



THE WESTERN SUN.

VINCENNES, APRIL 21, 1810.

The Members of the Agricultural Society are requested to be punctual in their attendance at a meeting on Saturday the 28th inst. at 12 o'clock, at the house of Peter Jones.

TO THE CITIZENS OF INDIANA.
MY absence from the territory has prevented my sooner answering J. Johnson's slanderous attack—suspend your opinions for one week on his publication, on Ewing's and on Bidollet's certificate—and I will prove to you, and to the world, their blackest slander is the highest praise.

JOHN M'DONALD.

TO THE CITIZENS OF INDIANA.

HAVING been elected by my Fellow Citizens of Knox to represent the county in the House of Representatives, my right to a seat therein has been contested by Mr. John Johnson—and as something to oppose a *Cathartic* to the polls, would afford my individual county, and the Territory generally, no inconsiderable degree of experience, I have contested the election of Mr. John Caldwell—in doing of this, my wish was not to accumulate expence upon the Territory, but my object to cleanse the polls of a number of *illegal votes*, and, as the saying is, that "every tub might stand upon its own bottom"—I regret much, Fellow Citizens, that those contests will probably cost the Territory a number of Dollars, seeing she's so ill able to pay Cents!—but the fault does not lie at my door; and I do now seriously declare, that had Mr. Jonson have been elected in preference to myself I should not have contested—but from the *turn up card*, I think my conduct fully warranted not only by the *lex talionis*, but also by the *lex dei*.

G. W. JOHNSTON.

April 18th, 1810.

Extract of a letter from London, dated Jan. 9, received at N. York.

"I am informed by Mr. Preble of Paris, Dec. 23, (who has opportunities of obtaining the most correct information) that there is almost a certainty of the intercourse between France and the United States being renewed.—Even vessels boarded was admitted—so much reliance was placed on the truth of this change at Paris, that they were sending express to Naples to prevent any compromise with the captors of some vessels and cargoes sequestered there! a good omen for the admission of yours.

"The British order in council of the 11th November, must however be repealed before the trade can be permitted with safety."

AWFUL SURMISES!

LETTER FROM WASHINGTON.

HASTY HINTS OF MUCH MISCHIEF
We are ruined, undone nation—up to the ears in blood and iniquity—deadly doings here, such terrible fellows at our head—there's Madison—fly rogue—hand and glove, head and heart with Bonaparte—he'll ruin us—depend upon it—he'll ruin us all—in spite of England—found him writing 'tother day—peeped over his shoulder—saw a great B—must have been to Bonaparte—nobody else—they say he writes to Turkey—not the least doubt of it—means to kick over Christianity and turn us all pagans—vile wretch, and there's Mr. Gallatin not a bit better—saw him this morning—great scoundrel—chating rascal—vile dog—an infidel—disbeliever—foreigner—plunders the treasury—stole fifteen millions of dollars—put them in his pocket—wears monstrous large pockets—spends money like a king—buys every thing—don't mind expence—fenced in the national land—going to raise vegetables—bought himself a new pair of breeches 'tother day—people's money no doubt—grieved me miserably to see them—gave him a hint to pull them off—won't take—I'll mob him I'm monstrously worried for the nation—we shall certainly be ruined—got a machine

here to blow up all the English fleet—Lord preserve us—they mean to destroy Massachusetts proper—sink it entirely—wonderful you don't open your eyes—be too late presently—got a standing army here already—Smith is going to build a Volcano—got a great plan for an Earthquake—he looks desperately fat and saucy—miscreant—dare say he's a cannibal—they talk of burning the capitol—dreadful to think how they go on here—can't write more at present—I'll write again soon.

N. B. There is a huge parcel of timber at the navy yard—they mean to have a national gallows—nice calculations—hang three men a minute.

Stopped the letter to tell you what dreadful news—that some plan was brewing—exactly so—smoked it—TREATY WITH BONAPARTE—signed, sealed and delivered—shocking to think of it—just send you a sketch—"going to have martial law—raise 800,000 men—get them over Bering's Straights—march them through Russia—drive into China—take Pekin by storm—then make a settlement; form a grand coalition—drive off all the British." Good Lord deliver us—was there ever such tyrannical government—sanguinary rascals—they'll depopulate the country; I must abscond—run for Nova Scotia or Canada—terrible—terrible—O! most terrible!!!

If this don't prove we are a sold, ruined and undone people, I don't know what the devil will.

Yours, in distress,
JEMMY JUMPS.

DISTRESSING FIRES.

The Chester and Delaware Federalist of Wednesday the 28th ult. says; We are sorry to state; that on Monday last, Mr. Thomas Davis's valuable paper mill, in Uwchlan township, Chester county, with a great stock of rags, was consumed by fire. Mr. John Dowlin's grist mill, shared the same fate, with a large quantity of grain. The former loss is computed at 15'000 Dollars; the latter, it is supposed will not fall short 5'000.

Was burnt on Monday the 12th ult. the house of Col. Charles Williams, at the forks of the Muskingum—the particulars are as follows:—About 1 or 2 o'clock in the morning, the son of Col. Williams and a hired man sleeping with two children in the loft were awakened by smoke from the lower rooms which were already in flames, they immediately went down stairs and found one of the rooms all on fire, they opened the door and the flames burst forth so that it could not be shut they then went to another door next to the well, and endeavoured to pump water into the room but it was too late they hollowed and awakened Mr. Jas. Williams (the Col. brother) and a stranger who were both in the loft, they both got up and were nearly smothered by smoke, which filled the room so that they could not see but at last they got to the window and the stranger jumped out, but Mr. Williams still in hope to stop the fire, threw down the beds to smother it but the people down stairs carried them out of doors as all hopes vanished of saving the house—by this time the children were screaming for assistance, & were called by Mr. Williams to come to the window, but the flames were forcing into the chamber door so furious that they could not get by it, and Mr. Williams, who was almost stifled, was obliged to quit the room, or perish with them he escaped with only his shirt. Col. Williams and his wife escaped without having time to dress, and the two children one was the Col's son about ten years of age, and the other his brother's son about eight years old were both consumed, notwithstanding the repeated efforts of their parents to save them. They screamed for help but could not be relieved! We hope this will be a sufficient warning for people to secure their fires when going to bed, as no account can be given of this horrid accident, or how the house took fire, but every thing was destroyed except two beds and the clothes they had on.

The dwelling house of Mr. Gideon Dime jun. of Huntington, was consumed by fire on the 5th inst about noon, with a child of Mr. Dime, about two years old. Mrs. Dime had slept out to a neighbour's house about eighty rods distant, on an errand, and when returning home, beheld the house in flames. The eldest child had left the house whilst the youngest was left to perish in the flames.

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America has made haste to arrange her differences with France, and a convention between the two powers is said to have been signed on the 5th or 6th of this month.—Not a syllable of its contents has transpired; but one great point, which the American government has always endeavored to gain has been the abandonment of the right of search by the naval powers of Europe.

ECONOMY OF ROYALTY!

The Washington (Ken.) "Dove furnishes some curious calculations on the economy of the British Government—among others, the following.

"The salary of the King is one million sterling, per annum—which is four millions four hundred and forty four thousand four hundred and forty four dollars!! 177 times as much as the president's and 19'444 dollars over. The present gracious sovereign long life to him! has reigned 50 years. His income during that time has only amounted to 222,222,200 dollars!!! Exclusive of frequent grants of parliament to enable him to pay his debts; as his salary was not sufficient.

"This salary of 50 years would be sufficient to pay the president's from the creation of the world, (allowing it to be 5814 years,) to the present time—and 3072 years to come!"

MARINO SHEEP.—A few days ago two men from Connecticut passed through this place with fifteen Merino Sheep they had purchased from Doctor Babs, of Butler county, which they were taking home for the purpose of increasing the stock of those valuable animals. Although Col. Humphries, of that state, has more merino's than are in the (U. S.) besides, yet those men inform that it is impossible to purchase one from him having such an extensive Woolen Manufactory to supply with their valuable fleeces. They paid Doc. Babs upwards of four thousand dollars for fifteen, and say they could readily get one thousand Dollars a piece for them in Connecticut, so great a value do the people of that state put upon them. This shews clearly the spirit of enterprise which stimulates the people of Connecticut for domestic manufactures, particularly of fine woolens; and whilst the babbling democrats of Pennsylvania are constantly prating about resistance to Britain in preventing her manufactured goods from being used amongst us, those who have been uniform federalists, and whom our sovereigns have branded with the epithets of tories and friends to Britain have been doing much more in establishing domestic manufactures and effectually resisting the British ascendancy in the (U. S.) than the whole united host of democracy, with all their Jeffersonian systems of embargo and non-intercourse.

Tree of Liberty.

Extract of a letter received by ship Savannah arrived at Amelia, to a gentleman in Charleston, dated.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 20th, 1810.

"It does not appear that the refusal to negotiate with Mr. Jackson, is considered by our government as a sufficient cause for war, nor do we apprehend that his dismissal from the country would be thought so; but it seems to be gaining pretty general belief that the American and French government have made up their differences, and if so we do not see how this middle state of things between peace and war, can be kept up between this country and America. A greater latitude is said to be given by Bonaparte, both in Imports and Exports, which was at first represented as a relinquishment of the Berlin and Milan Decrees, but we apprehend what is done, it is more with the view to embroil us with America, than any thing else, and therefore not likely to tend to the removal of our Orders in Council, which are the great obstacle to our becoming friends with America. The first impression however was that the repeal of the Orders in council, was a certain consequence and had not the first accounts received here been upon a Sunday, we have no doubt the effect upon the market, in American articles would have been very great as it was, a considerable sensation was experienced, which has hardly yet subsided.

The quantity of American produce known to be coming forward is so great, that nothing but the expectation of war or an embargo, will enable the markets to support the present prices, which, in most of the leading articles, yield a very handsome profit upon what they can be imported for

in a circuitous channel; and the consequence is, that seldom a day passes without some fluctuations.

Extract of a letter, dated Mount Sterling, (Ky.) March 31, 1810.

"That scourge of mankind, SMALL POX, has made its appearance in the neighbourhood of Mount Sterling. There are seven persons in one house who have it, a number have been exposed to the contagion, and I fear without an industrious interposition of the King Pox, the Small Pox will prevail very much to the annoyance of our citizens. My own knowledge of the convulsed state which Lexington was thrown into formerly by this baneful malady, and the regard which I have for its prosperity, induces me thus publicly to give this information.

"JOHN YOUNG.

"P. S. One of the above mentioned family was inoculated some years ago with the King Pox, and that person has not taken the Small Pox, although he has nursed them for about a month."

Extract of a letter from Lisbon dated Jan. 20th

"Some late accounts from Spain states the situation of the French in that country as being reduced to the last extremity for the want of provisions.—The Spaniards seem still determined to drive the French out of Spain and struggle hard for the last spark of their liberty.

"If some of your war politicians could look into Europe and see whole countries deluged in blood, they would be willing to endure privations and make all possible exertions to avert from their country such a calamity."

POST-OFFICE,

VINCENNES, April 2d, 1810.

A LIST of letters remaining in this office during the last quarter, which if not taken out before the expiration of three months, will be returned to the general post office as dead letters, viz.

A

Samuel Adams, 2; John Alton, William Archer, James Adams, John Applegate.

B

Robert Bruce, Samuel Baker, Wm. Berry, Wm. Barney, Peter Baryer, Isaac Baker, P. Barnes, John Bowman, Cornelius Blew, W. P. Beckes,

C

Luke Decker, Joseph Dunlap, W. H. Dunnica, Jacob Defenbaugh,

F

Samuel Foster.

G

Mr. Grantear, A. Greffen, J. Grotehor.

H

Moses Hoggat, Elizbth. Hornback, Handcock, Alexander Hays, Chas. Humphreys, Sally Hollingsworth.

J

John R. Jones, 2; Samuel Johnson, Agnes Jenkins.

K

Thomas Kerr, Peter Kuykendoll.

L

Wilson Lagow, 3; Louis Le Conte, Dominique Lecroix.

M

John McDonald, Jean Momesnil, Cornelius Merry, John McCandles, John M'Clure.

N

Laden Nolan.

O

Antoine Oncille.

P

Benjamin Parke, 3; Daniel Pea, William Polke, Samuel Parker, William Porter, 2; David Price, William Price.

R

Sarah Robins, Abraham Rhodarmel, Martin Rose.

S

Nancy Shaw, Phoeby Stewart, Madame Sondriet.

W

Charles Wilkins, Sally Watson, 2; James Watson, Edward Wilson, Walter Wilson, Abraham Westfall, A. Whitlock, 5; Abel Westfall, David Watson.

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Take Notice

I INTEND to apply to the next July court of Common Pleas, for the county of Knox, and Indiana Territory, to establish a ferry across the river Wabash from my land to the opposite bank.

Samuel Ellison.

April 4th, 1810.