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County and Neighborhood News

INDIANOLA.

Frank Burbridge went to Danbury, Tuesday.

Charlie Walls of Oxford was in town, Sunday last.

Mrs. Crippen is slowly improving from her late illness.

Aleck Brown from near Danbury was in town, Saturday.

Nellie Boyer of Danbury was an Indianola visitor, last Friday.

Dan Harrison is the happy possessor of another boy since yesterday.

John Greave of Havana spent a few hours in Indianola, last Saturday.

Another light snow fell here, Tuesday night, but soon disappeared.

Mrs. Fiddler and daughter Lelia of Bartley were Indianola visitors, Saturday.

The A. O. U. W. met, Monday night, and elected their officers for the coming year.

The infant child of Thomas Elams living west of town is quite sick with a cold.

Miss Alva Helm visited in Indianola, Saturday and Sunday, the guest of Kate Newland.

Mrs. Baker's daughter, who lives in the east part of the state, visited with her folks here, last week.

The Degree of Honor held a social at their hall, Saturday evening, and initiated some new members.

Dan Dolan was adjudged insane, last week, and on Monday morning was taken to Kansas City for treatment.

The M. E. church ladies will give a chicken pie social at the Woodman hall, Saturday, December 17th. Everybody come.

Lydia McCool will give her pupils one month's vacation in order to give them the opportunity to gather in their corn crop.

Wm. Herman is quite poorly at his home in the west part of town. His ailment is some kind of throat trouble that incapacitates him from work.

Little Francis Powell was the happy recipient of a present sent him from Colorado. It is a burro about as big as a rabbit. I suppose Santa Claus sent it.

C. J. Suters' little boy was thrown from a horse, last Monday, and had his arm broken. They brought the little fellow to town and Dr. Mackechnie set the broken bone.

Miss Todd of the China missionary society delivered a lecture at the M. E. church, Sunday night, to a large audience. Her lecture was both interesting and instructive. She met with the people on Monday afternoon and organized a mission society.

W. P. Elmer suffered a severe accident, Monday morning, while moving a threshing machine separator. In some manner he fell under the moving machine and had his leg broken. Dr. Mackechnie took the case in hand and the patient is now resting as comfortably as can be expected.

Disastrous Wrecks

Carelessness is responsible for many a railway wreck and the same causes are making human wrecks of sufferers from Throat and Lung troubles. But since the advent of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, coughs and colds, even the worst cases can be cured, and hopeless resignation is no longer necessary. Mrs. Lois Cragg of Dorchester, Mass., is one of many whose life was saved by Dr. King's New Discovery. This great remedy is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases by L. W. McConnell, Drug-gist. Price 50c, and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

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Shooting In the New Year

RACING, whirling, nerve wrecking as has become the recognized spirit of our times, yet in the remote districts lingers a serenity so unshaken we can but marvel over the dual nature of this thing we call American. Customs of the fatherland have become so grafted upon the newer land one feels the richness of the past ever mellowing the crudeness of the present.

One of the most lovable of these old customs, redolent with the air of feudalism, is that of shooting in the new year. We first hear of it among the early German settlers of Pennsylvania, where it has long since become obsolete, but about 1750 there was a general migration from Pennsylvania down to the hill country of the Carolinas. In rumbly old wagons these pioneers journeyed, laden with feather beds and delaware, sprigs of fruit trees and sturdy babies.

As the life history is but a repetition of the race history, there came with their first strange new year a burst of heinweh. Getting themselves together, they celebrated as best they could in memory of older days, and not once through all the years that have followed have these greetings been omitted.

Then tenantry and poorer people of the neighborhood gather at some appointed place about 9 o'clock in the evening, and the march begins. From one "big house" to another they tramp, dolorously intoning their doggerel, firing fierce salutes and feasting at the hands of the gentry.

Though North Carolina could never boast as many stately mansions as could some of her sister states, yet for homely comfort and lavish old time hospitality she has never been surpassed. Each of the dear old places has its own name, still lingering there—Swan Ponds, Pleasant Gardens, Mount Welcome, Ingleside. The sentiment of all was voiced on one stone gatepost, which proudly bore the inscription:

Welcome all To Buncombe Hall.

Tradition tells us that the owner of this estate, Colonel Buncombe (of course he was a colonel), lived in the "low" country, and when he was entertaining guests whom he particularly enjoyed he had the bridge, the only means of escape, taken up and hidden in the swamps. Most of these jovial hosts are sleeping now, each in his narrow bed forever laid, but the new year has a way of returning, and the shooters return with it.

On the last night of the year, as you sit over the hickory fire, there comes a



THE NEW YEAR SHOOTERS.

tramping in the front yard, and a deep voice outside begins the so called New Year's sermon with a forcing of the rhyme worthy of Walt Whitman. A loud report being the thing desired, heavy wads are put on the powder and the gun muzzle held close to the ground. After the shooting comes the hint:

If you are a man of grace, Come to the door and show your face.

The door is then thrown wide, and the company enter, awkward, grinning and shivering with cold. Some of them have come from a distance of eight or ten miles, as the country is sparsely settled, and must necessarily be tired, but they consider it more deferential to stand, or if one is finally persuaded to take a chair he sits on the edge meekly.

The ruddy, Santa Claus-like old men exchange laconic remarks on the price of cotton; the youngsters refer to the possum hunt of the previous night. Some one goes to the piano and strums away in a frantic attempt to furnish amusement. They are stolid until she strikes up "Dixie." The effect is magical. The callers mark time with muddy boots and remark slyly: "That's the stuff!"

Apples and oranges, cakes and coffee, are now brought out. At some places the black bottle is passed around. Then the shooters with a relieved sigh pile out of the door. The society manner is a fearful strain.—New York Post.

A FAVOR—The publisher will esteem it a favor at any time to receive items of local news from residents of McCook or Red Willow county.

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