

Indiana State Sentinel.

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Indiana.

For the last time, we desire to say to the Press at large, that the Democratic majority on joint ballot is TWELVE. Fuging rumors will be governed accordingly.

Corrections.

We "cibbered" some considerable to get our last election returns correct, and yet in one instance we omitted to perceive an error of 100 votes. Judge Wick's majority should 1400 instead of 1300, as we had it.

There may be other errors undiscovered as yet. If any such exist, we must throw a portion of the blame on some of the County Clerks, who are either negligent or incompetent. It strikes us that a little more care on their part would be full as gratifying to them, as it would be useful to the public at large.

Lawrenceburg Beacon.

Among a variety of other wisely wailing slugs in the Beacon of Sept. 11, is the following:

"Why don't Chapman give us their opinion of our candidate for Governor? Tell us whether he is a verdant young demagogue, like ourself? Chapman, what do you think of Joseph A. Wright for next Governor? Can you try and flatter or soft-swoon him off the track, to make way for the Hon. R. D. Owen? We see you have begun so with the Hon. R. D. Owen, Mr. Perkins is nearly had on the Bench by one lick from your pen. The Muncie Democrat won't chirp again, on that subject. Try your hand on Hon. J. A. Wright."

Well, sir, we think Mr. Wright has shrewdness as well as principle enough, not to be deluded by the shallow game of disorganization which you are attempting to play, but have not sense enough to play with any degree of skill. You will see by the following, from the New Harmony Statesman, whose editor enjoys the confidence of Mr. Owen, how your hollow pretences are regarded in that quarter, not only in relation to Mr. Owen, but Mr. Wright also.

We have the best reason to believe, that Mr. Wright himself entertains similar views, and that he would regard it as the strongest evidence of real friendship on the part of the Beacon, if it would "let him alone, and cease using his name for any purpose."

LAWRENCEBURGH BEACON.—This is a print professing to be Democratic, edited by a Mr. John P. Dunn, late Cashier of the Lawrenceburg Branch. He is lately what is termed a "Young Hunker," goes for paper money and the spoils of office. For the last year or so, he has tried every means in his power to sow the seeds of dissension in the Democratic ranks. He denounced James Whitcomb and Jesse D. Bright in a violent manner, for which he was severely rebuked by almost the entire Democratic press of the State. He now comes forward with the name of Joseph A. Wright at the head of his paper, as a candidate for Governor, to show his spite for the present worthy incumbent. He also advocates Robert Dale Owen for the U. S. Senate, for what purpose, is not precisely known. We are certain neither of these gentlemen will thank the editor for his premature support. They are too devoted to principles to permit their names to be used by a few men who are demagogues of riding into office on the ruins of the Democratic party. They will wait the expression of the popular will first.—New Harmony Statesman, Sept. 6.

Which is Right.

JOHN P. DUNN, Editor-Cashier of the Lawrenceburg Branch Bank, says we are bringing all the Democratic editors into our traces; and that he is the only "independent one!" Well! Our cotemporaries can each judge of this matter for themselves. We doubt, however, if any of them will admit or acknowledge dependence on us or any one else, much less, John P. Dunn. His "master," with an advertisement or two, may purchase pro tem. relief; but not if, as we believe, our Democratic cotemporaries know that he must advertise, and are willing to continue independent. Perhaps Dunn operates as he did when he was cashier, and as Mr. Merrill, then President of the Bank, charges him—as having given the following ungrammatical and dishonest statement:—"I admit I DID MISLEAD the State Board at the Nov. session in regard to this matter, and I vote so from the best motives. I knew if all was known, it would make a great noise." &c. This honest cashier, after threatening Mr. Merrill with a law-suit for libel, is now anxious to lead the Democracy! With Morrison, Peppercorn, and a few others of the bank ilk, he may succeed; those needed to that institution—some of whom are quailing before touched, may continue to keep life in his uniform. But we have yet to see an honest democrat from principle attempting to galvanize the pumpkin—attempting to uphold a man whom Mr. MERRILL publishes as having made a false statement under oath, and acknowledged it! What are such a man's statements worth!

Our Congressmen.

An absurd impression seems to be made upon the minds of many of our friends that Judge Wick expects to apply for, and obtain office under the government. This idea seems to have grown out of the fact of his predecessor having taken office, at Washington. Now this is precisely the reason why, if Judge Wick's friends were to apply for his appointment to office, the application would be unsuccessful. This Congressional District cannot reasonably furnish more public functionaries of any grade adapted to Judge Wick's taste and abilities than it has already furnished.

But apart from all this, we are assured by Judge Wick himself that he has not the most remote expectation of applying for office. He prefers the independence of his present position, or of professional life to the discipline of official life at Washington.

The Shelbyville Recorder.

Controlled, if not owned, in part, by Judge Peaslee, still supposes that Morrison, Peaslee, & Co. are the Democratic party. Did the editor know what we know, and did he partake in the general sentiment here, of the Democratic party, that the men he mentions in his paper of the 11th inst., did not, and have not, for years, except in an individual case or so, supported the party nominations, he would be, we think, a little more careful in his imputations against others.

Where have they been?

It has been intimated to us that some politicians desire to "COME BACK," if we will leave or pass over them. Where have they been, and where are they now? we ask. Either we are right or we are wrong. If we are wrong, do they desire to be with us? If we are right, we again ask, where have they been? We were bred in too honest a political school either to be coaxed, flattered, purchased, scared or bribed; and this we wish to be distinctly understood.

Good.—An attempt is being made in the eastern and most of the western cities to suppress those intolerable, scoundrelly, pocket-picking, nefarious, robbing rascals, steam-boats, ferry-boats and rail-road depot runners. One half, at least of them, deserve 50 years in the penitentiary as the mildest punishment. All travellers should patronize lines which forbid the interference of those scoundrels,—or carry a good tolpack.

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The editor of the "Washington Union" is indebted to the courtesy of the Patent Office for a list of patents occupying some two columns of that paper. The only ones which we have space to notice are as follows: the list including all from May 1st to July 31st, 1845, inclusive, and the number being 113 new patents, 4 reissued, 4 additional improvements, and 5 designs patented.

One to George W. Billings and John Harrison, of Glasgow, Missouri, for improvement in the machine for hatching and cleaning hemp, &c.

To James Semple, of Alton, Illinois, for improvement in steam coaches adapted to the prairies.

To William Y. Singleton, of Springfield, Illinois, for improvement in the machine for breaking and cleaning hemp, &c.

To George W. Billings and John Harrison, of Glasgow, Missouri, for improvement in rotting hemp.

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To Richard Deering, sen., of Louisville, Kentucky, for improvement in machines for loosening and separating the boom from the fibre of hemp, &c.

To Richard Deering, sen., of Louisville, Kentucky, for improvement in preparation of hemp.

To Robert Cummings, of Lima, Indiana, for improvement in digging machines.

To Coleman C. Estes, of Maury county, Tennessee, for improvement in hemp-machines.

And the balance are improvements in "ventilated hats" to "piano fortes" "spark-arresters to corn-shellers" "water-wheels" to "trusses;" and in fire, to pumps, brushes, boring machines, shears, and sundials, and to all the arts to which American ingenuity delights to exert and extend itself.

The Patent Office is one of the best managed, most deserving branches of the public service; and while it is continued under the able management of such men as the past and present chiefs of that department, will always meet the favor and approbation of the whole people. Its aid to agriculture alone, is enough to recommend it to the whole country.

A friend of ours, who was present on the occasion, informs us that the cars of the Madison and Indianapolis Railroad made their first trip to Edinburgh on Monday last. This road now reaches within thirty miles of Indianapolis; and as the whole line is now under contract, and the workmen engaged upon it, it will soon be completed.—Indiana Blade.

True as gospel. Our "Old Friend" will now learn how Hoosiers can go, when they take a start. We believe every yard of the line is steadily and rapidly progressing, and that his "forty oyster suppers" will be called for at least three months within the time.

Seriously, we admire the spirit and enterprise of all connected with the Railroad. When it is finished, and begins to yield a revenue to the State, whole hog system will give us how admirably works the Democratic doctrine, of "not having too many iron in the fire." As soon as this work is finished, another one may be commenced; and so on. And but for the rascally robbing of the State by interested politicians, whose sole end was plunder, by which the State was, and always would have been, sold, this should and would have been the policy, and Indiana, instead of a non-disgraced set of then political office-holders and managers, riding in splendor on their ill-gotten spoils, and a Debt hanging like an incubus over her and her tax-oppressed people and children,—would have ranked, as she should have done, and will yet do, if the people are only true to themselves, as the YOUNG GLENNES of the WEST. We will only add, Beware of all those Old HUNKERS, of whatever political shade, whoever phase they may present, from ASHES LANE, to JOHN P. DUNN; from MICHAEL STAFF to A. F. MORGAN; from the Swan Factory man, C. H. SWARTZ to ——— nothing lower. We say, Beware of all such HUNKERS, or whatever else you may please to call them.

A TRUTH FROM THE JOURNAL.—Our neighbor has recently given us credit for telling sundry important truths to the people, and we are glad to be able to return the compliment. The following contains as much truth as any similar number of lines we have published. It would be as much for the advantage of Editors, as for the people at large, if the conductors of papers would take higher ground than that here indicated, which to men of intelligence is notoriously too common.

"The most contemptible position in which an Editor can place himself, is becoming the mere blow-pipe of the wretched great men of the country; and it has been so frequently done that such men begin to look upon newspapers as being published for no other purpose than to proclaim their greatness."

"We have been long enough connected with the printing business to know that the supporters of a press are far from being those who have ambitious aspirations to gratify—leading politicians. They, though always ready to give advice to, and always finding fault with editors, are seldom found contriving that substantial support which alone can maintain a press free and independent. Their patronage generally is freely given, but their pay days are like angels' visits, few and far between. So far from being the supporters of a press, such are obviously the worst enemies a press can have. The real supporters of a press are the farmers, the mechanics, and the laboring men—men who mind their own business, and are willing to let others do the same. Such generally subscribe for a paper because they believe it to be worth what they pay for it, and being men who live within their means, if they find they can no longer pay for the paper, they have the candor to let the printer go and have it stopped. They are men, too, who, in passing upon the course of an editor, do not, like the politician, approve or condemn as it may tend favorably or adversely to the promotion of his own ends, but they are guided in their judgment by their notions of right and wrong, and though they may not approve all the views and opinions of an editor, they will not prescribe him for them, if they believe them to be honestly entertained.

As regards us, we do not ask or expect the support of any man who is not willing to allow us the privilege of thinking and acting for ourselves. We cling to no faction—we seek for safety in no haven but that afforded by the great body of the people. We ask that support only which is freely given and for which he who gives it expects an equivalent. We would not knowingly accept the support of him who, in extending it, conceives that he is doing an act of charity. We do not consider ourselves papers on the community—begging for a livelihood—but, like all other mechanics, seek to sell as much of our wares as we can, and at such a price as will afford us, if possible, a fair competence.

Vermont Election.

We are too crowded to give in detail the partial election returns from Vermont. In 81 towns the democratic net gain is 1010! The whig net loss since that Con-Canadian-Abolition State voted for Clay is only 3160! In the House of Representatives, the whigs in the same towns, have lost FORTY members! It is doubtful who is elected Governor.

"We cannot now interrupt the regular order of our 'Mysteries' to notice why the Whig Journal of this place, and all its smaller echoes, are using Mr. Hannegan's name to injure the democracy. Patience would be much more commendable on their part, if they knew what it means, except forced patience under defeat. There is a time for all things," said the ser.

Chapman, we hunted up the copy, and found an "out" had been made, in the words to-wit: "the bell-roggers have commenced the strife, and read sport before." The sentence should have read: "We shall expect a stormy time of it from the manner in which the bell-roggers have commenced the strife, and read sport before the siege is raised."

You are an apt scribbler of small matters, and would therefore be a competent person to "pare corns from the toes of disabled felons!"

The apology for the blunder of the "People's Press" is sufficient. Those small matters, however, sometimes "make or break" a man; and he should not suffer them to occur, unless he has—gone a courting.

We are, however, very glad that he knows who condescended to pare his corns.

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Our Streets.

We see by an advertisement posted around the streets, that the gravel from the section adjoining and including the depot of the Railroad, can be had for "Delaware, Pennsylvania, and Meridian streets" at the sum of 1 cent per cubic yard, and at the same sum for improvements in that vicinity. And further, that a corresponding additional price will be imposed on greater distances.

As this offer is making some considerable stir among our citizens, we take this occasion to notice it in a few of its phases, and to suggest the idea,—if sectional jealousy on a small scale will not turn out as ruinous to the city, as the same course, on a large scale, has to the State! Much ill-feeling has been engendered relative to the location of the depot itself; and we hesitate not to say, that a compromise would, in our opinion, have given more general satisfaction.

It is somewhat surprising, after the experience we have had, that an old, consumptive-kind, whole-hog system feeling should prevail, fatal to those entertaining it.

In regard to the purchase of this earth, some ideas present themselves, and should be apparent to the whole community.

1st. The corporation being in debt, should it tax the citizens in advance?

2d. When a chance exists to make a good bargain should we then go on credit, presuming that in all probability the result will be as we desire it?

3d. Should proposed benefits be extended to any particular location to favor private views and interests?

4th. While improving any particular section, which will eventually have to be done, and at a cheap rate, will those interested in other quarters look at it favorably?

5th. Would the proposition of extending benefits to each ward pro rata, under existing circumstances meet with more favor?

We have our own opinions on all of these and other queries connected with the subject; but as our paper is full and the time short, we cannot here give them. The following communication we give as handed in, and coincide with the last suggestion therein contained—of holding a public meeting of the citizens that all may act understandingly, as to whether it will be for their interest to go against or for the proposed measure.

MESSRS. EDITORS.—You see by the enclosed that the citizens have now an opportunity of grading the streets in the south end of town at the trifling cost of 1 cent per cubic yard. We have all heretofore paid taxes, which were expended in grading other parts of the town at a cost of more than five times the amount now required; and it is certain that unless this opportunity is embraced, that before long, we shall again be called upon to pay a tax to do this same work, now offered to be done for a trifling sum. It has been said that the Council are opposed to expending any thing now for this purpose; and the only reasons that I have heard suggested were, that the old feeling of rivalry between the up and down town, caused by trying to get the grade of the Railroad, is still alive, and that the government of our town to suffer for such a cause! 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