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Indianapolis, May 11.—It is believed that the next legislature will be much more liberal with its appropriations for the state board of health than the former legislatures have been. The state board of health has for several years been complaining because it has not had sufficient money with which to carry on its work, and it has complained that it has been sorely hampered along this line. The last two legislatures especially were the target for the criticism of the board because much new work was cut out for the health department while the appropriations made by the legislature were so small that the new requirements could not be met as they should have been met.

Only Four Inspectors.

There are only four of these inspectors at work, and the department should have three or four more. It is impossible for these four men to cover the state as it should be covered. The value of their work and the work of the food and drug department can hardly be estimated. They have driven hundreds of illegal and dangerous drugs and food products off the market because it was found that they were injurious to health and that they were violators of the pure food laws. In this way the public health has been protected.

The officers of the state health department point out that there is much more work to be done in the state than can be done by the small force now employed and with the small appropriation now at hand.

The state health department received at the hands of the last legislature \$35,000 a year with which to carry on its work. This is said to be too small for the work that is to be done, and it is understood that a request will be made for at least another \$10,000 a year from the next legislature. It is known that several of the men who have been nominated for the legislature in some of the counties have been sounded on the proposition and that some of them have expressed their belief that the health department should have more money. It is pointed out that some of the other departments of much less importance to the general welfare of the state have been given appropriations out of all proportion to those given the health department.

To Control Epidemics.

The health department has full power to take control of an epidemic in order to guard against a spread of disease. It collects and records all health statistics in the state, such as births, deaths, accidents, etc. Complete records of these matters are made and kept in the office of the board where they are valuable many times, for reference.

All of this requires much help both in the office and in the field, and all of this help costs money. In fact, the department has not had enough money to carry on this part of the work as it should. The department has made frequent complaints about its lack of field men to send out in the state and make inspections. It is understood that scores of complaints reach the board of unsanitary conditions at school houses in the state that cannot be investigated because the board has not enough field men to send out to make the investigations.

Besides this the state board of health has the food and drug laboratory as one of its departments, and this costs a lot of money. This is the pure food department. It has charge of the endorsement of the pure food laws of the state, which is one of the most important tasks in all of the state government.

Has Two Laboratories.

Two laboratories are maintained by the health department. One is the bacteriological laboratory which deals with disease. In this laboratory tests are made to determine the presence of typhoid fever, consumption, hydrocephalus and other similar maladies. It employs several chemists because of the great amount of work that is sent in by physicians from all over the state. All of this work is done free of charge.

The food and drug laboratory employs several chemists and clerks, and several field inspectors. These inspectors go about over the state and see that the pure food laws are obeyed. It is their duty to make inspections of all groceries, meat markets, drug stores, hotels, restaurants, bakeries, slaughter houses, canning factories and other food producing places. In fact they are supposed to visit and inspect every place in which food stuffs are produced or sold. They explain the laws to the manufacturers and dealers and see that they and the rules of the board of health are obeyed. They have the power, representing the health department, to condemn foodstuffs that are unfit for use. They also cause the arrest of persons who willfully violate the pure food laws. There is scarcely a county in Indiana in which there have not been prosecutions by the inspectors.

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of food manufacturers or dealers for violations of the pure food law. These inspectors also buy samples of various food products and send them to the laboratory here for analyses to ascertain whether they are illegal. The work of making these analyses keeps the chemists in the laboratory busy, hundreds of them being made every month. It costs money to keep these inspectors on the road. It costs money to buy the food samples. It costs money to hire the chemists, who, by the way are paid the smallest salaries of any chemists in any similar state department in the country.

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GOT HYDROPHOBIA FROM CAT'S BITE

And C. E. Wallace, Former Local Man, Died in Agony in Arkansas.

WHILE PLAYING WITH CAT

THE MADDENED ANIMAL TURNED
ON HIM AND BIT HIM IN THE
HAND AND IN SHORT TIME HE
WAS AFFECTED.

Wallace C. E. Wallace, formerly of this city is dead of hydrophobia induced by the bite of a pet cat. His death occurred at Stuttgart, Arkansas, on May 1, but the news of death has just been received here by his many friends. Mr. Wallace was thirty years of age and for some time past had lived at Stuttgart.

It is stated that some weeks ago while playing with a cat, of which he was very fond, the animal suddenly bit him in the hand, inflicting a painful wound. In a short time Wallace

condition became very serious and he developed a most pronounced case of hydrophobia.

The unfortunate man's ravings were terrible and death was a blessing to him.

He is survived by his father and step-mother who live at Springfield, O., and his three brothers, Joseph E. Wallace of this city, Frederick M. Wallace of Whitewater, Ind., and William F. Wallace of Springfield, O. Young Wallace was buried at Stuttgart.

The Chief Sense.

All the great families of living things have a dominant sense. We lead our life by sight and make artificial lights to render darkness tolerable. But the creature whom next to ourselves we prefer, the dog, lives in a very different universe. His dominant sense like that of many other quadrupeds, is the very one we most neglect, the sense of smell. The dog will track his master, never lifting up his head to search the distance; often with hair falling over his eyes he follows on, not troubling himself to shake it aside.

One of the most interesting features of the Giant's causeway is "the giant's organ." This huge "instrument" consists of a group of pillars of various lengths set apart on the side of the main cliff. The larger column being in the center and the smaller ones tapering off on either side after the fashion of organ pipes admirably sustain the idea which the name "giant's organ" conveys.

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What Gains They Had to Steal.

At least once a year the Prince of Solo gives a great entertainment, when he dispenses a truly royal hospitality. Hundreds of natives and Europeans are invited to the festival, and the best actors and dancers are engaged. After one of these entertainments it is said all sorts of tableware and bric-a-brac are offered for sale in the city, a result of the wholesale thefts on the part of the servants, who seldom receive any pay and take this means to "get even." It is said that some one remonstrated with the prince for permitting this condition of affairs to exist, and he is said to have answered, "From whom can my people steal if not from me?"—National Geographic Magazine.

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The sand pillars that are whirled into being by storms in the African deserts often perform wonderful contortions and evolutions. Sometimes two of these whirling columns, gyrating in opposite directions, meet, "and if they be well matched the collision stops them, and a struggle ensues as to which way they shall twist. Gradually one gains the mastery, and the two combined begin to gyrate alike and then rush on together." Some of these whirls will strip the clothes from an Arab's back or twist a goat around and around like a top.

A Very Different Thing.

"I wish to say to the congregation," said a clergyman, "that the pulpit is not responsible for the error of the printer on the tickets for the concert in the Sunday school room. The concert is for the benefit of the arch fund, not for the arch fiend."

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