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try.—Rutherford B. Hayes.

A SAFE AND The annual national celebration
RARE FOURTH of the Independence of the
United States is almost at hand.
The Fourth of July is here again and while in
Chillicothe we have always more or less been free
from the accidents and injuries flowing from an
ill advised use of pyrotechnics by untrained per-
sons, it is not out of the way to call attention of
parents to the fact that permitting children to play
with fireworks is a dangerous practice, and one
that should be discouraged. There are many ways
of celebrating this event without shooting off a
lot of fireworks and helping along with minor cas-
ualties which often run into serious and fatal
ones.

Let the Fourth of July be a safe and sane one
in Chillicothe and surroundings; safety for life and
property, also for the fire message is not the least
among the evils which flow from indiscriminate
use of fireworks.

THE BAND The band concerts are now in full
CONCRETE play at the city park. Sunday even-
ings, and in that regard Chillicothe
is ahead of many of her sister cities. The local
band is a good one under the direction of Will
Huff a competent master, and the musical num-
bers given are sufficiently varied to suit the most
cautious critic's demand. The park is an ideal
place for public gatherings and the thousands who
go down to listen to the music attest the popular-
ity of the programs given.

These band concerts are due to two "prime
factors"—the willingness of the band members to
put in their time during the windy season in re-
juring preparing themselves to give service to the
public, and to those public spirited citizens who
recognize that many lovers of music, and a great
many more, who are unable to pay for amusement,
added to lovers of the out of doors are benefited
by these open air concerts.

The fund to partly reimburse the musicians
for this playing is partly contributed by generous
donors, and there is still room for more money to
keep them going. If you have a warm spot in
your heart for the band, if you are broad enough
to see that this concert giving is not really a com-
mercial enterprise on their part, if you are willing
to help the less fortunate of the community to have
some of the pleasures of life, you will send in to
the band another contribution, or perhaps, it is
your first one. That will be really showing a com-
munity spirit, worth while.

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