

## CHORDS AND DISCORDS

## The Valley Clarion

BY J. M. C.

Doc Tillman reports many ill after the turkey holiday. He says folks will persist in overloading—having reference to food, of course—and in consequence must pay the penalty.

Amos Duncan, our justly famed detective, spent Thanksgiving in the village, returning after an absence of several weeks. He stated that he had been husking corn for farmers in an adjoining county, but we learn from an authoritative source that he had his mail forwarded to a big city in the middle west, where an important criminal case is being conducted by the government. Mr. Duncan, true to his profession, is loath to discuss his private affairs in the public prints, and accordingly we are not able to satisfy the craving among our citizens for authentic information concerning his recent wanderings. However, we are confident that Mr. Duncan will acquit himself with credit in whatever mystery he has been applying his talents to.

Bert Maples, our trustworthy tonsorial artist, announces that, beginning Jan. 1, the price of hair-cutting in his establishment will be increased from 20 to 25 cents. Mr. Maples, in justification of the advance, refers to the action of barbers in various cities over the country. He finds further occasion in the fact that the men in the Valley are falling into the custom of allowing their hair to be undisturbed during the winter season.

Dave Dooze received a postcard from his wife in California Tuesday. She informed him he could expect a letter from her shortly before Christmas.

Postmaster Ebbetts says business is rushing with him, and for the last week he has been obliged to neglect his home chores in order to be at the office at 8 to work the mail that comes in on the Chicago flyer. The Thanksgiving postcards were so numerous that the postmaster didn't find time to read

more than half of them.

Alf Nooby, our popular interurban conductor, has severed his connection with the company, and has departed for the west to look over a flattering proposition in that section. His engagement to wed Miss Mazie Mason, ticket seller at the Elite picture house, which was to have been an event of the coming month, has been indefinitely postponed. Miss Dazie was honoree at a number of showers, and received dozens of things suitable for home furnishing. She says she has carefully laid them away and will preserve them. She refuses to discuss the status of her affair with Mr. Nooby.

## FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

**TITLE DEED IN POETRY.**  
A deed for the conveyance of a piece of land that is one of the greatest legal curiosities in the world, was drawn up in 1881 by J. Henry Shaw, a lawyer at Beardstown, Ill. The curio complies with every requirement of the law, and has more than once been declared by the courts of this state to be entirely valid. It reads as follows:

I, J. Henry Shaw, the grantor herein, Who live at Beardstown, the county within,  
For seven hundred dollars to me paid today  
By Charles E. Wyman, do sell and convey  
Lot two (2), in block forty (40), said county and town,  
Where Illinois river flows placidly down,  
And warrant the title forever and aye,  
Waiving a homestead and mansion, to both a good-bye,  
And pledging this deed is valid in law,  
I add here my signature, J. Henry Shaw.  
(Seal) Dated July 25, 1881.

I, Sylvester Emmons, who live at Beardstown,  
A Justice of peace and fame and renown,  
Of the county of Cass, in Illinois state,  
Do certify here that on the same date,  
One J. Henry Shaw to me did make known  
That the above deed and name were his own,  
And he stated he sealed and delivered the same  
Voluntarily, freely, and never would claim  
His homestead therein; but, left all alone,  
Turned his face to the street and his back to his home.  
(Seal) S. E. EMMONS, J. P.  
Dated Aug. 1, 1881.

**IN MICHIGAN SOCIETY.**  
(Michigan City Dispatch.)  
About 30 couples, members of the Pottawattamie Country club, and their friends enjoyed a masque party last evening at the club house. Dancing was enjoyed and delightful refreshments were partaken of. One of the members in describing the evening's pleasure, said he had a rollicking, frolicking

good time, and believed he was not the only one who had that sort of a good time.

## REFERRED TO BURNS.

(Viola Enterprise.)  
We have been asked a good many times what becomes of all the money the state gets from our people for automobile licenses. We freely give out the information that we do not know, and have never happened across any one that did know.

## BETTER THAN SLIPPERS.

(Port Byron Globe.)  
The admission fee to a church social at Trivola recently was 10 cents and a potato. After the crowd had collected it was found they had two bushels of potatoes. These were given to the minister.

## TRANSFER WORTH WHILE.

(Port Byron Globe.)  
The Globe editor met Walter Cooley, a former Port Byron boy, in Rock Island Tuesday and he said he would soon quit his position as lineman and go to Texas, where he had bought 160 acres of land.

## SPEAKING FROM EXPERIENCE!

(Quincy Herald.)  
Assistant Surgeon General W. C. Rucker of the United States public health service declares that the bedbug is not a "disgrace," but a "positive danger." We don't care what the bedbug is as long as we don't have to sleep with him.

## THE COST OF HIGH LIVING.

(Chicago Record-Herald.)  
"Mabel," said Henry Middleton, "you and I have got to cut down our expenses, or there's going to be serious trouble. We are not only not saving anything for the rainy day, but we're spending more money than I am earning. You may be able to figure out how it will be possible for us to go on doing that without getting a bump, but I can't."

"What do you suggest?" his wife asked, trying to be amiable.  
"In the first place, I would suggest that you cut down on this Christmas present foolishness. It's all right to buy presents for your mother and your father and perhaps for a few—a very few—of your most intimate friends; but this thing of sending away carloads of stuff every Christmas just to show that you have money to buy the stores or to indicate that your credit's good strikes me as about the worst nonsense imaginable."

"Very well, if that's the way you feel about it, I suppose I'll have to shut myself up in my shell and forget that Christmas means anything."  
"But cutting down on Christmas presents isn't going to be enough. We've got to economize all along the line. You spend too much money on little things without realizing that the dimes and quarters that go here and there amount to anything."

"I suppose you never spend dimes and quarters without realizing that they are going to amount to dollars?"  
"I have mighty few dimes and quarters to spend. I'll bet there isn't another man in this town with an income as large as mine who spends less for his own pleasure than I do."  
"I am sorry you are burdened with such an extravagant wife as I am. I'll discharge the cook and do the family washing myself, and try to quit needing new clothes and—"

"Now, let's not quarrel, dear. Let's be reasonable about this thing. I have an idea that I think will help us both to adopt a course which will save us future sorrow. Let's keep a daily account of our personal expense, and every night you will look over my list and I'll look over yours. In that way we'll both be brought to a realization of the money we are frittering away without noticing it. What do you say?"

"Oh, very well, if you think I need watching I suppose I'll have to submit. You might get a private detective to follow me around and see that I don't omit anything when I am making out my accounts."

"There's no use quarreling about it, Mabel. Let's be sensible. I'll put down every cent I spend, so you will have a chance to see just how much of our income is squandered by me. I don't ask you to do any more than I'm willing to do myself."

So the matter was arranged. At the end of the first day Mr. Middleton figured up his personal expenses as follows:

Car fare in and out of town	20
Two cigars	25
Met Billy Thurston	50
Shoes shined	10
Barber	25
Lunch	80
Tip	100
Met Tommy D. and Frank L.	150
Dice	60
Four cigars	50
Matched with Charley M.	25
Total	\$4.60

After dinner Mrs. Middleton asked: "Have you made out your expense account for today, Henry?"

"No," he replied, "I have been so busy that I forgot all about it. Have you made out yours?"

"Yes. It is in my desk. I'll get it."

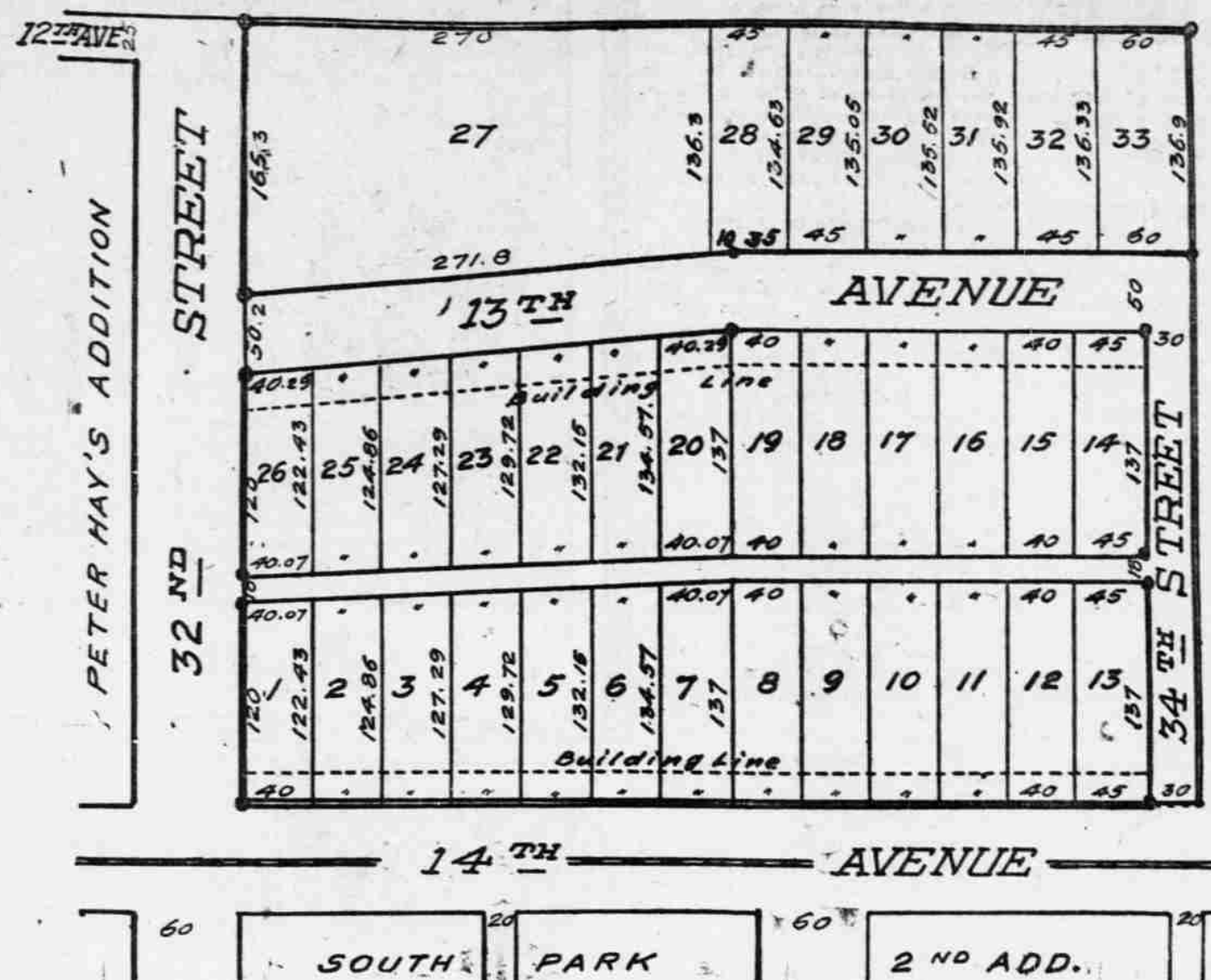
"Oh, dear mind, dear. I've been thinking the thing over, and it seems to me that it would be pusillanimous of me to expect you to account for every cent you spend. We'll both try to be as careful as we can to avoid spending money foolishly and let it go at that."

"Aren't you going to light a cigar?"

"No. I've smoked once today. I guess I'll begin to give it up gradually. What are you crying about?"

"I'm so sorry, dear. I went to see Alice Pollard today and spent 10 cents car fare when I might have walked."

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## TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

(From The Argus Files of 1887.)  
November 25—Old Father Time cut a wet notch in his endless calendar yesterday. Thanksgiving day, but in spite of the molasses, everyone was happy. The morning was devoted mainly to religious observances. At Trinity there were services both morning and evening. The other Protestant denominations—pastors and congregations—united in praise and thanksgiving at the First M. E. church. Recreation and refreshment of course contributed to the pleasure and profit of the day. Sheriff Silvis did not forget that his prisoners were human, and he therefore prepared a special feast of turkeys and other good things, and had it served at a seasonable hour. The Dunlap opera company gave two clever entertainments at Harper's theatre yesterday. In the afternoon Adran's "Indiana" was presented. In the evening the "Black Hussar" was the attraction, and the theatre was comfortably filled. A number of society folks from this city attended the ball at Masonic hall, Moline, last evening. The Franklin House company commemorated the occasion with a dance last night.

Harry Cleveland came home from Knox college, at Galesburg, to eat Thanksgiving turkey with his parents.

A black wolf robe lined with black plush was stolen from J. E. Loosley at

the Rock Island depot on Moline avenue, Wednesday evening.

November 26—It is a settled fact that the C. B. & Q. is about to enter Rock Island, Davenport and Moline for Chicago business. The order has in fact already been issued and is in reality in effect now, though the new tariffs have not all been received by Division Agent Mack. The citizens of Rock Island will certainly rejoice in this innovation on the part of the "Q." Competition in freight rates to this point means health and prosperity of the town, and Rock Island will give the new route to Chicago its full share of traffic—freight and passengers going in that direction.

Miss Kate Byrnes was taken suddenly with hemorrhage of the stomach at her millinery store on Second avenue at 5:30 last evening, and was conveyed home by a physician. She is recovering easy today, but is no better.

November 28—The Central Presbyterian church celebrated its fiftieth anniversary yesterday with fitting ceremony.

Yesterday was the coldest day of the season. The sharp radical change in the weather came on Saturday night, and yesterday the thermometer did not get much higher than the ten-above-zero mark. So thickly and rapidly did the ice form in the river that Capt. Cameron hurried the ferry off to her winter place of safety.

## COMMUTERS TO RECEIVE ADVICE

Tri-City Railway Company to Conduct Campaign to Lessen Street Car Accidents.

Prevention of accidents to passengers and pedestrians through a series of instructive advertisements and by means of blotters distributed to all the school children, is the campaign which will be inaugurated by the Tri-City Railway company.

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48-Tender-faced men should use Cuticura Soap Shaving Stick, 25c. Sample free. (Advertisement.)

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WILL FORM A UNION

As part of the general scheme for the organization of a "conference," or athletic union, of Catholic colleges, an association of smaller colleges will be included in the plans for the closer relationship of Notre Dame, Marquette and other universities. St. Ambrose college of Davenport has been invited to join in forming the union of colleges.

Tentative plans have been arranged for the association of DePaul, St. Ignace and Loyola of Chicago, St. Viator's of Kankakee, Ill., St. Joseph's of Dubuque, St. Joseph's, Indiana and St. Ambrose of Davenport.

Communications have been addressed to the faculties of these colleges, requesting that they send representatives to Chicago some time during the holidays, when plans will be perfected.

Don't put your head or arms out of the window.  
Don't ride on the steps of a car.  
Don't pull the bell rope.  
Don't drive out of a cross street onto the tracks without first seeing that the way is clear.  
Don't allow your children to run and play on the streets.  
Don't allow your boys to steal rides on the cars.  
Don't cross the track behind the car from which you have just alighted without first seeing that no car or vehicle is coming from the other direction.

**A Preference.**  
"After all," said Mrs. Oldcastle as they were returning from the picture gallery to the drawing room, "I think my preference is for Botticelli."  
"Well," replied her hostess, "I can't say that mine is. For me it doesn't seem that there's anything to beat good old fashioned raspberry jam."—Chicago Record-Herald.

**Quick Work.**  
"That editor is terribly slow at reading manuscript."  
"Think so? Why. I know the time he went through twelve stories in less than a minute."  
"Gracious! When was that?"  
"When the elevator broke."—Philadelphia Press.

**Appropriate to the Occasion.**  
"My tailor always has a touch of the appropriate in his work."  
"Yes; I've known him to press mourning suits with sadirons."—Baltimore American.

**Fitting Procedure.**  
If you want money, go to strangers. If you want advice, go to friends. If you want nothing, go to relations.—Lippincott's.

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