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Your Monthly Milk Check

is not as large as you would like to
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est producing property.

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QUARTER CENTURY.
ITEMS CLIPPED FROM PLAINDEALER OF
TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

W. E. Golby shipped to Chicago last
week seven hogs that weighed 3680
pounds. Who can beat it?

Rev. B. Brunning, pastor of the Uni-
versalist church, commenced his second
year as pastor of this church on Sun-
day last.

The Kickapoo Indian Medicine com-
pany, who are now holding forth at
Riverside hall in this village, are
drawing crowded houses each evening.

C. T. Eldredge is now paying an
average of \$100 per day for poultry.
He took in on Tuesday eight dressed
geese that weighed 96 pounds, the
largest weighing fifteen pounds.

Police Magistrate Holmes had the
misfortune to slip and fall on the side-
walk a few days since and the result
was a broken shoulder. He is getting
along as well as could be expected.

The Universalist Christmas Sunday
school entertainment promises to be
splendid and unique on Friday even-
ing. They are building something at
the church for that night and what is
it, is the question. Go and see.

Christmas exercises will be observed
at the M. E. church on Friday even-
ing. A boat will appear well laden
with presents, under a captain of six
years' experience and a full crew of
sailors in costume to take full charge
of the boat. A short and interesting
program is being prepared to precede
the appearance of the craft. The
church is to be tastefully decorated
and nothing undone to make it pleas-
ant and interesting to all.

DECEMBER 29, 1896.

Thermometer 24 degrees below zero
on Monday morning. Ugh!

H. H. Nichols is driving the hand-
somest cutter in town. He gave it to
his wife as a Christmas present.

The Catholic society in this village,
Rev. Father O'Neil pastor, last week
put a fine new organ in their church.

Married—At Genoa Junction, Wis.,
Dec. 22, 1896, by the Rev. H. W. Har-
bough, Mr. Fred Wells to Miss Millie
Henry, both of McHenry.

There were six hundred and twenty-
five persons, by actual count, at the
Kickapoo Indian entertainment at the
Riverside hall on Thursday evening
last.

C. H. Morey has been confined to
the house the past week with sore
eyes. It is hoped that he will be
around again soon.

H. W. Allen and bride of Ringwood
returned from their wedding trip on
Thursday evening last, and we under-
stand were met at the depot by the
Ringwood cornet band and were es-
corted to their residence, where they
found about fifty of their friends as-
sembled to welcome them home. The
band furnished some excellent music,
a fine supper was served and a pleas-
ant and enjoyable evening was spent,
all departing at a late hour wishing
the newly wedded pair God speed in
their journey of life. During the trip
East Mr. Allen and wife visited Bos-
ton, Springfield and other points and
report a very pleasant time.

A large and pleasant gathering of
relatives and friends assembled at the
residence of E. M. Owen, in this vil-
lage on Christmas night, about thirty
being present from Chicago, Wood-
stock, Barreville and other places.
A fine Christmas arch was erected, and
a very enjoyable evening was spent by
those present, which is sure to be the
case with all who are entertained by
Mr. and Mrs. Owen.

Just as we go to press we learn that
Wm. Snow, brother of Mrs. Jos. Fitz-
simmons, was killed in Chicago on
Tuesday and that his body would be
brought here tonight.

The Christmas entertainments at the
Universalist and Methodist churches,
in this village, on Friday evening last,
were both well attended and many
valuable gifts were distributed.

K. OF C. ELECT.

The Knights of Columbus at their
regular monthly meeting held at Stof-
fel's hall last Thursday evening elected
the following officers for the coming
year: Grand Knight, Walter J. Walsh;
deputy grand knight, A. E. Nye; chap-
lain, Rev. A. Royer; chancellor, M. A.
Conway; recorder, Chas. W. Gibbs; fi-
nancial secretary, Wm. Stoffel, Sr.;
treasurer, John H. Miller; lecturer,
Rev. D. Lehan; advocate, John I. Sut-
ton; warden, Earl McAndrews; inside
guard, John Relihan; outside guard,
Simon Stoffel. At the close of election
a debate on Woman's Suffrage took
place, with Simon Stoffel and Prof. A.
E. Nye taking the woman's side of the
argument, while Walter J. Walsh and
P. G. Schreiner could not see where
the women should be given the liberty
to vote. The meeting proved a big
success.

NEW YEAR DANCE.

New Year dance will take place
at the hall, West McHenry, on
Monday evening, Dec. 30. Those
in charge are plan-
ing to give their guests a very
enjoyable occasion and
are serving one fine
dinner. There has been
nothing like this
before.

Closing Out Sale

of our entire stock of
**Merchandise at Cost
and below. Come and
get first choice.**

M. J. Walsh

STATE TAX UP FIVE CENTS

COUNTY RATE, TOO, WILL BE TWO CENTS
HIGHER THAN YEAR AGO.

An increase in both the state and
county tax rates will prevail over a
year ago, so tax-payers can expect to
find their taxes higher when they come
to pay them a few months hence.

In the state tax rate it is the highest
known in many years, the rate this
year being 35 cents on each one hun-
dred dollars of assessed valuation. It
has exceeded the 35 cent rate, but at
that time the one-fifth valuation was
the rule, while now the basis of as-
sessment is on the one-third valuation,
which makes 35 cents a pretty steep
one. The advance of 2 cents in the
county will only make a slight differ-
ence.

County Clerk Still and his corps of
helpers are busy on the tax books now,
having just received final figures from
the state auditor confirming those pre-
sented by the state board of equaliza-
tion. But the lateness of the receipt
of these figures makes it clear that the
tax books will not be ready for deliv-
ery to collectors much before late Jan-
uary.

MOTOR BOATING ON CHRISTMAS.

A feat was performed on the waters
of Fox river at this place on Christmas
day that has never before been accom-
plished and one that could not have
been accomplished in about forty years
had motor boats been the rage all
these years. We refer to a motor boat
ride made by Arthur J. Hunter on Fox
river on the above mentioned day.
Christmas was a most ideal day, so
ideal, in fact, that it struck Mr. Hun-
ter to take a pleasure trip in his hydro-
plane, Rebecca. The novel sight was
witnessed by quite a number of spec-
tators, who watched the progress of
the speedy craft from the river bridge
and shores of the river. Chas. Reli-
esel arrived on the shore of the river
just in time to get a snap-shot of the
boat and its driver. We doubt if Mr.
Hunter will ever take another motor
boat ride on Fox river here on Christ-
mas day.

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY.

The Public Service Company of
northern Illinois, which is supplying
McHenry with electric light and power,
has completed arrangements for the
occupancy of an entire building at Jol-
iet, Ill., in which their officers are to
be situated. All the executive offices
of the company will be transferred to
the second floor of the building. There
will be a hall on the third floor for the
purpose of holding meetings. The first
floor will be converted into a store
room. The first meeting of the heads
of the departments of the southern di-
vision was held in the company's office
at Joliet last week.

Read The Plaindealer.

UNCLE BILL'S SALVE.

This here salve
I can recommend.
It surely is
A cow's best friend.

It suits, it heals
As fine as silk.
You never miss
A mess of milk;

For it will prove,
Without a doubt,
That "Milk Stool Salve"
Is down and out.

For barb wire cuts
It stands at par;
For it will heal
Without a scar.

There are lots who will laugh,
And at this poke fun.
Just for why?
I'm old Bill Dunne.

Now to find out
My place of abode.
I live near McHenry,
On the Woodstock road.

My address—
And, better still,
It is the little house
Under Sherman's hill.

You all do know
That I work out.
It is no use
To run about.

I can't be there
To be your host,
So tack your order
To the post.

To find the author
Of this poem
At 6 p. m.
You will find him home.

NO CONSOLIDATION.

The following letter from Hamilton
Browne explains itself:

Publisher McHenry Plaindealer: My
attention has been called to a state-
ment published in several of the news-
papers in northern Illinois to the effect
that the Marengo, Lake Geneva &
Northern railroad, which line I am
engaged in building from Marengo to
Delavan, Wis., and the Chicago, Har-
vard & Lake Geneva line, now in op-
eration from Harvard to Lake Geneva,
and for which road I have a contract
of purchase, have been merged with
the Waukegan road or the Woodstock-
Sycamore line.

It may interest the public to know
that the statement is entirely imagin-
ary. The above lines which I repre-
sent are not to be merged with the
Waukegan or the Woodstock-Sycamore
properties and such a merger would
be about as impossible as one with the
New York Central or some road in
China.

The road from Marengo to Delavan
will be completed and ultimately
merged with the Elgin & Belvidere
line. Yours truly,

HAMILTON BROWNE.

A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS
NEW YEAR TO ALL

F. A. BOHLA

West McHenry State

Capital Stock, \$25,000.



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The only
place is the
an institution
bank. Open
count here and
posit daily the

you take in. That will insure the safety of
cash beyond question, an insurance that costs
nothing to obtain. Do it now.

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Wagon Boxes, Horse Blankets,
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Shoveling Boards, Litter Car-
teries, Axle Grease, Oils, Etc., Etc.
loaded another carload of goods.
Why not come and get one? You
one. We will again handle Indiana S
for 1912. Get our prices and terms
before buying. We deliver them when sold.

WM. STOFFEL

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In extending the season's greetings to our customers and friends
we wish to state that the year's business just now coming to an
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to extend our heartfelt thanks for your patronage and support
and sincerely hope that our goods and service merit a continuance
of same during the coming year. Trusting that the new year
may bring added happiness, health and wealth to one and all,
we are,
Yours very respectfully,

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