

*Optical Experiment.*—Place on a white paper a circular piece of blue silk, about four inches diameter, in the sunshine, place on this a piece of yellow, three inches in diameter, on this a circle of pink two inches in diameter, on this a circle of green one inch in diameter, on this a circle of indigo half an inch in diameter making a small speck with ink in the centre—look on this central spot steadily for a minute, and then closing your eyes, and applying your hand at about one inch distance before them, so as to prevent too much light passing through the eye-lids, you will see the most beautiful circles of colors the imagination can conceive, not only different from the colors of the silk above mentioned, but the colors will be perpetually changing in kaleidoscope variety as long as they exist.

## MESSENGERS.

Printer's Retreat, Indiana.

Friday Morning, November 11.

This number completes our third volume—having some repairs and alterations to make in our Office, No. 1 of the fourth volume will not appear until Friday, November 28.

*State Road from Jacksonville to Allenville.*—By a recent survey, by Mr. Squibb, the distance from Jacksonville to Allenville, has been ascertained to be three miles, sixty one chains and ten links. And from Jacksonville to the Dearborn county line, by the same road, five miles, two hundred and thirty rods.

24th CONGRESS.  
Gen. Andrew Maran, of Rush.  
Enoch McCarty, of Franklin.  
Amos Lane, of Dearborn.  
George H. Dunn, of do.  
Are candidates for Congress in this district.

*The latest Snake Story.*—David Sprigstein of Newtown L. I., who we believe has for some time enjoyed the reputation of an eminent Snake eater, indulged in that luxury during the recent races to a fatal extent. He undertook it seems, to swallow a large black snake, for his own gratification and that of certain amateurs who collected to see the exploit; and having bitten off and spit out the head—which portion of the serpent it seems he is not fond of—he actually swallowed several mouthfuls of the body. But, being unwilling to “go the whole animal,” he stopped short in his meal, and either from having eaten too much or too little, it made him sick, and in a few hours he died.

*Another Victim.*—We regret to learn that James Lamb, who was shot during the night of the general election in Moyanensing, died yesterday at the Pennsylvania Hospital. The injury, after a patient investigation, returned the following verdict: “That the said James Lamb died of the lock jaw, caused by a shot received in the foot, from some person unknown, during the election in Moyanensing.” This is the third victim of the existing election laws—Perry, of Leesburg—Nell, of Germantown—and Lamb of Moyanensing.—*Phil. Inq.*

*Capt. Cook's Ship.*—The discovery, the ship in which Captain Cook made his celebrated voyages round the world, has recently been removed from Woolwich, and moored off Deptford as a receiving ship for convicts.

*Naval Court Martial.*—A Court Martial is ordered to assemble at the Navy yard, Charles town, on the 13th instant, for the trial of Lieut. Babbitt, on charges preferred against that officer by Com. Elliott, of insubordination and disobedience of orders. The following officers compose the Court:—Captains Crane, Downes, Creighton and Kearney; Master Commandants Sloe and Stevens.

*North Carolina.*—A correspondent of the Boston Courier thus describes the state of North Carolina.

“This state is less known and honored than it deserves to be. It has a sea coast of some three hundred miles, but no great rivers flow through it into the sea, and the whole coast is so impeded by sandbars, that no part of it permits the access of vessels of large burthen. Its largest rivers flow either into South Carolina or Virginia. Much of the products of its soil pass to adjoining states (particularly through the Dismal swamp canal,) and serve to increase the amount of commerce of other states, for which state has little credit.

It has an immense area of flat land, the products of which, though highly valuable, are not adapted to promote the growth of commercial towns. It has not, therefore, any very populous places. Its population is scattered over a wide extent. It has not the advantages which are derived from the combination of numbers, dwelling in close connection, in the improvement of social condition. Neither has it the disadvantages. If North Carolina has not the class of states, who sound through great cities, the numerous population of the state constitute one of the finest and happiest communities of the earth. When the low lands are passed, to the westwardly part of the state, the territory is diversified by hill and valley, and discloses one of the most capable, healthy, and delightful regions of the world.”

*RUSSIA.*—*Dreadful Conflagration.*—Palace, one of the largest, handsomest, and most populous Russian provincial capitals was desol-

ed on the 11th of July, by a dreadful conflagration. Nine churches, 670 private buildings, and numerous manufactories, market and magazines were reduced to ashes—Many thousand inhabitants have lost all their property.

### COLTS, GATTLE, SHEEP, HOGS, RUNNING AT LARGE.

When much of this country was unenclosed, and the farmers had but little land cleared, it was allowable to permit creatures to run at large, but this is no longer the case.—Humanity to animals requires that we should keep no more than our farms will well support, and I think that interest requires it also. Justice certainly demands it.

Many farmers are in the practice of turning a drove of young cattle into the road early in the spring. The scanty picking does not satisfy them, and hunger if it will not break through stone walls, will often induce the poor, half starved animals to break through a rail fence, into a field of luxuriant wheat or grass. Is this justice? or is it calculated to promote harmony in neighborhoods? When a gate or bars communicating with the road is left open for a few minutes, these poor creatures or a drove of hogs are sure to enter—but besides this annoyance, our roadsides are much defaced by the rooting of hogs. I consider it the duty of every farmer to keep no more stock than can be subsisted on his farm, and there to confine them. Those who are unwilling to do this should remove to the borders of our western prairies.

*Another Yankee Counterfeit.*—The Salsbury (N. C.) Watchman complains that the Yankees have added to their assortment of horn dints and chestnut nutmegs. He says he has seen a specimen of Yankee soap, made of clay, which looks well, smells well, and so forth, but will not wash at all, at least washes all other ways than clean.

The Hon. Jonas Galusha died recently at Salsbury, Vt., aged eighty-three. He was for many years Governor of that State, a member of the Council, for nearly twenty years Judge of the Supreme Court and Sheriff.

The St. Louis Republican states that three companies of Dragoons, under command of Lieutenant Colonel Kearney, had arrived at the quarters providing for them on the Des Moines river. The men generally, were in the enjoyment of good health, but upwards of seventy, attached to the three companies, were left at Fort Gibson, being sick or unable to travel. Four officers only, out of fourteen, had arrived at the Des Moines.

*Dreadful Shipwreck.*—At Boston, the Schooner Boundary, from Eastport, Maine, reports the loss of the packet schooner Sarah, Captain Pierce, on Seal Island, and that 17 out of 23, composing the passengers and crew, were lost.

The North Carolina Watchman states that a company of negroes have occupied caves in the neighborhood of Petersburg, ever since the insurrection. Efforts are being made for their arrest.

*Suicide.*—A young man named George Wilson, of highly respectable character and connections, hanged himself lately in his father's Mill, in Ruhland County, Ohio. The fatal act was the consequence of some misunderstanding with a young lady, between whom and himself a mutual promise of marriage subsisted for some time. The young lady had charmed him with bestowing attentions elsewhere, which, it appears, was without any ground, but the accusation so preyed upon his mind, that he sought relief in self destruction.

*Mackerel.*—The editor of the Barnstable Journal complains that the mackerel fishery has fallen off very much during the present year; and he brings a serious charge against the mackerel—a fish that has hitherto been in excellent repute along the Massachusetts coast.—Mackerel enough, says he, but nothing could be done to make or entice them to bite.

*George Harvey Barnes.*—Who was some time since convicted in Massachusetts of stealing \$11,000, belonging to the Piscataqua Bank, to the Eastern Mail Stage, and sentenced to imprisonment in the state prison for one year, he has been fully pardoned by the Governor and Council of Massachusetts.—Barrett, it seems, is a native of Philadelphia, and he owes his liberation to the persevering exertions of his father, an aged and respectable man, who, at great trouble and large expense, sought out evidence of his son's innocence. An *alibi* is stated to have been satisfactorily proved.

The whole capital paid in of the Boston Banks, amounts to \$3,150,000, of which two Banks, (the Atlas and the Winni-inmet,) with capitals amounting to \$1,000,000, have just gone into operation—having a capital of \$17,150,000, which has made a dividend of \$436,250.

*A Faithless Swain.*—At the Supreme Court, held at Nottoway, Me., last week, in an action for a breach of promise of marriage, in which Mary Ann Boies was plaintiff and S. McAlister defendant, the Jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff, of twelve hundred dollars damages.

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## RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

A statement of Switzerland County, for the preceding year, commencing on the first Monday of November 1833, and ending on the first Monday of November 1834, the first inclusive.

### RECEIPTS.

By Store, Tavern, and Grocery License	\$286 37 1-2
Estrays	21 75
Jury fees collected	42 50
Shows	20 00
Interest on notes due	17 67
Amount of duplicate in the hands of the Collector	1720 15

\$2109,04 1-2

### EXPENDITURES.

To support paupers, and pay of Overseers of Poor,	\$614 60
Repairing the Court House;	21 35
Painting the Court House,	45 00
Repairing the Jail,	332 9 3 4
Associate Judges,	34 00
County Commissioners,	70 00
Late Sheriff balance of extra services,	21 37 1-2
Sheriff for extra services,	70 00
Clerk for do do.	35 37 1 2
School Land Commissioner,	29 00
Seminary Trustees,	35 37 1 2
Supervisors of Roads,	220 50
Grand and Traverse Jurors,	12 50
Printing,	23 37 1 2
Jailor for Keeping Prisoners,	6 62 1-2
Ironing Prisoners,	76 00
Listers of Taxable Property,	6 37 1-2
Stationary for the Clerk's Office,	17 68 3 4
Books for Recorders Office,	5 50
Recorder for Recording Pauper Indentures,	37 75
Constables attending Circuit Courts,	75 23
To Treasurer's per centum for collecting,	10 00
Coroner for holding Inquests,	3 37 1-2
Chairs for Court House,	3 00
Examining and correcting error in Collector's duplicate of 1833,	21 50
Commissioners Surveyors &c. of State Roads,	9 50
Wolf Scalps,	5 00
Attorney for defending Pauper,	5 13 3 4
Wood and Candles for Court House,	5 75
Returning Judges of Elections,	2 00
Owner of an Estray sold,	5 00
Joshua Smithson, for water privilege for the several courts,	

\$18,75 Balance against the county, \$2127,80 1-2

By order of the Board of Commissioners.

EDWARD PATTON, Clerk.

November, 10th 1834.

### John Bowman's Estate.

**T**HE undersigned, administrator of the estate of John Bowman, deceased, late of Posey township, gives notice that he has filed his account in the Probate court for final settlement, and that the second day of the next February term of said court, is set for the final settlement of said estate; and those heirs, who, in the lifetime of said John Bowman, received advances of settlement, to appear then and there in proper persons, and answer under oath to such advances.

THOMAS KELLY, Adm'r.

November 13, 1834.

### Estate of James M. Montfort.

**I**n pursuance of an order of the Probate Court of Switzerland county, Ic., entered at the November term, 1834, the creditors of said estate are hereby notified, that the undersigned, administrator of said estate having discovered that the personal estate of said decedent was insufficient to pay the outstanding debts against the same, and that said decedent died seized of no real estate, out of which said debts could be satisfied—reported the same to the court, and filed an inventory of the debts aforesaid, so far as they have come to his knowledge—as also a statement of the assets belonging to said estate in his possession, out of which said debts are to be paid so far as the same will go, and prayed said court for relief in the premises. Now if any of the creditors of said estate shall fail to notify said administrator of the existence and extent of their respective claims, by filing the same, or a statement of the nature, description and date of the contract or assumption, upon which the same may be founded, in the office of the clerk of said court, previous to the final distribution of the assets of said estate aforesaid, such claims will be postponed in favor of more diligent creditors. And the creditors of said estate are notified to appear at the Probate court, to be helden at the court house in Vevay, on Wednesday, the 13th day of February next, at which time all claims filed as aforesaid, will be finally heard, acted upon, and determined by said court.

JOHN C. MONTFORT, Adm'r.

of the estate of James M. Montfort.

November 11, 1834.

### NOTICE.

*The State of Indiana, Switzerland county,*

**JOSIAH ORAM,**

vs.

JOHN J. MUZZY, dec.

**N**O TICE is hereby given, to the heirs of John J. Muzzy deceased, and all persons interested in the same, that Josiah Oram will apply to the Probate Court of Switzerland county, Indiana, to be helden at the court house in Vevay, on the second Monday in February, 1835, to appoint a commissioner to convey, the west half of the south east quarter of section six, in township two, of range three west, in the district of lands offered for sale at Cincinnati; according to the condition of a bond, bearing date, the 25th day of June, A. D. 1833, made and executed by the said Muzzy to the said Oram, and conditional to convey the said land to said Oram, in fee simple.

**JOSIAH ORAM,**

By Robert Drummond, his attorney.

November 11, 1834.

### BLANK DEEDS, For sale at this office.

### DR. WILTON'S

### Vegetable Anti-Bilious Pills.

THE convenience of a cheap remedy, in the form of pills, suited to the commencement of most of the indispositions to which we are liable needs no comment. Many diseases, in their forming stage, are easily arrested, by the exhibition of proper cathartic medicine, and its consequent suffering and expense are thereby avoided. All that pills can effect, in preserving or restoring health—and that, is much—may be expected and will be derived, from the timely use of these pills. They are peculiarly excellent in every variety of head ache, proceeding from a foul, acrid, bilious stomach; and in all feversishness of the system, dependent on the same cause. In short, for every derangement of the stomach and bowels, requiring cathartic medicine, the Vegetable anti-bilious Pills, admit no competitor. Price 25 cts.

FOR SALE by J. F. Stevens, Vevay, and Lyman W. Mix, Mountsterling.  
October 27.

### INFORMATION WANTED.

**R**OBERT MERCER, (son of James and Elizabeth Mercer, late of St. Johns, N. Brunswick,) left that place about the 1st day of 1829—since which time, his parents have had no certain tidings of him. He is about 31 years of age, fair complexioned, and five feet, 7 inches high. The last reports from him, says he was navigating Lake Erie, in a packet, and resided at Outer creek. Any information concerning him, will be most gratefully received. Letters to be addressed to the subscriber, Printer's Retreat, Indiana, near which he now resides.

JAMES MERCER.

Switzerland county, Ia. October 28.

N. B. Editors along Lake Erie, will much oblige all old people, in a strange land, by inserting the above once or twice.

### VENDE.

**T**HIS subscriber will offer for sale, at public vendue, to the highest bidder.

On Monday, November 17, 1834,

The following property, (if not sold before at private sale,) viz.

One undivided half of a SAW MILL, in good order, together with the undivided half of the privileges attached thereto.

One yoke of Oxen, one Ox Cart, one Mare,

one yearling Colt, one last spring Colt,

one Cow, and eight or ten Hogs,

from 16 to 30 months old.

Particulars