

Leap Year—The present year, 1836, is, what is denominated in the almanacs, bissextile or leap year, containing one day more than the ordinary years, by the addition of twenty-four hours to the second month, February. Leap year is an important year to all unmarried people, as much as during its continuance, it is the especial prerogative of ladies to make love to the gentlemen, and the especial duty of gentlemen, under very severe penalties, to accept and reciprocate the proffers of love from the other sex. The authority for this regulation is found in an old volume, entitled "Courtship, Love and Matrimony," printed in the year 1606, which has lately fallen into the possession of the editor of the N. York Transcript, and from which the annexed extract is made:

"Albeit, it is nowe become a parte of the Common Lawe, in regard to the social relations of life, that as often as every bissextile year doth returne, the ladies have the sole privilege during the time it continueth, of making love unto the men, which they may doe either by wordes or looks, as unto them it seemeth proper; and moreover, no man will be entituled unto the benefit of Clergy who doth refuse to accept the offers of a ladye, or who doth any wise treat her proposal with slight or contumely."

GENERAL HARRISON.

Every mail brings us assurance that the prospects of Gen. Harrison for the presidency are opening wider and wider. The worshippers at the shrine of power may assume a bold bearing, and fight it out for season; but we can see it in their own look—in the quick and cautious glance of the eye—that the day of hope is past, and despair fills each bosom.—Their struggle is the death struggle of the drowning man; the nearer the end of life's flickering taper the more violent the struggle. But it will avail nothing.—Van Buren has no personal popularity; and the juggling of the political wire-workers can give him none west of New York. The supporters of Gen. Jackson in the west could rally round his standard when it became necessary for the maintenance of his own personal popularity, but they cannot be induced to go over to Van Buren, even if it be at the call of the old General. They cannot support that man who has always opposed them and their dearest interests, though it be the wish of Gen. Jackson himself. They cannot be made to perceive how it will add to the glory of Gen. Jackson to immortalize Van Buren; and therefore they will not do it. But they will go for the man of the west; the man whose interests are identified with their own. They will go for Old Tippecanoe, who is emphatically the man of their own choice.

Lafayette Free-Press.

USEFUL RECEIPTS.

Indian Cure for the Ear Ache.—Take a piece of the lean of mutton, about the size of a large walnut; put it into the fire and burn it for some time, till it becomes almost reduced to a cinder; then put it into a clean reg, and squeeze it until moisture is expressed, which must be dropped into the ear as hot as the patient can bear it.

How to stop bleeding at the Nose.—A young man nineteen years of age, bled from the nose so profusely, that he fainted several times. Mineral acids, ice to the nape of the neck, &c. were tried, but without stopping the flow of blood. Doctor Burnet was called in on the day, and he blew up powdered gum Arabic through a quill; the hemorrhage ceased directly.

To make gold colored varnish.—Brinse separately four ounces of lacca, as much gamboge, as much dragon's blood, as each of these in a quart of spirits of wine.—Digest them in the sun or in a moderate heat for a fortnight. Mix them with clear varnish of sandarac according to the tint required. Four ounces of aloes, dissolved in a quart of spirit, will also be a good addition to the ingredients and give more command over the tint.

A Water Proof Varnish for Prints and Pictures.—Dilute four ounces of Venice Turpentine with a gill of alcohol (spirit of wine). If too thick, add a little more of the latter, if too thin, a little more of the former, so that it may be about the thickness of milk. Lay one or more coats of this on your print.

Relief for Cramp in the Stomach.—Warm water sweetened with molasses or coarse brown sugar, taken freer, will often remove the cramp in the stomach, when opium and other medicines fail.

The Noble Horse and his Kind Master.—Capt. David James, near Elk run, in Virginia, rides every day a saddle horse, now 28 or 29 years old. He is in excellent health and spirits, in full flesh, eye lively and countenance not indicating more than 12 years. Capt. James bought him at 5 or 6, has ridden him, and him only for 23 years! His feet so worn as to hold his shoes with difficulty, and for six years past his teeth required that he should be fed with soft food. This horse, so remarkable for his fine spirit, health and activity, is a chestnut, with one hind and fore leg and face white. He was got by wild Medley, and is about 15 hands high. During his life he has scarcely ever been fed more than twice a day, morning and evening—and never fell with his master but once—when he was probably ridden with a slack rein!

Specimen of piety and brotherly love in a political clergyman.—At the wharves at New York, the Rev. James Gwin, sent the following aimable sentinel, full of christian benevolence:

"When renegado foreigners, insolent Jacques, grooms and black leg gamblers, meddle in politics, it is high time for clergymen and honest men to warn the good people of their danger."

It is taken verbatim from Van Buren's mouth piece there called the Union.

We were informed, two or three days ago, that the weather-wise folks in this neighborhood were predicting a very cold winter. We understand, that they found their prediction upon the extraordinary number of old bachelors, that are getting married—*Louisville Journal*.

Important from France.—The N. Y. Courier and Enquirer of the 5th inst. has the following disagreeable news from that country:

"We are enabled to say, on the authority of one of our most respectable commercial houses, that a letter from London, dated October 18th, received yesterday, by the *Josephine*, stateth that a formal demand had been made by our Charge d'Affairs, on the French Government for the payment of the instalments due the United States, as settled by the indemnity Treaty. That a long conference was in consequence held between the President of the Council, the Duke de Broglie, and the Minister of Finance, Mr. Humann, and that on the 26th a refusal was communicated to our Charge, and a full and explicit explanation of the President's Message required."

The Philadelphia Evening Star of yesterday has the following:

Rather Squally.—An order has been received from the Secretary of the Navy for opening in this city a naval rendezvous for the establishment of seamen.—We understand from a gentleman connected with the Navy Department that the order embraced the recruiting not only of thorough seamen, but also ordinary seamen, boys, and landsmen. It is well known that recruiting has been going on moderately for some time past; but this was all in the usual course of things and none but thorough-bred seamen were taken.

The express by the Francis 1st, probably reached Washington on Sunday evening, and if the above order is predicated on the despatches received from Mr. Barton our Charge d'Affairs at Paris, we confess the prospect of the continuance of pacific relations with France is considerably diminished. The anxiety to see the President's Message has been not a little increased by the reception of the above order from the Navy Department.

MARRIED.—On Monday the 20th of December, 1835, by John Collins, Esq. Mr. Joseph Bonvois, to Mrs. MARY ANN FELTOWS, both of Knox County, Ia.

On Tuesday evening, the 6th inst. by Elder David Warford, HARVEY LISMAN, Esq. of Sullivan county, to Miss NANCY BUCKLEY, daughter of S. Buckley, Esq. of this place.

Administrator's Sale.

WILL be sold on a credit of six months, to the highest bidder on Saturday, the 30th inst., on the farm of the late Matthias Rose, deceased, a quantity of Corn, Wheat, Oats, and Hay, the purchaser giving his note with approved security.

JACOB HARPER, **THOS SCOTT,** **H. K. WISE.**
Jan. 7th 1836—32-4t

Cash for Wood.

ONE dollar and fifty cents per cord in cash, will be given for 500 cords good steam wood, by

D. S. BONNER.
January 9th, 1836—32-4t

TEA.

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January 9th, 1836—32-4t

CASH.

ONE of the subscribers expects to go east about the middle of next month for the purpose of renewing their stock of Goods, and would request those indebted to them, to call and settle their notes and accounts before that time.

S. & W. J. WISE.
January 8th, 1836—32-4t

Produce Wanted.

For which the following prices will be given

White Beans, per bushel,	\$1.00
Dried Apples, do.	87 1/2
Tallow per lb.	12 1/2
Beeswax do.	18
Sage do.	25
Oats, per bushel,	25
Furs, Otter from	\$2 to 4
Raccoon, from	Cts 12 to 18
Mink, from	12 to 16
Deer Skins, from	13 to 15

A. B. DANIEL.
Main St. Vincennes, Jan. 6, 1836—32-3

RAGS! RAGS! RAGS!

All you who have rags to save, prepare to save them now. Two and a half cents per pound, in cash, or three cents in printing, will be given for any quantity of clean linen or cotton rags, delivered at this office.

Notice.

ALL those interested, are hereby notified, that the payment of the notes due the estate of Daniel Davis, will be coerced, if not paid on or before the 1st of February next. And those having claims against the estate, are requested to present them for liquidation.

CHARLES POLKE, Admr.
Vincennes, Jan. 6, 1836. 32-3*

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The first Number will positively be issued early in January, and the whole will be completed by the last of April.

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10 Blbs. Malaga do.

20 Half blbs. Mackarel,

10 " Mess Shad,

10 Boxes Candies, assorted,

100 Kegs Powder,

12 Dozen Saddle Trees,

8 " Patent wood buckets and

coolers,

12 Casks of best Cheese,

12 dozen wire sieves,

Which added to their former stock,

makes their assortment good.

Vincennes, Oct. 29th, 1835.—22-4t

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250 Barrels

Kenawha Salt

First quality, just received and for sale by

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Vincennes, June 11, 1835.

Administrator's Sale.

THE undersigned, administrator on the estate of Mary Ann McCord, deceased, will sell at public auction, at the Court House door in Vincennes, on Tuesday the 19th inst. between the hours of 10 o'clock, A. M. and 3 o'clock, P. M. of said day, the following real estate, to wit:—One hundred acres of land, being the east corner of survey number two, in township three, north range nine west, situate, lying and being in the county of Knox, and State of Indiana, the same being a part of the real estate of said deceased, on a credit of six months, by order of the Probate Court of said county of Knox, the purchaser giving bond with approved security.

WILLIAM R. McCORD, Admr.

January 2, 1835. 31-3t.

INSURANCE.

THE Wabash Insurance Co. continues to insure BUILDINGS and PROPERTY against fire—and will insure BOATS and CARGOES

S. P. STRIKER, Secretary.

Dec. 25, 1835—31-1t.

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