

resolution from the Governor of Pennsylvania, appointing a commissioner on the part of that state, to meet such commissioners, as may have been, or shall be appointed on behalf of the states of Ohio, Virginia, Kentucky and Indiana, or either of them, to examine the obstructions in the Ohio river, and estimate the probable expense that would attend their removal; each of which will be submitted for your consideration. The removal of the obstructions in the navigation of the Ohio river at the Falls, by opening a canal, has become an object of great importance, particularly to this state, as the most certain means of securing an uninterrupted transportation of the vast and increasing commerce embarked on its waters. The act of the last session, incorporating a canal company for the accomplishment of this great object, has been found insufficient, and not so liberal in its provisions, as to ensure the attention of capitalists; even of those who are directly interested in its execution: and it will be with you to determine, whether, it shall undergo the necessary alterations, or whether this first effort of the state, for internal improvement, shall fail for want of public patronage.

The commencement of a State Library forms a subject of too much interest not to meet your attention. I recommend to your consideration, the propriety of requiring by law, a per centum on the proceeds of the sales of Town Lots, to be paid for the support of Schools and establishment of Libraries therein; as well as a like per centum on the sales of any additional lots which may be added to any Town Plat, whether a county seat or otherwise. The establishment of a system of common schools, throughout the inhabited portion of our State, will meet that consideration which its importance dictates. The operation of such a system, so arranged as to afford the means to every description of our citizens, to educate their children, will secure the morals of the rising generation; the better prepare them for the discharge of their several and respective duties; and to estimate the value of our free institutions—the surest guarantees of that love of the country, so essential to the permanence of our form of government.

Permit me again, to introduce to your attention, the subject of slaves escaping into this State, and to suggest the propriety of making further provision by law calculated to restrain them from fleeing to this State to avoid their lawful owners; and to enable the judges of the circuit courts, or any judge of the supreme court, in vacation, to decide with the aid of a jury, upon all claims of this character, without delay. This subject in the adjoining state of Kentucky, has produced some excitement in the citizens and an interference on the part of their Legislature. To preserve harmony between our State and every other, so far as may depend on our exertions, is a duty, the discharge of which is intimately connected with our best interest as a state, and solemnly required of Indiana as a member of the Union.

Whilst on our own part we endeavor to promote the happiness of those foreign to this state, it will also be our duty, to cultivate harmony and concord among our own citizens:—so necessary to secure private happiness or public prosperity, and for the accomplishment of objects so desirable, it behoves us to seek, with a becoming confidence, the blessings of the Omnipotent disposer of events, upon your exertions for the prosperity and welfare of those, who have confided their interest to your care.

JONATHAN JENNINGS.

British Manufactures outdone in Ontario.

Much has been said, & many accounts of the celerity with which English manufacturers of cloth have gone through the various operations attendant on manufacturing that article from the fleece to the garment. A few weeks since we published an account taken from an English paper, in which it was stated, that at one of the manufactories in England, the fleece had been taken from the sheep & manufactured into a coat in the short space of 13 hours & 20 minutes. Messrs. *Buck, Brewster & Co.*, managers of the Ontario Manufactory at Manchester, in this county, on perusing that article became sensible from the perfection of their machinery and the dexterity of their workmen, that the same operations might be accomplished even in a shorter time. Immediately a wager of five hundred dollars was offered, and accepted by the managers, that they would perform the same operation in 12 hours. The wool was taken from the sack in its natural state, and in *one hour and fifteen minutes* precisely the coat was completed, and worn in triumph by one of the parties concerned. The wool

was picked, greased, carded, roped and spun—the yarn was warped, put into the loom and woven—the cloth was fulled, colored, four times shorn, pressed and carried to the tailors, and the coat completed, all within the time above stated. —We saw the coat the next day after it was made. The cloth was not of the finest texture, but was very handsomely dressed, & fitted the person who wore it, remarkably well. The truth of the above statement can be attested by many respectable witnesses besides Messrs. Buck and Brewster. The only difference between this and the English experiment is the time occupied in shearing the fleece, and any farmer in the country knows that that operation may be dispatched in ten minutes. The above named gentlemen now confidently assert, that they can manufacture a coat of elegant superfine broadcloth, and have it completed in 12 hours.

Ontario Messenger.

Despatches have been received from Gen. Mina, dated in August from the interior of Mexico, he had been joined by the revolutionary force under Padre Torre, and his disciplined force already amounts to 6000 men. Details of his operations, and the general circumstances of Mexico, had reached Natchitoches & translations were making for the Gazette published on Red River.—*Aurora.*

PENSACOLA.

The Philadelphia Freeman's Journal remarks, that if Spain should cede the Floridas to the U. States, or they should come into our possession in any other way, we shall possess, in Pensacola, the finest port next to Havanna, in the whole gulph of Mexico. Having 24 feet of water on its bar it will form an excellent naval station, and is likely, moreover, to become a place of considerable commerce, as it will command the trade of all the rivers that flow into the gulph from Mobile eastward to the Appalachia. It may be expected, that it will draw to its market a considerable portion of the products of the upper settlements on the Alabama, as the navigation of that river above Fort Claiborne, is not a little difficult; and excellent roads may be made to Pensacola with little cost or trouble.

PLATTSBURG, Nov. 8.

Northern Canal.

We have a letter from a gentleman of the first standing, dated Whitehall Nov. 5, which says—"The Northern Canal, connecting the waters of Lake Champlain with the Hudson, was commenced this day and will be prosecuted with energy till stopped by the frost. The whole will undoubtedly be completed next summer."

We have been informed, that on Sunday last, the snow fell 18 inches deep in Chateaugay; and that in Canada there was sufficient snow for good sleighing. In this village the ground was covered with snow.

CHARLESTON Nov. 11.

We learn by an officer of the army, who arrived in town on Sunday last, direct from Fort Hawkins, that hostilities are immediately to break out between our troops and the Seminole Indians. General Gaines, with his force, took up the line of march from Fort Montgomery, on the Alabama, to Fort Scott, on the Flint River, about the 27th ult. where he was to be joined by about 600 Creek Indian warriors, who would make his army, including regulars, militia and Indians, amount to about 2500 men. The Seminoles are said to have in the field 1500 warriors. Gen Jackson and suite, it was expected, would join Gen. Gaines at Fort Scott.

The officer above alluded to, was dispatched here to procure four field pieces for the expedition, and will return immediately.

We learn that General Gaines made a demand upon the Seminoles for the murderers of seven whites—they refused and in reply stated, that our people had killed ten of their tribe, and demanded the balance to be given up to them, as the only condition on which they would make peace. The General made no further reply, but immediately put his troops in motion to operate against them.

I Have for Sale, about 150 Acres of Prime Land, On River Dutch, near esquire Dr. Den's, ALSO—

50 Acres Unlocated,

A PAIR OF

Superb Pistols and Holsters, A handsome SWORD and an elegant

GOLD WATCH.

G. W. JOHNSTON.

October 1817. 46—tf

3 Bank of Vincennes, The State Bank of Indiana.

29th November, 1817.

A DIVIDEND has this day been declared by the Directors at the rate of 12 per cent per annum, for the last six months, on the amount of stock paid in.—The same will be paid at the BANK on and after the 1st day of December next, to the Stockholders or their legal Representatives.

ISAAC BLACKFORD, Cash'r.

16 KENHAWA SALT

Of the first quality, for sale by

JOHN DULY

IN Busseron prairie, one mile from Carlisle, which will be sold low for Cash. Furs and skins, or for produce, such as Corn and Wheat.

8—tf

January 23 1817,

A Serious Notice.

The person who took the MASONIC MINSTREL, from P. Jones's Barr will do well to return it speedily.

1—tf

December 4, 1817.

19 J. CALL.

WILL practice Law in the Circuit Courts of Knox, and the adjacent counties—he resides at the Vincennes Hotel.

Vincennes, 14, Feb. 1817. 11—fi

WHEAT PORK, &c.

THE subscriber will purchase during the ensuing fall and winter,

WHEAT,

PORK,

BEESWAX,

TALLOW,

FURS,

PELTRIES,

and all such articles of country produce as may suit for exportation at a fair price.—Those who are indebted to him may enable themselves to make payment in that way.

JOHN EWING.

Vincennes, October 2. 2—tf

BANK OF VINCENNES,

The State Bank of Indiana,

31st October 1817.

THE Stockholders are hereby required to pay a third Instalment of Five Dollars on each share, on or before the first day of January next.—Those who have subscribed for stock, sold under the direction of commissioners appointed for the purpose by a late act of the General Assembly, must pay the said Instalment to the commissioners of the county, where such subscriptions were made. The other Stockholders are requested to pay the said Instalment at the Bank.

ISAAC BLACKFORD, Cash'r.

TO THE PUBLIC

GENTLEMEN.—There appears to be a report in circulation through some channel unknown to me, that I have declined entertaining gentlemen that thought proper to give me a call—the report is incorrect—when I think proper gentlemen to quit the business I will give you my determination through the medium of the Western Sun and Centinel.

Those that think proper to give me a call, will find my attention to them the same that it has always been. I thank the public for the liberal encouragement they have afforded to me, and wish to remain the public's humble servant

MARK BARNET

September 23d. 43—tf

30 GOOD BARGAINS,

I WISH to dispose of Lot No. 40 in the old donation containing 400 acres there is on this tract a handsome prairie, and the greatest part of the tract first rate and all good farming land—ALSO 204 acres adjoining the Commons of Vincennes, which I will sell entire, or small tracts to suit purchasers, promising no person will wish to purchase without first seeing the land. It will be shown, and the terms made known on application to

F. VIGO.

May 15, 1817. 24—tf

PRINTING

OF ALL KINDS

Neatly and accurately executed at the Office of the Western Sun.

BLANK DEEDS,

For sale at the "Sun Office."

REMOVAL.

REYNOLDS & BONNER

Have removed their Stock of

GOODS 3

To the New Building one door below Mr. Peter Jones' Tavern, where they expect shortly to open an additional assortment, lately selected in Baltimore and Philadelphia.

52—tf Vincennes, Nov. 29.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS.

ALL persons indebted to us, either by NOTE or BOOK ACCOUNT are requested to call and pay us, on or before the first day of January next as one of us will start (at that time) to the eastward for the purpose of purchasing stock—by attending to this Notice it will very much oblige and enable us to execute promptly the orders of our customers.

Kausler & W.

November 21. 52—tf

For Sale.

The Subscribers,

HAVE on hand, & will keep at their Store in Vincennes, a constant supply of

Strong Beer and Whiskey, made at J. & J. COLMAN'S Brewery & Distillery, and warranted good, which they will sell low by the barrel or single Gallon for CASH or such produce as may suit.

J. & W. L. COLMAN,

Nov. 12. 1817. 50—tf

Notice.

ONE DOLLAR TWENTY-FIVE CENTS, MORE TO THE PRINTER.

I INTEND to set out for Philadelphia between the 15th and 20th of December next, & must earnestly request all those who are indebted to me to call on or before that time & pay their notes and accounts. I am in hopes that my customers will pay strict attention to this my last. *Dollar & Twenty-Five cents to the Printer*, and let the Constable find some other way to live, I am your ob't serv't.

WILSON LAGOW.

Vincennes, Nov. 12, 1817. 50—tf

The Partnership of

HALE and WOOD,

I this day dissolved by mutual consent.

All persons indebted to the said firm are hereby called upon to make immediate payment to Jeremiah Wood, who is duly authorized to receive the same—and all persons having any demands on the said firm will exhibit the same to him for settlement.

JEREM'AH WOOD,

DAV D M HALE.

Vincennes, Nov. 10 1817. 50—tf

JEREMIAH WOOD,

WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP,

AN ASSORTMENT OF

MEDICINES.

at the stand formerly occupied by HALE & Wood. He solicits the public patronage, and will endeavor to merit it.

50—tf Vincennes, Nov. 12, 1817.

NOTICE.

Those indebted to the subscriber either by bond or otherwise, is most positively requested to come forward and pay the same on or before the 20th of December, as after that time those failing to comply will find their notes and accounts in the hands of a proper officer for collection,

PETER JONES.

Vincennes Nov. 13. 1817. 50—tf

LAW PARTNERSHIP.

D. FLOYD & H. H. MOORE

WILL practise law in conjunction with each other in the western and middle circuits, and occasionally in the eastern circuit; and also in the supreme & Federal courts. Those who may wish to employ them may depend upon the united exertions of both; one or the other may be found at their law Office in Corydon—letters on business must be directed to both.

—33—tf Corydon, May 17.

FOR SALE

AT THE OFFICE OF THE SUN. A few copies of the ACTS of the Indiana Legislature.—