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It's better to occupy a thatched cottage than a marble mausoleum.

The man who isn't satisfied until he is married isn't always satisfied then.

Hope has been described as a "life preserver with most of the cork out of it."

The only thing wrong with money is that there isn't enough of it to go round.

Few of us have shoulders that will not drop under the weight of imaginary troubles.

A craze for aeroplanes is developing. But that is a business which is liable to frequent drops.

Iceland is eager for home rule. In other words, its people want to be their own masters.

Who was it that said the new feminist hasn't been a better and more courageous than ever?

Ever since Alfred Austin bursts into a series of critical explosions occurs all over the world.

The proper study of mankind is man, but the most talked of one just at present is tuberculosis.

About this time paterfamilias gets stalled with questions from Young Hopeful on school subjects.

Maybe the airship will oust the warship, but it will have to take several feeds of gas or gasoline first.

The man who prides himself on always saying what he thinks seldom succeeds in saying anything any one else wants to hear.

Aeroplanes of the Wright pattern are to be on the market soon at about \$4,000 each. Take a few home to amuse the children.

The Bocootawannans Canoe club was recently organized at Pawtuxet, R. I. Imagine a girl trying to work that name onto a sofa pillow!

Now that it has been discovered that sweet potatoes make an excellent brain food some philanthropist should work to have the price reduced.

A whistling buoy is scaring mariners on the wide Atlantic. But if it only refrains from "The Merry Widow," et al., all may yet be well.

And now some one claims that a girl knows two weeks before a man even admits to himself that she is rather attractive what hour he will propose.

Though it is foretold by aeroplane manufacturers that the battleships are doomed, the scuttling of those impressive vessels will be postponed awhile.

It is easier now for stranded Britishers in this country to write home for money. The same happy condition applies to stranded Americans in England.

Will the broken-down English nobleman who marries a poor girl at home instead of an American heiress be given an annuity from the Carnegie hero fund?

Emperor Franz Joseph still enjoys his favorite pastime of hunting at Ischl, and in spite of his 78 years climbed 5,000 feet the other day and shot four stags.

Andrew Carnegie has now established a hero fund of \$1,250,000 for Scotland, with listening to bagpipe music barred as a reason for getting in the money.

The navy wants an airship which will float as well as fly. Naval experts understand that it is entirely possible to be in the air and in deep water at one and the same time.

King Edward, though a gracious sovereign, is a busy man, and probably never will find time to make a lord out of our distinguished ex-countryman, William Walder Astor.

The Wright brothers between them have established the fact that flight like a bird is possible, but also that it is very difficult. It requires not merely good flying machine, but a good operator. However, says the Brooklyn Eagle, once a man learns how to fly with freedom, he will have thousands of rivals. The human part of the problem is easy, and on its mechanical side it is approaching solution.

Two-thirds of the habitual inebriates under some form of public care in Great Britain are mentally defective, according to the recent report of the royal commission on the care and control of the feeble-minded. This conclusion conforms to that drawn by many thoughtful persons in America. The man who permits himself to become incapacitated through the gratification of any appetite is deficient, either mentally or morally.

With passage paid for and trunks aboard, a family of nine stayed on the wharf in New York and saw their ship sail away for France, because the wife and mother had a premonition that the ship was going down. The ship did not go down; but if it had, how eagerly that foolish premonition would have been seized upon by the superstitious to find cause and effect in what is merely coincidence! Fortunately, most of the things that our vague apprehension foresees are not there when we come to them.

The navy department has asked permission to use the Washington monument as a telegraph pole—not a common or street-disfiguring variety of pole for stringing wires on, but as a station for temporary experiments with wireless telegraphy. It is believed that from its top, 355 feet in the air, messages can be sent to warships 3,000 miles away. If this is found possible, an iron tower of the same height will be erected in Washington for a permanent wireless station. The French

INDIANA STATE NEWS

Happenings of General Interest in All Parts of the Hoosier Commonwealth.

SPRING FLOWS IN DRY FIELD.
Another Phenomena of Nature Appears Near Plainfield.

UNVEIL HARRISON MONUMENT.
High Tribute Paid to General in Indianapolis Ceremony.

Plainfield.—Charles Oursler, a farmer living near this city, was having trouble getting water for his stock a few days ago because of the continued dry weather. Now a flowing spring is furnishing water for 50 head of stock. The spring appeared in the middle of the field a few days ago, bursting through the ground where there was not the least sign of dampness. Since that time there has been a steady flow of water and there is no indication of the newly arrived oasis disappearing. Since there had been no recent rains here when the spring appeared, its origin is a mystery.

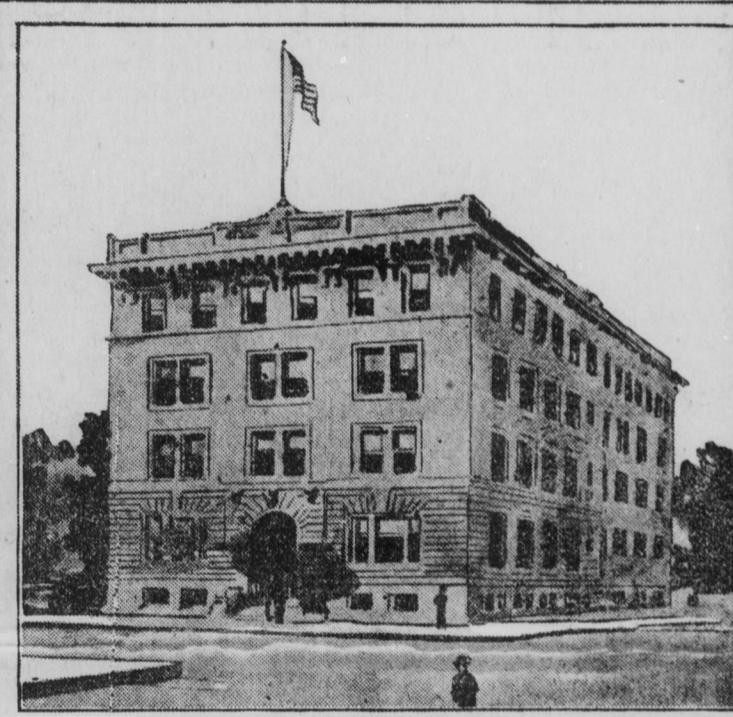
At the point where the spring appeared the land is fairly level. The spring has worn a trench in the ground about ten feet long. A simple wreath, each inclosing the name

of the staff along the south side of the University park. These were 20 feet high and each was surmounted by a United States regulation flag. Each staff represents a state. Between the staffs were rails and above the rails was a continuous garland of laurel.

Farmer Commits Suicide.
Fortville.—William T. Kingan, a farmer, living near here, killed himself with a shotgun in the kitchen of his home while his wife was shopping in town and his 18-year-old son was gathering corn. He was 45 years old.

Indians Given Degrees.
Madison.—Several Indiana students or former students were

RICHMOND Y. M. C. A. TO BE DEDICATED.



Richmond.—The new Y. M. C. A. building, erected at a cost of \$100,000, will be dedicated the latter part of November. The fund was provided by volunteer public subscriptions, most of which were small, the only very large offering being \$15,000 by Daniel G. Reid of New York city, formerly of Richmond. The building is modern and complete. Special attention has been paid to its construction and just as close attention to its equipment. Rules and regulations, with the cost of membership, etc., have been announced and show that the management will be along the lines of the most approved system.

given degrees by the regents. Among them were William O. Lynch, Elkhart, master of arts; Walter J. Kemp, Tippecanoe, bachelor of arts; Moses McDonald, Brooklyn, bachelor of arts.

Milk Mixed with Water.

Pierceville.—Nine local dairymen, seven at Delaware and two at Milan, have received notice from the department of agriculture that the analysis of samples taken from the milk shipped by them to Cincinnati, O., September 1, shows their product is adulterated with water, which is in violation of the food and drug act.

Pneumonia Follows Burns.
New Albany.—Pneumonia caused the death of Edna Hearthel, 13-months-old child of Oliver Hearthel of this city. Two weeks ago, while seated at the table, the child pulled over the coffee pot, scalding her throat and chest. A few days ago

death the complaint alleges that the deceased in lieu of a marriage, promised to deed the widow his residence on West Eighth street, give her \$10,000 in cash and educate her son by a former marriage.

Trips Fantastic Toe at 87.
New Albany.—Mrs. Catherine Belois, 87 years old, went to a dance recently. Sixty years ago Mrs. Belois was said to be one of the best dancers in the county and at her birthday party she again tripped three two-steps and two waltzes and yet was not fatigued.

Bee's Sting Kill Him.

Evansville.—John Miller, a Dubois county farmer, while at work in his field picked up his jug of water and was stung on the tongue by a honey bee that had entered the jug. His tongue and mouth are badly swollen and the man may die.

Put Ban on Flirting.

South Bend.—The police, under orders from Chief James McWeeney, began a war against flirting, and the battle was waged against the "maskers" who block the street corners and fill open doorways.

Youth Strangely Missing.

Warsaw.—Virgil Kitson, aged 17, son of J. A. Kitson of Goshen, came to Warsaw to deliver yeast to a local groceryman and then disappeared.

Auto Strikes Carriage.

Fort Wayne.—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Madden of Churubusco were slightly injured when the auto belonging to Dr. A. E. Bulson, Jr., and driven by him, dashed into their carriage at the corner of Cass and Third streets.

Rib Broken; Still Active.

Wabash.—Rev. L. L. Carpenter has dedicated three churches in succession while suffering from a broken rib. He has a record of 729 dedications. He dedicated a \$12,000 Christian church at Swayze.

Kills Himself Before Boy.

Henryville.—James W. Alpha, living west of Vienna, shot himself through the head. He had been taking his little sick boy riding and the boy says he saw his father have a revolver. Alpha was a business man.

Newcastle Woman Burned.

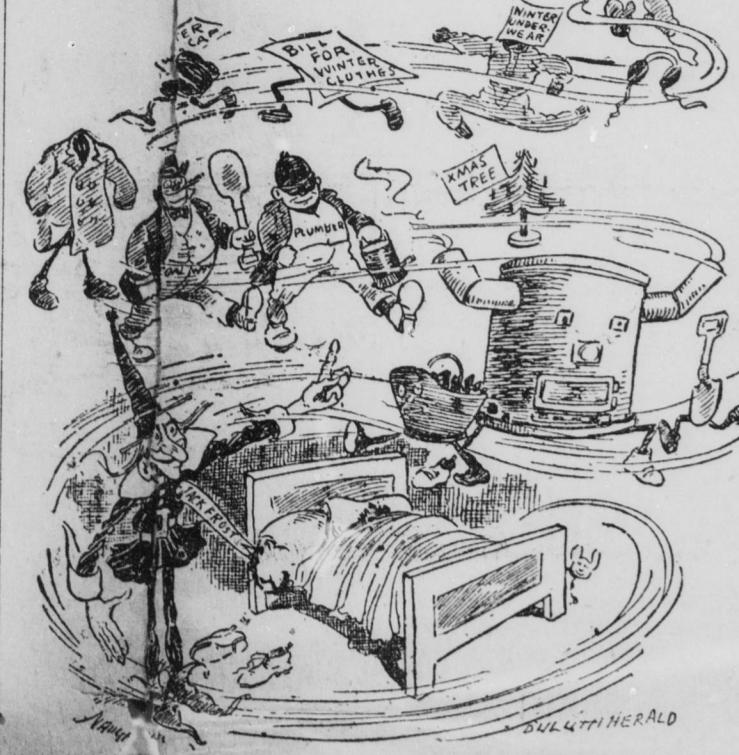
Newcastle.—Mrs. Lucinda McDowell was probably fatally burned at her home, and her daughter, Miss Julia McDowell, was hurt when a gas stove

ignited.

Inspects Building Sites.

Bloomington.—Fred Brackett of Washington is investigating the proposed sites for Bloomington's new \$75,000 federal building. There

A NIGHTMARE.



D. A. BLODGETT DIES

PIONEER LUMBER MERCHANT OF MICHIGAN PASSES AWAY.

FOUNDED THREE TOWNS

Was a Heavy Investor in Southern Pine Lands—Attack of Hiccoughs Fatal to Prominent Georgian.

Grand Rapids, Mich.—Delos A. Blodgett, for 60 years closely identified with the lumber industry of the country, died at his home here, in his eighty-fourth year.

He was born in Otsego county, New York, in 1825. In 1847 he began work in an Upper Michigan sawmill, finally becoming one of the heaviest timber operators of the state. In 1855 he began buying southern timber land and was one of the first northern men to make such investments. He and his associates are among the largest holders of southern pine to-day.

He founded the villages of Hersey, Evert and Baldwin, Mich., and was one of the first to demonstrate the value of northern Michigan land for agricultural purposes. He was always a Republican and was a delegate-at-large to the national conventions of 1892 and 1900, and several times district delegate. He was married in 1853 to Jennie S. Wood, and to this marriage were born John W. Blodgett, Republican national committeeman for Michigan, and Mrs. Edward Lowe.

Mrs. Blodgett died in 1890 and in 1893 he married Miss Daisy A. Peck of Atlanta, Ga., and she survives him with three young children. Mr. Blodgett had a winter home at Daytona, Fla.

Atlanta, Ga.—Earl Van Dorn Haskell, a prominent citizen of Atlanta, and a leading official of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in Georgia, died here Sunday morning at an early hour, after suffering for a week with a stubborn attack of hiccoughs. Mr. Haskell was born in Mississippi in 1862. He served in the United States army and for several years taught among the Indians.

BIG PARADE OF CATHOLICS.

Forty Thousand Men of Boston Diocese in Procession.

NEW FARMERS' ORGANIZATION.

Society of Equity is Formed at Indianapolis Convention.

Indianapolis, Ind.—The Farmers' Society of Equity was organized here Thursday afternoon at a convention of representatives from a number of states. The constitution of the society embodies practically all of the basic principles of the American Society of Equity, the principal change being that all delegates to the conventions of the society must be producing farmers.

The commission will hold its first hearing at the agricultural college of Maryland on November 6. The party will then go south and the next ten days will be spent on hearings in the states south of Washington and east of the Mississippi river. During this period the commission will separate in order to cover the territory more fully. Dean Bailey will come and go between the two divisions. On the night of November 7, the day after the Maryland meeting, Dean Bailey will journey to Philadelphia and there address the American Academy of Political Science on the work of the country life commission.

The commission will be in Washington on November 16 and 17. There the commissioners will meet the masters of the state granges and the farmers' institute workers of the United States on November 16. The next day they will meet with the delegates of the Association of Colleges and Experiment Stations. On the night of November 17 the party will leave for the southwest, going through Tennessee and Texas, swinging up through Arizona and into California. The northern and southern states of the Rocky mountain group will be covered. The trip back across the country will embrace hearings in the states of the middle west. The party will return for a final hearing in Washington on December 18. The hearing in Ithaca will occur about the middle of December.

Messrs. Boardman and McAlpine of the International Y. M. C. A. will be with the party on part of the trip, and ministers and various professional men will be picked up on the journey. The hearings will be of one-day's duration each.

JAMES KERR PASSES AWAY.

Democratic National Committeeman Dies at New Rochelle, N. Y.

New York.—James Kerr, Democratic national committeeman from Pennsylvania, died Saturday morning at his summer home in New Rochelle, following an operation for an intestinal disorder which had made him practically an invalid for a year. His wife and sons were with him at the end.

William J. Bryan visited Mr. Kerr last Monday, and the latter was much elated over the visit of the Democratic candidate, but almost immediately afterward suffered a nervous collapse which greatly aggravated his already weakened condition. There have been several consultations of physicians within the last few days, and it was determined Saturday that the only chance of saving Mr. Kerr's life lay in performing an operation.

Two Men Burned to Death.

New York, Oct. 30.—Hemmed in by flames and unable to escape from the basement of a business house in Duane street, Henry Jones and David Mahoney were burned to death Thursday night and William Settgast was seriously burned. The accident was made worse by the fact that the hands and feet of the men were bound.

The men were employed by the firm of Stilman & Engel, manufacturers of

CONFESS! BIG THIEF; JAILED.

Sac City, Ia.—County treasurer, Tuesday, to embed \$2,000 in the funds of the county in the penitentiary.

At a previous trial he had maintained his innocence and his case as a great surprise. He was taken to prison.

Storm King.

New York.—The great storm which results in the death of a boy in the Bronx, were reported Thursday as a result of northwest gales that had New York in its grip.

Belgium to Rule Congo.

Washington.—Belgium is to assume sovereignty over the Congo, which has been annexed by treaty on the fifteenth of November, says a dispatch to the state department.

Orville Wright Goes Home.

Washington.—Delighted with the prospect of returning to his home at Dayton, O., Orville Wright, the aviator whose flights at Fort Myer during September held the attention of the world, Saturday left the hospital.

Abruzzi to Wed in Secret.

Naples.—The latest sensation to be reported concerning the duke of the Abruzzi and Miss Katherine Elkins is that the couple will marry privately and unknown to the public in order to escape the curiosity of the crowd.

Will Help Catch Night Riders.

Muskogee, Okla.—The thirty-fifth annual convention of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union came to an end Wednesday night with a gold jubilee in which all the states represented took part by reporting the great gains in membership made during the year. It was announced that a gain of 20,000 in membership had been made. Several resolutions were adopted, one expressing opposition to the re-election of Speaker Joseph G. Cannon to the national house of repre-

sentatives.

Defects in New Battleships.

Washington.—In view of the order of the secretary of the navy revoking the prohibition he recently placed against officers who attended the Newport conference from discussing its action, an officer who was prominently identified with the entire proceedings of the conference stated Sunday that he had substantiated the charges of defects pointed out in Commander Keyes' letter on that subject, with a few minor exceptions. This officer has been foremost in his denunciation of

I AM A MOTHER



How many American women in lonely homes to-day long for this blessing to come into their lives, and to be able to utter these words, but because of some organic derangement this happiness is denied them.

Every woman interested in this subject should know that preparation for healthy maternity is accomplished by the use of