

Chapman, as any comments thereupon tend-
ing in any way to prejudice the public mind
against the prisoner yet to be tried. His
Honor, Judge Fox, referred to the assur-
ances which had been given in behalf of those
who had been admitted within the bar, to
take notes of evidence, and could not suspect
a want of fidelity to the wishes of the court.
The court strongly intimated its determina-
tion to enforce its order rigidly, to the utmost
of their authority, and suggested to the coun-
sel of Mina, how far a publication in a Phila-
delphia paper, and sent into this county,
would render the publisher liable to this
court.

The evidence of Drs. Mitchell, Hopkinson,
Togao, and Mr. Clemson, (a distinguished
chemist,) was of a most interesting character,
not only as connected with this trial, but as
important illustrations in medical jurispru-
dence. Col. Da Guesta, the Mexican Consul,
resident at Philadelphia, attended as a wit-
ness on the part of Mrs. Chapman, and gave
a full account of the visits and transactions of
Mina and Mrs. C. at his office, and his house.
The dignified deportment and amiable man-
ner of this gentleman were his ready pass-
ports to the esteem of all who became in
any degree known to him, and we would
vouch for the same favorable impressions up-
on all who attended during his examination.
He was on the stand about four hours.

The Supreme Court, on Saturday last, de-
livered an opinion in the highly important
case arising out of the imprisonment of the
Missionaries, by the State of Georgia. We
have not the particulars of the decision, but
learn that it is against the authority of the
State of Georgia to extend its jurisdiction
over that portion of the State which lies with-
in the limits of the Cherokee Nation, and that,
consequently, the liberation of the Missiona-
ries, now confined in the Penitentiary of that
State, has been directed to be made. The
decision was unanimous, with the exception
of Justice Baldwin, who dissented on account
of some formality in the record. Justice
McLean gave a separate opinion, but concurred
in the decision of the court.—U. States
Telegraph, March 5.

LAW DECISION.

Important to Tavern Keepers and Stage Owners.
From the Harrisburg Telegraph.
United States } January Session, A. D. 1832.
vs. } before his honor Judge Blythe
Simon Lingle } and his associates, came on for
trial the following Prosecution.

Simon Lingle, the defendant, was indicted, by
Benezzer Hale, contractor for carrying the mail
from Harrisburg to Pottsville, under the author-
ity given to State courts, by the act of Congress,
passed in 1825—for willfully and knowingly
retarding the progress of the mail of the United
States.

The facts of the case as given in evidence
were as follows:—Benezzer Hale, the contrac-
tor for carrying the mail from Harrisburg to
Pottsville, had kept one set of horses at the de-
fendant's Simon Lingle, who kept a tavern, being
the first place for changing from Harrisburgh.
Mr. Hale, had made arrangements with acroth-
er tavern keeper, and directed his driver that
when he left Mr. Lingle, this particular morn-
ing, he should not bring the horses back. Mr.
Lingle, discovering that the horses were going
to be removed, locked the stable door, and would
not let the set of change horses out of the stable,
until his bill of keeping was paid. In conse-
quence of his detaining the fresh horses, the
stage went no further; (the mail was sent on by
horse by the defendant.) These were the
grounds for the above prosecution. His honor
Judge Blythe, in laying down the law, charged
the jury, that the holding of the horses by virtue
of the lien which tavern keepers have on all
horses fed by them, was no offense, and was not
a willful retarding the passage of the mail. That
horses, stages, and drivers, when not actually
engaged in carrying the mail from one stage to
another, were subject to the laws of Pennsylvania;
and that the act of congress only applied
to persons, horses and stages, when actually en-
gaged in carrying the mail.

Verdict for the defendants.

A certain lodging house was very much infes-
ted by vermin. A gentleman who slept there
one night told the landlady so in the morning,
when he said, "La, sir, we hav'nt a single bug in
the house." "No ma'am said he, 'they are all
married, and have large families too.'"

Vain attempts have been again made to elect
Representatives in Congress from the vacant
districts in Vermont and Massachusetts. They
seem to be fully bent on being unrepresented in
the present Congress. The reader will under-
stand, of course, that there are more than two
candidates in each of these districts, and that
majority of them have been able to command a
majority of the whole number of votes, as is re-
quired by the law of those states.—Sat. Cour.

During the last year there were convicted
at the New York Courts of Oyer and Terminer
and General Sessions, 325 persons for various
crimes. Among these, we observe one convic-
tion for murder in the first degree; one for man-
slaughter in the second degree, nineteen for
forgery, one for bigamy, one for kidnapping,
one for cruelty to animals, twenty nine for keep-
ing disorderly houses, and one hundred and ele-
ven for assault and battery.—Diablo's Rep.

THE PUZZLER.

I am a word of 9 letters, and am found in
most neighborhoods, and am much esteemed
by good parents. It was I who assisted to
make Felix tremble; I have been of use to a
Demosthenes and a Cicero, and Washington.
Franklin, and a Jackson, would not have ar-
rived at their eminence without me. In fine,
I have been the cause of making all the great
men in the old and new world. Can you tell
what I am? Dissect me, and my 1, 2, 7 and
8th, is the name of a river in Asia. 2. My
3, 1, 6 and 2d, transposed, is a part of hap-
piness. 3. my 1st and 9th is a balance. 4. my
3, 4, 1, and 9th, is a yawner. 5. my 7, 4 and
1st, is a breach. 6. my 4, 3, 4, 5, and 9, is a
maxim and proverb. 7. my 5, 4, and 3d, is
a move about. 8. my 4, 5 and 7, transposed,
is a stoppage of speech. 9. my 3, 8, and 9th
is an unpleasant situation, although just. 10.
my 1, 4, 7, and 9th is used by gentlemen and
ladies in England. 11. my 3, 6, and 5th is
a useful domestic animal. 12. my 9, 7, and 5,
is a spawn. 13. my 1, 4, 7, 6, 3, and 4th, is
a coin. 14. my 5, 6, and 9th is a way to tra-
vel. 15. my 6, 3, and 5th, transposed, is a
great name. 16. my 1, 2, and 4th, is a well
known pulse.

Vevay, March 14, 1832.

Mr. KEEN.—Your puzzler published in the
Messenger of the 13th inst. is answered in
this manner by the subscriber:—The coun-
ties of Cumberland are stationary in Penn-
sylvania and Maryland, and the Cumberland
river runs through Kentucky and Tennessee.
The rest answered as follows:—1 Lamb—2
Earl—3 Murder—4 Curl—5 Land—6 Arm
7—Lead—8 Brand—9 Lead—10 Umbrella.
FORISTER.



WEEKLY MESSENGER.

PRINTER'S RETREAT, INDIANA.

TUESDAY MARCH 20 1832

Jacksonville Lyceum.

The Ladies and Gentlemen residing in
the neighborhood of Jacksonville, are re-
quested to meet at the School-house, on Sa-
turday next, at 2 o'clock, p. m. to form a Ly-
ceum.—At which time, a Constitution will
be submitted by the committee.
March 20, 1832.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

By an advertisement of the sheriff, in an
adjoining column, it appears that an election
is to be holden at the court-house, in Vevay,
on Saturday, the 7th of April next, for a ju-
stice of the peace, in place of David McCor-
mick, whose term of service has expired.—
The following gentlemen are said to be candi-
dates for said office:

Thomas Hatton,
David McCormick,
John McCullough.

Mr. KEEN.—I have been informed that
some of the citizens of our county are im-
pressed with the belief that the items in the
statement of Receipts and Expenditures, of
Switzerland county, for the year 1831, and
published in your paper of last fall, of allow-
ance to the Clerk for extra services, &c. of the
sum of \$100 50, was made to me; and
at the time it is well known I was but eight
months in office. Therefore, for the satis-
faction of my fellow citizens, and in justice to
the Board doing County business, I request
you to publish the following facts in your pa-
per:—

1st. That previous to the November Ses-
sion of the Board of County Commissioners,
when the receipts and expenditures were or-
dered to be made out, I never had applied
for, nor had one cent allowed me for extra
services as Clerk.

2d. That the said allowance was made to
the former Clerk, by the former Board doing
county business, for extra and other services,
and for stationary furnished in that year, as
appears by the records, and not to me.

Respectfully yours,

EDWARD PATTON, CLK S. C. C.
Vevay, March 14, 1831.

A zig seal, about three and a half feet in
length and weighing from eighty-nine to a hun-
dred pounds, was caught napping, a few days
since, on a cake of ice, in Mount Hope Bay, and
carried to Bristol, R. I. by the sloop Aurora,
Captain Cook.

DEATHS—since our last, in Philadelphia,
123—in New York, 121—in Baltimore, 60

Lawyers in Parliament.—James I. issued a
proclamation in which the voters for members
of parliament, are directed not to choose curi-
ous and odd wrangling lawyers, who seek re-
putation by stirring needless questions.

A three masted vessel lately came, full
sail, into Wexford coast, R. I. principally
laden with oil, and not a soul could be found
on board, dead or alive. The log book was
filled up and dated only the day previous—
A box of dollars was found on board.

The Raleigh Register states that there is a
centenarian in every 2425 persons throughout
the state, and then it asks—what will foreign-
ers, who deny American longevity, say to this?

The New York Courier and Enquirer men-
tions, on the credit of a private letter from Fa-
ris, that Miss Frances Wright was recently mar-
ried to a Mr. P. a young gentleman from the U-
nited States.

It is stated in the New York Evening Post,
that Mr. Rives has requested permission to re-
turn from France.

A letter has been received at Washington city
from LAFAYETTE, in which the veteran states
he had been very ill of inflammation of the
breast, but was on the recovery.

The death of Judge Randolph, late district
Judge of the U. S. Court for Mississippi, is an-
nounced in the New Orleans papers.

Scarlet Fever.—Delaware Gazette of the 28th
says:—The Scarlet Fever is raging to a great
extent in this section of our state. Numerous
deaths occur almost daily, the principal part
of which are children. In some cases two or three
have been lying dead in the same house at one
time.

A resolution has passed the Pennsylvania sen-
ate that three thousand copies in English, and
three thousand in German, of Washington's
Farewell Address, be printed in pamphlet form,
with the object of distribution throughout the
state.

In Dr. Milnor's church, N. York, on Sunday, a
gentleman had his cloak stolen from the back of
his pew. He should have slept upon it.

We find it asserted in the London Morning
Herald, that the Cats in the Island are suffering
from the Cholera Morbus. Those animals in
many instances, have been seized with sudden
convulsions; in such cases they continue mew-
ing piteously till their final struggle, which gen-
erally ensues within 18 hours after the commence-
ment of the attack. About 20 of the feline
race have already perished in this extraordi-
nary manner.

JACKSONVILLE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

An election will be held at the School-
house on Saturday the 1st of April next, to
elect Three Trustees. March 20, 1832.

MARRIED.

On the 9th inst. by Thomas Cole, Esq. Mr.
SILAS POTTER, to Miss CYNTHIA LITTLEFIELD,
both of Switzerland county

ADMINISTRATRIX'S SALE.

WILL be sold as public property, at the house lately
occupied by William Campbell, deceased, in the
town of NEW YORK

On Wednesday, April 4, 1832.

(and continue from day to day until all is disposed of)
the personal property of said decedent, consisting of

DRY GOODS,

Groceries, Hardware,

&c. &c. &c.

Also—one horse, some cattle, one yoke of work ox-
en, household and kitchen furniture, farming utensils,
&c. The sale will commence at 10 o'clock, A. M.
Terms of sale made known at sale.

POLLY CAMPBELL, ad'mr.

New York, March 8

Alexander,

A BLOOD BAY, 16 hands high,

WILL stand the ensuing season on Mondays and
Tuesdays, at Daniel Davis' Horse mill—Wed-
nesdays and Thursdays, at Wade's mill—on Fridays
and Saturdays, at the town of Patriot. The season
will commence on the 25th of March and end on the
1st of July. For particulars see bills.

JOHN POLLY.

Pottery township, March 18

A negro wench one day having received a re-
primand from her master for some offence, was
so much irritated, that she went directly out,
kneeled down and made the following prayer:
"O good massa lord! come, come take me right
out of dis world dis berry minute—if you can no
come yourself, send the debil or any body else."

From the Newburyport Advertiser.

Extraordinary Story.—A gentleman has for-
nished us with the following account of a trans-
action which took place a few years ago: A
respectable master of a ship, belonging to this
port was in London several years ago, and his
mate obtained his consent to spend an evening
on shore. He did not return till late at night,
and assigned as the reason, that, as he was walk-
ing in the street, he was accosted by a respect-
able looking female, and after some conversation
she invited him to accompany her to her house.
She led him into a house up a court, which on
entering the outer door, she fastened, and he
was conducted by her up stairs; on entering the
chamber, she fastened that door also, and sat
some time conversing, when she got up and ex-
posed herself a few moments; she did not return
until his suspicions were awakened that some
mischief was intended him; he looked round
and found that he was a prisoner, the door was
locked on the outside, and the window barred
so that he could not open them—be then com-

posed the key of a bed in the room, when he
beheld the body of a man, with his throat cut,
lying dead upon the bed. The mate was struck
with consternation, and believed himself a lost
person, until it occurred to him that he could
with his pocket knife remove the lock or a part
of it and open the door; he succeeded, and made
his way to the outer door, which was fortunate-
ly unfastened; on opening it he observed a man
with a lantern coming up the court with the
woman, when he came to the resolution of mak-
ing a desperate effort to make his escape. He
ran upon the man and overturned him by his
strength, and before the man could secure him-
self he got off. It appeared afterwards in the
public papers that the woman had gone to the
watch, and informed that a murder had been
committed in her house, and requested the as-
sistance of the watch to secure the murderer, and
the mate was to have been sacrificed as the in-
nocent victim for this nefarious crime.

EXTRACTS FROM A MODERN DICTIONARY.

Confidential letters.—Letters intended for
publication.

Public abuse.—The mud which every travel-
ler is spattered on his road to distinction.

Slander.—An invisible venom spit out by toads
and serpents in the human shape.

Political honesty.—Previous lexicographers
have not noticed this word, treating it, I pre-
sume, altogether as fabulous—for definition,
vide, self interest

Love.—A disease.

Happiness.—A dream.

Hope.—A traitor.

The grave.—An ugly hole in the ground,
which lovers and poets which they were in, but
take uncommon pains to keep out of.

Modern literature.—Fragments of the feasts
of the old writers served up in new dishes.

Constable.—A species of snapping turtle.

Modesty.—A beautiful flower that flourishes
only in secret places.

Sensibility.—A quality by which its possessor
in attempting to promote the happiness of oth-
er people loses his own.

A young man of talents.—An impertinent
scoundrel who thrusts himself forward; a person
without modesty; a noisy fellow.

Laurel.—A learned gentleman, who rescues
your estate from your enemy and keeps it him-
self.

Enemies.—Borrower and lender.

My dear.—An expression used by man and
wife at the commencement of a quarrel.

Watchman.—A man employed by the corpo-
ration to sleep in the open air.

Office of street inspector.—A sinecure.

Honesty.—An excellent joke.

Dentist.—A person who finds work for his
own teeth by taking out those of other people.

Poetry.—A division of affected prose into
lines of a certain length.

SINGULAR OCCURRENCE.

GEORGETOWN, D. C. Feb 23.—Part of those
fine buildings known as Foxall's Row, on Bridge
street, have been some time untenanted, much
to the injury of the proprietors, as well as to
the regret of all who wish prosperity to the
town. Two of these houses are occupied as a
boarding house, but the lady who keeps it hav-
ing no use for the back building, attached to
both, one of them was intended and supposed to
be fastened up. Lately, strange sounds, like
groans, were heard by the inmates of the house;
some thought it proceeded from one place some,
from another, each perhaps attributed the noise
to his neighbor—the servants were terrified at
the idea of witches, ghosts and hobgoblins.—
But no one dreamt of making search or inquiry
into the matter.

A few days since, the lady who keeps the
boarding house had an application to rent the
back building which she did not use, and made
an agreement therefor. The sub tenant pro-
ceeded to take possession, and on endeavoring
to open the door found it forced back by some-
thing on the inside. She (it was a female) re-
treated in affright, but having procured a re-in-
forcement and summoning courage by having
company, the party made their way into the
room—when lo and behold! "an unfortunate
cow" was found stretched upon the floor dead!
It is supposed she strayed in there, while follow-
ing her natural propensity in search of food, and
having by some means closed the door, was un-
able to get out, and literally starved to death.
When the affair was known the owner came for-
ward and identified the cow, saying that as soon
as he missed her, he had searched in almost
every direction to find her; he thought her ab-
sence the more strange, as she had a calf not
more than two or three weeks old.

Counterfeit Notes.—After having noticed a
new counterfeit, on the Western Reserve Bank,
the editor of the Zanesville (Ohio) Gazette
says:—It may not be amiss to remark, that
persons should not attempt to pass counterfeit
notes, although honestly received. A man was
tried in this place on Saturday last, charged
with attempting to pass a note knowing it to be
counterfeit, and if we may judge from the story
of the jury in rendering a verdict, we may con-
clude that he ran a narrow chance for the peni-
tentiary. We make this remark to caution
such persons as suppose themselves justifiable
in passing upon others, what has been passed
upon them. For passing, or attempting to pass
a single note, knowing it to be counterfeit, a
man is liable to confinement in the penitentiary
not less than three, nor more than six years.