

MISCELLANY.

FROM THE LYNCHBURG VIRGINIAN.
AUCTION EXTRAORDINARY.
I dreamt a dream in the midst of my slumbers,
And as fast as I dreamt, it was coined into
numbers:
It seem'd that a law had been recently made,
That a tax on old bachelors' pates should be
laid,
And in order to make them all willing to mar-
ry,

The tax was as large as a man could well carry.
The bachelors grumbled and said 'twas no use,
It was downright injustice and horrid abuse
And declared, to save their heart's blood from
spilling,

Of such a vile tax they would ne'er pay a shil-
ling,

But the rulers determined their plan to pursue,
So they set all the bachelors up at vendue;
A crier was sent thro' the town to and fro,
To rattle his bell, and his trumpet to blow,
And to bawl out to all he might meet on the
way,

Ho! forty old bachelors sold here to-day!
And presently all the old maids in the town,
Each one in her very best bonnet and gown;
From thirty to sixty, fair, plain, red and pale,
Of every description all flocked to the sale.

The auctioneer then in his service began,
And called out aloud as he held up a man,
Here is an old bachelor—who wants to buy?

In a twink every maiden responded, Hurray!

In short at a huge and extravagant price,
The bachelors all were sold off in a trice,

And forty bright maidens, some younger, some
older

Each bidden an old bachelor home on her
shoulder.

FROM THE DELAWARE GAZETTE.

THE POLITICAL DRAMA.

"As an idle spectator in the lobby, I surveyed
the scene."

The grand political drama has closed,
and the tragedians have retired and left
the stage to silence. It was such a drama
as never gilded the brilliant imagination
of Shakespeare, and never roused
the unrivaled powers of the immortal
Voltaire. Before my dazzled fancy, the
scenes changed every moment with in-
credible velocity, and all the belligerent
and bellicose powers of the mind were
enlisted in the mighty contest. Never,
since this colossal republic started up
from the ruins of an Indian empire—not
even in the days of the venerable sage,
who sleeps in the sacred tomb of Monti-
cello, has such a tempest of contending
principles shook the foundations of the
temple of liberty. All the passions of
the human heart—yea, even the shad-
owy spirits of the mighty dead, that have
slumbered for years in their marble
tombs, were called forth in a tangible
form to the great battle. The gloomy
doors of the dark mausoleum have been
entered, and the silent relics of the de-
parted made to speak. The press hath
groaned beneath the mountain load of
political exaggeration, and the country
deluged with the stormy sea of sarcas-
tic vituperation. Like the deadly Si-
mon, that sweeps the sands of Syria—
even as the whirlwind of Heaven, ar-
med with lightning; it swept over the
earth and scathed and blighted every ob-
ject in its path. Not more exterminat-
ing was the war when the wild Hungar-
ian rushed down with his savage host,
like a flood from the Carpathian hills,
and beat with irresistible fury at the
gates of Italy. Not more impetuous was
the gleaming sword of Mahomet, when
he called forth the wandering Arab and
the Tartar horde, and buried in Byzan-
tium's tomb the tottering liberties of clas-
sic Greece.

Not more invertebrate were the sons of France,
When forth to meet the Moslem host they
rush'd;

And while the crescent gleam'd in terror fill'd
The breach with bones of slaughter'd Saracens

The gluttony of gold, and the lazy moth
of luxury, have been styled the sad fore-
runners of a country's downfall. Spain
expired beneath a plethora of gold.
But may not intestine battles of the
mind and intellectual wars bring on de-
struction. Witness poor Poland, swal-
lowed up by the colossus of the north,
and not a vestige left of former great-
ness. Why did the mistress of the world,
the mighty Rome, upon whose walls
waved flags of every nation, fall. Lux-
ury and inglorious ease was not the lead-
ing cause, but the worst passions of the
human breast. When the tremendous
storm of war bursted upon her, and the
savage Goth and Vandal beat furiously
at her gates, she had not submitted
without a glorious struggle, had she not
been at war with herself. Caesar did
not subvert her liberties, neither did
Cromwell and Bonaparte overrun the
thrones of England and France. They
were but the instruments, the way was
prepared by the dissolute principals of a
factious and degraded people. When
Greece, the mother of science of the arts
submitted to the Roman yoke, her litera-
ture alone survived the general wreck,
all else debased. And when the wild
war-horse of the savage Scythian tram-
pled to the dust the remaining fragments
of her ancient grandeur, she had not
yielded tamely to the prophet's sword,
had not her factious sons hastened the
destiny which awaited her. Lovely Ve-
nus thronged like a sea Cybele on her
hundred isles, is another example of in-
temperate zeal and headstrong faction.

All history is replete with the evil ten-
dency of political junta. We ascribe
the downfall of the Roman, the Grecian,
and many other empires to the ambition
of a conqueror, or some other partial
cause; but the cause is a general evil no
less than the corruption of the greater
part or the whole. Shall our republic
in the most enlightened era of the world,
and in the first century of its greatness,
be doomed to the melancholy fate of its
predecessors? Shall the intemperate
spirit of faction, sit like another Jove, on
the Olympus of Liberty, and burl her
lightnings in destructive fury—or like
bloated superstition in the night of time,
sit tottering on her throne of adamant,
and crush with a giant arm, the glorious
march of mind? Heaven forbid! And
may Heaven defend those brilliant institu-
tions, nurtured and fostered by Colum-
bia's brightest and bravest sons. May the
Genius of Liberty strangle in the
cradle the Hydra-headed monster of faction,
and crush to death in its infancy
the Vampire of unlawful ambition. May
the great God of nature inspire the peo-
ple with a proper spirit, and then shall
the envious Albion never feast her eyes
on the ruins of Columbia, and then shall
she flourish, the wonder of the world,
and the brightest garden of the globe.

MILFORD BARD.

NOTICE.
ALL persons indebted to the subscriber by
a book account or note, are requested
to call and make immediate payment or give a
judgment and save cost, as no further indul-
gence can be given.

He would also inform the public that he
still continues to carry on the

Tinning Business

in all its branches, at the old stand on High
Street, south west of the market house, Lawrenceburg,
and that he will be able at all times
to accommodate customers and others with
new work or repair old with despatch.

WILLIAM KELL.

Oct. 25, 1828. 42-6w.

Administrator's Notice.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of Jona-
than Dayton, (late of New Jersey) dec'd. are
required to make immediate payment; and
all persons having claims against said estate,
are required to present them, duly proven, or
authenticated, agreeably to law, within one year
from the date hereof, to either the subscriber or
Cincinnati, or to George H. Dunn Esq. at the
place for settlement.

O. M. SPENCER. Adm'r.
of the estate of Jonathan Dayton, deceased.

Lawrenceburg a., Oct. 8, 1828. 40-6w

Valuable Real Estate for Sale.

 BY virtue of a decree of
the Dearborn circuit
Court will be sold under the
direction of the subscriber, administrator of the
estate of Jonathan Dayton, deceased, on the
premises in the county of Dearborn, in the
State of Indiana, on the 24th day of November
next at eleven o'clock in the forenoon of that
day, section number 16, and fractional sections
number 14 & 15 in Township No. 4, range No.
1 west, containing about 1294 acres.

Terms and conditions of sale made known
by application to George H. Dunn, attorney at
law, at Lawrenceburg, or to the subscriber
at Cincinnati.

O. M. SPENCER.
October 15, 1828. 41-1s.

 TAKEN UP
On the 22d of September, 1828,
by J. B. Buffington, of Laughery
township, Dearborn county, Indi-
ana, a ROAN MARE, three years
old past—about 14 1-2 hands high—
a blaze in the face—both hind feet white—hip
shot—no other marks or brands perceptible.

Appraised to fifteen dollars by Henry Miller
and Benjamin Brian. Given under my hand and
seal, this 4th of October 1828.

WILLIAM FLAKE, j. p. [seal].
44-3w

A. HILL---Tailor,

RESPECTFULLY informs the citizens of
Lawrenceburg and its vicinity, that he has
commenced the

TAILORING BUSINESS,
next door above John Gray's Inn. From an ex-
perience of 18 years at the business, he dares himself
to say that he can render general satisfaction
to those who may give him a call.

Lawrenceburg, Oct. 24th, 1828. 45

Land for sale.

OFFER for sale the undivided half of the
superior tract of land, situated immediately
below the mouth of Tanner's Creek, and front-
ing on the Ohio River, containing about 290
acres, 80 acres of which is under cultivation,
and having two tenable houses, &c. A lib-
eral credit may be given. Apply to
W. W. GREENE,
Of Cincinnati, O.
Lawrenceburg, Nov. 13, 1828. 45-7w

Military Notice.

THE Court of Assessment of fines not being
held on the 1st Monday in November 1828,
This is therefore to notify all persons whom it
may concern that the Court of Assessment of
fines for the 55th Regiment of Indiana Militia,
is directed to be held at the house of H. Dill,
on Saturday, the 22d day of November, 1828,
agreeably to the 45th section of an act regu-
lating the Militia, approved January 20th, 1824.

The Court of Appeals will be held at the
house of Henry Dill, on the first Monday in De-
cember next. The field officers & captains will
attend, to alter company bounds and set off new
companies on the last mentioned day.

JOHN SPENCER. Col. Comdt.
55th Reg. I. M.
November 19th, 1828.

JOB-PRINTING
OF ALL KINDS NEATLY EXECU-
TED AT THIS OFFICE.

RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURES.

ACCOUNT of the expenditures and receipts of the County of Dearborn for the year
commencing the 6th day of November, 1827, and ending the 6th day of November,
1828, both days inclusive.

Judges.

DR. For this sum paid Solomon Manwaring for services as associate Judge, \$48 00
" John Livingston, " " " 48 00 \$96 00

Juries.

For this sum paid grand Jurors, " " " 60 00

For this sum paid petit Jurors, " " " 111 00 171 00

Sheriffs.

For this sum paid Thomas Longley, sheriff, for extra services, " 69 69

For this sum paid Thomas Longley, reward paid for reclaiming I. Couch, 25 00

For " " advertising Couch, 1 00

For " " advertising school section election, 6 00

For this sum paid John Spencer, sheriff, for re-summoning grand & petit juries Oct. term, 1828, 8 00

For " " for advertising school section election second time, 8 25 117 94

Constables.

For this sum paid John Saltmarsh, constable, for services, attending courts and juries, 10 00

For " William Tucker, " " " 5 00

For " Jesse Laird, " " " 5 00

For " Hiram W. Cloud, " " " 10 00

For " Isaac Spencer, deputy sheriff, " " " 11 00 41 00

Court House Expenses and Rents.

For this sum paid Thomas Hogshier for furnishing wood, making fires, &c. 8 75

For this sum paid Thomas Palmer for rent of grand jury room, April term 1828, 1 50

For this sum paid Richard Prest for making fires and rent of jury room, " " 4 00

For this sum paid Trustees of M. E. Church for rent of ditto for court, " " 15 00

For this sum paid Jesse Hunt rent of room and fire for probate and supervisors courts 10 50

For this sum paid Joseph Fitch rent of room for grand jury, October term 1828, 2 00 41 25

Jail Expenses, Repairs, &c.

For this sum paid John B. Carrington repairs to jail, 64 25

For this sum paid Joseph Morgan iron for do. 23 74

For " Norval Sparks do do. 17 68 3-4

For " Buell & Dunn do do. 1 50

For " William Tate steps for do. 2 50 109 67 3-4

Dieting Prisoners and Fuel for Jail.

For this sum paid William Cook, jailor, for dieting Paul Swift, a prisoner 3 37 1-2

For " ditto do E. Bishop do 1 87 1-2

For " ditto do Mary Greathouse do 2 50

For " ditto do James Fitzpatrick do 14 06 1-4

For " ditto do Isaiah Couch do 43 43 3-4

For " ditto do John D. Myers do 1 87 1-2

For " ditto do James Smith do 1 25

For " ditto do Jerril Sullivan do 5 00

For " ditto do fire-wood for do 3 25 76 62 1-2

Defence of Criminals.

For this sum paid Stephen S. Hardin, attorney at law, for defending J. Smith, a pauper, 5 00

For " Edwin G. Pratt, do John D. Myers do 5 00 10 00

Commissioners' Court for Perpetuating Testimony.

For this sum paid Arthur St. Clair, commissioner for perpetuating testimony 15 00

For " John Porter, do do do 57 00

For " Daniel Hagerman, Clerk to commissioners do 164 37 236 37

Clerk, Stationary, &c.

For this sum paid James Dill, clerk, for extra services to circuit court & supervisors court, 70 00

For " ditto for record books & stationary for clerk & recorder's offices, 27 50

Assessors of Taxable Property, 1828.

For this sum paid John Godley, assessing taxable property in Logan township, 12 00

For " Isaac Caldwell, do do Kelso do 10 00

For " Cyrus Mills, do do Manchester do 16 00

For " Thos. Lamberton do do Sparta do 12 00

For " Arch'd McCabe, do do Cesar-creek do 12 00