

## AROUND ABOUT AFFAIRS

PECULIAR PARAGRAPHS PICKED FROM THE PAPERS TO PLEASE AND PACIFY THE PEOPLE.

E. P. Merrill, of Bloomington, was injured in a railroad wreck in Minnesota last week.

La Verna Noyes has given \$10000 toward a fund to assist needy boys to learn a trade at Lewis Institute.

The Hummers were in two sections Christmas day. It was a pretty hard, cold Christmas for many railroad men.

Miss Grace Lew, daughter of the editor of the Eureka Republican, was married to Walter Smith, of Metamora, last week.

G. R. Deitrich, publisher and founder of the Hoopston Herald, died Friday at his home there, death being due to Bright's disease.

The supreme court has rendered a decision that city councils can regulate the kind, quality and weight of bread baked and sold in any city.

The Washington (Ill.) Post building and office were burned last week, but the paper came out on time just the same. Sympathy for your loss, brother, and congratulations on your enterprise.

Sam Strong, of Pontiac, secretary of the Illinois Grain Dealers Association, has sent out a letter asking all dealers to do all they can to relieve car shortage, and thus relieve what might be a coal shortage.

P. H. Houlihan, general manager of the Alton, sent out a Christmas greeting all along the line, thanking all employees for assisting in making business good, and looking after the general interests of the road.

George Powell, the automobile man of Pontiac, was one of those injured in the Alton wreck at Chicago last Friday, when the train upon which he was riding ran into a string of empty coaches. His injuries were slight.

The Pioneer, the official publication of the reformatory, states in its issue of last week that Superintendent and Mrs. M. M. Mallary have taken an apartment in Chicago, which they will occupy as soon as the former relinquishes his position at that institution.

"No unmarried men need apply," is the sign that has been hung up by the landowners of Logan county, who are renting their farm land for next year. The movement has thrown the young men into a panic and it is said more engagements have been announced in the vicinity of Atlanta since the plans were started than in the same period in half a dozen years preceding. Other young men inclined to balk at matrimonial propositions are departing for other sections.—Ex.

Dispatches from Jacksonville Tuesday morning announced the fact that John Cherry, Sr., of that city, was dying at his residence there. Mr. Cherry, who is seventy-eight years old, has been in failing health for some time, but a few days ago took a change for the worse and has been sinking rapidly. Mr. Cherry is quite well known in Dwight, having been associated with his son, John Cherry, Jr., in street paving contracts in this city several years ago. He has amassed a considerable fortune in Jacksonville, which is invested in real estate holdings there.

One of the most rare and valuable relics was found recently on the banks of the Macoupin creek in the southeast portion of Greene county. This is reported by George Whitlock, a prominent farmer of that section, who was in Alton a few days ago. It is a stone cross, cut from a piece of pure flint, about seven inches long and proportionately wide in the arms. It was found on the Freer farm and is still in the finder's possession. It is finely polished and carved with exquisite finish. The cross is not rare in the carvings made by the Mound Builders; all through Mexico and Yucatan it forms a part of the maze of carvings on the ancient temple walls. What the emblem signified to that old, obscure race one can only conjecture. In the history gleaned from the Mexicans when Cortez made his conquest of that land there was told to a good priest who accompanied the expedition that in the dim past one from the north had appeared among them and taught them strange things, part of which had a close relation to the Christian religion. This is the only ray of feeble light that casts a doubtful illumining upon the possible origin of the cross of that old race.

The Salvation Army of Urbana and Champaign gave out 100 baskets for Christmas to the poor of those cities.

All the buildings and lumber used for the Seneca driving park at Pontiac will be sold December 30 and the park discontinued.

Dr. H. C. Hill and family, of Streator, expect to leave January 15 for an extended trip in Europe and will be gone about six months.

The old war museum, where President Lincoln had his office when he was riding the circuit as attorney, burned Wednesday in Danville.

The Streator Motor Car Co. has engaged two sections to exhibit its latest model machines at the annual automobile show to be held in Chicago early in February.

Homer S. Sanford, for the last eight years postmaster at Chatsworth, will undoubtedly be reappointed, as Congressman John A. Sterling has recommended that he be retained in office. His commission expired January 23.

B. F. Shankland, former publisher of the Fairbury Blade, later editor of the Pontiac Leader, now publisher of the Watska Republican, has been appointed postmaster at Watska, according to the Kankakee Gazette of December 20.

James Coffey, a former resident of Saunemin township, died October 4 in Nebraska. His death was caused from the infection of black stockings, taking the form of erysipelas, the infection going through his system. He was sick for three weeks.

D. J. Kerrigan, a Minonk real estate dealer, is elated over having sold 237 acres of land in Manitoba to King Edward III, ruler of Great Britain. The transfer papers are made out in the King's name. The presumption is that the land is wanted for drainage purposes.

Rev. G. L. Taylor, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church at Crescent City and at one time pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church at Odell, died early Monday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. G. Fleager, at Lagrange, Ill., death being due to cancer of the stomach.

It is asserted that one of the western roads leading out of Chicago has over 8,000 loaded cars of grain on its various side tracks which it is unable to move in either direction. Nearly all of the roads are more or less hampered by inability to move the grain already in hand at country stations.

Dr. J. J. Pearson left Pontiac on Monday for Taylorville, where his wife and son, Dr. Norman Pearson, will join him, leaving that place via the Baltimore & Ohio for New York city. Dr. J. J. Pearson will spend about three weeks at the Long Island College hospital attending a course of clinics by some eminent physicians and surgeons. Dr. Norman Pearson will take a ten weeks' post-graduate course in the Children's Hospital of New York city. Dr. J. J. Pearson expects to return and resume his practice in about three or four weeks. Mrs. Pearson will remain with her son several weeks longer.

At this time of the year many stores have trouble with moisture obscuring their windows. The warm air in the store is condensed by the cold glass and deposits the water it contains. Many schemes for getting around this by means of ventilation, etc., have been suggested at different times, but there's a little trick that seldom fails to solve the problem. That is to rub the glass with glycerine. Only a small quantity is required and it can be rubbed on with a cloth.

William Bross, a lawyer of Ottawa, was employed to act as attorney for the estate of Hiram T. Gilbert, a millionaire, who recently died in that city. He attended to his duties faithfully, did all the legal work necessary and brought in a bill for \$40,000 as attorney's fees. The heirs objected to the payment of such an exorbitant fee and resisted its allowance. Gilbert brought several attorneys from Chicago who on oath declared that \$40,000 was an insignificant sum to be paid for such services and some of them thought it ought to be \$100,000. The \$40,000 was allowed. When litigants expect attorneys to work for insignificant fees when assets of the estate will justify good ones they are counting without much hope.

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