

THE WESTERN SUN

VINCENNES, OCTOBER 7, 1826.

Appointments.

1ST BRIGADE INDIANA MILITIA.

JOHN M'GRIFFIN is appointed Brigade Inspector, with the rank of Major.

WILLIAM TWIGG is appointed Aid-de-Camp, with the rank of Captain.

And it is strictly ordered that said officers be observed and obeyed accordingly.

JOHN MYERS, Brig. Gen.

BOUNDARY LINE BETWEEN ALABAMA AND GEORGIA.

Extract of a letter from one of the Georgia Commissioners, dated, Nickajack, 19th August, 1826.

"We arrived here safe on Thursday—our course conducted us two and a half miles East of Nickajack. Messrs. Bagly and Lewis are in the neighborhood, and the discussion has commenced. A difference of construction of compact exists.—Whatever this difficulty is disposed of we shall proceed to execute the duties assigned us.

"It is further stated in a letter from Mr. Lloyd Thomas, that by running the line from the upper bend, Georgia will gain 140,000 acres more than by a line running from Uchee."

Extract of a letter, dated, "Camp on the Tennessee River in Nickajack Old Field 18th August, 1826

"The day before yesterday the traverse line between Georgia and Alabama struck a point opposite to Nickajack; being about two and a half miles above the Eastward of the same. All the commissioners from the two states are present, excepting Judge Kelly, who, although expected last evening from Huntsville, had not arrived at dark. A conference will be had, however, this morning, & something definitely done by Monday next, with regard to the course of the true line.

"We have found a bed of very good Coal upon the Raccoon Mountain, about three or four miles from this place."

Extract of another letter to a gentleman in this city, dated "Nickajack, 20th August, 1826.

"The traverse line between Georgia & Alabama, struck a point about two and a half miles above this place; or, speaking somewhat more distinctly, to one not sojourning upon the banks of the Tennessee, that distance to the Eastward of it.—This, however, is not sufficient to save us harmless from the Western protection of Miller's bend, which we touched 34 miles above Fort Mitchell; and which, any line running direct from Nickajack to the Bend "next above" Uchee, must necessarily cross. According to the course between these two last mentioned points, if a straight line should be marked between the two States, without regard to the equitable claim which Georgia has to all the territory lying upon the Eastern side of Chatahoochee; in such case, Alabama would acquire an extent equal to 35 miles in length; whilst, after recrossing the river at the point where we first struck it upon the random line, our gain would be only 16 miles, stretching from thence to the place of beginning near Fort Mitchell."—Savannah Rep.

The Kentucky Gazette has announced its intention to give a series of Notes on Kentucky, which have been made, from time to time, by Col. Boone, Gen. Clarke, Capt. Bullitt, Col. Shelby, Gen. Todd, M. J. Todorosky, W. Randolph, Maj. Smith, A. B. M'Gruder, & others. The following, which is the first of these notices, we copy from the last number of the Gazette, and shall continue our extracts, believing that in extending the knowledge of that section of the country, we shall contribute as much to the amusement as the instruction of our readers.—Nat. Jour.

NOTES ON KENTUCKY.

SECTION I.

This country was well known to the Indian traders many years before its settlement. They gave a description of it to Lewis Evans, who published his first map of it as early as 1752.

In the year 1750, Dr. Thomas Walker, Colby Chew, Ambrose Powell, and several others from the counties of Orange and Culpepper, in the State of Virginia, set out on an excursion to the Western waters; they travelled down the Holstein river, and crossed over the Mountains into Powell's valley, thence across the Cumberland mountain at the gap where the road now crosses, proceed on across what was formerly known by the Wilderness, until they arrived at the Hazle-patch—Here the company divided; Dr. Walker with a part continued north until they

came to Kentucky river, which they named Louisa or Levisa river. After travelling down the excessive broken or hilly margin some distance, they became dissatisfied and returned, and continued up one of its branches to its head, and crossed over the mountains to New River, at the place called Walker's Meadows.

In the year 1754, James McBride, with some others, passed down the Ohio river in canoes, and landed at the mouth of the Kentucky river, where they marked on a tree the initials of their names, and the date of the year. These men passed thro' the country, and were the first who gave a particular account of its beauty and richness of soil to the inhabitants of the British settlements in America.

No further notice seems to have been taken of Kentucky until the year 1767, when John Findlay with others (whilst trading with the Indians) passed through a part of the rich land of Kentucky. It was then called by the Indians in their language, the Dark or Bloody Grounds—Some difference took place between these traders and the Indians, and Finlay deemed it prudent to return to his residence in North Carolina, when he communicated his knowledge of the country to Colonel Daniel Boone and others. This seems to have been one of the most important events in the history of Kentucky, as it was the exciting cause which prompted Col. Boone shortly afterwards to make his first visit to the Dark or Bloody Grounds.

[See 2. Will contain Col. Boone's first trip to Kentucky, with the incidents attending that trip.]

Marshall in his history vol. 1, page 7, says, it was in 1758. Mr. H. Taylor thinks Dr. Walker informed him it was in 1752, but Col. Shelby states implicitly, that in 1779, in company with Dr. Walker on Yellow creek, a mile or two from Cumberland mountain, the Doctor observed, "upon that tree," pointing to a branch across the road to the left hand, Ambrose Powell marked his name and the date of the year," examined the tree, and found A. Powell, 1750, cut in legible characters.

Gazette.

Messrs. Gates & Seaton:—Two or 3 years ago, John Logan published in the Metropolitan of Georgetown, an account of his seeing, in the slashes back of this city, a spider snare a frog, and hoist him up several inches, to a twig. This account was not generally credited. I now send you an account of a spider and snake, which appears equally incredible, but can be attested by many. If you think it worth publishing, you may amuse some of the curious.

On Friday last, (1st inst.) a spider was discovered by the workmen in the Rock Creek Paper Mill, apparently in contact with a small black snake, about 9 inches long. When first discovered, the snake was snapping at the spider, and at each snap or jump of the snake, the spider lapped his web around the head of the snake, and still kept looping him up to his fastening. This combat continued all day on Friday, and all Saturday until the evening, when the spider completely conquered, and killed the snake. On Sunday, (yesterday) he had him well lashed about the head, middle and tail, and had him hoisted 18 inches up in his web, where he is now hanging, and the spider feeding on him.

What is remarkable, is, that this spider is not bigger than a common fly. They can both be seen in the web at the paper mill, and all the above facts attested by William Leish, foreman, Edward Lewis, Geo. Miller, and Saml Norwood, workmen in the mill, and by all the hands working here.

Sept. 4, 1826.

EDGAR PATTERSON.

CURE FOR THE CHOLIC.

Messrs. Editors,

I have for many years been subject to that severe, and often fatal complaint the Bilous Cholick, and after using in vain all the usual remedies by professional gentlemen, for that complaint, I have succeeded in finding out an infallible antidote against that most excruciating pain, and am now happy in communicating to the public, the result of what at first, was merely an experiment but has since been to the afflicted as a medicine worthy of their peculiar notice. The remedy is simply this: Take one ounce of camphor, and dissolve it in half a pint of spirits of wine, let it be kept in a bottle well corked, and it will at all times be fit for use. When suffering with the Cholick, or when symptoms indicate its approach, take one teaspoon full of the above mixture, and should it not remove the pain in 15 minutes, repeat the dose, which I have invariably found to be sufficient to give immediate relief.

N. B. The above medicine must be taken into the stomach in its undiluted state, else will not have the desired effect; the next day, after suffering with cholick,

a gentle dose of medicine may be taken, such as Epsom salts, castor oil or the like.

JOSEPH MILLER.
City of Burlington, (N. J.) July 4.

SCHOOL NOTICE.

THE public are hereby respectfully informed, that the *Knox County Seminary building* in Vincennes, has been lately fitted up in a very commodious manner, for the reception of scholars of both sexes, and that a *SCHOOL* is now in operation under the superintendence of the Rev. Truman Perrin.

Terms of Tuition, per Quarter, For Spelling, Reading, Writing & Arithmetic, 82 50

Geography & English Grammar, 3

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Philosophy, History and Mathematics, 4

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FIRE WOOD for the use of the school will be at the *expense* of the scholars.

The public may rest assured that no exertions will be wanting, to render this SEMINARY respectable and useful in an eminent degree, by the strictest attention to the morals of the scholars, and to their education in the various branches of learning, in which their parents or guardians may wish them to be taught.

The permanent character and prosperity of a Literary Institution, must always depend upon the ability & propriety with which it is conducted. The friends of the *Knox County Seminary* cannot wish or expect it to flourish upon any other principles.

S. T. Scott, Jacob Kuykendall,
John Bruner, Isaac Blackford,
J. C. S. Harrison, Homer Johnson,
September 12, 1826. 32-1f

NOTICE.

I intend to apply to the Judge of Probate of Crawford county, state of Illinois, on the *second Monday in October next*, for the purpose of making a settlement of the estate of Thomas Isaac, deceased.—All those interested are invited to attend, if they think proper.

PHILIP EDWARDS, Adm.
September 6, 1826. 31-4*

Cow and Calf.

A red Cow, with a black & white calf, came to the subscribers, about the 25th of this month, both marked as follows, in the left ear an underbit and fork, in the right ear an underbit and crop—the owner is desired to come forward, prove his property, pay charges, and take them away.

NICHOLAS TRUCKY.

Vincennes, Sept. 28, 1826.—34-3

TAKEN up by Job Mathews, living in Boon township, Warrick county, Ia. a SORREL MARE, 14½ hands high, her left hip sunk, The letter J marked on the left shoulder, both hind feet white, a small blaze in her face, supposed to be about 15 years old, appraised to \$16, before me.

SIMON LEWIS, J. P. W. C.
September 20, 1826. 34-TP3

NOTICE

I hereby give, that I intend making a final settlement of the estate of John Ashbrook, deceased, with the court of Probate of Crawford county, state of Illinois, on the *third Monday in December next*, at which time all persons interested may attend if they please.

W. C. ASHBROOK, Adm.
September 11th, 1826. 33-4t

State of Indiana,
DAVIESS COUNTY,

To Elizabeth Bradford, Jane Bradford, George Lashley, and Mary, his wife, and Samuel J. Kelso, administrator of Jesse

Lynch, deceased,

TAKE NOTICE,

THAT I will apply to the Circuit court, next to be held at Bloomfield, in the county of Green, and state aforesaid, on the *third Monday in October next*, for the appointment of Commissioners to make a distribution of the real estate of Thomas Bradford, (late of Daviess county,) deceased, according to the last will and testament of the said deceased.

JOHN BRADFORD, one of the heirs of Thomas Bradford, decd.
September 18, 1826. 33-4

Saddlery for Trade.

ALL kinds of Saddlery will be given in exchange for good merchantable PORK, BEEF, WHEAT, or CORN, to be delivered by the first day of December next.

SAMUEL THORN.

April 13, 1826. 9-1f

NOTICE.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,

JULY 14, 1826.

TO obviate the risk and delay, incident to the return of *Bank Notes* from this Department, not receivable at the Treasury of the United States, in payment for *Patent Rights*, all persons desirous of taking out Patents, are requested to transmit with their applications, such *Notes* or *Drafts* as they may know, or be advised, will be available at the Treasury.

27-10t

27-10t Publishers of the Laws of the United States, will insert this notice in their papers ten times.

The Steam Boat

AMERICAN.

THE proprietors of the Steam Boat American, now in successful operation, plying between Louisville & Terre-Haute, offer her for sale on advantageous terms.—She is of light draught of water, with an excellent Engine, and only two years old in June next. For terms apply to Messrs. Mier & Ormsby, Louisville; W. C. Rogers, Cincinnati; W. C. Linton, Terre-Haute; or to JAS. L. WILSON, Master S.B.A.

May 9, 1826.

13-1f

Auction & Commission WARE HOUSE.

THE subscriber has commenced the AUCTION and COMMISSION business in Vincennes, and is now ready to receive consignments.—To those who have articles to dispose of, he makes a tender of his services

ALEXANDER MASSY.

Vincennes, June 8, 1826.—17-1f

HATS—For Trade.

THE most fashionable HATS, will be given by the subscriber, in exchange for good merchantable PORK, BEEF, WHEAT, OATS, CORN, and CORD WOOD, delivered in Vincennes, by the first of December next.

MORGAN JONES.

Vincennes, July 1826. 23-1f

Do Justice.

I WILL thank you to take and confine my girl, that left me on the 6th inst. she is a French Mutta girl, fair, handsome, black eyes, 18 years old, as a boy by the laws of Missouri, and I will pay a liberal reward for her apprehension, or delivery, to

BERNARD PRATT, JR.

St. Louis, Sept. 1, 1826.—32-3t

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