

stream ran trickling down the furrows of his age worn cheek, as he offered up his prayers to heaven, for the preservation and protection of his son, his child of whom he was taking his lasting adieu, from whom he was about to part forever, to meet no more; but on the untrod banks of the eternal world. Go view the disconsolate children, bereaved of a fond father, bathed in tears, wringing their hands around the heart rending mother, who with looks of distraction, with locks desheveled, and her tender infant in her arms, was following along the shore, desecrating the fatal bark that was bearing away the last fond object of her hopes, darting her watery eyes along the sky-bound sea, to take a long, a last farewell, of the departing hostage!

These are some of the scenes, that America had to witness during her late direful conflict with Great Britain. But firm as the everlasting Andes, whose cloudcapped summits, towering through the ethereal world in awful grandeur, defying the elemental conflicts that rage below. Columbia stood unshaken amidst the wreck.

Unmoved amidst the dire alarm, Defy'd the foe, and brav'd the storm.

With nerve-strung hearts, and firm of soul  
Saw yielding nature, rending roll.

Saw struggling worlds with fate contend,  
Saw empires tottering to an end;

And taught proud Albion's boasting band,  
To dread the sons of freedom's land.

Again proud Britain was forced to yield, again taught to acknowledge, to dread and to reverence, the inviolable rights of freemen. Again her boasted banner was lowered, again her honored Lion driven to his native shores, whilst the victorious Eagle of America, was soaring triumphantly aloft, high in air on her extended pinions, that swept the stary vault. Again the dark veil that obscured the front of heaven, was rent in twain, and the refulgent orb of day, was riding in all his majesty, along the confines of a fairer sky, to set unclouded in the west.

Thus the gallant sons of freedom, who but lately offered their bosoms as a battery, to the shafts of battle, evinced to a scrutinizing world, that they still retained the noble blood, heroism and bravery, of their illustrious sires. Let us then be found ever ready, to vindicate and support, that character, that we now bear as a national people. Already has our name reached the different bounds of the earth, and kings and subjects have in a small degree, imbibed the principles of republicanism, and are struggling to follow our example. Already have the powers of Europe witnessed what Americans are able to achieve, both by land and by sea. Boasting England, no longer reigns mistress of the ocean, but with an envious eye, beholds the unfurled banner of freedom's clime as it waves its glittering stars over the briny deep.

Though two of the brightest luminaries,\* that ever gilded the western hemisphere, have run their ample rounds, and taken their eternal flight, to shed their lustres on other regions, they have left other satellites, subservient to their circuits, to follow their shining orbits, and light the American fleet through their trackless bounds. Not only the civilized nations, but also the pirates of old Afric's shores,

\*Perry and Decatur.

have seen the sulphureous blazes flash from their brazen tubes, and felt the rending bolts of their thundering cannon, that rocked the barbarian coast. Algiers and Tripoli, the dens of pirates and robbers, so terrifying to the wayward mariner, beheld the diabolic display, that made their Bashaws and Deys tremble with horrid consternation. They were the first who dared approach the inhospitable bounds to demand of an infidel race, the unfortunate victims who were then lingering out their miserable days in the most wretched and abject slavery.

Let us then be ever ready to follow their example; & should your country's cause, again demand your assistance; go dip your sail in Trafalgar's wave, go steep your trident in the urn of a Decatur, and a Perry, go whet your avenging sword on the tomb of a Washington, and teach the stubborn foes to freedom's cause, to bow and tremble before the sceptre of liberty.

## MADISON:

JULY 13, 1820.

We are authorised to say, that THOMAS DOUGLAS is a candidate for associate judge, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of judge Hillis.

We are requested to state, that ROBERT SIMINGTON is a candidate for associate judge.

We are authorised to state, that JOHN HEANY will serve as coroner, if elected.

Tuesday the 4th inst. being the anniversary of the birth of our national independence, was celebrated in this place by a number of the citizens of town and country. We are happy to be able to say, that perfect harmony and order was preserved throughout the day; that all distinctions and party spirit, appeared to be buried in oblivion, and one spirit only prevailed, which was Liberty to the ends of the earth.

The day was ushered in by the discharge of cannon and small arms, and a display of the national flag.

A procession was formed at 11 o'clock on the public square, under the directions of colonel M. Stapp, Marshal of the day, and capt. N. D. Grover deputy marshal, when the following order was observed:

Capt. Hillis' light dragoons in front, capt. Douglas' light Infantry in the rear of the dragoons, then the citizens of town & country. The procession moved to the Presbyterian church, where a number of ladies and gentlemen were assembled. The Rev. Thomas C. Searle offered up a very able and devout prayer to God, who has preserved our lives and our liberty.

Wm. Carpenter, Esq. then rose and addressed the audience in a speech of some length, in which he called their attention to the origin of society; the government of kings; and the causes which led to theseparation of the colonies from Great Britain. After which he read the Declaration of Independence, All of which was done in a perspicuous, eloquent and masterly manner.

Doct. L. C. Downey, the orator of the day, then rose, and in a dignified manner delivered a very sublime and appropriate oration.

The procession being again formed, moved down to Mr. John Pugh's and partook of an

elegant dinner prepared for the occasion. After dinner was over, gen. Hendricks was chosen president of the day, and Jer. Sullivan, Esq. vice president; when the following toasts were drunk, accompanied with cheers, firing and martial music.

### TOASTS.

1 The day we celebrate—May its political importance be commensurate with time.

2 The memory of Washington and his compatriots in arms.

3 The President of the U. S.

4 The General Government—May it perpetuate the rights of the states and the integrity of the Union.

5 The state of Indiana—May her forests be the nursery of agriculture, and her firesides the home of domestic manufactures.

6 Our sister states—May a wise and magnanimous policy dictate their political intercourse.

7 The rising republics of the South—May the wisdom of their councils equal their valor in the field.

8 The militia of the U. S.—The victories of the late war and the trophies of the revolution are testimonials of their worth.

9 Freedom—She has reared her standard in Spain; let the tyrants of Europe tremble before the irresistible operation of public opinion.

10 The army of the U. S.—The nucleus around which the armed force of our country can rally in the day of battle.

11 The Navy—During the late war, like the *Siree* she blasted every opposing object.

12 Internal improvements—By its magic influence the East and West are united, and the North and the South are brought together.

13 Maine and Missouri—Children of the same birth may they be sisters indeed.

14 Monarchy—The best form of Government for knaves and fools.

15 Republicanism—So sure as the mind is enlightened so sure, is its progress irresistible.

16 Liberal Education—The handmaid of Religion and Republicanism.

17 Our differences with Spain—Let our government recollect that they are negotiating for a nation of high spirited and independent Freemen.

18 The Judiciary—It should be enlightened and honest. It is the only check against the encroachments of a corrupt Legislature upon the people.

19 Henry Clay—We regret his retiring from the councils of his country; his loss, will be a loss indeed.

20 The American fair—"Give us but these kind Heaven, we ask no more."

### VOLUNTEERS.

By C. P. J. Arion.  
The state of Indiana—Wise in council, mild in administration, and zealous in defence of her republican principles.

By John B. King.  
May the fostering wings of peace and harmony long remain over our nation, and liberty and independence rock the cradle of millions yet unborn.

By G. H. Belding.  
The defenders of New Orleans; may the duration of their fame prove commensurate with their glorious achievements.

By John M. Patton.  
The people of the U. States now enjoying the blessings of liberty dispensed to them by a free government; may they properly appreciate their happy situation, and be ever vigilant and steadfast in defending and supporting the rights of their country.

By L. C. Downey.

May the genius of liberty, ever sway her sceptre over the demon of despotism.

By Wm. Powell.

The genius of liberty; May the thrones of tyrants tremble at her nod, and foes to freedom bow to her sceptre.

By N. D. Grover.

Commodore Decatur & Perry—Peace to their departed spirits; though they are dead yet their names emblazoned on the the rolls of naval fame, shall live while the ocean continues to carry a sail.

By Jer. Sullivan.

National Gratitude. May the heart of every American, cease to beat, when gratitude toward the heroes of his country forsakes his bosom.

By James Cochran.

The present governor, Jonathan Jennings.

By P. Hemphill.

The love of liberty and support of freedom; the downfall of tyranny and the abolition of slavery.

By Robert Branham.

The American fair, the only object for which life and liberty are worth preserving.

By N. B. Palmer.

The reader of the Declaration of Independence.

By R. Dearborn.

Doct. L. C. Downey the orator of the day—May his modesty check criticism, and his eloquence excite applause.

### COMMUNICATED.

#### VERNON CELEBRATION.

The anniversary of American Independence was celebrated at Vernon, Jennings county Ia. on Thesday the 4th inst. by the citizens of Vernon and its vicinity. A procession was formed at 12 o'clock by Maj. Bramwell, marshal of the day. It proceeded to a pleasant grove on the bank of the Muscackituck river, where a stage and table had previously been erected. After a few prefatory remarks by Col. Vawter, president of the day, the Declaration of Independence was read by Alexander Holton Esqr. and an oration pronounced by William A. Bullock Esqr. The company then sat down to an excellent dinner. After dinner, the following toasts were drunk. The greatest order and harmony prevailed during the day.

### TOASTS.

1 The Independence of the United States—May the people ever possess wisdom and virtue to appreciate, and valor to defend it.

2 United States—Palsied be the hand that would divide them.

3 The president of the U. States—His services entitle him to the renewed confidence and respect of his fellow citizens.

4 The state of Indiana—May the luxuriant foliage of her forests soon give place to the waving corn and the golden harvest, her towns become populous marts, and her rivers the avenues of commerce.

5 The gov. of the state of Indiana—Honest and capable.

6 The surviving soldiers of the revolution—May the evening of their days be solaced by the gratitude of their country.

7 The memory of Washington—More durable than monuments of brass or pillars of marble.

8 Thomas Jefferson—His political tenets, as delineated in the Declaration of Independence, have raised his fame above the breath of calumny or the pen of invective.

9 James Madison—His services in the councils of the nation and his unshaken firmness du-

ring the storm of war, will ever be remembered with gratitude.

10 General Jackson, the hero of New Orleans—Monarchs, tremble at his name, and remember that our soil cannot be invaded with impunity!

11 General M'Comb—He taught the would be conquerors of Plattsburgh, that, the disciplined minions of monarchy are unable to contend with American freemen.

12 The American Navy—Its brilliant exploits have raised a halo of imperishable fame around our national character.

13 The memory of Decatur—How are the mighty fallen!

Internal Improvement—May roads and canals the arteries and veins of the Republic, continue to ramify through every section of our country till they give life and vigor to the whole.

15 Domestic manufactures—May every American citizen confront "hard times" in good substantial homespun.

16 Banking Institutions—"Forgive the crime, we wish them, we confess, Or better managed, or encouraged less."

17 Slavery—Impolitic and unchristian in theory, barbarous in practice, and destructive of the best interests of society.

18 The American Colonization society—Benevolent and humane in its object, politic in design—May it receive the fostering care of government and the benedictions of Heaven.

19 The sixteenth Congress—May their next session be less expensive and more beneficial than the last.

20 Maine & Missouri, Twin sisters in the American family—May the sable complexion of the one, never occasion doubts of the legitimacy of the other.

21 The Constitutional Army of Spain—May their swords be pointed only at authors of tyranny and oppression.

22 The year 1820, An eventful era of female privileges—May it be a fruitful season of conquests and marriages.

23 The American fair—May the beauties of their minds surpass those of their persons.

### VOLUNTEERS;

By J. Stott Esq.—Col. Richard M. Johnson; the firm friend of his country; able to counsel and willing to execute.

By William A. Bullock Esq. Our Senators and Representatives in Congress; Honor to whom honor is due, and dishonor to whom dishonor.

By Mr. John Walker. May the noise of American wheels and looms let foreign nations know, that we are independent of their goods.

By Doct. Pabody. De Witt Clinton, Gov. of the state of New York—When the speculative philosopher, the theorizing politician, and the petty partisans of the day, shall be engulfed in oblivion, the Erie Canal will be a monument of his talents, his patriotism, and his exertions to meliorate the condition of society.

### [COMMUNICATED.]

Celebration of the 44th Anniversary of American Independence at Lexington, Indiana.

Of all human events, the American revolution was the most remarkable, was the most happy that ever took place. A public expression of sentiment exhibits the character of a people, and if there are any true lovers of country, the birth day of our nation will bring them into view. It was truly gratifying to all the citizens of Lexington and Scott county generally who partook of the fest-