

## MESSINGER.

Printer's Retreat, Indiana.

Friday Morning, July 4.

### STUMP SPEECHING.

The candidates of this county, will address the people, at the following times and places: At Gabriel Johnson's, in Pleasant township, on Monday, July 14. At Moorefield, same township, on Tuesday, the 15th. At Short's, on the 16th. At Veray, on the 17th. At Mount Sterling, on the 18th and at Jacksonville on the 19th. At New York, on the 21st. At Patriot, the 22nd. At McNutt's, on the 23d. At the Park works, on the 24th. At Allensville, on the 25th.

During the last session of the legislature of Indiana, three new counties were formed in this state—viz Miami, Huntington and White. The county seat of Miami county has been established at Peru, on the Wabash, three miles below the mouth of Mississinewa river.

### DEATHS BY DROWNING.

Drowned in the Ohio river near Patriot on Saturday evening last, William Stranghan, jun. of Posey township, aged about 21 years, and Jessup, son of Walter Jessup, of Cotton township, aged — years. They, with some others, went in the river to bathe, when young Jessup, who could not swim, got into deep water, and Stranghan, going to his rescue, got entangled and both were drowned.

We are requested to say that HENRY BAN' A. Esq. declines being a candidate for representative, at the ensuing election, in consequence of continued indisposition.

Messrs. KEEN & MORRELL, Gentlemen—You will please say, in your next paper, that a number of voters of Switzerland county met together casually, on yesterday, unanimously agreed to vote for WILLIAM COTTON, for representative, if he will consent to serve in that capacity. You will please insert this, and give us the judge's answer in your next number.

### A NUMBER OF VOTERS.

It is stated in the Lancaster Democrat that a child lately died in that neighborhood, in consequence of the sting of a Locust; and the Carlisle Republican mentions the report of the death of two children in that county, from a similar cause.

The Newport Mercury, completed its seventy-sixth year, on the 14th ult. It was originally started on the 12th of June, 1758, by James, the elder brother of Benjamin Franklin. The latter was a constant contributor to its columns.

The anniversary of the battle of Bunker Hill is to be celebrated at Boston, by a public procession and dinner.

Absalom Barry, of Washington county, Pa. was lodged in jail a few days since, charged with the murder of John Colledge. This is the fifth murder that has been committed in that county, within the last nine months.

An altercation took place in New Orleans, on the 26th ult. between Charles P. Leans, harbor master and captain Evans, of schr. Celestine. After some words the former drew a pistol, and shot the latter. The wound is believed to be mortal.

The oldest ships in the American navy are Constitution and the United States Frigates, both of which were built in 1767, and are, consequently, at this time, about thirty seven years old.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop England, of the Catholic Church, stationed at Charleston, S. C. has been appointed Cardinal by the Pope—the first Irishman that ever attained that dignity.

The weather at Charleston, S. C. has been extremely oppressive. The mercury for a fortnight ranged in the afternoon from 80 to 92 degrees.

A party of 200 Choctaw Indians have started from their nation on their way to Texas, where they intend to form a settlement.

An English paper says there is such a scarcity of musical genius in America, that the military companies have no other instruments than a tin kettle and a cane fiddle! Yankee Doodle, played on any instrument, however indifferent, has made many a red-coat's heart quiver.

### STEPHENSON & TANEY.

The nominations of the president of Andrew Stephenson, late speaker, as minister to England, and of Roger Taney, of Baltimore, as secretary of the treasury, have been rejected by the senate.

A pamphlet relating to Commodore Elliott and Perry, has been published in Boston, that seems to be a source of much uneasiness to the former, who has published a card on the subject in the newspapers. Elliott's figure head has not gained him many friends.

Richard J. Manning has been elected by a majority of more than 400 votes, over Mr. Elmore, his opponent to fill the vacancy in the representation in Congress, from South Carolina, occasioned by the decease of Gen. Blair.

The Globe says that the secretary of state, Mr. Latas, has resigned. The resignation is taken effect as soon, during the session of congress, as it may be convenient for the president to appoint a successor.

There is a female residing at Stockport, Eng. who has reached her 95th year and is cutting an entire new set of teeth.

The Hon. Judge McLean, in a letter addressed to a number of gentlemen of this city, under date of Cincinnati, June 6th, denies that he ever expressed an opinion favorable to the removal of the deposits. He declares himself in favor of a National Bank.

### LETCHER & MOORE.

On the vote in the house of representatives of the U. S. declaring Letcher elected, being taken, were ayes 112—nays 114. Our members voted ayes Ewing, Kimball and McCarty. Nays—Boon, Carr, Hannegan and Lane.

INDIANA RAIL ROAD.—This day, a car is to be run over a short section of Rail road finished at or near Shelbyville.

DEPOSITS.—The joint resolution of the senate, directing the deposits of the public money to be made in the bank of the United States and its branches, was read a first time in the house, and rejected by a vote of 118 to 98—the vote of Indiana, stood thus, Eoon, Carr, Kimball and Lane, in the affirmative, Ewing and McCarty in the negative, and Hannegan absent.

### Preaching.

The Rev. Mr. GORD will preach at the School House in Jacksonville, on Sunday, the 6th of July, at 11 o'clock A. M.

The Rev. BENJAMIN LEAVITT, will preach at the School House, in Jacksonville, on the second Sunday in July, at 11 o'clock A. M.

### MARRIED.

On Thursday, June 26, by Newton H. Tappan, Esq. NATHANIEL MIX, to Mrs. RACHEL SULLIVAN, all of this county.

### GENERAL ELECTION, 1834.

We are authorized to announce the following candidates, who will be supported at the ensuing August election.

### GOVERNOR,

Noah Noble.

### LEUTENANT GOVERNOR,

David V. Culley.

### STATE SENATE,

James H. Cravens,

John Dumont.

Alexander Sebastian.

### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Daniel Kelso,

John Pavy.

### COUNTY COMMISSIONER,

(To reside within the district composed of the townships of Cotton and Pleasant.)  
Eden Edwards.

### LIST OF LETTERS,

REMAINING in the post office at Printer's Retreat, Indiana, on the 30th of June, 1834.

James Dunlap, S. S. Kingsley,  
Lemuel Montanye, James Robison,  
Jacob Shuff, Allen Wiley.

WILLIAM C. KEEN, P. M.

July 1, 1834.

### PROPOSALS FOR REVIVING AND PUBLISHING

### "THE AURORA."

FOR some time past, the course of political transactions has manifested a resuscitation of those odious principles and combinations, in hostility to the Constitution of the United States and the Declaration of Independence, which were overthrown by the social revolution of 1800.

Numerous intimations from men of sound judgment, call for a public Journal founded on the same principles, conducted with the same intelligence, energy and integrity, and sustained with the same spirit and constancy as the AURORA of 1798.

Ready and in accordance with those suggestions, but without funds or facilities to accomplish the material indispensable to such an undertaking, a subscription has been suggested, and is now proposed; it being to be understood in the outset, that the paper, if revived, will compromise nothing for subscriptions or advertising custom—admit of no open or concealed control, nor temporize with any from fear or favor; the idea of money-making does not enter into the design, and whatever may be the income, if more than adequate to the issuing of a handsome work of art, it shall be employed in rendering the Journal more perfect.

Some creed in Politics may be expected by particular classes of young politicians; "The Aurora" never made professions nor promises—its character in the Reign of Terror—its principles—always—the consistency of the Editor's political life, are the only guarantees that will be offered, on the great topic of former days those principles and opinions are upon record, they apply to the present as well as to the past, they remain unchanged and unchangeable.

The subscription to be eight dollars by the year, payable half yearly. No subscription in the first instance will be received for less than a year, and five dollars will be expected to be paid in advance, on subscribing, or upon the publication of the first number.

And again, be it understood, that no compromise will be made of principles for subscriptions or advertising, nor any private or public interference submitted to, incompatible with the social interests and the freedom of the press.

If the Aurora be revived, it must be by the people at large, not by combinations with parties; when there are no other funds or facilities, the resources can only be found in the support of the great body of the people—in the public fidelity to itself.

Subscriptions will be received by persons duly authorized; or addressed by letter to Wm. Dunn, Philadelphia, for which receipts will be given, and should the subscription prove inadequate, the advance will be repaid to order.

Subscriptions received at this office.

### Singing School.

There will be Singing School in Jacksonville, regularly on every Sunday, at 9 o'clock, A. M. A general attendance is solicited.

### TAKEN UP.

BY EBENEZER JOHNSON, living in Posey township, Switzerland county, Ia. A BRIGHT BROWN MARE, black mane and tail, a star in her forehead and a snip on her nose, 134 hands high, three years old, last spring. Appraised to \$25.50, by Henry Waite and Elijah Smith, before me.  
ARIBERT GAZLAY, J. P.  
June 21, 1834—July 4.

### TAKEN UP.

BY BENJAMIN Sisson, living in Posey township, Switzerland county, Indiana. A CHESTNUT HORSE, with a star in her forehead and snip on her nose, feet white, light mane and tail, 14 hands high, supposed to be five years old, last spring. Appraised to \$26.00, by William Williams and William McLaughlin, before me.  
ARIBERT GAZLAY, J. P.  
June 13, 1834—July 1.

The steamboat Suffolk has lately been plying about Boston Harbor, for the express purpose of handing over one half the passage money towards the erection of Bunker Hill Monument. On Friday last she made a trip from Boston to Nahant, having on board the officers of the fire department as guests. During this excursion, a collection was taken in aid of the Monument, and thirty dollars collected. We must repeat what we have already said on this subject. The Bostonians suffer this noble object to drag heavier, and remain longer on their hands than any other that has ever been brought to their notice. It is impossible to account for it.—N. Y. Courier & Enquirer.

A German Prince having in a dream seen three rats, one fat, the other lean, and the third blind, sent for a celebrated Bohemian gypsy and demanded an explanation. "The fat rat," said the sorceress, is your prime minister; the lean rat, your people; and the blind rat, yourself."

Extraordinary.—While certain persons in the employ of Major Bute, of Guernsey, in Ohio, were lately engaged in quarrying stone for the repair of the National Road, on the hill west of Cambridge they found in a petrified state, what is supposed to have been the body of an Indian child, which, perhaps centuries ago, was deposited in that spot. This extraordinary specimen of ancient remains was found imbedded in a mass of solid rock, and has the appearance of a stone image, somewhat imperfect in form, yet having the general outlines of the human shape. The material of which it is composed appears to be a species of lime stone. In the same cavity was also found a small row of what appeared to have been Indian beads, matted together.  
Guernsey Times.

The Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Eagle says that the prospects of the wheat crops in that county have greatly improved during the last three weeks, and that the wheat fields generally have an uncommonly fine appearance, and promise the farmer an abundant harvest. The crop of grass, it is also said, promises to be very abundant.

Steamboat accident.—On Tuesday week, the steamboat Beaver, on her way from Pittsburgh to Steubenville, with a company of volunteers on board, the "Duquesne Grays," was run into and sunk, a few miles above Steubenville, by the Ploughboy on her way up. No lives were lost.

Steamboats in the West.—An official list of the steamboats on the western waters, on 1st of January 1834, gives the whole number at 234, whose aggregate amount of tonnage is equal to 39,000 tons; they have cost three millions and a half. Sixty-six boats went out of service during 1831, '32 and '33; of these 15 were abandoned as unfit for service; 7 were lost by ice; 15 were burnt; 24 snagged; and 5 destroyed by being struck by other boats; thus 51 were lost by accidents. The investments of these boats are now decidedly unprofitable; the business is overdone; and tho' of incalculable advantage to the valley of the Mississippi, they are too often the ruin of their owners.

The Trenton Democrat says:—"A bear was killed near Hightstown, in this state, on the 11th inst., by Isaac Pullen and Richard Norton. He measured six feet between the extremities, and weighed about two hundred pounds. It is difficult to imagine what brought the critter thus far within the bounds of civilization, unless he was in search of Col. Crockett."

The dry rot appears to have made dreadful ravages in the British navy; of 13 of the best and most costly frigates built in 1814 the average duration was but three years. From 1832 to 1833, £9,000,000 were expended in repairing and building; and the Benbow, which cost £15,000 was broken up in consequence of the dry rot in five years after she was first laid up in the stocks. She never went to sea.

A female in Scotland formed the strange notion of hatching chickens, and carried her barren bosom for that purpose three eggs, which, in due time, produced three fine chickens, which are being exhibited.

### GRAND DISCOVERY.

The immense loss of property and lives in the river Mississippi, by the sinking of boats, would be sufficient to turn the eye of the most indifferent, to the important invention of Dr. Planton's new mode of constructing and propelling steamboats. His designs are now in the Rotunda of the Capitol; they have already received the approbation of scientific and practical men. By his plan it is demonstrated that the river Mississippi will be navigated without the danger of snags and possibility of sinking; that canals will be navigated by steam power, without injuring the banks; and that, by the great buoyancy, not heretofore obtained, shallow rivers may be navigated.

Such inventions deserve the patronage of Congress; it is the interest of the country that it should soon be tested.—U. S. Telegraph.

Since the commencement of the spring circuits in England, Sir James Scarlett has received 4,800 guineas in fees for legal advice in 12 cases, and obtained a verdict in each.

The Norristown Herald states that on Friday week a daughter of Mr. B. Hoffman, near the Broad Axe Tavern, of Montgomery county, who was subject to spasmodic attacks, unfortunately while engaged in feeding some hogs, fell into the pen, and was partly devoured by the ravenous beasts. When found, life was extinct.

### NEW ORLEANS, May 3. FROM MEXICO.

We have received our regular files of Mexican papers to the 27th ultimo. They are generally silent upon the political affairs of the country, and we are, therefore, led to suppose that all is tranquil for the present, and that the intestine commotions have subsided.

The government of Vera Cruz has passed a decree abolishing convents and confiscating all the property to the service of the state. The edifices are to be converted into hospitals and seminaries of learning. This measure we feel apprehensive will be the cause of another one of those internal wars from which Mexico has suffered so much.

It is contemplated to restrict foreigners from engaging in the retail business. This, it is pretended, is done with a view to favor the indigent natives by inducing them to embark in that branch of trade themselves.—Bee.

We are informed by a passenger who came up in the schr. Pearl, from the Rio Grande, that a few days previous to the sailing of the P., news had reached that place from Tampico, relating the loss of the schr. Mexico, Capt. James Almeida, which vessel has been missing now for near a year. The history of the affair is thus sketched: That three Italians, who were steerage passengers, together with the crew, seized and took possession of the vessel, murdered the captain, mate, and cabin passengers, run the vessel down to Terra Firma, New Granada, on the Spanish Main, took out of her every thing that they could take away, and scuttled her. One of the three Italians, since, left some port down there in an English vessel, was recognized by one of the sailors as one of the persons who had taken passage in the Mexico for this port, and has confessed the brief facts narrated.—Bulletin.

### TO KILL RATS OR CROWS.

"Bruise half an ounce nux vomica and soak it twenty-four hours in warm water; then add four quarts of corn and soak it 12 hours; then sow the corn on the ground immediately after planting."

The above was taken from a paper some years since, and after trying corn soaked in arsenic without success, I tried the above; early in the next morning after sowing it, I found a crow on the ground, stupid; but on putting him in a cage he revived, and I put him in the field, and confined him to a board by tying his legs on the under side, after boring two holes to put his feet through; and immediately the air was black with crows, but no one ventured to disturb the corn. I should recommend to increase the quantity of nux vomica, that the effect may be more certain. For rats it should be mixed with meal, and put where the hens cannot get it.—Genee Farmer.

The widow of a criminal who had been executed in the morning, took tea with the hangman who had performed the last ceremonies with her husband, in the evening. An instance of feeling and affection rarely heard of.

D. Mondelet, Esq. and John Nelson, Esq. of the Canadian Parliament, have been appointed a Committee to visit the U. States, to investigate our penitentiary system. They will bring letters to the Governors of the different States.

Two Steam-Boats lost.—The Little Rock (Arkansas) Advocate, of the 16th ult. states the loss of two steam-boats in the Arkansas river. The Ottawa struck a snag near Pine Bluff, and was run on a sand bar; the Sea Gull ran upon a large sawyer, 7 miles below Little Rock, and soon sunk; having on board a quantity of goods that will probably be lost.

The Mississippi Valley.—This great valley, which but a few years since, was a howling wilderness, inhabited only by Savages and beasts of prey, now contains nearly 5,000,000, of civilized inhabitants, about 2,000,000 more than the whole population of these United States at the memorable era of the National Independence.

Murder.—At Lexington (Kentucky) a man named Williamson was killed by his wife, who fired a musket at him in self defence—he having chased her with a drawn knife, with the supposed intention of killing her.

### GEORGIA PENITENTIARY.

On Monday evening, the 26th inst., an unsuccessful attempt was made by a number of convicts, to escape from the Penitentiary. They endeavored to hide one of the Guard recently taken into service; who pretended to yield to their solicitations, and promised to turn them out by means of false keys, with which they furnished him. The Guard reported the whole to Colonel Mills the Principal Keeper; who directed him to proceed with the plan, that the convicts might be detected in the act. At the appointed hour, Colonel Mills was on the alert, with the whole Guard, and most of the officers of the institution, secretly posted at advantageous points. The Guard who had been tampered with, let one of the ring leaders out of his cell, who immediately proceeded to open the cell doors of three others. One of them extinguished the light in the entry through which they expected to escape. Colonel Mills unwilling that others who had not formed the plot, should be implicated by the mere force of temptation, and anxious to avoid the necessity of taking the lives of any of the prisoners, at this moment announced to them that they were detected; and they hastily retreated to their separate cells, submitting instantly without a struggle. He has obtained possession of the false keys.

The principal Keeper had received from several sources, timely information of the plot, and would have detected it, even if the Guard had proved treacherous. Under the admirable police which he has established, it is almost impossible that any incident of importance, occurring in the Penitentiary, should elude his vigilance.

The prisoners detected, are the two Bales, from Morgan county, Hall, Whitlock, Falk, Fletcher, Olmstead and Sterret.

A Den of thieves.—The Danville Observer mentions that in the upper end of Charlotte co. Va., near Turnip creek, there is literally a den of thieves, who have been preying on a virtuous community for a year or two, and cannot be detected. Seven or eight meat houses, tobacco barns &c. have been broken open in the vicinity, within two or three months past, and other mischief done; and the perpetrators have been pursued by tracts and signs to a certain house or nest of houses, but have not been exactly identified. One of the supposed ring leaders of the villainy carries a gun and defies all interference. It is said he fired a gun a few days ago at a company of men who were walking around his fence with a view of making discoveries about some meat that was lost. A few hours afterwards, they found not far from the house; and it is to be hoped by the vigilance of an incensed community, the lawless marauders will soon be detected and brought to their merited punishment.

The returns of the Overseers of the poor, for the state of Massachusetts, from 202 towns, state the number of paupers at 5945; of whom 2880 are males, and 2965 females. The annual cost for the support of those in Alms houses, is \$87,744 41, of those who receive other assistance from the towns \$58,021 36—total \$135,765 37, or rather more than \$23 each.

An English traveller, who has just published his narrative of a journey in the valley of the Nile, says—"My beard (which in Europe, was soft, silky and almost straight) began, immediately on my arrival at Alexandria, to curl, to grow crisp, strong and coarse, and before I had reached Es Sonan, resembled horse hair to the touch, and was all disposed in ringlets about the chin. This is no doubt to be accounted for by the extreme dryness of the air, which, operating through several thousand years has in the interior changed the hair of the negro into a kind of coarse wool."

Ingenuity of Suicide.—In England, recently, a modern Cleopatra put an end to her life, by deliberately applying two hundred leeches to her body to bleed her to death. Another female exposed herself to a swarm of bees, for the same purpose. A builder who had been found fault with by his employer, went to a hill, where heavy wagons were obliged to be put on drags in descending, and when a heavily loaded wagon approached, he seized hold of one of the wheels that was not locked, and applying his body lengthwise to the circumference, was instantaneously crushed to death.

A Mr. David Odell, who was afflicted with St. Vitus' dance, and much addicted to liquor, committed suicide in Monticello, (N. Y.) recently, in consequence being denied an improper quantity of spirit. He prepared for the deed with utmost deliberation, fixing the razor in such a manner that it could not shut, and sharpening it to the keenest edge, and in the presence of some of the members of the family where he boarded, he deliberately stood before the looking glass and inflicted the deadly gash; severing the windpipe and arteries; staggering back a few paces, he fell with his head into the fire, the blood spouting out in every direction. He was a native of Connecticut, where he has a father residing.

Court Etiquette.—Lord Howard de Walden the British Ambassador at Portugal, has mortally offended Don Pedro and his daughter, by appearing at court in boots. In Portugal the full court dress excludes boots, while in England boots makes an essential part of the diplomatic costume. It is said that Don Pedro was not only outraged at this flagrant breach of court etiquette, but that he is sensitive on the matter of boots, he having indulged many years ago in the imperial custom of kicking his first wife.—Any how, the affair is considered an unfortunate one; and it is intimated that it may interrupt the diplomatic relations of the two countries.