The wise and liberal recommendations relative to the public lands cannot but be gratifying to the people of the West. Liberal pre-emption laws give man some chance in the contest with capital, and is a measure of justice to the actual settler—to whom we would gladly see the public lands restricted. Pre-emptions granted in the spirit recommended by Mr. Polk will effect a very material correction of the errors of the present Public Land system.

Few State papers will win more general and unqualified approval—except from England, and a portion of the Whig Press which will be ready to second her denunciations.—There is an Americanism—a Western independence in the tone of the Message which will give it a strong relish with the people. With the issues it presents we are confident Ohio must be redeemed from the rule of Federalism. It will give Mr. Polk an elevated place in the esteem and love of his fellow-citizens, and contribute to secure to his administration the unanimous confidence of the American democracy.

The Ohio Legislature.

The following letter from our Columbus correspondent contains what may be considered a severe attack on Hon. Dowty Utter, but the vote which has called forth the animadversions of our correspondent is one which occasions us both regret and astonishment. If we have been mistaken in Mr. Utter, and instead of being a firm, consistent, unwavering opponent of Banks, he proves to be their creature—let him henceforth rank with the Lahms and Lakes, men ready to sell principle and party—never hesitating for any thing but a higher bid. It may be that this unfortunate vote was one of those mistakes which well meaning men sometimes commit. Nevertheless, it must deservedly shake the confidence of all sound Democrats in his attachment to principle; any other judgment must be at the expence of his understanding.

Columbus, December 17, 1845.

Friend Mackenzie,

To day have been exhibited the first signs of life discoverable in either branch since my arrival. I have almost concluded that the good old times when minorities stood up manfully in the midst of opposition to battle for what they honestly conceived to be right, had passed away, and that the democratic voice was stilled, for the present winter in the Ohio legislature. To day, however, Mr. Ewing, from Hamilton, and our own member, (Mr. Edgerton) have sent a few discharges into the piratical craft, under the command of Master Kelley, with marked effect, and which made her crazy old hull tremble like a man with the ague.

The debate was, of course, on the currency question, and a federal member had the effrontery to enquire in a grave manner whether Edgerton was a hard money man! Mr. E. replied "most certainly" and then there was a general grin in "chuckery," intended as a triumphant one, but which it was easily seen, with the more knowing of them, was forced and not spontaneous. The truth is the far seeing eye of Alfred Kelley discovers in this issue when it is once fully, and fairly made, the prostration of whig misrule in Ohio. And he cannot but see that it is hereafter to be the issue on which we will fight and conquer. Mr. Eckley told of one Democrat who was a candidate for a seat in the Legislature, that declared "he would suffer the amputation of his arm rather than vote for the repeal of the Bank law of last winter." Mr. Edgerton from his seat enquired whether he was not defeated. Mr. Eckley replied that he was: this caused a hearty laugh at the expense of the "cork legs," and coons, and proved that the time had past when the name of democrat could shield the corrupt defenders of a corrupt system of swindling from the condemnation of an intelligent people.

But the richest scene of all was this afternoon when that dotard, Dowty Utter, joined the federalists in passing a bill conferring the powers now exercised by the Bank Commissioners upon the board of control; and thus doubling the already overshadowing powers of that dangerous oligarchy How this imbecile could ever have acquired sufficient notoriety to be spoken of as the candidate of our party for Governor passes my comprehension. He is not only destitute of the democratic feeling, but to the knowledge of the very rudiments of our party creed he is an utter stranger. He took the position in favor of protecting and *improving* the present banking system, and dispensing with it about the same time that Charles Fox proposed to pay his debts, "at the day of judgment." Poor weak igneramus. He acquired the inglorious celebrity of being the only member calling himself a democrat, so lost to all respect for the trust reposed in him as to join the federalists in building up and strengthening their iniquitous system of slavery and plunder. From this time forth let him be marked. If he is the dupe of the money power, he is too old to learn new tricks. If he is the bought slave he is too deeply steeped in corruption to be washed clean. In any case he is altogether past redemption. It is to the young, the energetic, the enthusiastic, who have imbibed the spirit of the present day, that the democratic party must look for the spirits who are to purge it of heresies, and overcome the temporary advantages gained at the last two elections. Such a man is not Dowty Utter. He is years behind the age. It is a fortunate thing that he has been made to shew his hand before the 8th of January Convention.

The House have done nothing since my arrival here worthy of observation.

Yours very truly.

Putnam.

Congress.—John W. Davis, of Indiana, was elected Speaker; B. B. French Clerk, and Messrs. Ritchie and Heiss, Printers of the House of Representatives. The Speaker has not shown much courtesy to Ohio. The only standing Committee which has a chairman from this state is that on Claims, to which Mr. Vance, a *whig*, has been named. The Statesman very justly remarks "that Ohio has twenty-one members, *thirteen* of whom are democrats, and many of them men of high reputations and undoubted talent; yet from that portion who sympathise with the Speaker in political sentiments,—almost two-thirds of the whole number, not one has been thought worthy by him to hold a leading place on any committee, whether important or unimportant in character! We expected better things of the new Speaker. Really if we are to be treated in this way, it would be better to have an eastern Speaker with western sympathies."

New County of Auglaize.—It will be seen that our Representative, H. S. Knapp, has waived objection to the presentation of petitions for the erection of the new county of Auglaize, for default of notice, and has let the matter go to the Committee on New Counties, to be decided on its merits. This liberal course, will, we hope have a tendency to set the question at rest after this session. This measure on its merits can never receive the approval of honest and disinterested men. In some instances a change of territorial limits, for the erection of new counties is demanded by public convenience—but generally the new county mania is a curse to the State profiting none but hack politicians and greedy speculators; enabling the one to gamble in the chances of office, and the other in the freaks of legislation. This new county would enlarge the taxes of the citizens of Putnam, Allen, &c., only for the benefit of the "corner lot" speculators of Waupaukonette, and a few whose *pay for services rendered in procuring signers to the petitions*, &c. depends upon the success of the scheme. We venture to say that this measure has only been urged upon the Legislature with a view to serve the interest of a very few—very good men, no doubt—if they ever paid the printer—but yet not entitled to be benefitted as they desire, at the expense of the honest and industrious portion of the community.

We understand, that in reference to ourselves, much falsehood and misrepresentation is current, on this subject. This however, is in perfect accordance with the character of the whole transaction, and exhibits a sympathy between the means and the end which we have no disposition to quarrel with.

Our New Judges.

"Columbus, Saturday Dec. 12, 1845.

The General Assembly have just concluded an election for sundry Associate Judges and Militia Generals—among others, two associates for our county in place of Judges McCracken and Cox. The vote stood

For Jonathan Y. Sackett,	59
" George Skinner,	59
" Isaac McCracken,	31
" Samuel Ramsey,	31"

The above is part of a private letter from Columbus. The Ohio Statesman has the name of Samuel Rockhill in place of Samuel Ramsey, as voted for by the Democrats. Both gentlemen are good citizens and would have done credit to the bench.

So Jonathan Y. Sackett, after having again and again tried to get an office from the people is at last foisted upon the bench, and his importunities got rid of for seven years, if he can so long content himself. This would all be well enough, perhaps, but for the mode in which it is done. Judge Cox did not wait for his term to expire, but to secure to Jonathan what he has so long coveted—an office—resigns two years before the expiration of his term and prevents the selection at the legitimate time of an infinitely better man. This with all the decency" is perpetly right and proper. Had a democrat however acted in this manner, it would have been pronounced infamous.

Had the people elected the judges neither Skinner or Sackett would sit on the bench. The people are the true source of power, and if we desire a judiciary that will command public approval, it must be chosen by the public.

The Bank Speaker.—The better to evince their subserviency to banks the whigs chose E. F. Drake, Cashier of the bank of Xenia to be speaker of the House of Representatives, and so eager were they to signalize their submission that they did not wait to go through the usual forms. A question was raised, whether a cashier of a Branch of the State Bank was not an officer "under the authority of the State," and as such ineligible to hold a seat in that House. A committee was appointed by Mr. Drake himself, the majority of which reported favorably. Mr. Vallandigham brought in a minority report, in which he shows conclusively that Mr. Drake was legally eligible; but condemns the principle as monstrous that bankers should be placed in the Legislature to legislate for the extension of their privileges and their pecuniary advantage. Mr. V. very ably concludes by expressing a hope that an alteration may be made in the Constitution which will put a final check upon the indecent selfishness of the Bank interest. This remedy is the *prohibition* of Banks, as an unmitigated evil. We like the remedy, but we would not wait till a change can be had in the Constitution to make uncompromising war upon the plundering system. However, we are glad to perceive that Mr. Vallandigham is bringing the force of his high talents to the support of sound Democracy.

Sound Principles Victorious.—The Hard money Constitution of Louisiana has been carried by an overwhelming majority. All parties voted for it. Our progress is onward.

To Farmers.—The first year of the Ohio Cultivator is completed, and the new volume commences on the first day of the new year. Mr. Bateham has brought untiring energy, as well as long experience as an editor, to the work, and he has during the past year, ably and earnestly labored for the advancement of agriculture in our State and fully deserves the support of the farming community. This we are glad to see, has not altogether been withheld. Five thousand subscribers, and one hundred and fifty correspondents, testify that Ohio has some interest in Agricultural science. But this is not enough, with a population so large as ours. Mr. B. during the ensuing year promises to devote a portion of each number to the mechanic arts; and as a considerate bachelor, he designs to appropriate a department of his journal to the use of the ladies. The Cultivator will also be embellished with engravings by an artist specially employed for the purpose. There cannot be a doubt but our farmers who subscribe will before the year is ended find they have been putting money in their purses by so doing. Columbus, M. B. Bateham. Price, single copy $1; four do. $3; any larger number 75 cents each.—Semi-Monthly.

John C. Calhoun has been elected to the Senate of the United States in place of D. S. Hager, resigned, on account of ill health. We rejoice that the able counsels of the great southern statesman are once more to be brought into the active service of his country. The crisis demands talents of the first order and tried patriotism, and none possesses these in a more eminent degree than Mr. Calhoun. On the subject of our foreign relations it is confidently anticipated that he will concur in the fullest degree with the administration.

Not so Certain.—Gov. Bartley declines being a candidate for re-election. He has no desire to risk defeat. This is the wisest act of his we are acquainted with.

Printing and Economy.—A proposition to give the Printing to the lowest bidder was agreed to by the House on Monday the 1st inst.; the Whigs and Democrats voting for it. On next Wednesday the whigs gave the power to their clerk to get the Printing done where he pleased and at what price he pleased. He has given it to the O. S. Journal.

Our Temples.—The ancients bestowed all the skill & beauty of their architecture on the temples of their Gods. A traveller describing the city of Cincinnati in a letter to New York says: "The most ambitious building I have seen is occupied by two banks—a Grecian temple, of course, after the Parthenon. It is proper enough that the God we worship most—the Almighty Dollar, should have the choicest Temples!"

Our Senator.—We perceive that the able and fearless course of A. P. Edgerton in the Senate is already calling forth the paid abuse and misrepresentation of the Whig press. In the discussion of the principle of taxing property at its actual value; Mr. Edgerton's remarks have been purposely misrepresented, and that gentleman attacked in consequence. We give his speech in full, and believe that here at least his support of equal taxation and his opposition to the exemption made in favor of the banks, will win for him in a still higher degree the confidence of his constituents. We concur with him that if the depreciation of the state stocks must come, as a consequence of Whig mismanagement, and will sweep away our banking system, the partial calamity would be productive of a public blessing.

English News—By the Cambria, merely informs us that the English aristocracy are determined to embrace famine, even if it should bring revolution in its train, rather than open their ports and give bread to their starving poor. Money is in demand and trade prostrated, but the tyrants who rule England will never cease to gaird her people till endurance ends in revolution and a new "roign of terror," to be charged to the "mob spirit of Democracy."

Repeal.—Our Senator, Mr. Edgerton, on the 5th instant, gave notice of his intention to introduce a bill to repeal the "act to incorporate the State Bank of Ohio and other Banking companies. Of course, we cannot hope for success in this measure *this* session, but the discussion of the subject will not add to the friends of legal swindling and plunder. The continued agitation of the question of Bank Repeal will secure the victory which we cannot fail to obtain next fall.

☞ The Dayton Empire gives the following melancholy dereliction from the happy estate of bachelorhood:

Fleeced.—Our brother of the tripod and scissors, viz: Knapp of the Marion Mirror, was married to Miss Catherine Overdeer, at Columbus on Monday morning last. We are at a loss to know what the man was thinking of when he commited the rash act. An editor who will fearlessly bargain for articles that are *Over dear*, cannot have the fear of starvation before his eyes. May the lady enjoy many a pleasant *K-nap*, as she journeys onward; and may the husband find her preeminently *cheap* at his price.

The follies of Civilization.—England contributes £500,000 about $2,400,000 to evanglize the cannibals and savages in the South Seas and starves to death annually thousands of her own people.

Fire.—A fire broke out in Chillicothe lately and destroyed a number of stores, with their contents, the office of the Gazette with the type and other materials. The office of the Advertiser was also burned and the materials were somewhat damaged. The loss of property is estimated at from $12,000 of $15,000, which $10,000 is said to be insured.

The body of a man of the name of Joseph Ghormley was found in the ruins. He was supposed to have become insensible from suffocation, otherwise he might have made his escape.

Public Hanging.—In the Senate, Mr Newman, from the Committee on the Judiciary introduced a Bill to abolish Capital Punishment. We hope this barbarous relic of human ignorance and folly will be wiped from our Statute Book. It is time that humanity was taught to society as well as individuals.

Indiana Senator—Hon. J. D. Bright, (Democrat,) is elected senator from Indiana.

BANK NOTE TABLE.

OHIO.

Ohio Life and Trust co	par
Commercial bank of Cincinnati,	par
Franklin bank of do	par
Lafayette bank of do	par
Mechanics & Traders' bank, do	par
Miami Exporting co	15 dis
Exchange bank of Cincinnati	10 dis
Bank of Cincinnati	broke
Circleville, [old bank]	broke
Bank of Circleville	1 dis
Bank of Cleveland	5 dis
Bank of Chillicothe	1 dis
Bank of Norwalk	1 dis
Ohio Railroad co	fraud
Belmont bank of St. Clairsville	1 dis
Bank of Hamilton	5 dis
Bank of Sandusky	1 dis
Urbana banking co	27 dis
West Union bank	fraud
Western Reserve bank, Warren	1 dis
Bank of Washington	broke
Wooster bank	1 dis
Lebanon Miami banking company	87½ dis
Lancaster Ohio bank	5 dis
Granville Alexandrian Society	87½ dis
Bank of Zanesville	1 dis
Xenia bank	1 dis
Manhattan bank	87½ dis
Bank of Mount Pleasant	1 dis
Muskingum Bank, Putnam	1 dis
Gallipolis bank	fraud
Clinton bank of Columbus	1 dis
Columbiana bank, New Lisbon	1 dis
Commercial bank of Scioto	3 dis
Commercial bank of L. Erie	5 dis
Bank of Dayton	1 dis
Farmers' bank of Canton	15 dis
Franklin bank of Columbus	1 dis
Farmers' & Mechanics' bank of Steubenville	1 dis
German bank of Wooster	broke
Geauga bank	1 dis
Bank of Steubenville	fraud
Bank of Marietta	1 dis
Bank of Massillon	1 dis

TO THE COMMISSIONERS OF PUTNAM COUNTY OHIO.

YOU are hereby notified that the sum of one hundred and twenty-eight dollars and forty cents, being the balance due from Orville Risley, late Auditor of said county, as appears from the abstract of the annual settlement of said Auditor for the year ending on the first Monday of June, A. D. 1845, furnished by you to me, still remains unpaid.

C. M. GODFREY,
County Treasurer.

Treasurer's Office, Kalida, Putnam Co. O. December 13th, 1845.

ESTATE OF MICHAEL MEYERS.

THE undersigned has been duly appointed and qualified as Executor of the last will and testament of Michael Meyers, late of Ottawa township, Putnam county, deceased. All those indebted to said estate are hereby notified to make immediate payment, and those having claims against said estate will present them legally authenticated for settlement, within one year from this date.

BERNARD H. KEMPER, *Executor.*

Ottawa tp., Putnam county. December 15, 1845.

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Town.	Range.	Section.	WHAT PART.	No. of Acres.	Appraised value per Acre.	
2 S	6 E	16	n e qr of n e qr	40	0	50
			n w qr of n e qr	40	0	50
			n e qr of n w qr	40	0	50
			n w qr of n w qr	40	0	50
			s w qr of s w qr	40	1	00
			s e qr of s w qr	40	1	00
			s w qr of n e qr	40	2	00
			s e qr of n e qr	40	2	00
			n e qr of s e qr	40	4	50
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J. E. CREIGHTON,
Auditor of Putnam county.

Kalida, Dec. 23, 1845. 252 fw

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