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potatoes, which they then sold or bartered for what they needed. Now, odd jobs are few and the potatoes are gone, but the family's needs continue.

92 Mrs. V. P. recently moved to a rural area of Steuben County from an out-of-state urban area. She made the move in hopes of a better life for herself and her four children, one of whom has emotional problems. So far, her efforts to resettle have met with disappointment. The fact that she is illiterate complicates matters.

93 Mr. P. has been unemployed for several months because of a lay-off at the factory where he worked. Mrs. P., who was injured at work, is still undergoing physical therapy and is unable to return to work. They have four children living at home. The family has suffered many disappointments in their efforts to help themselves. They try to care for their needs without outside help, but they are experiencing increasing difficulty in doing so at this time.

94 The G. family lives in a trailer in rural Steuben County. Mrs. G. is a single par-

ent raising five children ranging in age from four to 14. She receives meager assistance, which she supplements by baby-sitting whenever possible.

95 M. is a widow who has her mother and two adopted sons living with her. They have never had hot water in their rural home. She needs money to buy a water heater.

96 Mrs. M. left her abusive husband and is starting a new life with her four children, ages two to seven. One child suffers from digestive problems and is in the hospital much of the time.

97 Mr. K. is suffering from cancer, but wishes to work and support his wife and two children as long as he can. He is trying to keep up payments on their trailer so the family will not lose their home. His financial difficulties add to the stress he experiences.

98 M. and C. have a one-year-old son. They are buying an older home through a rent-to-own purchasing agreement. M. recently started a new job, but injured his back lifting a heavy object the second week on the job. He expects payments from Worker's Compensation and Disability, but six weeks after the injury, he has not yet received any payments and may not for several weeks more. He is receiving medical treatment and physical therapy, and is in constant pain. C. has only been able to secure low-paying factory work, and

most of what she earns goes for groceries, utilities and childcare. They are falling behind in mortgage payments, and are afraid they may lose their home.

99 M. is a widow in her late 50s. Her youngest child, 16, still lives with her. She was not eligible for SSI when her husband died because he had left her some money. She has scrimped and saved to make what is left of the money last, but her home is old and costly to heat. The utilities — including water — were shut off several times this year. The house is up for sale, and she hopes to move into affordable housing. However, she has received no offers to purchase the house.

100 C. and G. and their three children have been having a hard time of it. C. is a self-employed handy man. He has had little steady work during the last few months. G. has only been able to secure minimum-wage jobs. She has attempted to acquire skills that

would qualify her for higher wages, but has not managed to do so yet. C. and G. frequently have to choose between food and heat during the cold-weather months.

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