



Logansport, Indiana, 3
January 20th, 1835.

Dear sir.—In the hope that some good may result from it, I have taken this means, of giving to your fellow citizens, say the descendants of the early settlers of Susquehanna, the following information; and if there be any now living whose name is Shokum, to them, I hope the following may be communicated, through the public prints of your place.

There is now living near this place, among the Miami Tribe of Indians, an aged white woman, who, a few days ago, told me, whilst I lodged in the camp with her, that she was taken away from her Indian home, on or near the Susquehanna river, when she was very young, say from five to eight years old, as she thinks by a party of Delaware Indians, who were then hostile towards the whites. She says her father's name was Shokum, that he was a Quaker, rather small in stature, and wore a large brimmed hat, was of sandy hair and light complexion, and much freckled—that he lived about half a mile from a town where there was a fort—that they lived in a wooden house of two stories high, and had a spring near the house. She says these Delaware came to the house, in the day time, when all were absent, but herself, and perhaps two smaller children; her father and brothers were absent making hay. The Indians carried her off, and she was adopted into a family of Delawares, who raised her and treated her as their own child. They died about forty years ago, somewhere in Ohio. She was then married to a Miami, by whom she had four children; two only of them are now living—they are both daughters—and she lives with them. Her husband is dead—she is old and feeble, and thinks she will not live long.

These considerations induced her to give the present history of herself, which she never would before—feeling her kindred would come and force her away.—She has lived long and happy as an Indian—and but for her color, would not be suspected for being any thing else, than such. She is very respectable, and wealthy—sober and honest. Her name is without reproach. She says her father had a large family say eight children, all sixteen years older than herself, one younger, as well as she can recollect, and doubts not, there are yet living many of their descendants, but seems to think that all of her brothers and sisters must be dead, as she is very old herself—not far from the age of eighty. She thinks she was taken prisoner, before the two last wars, which must mean the Revolutionary war, as Wayne's war and the late war have been since that one. She has entirely lost her mother tongue, and speaks only in Indian which I also understand, and she gave me a full history of herself.

Her own Christian name she has forgotten, but says her father's name was Shokum, and he was a Quaker. She also recollects that it was on the Susquehanna that they lived—but don't recollect the town near which they lived. I have thought that from this letter you might cause something to be inserted in the newspapers of our country, that might possibly catch the eye of some of the descendants of the Shokum family, who have a knowledge of a girl having been carried off by the Indians some seventy years ago. This they might know from family tradition. If so, and they will come here will carry them where they may see the object of my letter, alive and happy though old and far advanced in life.

I can form no idea where upon the Susquehanna river, this family could have lived, at that early period, namely about the time of the revolutionary war—but perhaps you can ascertain more about it. If so, I hope will you interest yourself, and it possible, let her brothers and sisters if any be alive, if not, their children know where they may once more see a relative, whose fate has been wrapped in mystery for seventy years, and for whom every thing at rest. The description is so perfect, and the incidents (with the exception of her age) so correct that we feel confident.

Steps will be taken immediately to investigate the matter, and we will endeavor to do all in our power to restore a lost relative who has been sixty years in Indian bondage.

Your friend and ob't serv't,
JNO. J. SLOKOM.

IMPORTANT DISCLOSURE.

The following letter, handed to me by a citizen of this place, was received two years since, but by some means, has never before found its way to the public eye. The developments made are worthy of serious attention, even at this late day—although the subject of the simple epistle may be no more. The satisfaction which may be afforded to her descendants will undoubtedly be very great, and we hope such of our brethren, as may feel any interest in the affair will give publicity to the letter—and those who are aware of the existence of such a family as the Shokums, (a name quite familiar to us) and the place of their residence, will please signify the same, by addressing a line to the editor of this paper. We have only to repeat our regret that the recipient of the letter, did not, immediately after its arrival, give the whole to the public. A better opportunity would then have been afforded to the descendants then living, (as possibly, some of them may have died since,) of discovering the object of the philanthropic writer's solicitude, who, with the kind communication, may be perhaps beyond human enquiry.

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was, but Moses you aint spellin—yer pa's child? 'O, yeth'r, Hartkandswa is a noun, objective case, indicativ mode, comparative degree, third person and nominative case to rizzars? You aint said what gender, Moses? 'Feminine gender?' 'Why?' 'Coritz—?' 'Next?' 'Dostum?' 'Next?' 'Come, David, you know?' 'Athen'?' 'Well, why is Arkansas of the feminine gender, David?' 'Coritz—why coritz got Miss Souri on the east, and ever so many she females on the west?' 'Very well, David you may go to the head; you're a rising genius, and it'll make a man before yer mother.' 'Yell'em!' [Clarendon N. H. Eagle.]

LEADER SAYED.—Wm. M. Anderson, Esq. of this vicinity, has communicated to us the result of an experiment in haymaking, which he tried during the season that has just passed. Several acres of timothy were mown, and instead of spreading the grass over the sheep ground so that the rays of the sun would penetrate and dry it, he caused it to be heaped immediately into haystacks which were rounded well, so the rain would not effect them, and left in the field for several days. When stacked for preservation during the winter, he found the hay sweeter and richer than ordinary, and more dry without being stacked.—A barrel of salt was made in storing it away. Mr. A. thinks that the hay cured by this method will last longer in the spring than that preserved in the common way, and when it is considered that the new plan is attended with much less labor than the old, the process of "spreading" and "turning" being confined to a general adoption of it may be expected. It is probable that all kinds of grass would bear the like treatment without becoming sour and mouldy, and something of course depends upon the weather during the haymaking season. Mr. A. does not claim to be the discoverer of this improvement, but acted upon a hint which he found in an old newspaper.—*Scioto Gazette.*

LAND FOR SALE.

THE subscriber wishes to sell in 40 acres tracts or the whole together, the following LAND, which is well timbered with oak, ash, black walnut, hickory and sugar-tree. The South East quarter of Section 11, in township No. 2, North of range No. 11, West, containing one hundred and sixty acres, the same being 4 miles below Vincennes, on the road leading to Mount Carmel. Title indisputable. JAMES THERIAC.

Vincennes, July 20, 1837. 8-1

Those yet did know philosopher
Whom would bear the truth acute patiently?

MUCH AD'D ABOUT SENSE.
MONTAGUE'S BALM.

A sovereign and infallible remedy for Tooth Achæ, and an effectual preservative for the teeth.

PRICE \$1 PER BOTTLE.

In offering this invaluable Balm to the public many certificates of its efficacy might be given, which the limits of a newspaper forbid publishing, and which may be seen by calling at the agents; but as every species of quackery has been thus tried into notice, we invite the public to a more *convincing* proof of its almost miraculous powers to relieve the worst of all aches, the toothache, &c. GIVE IT A TRIAL, (being careful to adhere strictly to the directions given on each bottle) and let it rise or fall upon IT'S OWN MERITS. (P.S. Suffice it to say that in thousands of cases it has never failed in a single instance. It should be used after all dental operations, sore teeth, bleeding, and sprung gums, &c., and is decidedly the best tooth wash ever known, and all who have used it, have laid aside all other remedies offered as cleaners of the mouth, and purifier of the breath.)

For sale at the Drug Store or Hitt & Sawyer, Market St. Vincennes, Ind. and every town and village in the United States by proper agents. Vincennes, April 29, 1837.—48-1y.

JUST TRY ONE BOTTLE.

JUST received, and for sale, at the Drug Store of Hitt & Sawyer, Vincennes, which remedy for the Ague & Fever, invented by Horning and Nixon, which has proved itself in Ohio, most of Indiana, and the north of Illinois to be without a rival for the above complaint. As we consider puffing of no avail, we shall omit it, together with the hundreds of certificates which we can produce, and knowing that a fair trial is the proof.

Manufactured by IRVING REED,
Richmond, Ind.

Extract of a letter, dated Quincy, Illinois, August 1836.

Dr. T. Nixon.

Sir—Having sold the ague syrup, left us by your agent and from the good success which attended it—we are induced to send for more, hoping you will send us a quantity on such terms as will afford us a profit. I have used in my practice various remedies for the fever and ague, but found none so effectual to eradicate it as that prepared by you, and from my observation, have come to the conclusion, that it is a compound, found by your experience, destitute of all those deleterious medicines which predispose the system to a return of the disease, consequently, I feel no assurance in its administration, seldom entering it in regard to the generality of ague medicines, as possible dozen bottles, to the care of Messrs. Magill & Co., St. Louis—also state what you will take for the receipt.

Yours, &c.

LEVI WELLS & Co.

July 28, 1837.—8-1

LIVE AND LEARN. Tailors look here!

HAVING been appointed Agent by T. Oliver, to sell his improved shoulder measure System for cutting Garments, I take this opportunity to inform those who wish to get a system that they can put confidence in, to come forward and examine. If the purchaser finds any faults with the System in any way, he can return the same, and his money will be returned. It is easy to learn, and certainly the greatest improvement in our business that has ever come before the public. The rule is a self-variation one, and no man can make a miss-fit if he takes his measure correctly. I will also take subscribers to the Reports of Fashions. Those desirous to become subscribers will please forward their names and place of residence immediately, letters post paid.

J. N. B. The Reports will be published early in October.

L. L. WATSON.

Vincennes June 28, 1837. 5-1

FLOUR AND C. MEAL.

THE subscribers have made arrangements with Mr. Coleman, by which they will be enabled to keep constantly on hand, Flour and Corn Meal of the first quality, which they will dispose of at the market price.

THORN & TRACY.

Feb. 17, 1837.—38

VINCENNES ACADEMY.

THE next session in this Institution will commence Wednesday the 11th of June next, under the immediate superintendence of Mr. Reed Wilkinson, A. M. as Principal.

The Academic year is divided into four Terms or Sessions of eleven weeks each.

The Fall Term commences the first Wednesday in October. The Winter Term the last Wednesday in December. The Spring Term, the third Wednesday in March. The Summer Term, the second Wednesday in June.

Instruction will be given in the following branches, viz.—Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Geography, English Grammar, Intellectual and Moral Philosophy, Natural Philosophy, History, Chemistry, Rhetoric, Algebra, Navigation, Surveying, Geometry, Astronomy, Mineralogy and Botany. Also—in Latin, Greek, German and French Languages.

RATES OF TUITION.

For instruction in Reading, & Writing, per term in advance, \$4.00.

English Grammar, Common Arithmetic, & Geography, per term in advance, \$5.00

For the higher branches of English, the Ancient, the German and the French languages per term in advance, \$6.00.

Board can be had in respectable families at \$1.50 to \$2.00 per week.

N. B.—Applicants for admission will apply to Mr. William Burts, the Treasurer, for certificates.

By order of the Board of Trustees.

H. DECKER, President.

Jos. SONES, Sec'y.

Vincennes, May 28, 1837. 52-1f

COPARTNERSHIP.

THE undersigned, having entered into a partnership in the DRUG business, intend constantly keeping on hand, an extensive and general supply of

DRUGS, PAINTS, OILS,

DYE-STUFFS, PERFUMERY, &c.

and hope from their constant attention to business, to merit and receive a share of public patronage. They assure their friends and the public, that any article offered for sale by them, shall be genuine of its kind. Their terms liberal, at wholesale.

H. DECKER,

F. V. MCKEE.

DOCT. DECKER, having procured a partner who is experienced and attentive, will, at all times when called on, attend to his practice as heretofore, who, being grateful for past favors, hopes, from his attention, to merit a liberal share of patronage.

May 13, 50-1

J. N. B. The undersigned, having sold his former stock of GOODS, informs his customers that he has his books in the Drug Store, where his former customers may find him, and request they would call and settle immediately.

F. V. MCKEE.

CASH FOR WHEAT.

THE subscriber will give 100 cents (cash) per bushel for WHEAT, delivered at the Russellville steam Mill.

WM. REEVES.

Russellville, July 20, 1837. 8-1f

NOTICE.

ALL those indebted to H. D. Wheeler and A. Wheeler & Baily, whose notes are now due, and whose accounts have been due for six months, will do the subscriber a favor, and perhaps themselves by calling and settling the same immediately, as no further indulgence can be given.

H. D. WHEELER.

Vincennes, May 17 1837.—51-

NOTICE!!

THE undersigned having closed his store at the mill, and wishing to close the accounts of the same, would request those who are indebted to call and settle their respective debts.

H. D. WHEELER.

Vincennes, Aug. 9th, 1837.—11-

NOTICE.

ALL those indebted to the late firm of Smith & Carson, are again requested to call and settle their accounts, as further indulgence cannot be given. We will take in exchange for debts, or goods, Corn or Pork at the market price.

R. SMITH & CO.

Vincennes, Nov. 2d, 1836.—23-1f

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