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A Bargain

IS WHAT EVERY MAN WANTS,
AND HERE THEY ARE.

From now on until January 1, 1896, for each and every cash sale I will give the following bargain: With every suit of clothes, an extra pair of pants of the same material as suit; with every single pair of pants, a good pair of suspenders; and all overcoats will be made at rock-bottom prices. Give me a call.

**KLEINSCHMIDT,
THE TAILOR.**

GENTS'

Furnishing Dept.

CHRISTMAS GIFT SUGGESTIONS.

Neckties, all designs, all styles, all prices.

Umbrellas, medium and good grades, in

any size you want.

Gloves and Mitts for all purposes.

Mufflers, pretty effects, beautiful patterns, much cheaper than ever.

Kerchiefs, cotton, linen and silk, larger line than heretofore, better selections at less money than elsewhere.

Many other articles that we will show if you will only trouble us to see.

Inspection and comparison is solicited.

In every instance we will save you money.

BALL & CARABIN,

PLYMOUTH

FARMERS, DO YOU WANT CASH?

Then cut your second growth White Ash into bolts and logs and deliver to our factory. Bolts cut 4 1/2 long, 6 inches in diameter and up, \$6.50 per cord. Logs cut 5 1/2, 11 or 16 1/2 feet long, 12 inches in diameter and up, \$18 per thousand. Must be straight timber and free from knots.

INDIANA NOVELTY M'F'G CO

MILITARY BALL.

CULVER MILITARY ACADEMY
CADETS ENTERTAIN WITH
MUSIC AND DANCING.

Academy Gymnasium. A Brilliant Scene
—Guests from Chicago, St. Louis, Toledo,
South Bend, Plymouth and Laporte.

The academy gymnasium of the Culver Military Academy was a brilliant scene Friday night. Over one hundred guests were present in response to the invitations of the academy cadets to attend and with the most excellent of music, furnished by Elbel's orchestra of South Bend, the evening was spent amid the pleasures of a most delightful dance. In addition to the orchestra the Kenwood Mandolin band of Chicago was also present, having tendered its talented services for the pleasure of guests as a compliment to the academy, and come without expense to the management. It was unanimously complimented for its brilliant execution and finished performance.

Leslie's Weekly was represented by Artist B. A. Atwater, who secured two flash light shots of the ball room in one of its most brilliant and animated scenes and carried away two photographic negatives for reproduction in the paper he represented. These pictures were taken during the waltz immediately following intermission.

Among the guests present were the following:

From Plymouth: Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Simons, Mrs. Drummond, Messrs. Geo. Wolford, Bert Bowell, Lew Steele, Ed. Tanner, Jno. Grimm and Ed. Kuhn; Misses Daisy Bowell, Hattie Wolford, Erma Winnings, Myrtle Minzer, Queen Cleveland, Rose Soice, Bertha Root, Rose Brown, Minnie Clark, Mame Southworth, the Misses Leonard, Miss King and Dolly Reeves.

From Chicago: Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Blount.

From St. Louis: Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Culver, Miss Culver and Miss Youngblood.

From South Bend: Mr. and Mrs. A. B. France, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Reynolds, Mrs. A. H. Kelley, Mrs. H. D. Johnson; Messrs. Irving A. Sibly, Walter Gish, Jno. Gish, Horace Kizer, Wm. Mee and Horace and Shirley Reynolds; Misses E. Hel Crockett, Gertrude Miller, Essie and Mamie Taylor, Anna Listenberger, Maude Daugherty, Lizzie Heller, Wilhelmine Kizer, Grace Trainor, Zula Johnson, Birdie Miller, Blanch Case, Ada Zeigler, Lottie Beckwith and Bessie Klingel. Miss Lonn of Laporte, also accompanied the South Bend guests.

From Toledo: Mr. Sam F. Fisk and two daughters.

A number of guests were also present from Marmont and vicinity. At twelve o'clock, midnight, a special train, sent down by the Vandalia for the accommodation of guests from Plymouth and South Bend, backed in on the academy siding and at 12:20 a. m., pulled out with sixty eight passengers homeward bound leaving those from this city at the Vandalia depot at 12:50 this morning. The affair was conceded to be most enjoyable in every respect.

"Paul's Journey to Rome."

The lecture delivered by Mr. Thayer at the Presbyterian church Friday night was very interesting and entertaining, and was delivered in a manner which was pleasing to the hearers. Especially the one point presented, of Paul's trial before king Agrippa and his journey to Rome. He also gave a graphic description of Paul's trial before Caesar. Mr. Thayer also gave a description of the prison in which Paul was incarcerated, which was in the shape of an egg so that a person could neither lie, sit, or stand with any ease or comfort. Also a vivid description of the palace of the Caesars, the Appian way, the Coliseum and the Forum.

A hearty applause was given at the close of the lecture which shows that everyone was highly pleased and entertained.

\$6,000 Judgement.

Mrs. Imogene Hyatt, of Mentone, received judgment in Miami circuit court about one year ago against Albert Tucker, of Kosciusko county, for \$6,000. The judgment was on last Thursday affirmed, in the supreme court of Indiana. Mrs. Hyatt was in our city yesterday consulting her attorneys McLaren and Martindale.

To Owners of Wheels.

When the bad weather comes and you can no longer ride your wheel, take it to Underwood & Walls, Center St., and have it cleaned, oiled and stored for the winter. Prices reasonable.

To Prevent Collision.

A new arrangement for preventing collisions of trains in tunnels is at present being tried in Germany. It consists of a series of electric lights attached to the tunnel walls and electrically connected with the rails in such a manner, that as soon as the train reaches a light the latter is extinguished. It remains thus until the train has proceeded a distance of about 1500 feet, when it is automatically relighted. The locomotive engineer, on entering the tunnel, can see, at a glance whether the track is clear, and, if it is not, has sufficient time to bring his train to a stop. The arrangement, out side of its automatic functions serves the tunnel watchmen for the purpose of transmitting signals. This certainly looks like a preventative of tunnel accidents.

THAT DISTRICT MEETING.

The Gathering of Pythian Knights at Laporte.—Plymouth Lodge well Represented.

Wednesday noon some twenty-five Pythian Knights assembled at the L. E. & W. depot preparatory to embarking upon a pleasant mission. The train arrived on time, and we were soon on the way to Laporte. When the train stopped at Walkerton, a number of the Knights of that bustling burg, accompanied by the Walkerton cornet band, joined the already enthusiastic crowd and a few numbers by the band prepared those on board to enjoy whatever came their way.

On arriving at Laporte headed by the band and reception committee the Knights marched down the principle streets to the castle hall. The meeting proper commenced at 2 o'clock, by which time the large and handsomely decorated lodge room was comfortably filled. After the assembly was called to order, and a song by a male quartette, the mayor of the beautiful city of Laporte bade the visitors welcome in a manner that convinced his hearers that his heart was in the well chosen words.

This was followed by more music and addresses by Lieutenant Governor Ney and Grand Instructor Hunt, who were down on the program. These remarks were followed by others among whom we might mention, Hon. H. G. Thayer, who under all circumstances is ready to eloquently portray the influences and benefits of Pythianism. Brother Turner, of Walkerton, also responded to a request to talk awhile to the Knights, while the speech making was ended by a few words by Grand Prelate Peacock. The crowning feature of the afternoon session, was the music, prepared for the occasion; nor do we feel as though we had expressed the appreciation of the Plymouth knights, if we did not make particular mention of the part taken by the Misses Poole and Higgins. While the other numbers were excellent, the musical numbers presented by these ladies captivated everyone present. Miss Higgins in a solo, caused a thrill of profound veneration for the inspired strains of sweet music she so ably rendered, and those of this locality at least, would undergo another journey to our sister city for an opportunity to hear that same sweet solo rendered. After the public reception of Grand Officers, the meeting went into secret session, when the expropriation of the unwritten work of the order was given by Grand Instructor, Union B. Hunt.

The evening session opened at 8 o'clock, and work in three ranks was given. At 3 o'clock p. m., after word of commendation from the Grand Officers, and cordial hand shaking, the district meeting adjourned to meet in its next session at South Bend.

NOTES.

A large number of the Plymouth knights, took in "Tribby" at the opera house.

The mayor told the boys that the police force would be off of duty and that the street cars would run all right. We did not see any of the boys using the street cars, although some of them had pressing engagements several blocks away.

It seemed to be a difficult task to secure a bed, and we heard of one fellow who walked up and down the hallway of the European hotel calling for bed clothes.

The invitation given to "take what was in sight, and if you did not see what you desired, to call for it," was followed out to the letter.

The boys all returned home yesterday at 9:45; and while they were unanimous in pronouncing it a grand time, it was pleasing to note the smile of satisfaction exhibited when the familiar scenes of Plymouth presented themselves to view. The universal expression was heard: There's no place like Plymouth.

NATIONS PLAYING CHESS.

Extracts From the Interview of W. B. Hess by the Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Since the publication of an interview on the Turkish-Armenian question with our distinguished citizen, the Hon. W. B. Hess, by the Chicago Inter-Ocean of last Tuesday there has been such a demand for the published article that we believe we are more than justified in re-publishing the extracts given below. Mr. Hess was Consul General at Constantinople in 1889-91 and is a recognized authority on current international affairs centering in the Ottoman Empire. He said:

The situation is very critical. The treaty powers are simply playing a game on the diplomatic chess board for position. The policy of the Cleveland administration in not protecting Armenians who are American citizens is altogether wrong. It has been an entering wedge to despotism because it has permitted the Turkish government to rule out anybody as a suspect. The trouble originated in President Cleveland conceding to the Turkish government the right to exclude from the empire all "undesirable persons." Had the Sublime Porte undertaken to apply that doctrine under former administration, under Blaine, or even under Frelinghuysen, the assumption would not have been tolerated for a moment. They would have carried out the long-established principle of our government, which is to protect naturalized American citizens the same as native born.

I hold the treaty powers morally responsible for the Armenian massacres because under the Berlin treaty the provinces were placed under the control of the treaty powers and were promised a better government under the direction of the Christians. Notwithstanding, things have been growing worse and worse ever since. There is no doubt in my mind that those powers there will just dilly dally with this matter until they can succeed in getting a satisfactory arrangement and agreement as to how the spoils shall be divided up, and then whenever that is done it won't take them very long to simply say to the sick man to move across the Bosphorus or even the Euphrates or to perform his obsequies outright. As a matter of notoriety the Sultan holds his tongue today, in Europe at least, simply through the jealousy of these six great powers, and he knows that just as well as anybody.

For instance there is in the Imperial Ottoman Bank, an English institution controlled by English capital, a notice that it has loaned the Sultan \$1,500,000. How that bank, with its thirty odd branches throughout the Ottoman Empire, would not, in my judgement, have made that loan if it had not been assured by the British government that there was no imminent danger of the dismemberment of Turkey. And besides that, England and France hold a great amount of Turkish bonds, and both countries have their own agents at Constantinople to collect a portion of the revenue direct from the Turkish government to apply upon the principal and interest of the debt, not even letting the money pass into the hands of the Turkish officials. How would we like to have a foreign government run such an agency in connection with our treasury?

I believe the naval demonstration in the Bay of Salonica was not for the purpose solely or principally of compelling the Sultan to accept those reforms. When England got her war ships there, those other powers got theirs there, and practically steamed up into Smyrna Bay and round about to kind of water the British union jack. It is all a bit of maneuvering for most advantageous position. It is not at present to the commercial and financial interests of the powers that the Turkish Empire should be dismembered. The spoils are recognized as a certain reversion.

An Excellent Meeting.

Sunday afternoon one of the most pleasing meetings of the Y. M. C. A. ever attended was held. Under the leadership of Prof. Redd the success of these meetings is assured and there is no doubt but great good will be accomplished.

An effort, we are informed, will be entered into immediately to secure sufficient funds to proceed at once with the work that is necessary to make this association a success and it will devolve upon our business men to give it the proper encouragement. No one feature is of more importance to a community than a Young Men's Christian association, and as our people never do things by halves, we will in a short time be able to say that Plymouth has the finest in the state.

Judge Hubbard Renders an Important Decision in the Circuit Court.

Judge Hubbard, of South Bend, rendered an important ruling in the Laporte circuit court Friday last, deciding in the Blodgett case from Union Mills that persons have a right to withdraw their names from a remonstrance. The board of Laporte county commissioners refused a liquor license on the ground that a majority of residents had remonstrated. Agitation resulted in the withdrawal of names from the remonstrance commissioners held that the petitioners could not legally withdraw. Judge Hubbard reversed their decision.—Valparaiso Messenger.

Means Business.

An old timer in the newspaper work, and a man, too, who knows the kind of stuff that must be connected with a man's make up who desires to create a stir in the little corner of the earth he is helping to move along, winds up with the following:

"Our citizens will welcome the merchant, manufacturer, the capitalist or the mechanic who wishes to make a home in this bustling, busy town; but we don't want any 'dead men.' Of course when we speak of dead men in this connection we have reference to those antiquated old fossils who never do anything for the community in which they live,—who are blind to public improvement,—and who are also croaking dimly about the future of their town. This class of men are barnacles. They are a positive hindrance to the growth of any place and when a town is cursed with their presence it behooves the citizens thereof to arrange a few first-class funerals with the friends of the barnacles as their chief mourners."

WANTS A HOME.

A Glass Factory that Desires to Move to a New Town.

The following is taken from the Pekin, Ill., Times, and while we do not know, or vouch for, the truth of the report, it might be of material benefit for Plymouth to enquire into the matter. We have plenty of room for such an institution.

"Pekin cannot have too many factories. She should endeavor to secure all that are in sight and that are looking for a new location. The more factories we have the bigger and more prosperous we will become, and just now there is a chance of securing a big glass factory. The Lippincott Company, of Alexandria, Indiana, wants to move and is looking for a location. It wants a good place to build or buy a site and wants to have a place where there will be lots of fuel and sand easily accessible and a town where it can procure plenty of boys to work in the factory. It employs a force large enough to require several hundred men and boys. The company makes chimneys, lantern globes and ware of that class and is a wealthy one. If the business men who want to see the town go ahead make the proper offers to the Lippincott Company they can secure it for Pekin. It has already refused to go to Alton, owing to inability to secure boys enough in that town. Our improvement association has apparently lapsed into innocuous desuetude and its work is nil, but the Tazewell club recently announced its intention of looking after the business welfare of Pekin and this is the golden opportunity. The people will expect them to act, and by making 'a long pull and a strong pull,' there is no doubt of the result."

A Proper Promulgation.

The National Union, in the following newspaper lines, says:

"To run a newspaper without occasionally publishing an item that is untrue or gives offense, is like running a railroad without having smash ups and accidents. It can't be done. No man in the world is so much imposed upon as the editor of a newspaper. Pushed with work continually, he must rely upon second and third parties for information as to the events that transpire. Frequently statements are received, says an exchange, from reliable people, but which are subsequently discovered to be without foundation in fact. If therefore, kind reader, you find yourself aggrieved by a statement in your home paper keep the fact in mind. Do not 'fly off the handle' but go to the editor and ask for a correction, and take our word for it, nine cases out of ten, if your case is just, you will be received like a gentleman and the correction made with pleasure. But, instead of doing this if you go around blowing about the editor and his paper, don't be surprised if you get treated with scant courtesy when you visit the office. There are but few of us who are entirely faultless."

Fight to Finish.

Wednesday afternoon at Inwood George Gerrard the justice of the peace and Elias Compton a farmer of that vicinity met on the street of that city and had a few hot words between them, and presently blows were struck. No one interfered and they fought the matter out then and there. Neither one was seriously hurt.

A True Bill Found.

The grand jury, of Whitley county, found a true bill against James Cunningham and Wm. Thompson, for the murder of postmaster Singer at Dunfee.