

The Republican.

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Not a dollar of the famous five-twenty six per cent gold bonds are now outstanding.

The law exempting from execution and sale \$600 worth of property, real or personal, which was enacted during the recent session of the Legislature, contained an emergency clause, and is now in operation.

The Legislature has fixed the price for publishing the delinquent tax list at thirty-five cents each description. Other advertising, one dollar per square, of 250 ems, first insertion, and fifty cents per square for each subsequent insertion.

The elections in Ohio and Michigan, Monday, were gratifying to the Republicans. Columbus, Ohio, elects a Republican Mayor for the first time since 1858. In Michigan, the Democrats and Greenbackers united, but were beaten ten thousand votes. Cincinnati gives a Republican majority of one thousand.

If the country was sinking into oblivion there would be a few country editors who would try to make their readers believe that it wasn't so.—*Huntington News*.

It money can be made of paper by simply declaring that it is money as the editor of the *News* pretends, the country can certainly be saved from sinking into oblivion by the declaration that it will not sink. Cut shall be consistent.

The editor of the Indianapolis *Star* thinks the Greenback party is a big thing. He also thinks "Brick" Pomeroy's part of it very small. This is what he says: "Any individual or set of individuals who presume to dictate a policy and platform to a party composed of millions of men will soon run upon a snag. It might be well for 'Brick' Pomeroy and his followers to take notice."

Governor Williams has vetoed the modified school laws passed by the Legislature. He says that it bears on the face of hasty and unskillful enrollment, and he is sure that it did not receive the careful examination which its importance demanded. The Governor lashes the Legislature unmercifully. He evidently intends to try to make the people of other States believe that notwithstanding the charge that Indiana has the most ignorant Governor of any State in the Union, that he knows a great deal more than a majority of the members of the last Legislature. The indications are that he will succeed.

Warren Tate, who has for a number of days been on trial at Indianapolis for the murder of William Love, whom he shot dead in the court house, at Indianapolis, on the 19th of November last, was acquitted Saturday, much to the surprise of everybody. Even Tate's warmest friends hoped for nothing more than a disagreement of the jury. The remarkable verdict was the theme of universal discussion at Indianapolis, Saturday evening, and the opinions expressed by the better class of people were not at all complimentary to the jury that acquitted a man whom at most everybody believed should have stretched him.

Not a dollar of the famous five-twenty six per cent gold bonds remain outstanding. They have all been replaced by the new four per cent bonds. During the last two years, Secretary Sherman has refunded over five hundred millions of the national debt into four per cent bonds, and succeeded in bringing resumption of specie payments without causing a ripple of excitement in financial circles. Eleven million dollars annually will be saved to the government by this reduction of interest. Fifty-nine million dollars of four per cents. were sold last Friday, and the Secretary telegraphed in every direction to stop the sale, because there were no more bonds to sell.

A Washington special to the daily papers says Judge Ludington, a native of Louisiana, and several persons from that state just arrived in Washington report that the negroes are leaving the state by thousands; every one who can raise enough by selling all he has to get away is doing it. Judge Ludington thinks that unless something is done to stop the movement there will be no laborers in Louisiana to work plantations this summer. He says emigration has taken the shape of a stampede, and colored families go like sheep. The governor has been asked to convene the legislature in special session to enact a law prohibiting steamboat companies from carrying negroes out of the state. A national immigration aid society has been organized.

On Saturday, the Army Appropriation bill passed the House of Representatives, having attached to it a clause repealing the act of Congress which authorizes the use of troops to preserve peace at the polls, in electing members of Congress. The sections which the Democrats are determined to repeat are the following:

Sec. 2,002. No military or naval officer or other person engaged in the civil, military or naval service of the United States shall order, bring, keep, or have in his authority to be carried, used or armed any weapon, or the like, where any general or special election is held in any State, unless it be necessary to repel the armed enemies of the United States or to keep the peace.

Sec. 5,528. Every officer of the army or navy, or other person in the civil, military or naval service of the United States, who orders, brings, keeps, or has under his authority or control any troops or armed

men, at any place where a general or special election is held in any State, unless such force be required to repel the armed enemies of the United States, or to keep the peace, shall be fined not more than \$5,000 and suffer imprisonment at hard labor not less than three months nor more than five years.

What there is about this law that would prevent a peaceable legal voter from voting as he pleased, or how men can construe it into a law that would infringe the liberties of any honest man or body of men, we can not understand. The Democrats in Congress, however, have tacked this law on to the Appropriation bills, and declare that if it does not pass, or if the President vetoes it, that they will stop the wheels of government by refusing to vote for any allowed to pay any of the expenses necessary to run the government. If it passes the Senate in the same form that it passed the House, we hope the President will have back-bone enough to veto it. If the Democrats will not accept any compromise, and persist in attaching their pet political schemes to appropriation bills, we think they can be convinced that the government can do without money as long as they can. Republicans should ask for nothing that is not right, but they should countenance nothing that is wrong. The man or the party who tries to win by sacrificing the right to secure success will in the end suffer defeat.

DR. CONFER'S LETTER.

Reformatory Institution for Women and Girls

This institution is situated in the eastern suburbs of Indianapolis, and is one of the grandest among the charities of which Indiana can boast.

It is not classed among, or as one of the benevolent institutions of the State, yet in its operation, it is as much as the Blind or Insane Asylums.

It is termed a reformatory, and in one sense it is; but not in that harsh and repulsive definition given in the general acceptance of that word.

Those consigned to its care and management are placed there for some crime, but they are not received in chains, or incarcerated in dungeons, until the term of sentence has expired.

They are received as members of family, a kind of benevolent sisterhood, where the fallen ones find sympathy and Christian consolation.

The system of reformation practiced there, is unlike anything in operation in the United States; it is under the control of women, whose management of the forty-eight female convicts is not only surprising but incomparably effective. Bread and water and moral swasion, exercised by female power, have accomplished better results than all the punishment—scientific and otherwise—that have been practiced in ages past.

Under this discipline and treatment of female criminals by female officials, the records show that eighty-two per cent go away with disciplined minds, and habits of industry and thrift, to fill useful and honorable positions in society. The superintendent is an English lady, Mrs. Sarah J. Smith. She is a living wonder; she has many singular traits of character peculiar to herself, none of which conceal her feminine nature. She is not a masculine woman (nor an egress as many uninformed people presume), she is not a vain, fanatical, egotistic or whimsical woman, but amiable, gentle, sociable and benevolent; the pure milk of human kindness cannot be richer in any other human female form. She is firm, decided, ingenious and systematic, and possesses the rare faculty of penetrating the follies and foibles of her sex with remarkable acuteness and rapidity. With a kind and social deportment, she attracts every one toward her and charms them into voluntary submission to her will. The business she is now master of has been a life long study, the results of which are being developed by reclaiming the fallen and debased creatures of her sex from crime and ruin, and restoring them to positions of usefulness in society.

My next letter I will give a description of the girls department in this institution.

Neighborhood Notes.

Daniel Manske, of LaPorte, was fined for beating his wife last week.

Rev. A. A. Cole, of LaPorte, fell down stairs and broke his arm one day last week.

The North Indiana Conference of the M. E. Church, convened at Goshen yesterday.

R. V. Adrian Foote, of Rochester, was 92 years old Wednesday of last week, and his friends gave him a birthday party.

The store-room of Leib Brothers was closed Friday upon an execution. The liabilities of the firm are about \$12,900; assets \$23,000.

The South Bend *Tribune* says that laborers in that city find more employment this spring than at any season within the past five years.

Mrs. Tichner, living ten miles north of Elkhart, committed suicide Sunday night, by taking morphine. Under Captain Gough, defeated 5,000 Afghans and killed 400. The British loss was 3 officers and three men killed and 31 wounded.

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A german by the name of Henry Summers, residing four miles east of Franklinville, this county, committed suicide by hanging himself in a cow shed, on Saturday last. The deceased was about 55 years of age and had been living in the country only about three months.—*Winamac Republican*.

As per report of the Superintendent there are 41 inmates of the LaPorte County Asylum to 33 in March of last year. Thirty-five were admitted during the year; 21 were discharged, and 6 died. Twenty-five have been transiently boarded at different times. A majority of the inmates are insane or idiotic.—*LaPorte Herald*.

General Packard, Colonel Baugh, Chief of Police Ruby and Revenue Collector Culver, captured an illicit distillery at Lafayette last week and arrested the distiller, Valentine Jester. The concern was located in Baugh's beer garden, in the southern part of the city in an out-of-the-way place, inclosed by a high board fence and shaded by numerous trees. The kettle is of copper, and holds about thirty gallons. Instead of a spiral copper worm he improvised a square-jointed the worm encased in a barrel. Coke or charcoal was the fuel used in the furnace last week.

News of the Week Condensed.

Peru and Bolivia have declared war against Chili.

Cadiz, Portugal, had a slight shock of earthquake Friday.

Three feet of snow fell at North Troy, Vermont, last week.

William Harris, a Louisville pedestrian, has died from over exertion.

Wholesale arrests of Nihilists continue to take place throughout Russia.

A fire on Race street, Philadelphia, Saturday, destroyed property to the amount of a million of dollars.

Walter Watson was hung at New Port, Ind., Thursday for the murder of Ezra Compton, January 10.

The Lafayette, Muncie and Bloomington railroad was sold Thursday to the bondholders for \$1,413,000.

Chief Moses and a number of Indians have gone to Washington to adjust certain treaty matters.

The debate in the Senate on the army appropriation bill will occupy at least a week, and perhaps two.

A bill has been introduced in the Senate to make Gen. Shields a Brigadier-General on the retired list.

The eastern portion of Ontario, Canada, has had a two days' snow storm, and travel is much hindered.

The Berlin *Official Gazette* still announces almost daily, the suppression of socialists societies and publications.

A fire in St. Louis, Friday night, destroyed half a million dollars worth of property and three lives are reported lost.

The English house of commons has reduced the import duties on Indian cotton goods preparatory to a total extinction.

The State Treasurer of Indiana has negotiated in New York the sale of \$510,000 of two year 5 per cent bonds, at 5 premium.

A Szegedin contractor has undertaken to repair and raise the dam within thirty-eight days. The rebuilding of the town commences in June.

Frank Seward's saw mill, near Henryville, Ind., exploded its boiler, killing the owner and John Conover, an employee. Two other employees were badly injured.

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Several houses were blown down, scattering the furniture, etc. One man was killed. Many were seriously injured by falling trees. The fences were prostrated and great damage done.

The United States steamer Plymouth, which came from the West Indies last fall with yellow fever on board, but which had been disinfected and sent back this spring, has again returned, having had two cases of yellow fever on board.

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