

## POETICAL ASYLUM.

ON THE RETURN OF SPRING.  
Written by a famous Hunter & Poet.

Now the ice briskly melts, and the snow  
goes apace,  
The Sun looks more smiling and gay,  
The groves are all green, my heart  
bounds for the chase,  
Since chill Winter has hastened away.

Full fifty fat bucks, & as many fine does  
Shall fill ere again it return;  
For life's but a Spring, when unclouded  
by woes,  
And its Winter the mouldering urn.

Farewell, then, my hut; I'll revisit no  
more

Thy walls, that have gone to decay;  
I haste, distant valleys & hills to explore,  
And among pathless forests to stray.

Since so wide is the wood, so extensive  
the plain,  
The streams, since so num'rous and  
clear,  
Who would linger at home, and unroving  
remain,  
Through the pleasantest time of the  
year?

Who would languish to quit their hut  
or their hill,  
When no longer they shelter from  
harm,  
When the next Winter's day they may  
raise one at will,  
On a spot that is equally warm?

Let those do it who please, they are  
foolish or old;  
For no youth that is wise so could err;  
And him Nature forn'd in her laziest  
mould,  
Who his hut to his field would prefer.

The fish how they sport, how they swim  
tho' the flood,  
And wander so careless and free;  
Not a mortal on earth, in his happiest  
mood,  
Or more gay or more envied can be.

Yet, man is a fish, born to sport for a  
while,  
Some in seas that are stormy & rough;  
Some, in unruffled streams, their soft  
moments beguile,  
Though but few think them pleasing  
enough.

As for me, can I roam, with my dog  
and my bow,  
'Tis sufficient, I'll ask for no more;  
But at night lay me down wherever I go,  
And, at morn, seek my game as before.

A letter from the distinguished  
Dr. Backus, recently deceased,  
contains the following remarks,  
on his early thoughts of religion:

At the age of 17, I was, like  
very many young men, balancing  
between two opinions—I was,  
then not only theoretically but  
practically a Deist. Thank God  
there was soon a revolution in my  
mind. Since then, though less  
than the least of christians, I glo-  
ry in the cross of Christ! I had  
rather have an approving God  
than applauding millions. "The  
world's dread laugh" may turn a  
modest philosopher pale, because  
its applauses are his all; but christ-  
ianity presents a boon beyond  
the reach of the mob, eternal in  
the heavens.—Twenty one years'  
study of the Scriptures has not  
failed continually to increase the  
evidence of their divinity and  
strengthen my faith in them. To  
the christain religion we owe the  
civilization, science and liberty,  
that make us differ from the Wy-

andot and Chaffrarian: Be a stant beverage is wine, having  
christian, would you relish the struck all observing travellers.  
charms of nature or art; would Morality then, would also gain  
you make your mind the store by the introduction of this new  
house of great and grand ideas; branch of agricultural industry.  
would you be a statesman, a hero, We do not despair of shortly see-  
or a real philosopher. Be a christ-  
ian, if you wish for domestic  
happiness and social pleasures.  
The dry and frozen speculations  
of cold and frozen infidelity, will  
wither all generous and noble  
sentiments and feelings. They  
are like the prodigal's store of  
husks; they tend to imbrute us  
with swine.—Pardon then my  
zeal against the modern Goths,  
who would lay waste the fabrick  
of the civilized world—who sac-  
rilegiously plunder armour from  
the arsenal of revelation, to war  
with God and man. Had not  
light in Thomas Paine become  
darkness, he would not stab the  
breast that gave him suck. He  
might have been a Cherokee, or  
the property of a slave holder,  
had not the gospel been preached  
to the ancient Britons."

### Desultory Facts and Observations.

The advance our country has  
made and is daily making in the  
science of economy, and the pro-  
ducts or resources of our soil that  
are constantly developing, are  
facts interesting to every Amer-  
ican.

"For several years after the  
close of the revolutionary war in  
1783, (says Niles vol. 9) Cotton  
was imported into each of the U.  
States, as a return cargo from the  
West Indies, and other foreign  
countries. In the year after the  
close of the war in 1815, a space  
of 32 years—we shall export and  
consume not less than from 90 to  
100 millions of pounds of cotton  
of domestic growth, worth from  
25 to 30 millions of dollars."

Sugar, as well as cotton, it is  
believed will at no very distant  
period, become (as it is at pres-  
ent of Louisiana) a staple com-  
modity of the southern states.

In Georgia, the culture of the  
Sugar Cane, is established bey-  
ond a doubt.

A Charleston paper states, that  
satisfactory experiments have  
proved that South Carolina is  
well calculated for the cultivation  
of this valuable plant.

The soil of North Carolina is  
said, in a late Wilmington Re-  
porter, to be peculiarly adapted  
to the growth of the cane; and it  
is proposed to commence the cul-  
tivation of it on an extensive  
scale, next season.

The cultivation of the Vine,  
in the states of Ohio and Indiana  
has been attended with success;  
and Wine, of a superior quality,  
has been recently made at Gal-  
liopolis Ohio. It is the opinion  
of several French gentlemen, in  
the neighborhood of Vevay, In-  
diana, that the Silk Worm can  
be raised there, and that valuable  
branch of industry, connected  
with the culture of the vine, car-  
ried on to great advantage.

The Editor of the Richmond  
Compiler recommends, in his pa-  
per of some months since, the  
cultivation of the Vine in Virgin-  
ia, believing the climate and soil  
of that state to be happily culti-  
vated for it—"The comparatively  
temperate habits of the people  
(says Mr. Girardin,) whose con-

sers giving bond and security for the  
punctual payment at the times they be-  
come due.

JOHN JOHNSON,

Agent for Pike county.

March 3, 1817.

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"Try all things, and hold fast  
to that which is best."

THE undersigned having sold out  
his stock of Merchandise, and  
wishing to close his store accounts, re-  
quests those who are indebted to him to  
call at his office and discharge their ar-  
rears by the first of April ensuing.

He now advertises (for the first time) that he acts as a

CONVEYANCER,

and that he intends

PRACTISING LAW

in Gibson, Knox, and the two adjoining  
counties—and if made worth his while,  
will attend occasionally, in any other  
county in the First Circuit. His prac-  
tice as a LAWYER shall be fair, liberal  
and correct. He resides on Main  
street, in Vincennes, and may be easily  
found by a sign board over the door, inscribed.

GENL. W. JOHNSTON,

February 27, 1817. 13-14

J. C. REILLY, & Co.

WATCH & CLOCK MAKERS,

SILVERSMITHS & JEWELLERS

RESPECTFULLY informs their  
friends, and the public in general,  
that they have commenced the above busi-  
ness in all its various branches, in the  
house lately occupied by Messrs. Hale  
& Wood, and nearly opposite Harlow &  
Trimble's store—where they hope by  
their unremitting attention to business, to  
merit the approbation of the public.

Vincennes, January 1, 1817.

N. B.—Watches & Clocks, of every  
description carefully repaired, and war-  
ranted to perform.—The highest price  
given for old Gold and Silver.

An apprentice, will be taken of  
good moral habits, to learn the above.

CASH! CASH! CASH!!!

THE highest prices in CASH, will be  
given for good fresh

BUTTER, EGGS and  
HONEY, by

ABIJAH HULL.

Vincennes, Feb. 21, 1817. 12-13

### NOTICE,

THE subscriber being duly authori-  
zed to adjust, and finally close the  
business of the late firm of N. Bread-  
ing jun. & Co. hereby requests all per-  
sons indebted to the same, to come for-  
ward and discharge their debts.—If it is  
not convenient for any of those agains-  
thom there are book accounts, to dis-  
charge the same immediately, a reason-  
able time for payment will be given, pro-  
vided they embrace the present oppor-  
tunity of calling upon me, and giving  
their notes for the amounts due.

ISAAC BLACKFORD.

Vincennes, Feb. 7, 1817. 6-10

### LAW NOTICE.

NATHL. HUNTINGTON,  
Attorney at Law & Conveyancer.

HAS opened an office, under the  
same roof of Messers. Hale and  
Wood's Apothecary Store, in Vincennes,  
where he will be generally found ready  
to attend to the business of his profess-  
ion.

15-16 Vincennes, January 2, 1817

### J. CALL.

WILL practice Law in the  
Circuit Courts of Knox,  
and the adjacent counties—he re-  
sides at the "Vincennes Hotel."

Vincennes, 14, Feb. 1817. 11-12

### THOMAS H. BLAKE

Attorney at Law.

OFFERS his professional services to the  
public, those who may wish to consult  
or employ him, will please apply at the  
"Vincennes Hotel."

33-34 July 16, 1816.

Blank Note Books,

For sale at the W. Sun office.