

WEEKLY MESSENGER.

Horrors of War.—In the hospitals of Wilna, there were above 17,000 dead and dying, frozen and freezing. The bodies of the former, broken up, served to stop the cavities in the windows, floors and walls; but in some of the passages of the great convent, above 1,500 bodies were piled up transversely like pigs of lead or iron. When those were finally removed on sledges to be buried, the most extraordinary figures were presented by the variety of their attitudes, for none seemed to have been frozen in a composed state; each was fixed in the last action of his life—in the last direction given to his limbs; even his eyes retained the last expression either of anger, pain, or entreaty. In the roads, men were gathered around the burning ruins of cottages which a mad spirit of destruction had fired, picking and eating the burnt bodies of their fellow man—while thousands of horses were moaning in agony, with their flesh mangled and hacked, to satisfy the cravings of a hunger that knew no pity. Such were some of the calamities which followed the retreat of the French army from Moscow.

Five substantial Pennsylvania farmers, belonging to the town of Somerset, on the 22d ult. went to hunt squirrels. In the evening they returned with 214 which they had killed and secured. A good day's work.

A friend has kindly favored us with the following interesting paragraph.

People who are not in the habit of looking into statistics are not aware of the vast disproportion in the density of the population between the different sections of the United States. New England is far more densely settled than any other section of the country. In fact the population of Massachusetts, which in this respect far exceeds that of the other New England States, presents a greater number to the square mile than many of the countries in Europe, even including of those which for centuries have been considered populous Kingdoms. Spain for instance, has an average of but 73 individuals to the square mile; Scotland but 71; Denmark but 76; while Massachusetts has 75. We subjoin a list of the several States of the Union, with the number of inhabitants to the square mile in each respectively, viz:

Massachusetts has 78 to the square mile; Connecticut 63; Rhode Island 62; New York 44; New Jersey 38; Delaware 33; Maryland 32; Pennsylvania 29; New Hampshire 28; Vermont 28; Ohio 25; South Carolina 18; Virginia 17; Tennessee 17; Kentucky 17; North Carolina 15; Maine 12; Indiana 13; Georgia 9; Alabama 6; Louisiana 5; Illinois 3; Mississippi 2; Missouri 2. *Boston Atlas.*

Mr. Lucas Knapp of the town of Austerlitz, has a team of dogs, with which he is in the habit of riding out daily. The dogs are about fourteen months old, and the last December, when the roads were bad, they travelled from the residence of Mr. Knapp (who is a cripple) to Winchester, Connecticut, a distance of 60 miles, in one day, drawing him in a small wagon which he has for that purpose. He returned by the same novel conveyance in the same space of time.—*Columbia N. Y. Sentinel.*

Different Ways of doing the same thing.—“Pray excuse me,” said a well dressed young man to a young lady in the second tier of boxes at the theatre: “I wish to go up stairs and get some refreshment—don't leave your seat.” A sailor seated in the box near his sweet heart, and disposed to do the same thing, rose and said, “Harkee, Moll, I'm going aloft to wet my whistle; don't fall overboard while I'm gone.”

Distressing case.—Saturday's report of the season “down east,” is confirmed to-day by a letter from Thomastown, Me., in which the writer says:—“It has rained almost incessantly for six weeks. I am afraid we shall not raise a single radish,—that troubles me very much.” [Boston Mer. Journal.]

A writer in the N. Y. Evening Post states, “that navigators, in steering north, seldom enter the Arctic circle before the month of June, when instead of the rising and setting of the sun, they behold the king of day coursing his flaming steeds at midnight.”

Anagrams.—The letters in the word “warranted,” will spell one hundred and sixty-seven good English words, besides many others in different languages.

Noise of the Anvil.—A blacksmith of Milan has, to the comfort of his neighbors, especially the rich, successfully practised a very simple contrivance to diminish, in a remarkable degree, the loud noise caused by the percussion of the hammer on the anvil. It is merely to suspend a piece of iron chain to one of horns of the anvil, which carries off a great portion of the acute sound usually produced.

One of the Mormons has become disatisfied with his new faith and brethren, and has denounced them all in a Westfield, N. Y. paper in the following words:—“And now I testify to you before God and these witnesses, that I never had any impressions or exercises different from other times, since I joined the Mormons; and the tongues spoken by me are of my own invention, and that, as far as my own knowledge extends, the whole is a farce, and may my fate be like that of Annanias and Sapphira, if I do not speak the truth honestly before God.”

Thomas Tyrel, of Missouri, advertises that a Cancer upon upon his nose, which had been treated without success by Dr. Smith of New Haven, and the ablest surgeons in the Western country, had been cured in the following manner: He was recommended to use strong potash made of the lye of the ashes of red oak bark, boiled down to the consistency of molasses, to cover the Cancer with it and in about an hour afterwards, cover this with a plaster of tar, which must be removed after a few days; and if protuberances appear in the wound, apply more potash to them, and then the plaster again, until they all disappear, after which heal the wound with any common salve. Cautery and the knife had previously been used in vain—this treatment effected a speedy and perfect cure.



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PRINTER'S RETREAT, INDIANA.

SATURDAY, AUG. 10, 1833.

We stop the press to give the following official returns just received, viz—

TEST,	LANE,
Switzerland county,	445
Dearborn county,	730
Ripley county,	433
Decatur co. majority,	104
Whole number	1,772
Lane's present majority	608

ELECTION RETURN,
Switzerland County.
OFFICIAL.
Congress, 4th District,

Amos Lane,	533
Enoch McCarty,	107
John Test.	445

Whole number of votes for congress, 1053

LANE's majority over Test, 88

In the several townships, the votes stood thus, for

LANE, in Jefferson 231—Posey 129—

Cotton 84—York 51—Pleasant 13—and

Craig 25. In the whole 533.

TEST, in Jefferson 216—Posey 87—

Cotton 69—York 14—Pleasant 54—and

Craig 5. In the whole 445.

We have been informed that Amos Lane has received considerable majorities in Dearborn and Ripley counties—that his majority in those three counties is 678.

In our next, we will be enabled to give

the entire return of the whole district.

Legislative Representative,
Wilson B. Benefiel, 73
Samuel Fallis, 220
Daniel Kelso, 261
Charles F. Krutz, 190
John P. Lillard, 172
Solomon Washer, 132

Whole number of votes for represen. 1053

Sheriff of Switzerland county,

Ralph B. Cotton, 303

Pruett Harvey 119

Bela Hearick, 143

William Keith. 104

George E. Pleasants, 293

Israel R. Whitehead. 103

Whole number of votes for sheriff, 1075

Coroner of Switzerland county,

Philip Bettens, jr. 20

George Brown, 42

Cosby M. Lewis, 339

John Stepleton, 486

Stephen G Peabody. 151

Whole number of votes for coroner, 1018

School Commissioner of Switzerland co.

Thomas Cole, 871

John Hicks, 85

John Shaddy. 75

County Commissioner,

Moses Bronson, 422

Colin McNutt, Jun. 403

William Scudder. 509

Com. **WILLIAM BAINBRIDGE**, of the United States navy, died at Philadelphia, on the 27th ult. aged about 60 years.

JOEL CLOUGH, the murderer of Hamilton, was hung at Mount Holly, N. J. on the 25th ult.

The death of doctor **Felix Pascalis**, of the city of New York, has been announced in the papers of that city. He was a man of great talents and extensive information.

Upwards of four hundred Potowatamie Indians, says the Cass county Times, took up their line of march, on the 27th ult. for their country west of the Mississippi river.

In Kentucky, judge Todd having resigned his office of circuit judge, David White, of Shelby county, has been appointed by the governor to fill the vacancy. The salaries of the public officers in that state, are so much reduced by the depreciation of the commonwealth's paper, which they are paid in, that it is difficult to keep the offices filled.

The Sangamo, Illinois, Journal, computes the population of Springfield county, in that state, at 25,000 souls—and that they will raise, during the present season, nine hundred thousand bushels of Wheat.

We understand, says a Philadelphia paper, that such is the scarcity of the best kind of bark used by tanners, called Spanish oak, will that it readily command from \$20 to \$21 a cord.

A proclamation has lately been issued by the governor of South Carolina, offering a reward of \$200, for the apprehension of William Frampton, of Beaufort district, against whom a bill of indictment has been found by the grand jury, for the murder of his slave.

The Providence, R. I. city Gazette says that a colossal statue, of the rev. Ephraim K. Avery, of cast iron, mounted on a granite pedestal, is to be erected at Fall river, near the scene of the murder of miss Cor nell, in the course of a few weeks;

The legislature of Georgia have passed a law, forbidding the employment of any slave or free person of color, as a compositor (type setter) in any printing office in that state, under a penalty of \$10, for every day, during any part of which the said negro should be thus unlawfully employed.

The bones of a large animal, probably the mammoth, have been discovered near the river Don, in Upper Canada—they were embedded six feet deep in clay. The weight of a single tooth is three and a half pounds, and the other reliefs are of a size to correspond.

We have been informed, that on the estate of gen. Wade Hampton, on the Mississippi, a little above New Orleans, out of fifteen hundred slaves, more than seven hundred have been destroyed by cholera.

The following toast was given at Millingsburg, Union county

By George Driesbach—Judge Cooper of South Carolina.—Fit for nothing else than to be stuck on a bed post for bugs to bark at, or to be clerk over a frog pond, and there to be nibbled to death by gallynips.

On Saturday, August 31, 1833.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M.—Terms made known at sale—Due attention given by

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Posey township, August 9.

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