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RYAN & JOSEPH,

Proprietors of the MODEL.

The Independent

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1896.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

From Saturday's Daily.

There's Jack has been a-hanging 'round a year or more, I guess.

And still he's never given me a chance to answer 'em?

I've waited mighty patient for a word that he might say.

That'd sound like he was going to ask me to name the day.

But he's never said a word, 'nd an oyster ain't more dumb.

But next week he may be sorry that the

Leap Year

comes.

Mrs. Con-Sult is on the sick list.

Better begin to practice writing it '96.

Harry Ruge is visiting his cousin in Valparaiso.

Logansport belles will give a minstrel for charity.

W. T. VanVactor returned to Elkhart today.

Jesse Gilmore returned last evening from Chicago.

Miss Sadie Patterson is visiting at Indianapolis.

Mrs. Harry Chester returned to Elkhart today.

Isaac H. Keller, of Hibbard, is in town on business.

Miss Hattie Miller returns this evening from Chicago.

Miss Bessie Viets left this morning for Louisville, Ky.

L. D. Espick, living north of here, is in town on business.

Richmond wants the state G. A. R. encampment in 1897.

Miss Myra Bunnell returned last evening from Rochester.

The wife of Marshal Myers is visiting her daughter in Kokomo.

Herbert Hess has returned to Chicago after a few days visit in Plymouth.

Only three days more of assured safety for the boys. After that—leap year.

Dennis Pottinger, of Pierceton, has been visiting W. B. Hess and family.

Henry Fleming and family are here from Valparaiso, visiting his uncle, Asa St. John.

The sons of Veterans will hold a special meeting on Monday evening at 7:30 for work.

Chester Smith, of the INDEPENDENT force, left last evening for a visit at his home in Watseka, Ill.

Miss Modella Miller, of New Carlisle, is spending the holiday week with her aunt, Mrs. Dr. Wilson.

Weather Prophet Foster gives us warm weather all through January and rain for February and March.

Jacob Alt, New Albany, lost position through excessive drinking, became dispondent and fatally shot himself.

An effort is being made to secure a pardon for Capt. Seth Baldwin, who was sent to prison from Warsaw.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Orr returned today from a pleasant holiday trip to Rochester, where they have been since Christmas.

Joseph Vanvactor, while handling an unruly cow on yesterday evening, sustained a fracture of the little finger of his right hand.

Rev. Dr. John Merritt Driver, now of Marion, who was stricken down with heart failure in his pulpit last Sunday, will have to give up preaching.

Miss Ayers, who intended to go to Rochester on a visit, has reconsidered her plans and will remain in Plymouth during the balance of the holidays.

George E. Nearpass, the urbane and bald-headed guiding star of that sprightly neighbor, the Culver City Herald, is in Plymouth today and made this office an appreciated call. George and the reporter used to stick type side

by side a good while ago, and we don't notice any less jolliness or more hirsute adornment than in those days.

A Huntington junk dealer sent money to a woman of whom he had become desperately enamored through a marriage bureau. The lady came, saw and went back single.

Laura E. Ingersoll, of Indianapolis, has been appointed matron of the state soldiers' home at Lafayette. She is a daughter of the late Captain Johnson, of the Eleventh Indiana regiment.

Attorney Tibbets reports a rather odd coincidence in nomenclature. He is attorney for the plaintiffs in two cases now in the circuit court, the names of the parties being respectively Frost and Sunshine.

The Columbia City Post's art department is conducted on a charmingly unique plan. Its latest is the running of the portrait of Commander Ballington Booth of the American Salvation Army, labelled "Capt. Kemp."

Last evening was the 27th anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Whitlock. In honor of the event a small party of their friends and neighbors gathered at their home and spent a very pleasant evening.

Misses Tate Todd, of Wakeman, O.; Minnie Ross, of New York City; Grace Erwin and Nina Mendenhall, of Bourbon, and Ellie Snyder, of Culver City, spent the day yesterday with Mrs. L. R. Cressner and Miss Hattie Morris.

A number of people in this vicinity wondered yesterday morning if they hadn't felt an earthquake. A heavy explosion of dynamite at Romeo, on the drainage canal in Illinois, was the cause of the distinct jar that was felt through here at 4 o'clock.

Col. Kline G. Shryock, one of Rochester's oldest and best known residents, died Thursday evening after being sick some time. As a politician and as one of the men most prominently identified with the early growth of his county, the venerable Colonel was known throughout northern Indiana.

A double-faced tomahawk, of a pattern unknown to this generation, was found in an oak sawlog, at a sawmill near English. The log was thirty-three inches in diameter, and was the second cut from the tree. The tomahawk must have been thrown into the tree generations ago as no sign of a scar was observed.

A company of young people, consisting of Miss Mary Southworth, Miss Lauer, Misses Cora and Lottie Leonard, Miss Behring, and Messrs. Arthur Underwood, Lou Steele, —— Kline, Will Martin and Ed Tanner, were splendidly entertained at the pleasant farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Boss last evening.

The general program for the coming joint institute to be held at Monterey by the teachers of the four townships in the four counties, on January 6, is as follows: Method, Tippecanoe township, Pulaski; Grammar, Union township, Marshall; Shakespeare, Abineenabbee township, Fulton; Geography, North Bend township, Starke.

Several Plymouthites attended a highly enjoyable dancing reception at the Colonade in Culver City last evening, that proved one of the most recherche events of the social season. Guests from Logansport, Argos, Rochester and other points were in attendance. On New Year's eve another high-grade ball is looked for Osborn's hall in the same town.

Just for a joke Tom King, engineer of the steam roller belonging to Crawfordsville, blew off steam a few weeks ago to start a horse of Mrs. Alice Ammerman, which had balked near the roller. The horse ran away and Mrs. Ammerman was rendered a cripple for life. Yesterday she entered suit against the city of Crawfordsville for \$20,000 damages.

E. Eldenne Small, the poet-journalist, and one of the star newspaper men of the state, has been secured by the Plymouth INDEPENDENT as city editor. Eldenne is a gem who will crystallize and shine when he becomes thoroughly acquainted with Plymouth and its people and we congratulate the INDEPENDENT on securing this young journalistic giant upon its staff. Put it there! (EAT) old boy.—Marmont Herald.

Our Twin Lakes correspondent in last evening's issue told of Milton Beatty's loss of seven sheep by the high water, but he didn't say how near two human lives came to the brink of eternity at the same time. Mr. Beatty had the sheep in a river bottom, and on Tuesday night he and J. M. Geib started in a boat to try to rescue them. The boat upset, and the two men had a very hard time in getting ashore, more especially since Geib could not swim. Beatty finally saved his companion's life, but the sheep were lost.

Winter, where art thou? Hiding in the icy fastnesses of the north, or chained like a captive bear to the pole? If we are to have you here we want you now rather than have you dispire with the sprouting corn and kill all the tender leaflets of young tomato plants in the springtime. If you are to go snorting and pirouetting over this country do not pause until your work is done. You failed us on Christmas and we do not now care for your coming, but if you must come, come at once and be done with your icy reign.

From Monday's Daily. They said it wouldn't be an open winter; maybe so—but it seems to be opened wide enough to let in lots of snow.

Adam Wise is in South Bend. Now bring on your sleighbells. Sig. Mayer is in Kewanna today. We'll have a white New Year's, anyway.

Miss Nellie Disher entertained Saturday evening. George Rippey went to Marion Saturday night.

Miss Matie Behrens went to South Bend for a visit.

Ross Rogers returned today to his home in Valparaiso.

W. S. Daniels and W. C. Dawdy went to Chicago this morning.

Mrs. Mary Morrison, of Hobart, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Fisher.

William O'Keefe and wife left today for a visit at Henderson, Ky.

Bern Nussbaum made his usual Sabbath trip over from Culver City.

WANTED:—12 or 15 black cat skins For price see GEO. H. BAYLOR, Jeweler

L. Evans and Warren Garver came down from Elkhart to spend a few days.

Frank McKinney, Carl Reynolds and Harry Corbin went to Argos yesterday.

Miss Iris Thompson has gone to La-Paz to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Myers.

The man in the weather bureau must be just recovering from his Christmas celebration.

Mrs. Covert, of Chicago, is spending the holiday week with her mother, Mrs. Dr. Dunlap.

Mr. Perry returned to his home in Bay City, Mich., today, after a pleasant visit here.

The Knights of Pythias elect officers tomorrow. There will also be work in the third rank.

The Misses Nellie and Blanche Richey have returned from their visit at Columbia City.

The girls will have to put in their best looks this coming year. It is the last leap year un'il 1904.

Archie Gilagher left to lay for Peoria, Ills., where he has accepted a position with the Vandals.

Peter Knisely, the Bourbon ax-handle manufacturer, was in town today enroute to DeLong.

J. H. McGill, manager of the Valparaiso telephone exchange, was in Plymouth Saturday.

Miss Ellie Snyder, a former Plymouth girl, has been visiting Miss Hattie Marr here for a few days.

W. T. VanVactor and wife, who have visited the family of G. H. Baylor, returned to Elkhart today.

S. G. Strole, of Twin Lakes, was a visitor in Plymouth and a caller at the INDEPENDENT office today.

John Brown, of Brazil, stopped over in Plymouth a short time to day to visit with Agent T. A. Downs.

The small boy with his Christmas pair of skates is trying to establish a modus vivendi with the weather department.

It isn't the green Christmas that makes a fat graveyard, but the "green" citizen who heedlessly exposes himself to pneumonia.

Dr. Brooks and wife are expected home from their trip through Texas and the South tonight. Their son Cliff is to return with them.

Low rate Holiday excursion tickets are sold by agents of the Nickel Plate road, December 24th, 25th, and 31st '95, and January 1st 1896.

Logansport has a business novelty in the shape of a grocery on wheels, which makes the rounds of the town attracting much attention.

Burkett brothers, of Culver City, came into town this morning with an exceptionally fine string of bass they had caught from the lake.

The district schools of the county began today, after their Christmas vacation. The city schools do not take up their work again until next week.

Venezuela, the northern nation of South America, now so much talked about, in the dictionary of geographical names is pronounced Ven-eth-wa-la.

A. R. Zimmerman and daughters are expected home this evening. Mr. Zimmerman has been in attendance at a reunion at the home of his parents at Taylorville, Ill.

Grant Prattsman, who had three of his left hand fingers cut off in the Studebaker factory at South Bend a week ago, visited relatives here yesterday, returning home this noon.

John Harris is organizing an orchestra consisting of Eldridge Thompson, Lert Confer, George Fogle and Leonard Voegeli, to furnish the music for the reception to be held next week Thursday evening by the Plymouth dancing club.

New Zealand sells advertising space on its postage stamps. The ads. are printed on the backs of the stamps—one advertisement on each stamp—before they are gummed. Thus the manufacturers of soap, cocoa, cigarettes, shirts, etc., who are not so represented by ads., are reduced to the distasteful

necessity of reading the announcements of their rivals every time they lick a postage stamp.

SEMI-WEEKLY INDEPENDENT and the Cosmopolitan, the greatest magazine in America, only \$1.85 per year.

The "Bachelors' Club" organized at Bedford in 1874, has now a membership of one. All the others are married except one, who died.

The Lake Erie & Western will place orders for 2,000 cars and twenty-five new engines with the builders about the first of March.

The family of G. Wolfe received a telegram Sunday morning announcing the death of a relative, Mrs. Epstein, in Chicago. Mrs. Wolfe left this morning for that city to attend the funeral services.

If you want the political news of the coming campaign read our advertisements of clubbing offers with the New York World and Tribune elsewhere in this paper.

Charles Ruhman, of Munroe, pleasantly surprised his wife and little child, who are visiting her parents here, by making his unannounced appearance yesterday morning. He will remain the week.

The best and cheapest building lots in Plymouth, are found in "The Plymouth Improvement Company's" addition, on the south side. No water standing around them and cellars always dry. For terms, call on L. Tanner, the druggist.

The executive board of farmers institute will meet on Saturday January 4, at 10:30 o'clock at the office, of C. T. Mattingley. Every member is urgently requested to attend.

PETER HEIM, Chm.

J. V. VANDILDER, Secy.

The Starlight dancing club will welcome the appearance of the new year and bid farewell to the old with a ball at the opera house which promises to be one of the important events of the season in a social way.

Excellent music, good order and a jolly company will be important features. This organization has been host at several delightful affairs of this sort, and they propose to leave no stone unturned to the end that the New Year's ball to-morrow evening shall surpass them all.

The funeral of the late ex-Councilman D. B. Armstrong was held from the late home yesterday afternoon and was very largely attended. The G. A. R. post was out in full force to assist in honoring a fallen but worthy comrade, his comrades of the fire department were present in large numbers and a host of old citizens and friends came to pay a last token of respect to the memory of a man who has been in no slight degree connected with the advancement and growth of Plymouth, commercially and politically.

HIBBARD.

DECEMBER 30, 1895.—Born, Wednesday last—“Xmas day”—to Mr. Edward Walker and wife, a daughter.

Mr. Lew Clifton made a flying trip to Argos Thursday.

Miss Hattie Wilson went to Plymouth Friday.