

The Independent

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 1896.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

From Wednesday's Daily.

Sigmund Mayer is on the sick list.

The petit jury has been excused until next Monday.

Hon. H. G. Thayer is reported as being some better today.

It is a popular mistake to regard all eccentric people as genii.

Today is the time the boys receive their pay at the bicycle works.

Giles Capron went to Chicago this morning to look for a position.

Opinions are like nails, the harder you hit them the deeper they go.

W. J. Vanvauctor, of Elkhart, transacted business in Plymouth to-day.

Oliver Warren, of Argos, located his business in the county seat yesterday.

The December term of the Marshall county circuit court closes on Feb. 1st.

Dr. Wahl, of Bremen, is in town today in connection with pension claims.

Rev. J. L. Wince will preach Sunday morning and evening at Chapel Hall.

Peter Ulrich and John Klinghamer went to Argos to-day on business.

Mrs. R. G. Iowood, of Chicago, is the guest of Miss M. A. Thayer for a few days.

Several new men from out of town were placed on the force at the bicycle works.

Next Friday the prohibitionists of Elkhart county will hold a meeting in Goshen.

The Elijah Begler farm was sold to Mr. C. W. Johnson yesterday by J. A. Molter.

At Warsaw anti-toxine as a remedy for diphtheria, has been used with beneficial results.

Dr. Loring, of Bur Oak, familiarized himself with the streets of Plymouth last evening.

A man who does not find advertising profitable, generally finds business unprofitable also.

Wm. Klinger went to Walnut this morning on business regarding the J. S. Neely failure.

F. W. Lankenaw, leaves tonight for Ft. Wayne on business connected with the bicycle factory.

Rev. Father Moench, of Fon Du Lac, Wis., was a Plymouth visitor among old friends yesterday.

The man who can pay his debts and won't do it would steal if he could do it without being locked up.

The prevailing gripe has two victims at Mr. Geo. H. Thayer's: two little boys. They are improving.

Miss Mary Bluhm, of Michigan city, a sister of Mrs. Fred Shoemaker, is spending a few days in Plymouth.

It is reported that Ethel Cunningham, who was reported yesterday as having malignant sore throat, is in a critical condition.

The Michigan City Dispatch says: "If writers want to court death, they want to continue calling their beautiful harbor a canal."

Jas. Zinn, stopped in our city a short time last evening. He was enroute for Valparaiso where he contemplates entering business.

The firm of Nussbaum & Mayer had a seige of sickness during the past ten days. The boys handled the business during that time.

A wife sometimes tells her husband that he isn't worth a cent, but if he gets killed in a railroad accident she will sue the company for \$5,000.

An excellent string of fish was brought in from Pretty Lake yesterday. A large number of our citizens are taking advantage of the fine sport.

Mr. Jacox's little boy had a very severe attack of the gripe last night, necessitating a call for a doctor at midnight. He is reported better to-day.

Goshen is making an extraordinary effort to suppress Sabbath desecration in that city. The efforts put forth are seemingly meeting with excellent success.

How to pay house rent, meet grocery bills and buy bread and meat for their families is interesting more men now than the question who will be the next president.

Wednesday, January 29th, is the day set for the thirteenth anniversary and reception given Hon. C. G. Conn by his employees. Elegant invitations have been issued.

A surprise party was given Samuel Casper, at his residence four miles north east of town last Sunday. About forty people were present and enjoyed a social time.

The young men around Goshen seem to have assumed the habit of "bowling" up on hard cider. It seems to have a bad effect upon their mental capacity, especially when attending divine service.

South Bend seems to be having a large fight on hand, owing to an attempt being made by the republican majority in the council to work a gremander in two of the wards. Two

republican councilmen have resigned owing to their position on the question, being against the new redistricting.

Mrs. Robert Hume, who has been sick at the home of A. C. Hume since her arrival from Minnesota, has recovered sufficiently to return to her home in the country today.

J. Hoffman, of Bremen, enjoyed a social chat with friends in Plymouth last evening. He was homeward bound from the republican district convention held at South Bend yesterday.

Fifteen years ago George Granger, of Decatur, Mich., found a baby girl on his door step. He has just received word of the death of the young lady's mother who left her a small fortune.

The Pennsylvania system took the management of the Vandala under its control the 15th of this month. While considerable talk has been done regarding the abolishing of the division at St. Joe, not a move in that direction has been made.

The souvenir hunters are thick in Michigan City and numerous. At the recent high school building fire, the bell when it fell from its lofty perch, was broken into a thousand pieces. Every vestige of it has been removed, and pieces of it are for sale on the streets.

From Thursday's Daily.

George Jacox, son of Oro Jacox, who was considered seriously ill yesterday is some what better this morning.

Hon. C. H. Reeve has been confined to his home for several days past with an aggravating attack of rheumatism.

One year ago last Tuesday the steamer Chicora went to the bottom of Lake Michigan, with twenty six people abroad.

James Redmond carries the medal as a prison convict. He is only 38 years old and has served seven terms. He was arrested at Indianapolis a few days ago, and soon will serve his eighth term behind the bars.

The Plymouth Mandolin club was organized last night with the following members: Bert Harris, leader; H. C. Corbin, Lou Allman, Marie Harris, C. D. Fish and Ray Tanner. Will play for the Princes of The Orient tonight.

The changing of the location of the Watson school house in district No. 2 was accomplished last evening. Mr. McCorry met the members of the district board yesterday and by a unanimous vote the location was chosen and a new school house will be erected. The site chosen $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile east and $\frac{1}{4}$ mile north of the present location.

Archie Wilcox succumbed to an attack of the gripe yesterday, and was compelled to return home from school. It was the first time in three years that he has missed a day at school, and that circumstance seemed to weigh on his mind to a larger extent than that of being sick.

Mr. Walter Fisher and Miss Lenora K. Vangilder, both of this county, were married at the U. B. Parsonage Wednesday Jan. 22, 1896 by O. F. Landis. A cordial greeting by their many friends follows the newly wedded couple. They expect to make their home in this city.

From Friday's Daily.

The case of assault and battery between Singrey vs. Corl, of Bourbon resulted in the latter receiving a benefit of \$1.00 and trimmings amounting to \$38.85. He appealed upon the court's decision.

Mrs. Ford, of Chicago, the popular World's Fair lecturer, will lecture upon "The Women in Shakespeare," on Thursday, Jan. 30th, under the auspices of the Saturday Club at the club room in the Simon's block. General admission 35c; school children 25c. Tickets on sale at Losey's.

We understand that the famous anti-toxin diphtheria cure was administered in the case of the Cunningham child whose illness of malignant sore throat has been reported from day to day in these columns. The result will be watched with particular interest as the case is most critical in every respect.

A farmer who had not been in town for some time, stopped in front of the electric light plant and inquired of a bystander "what is that air building, a factory?" "No, a plant" was the reply. "What do you raise there?" he again queried. "Currents." "How much are they worth per bushel?" "We don't sell them by the bushel, we sell them by the shock." And the farmer drove on scratching his head and looking wise.—Ex.

Recorder Thos. Walker and Dr. Jackson attended a banquet last evening at Maxinkuckee, given by the Odd Fellow Lodge there. They report a royal good time, a fine supper and a pleasant social visit with old friends and brothers. Dr. Jackson joined the lodge there in 1871, and last evening he met only six who were members there with him and also there are only two of the charter members there now, but they have a fine lodge, mostly young men and several hundred dollars of lodge funds for future use when needed.

For Sale

A span of good horses and harness An exceptionally good bargain. Cash or on time. Enquire at this office.

LAPAZ.

The section men who have been at Syracuse cutting ice have returned for the winter.

Some one stepped around and walked off with Rev. Rothenberger's wood-pile on the 15th.

Mr. Jones, the butter-maker for the new creamery, is on the ground ready to turn out the best.

W. M. Forsythe was at South Bend Sunday. He said it was for the purpose of taking a contract.

The head mechanic for the creamery firm has started his work. He expects to remain about four weeks.

Quite a number of teams and men have been employed in cutting and hauling ice for the creamery.

LaPaz is once more connected with the outside world. The B. & O. has put a commercial into their depot at this place.

On the night of the 15th someone gave a small dance at the hall. It was a surprise to the LaPaz people when the caller opened up.

The wood choppers that donated their labor to the M. E. church one day last week succeeded in getting a supply sufficient for the winter.

Revs. Kaufman and Linville have been holding profitable meetings at Teegarden. Several converts are credited to these gentlemen's efforts.

Mrs. T. D. Marooney, of Tiffin, O., has been here for the past week at the bedside of her aged mother, Mrs. Egan. The latter has improved so as to be able to sit up.

The LaPaz Library Club is negotiating for fifty extra chairs to put in the hall to accommodate the increasing admirers of their efforts. They give their next entertainment on January 31, '95. A mixed programme, both literary and comical, has been arranged.

ILION.

Jan. 20.

Will Everly, of Plymouth, was making Ilion a business visit last Thursday.

Protracted meeting still continues at Tippecanoe town. Some conversions were reported.

Winfield Fore has been having a serious time with a cancer on his face, but at present is improving. He is taking treatment of Dr. Schoonover, of Warsaw.

Barn Ehrman, of Rochester, has been visiting friends in this vicinity the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Laird spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bates, Mrs. L's parents, near Bourbon.

Mr. and Mrs. Simeon Blue, of Mentone were visiting Mr. Blue's daughter, Mrs. Winfield Fore, Monday.

James M. Johnson has accepted a position with Millbern Bros., hardware merchants of Mentone, and will move his family thither the middle of the week.

Tippecanoe Township Sunday School convention meets at Ilion Saturday at 1 p.m. Quite an interesting session is anticipated. Mrs. C. A. Hume and J. W. Parks are expected to be present. Rev. Beardsley will lecture in the evening. His subject, the "Dangers of Apostacy," will be worth any man's audience.

Rev. Bundy the P. M. minister began a series of meetings here Monday evening. We sincerely hope he will meet with a bountiful harvest.

TWIN LAKES.

Jan. 22.

Chas. Glass is quite low with dropsy. Wm. Goddard spent Sunday at home.

Literary Thursday night at Fertigs school house.

Mrs. Amanda White is visiting at Wm. Whites.

Protracted meeting still in progress with some success.

The log haulers have Millers woods nearly cleaned up.

Gamey, Greely, Swipes and Butcher are busy cutting the logs in the Miller Goddard timber. Do you know them?

Twin Lake post office has a new set of "pigeon holes" and private boxes.

Mrs. Mafy Hossler and Mrs. Susie White took dinner at Jos. Whites, Tues. day.

White Bros., Agler and Taylor Grover have their ice houses filled with splendid ice.

Mr. Snyder, of Ohio, dropped in on his brother-in-law, Morris Agler for a short visit.

Mrs. Sam'l Strole went to Harris station yesterday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Harry Kupke.

A gang of sports lead by City Mayor, Nichols spent last Saturday fishing in Maxinkuckee lake. Nichols was not "skunked" but "awful near it."

Moses Holm has purchased a fine new carriage, we presume for his daughters to use in their leap year catches, or may be he will run a huck line from the station to the lakes.

Overcome By Gas.

Tuesday morning the family of W. F. Young were awakened by the fumes of gas in the house. It was discovered to have originated from the heater, and

by immediate action of giving ventilation no serious result accrued.

Mr. Young was feeling badly yesterday from the effects, but his niece, Laura Seivers, was not so fortunate, being overcome by the noxious gas to such an extent as to be confined to her bed the greater part of the day. It was a fortunate escape.

Communicated.

EDITOR INDEPENDENT: I notice in this week's Republican, that twenty-four of the republican precinct committeemen "met last Saturday afternoon" and organized by electing John W. Wiltfong chairman and Joe Black, secretary. I also notice in this week's issue of the Democrat, that "a portion" of the "Republican county central committee met at the Clerk's office with closed doors Saturday (several leading republicans being unable to gain admission) and selected County Clerk John W. Wiltfong chairman and Deputy Sheriff J. M. Black secretary." Now, as the public generally has the right of free access to the public offices during office hours, and the Republican does not state where the meeting was held, the inference from reading the Democrat, is, that it was held at "the Clerk's office with closed doors," and that the public was excluded from the clerk's office during a part of last Saturday afternoon.

In the interest of fairness to all concerned, and that the truth of the charges may be either sustained or denied as the facts warrant, I address the INDEPENDENT as the exponent of truth regardless of politics, hoping that it will investigate the matter, and publish the facts, so that if Clerk Wiltfong is guilty of violating his oath by keeping "closed doors" during business hours for political purposes, this fact also ought to be generally known, and there is perhaps no better medium through which to reach all the people, than the INDEPENDENT.

A. OBSERVER.

Farmers' Institutes.

The farmers' institutes held in various parts of the state of Indiana, have been both interesting and profitable to the farmer. But with all these methods adopted by intelligent farmers, there is still a large number of the tillers of the soil who sneer at what they call book-farming and affirm with the utmost assumption of wisdom, that they farm by experience and not by book. These same farmers will hang over the fence by the hour, though, and talk with their neighbors about how they fattened hogs, or their breed of cattle, and tell about their seed corn, or their failure with Turkey wheat, and mock and wonder at this man or that man being such a fool as to be a book farmer.

If these same superstitious wise fellows would only stop to consider, a moment, they would know that the books or papers they profess to despise are only their neighbor's stalkings to a thousand farmers, instead of to one only, and if they had the wit to know it, the book they condemn would correct, modify and explain all their neighbor's experience. Jealousy and contempt of the recorded knowledge, experience and wisdom of other men in one's own country or all the world will never increase one's own wisdom or knowledge. This rule will aptly apply to other occupations in life as farming.

The Millennium.

We hope says an exchange to see the day arrive when men will be just as honest and upright in politics as they are in private business matters. It has not yet arrived, but there are many people "hoping for the day" that a man's word can be relied on, politically!

That time will arrive when spoils are not handed out by successful aspirants to office. The patriotic influence as yeilded by our forefathers is as dead as a door nail when it comes to political campaigning.

Beneath Their Dignity.

The case occupying Judge Capron's attention the past few days has become quite interesting. Last night court was in session until 10 o'clock and when those interested in the case started to depart for home, discovered the effect of the rain on the front steps of the court house. It is said that some of the court dignitaries fearing a severe fall, forgot their position as legal lights and crawled on their hands and knees to the grounds below.