

# Indiana American.

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## Purchases of Bonds and Sales of Gold to be Continued.

The Acting Secretary of the Treasury has directed the Assistant Treasurer at New York to continue the purchase of bonds and the sale of gold during September, to the same extent and in the same manner as in August.

## The International Boat Race.

The University boat race, between the Oxford and Harvard crews, on the Thames, was rowed on Friday, and resulted in the defeat of the Harvards, after a game struggle, by four boat lengths, about one hundred and seventy-five feet, and six seconds in time. The race was fair, and the Harvard crew, though defeated, have won reputation. Better time over the course has been made, but the time was better by two minutes than the average of the English contests.

## Resurvey of Distilleries.

Gen. A. D. Sowell, late Inspector General of the Freedmen's Bureau, and long one of its most efficient officers, has been appointed by Commissioner Delano to superintend the resurvey of all the distilleries of the country. The work is to be immediately organized, and will be performed with thoroughness not heretofore attained. With a view to rapidity of action the country will probably be divided into districts, in all of which the survey will be carried forward at once by the persons selected for the purpose.

## The Proposition of Our Government to Spain.

There is the very best authority for saying that the proposition made by the United States authorities to Spain to settle the Cuban question by disposing of the island to the Cubans, this country guaranteeing the payment of the bonds, has not met with any favor at Madrid. The answer of the Spanish Government to the proposition was made, however, in the most courteous and friendly manner, but consisted of a firm refusal to entertain any offers of mediation.

## The Removal of the Capital.

Washingtonians are becoming quite excited over the proposition to remove the capital. Their alarm finds vent in newspapers, leaders and communications from said old citizens. One journal publishes two columns of letters on the subject, and another discourses in the following lugubrious strain:

"The owners of our stores and dwellings depend for their rent, our merchants, mechanics and other trades people for their custom, almost wholly upon the disbursements of the Government to its employes, local contractors and others. The money thus disbursed is drained out of the city month by month almost as soon as it leaves the Government coffers, for there is scarcely a thing we need to eat, to wear, or for any other use produced among us. They are all purchased elsewhere. When we reflect that the inhabitants of the city number nearly one hundred thousand, while the employes of the Government are scarcely one in twelve of this population, the impossibility of our people prospering under existing conditions is itself evident. People with capital to invest go on building stores, restaurants, and other trading places, while others rent them and stock them with goods, apparently regardless of the question where customers are to come from."

The financial record of the Republican party is exceedingly brilliant. \$250,000,000 of the public debt has been paid in three years, while France during the same period has added to its debt \$150,000,000, and every European nation but Great Britain has followed in the same direction. During the fiscal year taxes have been abated to the amount of \$60,000,000. The appropriations for the coming year show a reduction of \$36,000,000 in ordinary expenditures, and \$26,000,000 in extraordinary, making in all a reduction of \$82,000,000. The amount already paid toward the reduction of the debt has never been equalled (in the same length of time) by any nation in the world.

The Gazette is credibly informed that Gen. Rosecrans' letter of declination was received by the Democratic State Committee on the 16th ultmo, and remained in their hands more than a week. We do not wonder that they hesitated to publish it. Indeed, nothing less than compulsion could have induced them to let it be printed at all.

The Atlanta (Ga) Constitution, hitherto a warm ally of the Northern Democracy, now discovers that it is a party whose name is a synonym of disaster, and urges that a new combination of all the elements of Southern conservatism be made.

John Quincy Adams, in his speech accepting the Democratic nomination for Governor of Massachusetts, declared it to be the duty of the Democracy to abandon dead issues by accepting the established fact of universal and unqualified suffrage.

The demands on the Treasury for fractional currency are so great, and the amounts required so large, that to supply them would necessitate an issue of currency at the rate of \$2,000 a day for a year to come.

Hon George W. Julian has returned from his California trip.

The Harvards, though beaten by six seconds of time, in their rowing match with the Oxfords, acquitted themselves in a manner highly creditable. They were at disadvantage in plying the oar in strange waters, and especially with the additional weight of a coxswain, to whom they are not accustomed at home. A return match, on Charles river, next year, may rightfully be expected, when the result, compared with that of Friday, will afford a fair test of the respective muscle and skill of the two sets of College students and amateur boatmen.

The representatives of an English colony of 1,200 families have purchased of the Kansas Pacific Railway 32,000 acres of rolling prairie, in one body, lying northwest of Junction City, Kansas, and about ten miles from the line of the road, at an average price of \$3.75 per acre. Eighteen members of the colony have already arrived and commenced the improvement of the lands. The colony is composed of a good class of immigrants, and each member is represented to have sufficient means to stock his farm. Most of them will reach Kansas during the coming fall and spring.

Secretary Rawlins is prostrated with a severe attack of hemorrhage of the lungs. The international boat race on the Thames is said to have been witnessed by "probably a million of people."

The Junction Railroad now runs an extra freight train to move the accumulations of grain, etc., along its line. It is stated that Commissioner Delano will, in his annual report, recommend an increase of the tax on whisky to one dollar.

Rosecrans is about to organize a company to build a railroad from the city of Mexico to Acapulco on the Pacific coast.

A gentleman in Missouri has received a letter from Chief Justice Chase in which he announces that he is out of all political movements for the future.

All the distilleries in the country are to be carefully surveyed in order to ascertain their exact condition prior to the enforcement of the revised regulations.

Evidences of the untruthfulness of the dispatch announcing the rejection of the Burlingame treaties by the Chinese Government continue to accumulate.

Senator Morton has accepted an invitation to deliver the opening lecture before the Lyceum Lecture Association, at Providence, Rhode Island, this fall.

President Stanton, of Miami University, is now in Washington making an effort to secure a detail of army officers to take charge of a military department to be established in the University.

The St. Louis mortality list for the hot week just past, shows very plainly what has been the state of the weather there. Seventeen deaths from apoplexy, nineteen from convulsions, twelve from sun-stroke, twenty from fevers, sixteen from diarrhoea, and thirty-one from cholera infantum.

The success which attended the opening of the Ohio campaign by Senator Morton, has induced the Republicans of Pennsylvania to invite the Senator to inaugurate their campaign for them at Pittsburg on the 2d of September.

R. F. Sprout, formerly editor of the Evansville Courier, was arrested at Indianapolis, on Friday, on charge of conspiring with Perry Fuller and others, to defraud the Government. He will be taken to New Orleans, where an indictment is pending against him, for trial.

Colonel J. Madison Cutts, brother-in-law of the late Senator S. A. Douglas, publishes in the Chicago Journal a reply to the Washington lobby article in the September Atlantic Monthly. Colonel Cutts refutes the charge that Senator Douglas secured the passage of the Illinois Central Railroad Land Grant bill through Congress by corrupt means, and presents a history of that grant.

Though the Vermont election is less than three weeks off, and that of Maine less than four weeks off, there is not the slightest political animation in either State. No public meetings are being held, the local papers scarcely allude to the subject, and with the people themselves, the questions of Pendleton or Hays in Ohio, and Packer or Geary in Pennsylvania, are of much more interest.

There seems to be a chance for a lively row between the Mormons and the United States Government. The revenue officers have received instructions to tax the church property of the Mormons, and the many-wives are enraged. It is thought the Mormon officials will not submit, and Brigham now has a chance to execute the threat he made to Senator Trumbull, to put the obnoxious officers outside of the Territory.

There is a growing interest in favor of the Chinese among Sunday-school workers on the Pacific Coast. In San Francisco the Howard Street Methodist Episcopal Church has forty Chinese pupils. Church of the Advent has thirty. Howard Street Presbyterian has one hundred and twenty-five. Other churches have Chinese schools of considerable numbers. Some three hundred are being taught in the different Sunday-schools, besides the large number in the Presbyterian mission, in charge of Mr. Loomis. They are docile, eager to learn, and the number of schools is limited only by the supply of teachers.

Items of State News.

The General Synod of the German Lutheran Church met at Fort Wayne on the 1st inst. It was composed of over one thousand delegates.

The Evansville Journal has received a triple apple, each apple being well formed and with a distinct stem, but all compactly joined together.

Indiana bids fair to rival Pennsylvania as an iron producing and manufacturing State.

James McVey and Henry Arnold, farmers residing near Greencastle, were instantly killed by lightning, on Wednesday afternoon. They were at work on the farm some distance from the house, when, a shower coming up, they sought shelter under a tree, which was struck by lightning.

At Salem, on Sunday, Moses Hahn was struck by a man named McLane, with a gun, and the blow is thought to be fatal.

The trial of Abrams, for the murder of Mr. and Mrs. Young, at Indianapolis, commenced on Tuesday of this week.

A New Albany drayman, named Quinn, was run over by a horse, near Jeffersonville, recently, while hunting a horse-thief, and died immediately.

Near Muncie, last week, a little boy named John Decker, sent out to gather some roasting ears, was struck dead by lightning.

James G. Espy, of Rising Sun, has a fifty-acre potato patch, from which it is calculated ten thousand bushels of potatoes will be gathered this year. They go to the Southern market.

Jerome Sweet, one of the old settlers of Noble County, fell dead last Tuesday evening.

The fire cisterns at South Bend are self-supplying and inexhaustible. They are dug down to the water, and it runs in as fast as pumped out.

A horse, at Cochrane, lay down along side the railroad track, and, forgetting to switch off his tail, a train coming along rudely cut it off.

The roof of the New Albany Commercial building was fired three times, on Tuesday, from the intense heat of the sun. It is a tar and gravel roof.

A young man named Clement Conirth, near Peoria, was examining his gun, on Monday, when its hammer struck the porch where he was standing, and, discharging it, the contents passed through his hand, shattering it severely.

On Tuesday week Joseph Macy, living near Liberty, let an ax fall from his shoulder, which struck and penetrated his back, severing an artery. He will recover.

On last Tuesday week Caleb Leonard, of Tipton County, went to the woods to cut slave timber, and, while chopping, a large oak a limb fell upon him, crushing his skull and causing instant death. He was alone at the time of the accident.

His family becoming alarmed at his protracted absence, commenced a search in the woods and found his body about 10 o'clock at night.

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First District—Buck, Radical, 14,079; Mann, Democrat, 12,004; Buck's majority, 2,075.

Second District—Buckley, Radical, 14,910; Worthy, Democrat, 10,860; Buckley's majority, 4,050.

Third District—Heflin, Radical, 9,893; Parkinson, Democrat, 9,652; Heflin's majority, 141.

Fourth District—Hays, Radical, 16,361; Dustin, Conservative Republican, 1,830; Read, Democrat, 3,005; Hays' majority, 10,526.

Fifth District—Dox, Democrat, 5,964; Harrison, Radical, 4,545; Dox's majority, 1,419.

Sixth District—Sherwood, Democrat, 4,949; Hinds, Radical, 3,281; Haughey, Radical, 1,025; Sherwood's majority, 643.

Ho. John A. Bingham, in a little off-hand speech at Mount Union College, near Alliance, Ohio, on the 25th ult., said to the students and other auditors present:

Your excellent President dropped the remark in your hearing that I was a worker. We are all workers and builders together. "Work is worship" was the maxim of the old monk. Out of it comes all that is achieved by man, and hence "there is no excellence without labor." In the words of one of England's great thinkers, "All true labor is sacred." There is a divinity in it, from the labor of the hand up to the labor of the brain and heart, which includes all of Kepler's calculations, all of Newton's meditations, all noted heroisms and martyrdoms up to that agony of bloody sweat which all men have called divine.

Indiana is going wild on the question of taxing counties to build railroads, and there is great danger that some counties will seriously embarrass themselves by such action.

Mrs. Stanton defends Lady Byron as the noblest woman who ever trod the face of the earth. Her remarks were drawn forth by Theodore Tilton's expression of a wish that Mrs. Stowe could keep a secret.

For many years Governor Morton has been a regular colporteur in the service of the Radical party of Ohio. [Cincinnati Enquirer.

That's so, and he has left his tracks in the State to the sad discomfiture of the political Satan.—Cleveland Herald.

Rev. J. L. G. McKown, the recent pastor of Union Chapel, Methodist Episcopal Church, having severed that connection, by his election and acceptance of the Presidency of Albion College, Michigan, will leave this city during the coming week for his new work.—Cincinnati Commercial.

A trial took place, last week, at Lawrenceburg, before a Justice of the Peace, and the weather being very hot, the court sat out in the street, under the shade, trees near the justice's office. The jury couldn't agree, and were out all night.

A prisoner who escaped from the penitentiary at Michigan City, about two

years ago, concealed in a hogshead of brushes and sent outside the walls by some contractors, has just been re-entitled in New York, and returned to his old quarters.

A child belonging to Benjamin Carter, of Lebanon, burst an eyeball last week, during a violent fit of coughing.

The track of the Jeffersonville Railroad is being laid with new iron made at the New Albany Rolling Mill.

A wealthy German merchant of Michigan City has taken out a life insurance policy bequeathing two thousand dollars to the poor of that place.

Floyd County produces more and finer fruit than any county in Indiana.

The late rains about Crawfordsville have given the corn a new start.

John Rauch, of Evansville, cut a stalk of corn with thirteen ears on it, last Friday.

A little daughter, eighteen months old, of Ezra Albright, died at Goshen, last Wednesday, from the effects of swallowing a penny.

An attempt was made, on Monday evening, about three miles from Madison, to rob Dr. S. L. Adair, of Clark County. He escaped by putting spurs to his horse.

During the last six weeks, there have been shipped from the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad depot, at Washington, Daviess County, one hundred and twenty hogsheads of tobacco, the largest portion of which came from Dubois County.

Dr. Engleman, the burglar arrested some weeks ago at Madison, is dangerously sick. He desires to turn State's evidence, and professes to be able to make revelations that will bring many others to justice, but the Prosecuting Attorney will not consent.

Father Patrick Murphy, a Catholic clergyman, of Rock Island, Illinois, was killed on Friday evening, at the crossing of the Ohio and Mississippi and the Evansville and Crawfordsville roads, near Vincennes. He fell between the cars, while attempting to pass from one platform to another, and was run over by the train and killed instantly, his body being terribly mangled.

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