

INDIAN LANDS.

We deem the late purchase of Indian lands in the state of Ohio, one of the most important events which has happened in the western country for many years. Although it was thought expedient on the conclusion of the war to consent, that the savages should retain all the lands which belonged to them at its commencement; yet it was foreseen, that by a purchase after peace, we might obtain all the advantages of a most successful campaign. The event has justified these expectations. The purchase lately made includes most of that wilderness between the settlements in Ohio & Detroit which was the battle field during most of the last war, the scene of glory and disaster. It includes a great quantity of excellent land and will doubtless settle with the greatest rapidity. The communication between the northern Indians and the British at Malden, will be almost entirely cut off and that frontier will be filled up with an active, hardy population ready to defend their country and punish wrongs.

In Mississippi the acquisition of territory is likely to be not less extensive, though not equally important. By a late arrangement with the Cherokees, that tribe have leave to exchange their lands on the east for others on the west of the Mississippi, and it is believed that most of them will remove. The country thus left vacant will soon fill up with white population and together with the territory conquered from the Creeks, which is peopling with unexampled rapidity, will secure our southern borders from Indian hostility, and strengthen Louisiana against the attacks of a foreign enemy. All the Indians in that quarter will in a few years cross the Mississippi, adopt the manners of civilized life or become extinct. On the south we now want nothing to complete our security, but possession of the Florida and that we must have, "peaceably if we can, forcibly if we must."

A petition to Congress is circulating in Missouri, praying that that territory may be admitted into the union as one of the U. States. Their population is stated to be about 40,000 and we know that it must be increasing very rapidly. Kentucky, which a few years ago was "the land of promise," has now become an old state and sends forth her emigrants by thousands. The current from this state and through it, is almost exclusively to the Missouri territory. We can travel scarcely half a dozen miles in that direction without finding many families with all their substance travelling to that distant land. Distant it is, even from this place, which is almost four hundred miles further west than "traveller Brown" extended his laborious and satisfactory researches in the "western country."

Thus our empire has risen from the late war with greater elasticity than ever, and like a vigorous

tree which the winds of heaven have assailed in vain, pushes forth shoots to the north, and south, and west, increasing its strength and adding to its beauty. Kentucky, herself almost in infancy, will soon give birth to a new state, and instead of sitting alone in the wilderness fatigued with constant watchfulness, find herself in a blooming paradise, surrounded by children and friends.

Such, O Americans, are the effects of liberty, and of a system of government worthy the admiration of Angels. If on creation's morn, they sang with admiration and wonder, to see the universe start into motion and worlds roll round their centres in majestic harmony, at the command of Omnipotence, how great must be their delight to see the moral elements reduced to order and beauty by the virtue and intelligence of finite man!

Frankfort Argus.

Look at this ye fair Damsels.

A society of young men in the state of Connecticut have adopted into their constitution an article to this effect—"that no member shall be permitted to marry, under any circumstances, an illiterate woman." A committee is appointed to examine any female candidate for matrimony before she can be admitted to a connection with any of the society.—The consequence is that upwards of 40 old maids, have moved within the space of a year, to the western country in despair.

Gen. of Liberty.

AMERICAN SCHOOL CLASS BOOKS. JUST PUBLISHED

By Williams & Mason,

At the Office of the Western Spy;

Where they are sold,

The Juvenile or Universal Primer,

And the Juvenile Spelling Book,

By A. PICKER.

They expect also to publish, in a short time, as a continuation of the same system of school books, The Parent's Manual or Child's Friend,

The Juvenile Mentor or Select Readings,

The Juvenile Expositor, Picket's Geographical Grammar, &c.

It is intended to furnish a constant supply of the above School Books for the Western Country markets.

Teachers are respectfully invited to examine the system—it is confidently believed they will find it to be an important improvement on the present method of elementary instruction.

The above books are all stereotyped, except the Geographical Grammar.

All orders for books will be promptly attended to.

Cincinnati, Aug. 5. 1817.

BLANKS
Of various kinds for sale
at this Office.

(By authority of the Legislature of the State of Kentucky.)

Grand Masonic Hall

LOTTERY.

The managers of the masonic hall lottery, for the benefit of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, having given bond and security in the penalty of 600,000 dollars as required by law; now submit to the public the following scheme of a lottery, the proceeds of which will be applied to the building of a Grand Masonic Hall, in the town of Lexington, and it is intended to appropriate a part of the building to the use of a charity school. The aid and patronage of the friends to the craft, and lovers of charity are respectfully solicited.

SCHEME—FIRST CLASS.

	Dolls.	Dolls.
1 prize of 20,000	is 20,000	
3	10,000	30,000
4	5,000	20,000
5	2,000	10,000
7	1,000	7,000
10	500	5,000
20	200	2,400
35	100	3,500
50	50	2,500
150	20	3,000
2000	15	30,000
6500	10	65,000

8785 prizes, 200,000
11215 blanks,

20000 tickets at 10 each is 200,000
Through the whole scheme there will be but little more than one and a quarter blanks to a prize.

STATIONARY PRIZES.

The first drawn ticket entitled to	
The first 2000 blanks	10 each
The next 2000 blanks	15 each
first no. on the 3d day	1,000
4th day	1,000
7th day	2,000
10th day	5,000
13th day	1,000
15th day	10,000
17th day	1,000
19th day	2,000
20th day	2,000
25th day	1,000
30th day	10,000
33d day	2,000
35th day	5,000
40th day	20,000

* The prizes at 5,000 on the 1st, 10th and 35th days drawing, are each payable in part by a packet of 400 tickets, valued at 4000 dollars. The reserved are from 10,001 to 11,200 inclusive, the first 400 numbers for the first day and so regularly.

All prizes will be paid in current notes in 90 days after the conclusion of the drawing, subject to a deduction of 15 per centum.

The drawing will be continued three times a week until completed.

The list of each days drawing both prizes and blanks, with the state of the wheel, will be regularly published in one of the Lexington papers.

Orders for tickets from any part of the United States, directed to

W. G. HUNT,

Agent for the sale of tickets Lexington.

ton, Ky. enclosing the cash, and postage paid, will be attended to promptly.

The current notes of chartered banks throughout the U. S. received in payment.

Prizes not called for within 12 months from the completion of the drawing will be considered donations for the objects of the lottery and applied accordingly.

GABRIEL TANDY,
THOMAS BODLY,
JOHN TILFORD,
W. H. RICHARDSON,

The drawing will positively commence on the 18th of Nov. after which the tickets will rise.

* A few tickets for sale by John Meek, at Madison. Nov. 1.

NEW STORE.

The subscriber offers for sale in the house formerly occupied by R. S. Mixtor, in Madison,

A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF

MERCHANDIZE,

CONSISTING OF

Fine & coarse Cloths
Cassimeres
Pelisse Cloths
Imperial Cords
Vestings
Velvets
Domestic Cottons
Irish Linens
Imperial Shirtings
Dimities
Calicoes
Chintz
Cambrics
Jaconet
Leno
Mulmul
Book &
India
Bed Ticking
Bombazetts
Suspenders
Checks
Ginghams
Jeans
Silks
Silk Shawls
Silk Handkerchiefs
Cotton Shawls
Mourning Shawls
Bandana
Madrass
Pulicat
Naval and
Fancy
Ribbons
Morocco full-trimmed Shoes
Groceries
Hardware
Cultery
Queensware
Stoneware
Hats, &c.
Jamaica Spirits
Wines
Candles, &c.

ALL of which will be sold at moderate advance on the Philadelphia prices for CASH, or Country Produce as I may be beneficial. Pedlars may find it their interest to give him a call.

ALEXANDER G. LANIER
Madison, Nov. 1.

Tallow wanted at the OFFICE.