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MONON ROUTE

CHICAGO, INDIANAPOLIS & LOUISVILLE.

Time table No. 1, in effect Nov. 28, 1897.

South Bound.

No. 5—Louisville Mail..... 10:55 a. m.
No. 4—Chicago to Cincinnati, daily..... 10:55 a. m.
No. 33..... 1:45 p. m.
No. 39—Milk accommodation..... 6:15 p. m.
No. 3—Louisville Express..... 11:12 p. m.
No. 45—Local freight..... 2:40 p. m.

North Bound.

No. 4—Mail..... 4:30 a. m.
No. 32—regular stop..... 7:31 a. m.
No. 6—Mail and express..... 9:55 a. m.
No. 30..... 3:27 p. m.
No. 46—Local freight..... 6:32 p. m.
No. 74—Freight..... 2:57 p. m.
No. 3—Stop on signal..... 9:20 a. m.
No. 30—Daily express Sunday..... 7:52 p. m.

Number 30
Daily except Sunday.

No. 54 carries passengers between Monon and Lowell. Hammond has been made a regular stop for number 30.

W. H. Beam, Agent.

Ira Osborne is at Francesville attending a lodge banquet.

G. E. Marshall was in Chicago Wednesday.

R. W. Brown spent Sunday in Monon.

M. F. Chilcote was in Chicago the first of the week.

County Auditor Murray was in Valparaiso Monday.

Mrs. Floyd Robinson is visiting with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Landis near Delphi this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jackson took the 7:30 train Wednesday for their future home at Mackinaw, Ill.

Call on the Meyer Sisters' for stylish millinery. First class goods and lowest prices.

Miss Mary Hoyes is visiting in the neighborhood of Vaughn this week.

John Walters is tiling for Frank Welsh in Jordan township this week.

Messrs. Hawkins, Taber and Curtis, of Remington were in town on business Wednesday.

Frank Randall and family of Rensselaer visited relatives in Barkley last Sunday.

We will have a list of interrogations to submit to the County Commissioners in our next issue. Be sure and read them.

Mrs. Anna Hardesty and children of Medaryville are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Washington Scott this week.

The members of the senior class of the Rensselaer High School met with Miss Gail Wasson last Tuesday evening. A very pleasant evening was spent by all.

Walter Harrington returned from his western trip Wednesday. He is not so well pleased with that portion of the country he visited as he expected to be.

A Miss Calahan, daughter of Owen Calahan, of Barkley township, is seriously ill at the home of Jane Walters in Jordan township with whom she has been making her home for some weeks.

The new democratic paper, The Rensselaer Democrat, made its first appearance today, its publication day being Friday. Shields and Dilley are the editors and publishers. They announce that it will be a straight democratic paper and support the Chicago platform. This first issue is a very creditable local paper.—Rensselaer Republican.

Geo. N. Dunn, our rising young lawyer, is a member of the state militia, in an Indianapolis regiment, and expects a call at any time to go and help make the Spanish "walk Spanish." He is reported to be quite cheerful over the prospect, whereas a certain estimable young lady is reported to be decidedly Moody.—Evening Republican.

R. P. Benjamin is on the sick list.

Andrew Nush of Wheatfield was in the city Wednesday.

W. B. Austin returned from Cameron Springs Monday.

Miss Ollie Marlatt returned to Englewood Wednesday.

There are several cases of measles in the city.

L. W. Henkle returned to Chicago Heights Wednesday.

M. F. Antrim of DeMotte is visiting with his brother J. F. Antrim.

Frank Duvall of Sharon, was in the city Wednesday.

A. E. Johnson Elmer Whitted of Francesville, spent Sunday in Rensselaer.

Harry Kurrie visited relatives and friends in Orange county the first of the week.

May Fox and Myrtle Cogswell spent Sunday in Barkley township visiting friends.

Frank Kannal went to Lafayette Wednesday where he will stay a few days and then go to Chicago to look for a location.

Mrs. Hersham is showing up a fine line of trimmed hats, selling them cheaper than any firm in town.

George Dunn and Misses Mary and Jennie Moody are visiting with Hon. I. D. Dunn and family at Dunnville.

Will F. Wood formerly of Delphi, and who was connected with the murder of Pearl Bryan is a member of the crew of the battleship Iowa.

Charles Baker fell down the stairs at Phegley's livery barn last Monday night. The fall resulted in nothing more serious than a strained back.

Do not forget the city election to be held on Tuesday, May 8th. No other election held this year will be of so much importance to the taxpayer of the city.

Bicycles repaired at lowest prices. A full line of bicycle sundries on hands for sale. All kinds of wheels ordered. Give me a call.

CHAR. GROW. One door west of Makeever House.

F. B. Leaming formerly a citizen of this city, now of Goshen, has been renominated for City Clerk by the Republicans of that place. Mr. Leaming is a son-in-law of M. L. Spiter.

Alex Hurley, who lives on the Clouse farm in Barkley township was in the city Tuesday, wearing a broad smile on his face. On inquiring the cause we learned that he had recently become the father of a fine pair of twins a boy and a girl.

Special sale every Thursday, everything in fine Millinery at special rates. Ladies should attend these sales and secure some of the many bargains offered.

MISS COAD.

Quite an excitement was created Tuesday noon by the report that a special train over the Monon had just passed at a high rate of speed carrying a regiment of regulars bound for the seat of war. Further investigation however showed the fact that it was only a party of engineers going to visit Purdue University at Lafayette.

The members of the Trinity M. E. Church are taking steps for the erection of a parsonage for the use of their ministers. At the quarterly conference Monday, a committee consisting of J. M. Wasson, J. F. Warren, Wallace Robinson, L. Strong and Granville Moody were appointed to procure a lot and erect a suitable residence thereon.

Frank Bruner the 15 year old son of J. F. Bruner of the Makeever House had his first or index finger of his right hand cut off by a bicycle last Wednesday.

The first copy of the Rensselaer Democrat has reached this office. It's a good paper, clean and artistic; well edited and with all modern. It strikes from the shoulder and we hope it will fill "a long felt want."—Delphi Times.

The Middlesborough Evening News gives on account of a new militia company that is being organized there to take part in the proposed war with Spain. Our former townsman ex-county clerk Chas. H. Price was the first man to enlist. The News states that he will be the captain of the company.

A Tip to Taxpayers.

Section 2150 R. S. Whoever when required by the assessor state, county or municipal or any of his deputies, fails to give a true list of all of his taxable property or to take or to subscribe to any oath in that behalf as required by law, or shall fix a fraudulent value when an oath is not required on such property, upon conviction shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars nor less than ten dollars.

Valma Items.

Mrs. Jennie Moody of Rensselaer has been visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity for a few days.

Smith Newell is on the sick list.

Barkley M. E. church has changed the hour of having Sunday School from 10 to 9:30 o'clock, Sunday School every Sunday. Preaching every two weeks after Sunday School.

Church every two weeks at the Christian church of this place.

This road district is in need of a supervisor, as we have not had one for about three years, and the roads need their due attention for one year at least. Is it lawful that a man be granted his road receipt without working the roads?

A surprise party was given Luther Watson last Friday night which was a success. A good time is reported.

Mr. Ropp is improving the farm on which he lives by putting in new fences.

Barkley township sends forth eight graduates this year, something uncommon.

The third quarterly meeting will be held at Barkley M. E. church the 14th and 15th of May, Rev. S. Beck presiding elder will conduct the services.

The prospects are favorable for a good peach crop this year. Farmers are through sowing oats in this vicinity.

A sawmill will soon be located on Nate Eldridge's farm, will saw your lumber to order.

Farmers are busy preparing for a corn crop, the ground is in good condition.

Hog cholera is still raging in this vicinity.

LITTLE JUG.

Sharon Items.

Farmers are busy plowing for corn.

Mala Garrison is remodeling his house. Mr. Muster of Rensselaer is doing the work.

Wm. Zea and family visited in Remington Tuesday.

Mr. Lane of Eureka, Ill., has

moved to his farm 3 miles south-west of this place.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of Sharon will give a social at the residence of Mr. McDaniels next Saturday evening. Admission 10 cents. Everybody invited.

Wm. H. Krupple of Lexington, Ill., is here looking after his land interests.

The Lawndale Sunday school is in a flourishing condition.

D. Hane was in Remington last Saturday on business.

A social hop given by John Zimmer last Saturday evening was well attended. Rensselaer and Remington were both represented.

Mr. Burns our popular assessor is making his rounds among our citizens.

Fair Oaks.

Miss Edith Moffatt began a spring term of subscription school Monday.

Quite a number of our people are on the sick list. All at present are convalescent. Our new doctor G. W. Proudley seems to be having plenty of practise and good success which speaks well for him as a doctor.

James McColl of this place has removed his family to Hammond.

Mr. R. W. Schofield left on Monday for Chicago Heights Ill. to take a job of carpentering.

Mr. C. E. Fry who has been taking music lessons of Prof. Benjamin of Rensselaer is home for a few days.

Mrs. Gua Munden who has been visiting friends at Pleasant Ridge has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunn and their two interesting little boys, of DeMotte spent Saturday and Sunday in this place, visiting friends.

Mrs. Jesse Fry of Rose Lawn and two children spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fry.

The ladies Aid Society of the Christian Church gave an Easter supper, the receipts of which will be used toward paying the debt on the Church.

Rev. Brady of Rensselaer preaches here every two weeks in the Christian Church and Rev. Brown of Evanston Ill., in the Methodist Church every alternate Sunday.

Rev. Burton of the M. E. Church of Dunnville preached three sermons for us last Sunday, preaching with great power.

Our winter term of school closed on Saturday with sumptuous dinner prepared by the ladies of this place: a surprise to the teachers: Mr. Randal Overton of Rensselaer, and Miss Gertrude Taylor of Wolcott. They highly appreciated the compliment. In the afternoon the audience was favored with vocal and instrumental music, also dialogues and recitations which were received to the immense delight of all and deserving of much credit both to teachers and scholars. Space

will not permit of special mention for all but as a true compliment the characters were all strongly drawn, the program well rendered. In general the pupils acquitted themselves with credit. A number of strangers were present. B. Comer trustee and a former teacher, was present and expressed himself as being highly pleased with the progress of the school, he also favored us with a recitation.

War is at Hand!

The Resolutions are Signed.

Army and Navy Ready for Quick Work when they are ordered to Strike in Cuba's Behalf.

TROOPS RUSHED SOUTH.

General Miles Will take Command in Person of all the Operations of the Military Arm of the Service.

Washington, D. C., April 20.—

There has not been such a day in Washington since 1861. Yet a stranger who dropped down without knowing the situation and the intentions of the government would not have noticed any difference in the appearance of the city or the public buildings. The only place where there was anything more than the usual activity was at the navy department. There everybody is working long hours, and the additional clerks required by the press of business have filled the offices to overflowing. At the white house there were a good many tourists, and a number of congressmen called during the day.

By a curious coincidence Mr. Elkins, who has been one of the most conservative, and Mr. Cannon, who has been one of the most radical senators on the Cuban question, happened to meet in the president's office at 11:22 o'clock, when the latter signed his name to the official parchment copy of the Cuban resolutions.

Almost immediately afterward one might say simultaneously—a copy of the resolutions was sent by Edward Savoy, the colored messenger at Judge Day's office, to Senor Polo at the Spanish legation, who received it for the document informally upon the envelope, which Savoy retained as a precious memento. Senor Polo was awaiting the message in company with Mr. Cambon, the French ambassador; Mr. Hengelmueller, the Austrian minister, who have been his nearest friends. His passports were sent from the state department about 4 o'clock.

It is evident that the Spanish minister does not expect a long war, for he has decided not to return to Spain, but has engaged rooms at Suspension Bridge, where he can observe everything that is going on this country without being in our territory or jurisdiction. The secretaries and some other members of the staff will also go to Suspension Bridge and afterward to Toronto.

The ultimatum was given to the telegraph operator about 11:30 a. m. which would be about 4:30 p. m. Madrid time, and the president hopes that Gen. Woodford will be able to deliver it this evening. As soon as he acknowledges the receipt the documents will be given to the press. It is understood that no formal note is addressed to the Spanish government. Gen. Woodford was simply instructed to hand to the minister of foreign relations a copy of the resolutions passed by congress and to say that he is instructed to express President McKinley's confidence that the demands therein contained will be complied with by Saturday noon next, in order that the latter may be relieved of the necessity of carrying out the directions con-

tained the third section of the resolutions.

A proclamation by the president calling out the state militia is all prepared and ready for his signature, but he does not wish to issue it until congress passes the bill now pending for the reorganization of the militia. He sent several messages to Representative Hull today urging immediate action on that measure.

At the quartermaster's department to-day bids were opened from steamship companies for carrying troops to Cuba, which looks like business.

Democratic City Ticket.

For Councilman 1st ward. BENJAMIN F. FENDIG.

For Councilman 2nd ward. JOHN EGER.

For Councilman 3rd ward. WILLIAM H. BEAM.

Rensselaer Hopeful Too.

The Rensselaer Republican publishes a letter from Dr. Matchette of Bonbon, secretary and treasurer of the proposed electric road, which is here given for what it is worth. It is dated Apr. 16th:

"The line has not yet been located, nor will it be on any route until our new executive committee has had an opportunity to fully canvass the surveys and the advantages of the territory through which these surveys have been made and then the right of way must be fully secured on the route, before the location is made, or at least a positive guarantee of all of it made, before any route is made acceptable.