

Masonry has painted you out as fit subjects to be elevated above your brethren. It is your duty to correct the irregularities of your less informed brethren, and give them good and wholesome instructions to caution them of the innumerable quicksands by which their path is beset, and admonish them in the most friendly manner.— Above all things, brethren, look well to the ancient land marks of the order; do not suffer them to be infirmated or dispensed with, otherwise confusion and disorder will enter our Lodges, destroy that harmony and order that should always characterize the society, and sap the foundations of our honorable institution. Much harm has been done Free Masonry by the admission of men unworthy of the benefits of the order. Do not, my brethren, being yourselves to believe that the respectability of any society is at all commensurate with the number of its members, but rather prefer to have a Lodge few in its numbers, but honorable in its members. Finally, brethren, let us so conduct ourselves towards each other, and towards the world, that the most censorious cannot attach any blame to us, but may be bound to acknowledge our goodness, and the world at large be convinced of the good effects of Masonry. By so doing, we will render ourselves good and happy men, and useful members of Society, and ourselves, when the coils of mortality shall be thrown off, and that impenetrable veil of the Temple is raised for admission into the "*Sanctum Sanctorum*," the Holy of Holies.

GAZETTE.

VINCENNES.

SATURDAY, JULY 1st, 1837.

FOURTH OF JULY.

The citizens of Vincennes and its vicinity will celebrate the anniversary of our Independence on Tuesday next.

A procession will be formed at Col. Clark's Hotel at 11 o'clock, A. M.—from thence it will move to the Presbyterian Church, where religious services will be performed, the Declaration of Independence read, and a brief address delivered by the Rev. H. M. Shaw; from thence it will proceed to the Hotel of Patrick Doran, where a dinner will be prepared for the occasion.

The citizens of Knox county are particularly invited to attend.

We are also informed that the Young Men have made arrangements to celebrate the 4th in a becoming style.—An Oration has been appointed for the occasion. The Oration will be at the Presbyterian church at 3 o'clock P. M. all persons are invited to attend.

ATTENTION.

The Members of the Vincennes Blues are requested to meet at the Court House on Tuesday the 4th inst. at half past 9 o'clock, armed and Equipt as the Law directs.

By order of the Capt.

The last Indiana Democrat says "The administration is daily gaining strength in our state." It is the strength of the whirlwind, doing most damage when strongest. The people will take care to keep its strength down.

The administration first ruins the country, and then charges the wings with it.— This is as it should be—a bankrupt always abuses honest men.

The Washington Globe states that "the net revenue produced by the express mail has exceeded \$100,000 since its establishment." The Globe ought to know as it gets the whole of it.

"The hens in Rockville, Md. since the pressure has commenced, have increased their discounts, and now lay three eggs a day!"

Uncle Sam had a chicken that beat this, for it lay golden eggs. But Benton, Blair, and Co. ripped it open to enrich themselves and killed it.

St. John's day, (the 24th of June,) was celebrated here by the Free Masons, in a style worthy of the fraternity. At 10 o'clock a procession was formed at the Lodge Room, which marched from there to the Presbyterian Church, where an Oration was delivered by Doct. ORRITT of this place, to a crowded house. After the Oration they adjourned to Mr. Doran's Hotel, and partook of a sumptuous collation which had been prepared. The dinner was first rate, and the wine delicious. There was a Ball in the evening, attended by all the merry ones. The Oration will be found on the first page.

We scarcely know how to speak of the Oration in terms sufficiently commendatory—the allusions were most happy, and the comments just. We believe that we express the opinion of every one present, (and the church was full,) in saying so—indeed we have rarely listened to anything so profound and instructive, embellished by as pure and elegant a style. It will be found vindictory of that ancient order that has so long withstood the vituperation of its enemies. We now give our readers an opportunity of enjoying a part of the pleasure which those who heard it enjoyed—and commend it to them for their perusal. The toasts given when the cloth was removed, with Mr. Shaw's speech, will be found appropriate to the occasion.

The following are a few of the many Toasts prepared for the occasion:

By N. Harper.—*In memory of the Patron Saint whose day we celebrate.*—May we like him, obtain a residence in that temple not made with hands eternal in the heavens.

By Isaac Mass.—Here's to those who are at all times ready to extend the right hand in tokens of friendship and brotherly love, to relieve the wants of the widow and orphans of a deceased worthy brother.

By R. Y. Caddington.—Brethren, our forms are important because they cover our substance, but while we observe the for