

passed, and carried by a majority of 18 votes, the vote standing as follows:

Yea—Messrs. Alley, Angle, Barber, Bell, Bonner, Bryant, Clark, Clawson, Conner, Cox, Cravens, Crompton, Culley, Davis, Decker, Finch, Flake, Gardner, Grover, Hanna, Heaton, Huntington, Martin, Maxwell, Morris, Murray, Nelson, Noble, Peyton, Proillet, Reid, Reynolds, Robinson, Rose, Secrest, Stanford, Stevenson, Tebbs, Wallace, Willet, Wilson, and Wooden, 42.

Nay—Messrs. Brady, Casey, COTTON, Crume, Durham, Ferguson, Frame, Griggs, Hargrove, Harrod, Henderson, Henley, Hite, Hoover, James, Lane, Livingston, Logan, Lynd, Moyer, Paddack, Parks, Polke, Ruddick, Slaughter, Smiley, Steele, Thornton, Vawter, Williams, and Moore, speaker, 31.

Messrs. Aker and Caldwell were absent on leave granted by the house.

When the result was announced, the friends of the measure evinced the most heartfelt pleasure, and in the evening Indianapolis was brilliantly illuminated, and the event hailed by the firing of cannon, the beating of drums, and other demonstrations of the importance of the measure.

To the people of Indiana this is one of the most important measures which has ever been decided in the state. The faith of the state is irrevocably pledged for the final completion of the Wabash and Erie canals, and the estimated cost of the whole work is upwards of one million seven hundred thousand dollars.

Power of merchants.—An interesting anecdote is related in "Burnet's memoirs of his own times," which goes to show the power of merchants, in times of difficulty and danger. The destination of the celebrated Armada of Philip of Spain was not known in England until late in the season, at which time the country was totally unprepared to resist, with any hope of success, so formidable a military and naval armament.—In the midst of the prevailing confusion and terror, a merchant in London communicated to the Government that he probably had it in his power to prevent the invasion for at least that year. He stated that he had been informed that Philip depended upon the bank of Venice for money to provision his fleet that he had an extensive credit at the bank, sufficient to draw from it all its available funds; and that by prompt measures he might succeed in effecting the object, before application was made by the King of Spain. The scheme was entirely successful. The merchant exhausted the bank, and Philip was compelled to delay the sailing of the expedition till the following year. England was then in a condition to meet it, and happily averted the blow that was intended for her destruction.

A friend in need.—Some days ago, a singular circumstance took place in the parish of Alness county of Ross, which proves that friendship is often but a thing of degree, and that mortal love is not always stable as the hills. In a house no great distance from the parish church, a respectable young couple were to be joined in marriage. The friends met and so did the minister, when the ceremony commenced, and went so far that the reverend gentleman came to that part of it which renders it his duty to request the parties to "join hands." To this, however, the young lady would not consent.—An uproar, of course, took place among the friends, the astonished bridegroom swooned away in the arms of a neighbor, while the bride, at this critical moment, shape or shade whatever she was, vanished "from the presence." By the aid of cordials, the bridegroom was soon restored to a kind of doubtful existence; and a spanking young sister of the "faithless fair, taking pity on the forlorn lover, stepped forward and shaking Donald by the hand, offered to supply the vacancy occasioned by the singular conduct of her sister. The generous offer was gladly accepted, the clergyman had the satisfaction of joining them together, both seemingly very happy at the change in the "aspect of affairs which had just taken place. "A friend in need is undoubtedly, a friend indeed!"

Consolation after defeat.—Our Ex Governor Yates, as is well known, came into the chief magistracy by a very large majority of votes. It is also known that at the next election he went out by an equally large majority. After the defeat, one friend of his, by way of consolation, recalled to his mind the singular unanimity with which he had formerly been chosen. "Yes," replied his ex Excellency, whose pronunciation is a little Dutchy—"I came in by the consent of all parties; and I went again in the same way—by the consent of all parties."

A curiosity.—As a couple of Irishmen were at work the other day, one of them happening to spy a bird flying near him with a feather in his bill, exclaimed,

"Arrah! Pat, and is that a curiosity?"

"What a curiosity?"

"Why, sure, that bird there flying away with a feather."

"Och! and wouldn't it be a greater curiosity if he flew away with no feather at all, at all?"



WEEKLY MESSENGER.

PRINTER'S RETREAT, INDIANA.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1832

THE TRUE BLUE, and Castigator, is the name of a new paper just commenced at Cincinnati. Edited by *Ned Wildfire*, price \$1 50 per annum. The first number can be seen at this office.

In the bill before our legislature, "to provide for seven asylums in the state, for the reception of the poor," the counties of Franklin, Dearborn, Ripley, Decatur, Switzerland, Jefferson and Jennings, form the third district—the gov. to appoint a superintendent in each district to examine personally, and report to the governor the most eligible central site, containing 160 acres—the gov. to purchase, selected site, at a price not exceeding \$3 75 per acre—with other provisions, which are all very good. I hope the bill will pass, paupers can be kept for less than one half of what we pay now.

John Randolph was in good health, a few days since.

INDIANS.—The Pawnee Indians are at war with their neighbors, the Mahas.

James Ransom was executed in the city of New York, on the 7th inst. for the murder of his wife Sophia.

DEATHS.—Since our last, in Philadelphia, 121—in

George Howard has been recently elected governor of Maryland.

John Townsend was elected mayor of Boston, 1st inst.

The Wayne N. Y. Sentinel says that within the last year more than 100 horses, worth on an average \$100 each, were stolen in that county.

Elihu M. Huntington, has been elected to represent Vigo county, in place of Mr. Cone, deceased.

South Carolina has authorized a tax of two percent to be assessed on United States bank stock and on all other stock in monied institutions.

Elizabeth Kyle, died lately near Milton, N. C. aged 123 years—she has left grand children 70 years old.

M. T. Hawkins, of North Carolina, is elected to congress, in place of Porter.

MARRIED

At Cincinnati, on the 1st inst. by the Rev. Walter Scott, Mr. Milton Hubbard, to Miss Zelia Siebenthal, daughter of Col. Siebenthal, of this county.

At Cincinnati, on the 4th inst. by the Rev. William Burk, Mr. William Clarke, to Miss Lucia Ann Hicks, daughter of John Hicks, of this county.

County Surveyor.

The subscriber respectfully informs the citizens of Switzerland county, that he was appointed

SURVEYOR.

of said county, by the board of county commissioners, at their January session. He can be found at the residence of Aribert Gatzay, near Troy, in Posey township. Orders left at the "Messenger" office. Printer's Retreat, will be promptly attended to.

ASAPH BUCK

January 18—24.

PETITION FOR PARTITION.

To Jacob Norton, Francis Norton, Oliver Norton, Joseph Noble and Love Noble, his wife, late Love Norton, and Samuel Longnecker and Ruth Longnecker, his wife, late Ruth Norton, heirs at law of LOVE NORTON, late of Switzerland county, Indiana, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, to the above named heirs and all others concerned, that application will be made to the

SWITZERLAND CIRCUIT COURT, at the next term thereof, to be held at Vevay, on Monday, the 19th of March next, for said court to appoint THREE COMMIS. PIONERS, to make partition of the South East Quarter of Section 32, T. 3, R. 2, W. laying in Switzerland county, according to law, among the several heirs.

LOVE NORTON

January 16.

YORK TOWNSHIP.

The board of trustees for York township, will meet at the house of Charles F. Krutz, in New York, on Monday, the 27th of February next, for the purpose of transacting township business.

AN ELECTION

Will be held at the house of Charles F. Krutz, in New York, on Monday, the 5th of March next, for the purpose of electing one clerk, one treasurer, two constables, three trustees, two overseers of the poor, two fence viewers, and six overseers of public highways.

DANIEL KELSO, clerk

York township, January 6.

THE AMERICAN FARMER,

Edited by C. B. Smith, is published in Baltimore, (Md.) by L. I. IRVINE HERZENSTEIN, & Co. (successors of J. S. Skinner,) in weekly numbers of eight quarto pages, at Five Dollars per annum.

It is devoted exclusively to practical Agriculture, Horticulture, and Rural and Domestic Economy—the American Farmer contains also a great number of useful receipts; readings adapted to the stations of mothers and miseries of families; so much of the news as relates to the foreign and domestic markets for Agricultural products, and a correct statement of their prices current at the time of publication; but nothing connected with party politics is at any time permitted to appear in its columns.

The American Farmer is neatly printed on fine paper, and many of the subjects of which it treats are illustrated by expensive wood engraving. The numbers for a year in one volume of a convenient form and size, and the last one is accompanied by a title page and minute index, completing the volume for

We draw the attention of our Indiana Celibates to the following lines from the Columbus Chronicle:

To the Jefferson Farmer of good constitution, Who to Hymen's list would make contributions; To the hearty, stout, well made, industrious laddie, Who has merit derived from his mammy and daddy—

Whose age has amounted to twenty-two years, And who now in perfection of manhood appears; While the seasons roll round, and time's rapidly fleeting.

I send my devos, most respectfully greeting. Your purpose to marry, sir, is not surprising, But might be accomplished without advertising; With a hint on the subject, and skill to apply it, Your success is sure, if you only will try it. Young ladies of merit are here by the score, Possessing the virtues you ask for, and more, Who your notice have read, and have ponder'd upon it,

And are ready to wed at the drop of a bonnet. I am one of the number, you'll clearly perceive it,

If what I now say, you will read and believe it. I have manners most pleasing, and beauty most striking;

My stature and form is to any man's liking; I am humble, and steady, meek, modest, and kind, Industrious, healthy, and highly refin'd; And many there are in Bartholomew's land Who have these accomplishments all at command.

But hark ye, my friend, if you think to prevail, You must shew yourself able to balance the scale,

I am ready at all times; I am bold to aver it, To unite with the man who has virtue and merit.

ROSAMUND.

January 13, 1832.

England.—There is no nation which at present engages so much of the public attention on this side of the Atlantic, as the "mother country." A struggle is there going on, of the most intense and thrilling interests, not only to the millions more immediately concerned, but to the tens of millions in other parts of the world who desire to see the walls of tyranny prostrated, and the rights of the people—of all the people—secured on an immovable basis.

Decrease of duties on tea, coffee and salt, from and after the 1st Jan. 1832.

Teas—from China, in vessels of the U. S.

late duty present duty.

Bohea, 1b. 12 cts. 4 cts.

Souchong and other black, 25 10

Campoy or Congo, considered as souchong, 25 10

Gomee, gunpowder or imperialis, 50 25

Hyson and young hyson, 40 18

Hyson skins and other green, 28 12

Teas, from any other place than

China, or in vessels of or in

any other than vessels of the

United States—

Bohea, 14 6

Souchong and other black, 34 18

Campoy or Congo, (considered as souchong) 34 18

Gomee, gunpowder or imperialis, 68 37

Hyson and young hyson, 56 27

Coffee, 2 1

Salt, per bush. weigh. 56 lbs. 15 10

HOW TO RAISE THE WIND.

A few days since, a broker, who resided in one of our large commercial cities, was observed to be most unaccountably growing rich, notwithstanding a numerous family were dependent on him for support, and his business was known to be but very inconsiderable. His conduct was therefore closely watched—and the secret soon came out. It was this—whenever any lots of spices, coffee, or sugar, were offered for sale, he appeared on the spot in the ostensible capacity of agent for a buyer, and took large samples from every lot. He sometimes was so fortunate as to be able to take samples from twenty or thirty different lots in a day. When by this means he had got together a large quantity, he promptly disposed of it for cash, at market price. But the discovery of his artful system of acquiring wealth, was made too late to injure him, for he was then upon the point of retiring from business.

We have often heard grocers complain of the frequent visits of sociable good-natured, penurious neighbors, who commit melancholy degradations on the good things within their reach, but without purchasing an article.

It is not long since that a grocer of our acquaintance was so annoyed by the visits of Capt. M., a parsimonious wretch with a soul no bigger than a mite's eye, that he could bear it no longer, and resolved to compensate him in kind. He therefore opened a bag of excellent almonds and a box of delicious raisins, and placed them within the range of the captain's searching eye. Whenever the Captain was present, the grocer and his assistant were always busy in another part of the shop; the captain boldly helped himself to the good things, and more than once, when he thought he was unperceived, he filled his pockets also. In six weeks not a raisin nor an almond were to be seen in either box or bag;

Captain, without any assistance from the grocer's assistants, had made way with them.

It was soon after handed to the Captain made out somewhat in the following fashion:

Capt. M.—	Dr.
To one box of raisins,	\$3.75
" one bag of almonds,	6.25

\$10.00

When this bill was handed to him accompanied with an explanation of the circumstances he raved, stamped, he swore." But as the grocer very properly threatened to appeal to justice if the bill was not settled immediately, his avarice alarmed him with the expense of a lawsuit, and suggested that being so fairly taken in, there was nothing to be done in prudence, but to pay the money peaceably. By this innocent stratagem, M. M.—got rid of the Captain's tasting visits.—*Exeter news-letter.*

The tax levied upon dogs within the last 12 months in Dutchess county, New York, amounts to \$210 29. Claims for injuries done by dogs (where the owners were not discovered) were made upon the board of supervisors, to the amount of \$782. The tax levied was divided equally amongst the claimants.

Two prisoners attempted to escape last week from the New London jail, by burning their way out. They, however, soon found themselves in danger of suffocation, and called loudly for help.

The South Carolina legislature has passed a bill permitting the consideration to be given in evidence, under the plea of *non est factum*, according to Gov. Hamilton's recommendation. The Charleston City Gazette says, as is obvious indeed, that this is intended to give juries jurisdiction over constitutional affairs, and especially, in case of the collection of the revenue.

The Telescope says, the second bond of the same patriotic gentlemen who stood the former suit, will speedily come up for a new contest, and from the law above mentioned, anticipate a different result.

The Louisville Journal of the 1st inst. has this apologetic paragraph: "We are aware that our paper, for the last three or four days, has not exhibited indications of extraordinary diligence. Nevertheless, our readers must not grumble. A man laboring under the influenza, is poorly fitted for labor of any other sort."

A committee of the Georgia legislature, to whom was referred a proposition of Dr. A. Jones, for compiling a history of that state, have recommended an appropriation of \$15,000, to enable that gentleman to visit England for the purpose of obtaining copies of the documents connected with their colonial history, contained in the archives of the board of trade.

A singularly destructive malady has seized upon the cattle of the Nun's Island, near Montreal, since the commencement of August last. One hundred and ninety-eight have already fallen victims. The greatest mortality is among the sheep, as being most numerous; but horned cattle, horses and pigs, perish in somewhat equal proportions. The disease appears to be inflammatory, and it is supposed to be occasioned by poisonous herbage growing on the lands.

The New Bedford Mercury says, that eating spaun and milk, and drinking no spirits, will cure the thirst for strong drink. The medicine should be taken a fortnight. The cause of a desire to drink being the animal diet, vegetable diet added to milk prevents the burning thirst.

Influenza.—The Detroit Courier says—"this troublesome fellow has come down among us with a vengeance. He is in truth no respecter of persons. He shows his ugly visage in the parlor, and takes his stand by the kitchen fire, sets the aged to groaning, and the young to muttering, and operates with as much impartiality on the sable daughters of Africa, as on those of our own 'gude land.' Go into the church, and you recognize his presence by the soft and labored cough, and wry-face, and in the streets by the hoarse gibberish, and still hoarser complainings."