

# BUTCHER -- KNIFE.

DANVILLE:

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Official paper for publishing list of letters and legal advertisements.

**The first number of the third volume of the Butcher-Knife will be issued on the 24th of this month. It is our intention to make several improvements in the next volume, which will greatly enhance its value. In another column you will find that we offer some inducement to persons getting up clubs. It is true that the amounts we propose to give are small, but considering the stringency of the money market, the bank failures and suspensions, it is a 'right down chance' to us. We think, however, that the inducement is sufficient for our friends to exert themselves a *little*. The 'Knife' now has a circulation of four hundred; and nearly all of them are in this county; but this is entirely too small for a county possessing the intelligence that Hendricks does. We want six hundred subscribers, and think that we will have that number before the first day of November next. No one (except a few bass-wood men living in this community) will deny that our paper is not worth the subscription price.—We intend to make our paper interesting to the citizens of this county by publishing all the local news that we can hear of. We will say to those who intend to make an effort for the prizes that we will pay the money to those who send in the largest clubs by the 1st of November.**

**It will be seen by the proceedings in another column that there is an effort being made by some of our citizens to organize a Literary Society. We hope they will be successful, and would urge upon the young ladies and gentlemen, the propriety and necessity of taking an active part in their deliberations. Let there be a good turn out of ladies and gentlemen at the court-house next Tuesday evening.**

**Persons knowing themselves indebted to us would confer a favor on us by paying up.**

**It will be seen that our friend Jno. A. McDonald will have a sale at his farm, on Tuesday the 20th day of this month. Read his advertisement.**

## For the Butcher Knife. Literary Meeting.

Quite a large number of our citizens convened at the Court-House, on Tuesday evening last for the purpose of organizing a Literary Society.

The meeting was called to order by appointing Maj. Burgess, President.

On motion, P. S. Kennedy, Wm. E. Spillman, and J. L. Mitchell, were appointed a committee to draft a constitution and by-laws for the government of the Society, and report at the next meeting.

L. M. Campbell was elected to serve as President until the Society was thoroughly organized.

It was resolved that the exercises of the Society consist in Addresses, Debates, Declamation and Composition.

Messrs. Litson, Gratton and Darnall, appointed to select a question for debate, reported the following:

'Would it be wise and expedient to confer the elective franchise upon women?'

The meeting then adjourned to meet at the Court-House on next Tuesday evening. JAS BURGESS, Pres't.

J. L. MITCHELL, Sec'y.

**One of our boys turned Mexican the other day, and concluded to ride one of the Mustang ponies that have lately been imported in our midst. Mustang went fine for awhile, but finally, after cutting a despicable shine, he introduced the Hoosier to the sidewalk in a very rough manner. No damage done.**

**A barrel of ale was stolen from Wade's cellar on last Sunday night. It appears that anything in the drinking line 'what's laying round loose,' stands a bad chance in this community.**

**The cotillion party had a grand time last evening. Among the distinguished visitors, we noticed H. C. Newcomb and Ed. Clark, of Indianapolis.**

**We are requested to say to the borrower of the second volume of the days of Bruce, from a young lady, that they will be favorably recollected by leaving the same at Matlock's store.**

**J. W. Bryan offers several valuable articles for sale on the 20th of October. See his advertisement.**

**Dr. Depew has just received his Fall and Winter stock of Dry Goods, Groceries, &c.**

## GREAT INDUCEMENTS TO AGENTS FOR

# THE BUTCHER KNIFE!!

As an inducement for our agents to exert themselves in obtaining subscribers for the 'Knife,' we propose the following:

To any person who sends us the largest list of subscribers, over twenty-five, accompanied by the cash, we will give  
**TEN DOLLARS!**

To any one sending us the second largest, over twenty-five, we will give  
**FIVE DOLLARS!**

To any one sending us the third largest, over twenty-five, we will give  
**TWO AND A HALF DOLLARS!**

Persons competing for the money must send in their clubs by the 1st of November next. We will publish the names of the lucky ones in our first issue in November. We feel truly grateful to our agents who have labored for us so far, and hope that they will continue their favors.

TERMS—Twenty-five cents per volume, consisting of twelve numbers.

**An English paper gives an account of a party of sixty old women, who were the mothers of eight hundred and sixty-nine children! Average about fourteen and a half each. If this be true, Queen Victoria should bestow a pension on each of the old ladies.**

**Potatoes sold at 15 cents per bushel in Indianapolis, this week, butter 15 c; eggs 7c; wheat 60@70c; flour \$5.00; corn meal 55c; oats 25@28c at wholesale.**

**A new hotel has been erected in Indianapolis on the corner of Louisiana and Illinois streets, under the management of Mr. J. B. Harrison, a gentleman of long experience in the hotel business.—The city papers speak very highly of this new House, and ask for it a patronage worthy the enterprise of this gentleman.**

**The other day, when quite a crowd was about the Court House, an old gentleman happened to discover the Mammoth Watch hanging in front of Thos. N. Jones's establishment, and being anxious to know the time of day, inquired of one of our youthful sharpers:**

'Sonny, is that watch right over there?'  
'Right over there—it ain't anywhere else,' said the boy.

The old man made a pass at the boy with his cane, but the boy sloped.