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This weather is just about as changeable as a woman's mind.

If you want a woman to keep a secret don't tell her to keep it to herself.

ACCORDING to the small boy, time sets an ice wagon move on itself along about Christmas time.

More things ornamental seem expensive until they come to us in the guise of Christmas gifts.

Is "gentleman Jim" Corbett the gentlemanly pick-pocket the daily papers mention so frequently?

If all the people who danced would pay the piper, there would not be so many cases in the bankruptcy courts.

DECEPTION may not be written upon the face of the young lady who uses rouge on her cheeks, but it is painted there.

"I want to be an angel."

My soul forever sings,

The house it lives in now is good enough, But it wants one built with wings.

Now that Uncle Sam has the Philippine elephant on his hands he may be compelled to work over time to appease its cries for "more hay."

It is announced that the work of the Behring sea seal exterminator is nearing completion. So is the work of the Behring sea seal exterminator.

TENNESSEE'S anti-cigarette law has been declared unconstitutional. In other words the cigarette, in Tennessee, has been declared unconstitutional.

RUSSIA and Japan are going around with chips on their shoulders but it's a case, apparently, of one being "skered" and the other "dass'nt."

A HAWESVILLE paper has let the secret out of the bag. It says the people of that town are contented and contentment, we are told, is death to enterprise.

UNCLE SAM should put down the insurgents in his own army before he undertakes the task of putting down the insurgents in Cuba and the Philippines.

MUCH of the drunkenness prevalent in Cloverport may be attributed to the fact that several of her citizens drink for the shakes and then shake for the drinks.

THE collection of musical instruments presented the Ann Arbor, Mich., University by a Detroit millionaire, does not include J. Ham Lewis' grave yard whistle.

THE reason why some Cloverport men have never reached the top round of the ladder of fame is because they have always been content to let well enough alone.

THE Courier-Journal says: "Spain yields to circumstances." To the uninitiated we desire to state that "circumstances" is another one of Uncle Sam's many aliases.

A POLYGAMIST was elected to Congress in Utah by women who enjoyed the right of suffrage. This goes to prove that a marrying man is very popular with the ladies.

CHAIRMAN GRAINGER, of Louisville Board of Public Works, by his acts declared that he is bigger than the people of Louisville. Mr. Grainger is toying with the buzz-saw.

JOHN SPURA, the New York man who won three wives and three divorce suits during his matrimonial career, showed a disposition to rush in where angels would fear to tread.

THE fact that the good die young does not prevent the small boy from being an unusually pious Sunday School scholar for a period of three weeks before the Christmas tree blooms.

OUR crosses would be just as hard to bear if we were permitted to select them for ourselves, but there would be less complaining as but few of us would confess to errors of judgement.

CLOVERPORT girls have classified the beauties of the town as "warm numbers" and "ice men." It is in accordance with the fitness of things that the latter are given the "frozen milk" on all occasions.

THE possession of colonies in the islands of the sea will force the "open door" policy upon the United States. Should McKinley, or any other protectionist, try to close it he will inevitably get his fingers crushed between the door and the jamb.

BE INDEPENDENT.

OUR Irvington correspondent says some good things that are worthy of the editorial column. Here is one fine thought.

"Cultivate independence of thought and speech and be loyal to convictions, but without offense or the idea that our opinion must prevail. We must accommodate ourselves to ceaseless differences of opinion in respect to every day topics. In politics, science and a hundred passing occurrences men differ, and have a right to differ. It is abominable conceit for a man or woman to set up his or her way of thinking for a universal standard, then proscriber and petty persecutor all who fall to attain to it."

HE WANTS CHANGE.

THE La Rue county Herald, speaking of Gus Richardson's perennial candidacy says: "Hon. Gus W. Richardson, of Meade county, is making the race for Secretary of State this time. Mr. Richardson does not believe in monotony and he changes his office—or attempts to—each year."

SPAIN YIELDS.

SPAIN has acceded to every demand of the United States. She has granted this country title to the Philippines, Porto Rico, Guam and has relinquished sovereignty over Cuba. This vast territory now belongs to us. It will open up a vast field for American statesmanship and enterprise and will add a world of responsibility to our citizenship. We are not yet out of the woods.

WE ARE TRULY THANKFUL.

This bunch of posies comes from the Louisville Post:

"The Thanksgiving editorial in the BRECKENRIDGE NEWS this week was one of the ablest and best written that was ever printed in that always excellent country publication. It was creditable to the writer, Editor Goodnight, and the News, which serves its readers nothing but the best in the news line."

MAY IT COME TO PASS.

GERMANY wants the Sulu Islands. They have been ceded to us by Spain. The other day some Englishmen were converted into soup and figured as the chief d'oeuvre of a cannibal feast enjoyed by the Sulu Islanders. Here's hoping that Emperor Billy Hoheneloe will visit the Sulu Islands in an effort to capture them. And here's hoping, too, that he may fall into the same tureen in which the Englishmen were boiled.

THE MODERN KNIGHT.

[Paper read before the Joint Teachers' Association at Irvington by Ed Goodnight.—Published by request.]

There is the almoner of Charity. It has been good to the past. As it swings its magic censor the hazy incense of forgetfulness arises to form a mystic veil between today and yesterday. The twilight of the dead years, with the glamor of romance and tradition, softens the tragic vista of the age of force and transfigures its sacrificial ceremonies, with the halo of glory.

The knightly tournaments, with the weltering tides of blood, whose ebb and flow determined the fate of nations, were the academies of the age of force. At the lists the generations of men whose sibboleth was "might makes right" learned the lore of murder and their era is rightly called the "dark ages."

The age of chivalry, as seen through the veil of romance and tradition, seems an heroic one and its ideals, as exemplified in the Lion-Hearted Richard and that flower of chivalry, the knightly Bayard, appeal to all lovers of deeds daring.

The heroes who sat around King Arthur's Round Table left but little to posterity. If deeds are to be measured by results the age of chivalry, its ideals, and its tendencies, are failures, and it is indeed charitable in old Father Time to screen the past with a veil that hides a multitude of sins.

The nineteenth century, with its utilitarian tendencies and practicality, seems intensely prosaic, but it is, in reality, the most heroic age of the world's history. Force has abdicated in favor of reason. The hero of today must conform to a larger standard of bravery and to a higher conception of nobility than ever before. To be entitled to a place at the modern round table a man must be a hero of the Christy type, and a hero of that character approaches the totality of human perfection.

Christ was the great teacher. The lessons contained in the Sermon on the Mount were the greatest ever taught the children of men. They form the ideals of this age, and their potentialities are shaping the ends of destiny. The lessons contained in the Sermon on the Mount exemplify the spirit that forms the foundation of the true social democracy. It seems as though they furnished the inspiration of the constitution of this government, the best that has ever been born of human wisdom. The perpetuation of this government and the realization of its ideals of liberty depends upon intelligence. Its growth in majesty and power will be in proportion to the wisdom of its integrity. The school-house is the foundation of the social and political structure of this country. Within its walls the future citizen is taught the worth of numbers and the meaning of words. His mind is so developed that he can realize the dignity of sovereignty as it is represented by the right of suffrage, the right that gives him the prerogatives of a king. He is taught lessons that fit him for the exalted duties of citizenship.

Thus we see that the school teacher is the architect of patriotism. With the skill of the master craftsman he utilizes the square and compasses of knowledge and experience to make the material within the walls of the school-house fit the grooves and niches of the structure that forms the body politic.

The power that is in the grasp of the teacher and the responsibilities that devolve him gives his profession an awful dignity and grandeur. It's very sublimity makes him the priest of liberty for it is through his instrumentality that the embryotic citizenship of the nation is taught the worth of its heritage of freedom.

The teacher is awakening to these facts, and more and more, each year, the expansion of his mental and moral stature fits him for the consecrated duties of his profession. The fact that he meets with his fellows in such a convention as is being held here today, where he derives the benefit of association of ideas and the wealth of experience, individual and collective of this body, is eloquent testimony of his self-sacrificing loyal devotion to duty. The public school teacher is establishing for himself a standard of fitness for his profession, that if lived up to, will guarantee the perpetuation of

our institutions and will make the school house and its presiding genius a permanent fixture. Tyranny and the despotism of kings can only exist where ignorance hold sway. Ignorance is the parent of the brood of passions that made the age of chivalry a carnival of blood. It is the parent of bigotry, prejudice and degeneracy, a trinity of evil whose sway brings humanity to the level of beasts. The school teacher is the modern knight, who espousing the cause of universal education is constantly in the lists battling the evils incarnated in ignorance. His victories are the victories of heaven. They pave the way for the kingdom of Christ. We who are not of the profession should consider it our sacred duty to lift up the hands of the public school teacher and by our appreciation of his efforts and encouragement inspire him with greater zeal. Let him know that we realize the dignity of his profession and by so doing we give honor to whom honor is due, thus fulfilling the commands of our Master, Christ, the Great Teacher.



HARRY WEISSINGER

Distinguished Nimrods

The "Bob Whites" are in danger of extermination along the branch road this week. A party of valiant hunters, consisting of Messrs. Harry Weissinger, Geo. Gaulbert, Saunders P. Jones, Alex Ballitt, and Atilla Cox, are out on the "Katy" in that vicinity and are enjoying fairly good sport.

LEWISPORT.

Remember our Grand Opening of . . .

XMAS GOODS

Saturday, Dec. 10.

CALL AT THE

New Grocery

And see the largest stock of Fancy Goods in the city.

H. S. PATTERSON

Jim Bishop, the shoe man, was here Monday.

Mrs. Lila Stein returned from Evansville Friday.

Miss Georgia Miller has been quite sick this week.

Mrs. M. A. Hensen, of Hawesville, was here Saturday.

Leon McGavock called on our merchants Thursday.

Dong Chambers, of Hawesville, was here Wednesday.

Miss Bernice Miller, of Hawesville, is visiting relatives in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Patterson, of Adair, attended the play Thursday.

Clarence Stettett, editor of the best paper in Hawesville, was here Saturday.

Col. John D. Babbage and Ed Goodnight came down to the play Thursday.

Squire W. E. Martin, of the new and flourishing city of Martindale, was here Monday.

Ike Baer, representing the Bensinger Cigar Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, was here Thursday.

Miss Viola Shoemaker, of Rome, Ind., is visiting Prof. and Mrs. O. E. Robinson this week.

The beautiful music rendered by the orchestra, at the play, was much commented upon by the large audience.

Mrs. G. O. Patterson and son, William, of Hawesville, came down to the play Friday and returned home Friday.

A very interesting meeting is in progress at the Baptist church in this city. The meeting is being conducted by Rev. F. G. Ellis, and—Floyd. Large audiences greet them nightly.

The poles for our new telephone line have been set within a mile of this city. The Cumberland will have ten wires and will connect our little city with the whole outside world. If you want to talk to some friend miles and miles from home call at H. Smith Patterson's model drug store, where the box will be placed.

Several of Hawesville's young society people attended the play given at the Opera House here Thursday night. Some of those in the party were: Misses Zula Neal, Josie Beauchamp and Pearl Lawson, and Messrs. Jim Chambers, Charles Goering and Wick Beauchamp. We were unable to learn the names of some who constituted the merry party.

The play at the Opera House, Thursday night, is conceded by every one to be the best ever presented by our home troupe. It was far beyond our own expectations, in a financial standpoint, and the Starlight Lodge, as well as those who took part in it, are very thankful to the good people of Lewisport, Hawesville and Cloverport for their kind patronage. The door receipts were \$73.00.

IRVINGTON.

Mrs. Eliza Jolly is a visitor in our community.

Miss Lena Drury, of Bowleyville, is visiting Mrs. R. M. Jolly.

Will Gardner is confined to his home with an attack of malaria.

Miss Leona Rhodes is visiting relatives and friends near Hardinsburg.

E. H. Shelman and R. E. Hawes were in Louisville Monday and Tuesday.

James Mattingly, of Kirk, is visiting Mrs. Columbia Rhodes and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Miller spent Thanksgiving with friends in our midst.

Mr. J. T. Randal, wife and son spent a pleasant Thanksgiving with friends in Henderson, Ky.

Mrs. A. R. Fisher, of Cloverport, spent several days with Rev. J. T. Lewis and family last week.

Rev. Litchfield, the M. E. pastor, closed his series of meetings at this place Sunday night.

Remember the sale at Henderson's, near Irvington, next Monday, Dec. 5. Stock and farm implements etc. Don't fail to be there.

It is an old rule, and as authoritative as it is old, that "He that bath friends must show himself friendly." If our friends seem inactive in the interchange of little attentions, uncommunicative and indifferent, pass it by. If we have been misunderstood, or have wounded the feelings of another, we should make all necessary explanations and offer such apology as the occasion may demand. Nothing is more indicative of a noble and generous nature. A wise person will make haste to forgive, because he knows the true value of time, and will not suffer it to pass in unnecessary pain.

Common business life generally tests a man's integrity. By a man of integrity is popularly understood a "square man," "a man you can count on every time," a gentleman "true as steel," "a fellow you can vouch for;" and nothing more quickly creates for an individual a fair and advantageous reputation than such life and speech as impress a community with a conviction of his moral soundness. The best thing every business man can do for himself is to so arrange and order his affairs that his conscience will never trouble him. Well would it be for our land and nation if every man would observe this principle in dealing with his fellow man.

Not being a correspondent of the News, allow me, Mr. Editor, to insert a few lines in the Irvington column. Thanksgiving Day is a memorable and very dear one to the hearts of all Americans. It is a very beautiful and appropriate idea to set aside one day annually on which to lift up our hearts in prayer, and return thanks to our Creator for His many beneficent gifts bestowed upon our country, and that priceless one of Liberty. It was my pleasure, by invitation, to spend that day with my friends Mr. and Mrs. Piggott. When the hostess announced dinner, the host very courteously presented his arm to escort me to the table (I being the elderly lady of the party), and how could I reject such gallantry? Ah, no, I very gratefully accepted the compliment, and at table was assigned place of honor on one side of the host, and his mother, Mrs. Jolly, on the other. As you entered the dining room you almost felt you were under a tropical sun, filled with so many beautiful plants, and most conspicuous of all was the jardiniere which occupied the center of the table, filled with the English maiden-hair fern brought from England wrapped in the embrace of our national colors—very suggestive of an Anglo-American alliance. Just before dinner, we partook of the Puritan Thanksgiving dinner of parched corn, then came the sumptuous, bounteous dinner of our day and time. After dining we repaired to the parlor to enjoy music. We had that soul-stirring song, "America," and the beautiful "God be With You Till We Meet Again." The sun's declining rays admonished us our pleasures must end, and with reluctance we took our departure arriving at our home by moonlight. This pleasant and cheerfully spent day will be treasured among other remembrances to brighten and cheer in traveling down the hill of life. Nothing so sweet, lovely and soothing as friends. Without them life would be a dreary, barren waste.

To Cure Constipation Forever, Take Cassell's Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Ladies Reading Club.

The Ladies Reading Club will meet at Mrs. David Van Alstine's home Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Those who attend will find it much more pleasant to walk down the railroad to the shops, where they will find a plank walk to "The Cottage." By this route they will avoid the muddy path along the river bank.

Infant mortality is something frightful. Nearly one-quarter die before they reach one year, one third before they are five, and one-half before they are fifteen! The timely use of WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE would save a majority of these precious lives. Price 25c.—A. R. Fisher.

Secret of Beauty is health. The secret of health is the power to digest and assimilate a proper quantity of food. This can never be done when the liver does not act its part.

Do you know this? Tutt's Liver Pills are an absolute cure for sick headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, malaria, constipation, torpid liver, piles, jaundice, bilious fever, biliousness and kindred diseases.

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Stomach Trouble

Stomach trouble is the common name applied to a derangement of the system which is keenly felt but vaguely understood. It may mean inability to retain food or to digest it. It may mean nausea, pain after eating, fullness, immoderate craving for food, or entire lack of appetite. Whatever it means, there's trouble, and it's with the stomach. If you have stomach trouble, you will be interested in this letter from a man who had it and was cured by

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

"For nine years I suffered from stomach trouble. I tried the aid of the best doctors of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, and spent large sums of money, all in vain. One day while waiting a train in Bellaire, O., I picked up a paper with a notice of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. I got one bottle to try it. It did me so much good that I purchased five more bottles. I took four of them and gained in flesh, my appetite improved, and now I can eat anything. My stomach is all right, thanks to the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla."—CALVIN M. STEVENS, Uniontown, Pa.

ASHCRAFT.

Mrs. Jesse Ashcraft is having a new barn erected.

Miss Sallie Baskett attended services at Highland Sunday.

Jo H. Ashcraft visited his mother of Milan, last Saturday night.

Joe Ashcraft is slowly improving after a severe attack of malaria fever.

J. R. Willett