

The Republican.

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Congressman Acklen, of Louisiana, is now accused of seduction and forgery. The feeling against him at Washington is very bitter, and many members are said to favor his expulsion.

Another Democratic State has been heard from. The committee appointed by the Oregon Legislature to investigate the State department finds \$97,000 squandered. The report is particularly severe on Governor Grover, who tried so hard to get an electoral vote for Tilden.

The Indiana Legislature meets January 7th. Voorhees took rooms at an Indianapolis hotel more than a week ago, where he will remain until United States Senator is elected. It will not be long until we shall know what kind of stuff some of our Legislators are made of.

Secretary Sherman is reported as saying, when asked how he felt three days before resumption, "that he felt excellently well, because he was led to believe, from advices from almost every part of the country, that there would be comparatively but little demand for gold when the vaults of the sub-treasury were practically thrown open to the public.

The senatorial canvass in Illinois, is just now becoming interesting. Gen. Logan will have more votes to start with in caucuses than any other man, but it is impossible to predict the result, as there are some Republicans in almost every Legislature elected in Illinois, who have no more sense than to be influenced by the Chicago Tribune, and that paper can always be depended upon to help elect a Democrat rather than a Republican that it does not like.

The Indianapolis editors are almost all in favor of Capital punishment, but numbers of their patrons think otherwise, and quite a lively correspondence regard to this subject being indulged in just now. The subject of hanging is being thoroughly discussed pro and con. The popular feeling at this time is that a few men must hang, and as a result of that feeling they will hang, but in a short time that feeling will subside, and a feeling of sympathy for the murderer will take its place, and it will be almost impossible to find a jury that will convict a man of murder. What we need is a law and a penalty for murder that can be enforced as easily as the penalty for committing any other crime.

The president says he shall be in no hurry about filling the vacant Berlin mission. Hartranft, of Pennsylvania, still has the inside track but some Ohio men may yet turn up and walk off with the pot.

The first of January is here—the day that was to usher in the hardest times every known in this or any other country, according to the theory of our Greenback or "flat money" friends, unless the resumption act was repealed. Do any of them realize to-day that money is scarcer than it was six months ago? Or do they not feel that times are "easing" up just a little?

All the New York City banks began making preparations for resumption several days ago, and nearly all have notified their customers and correspondents by a circular letter of the change to be made to-day, January 2. The Clearing House has issued a circular that, in accordance with a resolution passed by the associated banks at a meeting held November 12, special exchanges of gold checks at the Clearing House will be discontinued after the morning of December 31. The First National bank has already resumed, having paid out over a hundred thousand dollars in gold on Friday last. This bank has issued a circular declaring that on and after January 2, it will discontinue the keeping of special gold accounts, and balances will on that date be consolidated in general account. Remittances by express may be ordered in gold, silver, legal-tender or national bank notes. Silver in sums of \$1,000 and upward will be forwarded free of expense.

As a condensed statement of the wonderful development of our export trade in wheat during the last five years the Inter-Ocean says: "From September 30, 1870, to October 1, 1875, our exports of wheat, without reference to immense quantities in the shape of flour, bread, and biscuit, amounted to 409,349,445 bushels, valued at \$551,580,220, equal to an average price of \$1,347.46 per bushel. From September 30, 1873, to October 1, 1875, our exports of wheat, without including flour, bread and biscuit, amounted to 305,653,577 bushels, valued at \$303,799,119, equal to an average price of \$1,25.567 per bushel. Thus, in five years, we exported 74.7 per cent. of the quantity, and 71.4 per cent. of the value, exported in the preceding fifty-three years." These figures show that the United States stands at the head of the wheat growing nations of the world. When our great agricultural regions are fully developed we can almost furnish breadstuff for the world.

Neighborhood Notes.
Our exchanges all speak of a delightful Christmas.

Lowell. Lake county, has a new paper called the Enterprise.

The Kokomo Dispatch issued a quadruple sheet last week.

Gen. Jason C. Kilpatrick will lecture at South Bend, Jan. 4th.

A man in Porter county named Nick Ehlen, was shot by his stepson last week.

From 13 to 17 degrees below zero, Tuesday of last week, is what our exchanges say.

The Warsaw Union suspended for one week. It will not be issued to-morrow (Friday).

John Lukens, one of the oldest settlers of Wabash county, was killed by a falling tree last week.

The Teachers' Institute at Rochester last week, conducted by Prof. Myers, was in every way successful.

The Albion New Era has just completed its third volume. It is ably edited and should be well patronized.

South Bend had a \$36,000 fire Christmas eve. Six three story buildings in the business portion of the city were destroyed.

The Starke county Ledger says there is talk of trying to raise \$10,000 by means of a lottery to build a hotel in Koss.

Friday night of last week Joseph Burkley, aged eighty-three years, living in Clinton township, Elkhart county, fell, causing injuries which may prove fatal.

A cargo of silk worms, valued at \$350,000, passed through Michigan City last week on the Michigan Central en route from China to France, via San Francisco.

W. L. Mathews, of Warsaw, has written a book on the subject of education, which the Union says will be put in press soon. It will contain four hundred and fifty pages.

Minority representation is to have a hearing in congress by a bill in preparation which proposes to have the legislature of each state, after the return of the next census, divide the state into districts, each of which, as far as possible, shall be entitled to either three or five representatives.

In case the district is entitled to three representatives, each voter can vote for two of them; in case it is entitled to five, each voter votes for three. Where states have but two representatives, as is the case with Rhode Island and Florida, they are to be divided into two districts and elected at present, and where the state has an odd representative after the state has been divided as nearly as possible into districts to be represented by three or five members, a separate district is to be set apart for this representative, who is to be elected as at present. The effect of this will be to break up solidarity. Supposing no political change, the Democrats would still have a majority, as they have now, but there would be Republicans from all over the country, and not from any one section. —*Indianapolis News.*

The New Orleans Times, a Democratic paper, commenting on the assassination of the colored witness summoned to appear before the United States grand jury at New Orleans, declares that it is useless to expect prosperity in the South while such acts of lawlessness are committed, and plainly tells its readers that it is able to expect to gain the confidence of the outside world since such acts of violence are tolerated and all law in defiance. When Republican papers make such declarations they are accused of "waving the bloody shirt." It may be possible that law and order can yet be restored in the South by the united efforts of the leading men of all parties, but in no other way. Had the admonitions of the "bloody shirt" papers been heeded years ago, the prosperity and confidence for which the South will now have to wait for many years, would be at hand.

Postmaster Winslow, of Kokomo, has tendered his resignation to take effect as soon as his successor can be appointed. There are plenty of candidates for the vacancy.

An Indian girl in Wabash county, who is the owner of 100 acres of land and considerable personal property, wants to marry a white man who will "hump much work." No others need apply.

At Goshen, on Monday of last week a tramp was arrested, tried and found guilty of attempting to commit a rape on a twelve year old girl, and sentenced to twelve years in the penitentiary.

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Pen and Scissors.

The Nile last year forgot to overflow, and as a consequence the harvest of Egypt is short.

Numbers of persons were frozen to death during the recent cold weather, —several in Indiana.

Talma is going to Chicago, in a few weeks, to preach and show up the wickedness of that great city. St. Louis is happy.

The report of the business done on the New York canals for the year just ended show an increase in tolls of \$11,000 over last year.

Gutting, now under sentence of death at Indianapolis, either is or pretends to be a raving maniac.

Buffalo Bill has made, it is reported, about \$15,000 on the stage, most of which he has invested in cattle, having in all 6,300 head.

If the North isn't solid it wouldn't take more than a week more of such weather as we have had during the last few days to make it so.—*Inter-Ocean.*

The Boston Post wants Alexander H. Stephens to take a seat at a first-class table, during the recess, and stuff himself, and David Davis to go up into a mountain and fast.

A Washington dispatch says that Samuel J. Tilden will be one of the first witnesses called before the Poter commission when the house instructs it to investigate the cipher telegrams.

The Democrats have about concluded not to assist Conkling in his fight against the Administration or otherwise, because every stroke favorable to Conkling will have the ultimate effect of strengthening Grant. The Bayard family, of Delaware, has a remarkable record of political service. The present Senator entered the Senate in 1869. His father was his immediate predecessor, and occupied the seat for eight years. His grandfather occupied it for thirteen years, and an uncle was also for many years a member of the same body.

The Washington Post: It is worth while to have any minister at Berlin, he should be a man of brain and nerve. No other can successfully cope with him who now rules Germany with an iron rod, and who has no great inclination to concede the rights of American citizens of German birth who visit their fatherland.

New York Tribune: Gen. Garfield, by common consent, regarded as the strongest debater in the House of Representatives. Hooker, of Mississippi, is the most polished orator. Eugene Hale, of Maine, and S. S. Cox, of New York, are the ready orators. Kelley, Exting and Chittenden are the financial orators.

As Miss Ann Robinson, aged fifteen, of Brooklyn, N. Y., was returning home from night school, on December 18th, she was tripped up in passing by a wire stretched from an awning post of a grocery store across the sidewalk. Some boys were in ambush watching the effect of their trick upon passers by. The girl in falling struck so that the back of her head struck the sidewalk. She uttered a cry of pain and then became insensible, and within a week died from fracture of the skull, after great suffering.

The Cincinnati Gazette forecasts Presidential probabilities, a little, and finds cause for warning in the fact that the Republican convention may be delayed by the votes from the South. While those States might make a show in convention, in election they are sure to go Democratic, and the Republicans, nominating a man on the ground of his popularity south, will find they are leaning on a reed just at the time they need a good, stout shillalah. The Gazette, like Professor Ridpath, lays a good deal of stress upon the public conscience, and tells its party that they nominate a man who will offend the conscience of a large class of Republicans he will be defeated.

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Teachers' Institute.

MONDAY, DEC. 23, 1878.

The Marshall County Teachers' Institute met in the Chapel Church in the City of Plymouth, Indiana, and opened its session at 1 o'clock p. m., Mr. W. E. Baily, County Superintendent, presiding. On motion, J. F. Langenbaugh was appointed secretary.

First subject on programme, "Common Faults of Teachers in conducting Recitations," was discussed by Thos. Payne, O. Greiner, C. Shakes, G. A. Harding, M. Young, S. S. Fish, Miss L. Young, McCrory, J. F. Langenbaugh and Superintendent.

Second subject, Talk, "Civil Government," by Professor W. A. Hosmer, County Superintendent of LaPorte schools. This was a subject that has never yet been brought before the institute properly. Mr. Hosmer gave a brief, lucid and concise history of the forms of our government, from its beginning, imparting to a number of teachers such information, as will, no doubt, be of great benefit to them in their capacity as teachers.

Second subject, "Difference between Teaching and Talking," discussed by M. Young, McCrory, Harding and Superintendent.

The institute then adjourned to meet at 7 o'clock, p. m. Present for ty teachers.

Evening session was called to order by J. F. Langenbaugh, (Superintendent being absent). Subject discussed, "Measures taken to secure Punctuality, good Department and Attention, with Results." A number of teachers participated in the discussion of the subject.

Third subject, "Drawing," by Professor Thompson, of Purdue University, LaFayette. This subject was original and unique, very simple and yet instructive, and especially adapted to the young in our common schools. Mr. Thompson is an expert in that branch of education, some of his illustrations created laughter and others admiration. Institute adjourned to meet at the Chapel Church at 7 o'clock p. m. Present, ninety teachers.

Evening session was called to order by W. E. Bailey, Superintendent.

First subject, "Method," by G. A. Netherton. First. A series of resolutions was read and offered by Hon. G. A. Netherton. The subject matter was in the form of a petition to the Legislature of the State to make some changes in the school law. On motion, the subject was made the order on Friday.

Second subject, "Drawing Continued," by Professor Thompson.

Third subject, "The Darwinian Theory as Applied to Education," by Hon. W. A. Bell. This was a rare treat, and was attentively listened to by all present. The speaker gave a short history of Mr. Darwin, the author of the theory. Adjourning to meet at 9 o'clock m.

FRIDAY, DEC. 25TH.—MORNING SESSION.

Institute called to order by W. E. Bailey, Superintendent.

First subject, "School Improvements," by Prof. G. A. Brown, Ex-Supt. Indianapolis schools. This subject was handled with ingenuity and great skill, and elicited merited praise.

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Third subject, "Illustrative. "The Verb and its Grammatical Properties," by Prof. G. A. Harding. This subject was handled in a scholarly manner and was highly appreciated by the Institute.

Adjourning to meet at the Ward School House at 1:30 p. m.

Afternoon session.

Evening session was called to order by W. E. Bailey, Superintendent.

First subject, "Discussion. "What is it to properly govern a school?" Lagenbaugh leading, followed by Burton, Overmyer, Superintendent and others. Quite a spirited discussion took place on this subject.

Second subject, "Illustrative. "The Noun. Its functions, forms, positions and classifications, treated originally with blackboard illustrations," by Hon. G. A. Netherton. This subject was presented well remembered the "old fashioned spelling matches, or school," of "ye olden times." Mr. Bell is familiar with both the old and new, and during his illustrations, caused frequent applause, and an occasional laugh. At the close of this exercise, vote