

# THE BANNER.

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PLYMOUTH IND.

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Advertisements to insure insertion, must be handed in by Tuesday preceding the day of publication.

**New Subscribers.**—Many of our present patrons—liberally appreciating our efforts to furnish them a larger paper at the present subscription price—are exerting themselves to increase our subscription list. Every one of them to whom we have spoken upon the subject, agree to mention the subject to their neighbors, and secure us an additional name. In many instances they have already been successful, and for the aid we may receive in our efforts to render our county paper respectable in appearance, and in every way creditable to our town and county, we expect to know in less than three weeks, to whom we are indebted, and we shall delight in remembering them.

We want all the names handed in by the fifth of March next.

We have heretofore neglected to acknowledge the receipt of favors from our attentive Representatives and Senators in Congress. Of course we are under obligations to them. We occasionally send them a Banner, but they have never said a word about it. Don't you see?

School Teachers may find something to their interest by reading the advertisement of our Township Clerk.

The clearing of the track for the Cincinnati, Peru and Chicago Railroad, is progressing from this place north, with commendable rapidity. Quite a large number of ties have already been contracted for, and we think we see the proper spirit manifested by all interested, to insure a vigorous prosecution of this work to an early completion. Success.

Another Steam Saw Mill.—C. D. Burch is progressing finely with his new Steam Saw Mill on the south side of the river. It is expected to "be up and about" in a couple of weeks.

If all the saw-logs now on the different lumber yards at this place, are manufactured into buildings during the next season, in this town and county, we shall petition to become a State of the Union by ourselves.

Not Married!—The Washburn Gazette is under the impression that our up the road neighbor of the South Bend Register is not married—an old back! Impossible! He's the putative, and we believe, legitimate father of a full grown and lovely daughter. We never saw her, but her name is Rebecca.

Ice.—How self defiant we can sit in our easy chairs as the first approaches of spring fever puts us in a gaping mood, and all around us is melting—except the haughty feelings of the latter day publicans, the consciences of the picaresque grinders, and the stony hearts of old bachelors—when we know so well that several of our citizens have stored away an abundance of good ice for next summer's use. It was so firm and solid, that if we can engage the straw in which it is packed, to feed our cow, we'll risk the ice-cream on the next fourth of July.

Advance Price.—We have now had charge of the Banner seven months, and, as will be perceived by the terms, those who defer the payment of their subscriptions six months, are chargeable with \$2.00, but we shall charge no one more than the advance price, \$1.50, if paid within two weeks from this date—at which time the second volume of the paper will be completed. After that time, all who were subscribers at the time we took charge of the establishment, and have paid nothing, will be charged \$2.00. This, in addition to the terms, will surely be timely notice.

At the commencement of the third volume of the paper, which will be after two weeks more, we shall enlarge it to the full double medium size, and as we shall not increase the price of subscription, we rely alone upon an increased number of subscribers, and their strict observance of the terms, to aid in defraying the extra expense we shall necessarily incur in the enlargement.

A couple of youngsters were committed to jail on Monday night last, for interrupting religious assemblies in the south part of this county. Our present Statute is pretty severe upon such offend-

ers and they should be cautious how they offend. The laws are given to our executive officers that they may be faithfully and honestly enforced.

The Marshall Circuit Court commences in this place on Monday next. The docket presents an unusual amount of business.

**Banking House.**—The Western Bank is soon to have its rooms in Dr. Brown's new building. The front room is now being fitted up for that purpose, and will be the most pleasant and beautiful business place in our town.

**Congress.**—The U. S. Senate is still hammering away on Douglass' Nebraska bill, and from the expression of public assemblies in various parts of the country, and the State Legislatures now in session, we are induced to believe that if the plan has any friends at all, they are mostly in Congress. It will never meet with the concurrence of any considerable portion of the people, either in the north or south.

**Shot.**—A man by the name of Scott was accidentally shot on the 1st inst., at a Wolf hunt, near the county line dividing Allen and Whitley counties.

The conductor of a public Newspaper would vary much from a strict line of duty, by partaking of the spirit of envy and little personal likes and dislikes of the little factions which are apt to intrude themselves into all neighborhoods.

We delight to have it in our power to speak well of all our citizens, and it is surely a narrow contracted and selfish mind that would deprive us of this delightful privilege. If our personal dislikes for a neighbor are to ruin him and his future prospects in business or in society, his for us are just as apt to ruin us and ours. But we subscribe to no such doctrine. A man with faults may confer public benefits, (if such could not, there never would be any conferred,) and for such deeds he is entitled to public commendation. Personal invective, licentiousness or scurrilous insinuations towards our citizens, may travel beneath the sphere in which we expect to operate as the Editor of the Plymouth Banner.—We too highly appreciate their partiality for more noble and better things. As a public Journalist we have to do with public rights and public wrongs, and we shall as readily condemn the one as we shall commend the other; but with private wrongs or private benefits, we have nothing to do—we leave these to the private Newspaper. Have any of our readers ever seen it?

**Gold Increasing.**—From reliable reports it is ascertained that the total amount of Gold dust shipped from San Francisco is yearly on the increase. The amount shipped to all quarters in 1851 was \$34,492,000; in 1852, \$45,779,000; in 1853, \$54,906,000.

A number of the Press of the eastern cities seem lately to have become fully convinced of the humbuggery of the Crystal Palace association, by its recent award of premiums. It has been, from its commencement to its close, one of the grand failures and fizzes of the age.

**Good Licks.**—At some of the little evening social parties of our young folks, during the present winter, whilst the weather was rather disagreeable and the side walks were covered with ice, it has been strongly intimated that some of the young gentlemen, (we don't know who,) allowed the young ladies to slide to them alone, as best they could. They made no unnecessary talk about it, (extraordinary girls) until one evening last week, those said young gents, and probably several others, each received a ticket from a young lady to an oyster supper—gotten up and prepared by the young ladies themselves, and at their own expense—at the residence of a kind neighbor. At the hour designated each young lady called for her gentleman, and—some managing two—gallanted them safely to the repast.

The supper was splendid, and each one was highly elated with his good fortune in being a chosen one for such a happy occasion. But as their little fingers got bedaubed with candy sticks, they were furnished nothing to clean them, and to use their cambrics for such purposes would render them rather disagreeable for other purposes during the evening. We have not heard, however, that anything of much value stuck to their fingers.

As the time passed to a late hour in the evening, we could not be surprised if the young gentlemen began to consider themselves slightly neglected.

At this late hour we who had not retired, certainly were much alarmed when we heard—Kling-a-te-kling, Kling-a-te-

kling. 'Tis certainly too late for auction. What is the matter?

Kling-a-te-kling—"Boys lost!" All explained now. Oh, how we felt for the anxious mothers; but our sympathy alone would not restore their lost treasures.

Kling-a-te-kling—"Two cents reward for the delivery of J—T— at the corners of tip top and tow head streets."

Umph—not so much of a loss after all, and we paid no more attention to it, until we heard the boys all got home safe—alone. The Boys say it shall never be so again; and we believe it.

**Confirmed.**—The appointment of Mr. Redfield, to fill the place of Mr. Bronson as collector of the port of New York, has been confirmed by the U. S. Senate.

The Poor House belonging to Randolph county in this State, was consumed by fire on the 25th ult. Loss about \$4,000.

Several of our exchanges concur in our views in relation to advertising the list of letters for the U. S. Government for less than fifty cents per square, when the regular charge of one dollar per square is exacted from the widows and orphans of unsettled estates.

**ADDITIONAL BY THE ARABIA.** New York, Feb. 6, 1854.

ENGLAND.—Lord John Russell has sent a circular to the members of the House of Commons, requesting a full attendance at the opening of the House.

Sir John Inglis has resigned. England is actively recruiting her coast volunteer artillery and coast defence guard. 10,000 men are wanted. Exertions are also making to man the navy, and more ships were fitting out, but apparently to land forces.

FRANCE.—The *Moniteur* publishes a decree, extending free trade in breadstuffs between France and England to the 31st of July.

The revenue from indirect taxes, last year, shows an increase of over four millions over the preceding year.

Russia has made overtures to Denmark for the purchase of the Bornholm Island.

ITALY.—The Roman States are suffering much for food. A scarcity also prevails at Naples. The prohibition to export breadstuffs from Naples is extended to March 1st, and importations are extended to the same time.

**FURTHER BY THE ARABIA.**

The details of the late battle on the Danube show a brilliant victory to the Turks. The conflict lasted five days, and the Russians were completely discomfited—4000 killed and two Generals wounded. On the last day, the Turks attacked the Russian reserve, driving it back upon Krajovat, with a great loss of cannon and immense slaughter on both sides.—The Turks destroyed the Russian fortifications, and returned to Kalafat. The Russians erected fortifications at Sebastopol, and extinguished all the light houses on the Crimea.

The Porte made essential modifications to the note of the Four Powers, which the latter pronounced satisfactory, and sent immediately to St. Petersburg. The Czar's reply had not been received, but the indications were that he would immediately withdraw his ambassadors from France and England.

The bank of England had raised its rates of discount to 5 per cent.

The greatest activity prevailed in the French navy yards. Every ship had been ordered to sea, operatives were working on Sundays, and a new levy of seamen had been made. England is strengthening all her coast defences.

Great scarcity of food existed in the Roman States.

**ARRIVAL OF THE PACIFIC.**

New York, Feb. 9. The Pacific, from Liverpool on Wednesday the 25th of Jan. arrived at 3 1/2 P. M. to-day.

Emigrant ship Taylor, from Liverpool the 19th for Melbourne, struck and sunk in Dublin bay. 400 lives were lost. Several other calamities also have occurred along the Irish coast.

The news may be summed up: No official reply from the Czar. No abatement of actual hostilities or preparations for attack, but no further battles reported, either on the Danube or in Asia. The allied fleets were last seen steering for Batoum, with a fair wind. The Russian fleet is also at sea.

**THE VERY LATEST.**—On the morning of the Pacific's sailing, it was said on the authority of the *Times*, that the Czar has not proceeded to extreme measures on learning the entry of the allied fleets into the Black Sea. He replies by a question:

Are the allied fleets to observe strict neutrality, or to take active part with the Turks? The answer to the above is of little importance, as his final reply to the note of Vienna must, be this, be on the way. The above had, however, a favorable influence on the Bourse.

It is telegraphed from Vienna that it has transpired that the Czar's final reply will be a contemptuous refusal to the Vienna note; also, referring Turkey to Gortschakoff for further particulars, and asserting positively that he will not give up one jot of Menschikoff's first demands.

There were considerable movements along the Danube, but no further battles. The English people, seeing the imminence of war, appear to have made up

their minds to the necessity and quietly accept it.

Mr. Mason, minister to France, has presented his credentials.

**LIVERPOOL BREADSTUFF MARKET.**—A further advance of 1s on flour, 3s.6d on wheat, and 1s.2s on Indian corn, was generally demanded, but the transactions at these rates are unimportant.

**FURTHER BY THE PACIFIC.**

New York, Feb. 9.

LONDON, Jan. 25.—The *Times* correspondent writes that the Emperor of Russia's reply, though not couched in very strong language, is of such a character as leaves little hope of change in the Emperor's mind. It is stated that the popular excitement at St. Petersburg is indescribable, and that the French Government anticipate that an explosion of such a kind will take place as to force the Emperor to make a formal declaration of war before his plans are arranged.

It is believed that 10,000 or 15,000 Russians have crossed the Danube.

There is a rumor that a dispatch has been received from St. Petersburg announcing the recognition of Nesselrode, and its acceptance by the Emperor.

**CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 29.**—The 1st Regiment of Christian Cossacks leave to-day for the head quarters of Omar Pacha.

**COPENHAGEN, 20.**—It is said that the answer from Russia to the declaration of neutrality has arrived. Russia refuses her consent, and demands that Denmark shall side with one of the parties.

**BERLIN, 21.**—It is rumored that Russia protested against the cession to Prussia by Oldenburg of a military post on the banks of the Jaelde.

**LOSS OF SIX STEAMERS.**

\$1,000,000 Property Destroyed.

**SEVERAL LIVES LOST.**

New Orleans, Feb. 4—3 P. M.

The steamer Charles Beecher just arrived from Nashville, caught fire and in a short time was totally consumed with her valuable cargo of cotton, tobacco, and western produce. Many passengers in the cabin barely escaped with their lives; 15 or 20 perished in the flames. The fire spread to the steamer Natchez, which, with a cargo of 2000 bales of cotton, was entirely destroyed.

The steamer Cairo next caught fire and was burned. The steamer Sultan and Grand Turk also caught fire and was consumed. A number of barges caught fire and were also greatly damaged. Several more lives are supposed to be lost.

The whole loss is estimated at \$1,000,000.

New York, Feb. 6.

No papers of Monday are received.—The loss of life and property by the burning of the steamer Georgia, seems to have been larger than stated. The Georgia was from Montgomery, and had on 200 passengers, mostly planters and their slaves emigrating to Texas. About 67 persons are missing, mostly slaves.

The steamer Black Warrior arrived this morning from Mobile and Havana.

Yesterday as Mr. West, street preacher, was preaching in a vacant lot he was assailed by a number of Irishmen, who had come on the ground. Mr. West was discoursing on Catholicism, which gave offence, several knocked down but no serious disturbance occurred. Six or seven Irishmen were apprehended.

**LATER FROM CALIFORNIA.**

**ARRIVAL OF THE DAN WEBSTER.**

New Orleans, Feb. 6.

The steamer Dan Webster from San Juan, arrived at Balize this morning with California dates to the 15th. She brings 112 passengers and \$13,000 in specie.—The Dan Webster connected with the Sierra Nevada which brought down \$1,000,000 in gold.

California markets heavy and overstocked. Business depressed—no general news yet.

Mrs. Partington, upon reading in a paper that the Light Guards appeared last evening in "undress uniform," said:—"Well, if soldiers will go naked, I am glad they don't train in the day time—I am."

"Why, doctor, said a sick lady, you give me the same medicine you are giving my husband. Why is that?" "All right replied the doctor, what is sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander."

—The Plymouth Banner of last week says Messrs. Pomeroy of that place have taken the contract for building 30 miles of the Peru Railroad, commencing at the north bank of the Kanawake river in this county, thence south. The contractors are enterprising business men, and will push the work ahead as fast as possible. The grading between this city and the Kanawake is light. There is now encouraging prospect of the speedy completion of this road.—*Laporte Whig.*

The South Bend Register of Thursday last, has the following in relation to the same subject:

"Their contract is a heavy one; and we hope they have taken it at figures that will leave them a handsome surplus when it is completed. Wm. G. Pomeroy, the Senior of the firm, has been for many years, one of the most prominent business men and influential citizens of Northern Indiana—for several sessions a member of one or the other branches of our legislature, and possessing the energy requisite for the extensive work he has undertaken. And Mark Pomeroy, the Junior partner, was formerly in the mercantile business here, where he won the confidence and esteem of our whole com-

munity. We think the R. R. Co. is fortunate in having secured the services of such contractors for their work."

**KEEPING THE TEETH CLEAN.**—Microscopical examinations had been made of the matter deposited on the teeth and gums of more than forty individuals selected from all classes of society, in every variety of bodily condition; and in nearly every case animal and vegetable parasites in great numbers had been discovered. Of the animal parasites there were three or four species, and of the vegetable, one or two. In fact the only persons whose mouths were found to be completely free from them, cleansed their teeth four times daily, using soap once. One or two of these individuals also passed a thread between the teeth to cleanse them more effectually. In all cases the number of the parasites was greater in proportion to the neglect of cleanliness. The effect, of the application of various agents was also noticed. Tobacco juice and smoke did not impair their vitality in the least. The same was also true of the chlorine tooth-wash, of pulverized bark, of soda, ammonia, and various other popular detergents. The application of soap, however, appeared to destroy them instantly. We may hence infer that this is the best and most proper specific for cleansing the teeth. In all cases, where it has been tried, it receives unqualified commendation. It may also be proper to add, that none but the white soap free from all discoloration, should be used.

**Am. Annual of Scientific Discovery.**

**FROM WASHINGTON.**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.

Numerous Hands and Sails are here from New York, under the lead of Augustus Schell and Elijah Parry; it is said they have in view a fusion of the factions, on the basis of the Nebraska platform. Dr. Charles Ames, late one of the Editors of the *Union*, was confirmed yesterday as a Consul to Venezuela.

The nominations of Mr. Briland for Central America, and Mr. Belmont to Austria, took place to-day.

The Cabinet had the Gadsden Treaty under consideration yesterday.

A country paper says that the best "sawing machine" in the world, is one about seventeen years old, that wears gaiter boots, and a pocket to put her wages in.

**AGREEING WITH HER.**—We have heard an anecdote of a clergyman who was a bit of a humorist. He once took tea with a woman of his parish who prided herself a great deal on her nice bread, and was also addicted to the common trick of depreciating her viands to her guests. As she passed the nice, warm biscuit to the reverend gentleman she said, "They were not very good, she was almost ashamed to offer them," &c. The minister took up one, looked at it rather dubiously, replied, "They are not so good as they might be."

The plate was instantly withdrawn, and with heightened color the lady exclaimed, "They are good enough for you."

Nothing further was said about the biscuit.

New York, Feb. 10th.

**FLOUR.**—Our market for western and State flour is dull and heavy, with only a limited demand for shipping and home trade.—Canadian flour at 8 5/8 to 9 00. Sales western canal 535 bbls at 9 55 for common to straight State, 9 33 for mixed to fancy Michigan, included in sales are 1000 bbls State deliverable between 15th Feb and 15th March at 9 15. Rice flour unchanged sales 100 bbls at 6 50 to 6 75 for fine. Corn meal opened firm but at the close more freely offered. Sales 700 bbls at 4 50 to 4 53 for Jersey.—Graham. On wheat market is lower and more active at 202—1000 bushels duty at 90—2500 bush New Jersey at 201-205. Rye in good demand sales 2500 bush Southern at 119 1/2. Oats unchanged, corn more active closing buoyant, sales 4100 bush at 105 1/2 for western and southern white. For 102 1/2 for old western mixed, whiskey without change demand fair, sales 400 bbls at 33c for Prison 32c for Jersey. Provisions, Pork in moderate demand, mess 15 37, prime 5 55 62, repacked Chicago 13 50-16 dollars, Lard Butter and cheese unchanged.

**A LANDLORD AND HIS CROWD SOLD.**

**AN OLD BUT GOOD STORY.**

Christopher Scriggins, the hero of our story, is a genuine full blooded Yankee, and no mistake, and is famous for his "Yankee Tricks."

As Chris, as he is generally called was on a "tour" a few miles north of this city, he chanced to spy a country tavern, and as the dark mantles of evening were being drawn about the earth, an idea popped into his head, suggesting the practicability of seeing a resting place for the night. Without giving the subject a second thought, our hero found himself (or rather was found,) at the bar of the aforesaid tavern, ordering the various luxuries generally found at like places, and after devouring a considerable share of the same, concluded he would abscond to the second story and turn in for the night.

After having absconded, the "Landlord and his Crowd" were very busy discussing the various topics of the day, and after a while, (accidentally of course,) the subject of "Yankees" and "Yankee Tricks," was brought up, and all parties entered into the discussion with uncommon eagerness.

After deciding the very important question, all hands were satisfied that the landlord was right in his conjectures, and as a natural consequence, all "took a smile" at his expense, after which the landlord informed them that there was a "genuine Yankee" in the house, and if possible he would have a trick out of him before he left.

Accordingly, next morning the landlord and company were ready to snap at the Yankee as soon as he should make his

appearance. After partaking of a "hasty plate of soup" etc., Christopher, with an air peculiar to his countryman, strolled into the bar room, and was about to pay his bill and depart, when the landlord, slapping him on the shoulder, thus addressed him:

"If I should judge from appearance, I should say you were a Yankee; could or would you oblige us with a trick or two?"

"Have you such things afore, but dunno as I kint now, tho'."

"Oh do, do," exclaimed the anxious crowd, "come, give us a good trick, and we will settle your bill for you."

This was a poser. Yankee consented to try his hand.

"Landlord," says he, "suppose you have some darned good licker in these parts."

"Yes," says the landlord, "got two casks of the best wine that the country ever beheld, in my cellar."

"You don't say so? Well, come along all you that wants to see the miracle performed," and down they all went into the cellar, and the casks were pointed out.

"Now," says Christopher, taking a good sized gilet out of his vest pocket, "I kin draw water out of one end of the barrel, and 'lasses out of 'toder."

"Do it," exclaimed the crowd, "and you can take our heads for foot balls."

Thereupon Yankee proceeded to bore a hole in one end of the pipe, and requested the landlord to cover it with his thumb. He did so, and soon a hole was bored in the other end. Christopher kept on a "phiz" much resembling that of an old deacon, during the operation, and requested the landlord to reach over and stop the other hole, while, as he expressed it, he could find something to put the darned stuff into.

Of course the landlord complied with the request, while Yankee stopped.

The landlord's back began to ache—soon his restrained patience began to break forth in curses on the whole Yankee nation, and as the joke got around, the walls of the old cellar rang with a deafening roar. At last, by a promise to "wet the whistle," of the company, and cancel Yankee's bill, he was released from his back-aching position, and has never since wished to see a trick or to perform by Yankee Doodle.

At Madison, Wisconsin, on the 21st ult., the mercury stood 30 degrees below zero.

But one false step, one wrong habit; one corrupt companion, one loose principle, may wreck all your prospects, and all the hopes of those who love you. And one drunk frequently makes a drunkard.

Two of the waiters on board the San Francisco, negroes, have been arrested in New York for robbing the passengers of their jewelry during the wreck. The articles were found upon them.

Mrs. Anne Royall is still engaged in publishing a paper in Washington. She is 85 years old.

**Tiffin and Fort Wayne Railroad.**—On Wednesday last, the organization for the Indiana portion of the Tiffin Railroad was effected in this city. J. L. Worden, E. F. Colerick, S. D. Bayless and Joseph Sinclair were among the Directors elected.

The means for the construction of this road are said to be secured, and that it will be put through on the fast time.

It is also said that the distance from Fort Wayne to New York, by way of this road and its eastern connections, will be at least a hundred miles shorter than by any other route.—*Fl. Wayne Times.*

A gentleman out west had an Irish lad in his employ, and sent him out to grease the wagon. The lad, after having been gone a considerable length of time, returned, and was asked by his employer if he had greased the wagon. "Yes," replied he, "I greased it all over except the little sticks the wheels run on."

**Obituary.**

Died, on Sabbath morning week, in this county, at the residence of his father, THOMAS J. KROBLOCK, after an illness of two and a half years, with White Swelling. He was 15 years of age.

**Administrator's Sale.**

NOTICE is hereby given that I will sell at public auction on Saturday, the 11th day of March next, at 1 o'clock P. M., at the door of the Court house in Plymouth, Indiana, (unless sooner disposed of at private sale for its appraised value in cash) a certain Military Land Warrant for 160 acres of land, issued to "Martha McCoy, widow of Alexander McCoy," dated August 10th, A. D. 1832, and numbered 20143.

A credit of three months will be given on one half the purchase money, the purchaser giving note with approved freehold security, waiving benefit of appraisement laws, with one half cash in hand at the time of sale.

WILLIAM MCCOY, Adm'r. of the estate of Martha McCoy, dec'd.

Plymouth, Ind., Feb. 14, 1854. 5014.

**STATE OF INDIANA,**

**MARSHALL COUNTY, SS.**

NOTICE is hereby given that Elizabeth McElwath, Administratrix of the estate of Daniel McElwath deceased, has filed her petition to sell a portion of the real estate of the decedent, his personal being insufficient to pay his debts; and that said petition will be heard at the next term of the Court of Common Pleas of said county.

Attest: R. CORBALEY, Clerk.

Feb 16 1854. 5015.

**RAGS! RAGS! Wanted by**

**CHAS PALMER.**

**For Boots and Shoes,**

**Go to CLARK'S.**