

UNITED STATES SENATOR.—For this office the principal candidates are Hon. W. C. CUMBACK, Lieutenant-Governor elect, Hon. RICHARD W. THOMPSON, of Terre Haute, Hon. G. S. ORTH, M. C., of Lafayette, Hon. JAMES HUGHES, of Bloomington, Hon. JAMES FRAZIER, of Warsaw, one of the Judges of the Supreme Court, Hon. H. C. NEWCOMB, late editor of the Indianapolis Journal, and Hon. ANSON WOLCOTT, State Senator from this District.

Mr. CUMBACK is said to have the inside track, having taken the precaution during his canvass last summer to secure the good will of thirty-four county newspapers, who unmasked as soon as it was certain the State had gone Republican, and have ever since loudly bawled that the position was his by right of purchase.

Col. R. W. THOMPSON is one of the soundest and ablest men in the State, but his education will tell against him. He cannot dispossess his mind of the antiquated idea that such offices should seek their representatives, and of course can not expect to win in these days of velocipedes when every one is expected to prop himself.

Hon. G. S. ORTH has represented the Lafayette District in Congress until he has worn threadbare and his chances of re-election are on the wane. Much office has made him ambitious. He evidently has a nobler opinion of his abilities than many of his constituents have, and dreading the shady walks of private life would forestall the inevitable by a *coup d'état*.

Hon. JAMES HUGHES, State Senator from Bloomington, is an able lawyer and claims to have purchased his right to the position from Senator MORTON two or three years ago. If his claims are well-founded, Mr. MORTON ought to vote for him, but it is not at all certain that the State Legislature is under any obligations to him whatever. However, he is a strong man.

Judge FRAZIER is an able jurist and does well enough where he is. Let him remain there.

It is rumored and quite extensively believed that Hon. H. C. NEWCOMB resigned his connection with the Indianapolis Journal to become a candidate for this position. As the Journal Proprietors have announced their readiness to employ him at any time he desires to go back, we suggest that he return to the sanctum and remain there until he is invited elsewhere.

Hon. ANSON WOLCOTT, of White county, although last mentioned is not the least either corporeally or mentally, and although the editor of the Winamac Republician is silly enough to recommend him for his personal beauty, we are not aware that the Honorable gentleman intends to make his physical appearance a consideration in the contest. He will probably receive the votes of the majority of the Representatives from the Eleventh Congressional District.

STATE AGENT.—Salary \$2,500 a year. Gen. WALTER Q. GRESHAM is the present incumbent and is a candidate for re-election.

STATE PRINTER.—Hon. A. H. CONNER, of the Indianapolis Journal, and Chairman of the State Central Committee, will probably be elected to this "fat take."

STATE LIBRARIAN.—Salary \$1,200 a year. Rev. B. F. Foster incumbent and candidate. Half a dozen contestants but no opposition.

THREE DIRECTORS OF THE NORTHERN PRISON.—Salaries \$5 per diem and mileage. Hon. Jas. N. TYLER, of Peru, Col. Dodge, of Warsaw, and Hon. A. D. HAMMOND, of Green-castle, incumbents. Considerable opposition, probably.

ONE DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTHERN PRISON.—Salary \$800 per annum. M. R. GREE, of Vincennes, present incumbent and candidate. Has opposition.

SPAKER OF THE HOUSE.—Candidates, Col. G. A. PIERCE, of the Valparaiso *Vidette*, Hon. GEORGE A. BUSKIRK, of Bloomington, Hon. D. M. STEWART, of Rushville, Hon. A. P. STANTON, and A. J. V. WYLER, of Indianapolis.

CLERK OF THE HOUSE.—Candidates, Hon. C. T. NIXON, of Jeffersonville, Hon. W. M. FRENCH, of Indianapolis, and J. C. HARDESTY, of the Anderson *Herald*, and perhaps others.

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE.—Maj. O. M. WILSON, the old Secretary, is a candidate. For Assistant Secretary, Col. T. R. OYLER is urged.

DOORKEEPER, ETC., as many candidates as there are for United States Senator.

On last Friday morning the county of Jasper was one vast continuous skating rink. Every tree, fence, building and exposed object was glittering with its mail of ice. Pedestrianism was uncertain if not absolutely dangerous. Cattle were unable to travel and farmers had to water their stock in the yards. The merry youths, boys and girls, irrepressible and venturesome, shod with ringing steel and clothed in brilliant costume, flitted hither and thither over the icy pavements, like brilliant meteors across the evening sky, filling the air with shouts and laughter—the sweetest and most soul-stirring music of Nature. But the sources of pleasure are evanescent and ephemeral. Night draws her sable curtains, and the world is shrouded in darkness. In his secret laboratories Old Boreas busily and silently works out the fabric of his task, and his messengers quickly speed with their heraldic bards and quietly spread it upon tree and shrub, on house and shed, on hillock and level plain, and the earth wrapped in virgin ermine, spotless and pure, awaits the rising of the golden-haired god of day like a lovely bride the coming of her chosen.

The attention of our readers is called to the Prospectus of the Chicago Tribune.

We need say nothing in praise of this ably conducted paper, familiar as the most of our friends are with it, and its influence to secure the nomination by the Republican party, and subsequently the election by the people, of GRANT and CLOTHES to the Presidency and Vice Presidency of the United States. The bold stand taken by the Tribune in advocacy of Free Trade and in the interests of the masses as against monied monopolies together with its outspoken denunciation of political and official fraud and corruption has endeared it to its thousands of readers throughout the United States.

See advertisement of the Scientific American in this week's issue of THE UNION.

Besides the reports and description of all new mechanical inventions, scientific discoveries, improvements in arts, patents granted, etc., making it invaluable to every mechanic and scientific student, there is a vast amount of general information of practical usefulness for all classes makes it very desirable in every family, and no person of culture and means should consider his library complete without files of the Scientific American.

On New Year's day the team of Mr. John Meyers, of Hanging Grove township, which had been left standing in front of our office, took a little runaway frolic, distributing divers and sundry parts of the wagon to which they were attached, along the streets for about two squares. We judge, however, that no serious damage was done, for about half an hour afterwards Mr. Meyers had horses and wagon collected together and was on his way home as though nothing had happened.

Read This.

As an extra inducement for new subscriptions we make the following offer to all who want to take other periodicals in connection with their county paper. We will send the Union and Harper's Monthly Magazine one year for \$5.00 " and Harper's Weekly 5.00 " and Harper's Bazaar 5.00 " and Prairie Farmer 3.50 " and Godey's Lady's Book 3.50 " and Lady's Friend 3.50 " and Saturday Eve. Post 3.50 Union, Lady's Friend and Saturday Evening Post 5.00

The regular price of each of Harper's periodicals is \$4; of the Prairie Farmer \$2; of Godey \$3; of Lady's Friend \$2.50; of Saturday Evening Post \$2.50; of The Union \$2.

We will send either of Harper's Periodicals—Monthly, Weekly, or Bazaar gratis to any person sending us six new names and \$12. We will send Godey to any person, one year gratis, who sends us five new names and \$10, and either the Prairie Farmer, Lady's Friend, or Saturday Evening Post to any person sending us four new names and \$8.

Yesterday Mr. Allen A. McClure, a journeyman blacksmith working in Mr. Warner's establishment, was severely kicked in the pit of his stomach, by a horse which was waiting to be shod. McClure was better this morning.

Major R. B. James informs us that the fruit buds on his peach and Morillo cherry trees are killed.

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The State Legislature assembles to-day.

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Chemical.

EDITORS UNION: If your contributor "TEDDY" will allow a little friendly criticism, I beg to express my dissent from some of his views as stated in your last issue. Recollecting that the protoxyd (carbonic oxyd) and the peroxyd (carbonic acid) are the only known chemical combinations of carbon with oxygen, I was at loss to conceive what would be the result when "the leaves breathe in oxygen which combines with the carbonic acid sent from the root," etc. It could not be protoxyd, (C. O.) because in carbonic acid (C. O.) the oxygen is already in excess, and I cannot see how the combination he supposes, could take place consistently with the known facts of chemistry. If he will look at the subject again he will perceive that his view is directly opposite to the received opinions and teachings of most writers on the subjects of Vegetable Physiology and Organic Chemistry. That the plant absorbs carbonic acid from the air and gives off oxygen is stated by Asa Gray, (Botany, pp. 160, 161); Youmans, (Lect. Org. Chem. p. 92); Moffatt, (Chemistry, p. 74); Wells, (Science Common Things, p. 236); Turner, (Mammal Chemistry, p. 426); Agassiz and Gould, (Principles Zoology, Vol. 1, p. 43); Alonso Gray, (Chemistry, p. 408); Hooker, (Physiology, p. 104); and every other author whom I have had leisure to consult, or of whom I have any recollection. The correctness of this view is readily apparent, when we know that the organic constituents of the plant are carbon, hydrogen and oxygen, in the proportion of 12 parts of carbon to 10 of hydrogen and 10 of oxygen, and, as water (H. O.) of which the plant absorbs vastly more than anything else, consists of hydrogen and oxygen in exactly the proportions required for vegetable growth, there remains only one more element, carbon, to be provided for, and that is supplied by the absorption of carbonic acid and the elimination of its contained oxygen. But if more oxygen were retained in the vegetable composition than is supplied by the water absorbed, the relative proportions of the elements indicated above could not subsist.

The practical suggestions of your contributor "TEDDY" are of such value and importance that I could wish that his theories were always equally acceptable. DUX SCOTUS.

Kankakee Valley Draining Co.

Office Kankakee Valley Draining Co., LaPorte, Ind. Dec. 30, 1858.

The members of said company are notified, that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of said Company held on the 29th day of December, 1858. Said Board of Directors in pursuance of the power conferred upon them by article No. 6, of the articles of association, made an assessment upon the several members of the company, of fifty cents an acre, for every acre of land represented by them respectively. The said assessment to be paid in installments as follows—viz: 20 cents per acre, to be paid on the 1st day of Feb., 1859; 15 cents per acre to be paid on the 1st day of April, 1860, and 15 cents per acre to be paid on the 1st day of June, 1861. Said assessment is made to provide means to defray expenses that shall be necessary in making before such means can be realized from regular assessments for benefits to lands.

Payments may be made to George W. Cass, Treasurer of said Company, at Pittsburg, Pa., or to the President of said Company, at his office in LaPorte.

W. C. HANNAH, Pres. JOHN FISHER, Sec.

Quarterly Meeting.

The second Quarterly Meeting of the M. E. Church for the present Conference year, Rensselaer Circuit, will be held in Rensselaer next Saturday and Sabbath—9th and 10th inst. Services at 2 o'clock, P. M., Saturday, and 10½ o'clock, A. M., Sabbath, by Elder R. Hargrave.

Married.

December 31st, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. A. H. Widney, Mr. Lucius Strong, of Jasper County and Miss Clara Ponson, of Newton County.

Congress reassembled on the 5th instant.

The Court House yard fence is undergoing much needed repairs.

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Fine Balmoral Skirts at Willey & Hollingsworth's.

"Barrett's" Infallible Hair Restorative.

Another lot of those cheap Corsets, at L. & N. W. Hopkins.

If you want Over-Shoes, Rubbers, Boots or Shoes, go to Hopkins.

Pocket and Table Cutlery, Spoons, etc., large new stock, at C. C. Starr's.

Knit Shirts and Drawers—cheap at Willey & Hollingsworth's.

A fine article of Tea at STARR'S.

A large stock of Tobacco and Cigars, at J. W. Coats.

"Barrett's" satisfies everybody.

Tobacco and Cigars at C. C. Starr's.

Cloths, Jeans, Flannels, Muslins, etc., at Hopkins.

Full stock of Table Cutlery at Willey & Hollingsworth's.

Green Apples—for mince pies at C. C. Starr's.

A fine lot of Candies, Raisins, etc., at Hopkins.

New stock of Boots and Shoes just opened at Willey & Hollingsworth's.

"Barrett's" the most approved.

Fresh Oysters, best quality, 65 cents per half can, at C. C. Starr's.

Queensware and Glassware at Willey & Hollingsworth's.

Queensware and Glassware—new stock—at C. C. Starr's.

The best and cheapest sugars at C. C. Starr's.

Buy Groceries at C. C. Starr's.

All wool Delaines, cheaper than ever at Willey & Hollingsworth's.

"Barrett's" is highly perfumed.

C. C. Starr sells Groceries cheap for cash.

Buy your Gent's Furnishing Goods of J. W. Coats. A large stock of Collars, Cuffs, Neckties, etc., always on hand.

Buckwheat Flour—fine article at Willey & Hollingsworth's.

Cider Vinegar—pure article—four barrels, at C. C. Starr's.

Closing out our few remaining Shaws. L. & N. W. Hopkins.

Holiday Presents—finest assortment and largest stock—at C. C. Starr's.

"Barrett's" is free from dirt and gum.

Call and see our Dress Goods Willey & Hollingsworth.

Fresh Oysters, by the can or dish, at J. W. Coats.

Ladies' and Gent's Gloves will be offered at reduced prices, at L. & N. W. Hopkins.

Coffee cheaper than ever at C. C. Starr's.

Try our choice Coffee and Sugar, at Willey & Hollingsworth.

Always go to the Tobacconist, J. W. Coats, for your Tobacco and Cigars, as you can find a large and cheap stock to select from.

If you want an Overcoat or Full Suit, price at L. & N. W. Hopkins.

Call at C. C. Starr's for fresh Groceries.

Morse's Indian Root Pills.—We give you in this medicine the result of a lifetime of study and trial; before this Medicine all others are but nostrums. They are made from simple Roots, and are the best medicine in the world for all Bilious diseases, Female Irregularities, Headache, Indigestion, Liver Complaints &c. They purify the blood, remove all obstructions, cleanse the skin of all pimples and blotches, and are perfectly sure and safe in their operations. Trial is the Touchstone by which to prove them worthy. Use Morse's Indian Root Pills. For sale by all Dealers.

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MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5, 1860.

Gold closed at 1341.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.

Beeves—\$6, \$6.50, \$7, & \$7.50.

Hogs—\$8.75 to \$10.75. Firm.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 5.

Hogs—\$9.75 to \$10.50, live weight.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 5.

Four Old Shoes, foot and set..... \$1.25

Four New Shoes, foot and set..... 2.00

Four Old Shoes, foot and set..... 1.40

Four Old Shoes, reset..... 1.00

ON BOOK, OR TO-MORROW.

Four New Shoes, foot and set..... \$1.60

Four Old Shoes, foot and set..... 1.20

Four Old Shoes, reset..... 1.00

FOR CASH DOWN.

Four New Shoes, foot and set..... \$1.80

Four Old Shoes, foot and set..... 1.60

Four Old Shoes, foot and set..... 1.20

Four Old Shoes, reset..... 1.00

FOR CASH DOWN.

Four New Shoes, foot and set..... \$2.25

Four New Shoes, plain..... 2.00

Four Old Shoes, foot and set..... 1.40

Four Old Shoes, reset..... 1.20

FOR CASH DOWN.

Four New Shoes, foot and set..... \$2.50

Four New Shoes, plain..... 2.25

Four Old Shoes, foot and set..... 1.40

Four Old Shoes, reset..... 1.20

FOR CASH DOWN.

Four New Shoes, foot and set..... \$2.75

Four New Shoes, plain..... 2.50

Four Old Shoes, foot and set..... 1.40

Four Old Shoes, reset..... 1.20

FOR CASH DOWN.

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