

# THE LOCOMOTIVE.



SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 1858.

It is Saturday the day of publication of the *Locomotive*, and it will always be so for subscribers. In no case will we copy of the paper go from the office before publication.

## LOCOMOTIVE STEAM PRESS BOOK AND JOB PRINTING OFFICE.

We would call the attention of Railroad Men, Presidents of Colleges and Academies, the Medical Profession, and all others, to our assortment of

NEW AND BEAUTIFUL TYPE! Just received from the best Foundries in the United States, and all the Standard Signs, Accents, and Special French Lettered Headings, and all the Modern Facilities for doing work in the best style. All our Type and Machinery is now, and in good order, including two of Adams' Improved

## STEAM PRINTING PRESSES

which enables us to do our work in a superior style, on a short time, and at good terms.

We have a large variety of articles of Book and Colored Papers, and the best of Books, and as we are practical workmen, we guarantee all work entrusted to us to be done in the easiest manner, with promptness and accuracy.

Our Job Department is well supplied with all kinds of New and Fashionable Type, and we are prepared to do

## All Kinds of Job Work:

on the shortest notice, and at the lowest living rates; and

## BLANKS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION!

on Cap, Letter, Folio Post, Flat Cap, French, or Colored Paper, and Cards, or any other material.

For the execution of our work we confidently refer to any Book or Job printing we imprint.

Our prices are regulated at the lowest cash standard, so as to be regular and uniform, and equal to all; and contracts for work will be honored, to, without resort to extra charges.

For orders from a distance promptly attend to, and accurately guaranteed.

Office on Meridian street, immediately opposite the Post Office.

ELKIE & HARNESS.

## PAY ALL JUST DUES.

Mr. THOMAS E. HOWARD will call on all against whom we have accounts for printing and advertising, for payment. Let all prepare to meet him. All having unsettled accounts against us are requested to make them out at once, so that they will be ready for settlement when called on. We want to pay over every cent we owe—and we want all that owe us to do the same.

The advantage of Advertising in the *Locomotive* is frequently brought to our attention, and particularly that class of advertisements intended for the Farmers in this and adjoining counties. We might illustrate this with a hundred instances, but will mention only two. Gen. Reynolds advertised a farm for sale east of the city—the advertisement was the means of bringing him a purchaser. Mr. C. R. Rhoads determined to sell his farm, west of the city, and put a short notice in the paper some three weeks since—he has sold his farm, and the advertisement brought him the purchaser. Both these farms were advertised exclusively in our paper. We do not write this to puff our paper as an advertising medium, but to show that advertising does good.

GOON.—The Home Office of the *Alma* Insurance Company have concluded to buy and build in this city. For this purpose they have appropriated \$16,000, and placed it at the disposal of the Agent here, Mr. Henderson. They have contemplated the purchase of 40 feet, off the north end of the lot on which the Odd Fellow's Hall stands, for \$6,000, which will leave \$10,000 to be applied to building. This will build two business rooms, with offices above, equal, if not superior to the finest buildings in the city. This will give the *Alma* company a local interest in our city, and be an additional security to all that insure with it.

BUILDING.—Mr. John F. Ramsey has made all his arrangements for building up the corner of Illinois and Maryland streets, to connect with his present three story brick. He will build three business rooms on Illinois street, with an entrance to the upper stories on Maryland street, for a dwelling. As soon as the weather permits he will commence operations.

Mr. W. S. Hubbard has already commenced tearing away, preparatory to building two three story brick business houses, on the corner of the alley south of Washington street, on Meridian street. These, with other improvements already commenced, will be a good start for the building season.

THE LOCOMOTIVE STEAM PRINTING ESTABLISHMENT, on Meridian street opposite the Post office, is now fully prepared to do all kinds of Book and Job Printing in the best style and at the most reasonable prices. Our assortment of all the different kinds of cards, and every variety of the various colors and qualities of papers is full and complete, so that our friends can make their selections in the office, and have their orders done in accordance with their own tastes.

Particular attention given to the selection and use of such type, as will both ornament and display our work in the most correct manner. As to the character and price of all Printing entrusted to us, we guarantee entire satisfaction in every instance.

In another column we copy an article from the New Orleans *Delta*, on the Slave trade in the South.

A bill has passed the Louisiana House of Representatives, authorizing the importation into that State of voluntary negro apprentices to labor for a term of years, similar to the apprenticeship system adopted by England, and followed by France, Spain and Brazil; and this article shows, not only that the system has been commenced, but that, as there is imminent profit in it, it will most likely be continued, with or without law. If this should prove to be true, it will create a great hubbub, both in and out of political circles.

Mr. Bryant, of the Daguerrean Rooms, in Sherman's Block, met with a heavy misfortune by selling his stock and fixtures to a D. W. Daniels, who made way with the stock, before the time agreed on for payment arrived, and has lefts for parts unknown. Mr. Bryant has returned to his old stand in the New York store, where he will be glad to see his old friends and acquaintances. The New York store is the place to get your Dry Goods.

As there appears to be a great diversity of opinion as to the capacity of Masonic Hall, and the number it will contain, we would recommend those that feel interested to count the seats the next time they are in it, estimate the number they can seat, and calculate the vacant standing places. Some outsiders assert that the Hall will hold from seven to ten thousand.

The National Guards celebrated their second anniversary by a public parade, on Thursday afternoon, with a full band, and under the direction of their new officers. As usual they looked well.

Lots in New York City, on 105th and 106th streets, near 2d avenue, are selling at auction at from \$200 to \$375. We can beat that here.

D. W. Grubbs, formerly of this city, has established himself in Sioux City, Iowa, as Real Estate, Insurance and Collecting Agent.

See the card of the new Botanic Drug Store, by Drs. Abbott & Coffin, in another column.

HON. O. H. SMITH'S TRIALS AND SKETCHES.—It is only about two months since the above book was published by Moore, Wilstach, Keys, & Co., of Cincinnati. The first Edition of two thousand copies has been ordered, and a second issue, from the stereotype plates, of one thousand copies, is ready for delivery to agents. We gave our opinion of the work when it first appeared—we predicted an extensive circulation and sale. It was, however, difficult to foresee what the press would say of it, as its fate, like all new works, depended, to some extent, upon the opinion of the press of its merits. We confess, as the author is our neighbor, and the State of Indiana his home, we have not been indifferent lookers, among our exchanges, for the notices that usually follow the publication of new works, and we can sincerely congratulate the author upon the favorable notices of the work that have reached us, from the leading journals, political and religious, of the United States among which we name the *Indianapolis Journal*, *Indiana Sentinel*, *Washington Union*, *Baptist Witness*, *Indiana American*, *Western Christian Advocate*, *Lancaster, Pa., Express*, *Harper's Weekly*, *Home Journal*, *Columbus, O., Capital Fact Historical Society*, *Phila., Cincinnati Gazette*, *Ladies Repository*, and *Chicago Tribune*. Although this book is adapted to the general reader, it especially belongs to Indiana, and should be read by all her citizens, young and old. Every library should contain it, so as to give all an opportunity of reading it, and learning how Indiana looked and acted in her infancy. It is already in the library of Marion County, and we would like to see it in the libraries of every county and town ship in the State.

TREES AND SHRUBBRY.—We are informed that Martin Williams, Mr. Loomis, and C. Fletcher jr. have associated together in the Nursery business—They will commence at once, and their intention to use 150 acres of ground, and make the largest nursery in the west. Their location will be north-east of the city, just out of the donation. Messrs. Loomis & Williams are practical nurserymen, with a large experience of the kind of fruit that will do best in our climate and soil, and this experience, with the fact that the trees they raise will be raised in the climate they are wanted for use, will be just what the Farmers and Fruit Growers of Indiana want. There is nothing in which there has been so much swindling as in selling Fruit trees and shrubbery from Eastern Nurseries. The trees brought from a distance have invariably died, or been stunted by long exposure from the ground, and the kind purchased are generally such as will not do well in Indiana.

Mr. Williams now has a large and choice variety of Fruit Trees and Shrubbery, in his Nursery, north of the city, to which he invites the attention of all that want to set out trees this spring. See his advertisement in this paper.

THE LIST OF LETTERS.—The list of letters, we find is regarded by a number of our country subscribers who receive their letters at the Dayton post office, as a very desirable news article.—*Dayton Journal*:

This is not only the case with persons in the country, but with business men, and all others that get letters through the P. O. We could cite a number of instances where letters have been seen in the advertised list, by our subscribers, that had been overlooked when called for, and if not seen then would have been sent to Washington as dead letters, and never obtained.

A number of our subscribers depend on seeing their letters advertised, before coming for them from the country, which is a matter of convenience to many.

For the information of all we will state that the list of letters is published exclusively in the *Locomotive*, being selected by the Post Office Department for that purpose because it has a larger circulation than any paper published, in Indianapolis.

MORE MECHANICS LEAVING.—Messrs. Decres & McNelly are tearing down their barrel factory, on the Canal, and removing it to Terre Haute, where they intend to follow this business largely.

Mr. Huey, the furniture manufacturer, removes in a few days to South Bend to pursue business there—When will our capitalists aid manufacturers, instead of driving them away from this, the best of locations?—

We copy the above from the *Sentinel*, for the purpose of asking one or two additional questions, for the consideration of all concerned. Have our capitalists refused to aid manufacturers? Have they ever driven any away from the city? If this is the best of locations, is there not a point at which manufacturers should become self-sustaining; or in other words, should not manufacturers, if their business is worth anything, and the proprietors are able to conduct it properly, acquire capital enough of their own to carry on their business, without depending on borrowing money from capitalists? If they cannot do this, is it right, or safe, for monied men to advance means for their business. Starting business on borrowed capital is one thing, and depending on borrowed money to carry it on ten years after it is started is another.

THE LOCOMOTIVE.—The following circular has been directed to us by the committee, with a request to publish. We do so cheerfully, in the hope that it may aid in extending the interest in religion, now so general throughout the country:

MESSRS. EDITORS.—A BUSINESS MEN'S UNION PRAYER MEETING is held daily, from 12 to 1 o'clock, at the JOHN STREET METHODIST CHURCH, 44 JOHN STREET, a few doors east of Broadway.

This meeting is similar to the one held in Fulton Street. Owing to the over-crowded state of the Rooms at that place and the manifest increasing interest, it has been thought best to open this place also.

Already we have seen and heard enough of the results of these meetings to make us firm in the conviction, that if all Christians throughout our land were faithful, as they have opportunity, we would hear one united shout of praise going up from all the people, because of salvation that comes to all men. It must be evident that we have a right to ask this favor of you, for many of the readers of your Journal are directly (all are, indirectly, at least) interested in what is transpiring in the metropolis of our country, because of the sons, brothers, or friends they have here, whom they would like to have interested in these things. And we would take this opportunity of impressing upon the parents or friends of all such young men, (who may be one of the 150,000, between the ages of 16 and 35, we have in our city,) that a line, with the address, business or residence, directed to "E., Box 3,841, will ensure them a personal invitation to attend these meetings, and similar ones held especially for young men, at the Rooms of the "Young Men's Christian Association," 32 Waverly Place. It is proper to state that many of the most thoughtless, reckless, yea, heaven-defying young men, have, within a few weeks, changed their views and aims, and are now clothed in their right mind."

We hope any who read this, when visiting our city, will feel perfectly "at home" in these meetings, and we will be glad to hear from country friends always.

It is well for it to be understood, that these meetings are a Union of Baptist, Congregational, Methodist, Episcopal, Reformed Dutch and Presbyterian brethren,

with one common aim of advancing the Cause of Truth and Righteousness in the earth, especially in our own "wicked Sodom."

CONGREGATIONAL STATE CONFERENCE.—The Ministers and Delegates of the Congregational Churches, in this State, (about forty in number) will assemble at the Senate Chamber, in this city, to-day, Saturday.

A State Conference for business and religious worship, will be organized, which will continue its sessions during the early part of next week.

THE REPUBLICANS OF CENTRE TOWNSHIP HOLD A CONVENTION THIS AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, to nominate candidates for Township officers.

HOLMAN IS ON HAND ALREADY WITH SPRING GOODS, rich and fresh, to which he invites the special attention of the Ladies. See advertisement.

DRY GOODS.—The early spring Dry Goods Trade in New York is now fairly opened. In speaking of the market, the *Independent* says:

"The month of March opens with a fair demand for staple goods, but the stock on hand is light and prices are firm. There are no fancy silks remaining in importers' hands. There is, however, a fair supply in second hands, who break bulk and distribute to retailers. The importations were rather larger last week than they have been, but still are very light. The demand for desirable styles of goods is active. The sales, however, are chiefly to the near-by trade, which commands the greatest confidence. It is expected by many that the later trade of the season will be better than the early; and should an early opening of navigation take place, as at present seems to promise, this expectation may be realized."

"Prices of most kinds of goods are advancing, and those jobbers who bought largely during the depression are reaping a good harvest. One symptom of the health of trade it is satisfactory to notice, and that is the absence of all desire to force sales by giving concessions in prices for either cash or credit. As things have long ago reached their worst point, as regards the mass of consumers, there must be some improvement in the extent of consumption; and every accession of money income to the consumer will be felt speedily in the Dry Goods market."

CARPETINGS.—The New York *Tribune*, of the 5th inst., makes the following allusion to the Carpet market, in its money article of Friday last:

"A large offering of fine Carpetings, of the production of the New England Worsted Company (lately sold by Messrs. Lawrence, Stone & Co.), was made at auction to-day. The goods were attractive, and fine carpet being in moderate supply, with an advancing tendency from late low rates, the attendance of buyers was large and the bidding spirited, mostly from Western houses. The A X Velvets, which were held last year at \$1.55, private sale terms being now about 15 per cent lower, brought prices ranging from \$1.25 to \$1.32. The B X Velvets formerly held at \$1.45, opened at \$1.10 a \$1.20. The sale this far is good, and is admirably conducted by Mr. Spicer. The Matting offered were quite stately, and the carpet mats, and brought about their value. The Carpets are still selling."

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"The Washington correspondent to the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, in speaking of Kansas in Congress, says:

"The Kansas debate in the Senate will close on Saturday, the 13th inst. On the following Monday, the 15th, the previous question will be called, with a view of coming to a vote on the Kansas and Minnesota Admission Bill; and the Administration members will hold their ground firmly until a vote is taken, allowing no further debate. If necessary, there will be no adjournment Monday, and the struggle may last all night. Then the great fight will commence in the House, and last probably three or four weeks, unless debate is choked off by the previous question. Nearly every member has spoken once on the Lecompton Constitution already, and some few twice—so there is no excuse for further palaver; speeches do not change opinions."

A MORTGAGED CITY.—The Rochester (N. Y.) *Union* has the following notice of Chicago:

"A New York merchant, who has had occasion this winter to know how business is done in Chicago, was in this city the other day, on his way homeward from that place. He says everything real and personal is mortgaged. He asserts that he found no less than eight thousand chartered mortgages on file in the Clerk's office; and he further asserts that those papers reach the personal property of nearly every merchant and business man in Chicago."

THE CHIEF FIRE ENGINEER warns merchants, and others, against keeping kegs of powder in their store. At the late fire, on the corner of Washington and Meridian streets, a keg of powder was in the second story, when the roof was on fire, to the great danger of the lives of the firemen. This is a timely caution.

IT IS AN ACKNOWLEDGED FACT IN THIS COMMUNITY, that the *Locomotive* has a much larger circulation than any other paper published in this city, and there is not a day in the week, but we are adding the names of good and true men, to our list of subscribers. Our friends in all directions are making every effort in our behalf, and they assure us that they receive more reliable home news, and substantial information from the columns of the *Locomotive* than from any other source.

WE ARE HAPPY TO KNOW THAT OUR LABORS HAVE BEEN APPRECIATED, AND FEEL GREATFUL FOR THE "AID AND COMFORT" THAT HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO US. THE HEIGHT OF OUR AMBITION IS—AND WE SHALL APPLY WHATEVER OF ABILITY WE HAVE TO THE END—THAT OUR PAPER SHALL NOT ONLY CIRCULATE THROUGH THIS AND THE ADJOINING STATES; BUT PENEVTE THE MOST REMOTE PORTIONS OF EACH STATE AND TERRITORY OF THE UNION. SURVEY THE ROUTE AND LAY DOWN THE IRON RAILS FOR OUR *Locomotive*.

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ALREADY WE HAVE SEEN AND HEARD ENOUGH OF THE RESULTS OF THESE MEETINGS TO MAKE US FIRM IN THE CONVICTION, THAT IF ALL CHRISTIANS THROUGHOUT OUR LAND WERE FAITHFUL, AS THEY HAVE OPPORTUNITY, WE WOULD HEAR ONE UNITED SHOUT OF PRAISE GOING UP FROM ALL THE PEOPLE, BECAUSE OF SALVATION THAT COMES TO ALL MEN.

IT MUST BE EVIDENT THAT WE HAVE A RIGHT TO ASK THIS FAVOR OF YOU, FOR MANY OF THE READERS OF YOUR JOURNAL ARE DIRECTLY (ALL ARE, INDIRECTLY, AT LEAST) INTERESTED IN WHAT IS TRANSPURING IN THE METROPOLIS OF OUR COUNTRY, BECAUSE OF THE SONS, BROTHERS, OR FRIENDS THEY HAVE HERE, WHOM THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE INTERESTED IN THESE THINGS.

AND WE WOULD TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY OF IMPRESSING UPON THE PARENTS OR FRIENDS OF ALL SUCH YOUNG MEN, (WHO MAY BE ONE OF THE 150,000, BETWEEN THE AGES OF 16 AND 35, WE HAVE IN OUR CITY,) THAT A LINE, WITH THE ADDRESS, BUSINESS OR RESIDENCE, DIRECTED TO "E., BOX 3,841, WILL ENSURE THEM A PERSONAL INVITATION TO ATTEND THESE MEETINGS, AND SIMILAR ONES HELD ESPECIALLY FOR YOUNG MEN, AT THE ROOMS OF THE "YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION," 32 WAYERLY PLACE.

IT IS PROPER TO STATE THAT MANY OF THE MOST THOUGHTLESS, RECKLESS, YEA, HEAVEN-DEFYING YOUNG MEN, HAVE, WITHIN A FEW WEEKS, CHANGED THEIR VIEWS AND AIM, AND ARE NOW CLOTHED IN THEIR RIGHT MIND."

WE HOPE ANY WHO READ THIS, WHEN VISITING OUR CITY, WILL FEEL PERFECTLY "AT HOME" IN THESE MEETINGS, AND WE WILL BE GLAD TO HEAR FROM COUNTRY FRIENDS ALWAYS.