

## A Woman's Back

Has many aches and pains caused by weakness and falling, or other displacement, of the pelvic organs. Other symptoms of female weakness are frequent headache, dizziness, imaginary specks or dark spots floating before the eyes, gnawing sensation in stomach, dragging or bearing down in lower abdominal or pelvic region, disagreeable drains from pelvic organs, faint spells with general weakness.

If any considerable number of the above symptoms are present there is no remedy that will give quicker relief or a more permanent cure than Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It is the most potent purgative known to medical science. It is made of the glyceric extracts of native medicinal roots found in our forests and contains not a drop of alcohol or harmful, or habit-forming drugs. Its ingredients are all printed on the bottle wrapper and attested under oath as correct.

Every ingredient entering into "Favorite Prescription" has the written endorsement of the most eminent medical writers of all the several schools of practice—more valuable than any amount of non-professional testimonials—though the latter are not lacking, having been contributed voluntarily by grateful patients in numbers to exceed the endorsements given to any other medicine extant for the cure of women's ills.

You cannot afford to accept any medicine of unknown composition as a substitute for this well proven remedy of known composition, even though the dealer may make a little more profit thereby. Your interest in regaining health is paramount to any selfish interest of his and it is an insult to your intelligence for him to try to palm off upon you a substitute. You know what you want and it is his business to supply the article called for.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the original "Little Liver Pills" first put up by Dr. Pierce over forty years ago, much imitated but never equalled. Little sugar-coated granules—easy to take as candy.

Thomas R. Marshall has been elected a member of the executive committee of the Indiana branch of the American National Red Cross, to take effect on his inauguration as governor of Indiana. He will succeed Governor Hanly on the committee. The bylaws provide that the governor of the state shall be a member ex-officio of the executive committee of the state branch in each state.

The Lake Erie is doing a big business in hauling show troupes on the road this season. Yesterday "Roger Brothers in Panama" was taken through the city. The company carries a hundred people and five special cars. Today the "Road to Yesterday" was transferred to the Clover Leaf. This company carries twenty-five people and one special car.—Bluffton Banner.

L. N. Grandstaff has returned from Hicksville, Ohio, where he ate dinner with Bert Crouse, a comrade of his in the civil war. Twelve soldiers, including Mr. Crouse and Mr. Grandstaff were captured by gorillas forty-four years ago yesterday and ten of them were killed, these gentlemen succeeding in escaping the blood stained hands of their captors. Since that time they have celebrated each year. The celebration will be here next year.

The school board held their regular monthly meeting Friday evening, each member of the board answering to the roll call, and important business was immediately taken up. After the reading and approval of the minutes of the former meeting, the board allowed the teachers' salaries, amounting to \$1,669.09 and the janitors' salaries amounting to \$170.00. This was followed by the allowance of other bills as follows: Frank Teeple, freight and drayage, \$1.25; Daily Democrat, printing of notices, \$3.75; Silver Burdett & Company, books, \$1.08; True and Runyon, towels, 80c, and T. A. Leonard repairs on furnace pipes at Second Ward, \$23.97. It was ordered during the course of the meeting that the schools of the city be closed Thursday, December 24 and re-convene January fourth, 1909, the intervening time to be the holiday vacation. This vacation is anxiously awaited by the students. It was also ordered that \$300 be borrowed from the First National bank until January 20, at six per cent. The meeting was unusually interesting and the business transacted important. The next session of this body will be held in four weeks.

Foley's Orino Laxative cures chronic constipation and stimulates the liver. Orino regulates the bowels so they will act naturally and you do not have to take purgatives continuously.

THE HOLTHOUSE DRUG CO.

Wesley Dunham, aged 89 years and formerly mayor of Anderson, is suffering from a peculiar ailment. A few days ago he was bitten on the hand by a common house fly, from which blood poisoning has developed and has spread throughout his system, causing serious illness.

THE HOLTHOUSE DRUG CO.

A PERSONAL APPEAL.

If we could talk to you personally about the great merit of Foley's Honey and Tar, for coughs, colds and lung trouble, you never could be induced to experiment with unknown preparations that may contain some harmful drugs. Foley's Honey and Tar costs you no more (and has a record of forty years of cures).

THE HOLTHOUSE DRUG CO.

A man giving his name as James Wright and claiming Monroe as his home, created a disturbance on First street Monday afternoon which caused his arrest and confinement in the county jail. Wright, an elderly man, who had imbibed freely of the flowing bowl, was sauntering down First street when a notion entered his deranged mind that he wanted to enter a house. He proceeded to the apartments in the old court house building occupied by Charles N. Dutcher, and knocked at the door. Mrs. Dutcher opened the door and seeing that he was a drunken stranger, she closed it quickly and turned the lock. The man instead of leaving the premises, began kicking the door fiercely. Mrs. Dutcher, who was engaged in washing clothes, started for the door upon hearing the commotion, and took with her a pail of water, the contents of which she hurled on the intruder. Wright then made his getaway, and had the appearance of a drowned rat when seen on the streets. He talked abusively of the woman who gave him a soaking and as a consequence was lodged in jail by Policeman Fisher. He was given a hearing before Mayor France and after being given a severe lecture was ordered to leave the city within thirty minutes which he did.

More people are taking Foley's Kidney Remedy every year. It is considered to be the most effective remedy for kidney and bladder troubles that medical science can devise. Foley's Kidney Remedy corrects irregularities, builds up worn out tissues and restores lost vitality. It will make you feel well and look well.

THE HOLTHOUSE DRUG CO.

Thomas M. Gallogly, the well known insurance man of this city, will leave here January 5th, on a trip to Galveston, Texas, for a several days' visit. Enroute home he will stop at Topeka, Kansas, to look over the field in the insurance business. Mr. Gallogly has been offered a district agency for one of the leading fire insurance companies doing business in that state and may conclude to accept same, if he can dispose of his interests here. He is one of the best insurance men in this part of the country, and if he concludes to go to the west to locate, as now seems probable, he will unquestionably make good. He is holding the job open and it is quite likely that he will soon leave this county where he has so long been a citizen.

MRS. McRANEY'S EXPERIENCE.

Mrs. M. McRaney, Prentiss, Miss., writes: "I was confined to my bed for three months with kidney and bladder trouble, and was treated by two physicians but failed to get relief. No human tongue can tell how I suffered, and I had given up hope of ever getting well until I began taking Foley's Kidney Remedy. After taking two bottles I felt like a new person, and feel it my duty to tell suffering women what Foley's Kidney Remedy did for me."

THE HOLTHOUSE DRUG CO.

BERNE MAN SUSPECTED.

Dr. Haughton Says Farm is Depleted.

Dr. A. H. Haughton, the retired physician of this city, who had a sale ten days ago and lost his old renter, Nathan Sprunger, reports that his farm premises since the departure of Sprunger present a rather sadly depleted condition, owing to the fact that Sprunger either took along a number of articles when he left which did not belong to him or they were stolen after Sprunger moved his goods to Berne to be shipped today to his future home in Nebraska. Dr. Haughton thought at first that Sprunger had taken the extras along, but they may have been stolen after Sprunger departed. Missing are a good hay fork and a complete outfit of pulleys for the barn, a buggy tongue, a fence machine, a wire cutter, and other minor articles. The doctor reports that everything was taken away but the well, and he does not doubt but that his would have been taken along could it have been managed. The doctor has a new tenant moving on the place. He is Jacob Groh.—Bluffton News.

It is rather amusing to contemplate the change in manner of obtaining warmth by people of this vicinity. It was but a few fleeting years ago that gas was at its best in Decatur, and many of the citizens enjoyed using the convenient fuel. Wood was the next fuel and now coal is relied upon by almost every household. How times are changing.

Hoarse coughs and stuffy colds that may develop into pneumonia over night are quickly cured by Foley's Honey and Tar, as it soothes inflamed membranes, heals the lungs, and expels the cold from the system.

THE HOLTHOUSE DRUG CO.

Twenty-four marriage licenses have been issued so far this month, a very good average. However, the year's record is going to be very low, even if next month should prove a record-breaker. Leap year doesn't seem to have been a howling success in this county.

## STILL IN THE LIMELIGHT.

Indianapolis, Nov. 30.—Before leaving for Newton, Kansas, today, Governor Hanly made the appointment of delegates from Indiana to the fifth annual national rivers and harbors congress, to be held in Washington, D. C., Dec. 9-11. The delegates to the rivers and harbors congress are: George V. Hill, Huntington; Fred J. Smith, Whiting; W. J. Hoseney, Fort Wayne; C. L. Hackett, Roanoke; E. R. Colbert, Anderson; J. E. Beyer, Rochester; Warren Bigler, Wabash; Chas. Van Behler, Evansville; W. V. Dixon, Evansville; George W. Cromer, Muncie; W. H. Duncan, Terre Haute; Spencer F. Ball, Terre Haute; J. M. Cravens, Madison; William M. Laidley, Madison; Adam Heimberger, New Albany; George B. Caldwell, New Albany; Alexander Hartman, New Albany; Clyde Howard, Jeffersonville; James D. Burke, Jeffersonville; J. C. Zulauf, Jeffersonville.

A DANGEROUS OPERATION.

The removal of the appendix by a surgeon. No one who takes Mr. King's New Life Pills is ever subjected to this frightful ordeal. They work so quietly you don't feel them. They cure constipation, headache, biliousness and malaria. 25c. at all dealers.

KILLED WOMAN AND SELF.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Dec. 1.—Mrs. Myrtle Evans was shot and killed here late last night by R. J. Bymen, supposedly on account of her refusal to meet him. Bymen then turned the revolver on himself, inflicting a wound that proved fatal within a few minutes. Both are negroes, about 30 years of age, and residents of this city. It is said the woman rejected his advances at a dance Thanksgiving night, and upon passing the woman tonight Bymen attempted to force his company upon her and, upon being repulsed, opened fire with a revolver, killing the woman and then himself.

THIS IS WORTH READING.

Leo, F. Zelinski, of 68 Gibson St., Buffalo, N. Y., says: "I cured the most annoying cold sore I ever had, with Buckley's Arnica Salve. I applied this salve once a day for two days, when every trace of the sore was gone." Heals all sores. Sold under guarantee at all dealers. 25c.

MEMORIAL FOR CLEVELAND.

Life Insurance Presidents and Former Cabinet Ministers Will Speak.

New York, Nov. 30.—The first memorial exercises in honor of the late former President Grover Cleveland will be at the opening session of the second annual meeting of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents in this city Friday and Saturday. Mr. Cleveland was chairman and general counsel of that organization. Addresses will be made by Paul Morton, president of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, and John H. Finley, Ph. D., president of the College of the City of New York. Letters of tribute will be read from Adlai E. Stevenson, vice president in Mr. Cleveland's second administration, and from several surviving cabinet officers, including Governor Lamon of Ohio, Hilary A. Herbert of Washington and Governor Hoke Smith of Georgia.

Celina, O., Dec. 1.—The local option election held in Mercer county yesterday resulted in a victory for the "wets" by a majority of 234 votes. The largest number of votes in the history of the county was polled, there being seventy more votes polled than at the late presidential election. Eight of the fourteen townships voted "wet." The result means that the thirty-one saloons in business will not be molested, at least for some time. The "wets" polled 3,432 votes and the "drys" polled 3,198 votes. The election was held under the new Rose law and adds one more to the few "wet" victories in Ohio. The election was one of the quietest and most orderly contests ever settled by the ballot. Both the "wets" and "drys" worked with a quiet intensity of purpose that showed how determined each side was to wrest the victory from the other. Groups of men collected on the streets at an early hour, but they were not allowed to collect within the 100-foot line that guaranteed the voter immunity from undue influence at the polls. Men who were never known as rigid temperance men voted dry, and others who seldom or ever drank, in some instances, voted wet. The women occasionally paraded the streets. Both sides were careful and guarded. They intended their work should pass by unchallenged. At 5:30 a. m. noon and 5:30 p. m. all church bells rang together, and at every hour between.

MEDICINE THAT IS MEDICINE.

"I have suffered a good deal with malaria and stomach complaints, but I have now found a remedy that keeps me well, and that remedy is Electric Bitters: a medicine that is medicine for stomach and liver troubles, and for run down conditions," says W. C. Kiestler, of Halliday, Ark. Electric Bitters purify and enrich the blood, tone up the nerves, and impart vigor and energy to the weak. Your money will be refunded if it fails to help you. 50c. at all dealers.

Though five criminal cases were set for trial Monday, none of them got to the jury. One was tried by the court, in another a plea of guilty was entered, and the others were continued. The case against Julius Johnloz, was set for Tuesday, but was continued when Attorney DeVoss, representing the defendant, filed an affidavit that a very important witness was absent. Johnloz is charged with perjury, it being alleged that when summoned before the April grand jury he gave false testimony. It is likely the case will not be heard before the February term of court.

The David E. Scott vs. Louis A. Graham suit for accounting, was reset for trial on Thursday, December 31st.

Charles Page vs. Christena R. Niblick, admx., et al, claim \$8,500, before John F. LaFollette, special judge, cost bond filed by plaintiff and approved. Leave asked and granted plaintiff to file second paragraph, making new parties defendant. Same filed making Aaron T. Vail, John W. Vail and the Fort Wayne Copage Co. new parties defendant. Summons ordered returnable December 16.

State vs. Mary Fravel, perjury, continued until next term of court on motion by prosecuting attorney.

An inventory was filed in the estate of Lusetta Love and same was approved. The personal property amounts to \$15.15.

A certified copy of the bond, oaths and letters were filed by W. G. McCarmack, guardian for Warren and Lavetta M. McQuiston. The guardian filed a petition for the sale of real estate.

Real estate transfers: James C. Harmon to Raymond Marquard et al, lot 10 Rivar, \$365; Almond Shaffer et al to James C. Harmon lots 6, 7 and 10 Rivar \$500; James R. Boyd to Charles W. Yager, lot 20, Pleasant Mills, \$800.

The petit jury has been excused until Wednesday, December 9th, when they will report again.

Attorney J. C. Sutton filed a petition for H. M. Zook and company, a corporation conducting a creamery at Berne, the petition asking that the name of the concern be changed from H. M. Zook & Co., to Swiss Milk Co. The petition was signed by A. N. Sprunger, the president.

Attorney Dore B. Erwin has filed a new case, the title being Jacob Atz and Charles Steele vs. Albert Meyer, complaint on notes, demand \$80. The notes call for \$55 and were given July 1, and the demand includes interest and attorneys fees.

Hunters' licenses were issued to A. C. Bailey, Fred Linn, A. P. Hardison and Albert Meyer.

MARKED FOR DEATH.

"Three years ago I was marked for death. A graveyard cough was tearing my lungs to pieces. Doctors failed to help me, and hope had fled, when my husband got Dr. King's New Discovery," says Mrs. A. C. Williams, of Bac, Ky. "The first dose helped me and improvement kept on until I had gained 58 pounds in weight and my health was fully restored." This medicine holds the world's healing record for coughs and colds and lung and throat diseases. It prevents pneumonia. Sold under guarantee by all dealers. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

THE TUBERCULIN TEST.

The tuberculin test is the most delicate and most nearly accurate test known for tuberculosis. It consists in the injection of a given amount of tuberculin into an animal and noting the effect upon temperature. An animal free from tuberculosis shows no rise of temperature, after the injection while one affected with the disease will give a so-called reaction no matter how slight the lesion may be. The test has passed all experimental stages and postmortem records on nearly 30,000 animals show only about one per cent of errors.

The method of testing is essentially as follows: first, ascertain the normal temperature of an animal by taking the temperature at noon, three and six o'clock p. m. Then make the injection of the thirty drops of tuberculin under the skin and take the temperatures on the successive day at six, eight, ten a. m. and twelve o'clock. The normal temperature may vary between 100.5 degrees and 102 degrees and if a reaction occurs the temperature will likely go between 103 and 106 degrees. The cases with slight infection give a high fever and those with extensive disease give the least rise of temperature. In making the test as nearly normal conditions should prevail as is possible. A healthy animal will not be injured by the test and there is no possibility of starting up new cases of disease.

The objection urged by owners against the test is that it is too delicate, that animals in which the lesions are so slight as to be harmless are condemned as well as those in the advanced stages.

The test is so searching that its employment should be in the hands of those competent to use it.

It is the holy method known at the present time by which the diseased may be separated from the healthy in a given herd, or to ascertain the rate with which the disease is spreading in a herd. The test should not be recapped to an animal within ninety days. As indicating how the test determines the spread of the disease in a given herd, it was found that in 175 animals tested the first time, 25 per cent reacted, testing the same animals five years later, showed 75 per cent to react and in eight years 100 per cent. Again at a certain public sale, the cattle were sold to sixteen farms and tests made at each of these farms at a later date showed the disease to have spread upon every one. It would have been impossible to have made these determinations in any other way. This is the best season in which to test both by the individual and in public service.

G. H. ROBERTS.

From the Office of State Veterinarian.

GUILTY OF COUNTERFEITING.

Passing counterfeit money is no worse than substituting some unknown worthless remedy for Foley's Honey and Tar, the great cough and cold remedy that cures the most obstinate coughs and heals the lungs.

THE HOLTHOUSE DRUG CO.

A suit on note in which demand is made by M. W. Walbert for judgment for \$200 against Levi and William Kohler, living near Vera Cruz, has been set for trial in the Decatur court on January 6th and it recalls an old criminal case of several years ago in which Levi Kohler was the defendant. He was arrested at Vera Cruz on a charge of alleged contributing to delinquency of a feeble-minded girl and he had a hard time clearing himself. He was defended by Squire Walbert and F. C. Dalley of this city, and in payment of his attorney fees gave the note for \$200 to Mr. Walbert. The note has run along for several years and Kohler has made no effort or offer to pay his attorney fees and Mr. Walbert brought the suit to collect the note. William Kohler is made a party because he went on his brother's note as security.—Bluffton News.

ECZEMA AND ALL SKIN DISEASES.

Are quickly cured by Zemo, a clean liquid for external use.

Zemo's record has never been equalled. Smith, Yager & Falk, the druggists, say "Zemo is the best remedy they have ever sold for the cure of Piles, Eczema, Dandruff, Ringworm, Tetter, Rashes, Prickly Heat, and any disease of the skin caused by a germ. See display and photos of cures made by Zemo."

Preliminary steps will be taken toward the Christmas entertainment to be given at the M. E. church Friday night. A cantata will be rendered and the choir will furnish special music.

Mrs. Fred Vaughn left this morning for Fort Wayne, where she expects to spend the day with friends. She was joined at Monmouth by her mother, Mrs. Christen, who accompanied her on the trip.

The stockholders of the Decatur Packing company will hold a meeting this week at which time important business relative to the operation of this concern will be transacted. This institution is doing a big business.

The Haugk quarry has suspended work for the winter and this has been the most successful year ever experienced by Mr. Haugk. Much stone has been gotten out and sold and he has a large quantity of building stone on hand yet.

Business men's announcements are to be seen elsewhere in this issue and bargains are certainly in store for the people. Not one of our readers can afford to ignore these announcements, as you can see what you want and buy it right.

A Mr. Burton, representing Crossman Brothers, wholesale seed dealers, who was in Decatur checking up accounts with Smith, Yager & Falk, has discovered a neat little swindle that has been going on for some time, worked by a man claiming to represent the company. The seed dealers send out their seeds to the retailer on commission, allowing the retailer to return in the fall all he cannot dispose of, and a representative of the company usually comes and checks up with the retailer. In September a man claiming to be a representative of the company called on Smith, Yager & Falk and settled with them, taking in payment \$6 and sending the seeds back to the house. Burton claims that every town he has visited lately on his trips has been picked this way by the man who picked up about fifty dollars a day in this way which he kept and cheated the wholesale seed dealers out of a large sum of money.—Bluffton Banner.

## A GOOD STOMACH.

Means Good Health, Cheerfulness, Ambition, Persistency and Success

Mi-o-na will cure your dyspepsia or any other stomach trouble by building up the flabby walls, and making the stomach so strong that it will digest food without pepsin or other artificial aid.

In other words, Mi-o-na cures dyspepsia by removing the cause.

Holthouse Drug Co. is the agent for Mi-o-na in Decatur and they say to every reader of the Democrat whose stomach is weak, who has indigestion or dyspepsia, that Mi-o-na is guaranteed to cure or money back.

The price is only 50 cents a large box, and one box is all you need to prove that you are on the right road to health and happiness.

"I can't say enough for Mi-o-na tablets; they have done more for me in one week than all the doctors have for the two years I have been under their care, and I will do all I can to recommend it to my friends. You can also use my name in your ad. if you like, for Mi-o-na is better than gold to me. I am like a new man, and am able to work once more for the first time in over a year."—W. A. Ennis, 328 Green St., Syracuse, N. Y.

John Armstrong returned to Indianapolis this afternoon after visiting here with Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bott-hoff and family.

Misses Lucile Locke, Kathryn Bennett, and Mary Deam, who have been visiting their parents over Thanksgiving, left this noon to return to school at Glendale academy, Glendale, O.—Bluffton News.

Monday was the banner day at the library. Miss Moses, the librarian, reports 120 books taken out, besides several reference books. Many took advantage of the reading library, and in all it was a great day for the Decatur public library.

Henry Stein, a noted character at Lake-of-the-Woods, near Plymouth, took his life Thursday with a revolver. He had frequently made threats to that end, and declared he wanted no priest or preacher when he died. He was about 60 years old.

The season is here when the merchants do a big business. It is the real live ones who do it, however. It is those who have the goods and tell the people about them.

Miss Augustina Dhe, sister of Rev. Father Charles Dhe, formerly pastor of the Catholic church at Besancon, died a few days ago from cancer at the home of her brother in Fowler.

The Yager furniture store are already selling many articles that will make some one happy on Christmas day. It is a great place to select real Santa Claus gifts.

The A. R. Bell family are having a good share of sickness just now, as Mrs. Bell, and Mrs. Frank Bell and Mr. Frank Bell are all more or less under the weather.

Rev. G. B. Work, of Warren, was a caller here today. He was formerly pastor of the Methodist church here and has a large number of warm friends in this locality.

Messrs. F. V. Mills, A. H. Selle-meyer and D. B. Erwin, members of the school board are visiting the various schools this week. They were at the North Ward today. They state that the schools are prospering nicely.

Marsh Burd and D. E. Studabaker have sold their handsome full blooded rabbit hound, at a fancy price, and have purchased two of the best rabbit hunting canines ever exhibited in this state. The pair cost the very neat sum of forty dollars, but the boys think the money well invested at that.

The farmers are very grateful for the recent rain and they are of the opinion that it will greatly help the wheat crop. There was but a half crop planted this year, however, and even if the wheat which is in the ground flourishes, there will be a scarcity of the grain next year. The continued drouth experienced in this section caused farmers to plant their wheat fields in something else this fall. Wonder who will get credit for high priced wheat next summer when there will be a scarcity of it.

D. E. Studabaker left yesterday for Chicago, where he will attend the fat stock show now in session and witness the sale of seventeen head of Hereford cattle from his farm near Van Buren. The cattle are in very fine shape and are expected to bring the high prices. Mr. Studabaker will be joined Wednesday by Mrs. Studabaker and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Studabaker who will take in the sights at the big show for a few days.—Bluffton Banner.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND.

Leading Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold wrapper. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 32 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable.

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