

VEVAY TIMES AND SWITZERLAND COUNTY DEMOCRAT.

VEVAY:

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1840.

Democratic Republican Nomination.
FOR PRESIDENT,
MARTIN VAN BUREN,
FOR VICE PRESIDENT,
RICHARD M. JOHNSON,

ELECTORS FOR INDIANA.

WILLIAM HENDRICKS, of Jefferson.
GEORGE W. EWING, of Miami.
1st. District. ROBERT DALE OWEN, of Posey.
2d. " HENRY SECREST, of Putnam.
3d. " THOMAS J. HENRY, of Clark.
4th. " JOHN L. ROBINSON, of Rush.
5th. " ANDREW KENNELEY, of Delaware.
6th. " WILLIAM J. PEASLEY, of Shelby.
7th. " JOHN M. LEMON, of Lapeer.

Commissioners' Court.

The board of County Commissioners will meet at the Court House in this place, on Monday next, the 7th inst.

On the first page of the paper, our readers will perceive an article taken from the New York Sunday Morning News, concerning the Presidential election. The News is not a partisan paper, but its predilections are Whig—entirely so. We hope our readers will give it an attentive and candid perusal. If our Whig friends will take the trouble of reading it, they too will be amply repaid for the time spent. Its truths and suggestions are of vast importance to the people of this republic.

The Southern papers give an account of the murder of several of the inhabitants of Indian Key by the Seminole Indians, who passed from Florida in their canoes to the Island to the number of 100, or 155. All the houses were burnt to ashes. Dr. Perrin, Mr. Mott and his wife and two children, Mrs. Smith, and some two or three more, were killed.

EDUCATION IN RUSSIA.—A work on the state of public instruction in Russia has recently been published in Hamburg, which says there are 100,000 scholars in the public and private schools in the Russian Empire. In the seven Universities there are 2700 students. There are at St. Petersburg, under the patronage of the government, nine gymnasiums, fifty high schools, and one hundred and four national and private schools.

In 1838 seven hundred and seventy-seven original works were published in the Russian Empire, and fifty-one periodicals. In 1839, 500,000 works were imported from foreign countries into Russia.

BEAUTIES OF THE BANKING SYSTEM IN ENGLAND.—The people of the manufacturing districts of England are in a state of starvation. It only costs the small sum of \$3,500,000 per annum for the support of the Royal family. And the leaders of the Federal party say the British Government forms the best model the world ever produced.

The news from Mexico is, that Gen. Urrea has taken the capitol, and driven Bustamante into the country. Whether this revolution will succeed, is yet problematical, we should suppose. There had been fighting in the capitol for several days.

HORRID MURDER.—The Indianian gives an account of a murder in that country on the night of the 15th inst., of a Mr. Lewis Izzard by Isaac Cole. Mr. Izzard is a highly respectable young man. Cole has been arrested; but has given no cause for the perpetration of the deed.

AWFUL EFFECTS OF GAMBLING.—A young man at Baden, in Germany, while on a visit at the baths, shot himself in despair, at having lost 10,000 francs at a gaming table.

The editor of the Statesman has given us a full definition of the words Steal—Stealer—and Thief. Having a practical knowledge of their meaning, he is fully prepared to expound their definition.

We would suggest the propriety of the editor in his next paper, giving the definition of the word bribing, and an account of his success in bribing Judges, when brought before them for trial, in Tampico.

About 25,000 emigrants have landed in New York, since the 1st of April last. It is supposed they brought with them several millions of dollars in gold and silver.

SEAM BANG.—A Mr. Gun of Ohio, was recently married to a Miss Lock. Probably he thought a gun without a lock was a useless thing.

AN EXCESS OF POLITICAL HONESTY.—A person who refuses to take a paper printed in his own town, because of its political creed, and borrows it of his neighbor before he has had an opportunity to read it.

POLITICAL MARCH OF MIND—Pronouncing condemnation against men and measures, without having a knowledge of either.

There is a Whig paper in Florida called the "Slop Tab."—*Balt. Rep.*

That is the paper for the sloping Editor of the Statesman to edit.

MORE GIRAFFES.—A vessel arrived at New York from Egypt, has brought out four beautiful Giraffes and three Gazelles, all in fine condition. The largest one stands about fifteen hands high.

The following are a few items we offer this week in proof of the systematic policy of lying adopted by the editor of the Statesman, and for which he has the increased confidence of the Whig party.

NORTH CAROLINA.—The returns from this State, where loco-foco darkness has reigned supreme for many years, give evidence that the people are aroused.—*Statesman*.

The Philadelphia Ledger, a neutral paper, says—

"In the Legislature of North Carolina, last year, the Whigs had 92 members—27 in the Senate, and 65 in the House; the Democrats 78—23 in the Senate and 55 in the House. The Legislature is chosen every two years, and the new body will choose two U. S. Senators to supply the places of Messrs Brown and Strange, resigned. The administration ticket succeeded in '36, at the Presidential election by a majority of 3284. Only three months previous, Dudley, (W.) had been elected Governor by a majority of 4,975 over Speight, (V. B.) Again in August, 1838, Dudley was elected Governor by a majority of 17,031 over Branch, (V. B.) The Whig majority in 1839 was about 4,500."

ILLINOIS.—By last night's mail we received a few returns from this State. They are decidedly cheering. The indications are as favorable as the friends of reform could wish.—*Statesman*.

August 12, 1840.

ILLINOIS.—The contest has been close here, but the locos, by bringing to their aid powerful local causes, have succeeded in electing a majority of members to the Legislature. It is conceded on all hands that Illinois will go for Harrison in November.—*Statesman*.

August 27, 1840.

ILLINOIS.—From official returns received at Springfield, Illinois, it is ascertained that there is a Democratic majority in the Senate of 12, and in the house 9. Majority on joint ballot 21.

As regards the popular vote, the returns from the different counties, so far known, stand as follows:—

Democratic majorities,	5,644
Federal "	2,216

Democratic majority, 3,428

which will probably be increased from 1,000 to 1,500, as the balance of the counties to be heard from are Democratic.

Last year the parties stood in the Legislature thus:

SENATE.	
Federalists,	22
Democrats,	18
Federal majority, 4	
HOUSE.	
Federalists.	45
Democrats,	44
Federal majority, 1	

Federal majority on joint ballot, 5

Van Buren's majority over Harrison in 1836, 2,083.

MISSOURI.—Our returns from this State are also incomplete, but what we have are no means discouraging. If we do not carry Missouri, we shall greatly reduce the loco-foco majority.—*Statesman*.

August 12, 1840.

MISSOURI.—This State, as we expected, and stated in our last, is still in Benton's breeches pocket, but by a greatly reduced majority. She has elected a loco Governor, and a loco Legislature, and it is probable that loco-foco darkness will prevail there for some time yet. The November election will decide the question.

[*Statesman*, Aug. 27, 1840.

MISSOURI.—The triumph of Democracy in Missouri is more complete than even our warmest hopes had anticipated. The majority for Governor, Lieut. Governor, and Congressmen, will exceed seven thousand five hundred. The Missouri Argus of the 17th ult., says sufficient

returns had been received to put down the State of parties in the Legislature thus:

SENATE.	
Democrats,	18
Federalists,	15
Democratic majority, 3	
HOUSE.	
Democrats,	56
Federalists,	43
Democratic majority, 13	

Majority on joint ballot, 16

Van Buren's majority over Harrison in 1836, 3,659.

The popular vote for Harrison in Louisiana, is over 5,000.—*Statesman*, Aug. 4, 1840.

The popular vote for Harrison in Louisiana, is 2,053.—*Statesman*, Aug. 20, 1840.

ALABAMA.—The returns from this State are not complete, but sufficient is known to warrant us in stating that the friends of reform have carried the State. All hail, Alabama! Cannot the Van Burenites of this place let off a little more loco thunder from the famous Swiss piece, in honor of Alabama!—*Statesman*, Aug. 27, 1840.

ALABAMA.—The Nashville Union of the 21st ult., has received returns from all the counties in the State of Alabama. The result is thus:

SENATE.	
Democrats,	21
Federalists,	12
Democratic majority, 9	
HOUSE.	
Democrats,	54
Federalists,	46
Democratic majority, 8	

"All hail, Alabama! Cannot the Van Burenites of this place let off a little more loco thunder from the famous Swiss piece, in honor of Alabama!"

Yes, were we not fearful it would wound the feelings of some of the loco posos of this place. "All hail, Alabama!" "Go it Tip, come it Tyler!"

KENTUCKY.—She has beat us all hollow. Letcher is elected by a majority of nearly nineteen thousand votes.—*Statesman*, Aug. 27, 1840.

From the Louisville Journal we learn that Letcher, the Whig candidate for Governor, has a majority of 15,841.

A mistake of 3 or 4,000, even after the official returns have been received, is a small matter with the conscientious editor of the Statesman.

(*) Federal Defaulters to the Government, as shown by the records:

G. W. Burns,	\$900,000 00.
E. Thompson,	700,000 00.
Edward Randolph,	31,155 07.
Andrew & James Erwin,	92,085 00.
Mr. King,	15,000 00.
J. Wingate & J. B. Swanton,	34,337 00.
Mr. Arnold,	50,000 00.
John Adams,	12,698 00.
Robert Brent,	89,511 00.
Samuel Chaplin,	70,502 00.
Wm. McMurtry,	17,991 00.
Robert Randolph,	23,007 00.
Samuel Gouverneur,	20,000 00.
Gen. Gratiot,	30,000 00.
Miles King,	10,360 00.
James Morrow,	4,115 44.
Loss by Banks estimated at	6,000,000.
Defaults by Banks 1837, about	30,000,000.

Mr. Erwin is the father-in-law of Mr. Bell, the Federal wether of Tennessee.

Mr. Wingate since his defalcation, has been a whig member of Congress, and most lovingly embraced by the whole party.

Mr. Swanton for his defalcation, has been rewarded by the late federal Governor of Maine with a responsible office, the functions of which require a particular supervision of the finances of the county of Kennebeck.

Look at This.

The Wheeling Argus, after a close and labored calculation, gives the number of banks, their officers and debtors, &c.

Banks,	925
Presidents,	925
Cashiers,	925
Clerks, Runners, &c.	1,850
Tellers,	925
Directors,	5,420
Stockholders,	41,200
Bank debtors,	500,000

51,295

Fifty-one thousand two hundred and ninety-five Bank office holders, including an army of about 500,000 Bank debtors, exercising the mighty power of six hundred millions of discounts.

What a formidable influence has the democracy to encounter! Yet if they will but be true to themselves, this immense power will be wielded against them in vain.

(*) The editor of the Statesman begs the indulgence of its readers while it once more briefly takes notice of the Kent Bugle.

This editor is a very neighborly fellow. He must be very fond of our company, as he has been in the constant habit of paying us a weekly visit for nearly two months past. 'Tis true, he is not very troublesome, as his visits are remarkably regular and short, and as we keep a sharp look out that he does not steal any thing from us.

(*) The editor of the Statesman complains most pitifully of our insinuations, as he calls them, and challenges us to throw them into a tangible shape. We find it impossible to please this renegade editor. When we charge him with selling himself for money—with collecting money under false pretences while the editor of this paper—and with swindling several gentlemen out of a few thousand dollars in New Orleans, we are charged with making insinuations against his character. This reminds us of the following story:

A citizen of this place, had on several occasions charged one Mr. —, with stealing paint and oil from one of his neighbors, and that he broke open a desk and stole \$17,50 from it. These insinuations reached the ears of Mr. —, who became very much enraged, and swore he would have satisfaction. He called to see the man who had thus freely insinuated against him; and in the conversation between the two, the citizen frankly told Mr. —, that all he had said against him was, that he had stole paint and oil, and that he broke open a desk and stole \$17,50 out of it. Mr. — replied, that if that was all he had said against him, he was satisfied—he was informed that he had been slandering him, but that that was all he had said, he had nothing more to say.

(*) The editor of the Statesman intimates that we have made an attack upon his private character.

He is certainly mistaken. Notwithstanding we are free to acknowledge, that we have committed a great and heinous sin, by associating with the conscientious editor, yet we are certain of never making an attack upon his private character. Private character! Indeed, such an insinuation as that in Mexico, would hang the infamous wretch—the base and cowardly libeler.

Awful Calamity.

We learn from the Albany, New York papers, an account of an accident, by which the lives of upwards of thirty-five individuals were in a moment sacrificed.

ARFLICTING CALAMITY.—*Fall of the Draw of the State street Canal Basin Bridge.*—Our city is the scene of a most distressing and calamitous disposure. At 5 o'clock this afternoon, just as the steamboats were departing for New York, and when hundreds of people were crossing the bridge over the Canal basin, the draw broke and precipitated from seventy to eighty persons, and three or four horses and carts into the basin! They fell about twenty feet into twelve feet water. The struggle for life among the sufferers was brief but awful! We shudder at the horrid recollection of it. Hundreds of citizens, with a dozen boats, sprang to the relief of their fellow-citizens. At 7 o'clock, 18 dead bodies had been recovered.

This dreadful loss of life was occasioned by the refractory conduct of an insane man who was refusing to go with his keeper. His resistance drew a crowd, which blocked up the passage, until the mass of people and carts became too heavy for the draw.

A large number of citizens continued their search for the bodies until dark. Several missing persons are supposed to be numbered among the dead.

Medical gentlemen continued their efforts to restore life until hope expired. All their exertions were unavailing.

Several bodies were recovered within five minutes after the fall, and we can only account for the obtuseness of every effort to resuscitate life by supposing that the persons lost were injured by the fall, or wounded before they sank.

FURTHER PARTICULARS.—*The Albany Argus extra*, of Sunday afternoon, says:

At sun down, 19 dead bodies had been recovered, which, with one recovered to-day, make an aggregate of TWENTY persons ascertained to have been drowned.

One of the narrowest escapes was that of A. Gallup, jr. He was passing to the boat with a package of money. Feeling the downward motion of the bridge, he threw the money forward on the unbroken part, and caught the foot or boot of a person, who in his turn, clung to the timber above. Being on that part of the draw which came up by the force of the weights, he was relieved from his perilous situation and recovered his package.

We learn from a gentleman, says the N. Y. Star, who left Albany yesterday afternoon, that no less than 29 bodies had been found before the last boat left.

"The Kent Bugle is not the first puppy who has attempted to avoid a true issue, by substituting an imaginary, for a known individual, as his antagonist