

Congressman Calkins has introduced a bill in the house appropriating \$200,000 for the improvement of the Michigan City harbor. The amount asked to be appropriated is based upon the estimates of engineers who have been in charge of the improvements, and upon the recommendations of the war department.

The republican national committee met in Washington on the 17th instant and elected Senator J. D. Cameron permanent chairman, on first ballot. After considerable discussion the committee agreed upon Chicago as the place, and Wednesday, June 24, 1880, the time, for holding the national convention.

Even Senator Voorhees is alarmed at the colored emigration from the south to this state. He has introduced a resolution in the senate providing for a committee of five senators to investigate the cause leading to the negro emigration from North Carolina to Indiana. Let the committee be appointed and the investigation proceed at once. It would undoubtedly throw some light upon the democratic plan of conducting elections in the south. On with the dance! Let fraud be unconfined!

The attempt of the democrats to override the will of the people of Maine by throwing out enough precincts to change the result, is likely to prove successful. They refuse to allow the returns to be examined until they are doctored up to suit themselves. This appears to be a favorite game with democrats not only in Maine but in other states, and although they may succeed in gaining temporary control of a state government by pursuing such a policy, it will sooner or later meet with a stinging rebuke at the hands of the people.

Trouble is brewing between the United States and the Ute Indians, and war seems inevitable. The people of Colorado are determined upon the immediate and unconditional removal of the Utes from that state, and they are backed by the entire war department. Judge Belford introduced a bill in congress, Monday, providing that in case the Indians engaged in the White river massacre fail to surrender within thirty days, the tribe shall be declared public enemies of the United States, and its rights to the reservation shall be declared forfeited. Lo, the poor Utes must go!

Senator Voorhees is evidently endeavoring to secure to the democracy the soldier vote, and to that end is puzzling his mighty brain to know how to proceed. On Monday last he presented, in the senate, a petition signed by numerous ex-soldiers and sailors, asking that they be paid the difference between the value of greenbacks and gold at the time they received their pay for military service. Just where the petition came from, and how many true blue soldiers signed it, is a mystery and likely to remain so. It is a deep laid scheme to catch votes, but the soldiers are too well acquainted with Voorhees and his record to nibble at such bait.

Judge D. P. Baldwin, of Logansport, will, we are informed, be a candidate before the republican state nominating convention for Supreme Judge from the Fifth district. We know of no man better qualified for the position, than Judge Baldwin. He is a lawyer of experience and fine attainments, and is recognized by the bar throughout the state as one among our ablest jurists. He ran for Attorney General in the last campaign, and made a gallant race. That his nomination would be equivalent to election there could be no possible doubt, for he would not only poll the entire strength of his own party, but he would receive a liberal support from the opposition. His many friends in this part of the state would delight in his receiving the nomination, and would labor for his election.

Democratic newspapers have lately been making a great bug-a-boo of the colored immigration to this state, charging that it is a political scheme of the republicans to aid them in carrying the state next year. The Indianapolis Journal of Monday shows up the silliness of the charge in the following manner:

"The fact that out of two hundred and twenty negroes arrived here from North Carolina only twenty-two were men, is a sufficient answer to the charge that this movement is the work of republican politicians. Men do not import women and children to vote. The fact is the movement is purely a spontaneous one on the part of the colored people. Neither the republican party nor any republican organization has had anything to do with it. The charge that it is a political scheme to republicanize the state is without a particle of foundation. No such scheme exists except in the super-heated democratic imagination. The facts are that some two or three months ago the colored people in one of the interior counties of North Carolina clubbed together and sent two of their number to this state to prospect and report as to the chance of obtaining employment here. These men came on their own responsibility, as they were, white or black, might come on a similar errand. In Putnam county they received encouraging assurances as to the prospect of obtaining work, and they returned to North Carolina and reported to their friends. Their report was such as to induce a small party to come here, and now these have been followed by

another party. Their right to come is a thing that cannot be questioned; the wisdom of their coming is a question for them to decide. They have chosen a bad season of the year to migrate, but simple-minded white people have often made the same mistake. They are poor and ignorant, but it does not follow that they may not make good citizens and contribute their share towards developing the resources of the State. At all events, the doors of the state cannot be shut against them, and if they choose to stop here common charity and humanity dictate that all good people should assist in aiding them employment and homes.

ON THE WING.

BY IDA DODGE.

Merry Christmas, Mr. Editor, and may you help eat one of the fattest turkeys in the land, next Thursday.

Where are you going to spend the Holidays? Horace E. James is in Chicago, this week, buying goods.

Girls, it isn't long till leap year and then comes our turn.

Get ready for the swearing off process by the 1st of January.

Amos Pettit, of Monticello, is clerking for R. E. Spencer & Co.

The fall term of the Rensselaer public schools closed Friday.

Already the shop windows begin to remind one of Christmas.

O, that we could have a heavy snow fall now. Wouldn't it be "just splendid."

Miss Alice Hopkins returned, last Saturday, from an extended visit in Kentland.

Read "Sand Bar's" vindication in this column and then say you knew it wasn't her.

Miss Lola Moss has been appointed leader of the singing class in the high school department.

Next Wednesday evening is the time the "ship" comes in, and it will "cast anchor" in the M. E. Church.

Every man and boy that could raise a pair of skates were on the ice last Sunday.

Is it possible to send us some missionaries?

Now is the time to get intimate to Charley what nice presents you got last Christmas and wonder what you will receive this time.

It is suggested that the Irving Literary Association get Bob Ingersoll to lecture in Rensselaer. Private subscriptions to a considerable amount could be had.

The band has been invited to play for both the Christmas entertainments in town Christmas eve. They will perhaps spend a portion of the evening at each place.

If a stranger should happen in Rensselaer about the time school closes of an evening his first conclusion would be that the inmates of a lunatic asylum had escaped and were taking the town.

Those young ladies in Rensselaer who purpose keeping open doors on New Year's day will please leave their names with the editor of the STANDARD, who will report them for publication in this column.

The committee of arrangements for the Christmas entertainment to be given in the M. E. Church have decided to have a ship instead of the old timeworn Christmas tree.

A committee consisting of Ed. Tharp, Wm. Warren, Miss Emma Rhoades and Miss Belle Alter were appointed to construct the ship and engineer the entertainment. A meeting of the school is called for to-night.

Mrs. Abby Sage Richardson will lecture in the new opera house on Monday evening, December 22nd, on the trio of poets, Longfellow, Lowell and Whittier.

The Irving Literary Association deserve great credit for their enterprise in securing such good speakers for the culture and improvement of Rensselaer denizens. On this occasion will be the opening of the grand opera house recently completed by Willey & Sigler, and a large audience will undoubtedly be present.

Elk Perkins disturbed a large audience at Starr's Hall last Monday evening. Mr. Bercher, an author quite well known in Brooklyn, thus writes to the London Times, in regard to Mr. Perkins' eloquence:—

"Words cannot describe the impressive sight. How sublime to see Mr. Perkins standing perfectly erect, with one hand on his broad, massive, thick skull, talking to the educated classes—to see the great orator declaiming perfectly unmoved, while streams of people got up and went out! How grand a spectacle, as joke after joke fell from the eloquent lips of this Cicero of orators to watch the enthusiastic crowds arising majestically as one man, and waving their hands as they clamorously demanded their money back at the box office."

[Communicated.]

Positive, Ida Dodge; comparative, I'd a dodge; superlative, I had a dodge! Yes, you had a dodge for everybody, and every thing, and you keep on dodging, to the end of the chapter. Enquirer thinks I am you, or you are I, or thou art me, or yourself am myself, or some thing to that effect. Now, Ida, don't you think folks is queer, and don't you have a suspicion that Enquirer is the queerest? Just whisper to me, and I'll n-e-e-e-tell—even the gentlest sephyrns—of which Christmas mittens are to be knit—which may knit the brow of—which fellow is to receive them? To think, that any one should think that I, SAND BAR, would think of such a thing as dodging! No! A thousand times NO!!! I—why, I'd run and hide first.

Patriotically, nervously, boldly and courageously thine, SAND BAR.

"I come not here to talk." I am—I am Sand Bar's amanuensis—yes, I'm more than that. I do the composing and writing, too, and S. B. affixes the signature. Didn't mean to tell on Sand Bar, but I'm mad at it to-day, and—there, the dinner bell is ringing.

So now good-bye!

"Tis time to scout."

Remember I—SAMANTHA SMOOT.

P. S.—You see I'm poetical, too, as well as Enquirer. S. S.

P. S. No. 2—I live on the corner of Starvation Street and Brickbat Avenue, and will be prepared to testify to the truth of the above if you will call next week at 4:30 p. m. S. S.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Gordon A. Moss, late of Jasper county, deceased. Said estate is supposed to be solvent.

25-3c. LYDIA A. MOSS, Administratrix.

SHERIFF'S SALE.—By virtue of a certain copy of a decree to me directed from the clerk of the Jasper circuit court, in a cause wherein John Makeover is plaintiff, and James Fraser, Maggie Fraser, and Naomi Spray are defendants, requiring me to make the sum of two hundred and seventy-three dollars and seventy-three cents in gold coin, with interest on said decree and costs, I will expose at public sale, to the highest bidder, on Saturday, the 3rd day of January, A. D. 1880, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., of said day, at the door of the court house in the town of Rensselaer, Jasper county, Indiana, the rents and profits for a term not exceeding seven years, the following real estate, to-wit: Lots six (6) and eleven (11), in block fifteen (15), in the original plat of the town of Rensselaer, Jasper county, and state of Indiana. If such rents and profits will not sell for a sufficient sum to satisfy said decree, interest and costs, I will, at the same time and place, expose to public sale the fee simple of said real estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to discharge said decree, interest and costs. Said sale will be made without any relief whatever from valuation or appraisal laws.

GEO. M. ROBINSON, Sheriff of Jasper county.

December 1st, A. D. 1879. pf \$9.00. Thompson & Bro., att'y's for pl'ffs. 25-4t.

SHERIFF'S SALE.—By virtue of a certain copy of a decree to me directed from the clerk of the Jasper circuit court, in a cause wherein Alfred McCoy and Alfred Thompson, composing the firm of A. McCoy & Thompson, are plaintiffs, and Ephraim Anglemire, Permelia Anglemire, George B. Chappell, Joseph E. Allman, Horace W. Higgins, David J. Thompson, William Ames, William Hilligoss & Co., Daniel W. Peck, Charles Jouvenat, Mary C. Jouvenat, Sanford A. Morgan, Emily E. Morgan, William W. Foster, Orrin London, Oseman W. Church and Charles W. Hawley are defendants, requiring me to make the sum of three hundred and ten dollars and sixty-five cents, with interest on said decree and costs, I will expose at public sale, to the highest bidder, on Saturday, the 3rd day of January, A. D. 1880, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., of said day, at the door of the court house in the town of Rensselaer, Jasper county, Indiana, the rents and profits for a term not exceeding seven years, the following real estate, to-wit: The west half (1/2) of lot four (4), in block thirteen (13), in the original plat of the town of Rensselaer, Jasper county, and state of Indiana. If such rents and profits will not sell for a sufficient sum to satisfy said decree, interest and costs, I will, at the same time and place, expose to public sale the fee simple of said real estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to discharge said decree, interest and costs. Said sale will be made without any relief from valuation or appraisal laws.

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