REBPOCA DEGREE LODGE.** No. 344, meets first and third Friday's of each month. Mrs. Mattie Bowman, N. G.; Miss Alice Irwin, Secy.

**I. O. OF FORESTERS.** COURT JASPER, No. 1708, Independent Order of Foresters, meets second and fourth Mondays of each month. C. D. H. C. R.; J. W. Horton, C. R.

## Furniture Repairing.

I am prepared to do repairing of furniture, upholstering, and other woodwork; residence east part town. J. H. Fishel.

## Two Lots For Sale.

Situated two blocks from court house, on Cullen street. Excellent residence location. For particulars see Mrs. Allen Catt, Rensselaer.

## Dissolution of Partnership.

The firm of Thompson & Bro., is mutually dissolved. The debts and credits of the firm will be paid by, and to David J. Thompson.

SIMON P. THOMPSON,

MARION L. SPITZER,

DAVID J. THOMPSON,

November 7, 1896.

## Fireman's Masquerade.

The Rensselaer fire ladders will give their annual masquerade ball on Thursday evening, the 31st inst., New Year's eve. About 300 invitations will be issued and a grand time is anticipated. The ball is given to replenish their treasury which has been depleted in caring for sick brothers. Visitors will be admitted to the gallery at 25 cents.

## Christmas Poultry.

The highest cash price paid for Christmas poultry by B. S. Fendig, opposite Makeever House and Hemphill's barn.

\*\*\*\*\* Senator Butler's  
\* Were the Ballot \* Paper Gives  
\*\*\*\*\* Startling  
\* Boxes \* Figures.  
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\* Stuffed and Bryan \*  
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\* More Votes \*  
\* Reported \*  
\* Cast Than Existed \*  
\* In Several States. \*

The public will remember that when the press reports of the late election were stating that McKinley had swept all the doubtful central western States by big majorities, that Chairman Butler would not concede McKinley's election even after other campaign managers had given up. He stated that he had reliable information showing that Bryan had made gains in States like Indiana, Ohio, Iowa, Minnesota, California and other States big enough to give him the electoral votes of these States by good majorities. Even when the State chairmen in these States conceded that McKinley had carried them Chairman Butler said that he could not understand it and insisted that there was something wrong.

The official count of the vote in these States is now coming out and they throw much light on the matter. The vote tabulated in Ohio, Iowa, Minnesota, and Indiana shows that there is something not only wrong but very rotten.

In Indiana the following are the complete figures as taken from the official returns: Democratic and Peoples, 305,425; Republican, 323,820; Prohibitionist, 3,056; Gold Standard, 2,146; National, 2,268; Socialist Labor, 323. McKinley's plurality, 18,403; McKinley's majority, 9,610. Total vote cast, 687,046.

In 1892 the same totals showed the following vote: Democratic, 262,740; Republican, 255,615; Prohibitionist, 13,050; Populist, 22,208. Total vote, 553,613.

This shows an increase of 83,433 votes since the last Presidential election. This is an unreasonable increase, when we consider that the last Republican candidate was Mr. Harrison and that he lives in Indiana. It was claimed in 1892 that Harrison brought out a remarkably full vote. Therefore there was little stay at home vote to swell this tremendous increased vote. The increased vote would indicate that the population of that State had increased a half million since the last election, and this is unreasonable. Another thing that proves that this increased vote is not straight is that nearly the whole of it is counted for McKinley. Just think of it, Bryan this year got 50,000 more votes in Indiana than Harrison got in 1892. Now a man who could gain 50,000 of the votes that were cast for Harrison in 1892, would certainly get at least half of the increased vote if it was not bogus. It is clear that the gold ring bought up election officers and stuffed the ballot boxes or made this increase in some other unlawful way and counted it all for McKinley.

Now let us look at Ohio. That State this year gave 475,000 votes for Bryan. This is 70,000 more than it gave Cleveland four years ago, when the vote was so close that one of the Cleveland electors was elected, and is the largest vote ever hitherto given by that State to any candidate, Democratic or Republican. It is

170,000 more than Campbell received last year, and 48,000 more than Bushnell, the present Governor of the State received. The biggest vote ever received by any Republican candidate up to 1896 was Bushnell's vote in 1895, and that was 427,000. This year Bryan beat Bushnell's vote by 48,000, and yet is reported as defeated by, say 50,000 majority.

How was it done? The returns show that the total vote of that State this year is 259,784 votes more than was cast last year (1895). The contest in that State last year for Governor was a very exciting one, and the vote was 100,000 larger than ever cast before in the State. The Republicans tried to explain the great increase then by saying that every vote in the State was cast then for the first time. On the other hand the Democrats charged that votes were imported and that ballot boxes were stuffed. They showed that the population of the State was 3,825,000, and that counting one voter of every five of the population that the total vote could not be over 765,000 while the returns showed 840,606 votes. Now here comes a Presidential election only one year later and the total vote is 259,444 larger than it was last year.

There is something very rotten there. No one can claim that the population of Ohio has increased over a million in one year, and it would take such an increase of population to explain this increase of vote even if the election was honest in 1895. In short comparing the population and the total vote in Ohio this year, it would show that nearly one person out of every three of population (counting women, children, convicts and insane) voted. This is absurd. It is impossible.

Yes there is something rotten in Ohio, and if it can be investigated and the truth arrived at, it would show that Bryan carried the State.

"In 1892 Kentucky's total vote was 340,848. Cleveland received 175,461 and Harrison 135,441. In 1895 Kentucky's total vote was 357,057. In 1896 Kentucky's total vote was 406,000. Of these Bryan received about 202,981, McKinley about 203,410. In Kentucky Bryan received at least 27,000 more votes than Cleveland received in 1892, and at least 30,000 more votes than the successful candidate for governor received in Kentucky in 1895. But Kentucky's vote increased about 50,000 in one year. Where did they all come from?

Next let us look at Iowa. In 1892 the combined Cleveland and Weaver vote in Iowa was 216,000; Harrison's vote was 219,000; total vote, 435,000. The total vote this year was 512,000, of which Bryan received 223,000, McKinley 289,000. This was a gain in four years of 77,000 votes. Of this gain Bryan received 7,000 and McKinley 70,000.

This was a gain of 770 votes in each of the 100 counties of the State. Counting five inhabitants

to each vote, we have an increase of population in Iowa in four years of 8,850 to the county, a total of 885,000!

The census of 1890 gives Iowa 1,911,000 population. The State census, taken last year, gives the population as 2,058,000, a gain in four years of 147,000.

If the vote this year was honest, and the census of 1890 and 1895 correct, then Iowa has gained 288,000 souls during the hard times of the past year, whereas she gained but 147,000 during the four subsequent years!

Could such a thing as this happen? It is absurd and shows that there is something rotten in Iowa also.

Another most remarkable phenomena of the Iowa vote is found in the fact that nine-tenths of the 70,000 new voters voted for McKinley. This phenomena was also witnessed in Minnesota, where every one of the 50,000 new voters of that State voted the Republican ticket; and again in Indiana, which increased its vote 80,000, McKinley receiving 67,000 of the increase.

In an interview the other day Mr. Hanna said: Our first poll of Iowa showed the Republicans 600 in the minority." In our opinion, the population of Iowa began to increase from the date of the discovery of this condition. If during the past year of hard times Iowa has had such a transcendent boom in population, gaining 288,000 souls, what possibilities await the State if we should ever again have good times?

When the returns from other doubtful States in the West and Northwest are ready no doubt the evidence of crookedness will appear. Had it not been for the frauds in the States mentioned above, it is almost certain that the electoral vote of each would to-day be in the Bryan column, which would give Bryan 235 electoral votes or 11 more than enough to elect.

This matter should not be allowed to pass without an official investigation. If it was done by buying up election officers, the amount of the fraud will be difficult to determine, but it should be investigated by all means.—THE CAUCASIAN, Raleigh, N. C.

The length of life may be increased by lessening its dangers. The majority of people die from lung troubles. These may be averted by promptly using One Minute Cough Cure. Sold by A. F. Long.

Mrs. C. E. Hershman has received her fall stock of millinery, consisting of walking hats, sailors, and Tam o' Shaners. Her prices are always below all competitors.

We will accept wood on subscription.

Jasper county's farmer's institute will be held Monday and Tuesday, January 18 and 19, 1897. The instructors are to be T. E. Terry of Hudson, Ohio, and A. O. Lockridge, of Greencastle, Indiana.

Wood sawed by the Wood Brothers.

Studebaker wagons for sale by C. A. Roberts.

Take your grain to Coen & Brady's new elevator, level driveway and dumps.

Cancer positively and permanently cured. No cure—no pay. Address Dr. A. W. Armocost, Brookston, Ind.

The bazaar which will be held by the ladies of the Presbyterian church will open Wednesday, Dec. 16.

You can buy a buggy of C. A. Roberts, or any article in the carriage line. No cheap jobs handled.

Mrs. L. M. Lues is now displaying a fine line of millinery novelties, consisting of pattern hats, baby bonnets, trimmings of feathers and birds in profusion.

## For Christmas Charity.

Some of our leading people have interested themselves in the laudable object of affording relief to those in our midst needing the common comforts of life, of whom it must be acknowledged there are many, some even now permitting themselves to suffer from the actual necessities of life, rather than let their sad condition be known. Many homes there are, in our own small city, so the investigating committee reports, where the necessity of rigid economy will prevent any outlay to gladden the hearts of expectant childhood at Christmas. Of all the days in the year, this one, so appropriately consecrated to gifts of friendship and deeds of love, should be made an event so joyous and free from the sting of want, that each recurring anniversary will be anxiously awaited, and will forever remain a memory green as the years of youth gradually pass into those of maturity and finally fade into the twilight of life.

No one is so poor that he cannot afford some gift or deed of kindness to some one else, and it is a duty we owe ourselves to practice at least once a year the precepts of the One Great Giver; we will be the better by stopping to think of humanity for even one brief day, and the greater the benefit to ourselves the more truly must our gifts come from the heart.

As a means of realizing money with which to carry out the proposed charities, the services of Mrs. Annie Ward Foster of Detroit have been engaged, and under her direction local talent has been organized into a Ladies Minstrel Show, to present the laughable entertainment, "Smoked Pearls." Mrs. Foster is an accomplished reader, impersonator and manager, and no one can be disappointed by anticipating a rich minstrel treat. The total proceeds will be devoted to the object mentioned above. Price of admission 25c and 35c. Seats reserved at Huff's. Remember the date, Monday night, Dec. 21.

To cure all old sores, to heal an indolent ulcer, or to speedily cure piles, you need simply apply DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve according to directions. Its magic like action will surprise you. A. F. Long.

Mrs. Hershman will dispose of her whole line of new millinery at greatly reduced prices. Some beautiful pattern hats. Everything fresh and seasonable.

Lots in the Leopold addition adjacent to the court house are the choicest of any in the city.

Remember the best wagon on wheels is for sale by C. A. Roberts. Its the Studebaker.

A. L. Willis can do your bicycle repairing. Shop opposite Nowels block.

Parties wanting corn huskers and shredders call on C. A. Roberts.

Key Stone Corn Sheller for sale by Robert Randle.

## Two Silver Champions.

Doubtless many of our readers, who appreciate the importance of the restoration of the bimetallic standard, would like to subscribe for and support a farm paper which while unsurpassed in its agricultural, household and other departments, at the same time has been the leading exponent of the bimetallic principle of finance. With a view to supplying this want, we have made a liberal clubbing arrangement with the Farm, Field and Fireside of Chicago. For many years this great paper has been pointing out to the farmers that low prices were the result of a contraction of standard money to the gold basis and urging them as a patriotic duty of self defense to vote for the restoration of silver.

So effective has been its work, especially during the late campaign, that Chairman Jones acknowledged to Wm. J. Bryan that it had done more towards the restoration of bimetallic than any other single agency.

As will be seen by our combination offer on another page, we can give this paper in combination with the People's Pilot, both one year, for the low price of \$1.00. This offer also includes twenty packets of the best seeds in the market from the Farm, Field and Fireside's free seed distribution, where 10 cents extra is paid for postage and packing. The Farm, Field and Fireside and the People's Pilot are two papers which Mark Hanna's boodle could not influence in the late campaign.

Soothing, and not irritating, strengthening, and not weakening, small but effective such are the qualities of DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. Sold by A. F. Long.

## Obituary.

David C., eldest son of Daniel S. and Catharine C. Makeover, was born in Jasper county, Indiana, west of Rensselaer, Dec., 1853. He lived there until he was 23 years of age, when he went to the West, where he married Mary, daughter of James and Salome Cunningham. Of this union was born one son.

He returned to his old home in the fall of 1895, to visit his people. Early in the spring of 1896 he went to North Dakota, to prepare a home for himself and family, his wife and son remaining for the time with her father in Missouri. His death was a shock to all his friends. Only a few days before his death, his wife received a letter from him, stating that he was in good health. He was a member of the Dunkard or German Baptist church. The body of the deceased arrived in Rensselaer, Sunday morning, Dec. 6, and was buried in Weston cemetery at 2 p. m., the Knights of Pythias conducting the burial service. The same day at 3 p. m. the funeral services were held in the Trinity M. E. Church, the pastor, Rev. R. D. Utter, officiating.

The wife of the deceased was not able to attend the funeral on account of the illness of her son. Besides these, one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Lester, of Nebraska, and one brother, D. S. Makeover of this county, together with many relatives and friends remain to mourn his death.

## Lost

one \$10 bill and one \$2 bill, somewhere in town. Finder will be rewarded by returning same to Thomas Parker, Rensselaer, Ind.

Key Stone Corn Sheller for sale by Robert Randle.

# OPERA HOUSE,

MONDAY NIGHT, DEC. 21,

## "SMOKED PEARLS"

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### LADIES MINSTREL ENTERTAINMENT

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## Local \* Talent,

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OF DETROIT.

The whole proceeds for Christmas Charities at Home. 25 and 35c. Reserved Seats at Huff's.