

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

RATE OF TAXES FOR 1896, IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, INDIANA.

The Tax Payers of Montgomery County, Indiana, are hereby notified that I am now prepared to receive the several amounts of Tax for said County for the year 1896 at the County Treasurer's Office in the City of Crawfordsville.

The following table shows the rate of taxes on each one hundred dollars, and on each poll in the several Cities, Towns and Townships in Montgomery County, Indiana, for the year 1896:

	State tax on each \$100. Valuation levied by State.	County Tax on each \$100. Valuation levied by county Commis'srs.	Town and Township Tax on each \$100. Valuation levied by trustees and town Boards.	POLL TAX levied by State, County, Towns and Townships.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																												</
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For each dog, \$1.00, and each female dog \$2.00. For each additional dog \$2.00.
The Corporation Tax for the town of Ladoga will also be collected in this Office; the rate is 33 cents on the hundred dollars.

For the collection of State and County Tax I may be found at my office in the city of Crawfordsville, Indiana, until the THIRD MONDAY IN APRIL, 1897, after which time a penalty of ten per cent. will be added on all taxes the first installment of which has not been paid; and for the collection of the second installment I will be found in my office until the first Monday of November, 1897.

Pay Your Taxes Promptly and Save Costs.

The attention of Tax Payers is called to the following section of Law, approved March 15, 1875: "Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, that each person or Tax Payer, charged with taxes on the Tax Duplicate in the hands of the County Treasurer, may pay the full amount of such taxes on or before the Third Monday in April; or may, at his option, pay one-half thereof on or before said third Monday in April, and the remaining half on or before the first Monday of November following. And, provided further, that in all cases where as much as one-half of the amount of tax charged against a Tax Payer shall not be paid on or before the third Monday in April, the whole amount charged shall become due and returned delinquent, and collected as provided by law."

It is the duty of Tax Payers to call for the property on which they wish to pay, and see that they have separate Receipts for each Township or town, and see that they are correct before leaving the office.

Tax Payers will find it greatly to their advantage to call early and avoid mistakes incident to the rush of business of the last few days; and those that have their tax complicated, such as undivided estates, are especially requested to call when we are at leisure, as it requires considerable time to make the division and make separate Receipts.

The Treasurer has no objection in rebating the Penalty on Taxes allowed to go delinquent. Call on the Auditor for errors or reductions claimed in Taxes. Tax Payers are particularly notified that all Road Tax is due and payable with the first installment. No credit will be allowed on Road Tax unless the receipt is presented. Road receipts will not be received in payment of second installment of Taxes.

The owner of property on the first day of April in any year shall be liable for the taxes of the year. The purchaser of property on the first day of April is considered under the Statutes as the owner that day. [Section 103.]

The number on your Tax Receipts will be the same for each installment. You will receive your Receipts in an envelope. If you will bring your Receipt when paying the second installment it will greatly facilitate matters and be of great assistance to the Treasurer.

Persons owing Delinquent Taxes should pay them at once. The law is of such character that there is no option left the Treasurer, but to enforce the collection of delinquent taxes, however much he may regret to collect the same by the sale of property.

No County Order will be paid to any person owing Delinquent Taxes, and parties are warned not to purchase such orders, as they will be held for Delinquent Tax of original owner.

The Annual Sale of Delinquent Lands and Lots will take place on the Second Monday in February, 1897.

WILLIAM JOHNSON,

Treasurer Montgomery County

January 1, 1897.

THE BIG STORE

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS.

We beg to submit a list of some of the numerous articles we have procured with a thought of the annual gift giving time in mind. The Big store is full of useful and appropriate articles and your money will go further here than you can imagine. You will be surprised by a visit at the large amount you can buy for a few dollars. Why not come before the rush and enjoy the better assortment and better service.

FANS.

Fans have often played an important part in love making and will as long as they remain so desirable for presents. We are showing them in feather gauze and silk. The empire is the most popular and comes in jeweled lace, trimmed and hand painted. Prices 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.50, \$2 and up to \$5.

JEWELRY.

Articles of Jewelry are always thankfully received. A very little money will make a respectable showing here. We mention baby sets, 25c and 50c. Hat pins 25c and 35c. Garter clasps 15c, 20c, 25c. Stick pins, 5c, 10c, 25c. Finger rings warranted for 3 years, 25c, 50c.

BED MATERIALS

In this line we have blankets, comforts, spreads, pillow slips and sheets. Our home made comforts have become famous in this town. Made of the best prints and pure, clean cotton. No danger of disease there. Also some fine down filled goods. In blankets we are showing some styles of the Yountsville goods and nothing prettier than our German Jacquard were ever shown in this town. Blankets 50c, 75c, 99c, \$1.25, 1.45, 1.95, 2.45, 2.95 to 6.75 per pair. German blankets \$2.50, 4.50, 7.50, 7.15 each. Comforts 75c, 85c, \$1, 1.35, 1.50, 1.75, 2 to 4.50 each. Bedspreads 60c, 75c, \$1, 1.35, 1.50, 2, 2.50 to 5 each. Sheets 50c, 60c, 75c each. Pillow slips, 10c, 12c, 15c, 17c, 20 to 70 each.

LOUIS BISCHOF.

It Pays to Trade at

THE BIG STORE. Strictly Cash!

CHINESE SHANTIES FALL.

Suggested Buildings Run Down in the Chinatown of San Francisco.

Another attack on the Chinatown shanties which the health authorities have condemned as dangerous to life and a menace to the health of the city was made recently by the gang of house-destroyers employed by the board of health, says the San Francisco Bulletin. Health Officer Lovelace has charge of the work, and the members of the board were again present to witness the statement of the nuisances which have long been a disgrace to the municipality. The first onslaught was made in Brooklyn place, a cul de sac off Sacramento street, and running to the south. Nos. 8 and 9 1/2 Brooklyn place fell first before the attack of the axmen. The property, an old shack, one story high, was owned by Joseph Cuneo. It was occupied as a Chinese lodging house and opium "joint." Chinese pipe stoves and lodgers of the lowest order crowded its dark and badly ventilated recesses. Its nooks and crannies were filled with filth and its atmosphere so foul that it seems a wonder that even Chinese lungs could have endured it. Yet the celestials have lived there for years. They found it extremely cheap and with a certain class of Chinese one place of abode is as good as another. The low rookery was surrounded by a gable roof. It was but the work of an hour to tear away its front. The new axes of the house choppers quickly cut away the supports, and the big hook, attached to a rope, upon the other end of which the destroyers tugged, pulled the beards away without difficulty. The hook was then fastened on the roof, which was so old and rotten that it hardly afforded a good hold. After tearing away many sections the main part came down with a crash. A cloud of dust and dirt arose, obscuring the workers from the view of the crowd of white and yellow spectators at the end of the alley. When it cleared away it was seen that very little of the old "joint" remained. The workmen pulled down one or two other old shacks and then rested for their violent exertions. Health Officer Lovelace said he intended to prosecute the work as rapidly as possible. There might, he said, be a cessation of hostilities for a few days, as the notices served upon owners and occupants had not expired. As soon as the time was up the gang would be turned loose on the houses and they would be pulled down until all the ramshackle structures had been demolished. It is thought now that the property owners will not make any serious fight against the action of the health authorities. Only one injunction has yet been secured. The board will fight the matter in the courts. The members are rather pleased than otherwise that the issue has been raised. They believe that the court will decide that the health authorities of the city have a right to abate nuisances and that this case will serve as a precedent for subsequent action. The board has a photographer at work where buildings are torn down and will be provided with pictures which will show that the destroyed property was in such a state of dilapidation as to warrant its destruction.

The Deafness of White Cats.

"Though I had often heard of it, I never was fully satisfied that all white cats are naturally deaf until recently," said a scientific gentleman who devotes considerable of his time to experimenting with the lower order of animals. "I was aware that Prof. Bell in his original experiments in connection with the telephone, had ascertained and stated his experience with white cats was that they were all either deaf or very deficient in hearing, and that other experimenters in the same direction had reached similar conclusions. To satisfy myself I recently secured in all twenty-three white cats, and experimented on them, one at a time. In every case I found them stone deaf. In carrying the experiment further I found that white dogs and white horses are deficient in hearing, and that many of them are entirely deaf. So are white rats and white mice. I am confident I do not over-state in regard to white cats, though I have only personally experimented with twenty-three, and, of course, can only speak positively in regard to them. I don't hazard much, however, when I make the bold statement that all white cats are deaf."—Washington Star.

An Elk Horn Fence.

At Mammoth Hot Springs in Yellowstone park there is a fence made of elk horns. It incloses the greater part of the grounds of Photographer F. Jay Haynes' studio. The fence is composed of over 300 selected elk horns. All of them have twelve points and a great many have the royal fourteen points. They were shed in March, 1895, and were gathered in June of the same year by Mr. Haynes and three of his men within a radius of ten miles of Mammoth Hot Springs and within four days' time. There are about 2,500 elk in the park now. Each pair of horns would bring \$7.50 at the railroad at Cheater, about eight miles, or at least \$10 a pair in the east or south.

Not Rebellious.

The Prince de Conti was not inattentive on the subject of man. He wished to have for his almoner the Abbe Prevost, the author of "Monsieur Lecomte." "Monsieur," said the abbe to him, "I have never said man." "Never mind," said the prince, "I never hear it."—London Figure.

To Find the Haystack.

One of the most recent inventions patented is a small contrivance to be placed near the haystack of the outside door to the farmer's residence.

POPULAR SCIENCE.

Dr. Dawson Tucker has discovered that the Benjamin rays exist in nature, namely, in the ordinary glow worm, whose light penetrates thin sheets of aluminum and other substances.

After careful inquiry, it is said that the English professional man heads the list as the tallest of adult males, reaching an average height of five feet nine inches, and a fraction over. The next tallest men are Americans, only a tiny fraction less tall than their English brothers. The majority of the European nations average five feet six inches for the adult male, but the Portuguese, Austrians and Spaniards are a little short of this.

It is well known that left handedness has often been observed in animals. According to Visconti, parrots seize objects with the left paw by preference, or exclusively. The lion strikes with the left paw, and Livingstone stated as his opinion that all animals are left handed. Prof. Jordan has recently verified the statement with regard to parrots. He found that this bird makes a readier use of the left claw for climbing than the right.

In the Colorado desert they have rain storms during which not a single drop of water touches the earth. The rain can be seen falling from the clouds high above the desert, but when the water reaches the strata of hot, dry air beneath the clouds it is entirely absorbed before falling half the distance to the ground. It is a singular sight to witness a heavy downpour of rain, not a drop of which touches the ground. These strange rainstorms occur in regions where the shade temperature often ranges as high as 125 degrees F.

A couple of teeth, found near Westminster, are claimed by Dr. A. Nehring to be the oldest human teeth yet found in Europe. One of them, a permanent first molar, is remarkably like that of a chimpanzee, but not much like that of the gorilla or orang. He also calls attention to the fact that the first premolar and last molar are reduced in size in modern man as compared with early man. This was known before; but he adds that he finds the same state of things in domesticated as compared with wild dogs. In the former, as in civilized man, the jaw is relatively feebly developed, and there is a tendency to reduction of the last molar.

PERSONALS.

George Meredith, it is said, is sending a copy of his novels to every person in his employ.

The winnings of the Prince of Wales on the turf this year amount to considerably over \$100,000.

Prof. Franklin G. Robinson, of Bowdoin College, has invented a disinfecting lamp which is attracting attention.

William Alvord has just been elected president of the Bank of California at San Francisco for the nineteenth time.

Lloyd Osborne, who has been appointed United States consul at Samoa, is a stepson of the late Robert Louis Stevenson.

It is said that during the last thirty-three years the Prince of Wales has spent \$5,000,000,000. And yet they say he is restless and unsatisfied.

Ranjit Singh, the Indian prince now being educated in England, is an expert bicyclist. He has made forty-three century runs.

Dr. Mannington Caffyn, whose books were advertised as being "by the husband of the author of 'The Yellow Aster,'" died recently in England.

The Sultan of Turkey of late has been given quite a number of nicknames. The last to come to the surface is that of Hamid, the Hangman.

Sir Henry Irving is one of the best swordsmen in England. He has practiced scientific swordsmanship for many years. One of his fencing masters was Prof. McLaren, now of Olympia.

The Maharajah of Baroda (Gaeknor), the Nizam of Hyderabad and the Maharajah of Mysore are the only three native potentates of British India who are entitled to a salute of twenty-one guns.

GEMS OF THOUGHT.

If men speak ill of you, so live that no one will believe their slanders.—Chrysippus.

The system in everything ought to be—do as you please, as long as you please to do right.—Sydney Smith.

Hath any wronged thee, be bravely revenged. Slight it and the work's begun; forgive it, and 'tis finished. He is below himself that is not above an injury.—Quintilian.

Nature has formed us with honest inclinations, and when we are so inclined, it is so very easy to be virtuous, that if we seriously reflect, nothing is more astonishing than to see so many wicked.—Quintilian.

All work of man's is as the swimmer's waste of ocean threatens to devour him; if he front it not bravely, it will keep its word. By incessant wise defiance of it, lusty rebuke and buffet of it, behold how it loyally supports him, bears him as its conqueror along.—Carlyle.

He who receives a favor must retain a recollection of it for all time to come but he who confers should at once forget it, if he is not to show a cold and ungenerous spirit. To remind a man of a kindness conferred on him, and to talk of it, is little different from a reproach.—Demosthenes.

Bobby—Ah, you said I wasn't to eat that piece of cake in the parlor—because I wasn't made to eat that. Bobby—Yes, Bobby, I wasn't made to eat that. Bobby—Yes, Bobby, I wasn't made to eat that. Bobby—Yes, Bobby, I wasn't made to eat that.

More

Medicinal value in a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla than in any other preparation. More skill is required, more care taken, more expense incurred in its manufacture. It costs the proprietor and the dealer more but it costs the consumer less, as he gets more doses for his money. More curative power is secured by its peculiar combination, proportion and process, which makes it peculiar to itself. More people are employed and more space occupied in its Laboratory than any other. More wonderful cures effected and more testimonials received than by any other. More sales and more increase year by year are reported by druggists. More people are taking Hood's Sarsaparilla today than any other, and more are taking it today than ever before. More and still more reasons might be given why you should take

Hood's Sarsaparilla

The One True Blood Purifier. \$1; six for \$5. Hood's Pills cure all Liver Ills and Sick Headaches. 25 cents.

GENERAL STATE NEWS.

Evansville felicitates itself over the fact that it has never had a bank failure.

Over \$1,000,000 was invested in new buildings in South Bend during the past year.

Leon Perkins, of Danville, was shot in the knee and crippled for life by Harry Roberts.

Capt. A. O. Mitchell, of Elwood, owns a watch carried through the civil war by General Burnside.

Two shorthorns from the herd of Mrs. Virginia C. Meredith, of Cambridge City, have been added to the Purdue University stock farm.

G. W. Hancock, of Wayne county, a farmer, in a quarrel with a tenant was struck with a stick of wood, and his skull was fractured.

An effort is making at Terre Haute to secure the pardon of John Kinta, convicted in 1892 of highway robbery, and sentenced to twelve years imprisonment.

Fire yesterday caused \$1,000 damage to the Lebanon Hotel at Lebanon breaking out on the upper floor. There a \$700 insurance in the Indiana, and the Phoenix of Hartford.

Members of the Ada Gray combination last Saturday night, at Anderson, refused to go on after the first because of the non-payment of salaries. The play was finished however, by four people.

Ray Friend eleven years old, son of Charles Friend, of Jeffersonville, while examining a pistol presented to him by his father, accidentally shot himself in the brain, dying almost instantly.

Cashier Henry Husted, who committed suicide on Saturday last at Liberty, as noted by The News, was the third of three brothers who resorted to self-destruction. He inherited a predisposition to suicide.

Charles Phillips employed by the American wire nail-works at Anderson, while cleaning out a furnace stepped into red-hot sand which yielded like quicksand under him, and he sank to his knees. His feet and legs were horribly burned.

The Rev. Charles H. Percival has begun his labors as pastor of the First Congregational church of Terre Haute, coming from Racine, Wis., where he has been stationed for nine years. His old congregation released him with genuine regret.

Thomas N. Wilson, station agent at Stinesville, has gone away, abandoning his wife and child, and taking with him \$1,000 recently paid to him by his guardian. His family was left unprotected for His accounts with the railway company are correct.

A railway company running through Remington dug holes, planted posts and attempted to fence up several street crossings. A hasty meeting of the Town Board was held and under instructions the town marshal pulled the posts, filled the holes and continued on guard with a shotgun.

A farmer named Dodson, near Muncie while driving homeward was stopped by three boys in knee pants, each armed with a revolver, and they compelled him to surrender \$10. They chuckled over the fact that they had read Nick Carter's instructions to highwaymen and knew where to shoot.

Who Will It Be?

The death of Mayor Bandle leaves a vacancy in the office that must very soon be filled. Who will be chosen is the question? The council is equally divided politically, and it is not very probable that either side would yield in the matter of a choice for the position, and it may be necessary to call an election and have one chosen in that manner. It is hoped that no perpetual office seeker will be selected, but that some tax payer who has the interests of the people at heart may be given the place.

Table linen, napkins, lace curtains, shawl, skirts, hosiery at cost. Myers & Chas.

Several cases of grip are reported in town within the past few days.