

# VEVAY TIMES AND SWITZERLAND COUNTY DEMOCRAT.



## POETICAL.

**The Farmer's Song.**  
Away with grandeur, pomp, and gold,  
Away with childish ease;  
Give me but strength my plough to hold,  
And I'll find means to please.

"Tis sweet to toil for those we love—  
My wife and darling boys;  
Both tend to make my labor prove  
The sweetness of my joys.

The sweetest morsel I procure,  
When labor makes it sweet,  
Is eaten with a taste more pure  
Than meats that monarchs eat.

"Tis mine—yours, 'tis my happy lot,  
From cares and avarice free,  
To own but this secluded cot,  
Sweet friends and liberty.

Thus I no monarch on his throne  
Can grudge his destiny;  
Let him his weight of cares bemoan,  
Whilst I am truly free.

When labor wearis and grows dull,  
I take my book or gun;  
Thus I the sweetest pleasures cult,  
And thus all sorrow shun.

Now tell me, all ye gouty train,  
Who have what fortune gives,  
Is not the cheerful country swain  
The happiest man that lives!

**The Caged Hero's Soliloquy.**  
Time was when I was free as air,  
No thought of Presidential chair.  
Had e'er disturb'd my head—  
I roamed at large, and rode and walked,  
And ate, and drank, and wrote and talked,  
And smoked, and went to bed.

But since I'm to such greatness grown,  
My friends have made me all their own,  
And put my mind in fitters;  
They've stuck a plaster in my mouth,  
Cinned variant views for North and South,  
And answered all my letters,

O, were I free again, as once,  
I'd ne'er again, like servile dunces,  
Be ruled by thinking masters;  
My pen of scribe and tongue of sage  
Once more I'd use,—O, curse this cage,  
And all their sticking plasters!

## MISCELLANY.

**Aquatic Scenery.**  
During the hardest of the storm the day before yesterday, we took lounge down to the steamboat landing; while standing on the brink of a deep gully that emptied its torrent of water into the bayou, our attention was attracted to the bottom of the gully, where a drunken loafer was stemmung the torrent, holding on to a root fast anchored in the bank. The poor fellow, not knowing any one was near him, was combatting his fate manfully, and in calculating his chances of escape, give utterance to the following:

"Haynt this a orf sitivation to be placed in, now? If I was a steamboat, a rail, or a wood-pile, I'd be better worth fifty cents on the dollar than I'll ever be again. Unless I'm a gone case now, there haynt no truth in frenology. I have weighed all the chances now like a general, and find only two that bears in my favor; the first is a skunk hole to crawl into, and the second a special interposition of Providence; and the best chance of the two is so slim, if I only had the change, I'd give a premium for the skunk hole; them's my sentiments. If I could be a mink, a muskrat, or a water snake, for about two months, perhaps I wouldnt mount the first stump tother side the Rio, and flap my wings and crow over everlastin' life, scientifically preserved. But what's the use holdin' on this root: there haynt no skunk hole in these ero diggings; the water is gettig taller about a feet, and if my nose was as long as kingdon come, it woudnt stick out much longer. Oh Jerry! Jerry! you're a gone sucker, and I guess your marn don't know you're out; poor woman! won't she cry the glasses out of her spectacles when she hears her darlin' Jerry has got the whole of Buffalo Rio for his coffin! What a pity 'tis some philanthropis or member of the human society never had foresight enough to build a house over this gutter, with a steam engine to keep out the water!—If they'd done it in time, they might have had the honor and gratification of saving the life of a feller being; but it's all day with you, Jerry, and a big harbor to cast anchor in. It's too bad to go off in this orful manner, when they know I rollers hated water ever since I was big enough to know 'twant whiskey. I feel the root given way, and since I don't know a prayer, here's a bit of Watt's Doxology to prove I died a christian:

"On the bank where dropped the willow,  
Long time ago."

Before Jerry got to the conclusion, he was washed into the bayou, within a few feet of a large flat that had just started for the steamboat; his eye caught the prospect of deliverance, and he changed the burden of his dirge into a thrilling cry of—"Leave to passenger overboard and sinking, with a belt of specie! the man what saves me makes his fortune!" Jerry was fished ashore by a darkey; and to show his gratitude, invited Quashay "to go to the doggery and liquor."

[Texas Star.]

**Military.**—"Feller osifers and gentlemen sibers," said a Connecticut Jonathan who had just been appointed to the honorable station of corporal in a company of militia invincibles—"I'm tarnally obliged to ye by gauly, for 'pinting me a korporeal, for I'll be darn'd to damnation if I can't cut out Jo Gawk now, git Poll Higgins in epito of broomsticks and punkins."

The bills of one of the Banks in Michigan are so bad, that the counterfeit ones draw a premium over the genuine.

In the last scene of the new play of "Tippecanoe," played at the Bowery Theatre on Friday evening last, the horse upon which Gen. Harrison rode, took fright at the firing of a pistol, and with rider on back fled from the field of battle.

"Over the hills and far away," leaving all the fighting to be done by Col. Johnson. An old soldier who happened to be in the theatre very gravely remarked, "that this part of the play was just as natural as life!"—*New Era.*

The following "hard cider" impromptu is copied from the Nashville Union, and should be inserted in the "Harrison Almanac" for the edification of the Tippecanoe comic song singers.

**Impromptu.**  
Whigges to the rescue!  
Cooney in a cage,  
Go it with rush boys,  
Go it in a rage.

"Mum" is the word, boys,  
"Brag" is the game,  
"Cooney" is the emblem  
"Or "Old Tip" same!

Go it then, for Cooney—  
Cooney in a cage—  
Go it with a yell, boys!  
Go it in a rage!

Hex!

**PRETTY FAIR.**—The South-western Sentinel in chronicling the marriage of Mr. Robert Green and Miss Mary Ann White has the following:

That Robert is a painter good  
By every eye is plainly seen;  
For by this process he has mix'd  
The purest *White* with brightest *Green*.

And if he proves a gardner too,  
When coming times shall shift the scenes,  
No doubt he'll furnish to the view  
A very beauteous crop of *Greens*.

**A POOR EXCUSE BETTER THAN NONE.**—A western editor excused his lack of editorial, by saying that his better, (and bigger, probably) half compels him to stay home and tend the little ones, while she is round among the neighbors showing off her new calico dress!

**SHARD.**—"Zounds, fellow!" exclaimed a choleric old gentleman to a phlegmatic master-of-fact person, "I shall go out of my wits." Well, you won't have far to go," was the sardonic reply.

**SUNRISE.**—The sun had set beneath the western horizon; the moon had risen in majestic splendor; the stars were twinkling in their orbits; and all nature seemed hushed to repose; my God! Salt what a night for catching 'possums!

John Randolph of Roanoke, when asked what he thought of John Tyler, said, "He will make an indifferent saddle pony, but is too slow for the track, and too weak for the plough."

"The eyes have it," as a Mr. C. said when he hit a brother member a punch in the peepers.

Beauty deserts us; but virtue and talents, the faithful companions of our lives, accompany us to the grave.

**AWKWARDNESS.**—There are four things that look very awkward in a woman, viz: to see her undertake to whistle; to throw a stone at a hog; to smoke a cigar; and to climb over a garden fence.

**Rates of Advertising.**  
The following rates of advertising, agreed upon by the Indiana Editorial Convention, are strictly observed at this office:

For one square, 3 insertions, \$1.50  
Each additional insertion, 20

One square, 3 months, 3.00

" 6 " 6.00

" 12 " 10.00

Two squares, 12 months, 15.00

Three squares, 12 months, 20.00

One column, 400 ems—per annum, 60.00

Three fourths of a column, 50.00

Half a column, 35.00

Fourth of a column, 25.00

A deduction of 20 per cent. will be made on advertisements longer than a quarter of a column, when inserted by the half year or year, and not altered.

All advertisements authorized by statute must invariably be paid for in advance.

Advertisements coming from abroad must be accompanied by the cash, unless ordered for publication by a brother paper.

**Sittings of the Courts**

At the Court-House in Vevay, Switzerland County, Indiana.

**CIRCUIT COURT.**

2d Monday in April, 1st 2d Monday in October.

**PROBATE COURT.**

2d Monday in February, 1st Monday in August.

2d Monday in May, 1st Monday in November.

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT.**

1st Monday in January, 1st Monday in September.

1st Monday in March, 1st Monday in November.

1st Monday in May.

**TAKEN UP**

BY Truman Grey, living in Posey township, Switzerland county, Indiana, Jan. 23d 1840, a Red Steer, marked with a square cross off of the right ear, and two under bits and one upper bit off the left ear, with white face; no other marks or brands perceptible, supposed to be 3 years old last spring. Appraised at eleven dollars, by William McNutt and Allen McNutt, before me the 23d of January, 1840.

WILLIAM HOWE, J. P.

June 18, 1840.

**Public Notice.**

THE undersigned, Deputy Collector for 1839, of street taxes, appointed by the corporation Trustees, in August 1839, on Ferry street in the town of Vevay, Switzerland county, Indiana, for the improvement of said street, will sell for the taxes unpaid, on Monday, the 28th of this instant, on the premises, lots, No. 227, fifty feet—taxes \$6.25, No. 230, fifty feet—tax \$6.25, No. 239, forty-five feet—\$5.02. If the owners, E. S. Lockwood, & heirs of J. H. Dufour, do not previous to that time call and pay the above taxes, I will also on the same day, offer part of lot No. 7, 294 feet for the taxes levied as above, for improving Ferry Street,—amount \$3.70cts.

W. NORTHCOTT.

Dept. coll. under H. McFackin.

July 9, 1840.

## Boot and Shoe Making.

THE undersigned, who for three years occupied the establishment formerly occupied by Chas. Thiebaud, takes this method of returning his thanks to his customers and the public generally, for the liberal share of patronage extended to him. He has removed to the shop lately occupied by C. W. Gray & Co., fronting the market street, where he will at all times keep on hand a complete assortment of Boots Shoes, coarse and fine, women's and children's shoes, at the lowest prices. All Boots and Shoes made in his establishment will be of Eastern and Cincinnati stock, and will be mended gratis when ripped. He hopes by close application to business, and a desire to please the public, to merit a share of public patronage.

F. J. GEORGEL.

May 28, 1840.

## BANK NOTE TABLE.

As a means of enabling the public to guard, in some measure, against losses by depreciated Bank paper, we have made out the following table, giving the rates of discount at Cincinnati and Louisville on the notes of the various banks. It will be corrected weekly, from the papers of those cities:

KENTUCKY.

WISCONSIN.  
Bank of Wisconsin, Green Bay, 10 a 20 dis.  
Bank of Mineral Point, 50 dis.  
Fox River Hydraulic Company, 10 a 20 dis.

MISSOURI.  
State Bank of Mo. at St. Louis, &c. par a 2 prem.

ARKANSAS.  
State Banks and branches, [old issue] 40 a 50 dis.

Real Estate Bank, do do do [new issue] do do

TEXAS.  
Government Treasury Notes, 85 dis.

SPECIE.

Silver, 4 a 5 prem.

American Gold, 5 a 6 prem.

Sovereigns, dolls. 5 0

Doubloon, Spanish, dolls. 16 a 17 0

do, Patriot, 16 a 16 50

English Guineas, \$5 00

Louisders, 4 00 a 15 50

Napoleon, 00

Ten Guilder pieces, 00

Ten Thalers, 8 00

Frederick's, 4 00

INDIANA.

Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, Madison, 1 dis.

State Bank, New Albany, Madison and Lawrenceburg, 1 dis.

All other Branches, 1 dis.

OHIO.

Bank of Cleveland, 14 dis.

Bank of Muskingum, 14 dis.

Bank of Circleville, 14 dis.

Bank of Wooster, 14 dis.

Bank of Xenia, 14 dis.

Bank of Sandusky, 14 dis.

Bank of Hamilton, 14 dis.

Bank of West Union, 14 dis.

Bank of Chillicothe, 14 dis.

Bank of Marietta, 14 dis.

Bank of Mount Pleasant, 14 dis.

Bank of Norwalk, 14 dis.

Bank of Geauga, 14 dis.

Bank of Zanesville, 14 dis.

Belmont Bank of St. Clairsville, 14 dis.

Bank of Steubenville, 14 dis.

Clinton Bank at Columbus, 14 dis.

Columbian Bank of New Lisbon, 14 dis.

Commercial Bank of Cincinnati, 14 dis.

Commercial Bank of Lake Erie, 14 dis.

Commercial Bank of Scioto, 14 dis.

Dayton Bank, 14 dis.

Dayton Mfg. Company, 2 dis.

Exchange Bank Cincinnati, 14 dis.

Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank Steubenville, 14 dis.

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