

FIRST REAL ESTATE SALE

Choice Lots in the Beginning of the City That Found Ready Purchasers.

They Decrease in Value as the Town Grows and the Demand for Property Centers Steadily Around Court-House Square.

Indianapolis had been known for a year and more as the site of the capital of the State, selected by the legislative commission...

Since the beginning of the year there has been a steady increase both in valuations and in the number of sales...

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A Period of Speculation. The excitement over real estate ran the highest from 1865 to 1872. During most of the years between these dates property sold for more than double its real value...

The depression lasted five or six years, and the records show that about all the real estate sold during that time was by order of court. It was a harvest for the sheriff.

THE MEN AT BUENA VISTA

Truth of History Will Prove that Indians Were Heroes in That Battle.

Meeting the Attack of a Force Superior in Number They Did All That Could Be Expected of Courageous Soldiers.

W. J. Landrum, of Lancaster, Ky., who served with official rank in the Mexican war, thinks all individual testimony bearing on controversial points in connection with the struggle should be gathered before it is too late.

"What are your recollections in regard to that event?" he was asked. "On the 22d of February, 1847," he replied, "the Mexican army, under Santa Anna, reached the pass known as Angostura, near the ranch of Buena Vista, some three or four miles from Saltillo, to which point the army under General Taylor had fallen back on the night of the 21st."

There is now a depression that July and August of the year 1898 are not so bright as those of the last week of the year. But fifty cents of the business of the city represented property valued at \$68,822.20, nearly all unimproved lots in the suburbs.

THE FOURTHS OF LONG AGO

Sunday-School Picnics in Which Brown Rusk Was the Great Treat for Young Folks.

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SOCIAL EQUALITY IN THE SOUTH

Democrats Can Freely Do What Would Cause Republicans To Be Ostracized.

An intelligent colored man, representative of the advanced condition of his race in the South, was asked by a Journal reporter yesterday in regard to the social phases of the colored people in their relation to the white population of the Southern States.

"The fact that there is at least 50 per cent less of malnutrition here is a manifestation of the fact that the colored people are better fed than they were in the past. Another strange, and I may say ridiculous, fact is that 99 per cent of the white men now living in the South are ignorant of the history of their race."

WHAT AN ARKANSAN SAYS

Indianapolis Has Wonderful Growth, Considering Her Natural Advantages.

When ex-Congressman Logan H. Root, of Arkansas, was here, the next week, the contrast between Indianapolis and his own city, Little Rock, led him to remark: "This phenomenal island city, without a river, without any special natural advantages, shows such great results as to give us assurance of what great things may be accomplished by push and energy."

"Arkansas getting the benefit of the new order of things?" he was asked. "Yes, Arkansas is coming rapidly to the front. The more her resources are examined, the more attractive they appear. Many Indians have become Arkansans in the past few years, and whether they be lawyers, manufacturers or persons engaged in other pursuits, they are so prosperous that some of their friends will follow. There is room, and a grand opportunity, and conditions are such that it is not surprising that 'What can you say about Arkansas politics?'"

"Oh, our undeveloped resources form a far more interesting subject than politics. Our people are not like Indians, all trained politicians; and while there are thousands there who, regardless of platform or nominee, will follow the flag of Democracy, there are thousands just as true who are thinking for themselves, and who are not like American politicians, and who are not like American politicians, and who are not like American politicians."

QUESTIONS IN THE COURTS

The Monument Commissioners Ask for a Construction of Law.

The Soldiers' Monument Commissioners have not been able to construct satisfactorily some parts of the law authorizing the erection of the monument. The point on which they were not clear was whether the money appropriated was to go into the monument, or whether it was to cover other expenses, including those of the commissioners.

TO-DAY'S CHURCH SERVICES

Rev. W. R. Jordan will preach at the Clifford-avenue M. E. Church this morning. The Rev. W. A. Patton will preach this morning at the Mayflower Congregational Church.

During the rebuilding of our store we have placed on sale many DECIDED BARGAINS

In our line of goods in order to reduce stock as much as possible. Dr. Gilbert will preach on "Prayer and its Difficulties" at the Methodist Church this morning.

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White Goods Department.

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