

MANY THINK!

when the Creator said to woman, "In sorrow shall thou bring forth children," that a curse was pronounced against the human race, but the joy felt by every Mother when she first presses to her heart her babe, proves the contrary.

Danger and suffering lurk in the pathway of the Expectant Mother, and should be avoided, that she may reach the hour when the hope of her heart is to be realized, in full vigor and strength.

MOTHER'S FRIEND



so relaxes the system and assists Nature, that the necessary change takes place without Nausea, Headache, Nervous or Gloomy Foreboding of danger, and the

trying hour is robbed of its pain and suffering, as so many happy mothers have experienced. Nothing but "Mother's Friend" does this. Don't be deceived or persuaded to use anything else.

"Mother's Friend" is the greatest remedy ever put on the market, and all our customers praise it highly." — W. H. KING & CO., Whitewright, Tex.

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The Bradfield Regulator Co., Atlanta, Ga.

NEWS OF THE STATE

BRIGHT, CRISP DISPATCHES OF IMPORTANT INDIANA EVENTS

Daily Doings of Hoosiers That Help to Make Up the History of a Great Commonwealth Furnished Expressly for Our Patrons.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 15.—The state finance board yesterday evening considered the report of Experts Bingham and Cleland, who examined the claims of the state against the Aetna Insurance company of Cincinnati. Nothing was done and the consideration of the matter was postponed till Feb. 25. Upward of \$10,000 have been found to be due by the experts.

CHOKED TO DEATH.

Strange Accident to William McElvey Near Pierceton.

PIERCETON, Ind., Feb. 15.—A strange accident befell William McElvey, who resided near here. Some years ago a cancer made its appearance on his face, and it increased until it had eaten away the entire roof of his mouth and the back part of his throat. The cavity thus formed Mr. McElvey filled with cotton. While quenching his thirst with water, in some way the cotton became dislodged, and, slipping down, obstructed his windpipe so that he strangled to death before his attendants could render assistance. He was almost 70 years old and the father of a large family.

EX-POSTMASTER'S LUCK.

One of Several Heirs in Indiana and Ohio to \$500,000.

EICKNELL, Ind., Feb. 15.—By the death of his grandfather, Robert Whitaker, in England, J. T. Whitaker, of this place, has fallen heir to a part of a large fortune. The estate is valued at \$500,000, and will go to the heirs, all of whom live in America. He was the father of eight children. Several of the grandchildren live in Indiana and Ohio. Mr. Whitaker served as postmaster under Cleveland, and was only removed recently to give way for a Republican.

POLITICIAN KILLED.

John Williams Shot at a Primary Meeting Last Night.

COLUMBUS, Ind., Feb. 12.—John Williams, one of the best known Democratic politicians in Bartholomew county, was almost instantly killed by James Lewis at Jonesville, in the southern part of the county. The killing was the result of words at a primary meeting.

Odd Fellows' Home.

RUSHVILLE, Ind., Feb. 14.—An energetic effort is being made by the Odd Fellows in Rush county to locate the proposed Odd Fellow's home in this city. The eight lodges in the county will lay the matter before the Commercial club tonight. The railroad facilities, agricultural resources and the strength of the order in this vicinity are being urged as to why the home should be located here.

Express Agent Missing.

LIBERTY, Ind., Feb. 15.—Louis Har-

rell, United States express agent, is missing since Sunday. He bought a round trip ticket for Connersville Sunday morning and has not been heard of since. His wife knows nothing of his whereabouts. An expert for the company was sent here to examine the books and learn their condition.

Shot His Ear Off and He Died.

MONTPELIER, Ind., Feb. 15.—While cleaning a shotgun at their home, nine miles east of here, Malvern Paxton, 12 years old, was accidentally shot and killed by his brother William, who is 14. His right ear was blown off and death was caused from loss of blood. The boys are sons of William Paxton, a prominent farmer.

Author Among Sheep.

MACE, Ind., Feb. 12.—A mysterious disease has been carrying off the sheep in the vicinity of this place and New Ross. Professor Bitting of Purdue University was sent for. He pronounced the disease anthrax. Heroic measures to prevent the spread of the disease are

being taken. Commissioner of Pensions Not Liked.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Feb. 14.—The battalion composed of representatives of the G. A. R. in the county adopted resolutions condemning Commissioner of Pensions Evans for his ruling that rejected applicants must wait a year before renewing their claim unless they present new evidence within 90 days.

Judge Wood Against Editor Wilson.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 15.—James B. Wilson, editor of the Indianapolis People, must serve his time out in the state's prison, where he is confined for violating the postal laws. Judge Woods decided that Wilson is not entitled to a writ of habeas corpus, and Wilson must remain in prison 11 months longer.

Shot a Fellow Normal Student.

VALPARAISO, Ind., Feb. 15.—C. E. Rosenberger shot H. R. Smart, a fellow student at the Normal school, accidentally in the temple. The revolver was supposed to be unloaded. Smart will die and Rosenberger is under arrest. Sensational stories are afoot.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys.

When urine stains linen it is evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists, price fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet both sent free by mail. Mention DECATUR DEMOCRAT and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghampton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

FATALITY OF CROUP.

Statistics show that thousands of infants and children die yearly of membranous croup. We do not exaggerate when we state that every one of these innocents could have been saved had Foley's Honey and Tar been given them in time. Can you afford to without it in your household? Holthouse & Calow.

LEGAL ADVERTISING.

APOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of J. Wilson Merriman, late of Adams county, deceased. The estate is probably solvent. J. W. VAIL, Administrator, February 7, 1898.

France & Merriman, Attys.

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NOTICE TO TEACHERS.

Notice is hereby given that there will be a public examination of teachers at the county superintendent's office in Decatur, Indiana, on the last Saturday of each month. Manuscripts and other papers not to be received. Applicants must be seventeen years of age before they will be licensed. Besides the statutory branches and sciences of education, applicants will be required to answer a list based on the following—the selection made by the state board of education.

The examination in the science of education ("Plato the Teacher") and the general culture book ("Teaching the Language-Arts") for the six months beginning with the November ex-

amination will be based on the township institute work for this year, covering one institute at each examination.

November—Outline one.
December—Outline two.
January—Outline three.
February—Outline four.
March—Outline five.
April—Outline six.

The work in reading will not be based upon any particular text-book. Teachers' examination begins promptly at 8 A.M.

YOUNG IRVING,
IRVIN BRANDYBERRY,
County Superintendent.

APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned to the citizens of the First Ward in the city of Decatur, in Adams county, Indiana, and all citizens of said town, that he will make application to the Board of Commissioners of Adams county, Indiana, at their next regular session in March, 1898, for a license to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors in less quantities than five gallons at one time, and a quart at a time, to be used and drunk at the place where sold in the building situated on the following described premises:

Commencing twenty-five (25) feet east of the north-west corner of lot one hundred eighteen (118) rods from the southwest corner of the same, thence south forty-five (45) feet, thence west to a point forty-two (42) feet east of the west line of said lot, thence south to the south line of said lot to a point forty-two (42) feet east of the south-west corner of said lot, thence north seventeen (17) feet, thence west to the place of business in the place of business in the building situated on the following described premises:

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