

INDIANA STATE ITEMS.

Sportsmen report a very small crop of prairie chickens this year.

A MAN was fined the other day in Kokomo for profane swearing.

The value of manufactures in Evansville in 1878 was \$10,000,000.

THE heavy rains about the 8th inst., raised the water in Lake Manitou three feet.

A LAD named William Leisure has mysteriously disappeared from Anderson.

FRANK ELDER has been appointed coal oil inspector for Wayne and Hendon counties.

A TOTALLY blind ex-soldier in Howard county receives a pension of \$75 per month.

The public library in Indianapolis contains 30,507 volumes of books and 4,152 pamphlets.

A NUMBER of Wabash county women "made hands" as binders during the late wheat harvest.

At Kingsbury, recently, John Good caught three pickerel weighing 14, 8, and 5 pounds, respectively.

ANONYMOUS letters, threatening personal violence, have been worrying many citizens of Whitley county.

SEVERAL instances of the destruction of wheat shocks by lightning are reported in various parts of the State.

A PARTY of boys found a twenty-five pound shell while bathing in the river near Richmond, a few days since.

The praying crusade has been renewed in a new form at Auburn, where women enter saloons and pray for a drink.

HOOVER BROS., of Laporte, are shipping brick by the 100,000 to South Bend for the new Notre Dame College building.

REV. DUNHAM, former rector of Trinity parish, Peru is now blowing his brass in the brass band of a traveling circus.

YIELDS of from thirty to forty bushels of wheat are frequently reported results of the late harvest in Southern Indiana.

It is estimated that the farmers of Elkhart county have been swindled to the amount of \$20,000, by patent right and other sharpers.

At the celebration of the Fourth at Denver, a highly respected young school teacher, named Miller, dropped dead of heart disease.

MISS ROSEMARIE GREEN, one of the most efficient teachers in the public schools of Richmond, has entered the convent at Notre Dame.

THE Mayor of Richmond paid over \$25,22 as the amount of fines collected by him in State cases during the six months ended with June.

A FEW days ago Mrs. James Cavanaugh, of Ft. Wayne, killed her three-year-old child by giving it a dose of morphine, which she mistook for quinine.

FRED GRAFT, one of the oldest residents of Peru, is suffering from injuries received in a runaway scrape, caused by a Fourth of July fire cracker.

THE Wayne Agricultural Works have been granted a patent on an improvement for force feed drills, a valuable invention made by Jesse P. Fulghum.

A RECENT excursion from Indianapolis to Niagara Falls, over the Wabash railway, consisted of two trains of twenty coaches and four sleepers in each train.

SHOULD the railways projected to be built this season in Indiana be pushed to completion, the railway mileage of the State will be increased 582 miles. About sixty per cent. of the new roads is narrow-gauge.

THE court expenses of Howard county last year were \$5,753.78; the county officers were paid \$6,852.06 exclusive of fees and perquisites. The debt of the county is \$2,731.74 and there is \$47,748.37 in the treasury.

In the month of June there was billed eastward from Indianapolis, 33,940 tons of grain, 4,891 tons of lumber, 788 tons of meat, 808 tons of lard, 724 tons of staves, 593 tons of bran, 244 tons of starch, 130 tons of wool and 22 tons of flour.

TRAMPS attempted to outrage two respectable women near Veedersburg, this State, a few days ago. The women screamed for help, and their cries being heard by some section men near by, the latter came to their assistance and drove the tramps away, first giving them a severe pounding.

MR. ASA WOODMANSEE, of Seymour, this State, has sustained a heavy loss in the death of his famous pacing horse, "Greely." The animal is supposed to have died from the effects of poison administered by some enemy of Mr. Woodmansee. "Greely" was five years old at the time of his death, and was regarded the fastest pacer in the United States.

RICHMOND TELEGRAM: A small boy was hoeing corn in a sterile field by the roadside, up near Bethel, when a passer-by stopped and said, "Pears to me your corn is rather small." "Certainly," said the boy, "it is dwarf corn." "But it looks yaller." "Certainly we planted the yaller kind." "But it looks as if you wouldn't get more than half a crop." "Of course not," said the boy, "we planted her on success."

RECENTLY at Salem a party of vigrants went to the house of a doctor living in Howard township, ten miles south of Salem, took him out, tied him to a tree and whipped him severely. The reason given was that he did not provide for his family. He graduated from a Louisville medical college some time ago, but had contracted the habit of eating opium, and he took all the money he and his wife could earn to buy that drug.

A TRAMP stopped at the residence of Mrs. Thornton Meriwether, near Christiansburg, the other evening, and called for something to eat, when he insulted her and demanded hot food

immediately. He further demanded that he should be let in the house to a certain room, saying, if his request was not complied with, he would burn the house or barn, and on being refused went to the barn and set it on fire, entirely consuming it together with a new reaper, plows, hay-rakes, ten acres of hay and various other acres of husbandry. He escaped.

A WEEK or two ago the wife of Horace Jones, a farmer living sixteen miles south of Greensburg, was bitten by a rat. The wound healed over, and no further attention was paid to it until a few days ago, when the wounded hand began to swell and turn black, the swelling and mortification soon extending over the entire body. Physicians who have seen Mrs. Jones say that she can not get well.

ABOUT \$2,000 was stolen a few days ago from the Adams Express office at Tell City, Perry county. The money was sent from Evansville to Mr. Huthenthaler, representative in the Legislature from Perry county. It is not known how the money disappeared, a cloud of mystery surrounding the robbery. The express agent, Mr. John Baumgartner, it is stated, promptly made the loss good, and detectives are at work trying to solve the mysterious robbery. There is a good deal of excitement about the matter at Tell City.

In the corner of Marshal, St. Joseph, Lapepe and Starke counties, about twelve miles from Plymouth, is situated an immense huckleberry field, containing several hundred acres. The bushes are loaded down with fruit, and the yield this year will be very large. The work of gathering them commenced last week, and about six hundred bushels a day are now shipped to the Chicago market. The labor of gathering these berries will give employment to a large number of persons, and distribute several thousand dollars in this county. The field is principally owned by parties in Chicago and Iowa. A brother-in-law of John F. Berhing, who resides in Iowa, is the lucky owner of three hundred and fifty acres of this marsh.

KOKOMO DISPATCH: There died at Anderson, recently, a mechanic who had worked on the M. E. Church of this city many years ago. Before death he disclosed to a friend that he had helped to make the brass globe that surmounts the cupola; and before hermatically closing it up, he had placed therein a bottle of whisky, a decanter of port wine, a cigar, and a pair of old socks. In the course of time, when he and his generation were crumbling to dust, mayhap a century hence, he expected the discovery of his fanciful prank to be made known—when a new building would supplant the one on which he worked. These articles are now snugly resting over the sanctuary, and the worshippers, never dreaming of their near presence, piously send up their prayers to the White Throne for deliverance from the sad and ruinous consequence of their uses and abuses.

JOHN BARNUM, a well-to-do farmer of Shelby county, is under bonds to answer the charge of committing a rape on Miss Mary C., the fifteen-year-old daughter of Elias Gardner, also a resident of Shelby county. The circumstances of the case are rather singular, and read more like fiction than truth. Mary is now the wife of Joseph Crim, a prominent farmer and politician, the marriage having taken place two or three weeks ago. In three days after the marriage Mrs. Crim gave birth to a child, and it was then that she confessed that the child was the fruits of an outrage committed on her some nine months previous by Barnum. Mary's most intimate friends had no suspicion of her condition.

INTERESTING ITEMS

NEBRASKA has almost no fences at all.

THERE are 20,000 French in Lower Egypt.

ONE dollar is the price of a shave in Leadville, Col.

THERE are seven gold mines in full blast in Lincoln county, Ga.

A NEW park for the east lower part of New York city is proposed.

THE Catholics far outnumber any one other denomination in Kansas.

CANADA will soon establish fourteen agricultural schools for Indians.

THE failures of farmers are becoming alarmingly frequent in England.

THERE are 3,450 Roman Catholic Bishops, priests and chaplains in Ireland.

GOLD of unusual purity has been discovered in the village of Glen Ridge, fifteen miles from Philadelphia.

PRINCESS LOUISE caught a twenty-five pound salmon, and she had it packed in ice to be sent to the Queen.

THERE were two chickens hatched from the same egg at Cumberland, Kentucky, a few weeks ago. Both are living.

COCONUT SQUEALER, the father of the first monkey born at the Philadelphia Zoological Gardens, is dying at the age of fifty.

THE mania for feather trimmings has produced great suffering in Coventry, England, by the stoppage of the rabbit factories.

THIRTY persons were poisoned at Sardinia, this State, a few nights ago by eating ice cream at a festival held in that place.

A PORTUGUESE explorer has discovered a new race of people in the center of Africa, whose skin is white and who have no hair.

TIMES must, indeed, be pretty hard in London, at least so says one of the fashionable tailors there, for he maintains that "when eminent bankers in Lombard street come to me to have their trousers reseated, there must be something very wrong with the money market."

MR. SPURGEON has lately received from an unknown source the sum of \$40,000 toward the cost of maintaining

the charitable institutions under his control, the amount to be equally divided between the Pastors' College and the Stockwell Boys' Orphanage.

MR. ROBERT T. CRAWSHAY, the gentleman known in Great Britain as the "Iron King of Wales," has just died. He was very wealthy. When the last great strike took place among his workmen he determined to close his iron works, and they have never been reopened.

MR. GLADSTONE is never at a loss for an opinion on any given topic. His latest outburst, provoked by some beginning application, is upon tea and coffee. He writes upon one of his famous postal cards: "I am opposed to coffee palaces, as I believe they are more deteriorating than beer shops. The stimulating properties of tea or coffee are greater and more injurious than those of malt liquors.

SIR AUGUSTA STEWART, of the county of Tyrone, Ireland, has brought a curious action. His predecessor in the baronetcy, who died at the age of ninety-four, left £500 to Miss Dunnett, daughter of his steward, a woman of fifty, because he wished to make a compensation to her for reports prejudicial to her character, and directed a sum of £4,000 to be held in her and his point names. The heir resists the payment of this amount.

A SINGULAR premonition was that of Nathaniel Root, of Coventry, Conn., an old man of ninety-four, who said, on Saturday last: "I am expecting to die to day." He attended to his work as usual in the morning and after eating dinner rose from the table, showing no signs of illness, and remarking, "I'll go and lie down and die now!" No one supposed he was serious, but in going to his room, half an hour later, he was found to be stone dead.

A STRANGE occurrence is reported from Wetzikon, Canton Zurich, in Switzerland. On June 7 the Commune was invaded by an immense swarm of butterflies, two-thirds of a mile wide, and so long that the procession took two hours to pass. They were principally of the kind known in Switzerland as Distelfalter, which feed on nettles and thistles. They flew from ten to thirty feet above the ground, and went off in a northwesterly direction

It is said that the late G. W. M. Reynolds had made more money by his sixty or seventy cheaply sensational novels than many of the most distinguished authors in Great Britain. His earnings from his stories have been estimated as high as \$300,000, which may be an exaggeration, although that would not be much more than \$20,000 a novel, and some of his novels are reported to have brought him in \$10,000 and \$12,000 apiece.

ALTHOUGH the New York police could make nothing of the Hull murderer case, they do occasionally make an important arrest. Such an one they made a few days ago when they took in a man whom they saw, butting his head into an iron letter box on Broadway. He would rattle the lid and pull at it and then run to another box and butt that. When arrested he insisted that he was a three-cent stamp, posted for Washington. He could not be reasoned out of the belief, and was taken to the station house and committed.

In Mandelay there is an English school founded and conducted under the direction of the Rev. J. E. Marks. The late King asked Mr. Marks, when he first started the school, which was the best age for a boy to learn English. He replied about twelve years, whereupon his Majesty sent him fifteen of his sons about twelve years of age, one being the present King Thea Baw. The Royal father was once asked how many children he had altogether. He gazed vacantly on the interrogator, and then replied, "What a foolish question. How can I be expected to know?"

IT is a part of the gossip of the day in London that the great object of the Prince Imperial of France in joining the English army in Zululand was to obtain the hand of the Princess Beatrice. The gossips say the Princess fainted upon hearing of his death.

WHILE the royalists of England and the ex-royalists of France were performing the funeral rites of the dead French Prince at Chisellhurst, with French and English interment, the Lady Superior has written a letter from the Indian Territory on subjects similar to those treated of by Logan in his impassioned speech, which will not only be read to-day with interest and pity, but will become a part of Anglo-Indian history and literature. White Eagle says:

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White Eagle's Appeal.

There are few persons who do not remember having heard with tingling chills the noble speech of Logan the Indian chief, describing the woes of his people, when the English army, under the command of General Gordon, overran their country, and when he was captured and sent to the English prison.

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The description which the Tiflif Vistwak gives of the devastation by grasshoppers of Elizabethpol and other districts of Southern Siberia, is really appalling. The grasshoppers did not

in the United States, while divorces are increasing.

MIFFLIN Ohio was damaged to the amount of \$65,000 by the great storm of last Friday night.

THE Government officials at Washington are paying out silver dollars at the rate of \$17,000 per day.

A LARGE number of Southerners are enjoying the coolness, and safety from yellow jack, of Northern summer resorts.

At a recent Government sale of whisky, in Louisville, Ky., some of the "real old stuff" was sold at from \$22 to \$26 per gallon.

THE First Baptist church in LaFayette has decided to hold its summer evening service in the court house yard, at 6:30 o'clock.

THE King of Burmah has been drunk again, and twelve more persons were the victims of his brutal passions, by assassination.

THE first death from yellow fever at Memphis, last year, occurred about the first of August. This year it came nearly a month earlier.

"ONE HUNDRED in the shade," was the temperature reported at St. Louis the other day, being two degrees higher than the hottest day last year.

A HUGE moccasin snake at large in Cincinnati, is causing more excitement in that bibulous city than has been caused by all the boot's snakes of its history.

JUDGE RAY died of yellow fever, at Memphis, on Sunday night. He was buried almost immediately afterward, under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity.

THE Globe-Democrat management

has established a mission in St. Louis, for the purpose of supplying ice to the poor and suffering during the not weather.

THE Coroners jury decides that John F. Seymour came to his death by a bullet accidentally striking him, and which was fired by some person unknown.

By a terrible explosion of a powder magazine in the mining region at Bodie, Cal., a day or two since, eight persons were killed, and over forty more or less seriously injured.

JAMES HEATON, ex-Clerk and ex-Probate Judge, of New Hanover county, North Carolina, killed his colored paramour, Mary Radcliffe, on Saturday night, and being closely pursued by the police, shot himself through the brain and died in a few minutes. Jealousy was the inciting cause of the crime.

FIVE murderers were hanged last Friday, all in the South—John Williams and Winter Payne, colored, at Warrenton, Va.; a colored man named Davis at Smithville, N. C.; Andrew Ivy, colored, at Greenville, Miss., and Antonio Garcia, a Mexican, at Corpus Christi, Texas.

A BATCH of over 700 Mormons arrived in New York, a day or two ago, en route for Salt Lake. Of the number, 381 came from Scandinavia, 80 from Switzerland and Germany, and the others from England and Scotland. Most of the men are miners, and one of them is named Brigham Young.

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