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Buffalo, Dec. 17.

Well known, by the western mail that an open boat, some 2 weeks since, left Erie for Detroit, with three men, one woman and 5 or 6 children on board. A few days afterwards the boat was discovered on the bar, bottom upwards. The crew is supposed to be lost.

GENEVA, (N. Y.) Dec. 25.

**Melancholy Accident.**—On Saturday morning last, two men, named Joseph Ward and John Griffiths, were drowned in the Seneca Lake, but a few rods from the shore, opposite this village. They were unloading wood from off a schooner into a smaller vessel, and the wood being somewhat icy, gave way, and plunged them both under water. They remained in this situation for the space of thirty minutes before any assistance could be rendered, when they were both taken out entirely lifeless.

## The Constitution.

OF

THE STATE OF INDIANA,  
Adopted in convention, at Corydon,  
on the 29th day of June, 1816,  
and of the independence of the  
United States, the fortieth.

## CONCLUDED.

Sec. 2. Every person who shall be chosen or appointed to any office of trust or profit, under the authority of this state, shall, before entering on the duties of said office, take an oath or affirmation before any person lawfully authorized to administer oaths, to support the constitution of the

United States, and the constitution of this state, and also an oath of office.

Sec. 3. Treason against this state shall consist only in levying war against it, in adhering to its enemies, or giving them aid and comfort.

Sec. 4. No person shall be convicted of treason, unless on the testimony of two witnesses to the same overt act, or his open confession in open court.

Sec. 5. The manner of administering an oath or affirmation, shall be such as is most consistent with the conscience of the deponent, and shall be esteemed the most solemn appeal to God.

Sec. 6. Every person shall be disqualified from serving as a governor, lieutenant-governor, senator or representative, for the term for which he shall have been elected, who shall have been convicted of giving or offering any bribe, or giving or offered cure his election.

Sec. 7. All officers shall reside within the state; and all district, county, or town officers, within their respective districts, counties or towns, (the trustees of the town of Clarksburg excepted) and shall keep their respective offices at such places therein as may be directed by law; and all militia officers shall reside within the bounds of the division, brigade, regiment, battalion or company, to which they may severally belong.

Sec. 8. There shall be neither slavery nor involuntary servitude in this state, otherwise than for the punishment of crimes, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, nor shall any indenture of any negro or mulatto hereafter made and executed out of the bonnos of this state, be of any validity within the state.

Sec. 9. No act of the general assembly shall be in force until it shall have been published in print, unless in causes of emergency.

Sec. 10. All commissions shall be in the name and by the authority, of the state of Indiana, and sealed with the state seal, and signed by the governor and attested by the secretary of state.

Sec. 11. There shall be elected in each county, a recorder, who shall hold his office during the term of seven years, if he shall so long behave well: provided, that nothing herein contained shall prevent the clerks of the circuit courts from holding the office of recorder.

Sec. 12. Corydon, in Harrison county, shall be the seat of government of the state of Indiana until the year eighteen hundred and twenty-five, and until removed by law.

Sec. 13. The general assembly, when they lay off any new county, or counties, shall not reduce the old county, or counties, from which the same shall be taken, to a less content than four hundred square miles.

Sec. 14. No person shall hold more than one lucrative office at the same time, except as in this constitution expressly permitted.

Sec. 15. No person shall be appointed as a county officer, within any county, who shall not have been a citizen and an inhabitant therein one year next preceding his appointment, if the county shall have been so long erected; but if the county shall not have been so long erected, then within the limits of the county or counties out of which it shall have been taken.

Sec. 16. All town & township officers shall be appointed in such manner as shall be directed by law.

Sec. 17. The general assembly shall not allow greater annual salaries, until the year eighteen hundred and nineteen, than as follows—the governor, one thousand dollars; the secretary of state, four hundred dollars; the auditor of public accounts, four hundred dollars; the treasurer, four hundred dollars; the judges of the supreme court, eight hundred dollars each; the presidents of the circuit courts, eight hundred dollars each; and the members of the general assembly, not exceeding two dollars per day each, during their attendance on the same; and two dollars for every twenty-five miles they shall severally travel, on the most usual route in going to, and returning from, the general assembly, after which time, their pay shall be regulated by law. But no law, passed to increase the pay of the members of the general assembly, shall take effect until after the close of the session at which such law shall have been passed.

Sec. 18. In order that the boundaries of the state of Indiana may more clearly be known and established, it is hereby ordained and declared, that the following shall be and forever remain, the boundaries of the said state, to wit: bounded on the east, by the meridian line which forms the western boundary of the state of Ohio: on the south, by the Ohio river, from the mouth of the Great Miami river to the mouth of the Wabash river; on the west by a line drawn along the middle of the Wabash river, from its mouth to a point, where a due north line drawn from the town of Vincennes would last touch the north-western shore of the said Wabash river; and from

thence, by a due north line until the same shall intersect an east and west line drawn through a point ten miles north of the southern extreme of lake Michigan; on the north by the said east and west line, until the same shall intersect the first mentioned meridian line, which forms the western boundary of the state of Ohio.

## ARTICLE XII.

Sec. 1. That no evils or inconvenience may arise from the change of a territorial government to a permanent state government, it is declared by this constitution, that all rights, suits, actions, prosecutions, recognizances, contracts, and claims, both as it respects individuals and bodies corporate, shall continue as if no change had taken place in this government.

Sec. 2. All fines, penalties and forfeitures, due, and owing to the territory of Indiana, or any county, shall pass over to the governor, or any other officer, in his official capacity in the territory, shall pass over to the governor, or other officers of the state or county, and their successors in office, for the use of the state or county, or by him or them to be respectively assigned over to the use of those concerned, as the case may be.

Sec. 3. The governor, secretary, and judges, and all other officers, both civil and military, under the territorial government, shall continue in the exercises of the duties of their respective departments, until the said officers are superseded under the authority of this constitution.

Sec. 4. All laws and parts of laws now in force in this territory, not inconsistent with this constitution, shall continue and remain in full force and effect until they expire, or be repealed.

Sec. 5. The governor shall use his private seal until a state seal be procured.

Sec. 6. The governor, secretary of state, auditor of public accounts, and treasurer, shall severally reside, and keep all the public records books and papers, in any manner relating to their respective offices, at the seat of government; *Provided notwithstanding*, That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to affect the residence of the governor for the space of six months, and until buildings, suitable for his accommodation, shall be procured at the expense of the state.

Sec. 7. All suits, pleas, complaints, and other proceedings now depending in any court of record, or justices courts, shall be prosecuted to final judgment and execution, and all appeals, writs of error, certiorari,

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