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Rev. Paradis preached to a good congregation in South Meadow School House last Sunday afternoon and will preach again on the 27th.

One hundred people at Waveland have sent Congressman Landis a petition that he call an election for choice of postmaster. We have it by authority that he will refuse the request.—Crawfordsville Star.

The old way of delivering messages by postboys compared with the modern telephone, illustrates the old tedious methods of "breaking" clogs compared with their almost instantaneous cure by One Minute Cough Cure. Sold by A. F. Long.

The children of the Christian church are to render the cantata Uncle Sam and Santa Claus at the opera house the evening before Christmas. Mesdames Moore and Leatherman, and Miss Bartoo are training the children. After the entertainment a Christmas tree will be picked. A wild man from the moon will assist Santa Claus. He will be kept chained and great care will be taken to prevent his getting loose.

Dr. H. B. Waterman of Oak Park, Ill., will present an entertainment at the F. W. Baptist church tomorrow night. Twenty young people in costume will appear in "A Double Japanese Wedding." There will be 150 beautifully painted magic lantern pictures, described by the man who made the photographs. In all the entertainment is to be very interesting and useful. Half of the proceeds go to the church. Admission 25c; children 10c.

The bill in the Alabama legislature to prohibit the wearing of bloomers in that state was referred to the committee on temperance. The Alabama lawmakers evidently think that bloomers have a tendency to drive people to drink.—Delphi Citizen.

We plead for the bloomer, and insist that Alabama lawmakers understand perfectly well that it is a temperance measure. Since their introduction in this city nearly thirty men have gone to Dwight for the gold cure, one saloon has gone out of business and bankruptcy, and the Nicholson law threaten the rest of them.

Wood Saving 40c a Cord.

The Wood Brothers have a fine new outfit for sawing all kinds of wood; cord wood 40 cents per cord. They desire a share of public patronage. Leave orders at Pilot office.

The Coen & Brady elevator is now completed and ready to do business. It is equipped with the latest improved machinery and is the most modern elevator in the country. It has a level driveway and platform dumps.

That 832 Foot Bridge.

By the extension of a bridge north of Rensselaer, Jasper county will have probably the longest wagon bridge in the state, the length being 832 feet.—Delphi Citizen.

The distinction of having the largest bridge in the state comes from the possession of two other state eclipsing specialties, viz., the greatest ditch building pirate and the only boneless backed board of county commissioners. Most any county can have an 832 foot bridge by running a drainage ditch so as to divert waters from their natural course and then leave the outlet dammed up so as to flood a few thousand acres. All that is needed is a B. J. Gifford and a triangle court willing to build bridges instead of protecting suffering citizens by ordering the water removed. It might be remarked in this connection that the people of Jasper county will make matters so warm for some one that the flood now ruining many fine farms will be removed and there will be several hundred feet of bridge for sale on some bargain counter.

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SONG OF THE BURDEN BEARER.

Over the narrow footpath
That led from my lowly door
I went with a thought of the Master,
As oft I had walked before.
My heart was heavily laden,
And with tears my eyes were dim,
But I knew I should lose the burden
Could I get a glimpse of him.

Over the trodden pathway,
To the fields all sown and bare,
I went with a step that faltered,
And a face that told of care.
I had lost the light of the morning,
With its shimmer of sun and dew,
But a gracious look of the Master
Would the strength of yore renew.

While yet my courage wavered
And the sky before me blurred
I heard a voice behind me
Saying a tender word,
And I turned to see the brightness
Of heaven upon the road
And suddenly lost the pressure
Of the weary, crushing load.

Nothing that hour was altered—
I had still the weight of care—
But I bore it now with gladness
Which comes of answered prayer.
Not a grief the soul can feel
Nor cloud the vision when
The dear Lord gives the spirit
To breathe to his will amen.
—M. E. Sangster in Witness.

REAL ESTATE.

Abram J. Freeland, Newton school township, Dec 1, 1896, pt s e, s e, 17-29-75, 100
Martha C. Allen, H. B. Brown, Dec 3, 1896, pt w s e, s e, 18-29-75, 8100
William A. Eiden, Albert S. Keen, Dec 2, 1896, 1/2, square 4, Bentley's Add, Wheatfield, 70
Willard Stockwell, Judson L. Adams, 1/2, sq 1, Rensselaer, 1000
Lewis Saylor, Chester E. Adams, Dec 1, 1896, w 2, n e, 19-32-75, 2200
Columbia Imp't Co. John W. Paxton, Dec 10, 1896, 1/3, sq 4, Columbia Add, Rensselaer, 125
William J. Parker, Harry N. Clark, Feb 29, 1896, pt n w s w, 25-32-75, 350
Harmon N. Clarke, John Pinter, Nov 17, 1896, pt n w s w, 25-32-75, 400
Moses B. Alter, F. Gertrude Kannal, Dec 12, 1896, 1/4, sq 3, Benjamin Add, Rensselaer, Love
Joseph Flickentine, Miles Higgins, Nov 27, 1896, 1/5, sq 18, Remington, 875
John W. Mannar, Ella Hughes, Aug 6, 1896, 1/8, Mannar's Add, Dunville, 25
Martin Burns, Charles Holle, Nov 3, 1896, pt e s e, 17-31-75, 145
Warren M. Brey, Sch township of Wheatfield, Dec 2, 1896, pt s e, n e, 11-32-75, 100
John A. Sigler, Garret Gravenstak, May 6, 1896, n 2, n w, 28-32-75, 1000
Moses B. Alter, Hugh L. Gamble and wife, Dec 10, 1896, 1/8, sq 11, 1/2, sq 10, pt 1/2, 11 and 14, sq 37, Rensselaer, 50
Hugh L. Gamble and wife, Moses B. Alter and wife, Dec 11, 1896, 1/8, sq 11, 1/2, sq 10, pt 1/2, 11 and 14, sq 37, Rensselaer, 500
Henry Marker and George N. Barcus, Abraham Leopold, Feb 28, 1896, 1/7, sq 5, Columbia Add, Rensselaer, 75

TO SUBMIT TO TESTS.

Dr. Powell, Who Says He Has a Cure All, to Have a Sanitarium For His Theory.

Dr. Thomas Powell, who confidently believes that he has made discoveries in medicine whereby the whole science and practice of that profession will be revolutionized, has left Columbia, Mo., for Los Angeles, where he goes at the solicitation and expense of Chicago capitalists and scientists who are going to install the doctor in a sanitarium and give his theory a practical test.

Dr. Powell is exceedingly reticent in regard to his discovery and absolutely refuses to disclose the nature of the remedy, except to say that it is physiological and constitutional in character. He further states that he has explained its character to a few medical scholars, who agree with him in saying it is entirely practical. The preparation will be immune from all dread diseases and is either in fluid or solid form. Contrary to general belief, it is not a serum.

Dr. Powell is a man about 60 years of age, being slight of stature and remarkably active for one of his years. He says he feels as young as he did 40 years ago. After graduating from the New York Medical college he came west to practice his profession, but all the while keeping up his studies. He located in Paola, Kan., and from there he went to Springfield, Mo., where he enjoyed an excellent practice and acquired a small fortune.

After studying for 13 years he began to investigate along the lines upon which his discovery was made. He became so engrossed in his investigations that he abandoned his practice, and for the last 15 years he has done comparatively nothing but work on his theory. He spent all his fortune, and at last he settled in Columbia to get the advantage of the medical library of the state university. With his fortune gone and nothing left but a set of watch repairing tools he went into the business of repairing watches and clocks, all the while keeping up his work of scientific research. It is said that he has gone four days without sleep.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

SUBMARINE WRECKING.

A Craft to Explore For Sunken Vessels to Be Built in Baltimore.

The Columbian Iron works of Baltimore have contracted to build a submarine wrecking boat, the first ever built for practical submarine engineering work. Simon Lake of Baltimore is the inventor of the craft, which, it is claimed, will always be under perfect control, rising to the surface and submerging at will, and capable of being propelled in any desired direction when on the bottom of the waterway.

It will be used principally for searching the bed of the ocean adjacent to coast lines and in finding and recovering sunken vessels and their cargoes. According to the specifications, the new boat will be about 54 tons displacement and will have a crew of six men. She will, Mr. Lake claims, be able to cruise around on the bottom for a day at a time before it will be necessary to ascend to the surface to renew the air supply and electrical energy.

On the boat there will be a powerful searchlight to light up a pathway in front of and on either side of the vessel as she moves along over the bottom. The hull is to be of steel and strongly ribbed and guaranteed by the contractors to resist the pressure of the water at required depths. The contract calls for the completion of the boat by March 1, 1897.

She Earned It All.

Melba has \$100,000 invested in gowns, it is said, one of them having cost \$15,000. Though \$15,000 is a good deal for a single dress, it is worth while to note that the wearer earned it herself.—Boston Globe.

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The True Test of Oysters.

"The best oyster experts that I know of," said the captain of an oyster boat, "judge an oyster by the smell, instead of by the taste. There is something about the smell of any oyster that indicates its condition to me much plainer than does the taste. People buy them and eat them probably on account of their taste. So also do they buy tea, coffee and the various grades of whisky and brandy for their taste, but all experts on those things pass upon them entirely by their smell. The professional tea taster or whisky taster, so called, never tastes them, but simply arrives at their taste by their peculiarities of flavor, or, to speak plainly, smell."

"I can tell what price a load of oysters will be rated at when they arrive at the wharf here by opening up the hold of the boat and smelling. In eight cases out of ten I am right. It strikes oyster-men as strange when they see persons going about from boat to boat, as they lie at the wharf, tasting oysters before they conclude to buy. Taste is all right, but if they don't smell right they will never taste right."—Washington Star.

Monon Time Table No. 28, in Effect Sept. 13.

NORTH BOUND.		SOUTH BOUND.	
No. 4.....	4.30 a. m.	No. 5.....	10.55 a. m.
No. 40.....	7.31 a. m.	No. 38.....	1.58 p. m.
No. 38.....	9.55 a. m.	No. 36.....	5.03 p. m.
No. 6.....	3.30 p. m.	No. 3.....	11.20 p. m.
No. 30.....	6.19 p. m.	No. 46.....	2.40 p. m.
No. 74.....	7.40 p. m.		
No. 46.....	9.30 a. m.		

No. 74 carries passengers between Monon and Lowell.

No. 30 makes no stops between Rensselaer and Hammond.

No. 38 makes no stops between Rensselaer and Hammond.

Train No. 5 has a through coach for Indianapolis and Cincinnati, via Roachdale; arrives Indianapolis 2:46 p. m.; Cincinnati, 6 p. m.; No. 6 has through coach returning; leaves Cincinnati 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.

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