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The Highland News.

HILLSBOROUGH, OHIO.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1879.

Town and Country.

E. L. BOARDMAN, LOCAL EDITOR

Frank Hughes was locked up for drunkenness last Saturday and fined $9 50.

The boys were skating on the ponds last Saturday.

We have neglected to notice that Mr. Wm. Barrere is employed on the narrow-gauge as Express Messenger.

Wm. Cooper has given up driving the Adams Express wagon, and his place has been taken by Arthur Lyle.

The Ripley and Georgetown companies, of the 13th Regiment, were in the Grant procession at Cincinnati, last Thursday.

Agent Patterson says that the Adams Express Company, via narrow-gauge, is doing a first-rate business.

"Uncle" Frank Mulleniz, of Berryville, was the victim of a surprise party last Friday, and received a number of fine presents.

Col. Bowen, of Columbus, the temperance lecturer and editor of the New Era, made the News office a pleasant call on Monday.

Quarterly meeting was held at the M. E. church last Saturday and Sunday, preaching by Rev. L. F. Vancleve, Presiding Elder.

Mrs. Sweatingen, wife of Jas. Sweatingen, who lives on North West street, died last Monday morning of consumption, after a lingering illness.

Hon. Jno. A. Smith and Uriah Sloane, Esq., were the only Hillsboroites in attendance at the Grant banquet at the Grand Hotel, last Thursday evening.

Mr. Aaron Creed, who lives south-east of town, on the Belfast pike, lost a little three-year old girl of diphtheria, last Sunday.

Bainbridge Chronicle: "Capt. Andy Barry, of Hillsboro, is devoting his engineering abilities to the construction of the Springfield Southern Railroad."

Messrs. De Bruin, Harman and Harwood, of the 13th Regiment Band, took in the Grant reception at Cincinnati last week, assisting the Georgetown Band, which was in the procession.

Sunday was the most disagreeable day we have had this season. The rain poured down all day long, freezing as it fell, the wind blew a gale, and people generally were glad to stay at home by the fire.

Mrs. Coleman Selph, who lived about five miles north of town, died last Monday, of cancer, and was buried in our cemetery to-day (Tuesday). She was born in March, 1801, and was an old resident.

The narrow-gauge engine froze up last Friday night, and the morning train did not leave in time Saturday to make connection with the C. & E. train for Cincinnati.

Marshal McConnaughey's wife is lying quite ill, and the Marshal is off duty. His place is filled by Policeman Willett, and Marshal McConnaughey has employed Mr. Wm. Reeves as night police.

Col. R. P. Findley, formerly editor of the Xenia Gazette, has given up the quill and gone into the lecture field. Col F. married Miss Nelson, of Xenia, formerly of this city.

Mr. Edward Greathouse, aged 19 years, son of Mr. Isaac Greathouse, died at his father's residence, on Beech street, at 11 o'clock Sunday morning, of consumption. He had been sick several months, and was buried on Monday at New Market.

We met Saml. Shook, whose wife was stolen a few weeks since, on the street Monday, and asked him if there were any new developments in the case. He replied that we would be obliged to wait until Court. His wife has returned to him.

Mr. A. Tolliver, teacher of the Leesburg colored school, was granted a certificate for six months, at the last meeting of the Board of Examiners, although his name did not appear in the published list. The certificate was not issued until after the list was made out, which caused the omission.

The Public Examination of the Union Schools takes place this week. They will commence on Wednesday morning and continue Thursday and Friday. The schools close on Friday, and the next term will commence on Monday, Dec. 19, 1879. A holiday will be given on New Year's day, Jan. 1st, 1880.

Ross County Register: "Highland county will please accept thanks for coming up so gallantly in behalf of Col. Estrekin. When occasion offers to return the favor, Highland's draft on Ross will be honored."

We will call on Ross to honor our draft next fall, to the tune of about 300 majority for our Congressional candidate.

Spencer Penn, who, in company with Jno. Jones, committed the famous Klutz robbery, near Bainbridge last winter, a full account of which was published in the News, was tried and convicted at Chillicothe last week and sentenced to three years in the Penitentiary. Jones escaped from jail a few months since, and is still at large.

The following was sent to the Ross County Register last week by our townsman, Capt. W. E. Evans, just after the election: "Hurrah for the "Blue-Eyed Boy of Destiny!" I move that his election be made unanimous. All in favor of the motion say aye. Carried." The Register heads the dispatch, "Great Excess! How Good They Feel."

Al. Trimble, colored, got into a row at the Buckeye saloon Saturday night, and was pitched out on the pavement, where he was gathered in by the police, for disorderly conduct. He slipped out of his coat and tried to run away, but was collared by special Policeman Reeves and laid on his back. Trimble is one of the "best men" in town, but he is a baby in Reeves' hands.

At a regular conclave of Highland Commandery, No. 31, K. T., for December, the following officers were installed, viz: Sir Wm. M. Meek, Em. Commander; Sir Wm. E. Evans, Generalissimo; Sir John Matthews, Captain-General; Sir John M. Barrere, Prelate; Sir Wm. Hoyt, Senior Warden; Sir Erskine Carson, Junior Warden; Sir O. S. Price, Treasurer; Sir John W. Higgins, Recorder; Sir P. H. Work, Standard Bearer; Sir Cotton Mather, Sword Bearer; Sir F. J. Picard, Warder; Sir James B. Rowe, Sentinel; Sir Knight L. P. Vancleve, R. E. G. P. and representing the Grand Commander, officiating. Regular meeting second Thursday after full moon in each month.

Sign the petition for Local Option.

Save your money for the "Loan Exhibition."

Another Supplement this week, filled with interesting reading matter.

Mr. W. T. Bowers advertises his holiday goods in this weeks' News. Call and see them.

The prospects are that we will have some sensational news next week, in regard to our beloved narrow-gauge.

Dennis Lynch is home from the Penitentiary. He got 60 days off his time for good behavior.

The Temperance "boom" is the town talk, and there is a strong determination to shut up the saloons.

Meetings will be held at the Temperance Hall to-night (Tuesday), and Friday night. Attend them by all means.

Hogs are selling in this city to-day, (Tuesday) at $4 25, gross, with a slow market.

We omit our usual market tables this week, there being no material change in prices since last week.

It is reported that Capt. Geo. Boyce will be Sheriff Long's Deputy. He would make a good one.

Eleanor Belford, a young girl about 19 years old, formerly of this city, who lived at Mr. C. S. Bell's, died on Monday of last week, at Salina, Mo., of consumption.

Barristers Newby and Higgins, who are lodging at Mr. J. C. Gregg's residence during his absence, were serenaded by the colored orchestra Monday night.

Tuesday of next week is the sixth anniversary of the Crusade, which will be observed by the Temperance Ladies at their Hall. See notice in another column.

Recorder J. H. Keech was the 17,819th victim of a surprise party Monday night, on the occasion of his birthday. About 45 persons were present.

Richards & Bro., the enterprising, go-ahead dry goods merchants, are out with a flaming new "ad" in this issue. They carry a very large stock, and sell low down for cash.

There is splendid skating on Barrere's pond, on Southern Avenue, as we go to press to-day (Tuesday), but before this item is read the ducks may be enjoying fine swimming in the pond.

An Old Citizen Gone.

Mrs. Catharine Mulleniz, who lived about 2½ miles south of town, wife of Nathan Mulleniz, deceased, died last Sunday evening, of general debility. She was 89 years of age, and an old citizen of the county.

A Mammoth Tooth.

Jno. Nunn was in town last week, exhibiting a mammoth tooth, which he found on Little Rock, a branch of Clear creek, about 4 miles north of town. The tooth weighed 2¾ pounds, and was six inches long. It is supposed to be a mastodon's tooth.

Exhibition Drill.

The Scott Dragoons will give an exhibition drill in their armory at City Hall, next Friday evening, to which the public are cordially invited. The 13th Regiment Band will furnish the music, and the occasion will no doubt be a pleasant one.

Dedication of the I. O. O. F. Hall at Buford.

On Tuesday evening, Dec. 30th, the new Hall of the I. O. O. F. at Buford, will be dedicated with appropriate ceremonies. A festival will be held, and an address delivered by Rev. W. D. Moore. The public are cordially invited.

Santa Claus Operetta.

We understand that the Sunday School of the Baptist church, with the assistance of some others, are preparing to give a grand Santa Claus Operetta in Town Hall, on Monday evening, Dec. 29th, the object of which is to finish paying for their church organ. We hope it will prove a success. Further particulars will be given next week.

Colored Revival.

The colored M. E. church of Leesburg, has been holding a protracted meeting under the auspices of Rev. B. M. Carson, of Hillsboro, for the past three or four weeks, at the school house near the Quaker Meeting House. Up to last Sunday there had been three conversions, and a number were at the altar, seeking conversion. The subscription for their new church is progressing favorably.

OFF FOR COLUMBUS.

Murphin Starts for the Penitentiary.

To-morrow morning, (Wednesday), Simon Murphin will start for the Penitentiary, the record which respited his sentence until the second of February, having been changed by agreement of counsel. If the Supreme Court decides against him he will have served that much of his time. He will probably get 60 days off for good behavior, and be released in 10 months.

Fair and Festival.

The Ladies of the Wesleyan Methodist Sunday School will hold a Fair and Festival at the City Hall, on Christmas Eve, for the purpose of raising funds to purchase books for their Library. Books are much needed, and we hope all who are called upon for contributions will assist. Admission 10 cts., for which tickets will be issued at the door, entitling the holder to one cup coffee, light rolls, &c. Children under 10 years, 5 cents. All friends of the school are invited.

The Festival will be continued on Saturday evening, Dec. 27th, for the benefit of the Church.

EGG-STEALING.

Bound Over to Court.

Harry Simpson, a boy 18 years old, who lives about 5 miles east of town, on Fall creek, and a son of Henry Simpson, was up in Police Court last Monday, on a charge of stealing eggs, preferred by James Shook who lives about three miles north of town, on the Samantha pike. Shook claims that Simpson stole seven dozen eggs from his barn while working for him, on or about the 17th day of last April, valued at $1.75. The preliminary examination resulted in Simpson being bound over to Court in the sum of $50.

Temperance Anniversary Day.

The 23d of December having been set apart as an "Anniversary Day" by the "Woman's National C. T. U." to be observed throughout the United States, the "Hillsboro Union," with thanksgiving for what God hath already performed, and earnest prayer for still greater manifestations of His power, propose holding afternoon and evening services in "Temperance Hall," on Tuesday next, Dec. 23d, beginning at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and at 7 in the evening.

These meetings will be led by some of the old Crusaders and veteran Murphites. All are most cordially invited.

By order of the W. C. T. U.

MRS. LIZZIE BROWN, Sec'y.

TEMPERANCE.

THE INTEREST STILL INCREASING.

TWO ABLE ADDRESSES AT CITY HALL,

BY COL. BOWEN, OF COLUMBUS, OHIO,

The Temperance meeting at City Hall last Sunday afternoon was quite large, in spite of the inclemency of the weather. It was led by Rev. J. W. Shade, who, in his opening remarks, paid a compliment to the Hillsboro papers, for their firm and outspoken stand in favor of Temperance. He believed the cause owed much of its success in our town and county to their influence. He was glad to see so large a turn-out on such a disagreeable day, showing the continued interest in the good cause. He then introduced Col. Bowen, of Columbus, editor of the "New Era," the Temperance paper recently started in that city, and which was noticed in our columns a week or two ago. Col. Bowen is a fine-looking man, apparently about 40 years of age, and he soon proved himself a pleasing, eloquent and forcible speaker, capable of holding the close attention of his audience, and frequently eliciting earnest applause. He commenced by saying he esteemed it a great honor and privilege to be permitted to raise his voice in behalf of Temperance in the town of Hillsboro, which he regarded as almost consecrated ground in the Temperance work. He spoke of the Crusade as a wonderful and noble effort of the Christian women of our town, inspired by divine power, and designed, he had no doubt, to arouse the men to a sense of duty, and make them ashamed of their indifference to the great evils of intemperance. He declared himself in favor of Moral Suasion, Legal Suasion, and every form of attack upon the power of king Alcohol. He believed it to be the duty of all friends of Temperance, of whatever name or shade of opinion, to unite at this time in one grand effort to push on the cause. "In union there is strength," and Temperance men and women must cease to differ and divide in regard to the best mode of promoting the success of the cause, and all work heartily together if they would achieve success.

He gave a brief sketch of his personal history, stating that he was the son of a Baptist minister, who had reared him carefully in religious principles, but unfortunately, according to the custom of the times, kept intoxicating liquors in his house, and offered them to his friends when visiting him. The speaker learned to drink occasionally when a boy, and by the time he had grown to manhood was in the habit of drinking whenever he felt like it, believing he could stop at any time he chose, and never dreaming that he would become a slave to the habit. He earnestly warned the young men before him, not to fall into the same fatal error, which well nigh proved his ruin. He continued to drink until at 35 he was what is called "a moderate drinker," and so kept on, until at 35 he had become a confirmed drunkard, without money or friends, and almost hopelessly sunk in shame and degradation. Providentially he was saved, and he attributed his salvation almost directly to the influence of the women's crusade. For the last 3½ years he thanked God he had been a sober man, and earnestly laboring to reclaim his fellow-men, who, like himself, had fallen victims to the curse of intemperance. He made an eloquent appeal to all present who had not signed the pledge, to delay doing so no longer, and if there were any who had signed and fallen, he entreated them not to give up, but to make another effort to stand up in the dignity of manhood, and shake off the chains which bound them.

At the close of the meeting it was announced that Col. Bowen would speak again on Monday evening at the Hall.

On Monday night the Hall was filled, and the meeting was organized by appointing Judge W. M. Meek Chairman, and J. L. Boardman and J. W. Bridwell Secretaries.

Col. Bowen then addressed the audience for about half an hour, making an earnest and eloquent appeal for signers to the Murphy Pledge, and several came forward and signed. He then stated that he would now explain his special mission to Hillsboro. For some time past the Temperance workers of Columbus and the adjoining counties had been considering the expediency of calling a Mass State Convention of the friends of Temperance, of all the various organizations, to unite in a petition to the Legislature for a Local Option Liquor Law. When the letter of our townsman, Judge Thompson, appeared in the Cincinnati Gazette of Dec. 4th, they at once endorsed his arguments and his suggestion for a State Convention on the basis laid down in his letter, and Col. Bowen determined to come to Hillsboro, and start the movement here, as being the most appropriate place, on account of the widely known reputation of our town for its advanced Temperance sentiment. Col. Bowen here paid a high compliment to Judge Thompson, for his letter on Local Option, published in our last issue, and said that he believed the Judge must have been divinely inspired to write such a letter and assume the novel, yet sound legal doctrines laid down in it in regard to the right of woman to a voice in the enforcement of a Local Option Liquor law. He then read the following resolutions, and moved their adoption:

Resolved, By the citizens of Hillsboro, representing the Christian and Temperance sentiment of all shades, that we heartily indorse the sentiments expressed by Hon. Judge Thompson in his proposition for a Local Option Liquor Law, published in the Cincinnati Gazette of Dec. 4, 1879, giving woman an equal right with man, either by petition or ballot, for the enforcement of said law; and

Resolved, That we will sign petitions to the General Assembly, asking for such a law; will urge our neighbors to do likewise; will give all possible aid in our power to such a movement, and will sustain these principles by voice and vote; and

Resolved, That we call on the people of Ohio, regardless of sect, persuasion, or party, to aid us in securing relief from the encroachments of the Liquor power upon the moral, educational, political and religious institutions of the people.

Resolved, That we fully endorse the Mass State Temperance Convention, and pledge Highland County to send a full delegation of her citizens to attend the deliberations of said Convention.

Rev. W. J. McSurely, of the Presbyterian church, seconded the resolutions in a few earnest and effective remarks, and was followed by Rev. James Kendall, of the M. E. church, who also heartily endorsed the resolutions, and urged their adoption.

The resolutions were then unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the entire audience.

Petitions for the Local Option Liquor law were then circulated among the audience, and signed by many, and many other came forward to the Secretaries' tables and signed them. The following is the form of the petition:

MEMORIAL TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF OHIO, IN FAVOR OF A LOCAL OPTION LIQUOR LAW.

The undersigned, citizens of ——— Township, ——— County, State of Ohio, over the age of eighteen years, would respectfully memorialize your Honorable body for the enactment of a LOCAL OPTION LIQUOR LAW, without a clause allowing the privilege of the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage on the payment of taxes therefor, but with a clause allowing the voice or vote of WOMAN to be equal to that of man on the enforcement of such law, and with such other provisions as may be recommended by a Mass State Temperance Convention, assembled at Columbus in the month of January, A. D. 1880.

Col Bowen called upon Judge Thompson to explain to the audience the precise meaning of the petition, especially as to his proposition to give woman a voice in the enforcement of a Local Option law. Judge Thompson responded, and in a few words very clearly explained, to the satisfaction of all present, that his proposition did not contemplate any movement for "woman suffrage," as commonly understood, that is, to make woman a voter on all questions, but only to give her a right, either by ballot or petition, as the Legislature may direct, to express her wishes, for or against a law to abolish the traffic in intoxicating liquors as a beverage—the same right as she now has and freely exercises, to express her wishes by petition for or against the construction of a turnpike.

The Chair announced that 136 names had been signed to the petition.

The Murphy Executive Committee were appointed a special committee, to attend to the circulation of the Local Option petitions in all parts of the county.

On motion of Col. Bowen, a vote of thanks was tendered to the press of Hillsboro, for its firm stand in favor of Temperance. Adopted unanimously, by a rising vote. (The NEWS acknowledges the compliment, and makes its best bow.)

The meeting was a very interesting one, and continued to quite a late hour, and adjourned by singing the Doxology, and receiving the benediction, pronounced by Rev. J. W. Weatherby.

Col. Bowen leaves for Columbus this afternoon, (Tuesday) and will immediately complete the necessary arrangements for holding a State Convention, according to the resolutions adopted.

SOCIAL SCRAPS.

NOTES, NEWS AND PERSONALS.

Misses Josie Moyers and Josie Barrere are visiting Mrs. T. L. Rogers, at New Vienna.

Misses Minnie Cook and Ella Patterson spent Saturday and Sunday at "Greenlawn," the guests of Miss Lizzie Nelson.

Miss Nannie Mooney, of the Institute, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives at New Market.

The Young Ladies' Sewing Society meets to-morrow (Wednesday) afternoon, at Mrs. Harry Spargur's, South High street.

Mr. James Reece Jr., the Messrs Ogle, and Mr. Grubbs, of the Register office, at Washington C. H., spent Sunday in this city.

Miss Nellie Collins, of Southern Avenue, is visiting relatives at Dayton, O.

Mr. Ed. Hart, of East Main street, entertained a number of ladies and gentlemen last Thursday evening, with a quiet social dance.

There is a great deal of talk about amusements for the holidays, but as yet nothing definite has been decided upon, and unless something is done soon there will be no amusements at all. We will be glad to publish any announcement of social events for the holidays, if furnished us.

Miss Annie Morrow, of Greenfield, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Minnie Morrow, on North High Street.

There will be only one more issue of the News this year, and for next week's paper we would like to publish a complete list of the ladies or gentlemen who will receive New Year's Calls. There has been some talk of the gentlemen keeping open house and receiving their lady friends, and if this plan is decided upon we will publish a list of the gentlemen who will receive. Announcements should be sent in not later than next Monday noon. We solicit announcements from *all* the ladies and gentlemen in the city, not wishing to confine them to any particular "set."

The fancy fair and festival of the Young Girls' Mission Band, held in the basement of the Presbyterian church last Friday evening, was well attended. A fine assortment of fancy articles were on sale, and with the refreshments the entertainment netted $36.36, a very good evening's work.

Misses Alice Mayo and Madge Fullerton, who have been visiting Miss Cora Patterson for a few weeks, have returned home.

Miss Minnie Cook entertained a number of lady and gentlemen friends Monday evening, with a quiet social dance.

The Institute closes for the holidays next Friday, and a vacation of two weeks. Most of the ladies will return to their homes.

Mr. Saml. Mason, of St. Joseph, Mo., and his brother, Mr. Wm. Mason, of Maysville, Ky., and Mrs. Rebecca Tedrick, of Gallatin, Mo., are visiting at the residence of their relative, Mr. Jos. Shafer, in Hamer tp. It is nearly fifty years since the Messrs. Mason have seen their sister, who is the mother of Mr. Shafer.

The Glee Club was entertained last Thursday evening by Mrs. Venie Dill. It will meet on Thursday evening of this week, at Mrs. Lon Nulton's, West Walnut street.

Col. Bowen was entertained during his stay here, by Mr. James W. Doggett. He dined with Judge Thompson to-day (Tuesday), and left on the 2 p. m. train for Columbus.

Mrs. Buckner, of North High street, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Boyer, at Philadelphia, Pa.

There will be a private dance in City Hall to-morrow, (Wednesday) evening, gotten up by Mr. T. R. Callahan.

Miss Emma Doggett, of East Walnut street, will give a party on Thursday evening, the invitations for which are already out.

JANUARY COURT.

Grand and Petit Juries for the Next Term.

The next term of Court convenes on the 6th of January, and Clerk Hughey has furnished us the names of the Grand and Petit Jurors, which were drawn last week:

GRAND JURY.

Samuel T. Evans and Newton Holmes, Liberty township; W. S. Winegar, W. W. Caldwell, Nelson Squire, Jas Gustin and W. J. Coffee, Madison; H. F. Tedrick and P. M. Tedrick, Dodson; James Hart and Mark Dove, Union; Wm. S. Vance, Newmarket; Jordan Davis, Fairfield; David Edgington, Concord; J. W. Spargur, Brushcreek.

PETIT JURY.

J. W. Patterson, A. Manning, John A. Trimble and Jno. Arthur, Jr., Liberty; B. F. Cox, Whitecak; John Armstrong, Concord; D. C. Johnson, Penn; J. R. Hughes, Marshall; Sampson Turley, Brushcreek; Evan Good, Penn; John Dalrymple, Jackson; Wm. W. Gall, Newmarket.

Mr. Jno. W. Harwood has an advertisement in this week's NEWS, of his carriage manufactory and repair shop, on North High street. Mr. Wm. Murphy has retired from the firm.

WHISKY'S WORK.

MR. THOS. WILSON ROBBED OF $90

IN THE NOTORIOUS BUCKEYE SALOON.

PROBABILITIES THAT THE THIEF WILL GO UNPUNISHED.

Mr. Thos. Wilson, who lives about a mile and a half east of town, on the Chillicothe pike, was robbed of a pocket-book containing about $90, last Thursday night, in the Buckeye saloon, on North High street. Wilson was intoxicated at the time, and the officers think the money was taken from his pocket by some of the loafers who usually infest such places.

In order that no mistake might be made, a NEWS reporter called at the Buckeye Saturday morning and had a talk about the matter with the proprietors, J. H. West and Henry McHugh. They stated that Wilson came into the saloon very drunk, about 6 o'clock in the evening, in company with John McConnaughey, of Newmarket, and exhibited a purse, which seemed to be filled with money. McConnaughey made him put the purse in his pocket, and he shortly sank down on the floor in a stupor, when McConnaughey and West took him into the back room and sat him down on a chair by the stove. There were several parties in the room at the time, whose names we have in our possession, and it is tolerably certain that some of them got away with the money.

After sitting on the chair some time, Wilson fell on the floor, where he remained until almost 9 o'clock, when he started to leave the place. The proprietors state that they stopped him on his way out, and asked him if he had his money, when he discovered that the purse and all had been stolen. The proprietors immediately went to Policeman Stevenson and informed him of the matter. He visited the saloon and searched it, but the wallet was not found, and has not turned up.

The proprietors of the saloon state positively that Wilson did not take a drink there, and blame themselves for allowing him to come in there while intoxicated. Further comment is unnecessary. Our readers have the facts, and can draw their own conclusions, as we have ours. One thing is certain, and that is, it will be a wholesome lesson to Mr. Wilson, but it has cost him a good round sum to learn it. There are generally a pack of wolves loafing about saloons and doggeries, who are only waiting for an opportunity to fleece some one, and there are a great many such cases that never come to light at all.

We hope the officers will succeed in ferreting out the perpetrators of the robbery, and that they will be severely punished. It is difficult, however, to get any reliable evidence, in a case of this kind, as it is hard to find any one who knows, or will admit that he knows, anything about such matters. The officers say they are pretty well satisfied who got the money, but have not sufficient evidence to warrant their making an arrest.

LOAN EXHIBITION.

A NOVEL ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE HOLIDAYS,

TO PURCHASE AN ORGAN FOR THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

MR. EDITOR:—New Year's week the ladies of the Presbyterian church will have a "Loan Exhibition" at Music Hall, which promises to be *the event* of the season. Many rare articles of interest will be on exhibition, and the admission will be so reasonable, that everybody will go. We hope our friends from the country will come in, as they can spend an hour or two very profitably and be interested and instructed. There will be refreshments to suit the palate of all, and during the evenings different entertainments given. It is expected that arrangements will be made with our railroads so that half-fare trains will be run. As these "Loan Exhibitions" are becoming so popular everywhere, it is hoped that this will be well patronized during the four days and nights that it will be held, for it will be *second only* to the Grant "boom." S.

A meeting to make arrangements was held at the Presbyterian church Monday afternoon, and Miss Mame Buck, the Secretary, has furnished us the following programme:

A "Loan Exhibition" will be held by the ladies of the Presbyterian church at Music Hall, beginning Tuesday, Dec. 30th, and continuing for four days and nights. An entertainment will be given each evening. Music will be furnished by the Glee Club, under the direction of Dr. J. R. Callahan. Refreshments of all kinds will be provided. The following Executive Committees were appointed:

Loan—Mrs. Hixson, Mrs. Steel, Mrs. Pugsley.

Refreshments—Mrs. Hart, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Carson.

On receiving and labeling articles—Mrs. Stockton, Miss Kirby.

Admission 25 cents. Children 10 cents.

The proceeds of the entertainment will go towards purchasing a new organ for the church, and it is indeed a very laudable enterprise. The ladies of the church are doing everything in their power to raise money for that purpose, and we heartily wish them success. The entertainment will be a novel one for Hillsboro, and under the direction of such ladies as compose the above Committees, we can assure the public it will be both interesting and instructive.

The Grant Reception

At Cincinnati last week was attended by 82 of our citizens, most of whom were disappointed, and ashamed of the Queen City for not getting up a bigger "boom." The "triumphal arch" must have cost at least sixty-five cents! The M. & C. Railroad sold 53 tickets and the Narrow-Gauge 29.

HIGHLAND INSTITUTE.

SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE FALL TERM.

GRADES OF PUPILS WHO RECEIVED 90 AND UPWARDS.

Below we give the grades of the scholars of the Highland Institute for the Fall term, who received 90 and upwards, 100 being perfect:

SENIORS—Misses A. Ramsay, 100; A. Ewing, 100; C. Spring, 99 3-7; M. Johnson, 99; A. Murray, 98 2-7; E. Wolff, 98½; F. Covington, 96½.

JUNIORS—Misses N. Mooney, 99 5-7; F. Johnson, 99½; A. Pugsley, 99½; J. Creighton, 99 3-10; E. G. GrandGirard, 97½; M. Johnson, 96 1-7; L. Murray, 94 3-7; M. Bridwell, 94½; S. McCrea, 93; M. Janvier, 90 6-11; E. Goshorn, 90½.

SOPHOMORES—Misses L. Semple, 97½; L. Nelson, 97; E. Brown, 90½.

FRESHMEN—Misses N. Weimer, 99½; E. Doyle, 95½; E. Black, 94 2-5; L. Johnson, 93 6-7; J. Zane, 93½; N. Collins, 90 5-7.

PREPARATORY—Misses L. B. Smith, 100; J. Kirkpartrick, 95 5-9; E. McSurely, 94½; M. Rockhold, 93½.

PRIMARY—Misses N. Spargur, 100; M. Ferris, 100; N. Pugsley, 100; N. Trimble, 100; T. Trimble, 100; M. Armstrong, 100; B. Bridwell, 98; F. Mackey, 97; M. Brown, 94½; B. Patterson, 93; G. Fenner, 92 4-5.

Does Advertising Pay?

How can the world know a man has a good thing unless he advertises possession of it?—[GENERAL VANDERBILT.

Home Correspondence.

NEW MARKET.

Fat hogs are all sold out in our township.

Mrs. Arnett has been very sick, but is convalescing.

Rev. D. Trichler and wife, Rev. J. C. Galbreath and wife, were the guests of Mrs. I. L. Lemon Friday last.

S. A. McConnaughey is one of the happiest of men. It is a girl weighing 11 pounds.

Mr. Lindsey is adding beauty and comfort to his place by attaching a fine veranda.

The teachers' meeting is held at Rev. J. G. Galbreath's residence, on Friday nights.

D. Carson was absent last Thursday at Cincinnati, consequently there was no prayer-meeting that night.

We attended the lecture given by Mr. Lewis Gibler last Sabbath night. A large audience was present, and deep interest was manifested.

Mr. John Mahanes has been turning up the sod rapidly the past week.

Our school is in a flourishing condition, under the instruction of R. C. Vance.

Miss Ollie Gibler has returned home from the West.

There was a social at James Van Winkle's on Saturday night last and a jolly time was had.

Dr. H. Whisler is having a green-house constructed, which when completed, will be quite stylish.

The boys of our town, and some of the country boys, had an interesting game of ball Saturday. The result was both parties beat.

Mr. John Boroman and sister, of Hamilton, Butler county, are visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity.

Mr. Horace Kirkpatrick, who has been a regular border at the Barrere Hotel the past month, left for North Liberty Saturday.

The Baptists will give a grand concert at their church on Christmas night.

A. C.

LEESBURG.

At the election held on the 6th inst. the Republicans were ahead of the Democrats more than 4 to 1 in this township. No other township in the county can say as much.

Some one says "the Devil owes Leesburg a grudge and is paying it off in thieves." A Vigilance Committee might be of some service at this time.

We feel hopeful that the Local Option Law will soon come to our rescue.

Mrs. John Starn died on last Thursday night very suddenly and unexpectedly, of heart disease. She had been as well as usual, we learn, and it was not known that there was any trouble with her until she had fallen prostrate and lifeless.

&REWS.

SINKING SPRINGS.

Francis Whitten died recently, and was buried in our cemetery. He was from the Soldier's Home at Dayton, and aged 70 years.

P. N. Wickerham is absent at the Queen city for winter supplies of merchandise.

Hogs, (fat and stock) are about all sold at prices ranging from $3 to $4, gross.

Elijah Crum and family have removed to Spalding Co. O.

Thomas Davis, who moved to Mo., several years since, has returned and located near Galena, and yard at the M. & C. depot. Charley says he will make things hum, and we rather think he will. His well-known business qualifications are a sufficient guarantee that the coal business will not lag in his hands.

The editor of the Chief has positively gotten off a "funny piece." It is so good that we give it to the world through the NEWS. Here it is:

"Wonder how many of the V. A. Grant's that were in Cincinnati on the 11th instant, to see the General, claimed relationship with him." Correct answers to this puzzle are wanted. Prize, a chromo.

Mr. Geo. W. Sellers, one of the oldest and best-known citizens of this place, died at his residence, on East Main street, on Monday evening of last week, at 10 o'clock. His remains were buried in the Washington street cemetery, Wednesday afternoon, at 2 o'clock. He was a man among men, and as an upright, honest-dealing citizen, was respected by all who knew him.

The past two weeks have been noticeable for the way the death list has grown. There had been very few during the summer and fall, but about the first of this month, the grim monster commenced his harvest. A singular fact, and one that has been much commented upon is, that the majority of deaths have been caused by heart-disease. There has also been considerable fever, mostly of the malarial type.

It is a singular fact, that when the S. J. & P. narrow-gauge was built, its advocates were loud in their praises of the yard-wide gauge, and louder in their condemnation of the compromise gauge, which they characterized as a fraud and a delusion. Nothing but a narrow-gauge would do, and they wouldn't have any other, no, not if it was handed them on a silver spoon. All this has changed. Two years was enough to convince them that they were wrong.

The following have been elected officers of the Springfield Southern Railroad: William N. Whiteley, Jerome Fassler, Oliver S. Kelley, H. L. Chapman, George H. Frey, Amos Whiteley, A. S. Bushnell, B. H. Warder. The Board organized by electing W. N. Whiteley, President; H. L. Chapman, Vice President; G. A. Barnes, Secretary; Amos Whitely, Treasurer. With the exception of Mr. W. W. Bell and Jas. Purcell, it's the same old gang. It's a nice hand to draw to—if you want to lose.

Last Sunday was an excellent day to determine how many Christian, church-going people there are in this place and vicinity, and if the turnout at all the churches can be taken as a criterion, there are just about enough to save the town, if it was put to the same test as ancient Sodom. During Saturday night a perfect glaze of sleet covered the ground, and what made it worse it froze with the slick side up, which rendered pedestrianism a difficult job. Sunday morning a warm rain set in, and this, together with the slush, made the day just about the most disagreeable we have had for some time. This, therefore, demanded a considerable amount of faith in those who attended divine services.

On Monday morning of last week, the section men on the Springfield Southern road started out for work, riding on a hand-car. They were also pushing a truck, on which was a carpenter by the name of Geo Bevington. A few miles out, the truck escaped from the car, and ran down a grade, stopping at the level. The hand-car came against it with more violence than was possibly necessary, giving it a terrific bump. Bevington was knocked backward, falling with his head in the gearing of the car. It was badly cut and mangled, (his head, not the gearing), and his nose was also mashed. At last accounts he was better, and will be out in the course of a week.

The only evil we can see resulting from the advent of good times, is the opportunity it offers for those fearful domestic terrors—surprise parties. They are now raging throughout the surrounding country, with a violence that is positively alarming. The disease seems to be as contagious as the mumps or chicken-pox. Paraded in the columns of the local paper, they appear nice and pleasant enough, but little does the general reader know of the terror and dismay left in the household of a family, who have been the victims of one these marauding, carpet-destroying, chair-breaking bands of voracious friends(?) It there is any man that can go through a surprise party without saying "cuss words," we want to see him. He is a phenomenon. And now, dear reader, never have a surprise party. If you get the least inkling of the fact that you are to be a victim, light out, "vamoose the ranche," and take your family along.

GIBSON.

DODSONVILLE.

Bill Lucas met us on the street Wednesday morning smiling, and when near enough he whispered in our ear, "It's a boy."

James Nobler, our medicine man, has moved his family to Westboro.

Father Pulse has been confined to his room for several days past with Erysipelas. He is reported improving, however.

About 100 of the friends of Geo. Ellis gave him a surprise last Saturday, it being his birthday.

Ross Wise met with a serious accident last Friday, by being kicked by a horse, bursting his knee-cap.

On Monday night Samuel Williams, living on Thomas Spilker's farm, awoke and discovered his house on fire. He succeeded in getting his family and most of his household goods out, but the building was an entire loss. No insurance.

We are again compelled to chronicle another disgusting drunken row at Gegner's den. Last Friday evening, a dozen or more met there, and after imbibing freely of the vilest of corn-juice, Thomas Stroup and Alex. Starr got into a quarrel in the house, and beer mugs were passed lively, smashing a window and frightening the women and children who ran into the street, screaming. We are informed that the next Grand Jury will be furnished a fine list of names, and will have a change of base from Brushcreek to Dodson township.

WHITTLER.

SCHOOL REPORT.

Examination for the month ending Dec 12, in District No. 2, Dodson tp.:

Class A—Gustavus Shafer 79, Walter Barber 73, Stanley Marsh 78, Harry Conrard 70½, Charlie Conrard 80½, Johnson Stroup 75, Charlie Little 82, Henry Stroup 81, Edward Walker 70, Mary Gegner 75, Emma Pulse 69, Eva Pulse 74, Lulu Marsh 74, George Williams 79, Manassch Stroup 69.

Class B—Gustavus Buller 74, Daniel Shafer 77, George Barber 77, Robert Finch 74, Frankie Conrard 80, Walter Pulse 81, Turner Stroup 69, Jesse Stroup 66, Anna Stroup 74, Emma Gegner 68, Electa Pulse 76, Emma Miller 63, Lewis Egelhoff 68.

Class C—Frankie Barber 82, Charlie Barber 80, Emma Little 80, George Orebaugh 78, John Heinzelman 63.

A. J. OREBAUGH, Teacher.

NEW VIENNA.

Adam Payne is the happy father of another girl.

A few more street lamps and our streets will be well lighted.

Bennett, the shoemaker, now holds forth in Murphy's harness shop.

A number of our citizens took in the Grant "show" at Cincinnati last week.

Mrs. Mattie Simmons is reported sick, at her father's, Isaiah Hildebrant.

The "boom" in the hog trade is not quite as big as it has been. Very near all the hogs have been shipped.

Mr. Pulse, of Lynchburg, was the guest of C. F. Irons on Monday.

Mrs. Dr. Wire, of Wilmington, spent part of last week with her sister, Mrs. Dr. Conard.

The NEWS of last week was somewhat soiled, from being thrown from the mail carrier into the mud and water.

Linley Engle starts for the West in a few days, where he expects to spend some time with friends and relatives.

Samuel DeLa, formerly connected with the Register, is now on the editorial staff of the Blanchester Press.

School will be suspended from Friday next to January 5th, a vacation of two weeks.

On Friday night some thief entered John Hines' stable, and took his horse, saddle, bridle and part of his harness.

Miss Frankie Smith has been reemployed as teacher in the Highland Female Institute at Hillsboro.

E. R. Scoville, our night R. R. agent, went to Bellefontaine last Sunday, to attend court.

Curg. Nordyke and his wife will soon go to housekeeping in Mrs. Miller's house, on West street.

Mr. and Mrs. Maddox, of Eaton, Ohio, have been visiting W. B. Livezey and lady for the past week.

Mrs Ann E Brown, teacher in the first intermediate department of our public schools, has been quite sick. Miss Bertha Lewis fills the vacancy.

Chas. Cox, an employee of the M & C. R. R., and formerly of this place, had a hand badly mashed while coupling c