

## STONEBRAKER - lawsuit for marked child

Source: Crawfordsville Weekly Argus News Oct 3, 1896 Mrs. Mattie Stonebraker, wife of Edward Stonebraker, of Veedersburg, has brought a \$3,000 damage suit against her father-in-law, Elias Stonebraker of Coal Creek Township, Montgomery County, for the malformation of her child. The complaint recites that the defendant brutally beat the plaintiff's husband with a club till the young man was frightfully bloody, and his face and head covered with cuts and bruises. Plaintiff was present and was greatly horrified and shocked. Four months later a child was born to her and its face and head were fearfully disfigured by red and unsightly birthmarks, similar in appearance to the cuts and bruises made on its father by the defendant. The child will go through life disfigured and hideous. Wright & Seller appear for the plaintiff. - kbz