

nonsense and priestcraft, and that it was of no consequence except that it sometimes helped a man to carry his purposes in the world. Mr. B. W. would doubtless say that to support such a man would be inconsistent, yet inconsistent it may appear, teachers of christianity and professors of religion have exerted their utmost power to support such a character, I would now quote a passage which says "thou that preachest do not steal, dost thou steal?" for the perusal of those that have raised such a hue and cry against

SIMON MAGGUS.

Brattleboro', Vermont, Feb. 18. Last Friday evening some of the inhabitants of this village were alarmed by a shock, which was supposed to be an earthquake. It was accompanied with a heavy sound like the report of cannon at a distance. The shock was sensibly felt by movable things, particularly crockery and other light articles. It proved however, to be merely a common result of such extremely cold weather as we have experienced for a few days past; as on the morning following, a fissure was discovered in the surface of the frozen earth about half an inch in its greatest width, passing diagonally from the house of John Holbrook esq. a cross main street, to the bank of Connecticut river.



MADISON,

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 1817.

Since the publication of our last number, the rev. Mr. Whitson called at our office and we had some conversation on the subject of his epistle that we had published,—he said we had entirely misconstrued him in that part which went to implicate us; that it was only intended as a hint to us that we ought to, or might make some apology for printing a piece so derogatory to religion as the piece written by Simon Maggus. This being the case, we certainly regret that he had not have expressed it in plainer words. Indeed it is to be lamented that we were not made acquainted with some circumstances attending the case; for then we would have been saved from the disagreeable task of making such remarks as we did,—For most certainly nothing could be more foreign to our intentions, than that of injuring the cause of vital religion; yet we like other imperfect beings, are liable to err, and as Simon has again employed his pen and who in this day's paper declares himself a friend to vital religion, and asks pardon of all the sincere persons whom he may have injured, perhaps a sufficiency is said to convince the real

christian that Simon and the editor are both friendly to religion.

Doct. Oglesby called upon us yesterday and asserts that the report which has been in circulation relative to their having been a caucus at his house, is false; and that he verily believes that the report originated for the purpose of injuring his character, and that he can make it appear that the report is false by the testimony of several persons.

We are requested to state that James McCabe and John Meek, are candidates for justices of the peace for this town.

George Burton, Samuel Close, and Jonathan Reed, are candidates for justices of the peace for this town.

THE ELECTORS OF

Jefferson County are hereby notified, that Abner Clarkson and Joseph Strickland, are candidates for Magistrates for the town of Madison, at the election to be holden on the 1st Monday in April next.

Madison, March 6, 1817.

We are authorised to state that John Maxwell will serve (if elected) as a justice of the peace for this town.

New York, Feb. 17.

Latest From Spain.

The brig Despatch, Banson, from Gibraltar and Cadiz, arrived at New-London on Thursday last, with a cargo of wine, fruit, &c. bound to New York. She had been on the coast twenty days, and suffered from the severity of the weather.

Passengers in the Despatch, lieutenant William Hindman, of the United States' Marines, and lieutenant Tayloe, of the Navy.

We have conversed with Mr. Hindman, who has favored the editors with the following extract of a price current, dated Cadiz, December 20, (the Despatch having sailed on the 21st of December.)

"Flour, 14 a 15 dolls, Rice, 8 a 8 50; Corn, 1 75 a 2; Wheat, 2 a 2 25; Staves, 90 a 100 and dull.

Mr. H. further informs, that Mr. Mead, our late consul, who had been so long imprisoned, was to be released the day after he sailed.

There had been no late news from our squadron. It was understood that the frigate U. States, and sloop of war Ontario, were at

Malaga, and the rest of the squadron at Port Mahon, &c. on their way to Algiers.

The Spanish expedition intended, long since, to have been sent against the Patriots, was still in statu quo.

On the coast, capt. Babson spoke a ship from New York for Demarara, and the brig Louisa, 22 days from Turks Island for Baltimore.

Internal Taxes.—The Direct tax it ought to be generally understood, exists no longer; it having been deemed unnecessary or inexpedient to provide by law for its renewal.

Intel.

Notice.

An election will be held on Monday the 31st of March, inst. at the house of John Chambers senr. to elect one justice of the peace for Montgomery township: also at Vernon on the same day to elect one justice of the peace for Vernon township: also at the house of James Wooley esq. on the same day, to elect two justices of the peace for Franklin township. By order of the commissioners,

John Vawter, clk.

Last Notice.

All persons indebted to the subscribers, are particularly requested to make payment to John Meek esq. by the 1st day of April; those neglecting to do so, will find their accounts in the officers hands after that date for collection without respect to persons.

Tho. W. Jones & Co. Madison, March 17, 1817.

Notice.

Will be let to the lowest bidder on Tuesday the 8th day of April next in the town of Vernon, the building of a Jail, and a stray Pound, in said town. The jail to be completed by December next, and the stray pound, by September next. The undertaker must give security for the performance of the contract.—A complete view of the work will be shewn on the day of sale, by

JOHN VAWTER, agent for Jennings County. March 15, 1717.

The members of the Moral Society, and all other well disposed persons are requested to meet at H. Ristine's tavern on Wednesday the 26th inst. at 1 o'clock.

Saddling Business.



NICHOLAS D GROVER, INFORMS the citizens of Jefferson and the adjacent counties, that he continues to carry on the above business in all its various branches, at his old stand one door west of the Farmers & Mechanics bank of Indiana. He has now and intends keeping on hand, an assortment of the most fashionable

Ladies and Gentleman's Saddles, Portmanteaus, Volices, Plated Stiff and Snaffle Bit Bridles, Martingales, Common Curb and Snaffle Bridles, Collars, Blind Bridles, &c. Also, Plated Stirrup Irons and Bridle Bits without filling;

all of which he will sell low for cash, or the following articles of produce, to wit: Beef-cattle, Bacon, Flour, Sugar, Whiskey, country Linen, &c. He tenders his acknowledgments to his former customers, and the public in general, for their liberal support, and from the superior quality of his materials, the neatness, strength and durability of his work, he hopes to merit a continuance of public patronage.

Madison, March 22. 13—tf

NOTICE.

The subscriber wishing to close his business (in the mercantile line) for the present, requests all those who may be indebted to him by note or book account, to avail themselves of the earliest opportunity for settling their respective dues.—His protracted indisposition for months past, renders the present call absolutely necessary, in order to meet arrangements made previous to his illness.

JOHN MAXWELL. March 15, 1817.

[From the Cincinnati Gazette.]

JUSTICE FITCH, who is supposed to reside somewhere in the western country, may get information of his son JEREMIAH FITCH, by applying at this office. Jeremiah when young, left his father and went to sea; he was pressed on board a British ship of war, where he remained seven years. He has an uncle John Fitch somewhere in the western country.

Sugar will be received at market price in payment for subscriptions at this office.