



THE CENTINEL.

VINCENNES: APRIL 1, 1820.

"The long agony is over!" The territory of Missouri is admitted as a member of the American family. After a long and most violent discussion, in which the best talents in the Union were engaged, in which "Greek met Greek" in the varied contest of principle and expediency, both parties appear to have grounded arms, at least contented with their respective acquisitions. A reference to the 8th section of the act will show the terms upon which a compromise was effected.

This event must give pleasure to the real patriot—as it stopped the progress of a most dangerous sentiment, which, we believe, for the first time, was seriously gaining ground among the Representatives of the people—we mean, the possibility of a dissolution of the Union. This idea, which no citizen should harbor without horror, was repeatedly advanced on the floor of Congress, and even threatened by men whose lips should have been palsied at the thought. But it is over—each party has gained as much as it expected, and none can be dissatisfied with the result.

Public Lands

An Act changing the mode of selling the Public Lands, from the present Credit to prompt Cash, passed the Senate of the United States, 31 to 7, on the 9th inst. (Mr. Taylor, of this state, in the affirmative, and Mr. Noble, in the negative.) This bill provides that, after the first day of July next, the lands may be sold in 80 acre lots, at One Dollar twenty five Cents per acre.

The Bill to suspend for a limited time the sale or forfeiture of Lands for failure in making payment, also passed the Senate on that day, and both bills sent to the other House for concurrence.

COMMUNICATION.

MARRIED—On Thursday the 23d inst. by James Wasson, Esq. Mr. PHILIP HOOVER to Miss JANE HALL, of Carlisle.

On Tuesday the 28th inst. by the Rev. S. T. Scott, Mr. EDWARD H. PIPER, of Crawford Co. Illinois, to the amiable Miss ANNA BLACKBURN, of Sullivan Co. Indiana.

Election.

BY VIRTUE of two Writs of Election, to me directed, by his Excellency JONATHAN JENNINGS, Governor and Commander in Chief of the State of Indiana, There will be an Election holden in the several townships in this county, on

MONDAY, the 17th of APRIL next, For two Associate Judges, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of John Ewing and John B. Brennan, Esqs.—At which time, and at the proper places, the Inspectors, Judges and Clerks of Elections will please be punctual in their attendance.

B. V. Beckes,

Sheriff Knox County.

Knox County, March 28, 1820.

WASHINGTON, March 3.

The Question settled!

We most heartily congratulate our readers—we felicitate our fellow-citizens generally, that the Missouri question is SETTLED.

The few past days have been a trying time in Congress; but the trial has passed, and we look now only for harmony and conciliation on all sides.

The spectacle, in this country very rare, was exhibited at Hagerstown, Md on the 25th ultimo, of three men executed at once, for murder. William Cotterill, sen. and William Cotterill jun. and John Cotterill, sons of the first named, were hung, pursuant to their sentence, for the murder of a person of the name of Adams, the atrocity of which our readers will generally remember. John, the youngest son, addressed the multitude, and acknowledged the guilt of his brother and himself, but asserted the innocence of the father. William, the eldest son, concurred in the declaration of his father's innocence; and the old man persisted to the last in declaring that he was innocent, but affirmed that he was prepared to die. The catastrophe was an awful and afflictive one. It is shocking to see an innocent man put to death as a guilty one; and almost as shocking to see a man brought to his dread account with falsehood on his lips.

WASHINGTON, March 6.

The subject which has occupied so much of the time of the present Congress, being now happily disposed of, the other matters depending before both Houses may be expected to receive the attention due to them. Among these, the several appropriations laws, will be among the first, as most urgently requiring attention. Last Saturday

was the day for the semi-annual payment to the Revolutionary pensioners. By some arrangements of the Branch Bank in this place, provision was made for paying the claimants here, who thronged the door of the Bank at an early hour, notwithstanding the public notice previously given. We fear, however, that no such arrangement has been made with regard to the other Branches; and, from what we saw here, we can imagine the disappointment and dismay of the veterans whom it has been necessary to turn away empty handed from the portals of the Bank, because no appropriation has been made for paying them. In Boston and other New-England towns, where the pensioners are more numerous than in the Middle and Southern States, the scene must have been distressing—particularly as many of the pensioners have travelled from a distance to receive the promised bounty of the government.

The late News from SPAIN is fully confirmed by private letters; though no later intelligence has been received than that already published.

WASHINGTON, March 7.

The bill authorizing the people of Missouri Territory to form a constitution and state government, and for the admission of the same into the Union on an equal footing with the original states [without the restriction] having received the signature of the President of the United States, has become a law.

The people of the Missouri Territory are thus relieved from a state of suspense in which the people of the United States generally have largely participated. It would be unjust not to say, that through the whole business, at the present session as well as the last, their Delegate, Mr. Scott, has displayed a zeal and discretion which entitle him to the thanks and confidence of his constituents.

The whole of yesterday was occupied by the House of Representatives in the consideration of the Navy Appropriation Bill. The Debate, though desultory, was interesting, as relieving the house and the galleries from the monotony of the Missouri Question, and operating on them something like a shower after a drought, refreshing the senses, and reviving the drooping faculties.

WASHINGTON, March 11.

The House of Representatives is busily engaged on the Appropriation Bills, every item of which is contested with some animation. The state of the Treasury has produced a vigilance on the score of appropriations of public money, not unsalutary certainly, but entirely unprecedented in its strictness.

Having determined to hold on to the Navy, the House has now also determined to go on with the Fortifications.

The Military Academy yesterday underwent the ordeal, and came out unhurt. It was admitted, however, that there were some defects in the system of its government, which required remedy; and it was suggested, that there were abuses which required reform.

To-day the Missouri Expedition is expected to have its trial.

Militia Election.

Candidates for Colonel, of the 1st Regiment 1st Brigade, 6th Division Indiana Militia. Lieut. Col. HYACINTH LASSELLE, Captain ROBERT BUNTIN, Junior.

Candidates for Lieutenant Colonel, Major PIERRE ANDRE, Captain JOHN MYERS, JAMES B. MCALL.

For Major,

JAMES P. BADOLLET, JOSHUA L. HOLMES.

Candidates for Office.

The following gentlemen are candidates for the following offices, for this county, arranged in the order in which we received their names—

FOR SHERIFF.

John Decker.

Valentine J. Bradley

Samuel Parr

James Nabb.

John Scott

ASSOCIATE JUDGE.

Wm. R. McCall

Samuel Adams,

John McDonald, Esq.

Mark Barnett

Henry Ruble.

David Brown.

The following remarkable anecdote was handed to us by a gentleman on whom we can rely, and who is well acquainted with the subjects of it.—W. Spg.

"David Wilson, of Port William, Gallatin county Ky. is 81 years of age. He had four wives, and by them forty-two children. His second wife had five children, at two births, in eleven months. Mr. W. has but two ribs in his body, there being a solid smooth bone on each side. He is a man of small stature, and very active. He is a native of Pennsylvania, converses with ease and affability, and supports his family by labor. He has worn a hat twenty-three years, which is still passably decent."

[* On seeing this we can venture to tell what a Missouri woman did, who brought her husband three children the first year of their marriage; three the second; and four the third; in all ten children in the three years. The parties live in the neighborhood of Mine a Breton; and it is said that judicial proof can be furnished of the fact. If furnished it will be published.]

St. Louis Eng.

Pennsylvania. The report of the committee of enquiry, which exonerated Gov. Findley from all the charges preferred against him, has been accepted by the house of representatives—ayes 62, noes 31.

An Irishman dined where the conversation turned on fish—one expressed himself in favor of Mackerel, another was fond of Shad, and another preferred Salmon. "By Jassus" says Paddy, "of all the fish in the sea, give me Bacon and Pies."

PERSIAN ANECDOTE.

A sage was asked what was the most valuable piece of information that he had ever acquired? "I learnt from a blind man," (he replied) "never to lift a foot until I had previously with my stick, ascertained the ground on which I was to put it down again."—What a lesson to logicians, and all engaged in philosophical enquiries!

A LOVE SONG.

A pud in is almi des ire:
Munis tres In ev erre qui re.
Alo veri fudit a gestis;
His mi seri ne verat restis!
Bon, hercis agro at, an daquar to fine ale,
Fora ringature, nos, an dastring at ure tale!

NEW GOODS.

75 Packages,

Consisting of

DRY GOODS,

HARDWARE & GROCERIES,

Received this day---for sale by

R.M. PANSON,

MARKET STREET,

Next door to C. Greater, Esq's Hotel.

Vincennes, 26th March.

50—4f

COW for sale.

FOR SALE—a good MILCH COW, with a young calf.

Inquire at this Office.

Vincennes, 18th March. 49f

Regimental Orders.

THE OFFICERS, Non-Commissioned Officers, Musicians and Privates of the First Regiment Indiana Militia, are hereby notified that an Election will be held at the Court House in Vincennes, on Saturday the First day of April ensuing, for a

COLONEL, LIEUT. COLONEL,

and a MAJOR,

to command the said Regiment.

H. Lasselle,

Lieut. Col. Comm. 1st Reg.

Indiana Militia.

Vincennes, 15th March, 1820.

State of Indiana, Vigo

County.

In the Circuit Court, February Term, 1820.

Roxana Wilson, Compt. In Chancery.

vs. William Wilson, Deft. } Petition for Dis-

miss.

The Complainant by Thomas H. Blake, her

Counsel, this day filed her bill and it appearing

to the satisfaction of the Court, the de-

fendant is not an inhabitant of this state, it

is ordered, that unless the said defendant

shall appear here on or before the next term

of this Court, to answer the complainant's

bill, the same will be taken as confessed, and a

decree entered up accordingly, and it is fur-

ther ordered, that a copy of this order be in-

serted three weeks successively in the Indi-

ana Centinel, printed in this state, and that

this cause be continued to the next term of

this court.

A Copy,

Attest.

CURTIS GILBERT, Clerk.

Terre Haute, March 8th, 1820. 49-3w

Taken UP

BY Joseph Cardinal, at Fort Snyc, Knox

county, one

Bay Mare Colt

Three years old, appraised at Five dollars.

One sorrel Horse Colt,

Four years old, one white hind foot—ap-

praised at Five dollars, by John Myers,

and Martin Reiley.

I certify the above to be a true copy from

my Estray Book.

J. C. REILEY, J. P.

Vincennes, March 14

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NOTICE.

A Special meeting of the VINCENNES MECHANICS BENEVOLENT SOCIETY, is requested on Monday evening at 7 o'clock, at the Office of John C. Reiley Esq.

H. RUBLE, Prest.

P. S. Punctual attendance is requested, on business of importance.

March 25

Sheriff's Sale.

BY VIRTUE of an Execution to me directed, against the Goods and Chattels, Lands and Tenements of TRUMAN FORD, I shall expose to Sale at Public Auction, on the 1st day of April next, at the Court-house door in Terre Haute, for current money, the following Lots of Land, or so much of them as will satisfy said Execution, to wit:

The S. E. Qr. Sec. 35, in Town 15, N. of

R. 11. W.

N. W. Qr. Sec. 2, Town 14 N. of R. 11

West.

N. E. Qr. Sec. 2, Town 14 N. of R. 12

West.

For L. H. SCOTT, Shff. V. C.

JOHN T. KING, Dep'y.

Terre Haute, 18th March, 1820. 50-2

Lands for sale.

I WILL SELL all my Landed Possessions in Vigo County—Consisting, first, of the Farm on which I now reside, containing 209 Acres, on Honey Creek Prairie, 110 acres of which are in complete cultivation, with a good Meadow, a young Orchard, of both Peach and Apple Trees, a comfortable Dwelling House, two stories high, a Kitchen, Smoke House, a good Double Barn, &c. It is in every view as desirable a situation as any in the state of Indiana; being on the main road from Vincennes to Fort Harrison, and well adapted to Public Business, with good Sugar Camps, Timber, Prairie, excellent Springs, and a Stone Quarry.

One Quarter Section on Prairie Creek, comprehending both Prairie and Timber, a good Mill Seat, 40 acres in cultivation, with a good Cabin—Another Quarter Section on Grand Prairie, allowed to be the best Lot on that Prairie, comprehending both Timber and Prairie of the first Quality, being in Section 9, Township 14, of Range 11.

Nine and a half Quarter Sections on the head of Honey Creek, with an equal portion of Prairie and Timber.

These Lots will be sold separately, or all together, at a low price, and credit for a part thereof. A great bargain will be given to any person purchasing the whole, and the manner of payment made easy, by

JOHN F. THOMPSON.

March 15, 1820.

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