

DISAPPEARANCE OF WOODLANDS CAUSE BIG STOCK LOSS

It Was Shown at the Meeting
Of the German Baptist Tri-
County Insurance Associa-
tion Meeting.

LIVESTOCK NOT PROTECT- ED AGAINST ELEMENTS.

Farmers' Insurance Organiza-
tion Shown to Be in Excel-
lent Condition—Officers for
Ensuing Year Elected.

On Thursday the annual meeting of the German Baptist Tri-County Mutual Protective association, comprising the counties of Wayne, Union and Fayette, met in the horticultural room at the court house, in this city.

Those in attendance were the officers and directors of the company and policyholders, among whom were found D. O. Lilling, Hagerstown, secretary; Chas. Quicke, College Corner, T. A. Shafer, Hagerstown, adjutant; Wm. A. Huntington, Kitchell, Dan Flint, Connersville, President; C. C. Petry, Kitchell; Peter Flint, Connersville.

At the opening of the session, the president, Dan Flint of Connersville, called on the secretary-treasurer, Mr. D. O. Lilling, for the annual report, which showed:

Balance at beginning of fiscal year ending Jan. 1, 1908 . . . \$771.43
Delinquents and other receipts and borrowed money . . . 4,609.02
Assessment on policies to pay losses . . . 8,882.39

Total receipts . . . \$14,262.84

Expenses . . . \$13,119.19

Leaving balance in the treasury of . . . \$1,143.65

It is not customary to have much of a surplus in the treasury at the time of the annual meeting, as often losses by fire occur between the time of collecting the assessment in October and the time of holding the annual meeting the following January.

One of the items of receipts was for the balance due for the defunct Hagerstown bank, making about 45 per cent of the total amount of money of the association at the time of the bank's failure.

Peter Beeler and Walter Ratliff, the auditing committee, gave their report, which showed the records of the association for the past year to be very complete and found the accounts of the secretary and treasurer to be correct. They commended his methods of keeping the same.

The association appointed William Lewis and Peter Beeler as members of the auditing committee for the coming year.

In the discussion it was clearly shown that more live stock is being lost by lightning in open fields than formerly. This is doubtless due to the lessening of the number of individual trees in woodlots and pastures, and to the greater number and length of wire fences adjoining the ranges for such animals.

Where barbed, or single stranded wire fences are found, the danger has been far greater than woven fences, or with those of perpendicular stay wires. In a measure they convey the electricity to the ground. It is believed that rodding of fence posts with wire is the best solution to lessening the danger of loss by lightning, as the currents are diverted down and not carried along the fences to deal death to the live stock beside them.

A singular feature connected with the death of animals from this source, is that often no mark is visible on the carcass and that death is mostly instantaneous.

Of the buildings destroyed by fire, there seems to have been much less in proportion to last year, owing to a less number of electrical storms the past year. Defective flues account for a large number of residence losses.

The president announced the committee on nominations, which consists of Emmet Hart, Horace Ratliff and Thomas Ellman, while Walter Ratliff, Thomas Borden and William Huntington were appointed to draft suitable resolutions, both of which made reports which were adopted.

The officers for the ensuing year were re-elected as follows: Daniel Flint of Connersville, president; John D. Hoover of Hagerstown, vice-president; D. O. Lilling, secretary and treasurer. These officers also compose the board of directors with the following: Peter Flint, Connersville; C. L. Lank, College Corner; and C. C. Petry, Kitchell.

From an examination of the records the annual assessment on each \$100 of insured property held by the policy holders for the past ten years has been 23 cents. This year it was about 26 cents.

The secretary gave an outlined address on the recently organized Farmers' Cyclopedia Insurance company of Indiana. Since its organization one year ago, it has written over \$600,000 in policies and has every indication of

PRETTY AND POPULAR ACTRESS WILL
WILL BE AT THE GENNETT MONDAY NIGHT.



MISS MARIE DEBEAU,

As "Tempest" in "Tempest and Sunshine."

being as popular with the agricultural classes as the Fire Insurance company has been in the last few years. By a change in the by-laws of the Farmers' Insurance company, the annual meetings will hereafter be held in this city.

AMUSEMENTS

THEATRICAL CALENDAR.

NEW PHILLIPS.
Week of Jan. 20—Vaudeville.

GENNETT.
Week of Jan. 20—Taylor Stock Co.
Jan. 27—"Tempest and Sunshine."
Jan. 31—"Under Southern Skies."

Vaudeville at the Phillips.

Next week's bill at the New Phillips will be an unusually full one owing to the fact that Ed King and Son have been added as an extra number and given a place in the middle of the bill. The Kings, who will appear in the evening only, contemplate entering vaudeville as a profession and it is their wish to let their Richmond friends have an opportunity to see what they can do. They have a black face singing and talking act, Lottie Gilson and company are put on the program as headliners and will offer singing, dancing and character impersonations. Below is the program in full for next week:

Miss Eva Hazeltine, piano overture.
Volare and Clarke, novelty wire act.
Billie Sheets, bird and animal imitator.

Ed King and Son, black face singing and talking.

Kitty and Master Nelson Sterling, comedy sketch.

Miss Pearl Hale, illustrated song, "Sweetheart, I'm Thinking of You Dear."

Lottie Gilson and company, singing dancing and character impersonations.

The cameragraph, showing the latest motion pictures.

The three usual features of the bill will be provided, one for the ladies, a souvenir matinee on Wednesday, one for the amateurs, Friday night and

one for the children, a matinee on Saturday. The present bill will be concluded with the performance of tonight.

Repertoire at the Gennett.
The Taylor Stock company will close its engagement at the Gennett tonight with a production of "The Ragged Detective."

"Tempest and Sunshine."
Manager Swisher considers himself lucky in having secured "Tempest and Sunshine," a dramatization of Mary J. Holmes' most popular novel by Leni B. Parker and produced by W. F. Mann. This production is one of the kind that is interesting for the old folks as well as for the young, by showing the contrast of the natures of the two beautiful sisters, one being quick and passionate, the other gentle and mild. This is a southern play about the time of 1850 and the costumes are of the quaint old fashioned style. This production will be seen at the Gennett Monday night.

"Under Southern Skies."
Lottie Blain Parker has already made a reputation with her "Way Down East," but she added to it appreciably when she wrote "Under Southern Skies," which comes to the Gennett, Jan. 31. Her plays are all of the clear variety, with action galore. In addition she works in a prettiness of detail that a man might strive for all time to bring about, but which a woman can do innately. "Under Southern Skies" tells of life in Louisiana in the period around 1875 and necessarily brings in the quaint costumes of the day.

Brazilian coconut palms live from 600 to 700 years.

A Surprise For St. Kilda.
The inhabitants of the lonely Isle of St. Kilda were astonished one winter some years ago at the appearance of a great blood red, conical object floating on the wild Atlantic billows to the westward of the Isle. With much difficulty the derelict was brought to shore, and as the St. Kildians had never before seen such a queer looking thing and could make no guess as to its purpose or place in the scale of created things they indulged in wild visions of its valuable nature. But when the factor came across on his yearly visit from the neighboring but distant island of Great Britain he identified it as a great iron buoy which, it subsequently appeared, had broken away from its moorings in New York harbor and drifted in the gulf stream across the Atlantic. It had taken two years in the passage.

Occasions do not make a man either strong or weak, but they show what he is.—Thomas a Kempis.

A milking machine was recently exhibited at a Missouri state fair that milked six cows at one time. A herd of seventy-five cows was milked in one hour and fifteen minutes, two boys operating the machine.

A youthful witness appeared before one of our judges who is an ardent golfer. His honor, fixing his eye on the boy, inquired, "My boy, do you know the nature of an oath?" The reply was somewhat disconcerting: "Yes, my lord, I am your lordship's caddy."

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A CELEBRATED HOAX.

Story of the Fortsas Catalogue
and Its Author.

CLEVER AND BRAZEN FRAUD.

This Ingenious Publication Completely Fooled the Savants and Bibliophiles of Europe and Was the Literary Sensation of Its Day.

When P. T. Barnum cynically remarked that the American people loved to be fooled he might just as well have left out the adjective, for that Americans are much more gullible than natives of other lands can very readily be called into question by anybody at all familiar with the history of hoaxdom. I suppose that for pure effrontery and ingenious brazenness the Fortsas Catalogue stands in the front rank of deception. Yet this pamphlet was foisted not upon the American public, but upon the savants and bibliophiles of Europe—men skilled in the art of books and in the detection of forgery. So cleverly was this fraud conceived and executed that it deserves to stand in the front rank of any consideration, however brief, of clever deceptions.

The Fortsas Catalogue was published in 1840—a small book purporting to be the catalogue of the private library of a certain Count J. N. A. de Fortsas of Binche, in Belgium. Although the book consisted of but fourteen pages and listed only fifty-two titles, it stirred up a veritable tempest among the wise heads. The reason was not far to seek—not one of the books mentioned in the catalogue was to be found in any other library or publisher's list! They were all absolutely "sole surviving" copies of intensely interesting works. In the words of the catalogue itself, "the count pillaged" the books from his weight in gold—as soon as he learned that a work up to that time unknown had been mentioned in any catalogue. Each new research of learned investigators into the book lore of antiquity, it was claimed, "thinned still further the already decimated ranks of the count's sacred battalion." Weary of his tremendous and self imposed task of collecting only unique specimens, the count was stated to have died on Sept. 1, 1839, and his library was now offered for Amsterdam just to see No. 25, the "Corpus Juris Civilis." The Princess de Ligas "for the honor of her family" ordered No. 48 at any price to suppress it on account of certain discredit-able family episodes it was supposed to contain. Many other prominent persons and institutions clamored for a chance at the collection. "Men remembered having seen books that never existed," says William Shepard. "The foreman in Castellan's printing office at Tournay had distinct recollections of a bogus volume credited to his press."

Unfortunately the advertised sale never came off. On the 9th of August, the day before it was to have begun, the Brussels papers announced that the town of Binche had determined to keep the collection intact by purchasing it with public funds. The amusing part of this statement was that Binche was a most insignificant village, quite unable to purchase much of anything, let alone a universally desired library. Still, even that statement was believed.

The truth eventually transpired that the Count de Fortsas, his miraculous library and the catalogue were all the creations of an ingenious fellow named Rene Chalmers, living in Belgium. His catalogue begot a rather extensive literature of its own, which has since been collected and published under the title "Documents et Particularites Historiques sur le Comte de Fortsas." A copy of the original catalogue now rests in the Congressional Library at Washington.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Chalmers' cause headache.
LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE removes the cause. Used the world over to cure a Cold in One Day. E. W. Grove's signature on box. 25c.

Complete religious liberty is now allowed in Bolivia and the London council for the Bolivian Indian mission is therefore preparing a special invasion into that country where Mr. and Mrs. George Allen have been working four years in a very modest way.

Weak Little Boys
may become fine strong men. Some of the strong men of today were sickly boys years ago. Many of them received

Scott's Emulsion
at their mother's knee. This had a power in it that changed them from weak, delicate boys into strong, robust boys.

It has the same power to-day. Boys and girls who are pale and weak get food and energy out of SCOTT'S EMULSION. It makes children grow. : : : All Druggists: 50c. and \$1.00.

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Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

This preparation is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough and influenza and has become famous for its cures of these diseases over a large part of the civilized world.

It can always be depended upon and is pleasant to take.

It not only cures colds and influenza, (grip) but counteracts any tendency toward pneumonia.

It contains no opium or other harmful substance and may be given to a baby as confidently as to an adult.

AMERICAN BOYS AND GIRLS SHOULD BE "SORTED" AND FORCED TO LEARN TRADES

Chicago, Jan. 25.—Dr. Charles W. Eliot, president of Harvard University, advocated in a public address that American boys and girls be "sorted out" by agents of authority, teachers perhaps, and forced by law to study trades assigned to them. Dr. Eliot's ideas caused a sensation at the banquet of the National Society for the Promotion of Industrial Education held at the Auditorium.

Here is what Dr. Eliot said: "I assert that it is perfectly proper to enact laws which will give the teachers the authority to sort out the boys and girls, assign to each the trade at which he or she seems best adapted, and the law should then compel these children to be trained for these trades. All Men Not Equal."

"This sentiment, I see, has already impressed some of you as being undemocratic. I think that it is not so. Democracy is based upon a theory that all men are equal; all men are not equal and never can be; men of practical mind have long set aside that platitudes for what it is worth. "And as men are not equal so are children yet less equal. We see how in a single family, with the same heredity, the same environment, the same opportunities, brothers and sisters enter widely divergent strata of society by natural difference. "Thus I find that nature often con-

ECONOMY, IND.

Economy, Ind., Jan. 25.—Mrs. Emma Hiatt is visiting her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Potter of Greensfork, this week. Miss Clara Edwards, one of the Central girls of Modoc, is very ill.

The protracted meeting in the U. B. church at Modoc is growing in interest.

Oliver Bodkin was Mr. and Mrs. Albert Channess's visitor recently.

Charley Ladd of Richmond, who is a candidate for prosecutor of Wayne county was here handling out smiles.

Rev. Truitt, who was to help Rev. Dr. Singer with protracted meeting here, is ill with the grip at his home in Huntsville.

Mrs. Jennie Scantland and Miss Blanch Manning visited Olie Scantland and family Wednesday.

Miss Daisy Osborn was in Richmond Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Lamb were in Richmond shopping Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Scantland have a very sick baby.

Rev. Lee Channess attended a funeral at Williamsburg Wednesday.

Oliver Hiatt spent Wednesday in Greensfork.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peirce and Mr. and Mrs. Link Morrison spent Wednesday and Thursday in Muncie.

John Replogle, Mr. Hiatt, Mrs. Loretta Fenimore and daughter Blanche and Master Howard Fenimore of Muncie were visitors at the Edwards home Tuesday.

Leander Anderson was transacting business at Williamsburg recently.

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There are some queer names in Australia. A witness in a recent case at Melbourne, responded to the clerk's call, "Lay Fury." In spite of her forbidding surname she seemed, according to the reporters, to be a very nice and amiable young lady. For many years the most fashionable physician in Sydney was Dr. Angel Money. One of his patients, the late Sir Henry Parkes, six times prime minister, used to say it was the only name in the world that combined the celestial and the terrestrial.—London Globe.

An electrical plant has been discovered in Nicaragua.



Exhausted

and broken down from overwork and financial troubles a man needs an invigorator and something that will put energy and vitality into him, and he could get in no way that would be as harmless as by drinking a good, pure beer brewed from malt and hops, without adulteration, like the Richmond Export beer. When you want a brace that will brace, try a glass of pure Richmond Export beer.

Minck Brewing Co.

Grocery Special!

18 pounds granulated, 19 pounds A, 20 pounds C Sugar . . . \$1.00
6 pounds fresh ground buckwheat flour and 30 stamps30
1 pound our special Blend coffee and 23 stamps25
1 pound fancy Imperial tea and 60 stamps40
1 pound Model Glass Jar Baking Powder and 60 stamps65
3 pounds Lima beans, new crop25
Dried sweet corn, sweet and milky, per pound10
Red Kidney beans 9c in 3 pounds for25
Cracked hominy 2 pounds for25
Home made apple butter (delicious), pound12 1/2
Sauer Kraut, home made, per lb.65
Large Sour pickles, per dozen15
Sweet pickles, per dozen10
Mixed pickles, per pint15
Tomatoes, 2 cans for15
Best square crackers, per lb.15
A No. 1 good ginger snap, per pound05
Farmers, we pay highest market price for produce. Give us a trial.

Model Department Store,
11 S. 7th St. One Minute From Interurban Station. Colonial Bldg.
New Phone 1838. Bell Phone 47R
Smith & Goodrich, Props.

THE NEW PHILLIPS VAUDEVILLE THEATRE

O. G. MURRAY, Lessee. WEEK OF JANUARY 27.
Daily at 3:00 and from 7:30 to 10:15 Continuously.

A.—OVERTURE—Miss Eva Hazeltine E.—KITTY AND MASTER NELSON

B.—VELARE AND CLARK—Novelty F.—ILLUSTRATED SONG—Miss

Wire Act. Pearl Hale, "Sweetheart, I'm

C.—BILLIE SHEETS—Bird and Animal Thinking of You, Dear."

D.—ED KING AND SON—(Evenings) G.—LOTTIE GILSON AND CO—

only). Black Face Singing and Character Singing, Dancing and Character

Talking. H.—THE CAMERAGRAPH—Latest Impersonation.

Special Matinee each Saturday; children, 5 cents; souvenirs at Wednesday's matinee. General admission, 10c. Reserved seats at night, 5c extra. Amateurs Friday night. Those wishing to appear, apply at box office.

GENNETT THEATRE Ira Swisher Manager

MONDAY NIGHT, JANUARY 27

W. F. MANN PRESENTS

Miss Marie DeBeau AND Miss Ruth Raynor

In a Dramatization of Mary J. Holmes' Famous Novel

...TEMPEST AND SUNSHINE...

With the Original Chicago Production.

Prices 25c, 35c, 50c and 75c. Seats at Westcott Pharmacy.

COLISEUM

Skating every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, morning, afternoon and evening.

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Marion Summitville vs. Richmond

Wednesday Evening, Jan. 29

City League Game—Krones vs. Bevilieu—7:30.

Big game at 8:30.

Admission to all parts of house 15c

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