

GOLTRA - Poor Concert

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By suggestion of The Star, Chas. Goltra and others, a concert for the benefit of the poor of our city was gotten up, and was given on last Monday evening at the Court House. \$86.15 were taken. 77 of it will be distributed in charity. On yesterday the committee appointed for the purpose found much destitution. The same committee found 50 families on Christmas suffering for the simplest necessities. As to the concert itself, it was one of the best entertainments of the season. Everyone did well and AO Penniman, as usual, met with appreciation. The singers are improving and some day, out of our musical material, will arise a prima donna which will add one of the most beautiful laurels to those already won by the "buried talent" in our Hoosier Athens. Some of our rich could do no prettier thing than to offer a loan whereby she might be enabled to get instruction from one of the masters. A fortune is in her voice, and such a loan could be repaid, if accepted at all. Now that she has made up her mind to sing she is rapidly acquiring the beautiful art and merits encouragement.