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Date: Saturday, June 1 1850 - Page 3
Location: Terre Haute, IN
Paper: Wabash Courier

State of Indiana, County of Vigo, ss.

Vigo Probate Court, ss

Thomas Collister, vs. Isaiah Donham. Adm'r of the estate of Nathaniel Donham, deceased, Leander Donham, Robert Donham, Isaac Donham, and John Donham.
Petition for a Conveyance.

The Petitioner by Ueher & Patterson his Solicitors, having filed his petition, also an affidavit of a disinterested person that Leander Donham and Isaac Donham are not residents of the State of Indiana.

Notice is therefore hereby given to the said Leander and Isaac, to be and appear before the Judge of said Probate Court, at the Court House in Terre Haute, on the 5th day of its next term, then and there in said court, on or before the calling of the cause, to plead, answer or demur to said petition or the same will be taken as confessed and decreed accordingly.

T. Noble, Clerk

Date: Saturday, April 13 1850 - Page 2
Location: Terre Haute, Indiana
Paper: Wabash Courier

Death - We regret very much to learn from the South, of the death by Cholera, of Mr N H Molitor formerly of the firm of Nippert & Molitor of this place. Mr Molitor was on his way to France, when he was struck down by the fatal epidemic. He was much respected here, and his death will be regretted by many friends.

Died

In this place, on the 28th ult., Mr James W Scudder of congestive chill.

At Montezuma, on the 1st inst. Mrs Julia, wife of Mr M Hughes.

Died, in Bowling Green, Ind. On the 7th ultimo. Mr Purnal Chance, in the 83d year of his age- Mr Chance was one among the first settlers of Clay County. He was for more than forty years a member of the Regular Baptist Church. Confidently relying upon the atoning blood of his Savior, he bore his sufferings with a fortitude characteristic of a true christian even to the last. It may truly be said of him that an inoffensive good man has gone from amongst us.

Date:Saturday, February 24 1849 - Page 2

Location:Terre Haute, Indiana

Paper:Wabash Courier

Died

In Sullivan County, Indiana, on Tuesday morning, the 16th inst. Willima Henry Clay, son of John & Mary T Earnhart, aged 19 years and 9 months.

The Deceased was a young man of amiable qualities, and possessed of those virtues which are so seldom found in one person, and which are ever calculated to qualify one as an ornament to any society. His last illness which was protracted till the twentieth day, was borne with almost unprecedented resignation; during which he professed to find the Pearl of great price, and gave evidence that he was but just passing over the Jordan of Death to rest in the land of the blessed. On the morning of the 16th, at precisely 10 o'clock, he gave up his spirit to God who gave it, and, without a murmur or a groan, quietly sunk into the slumber that knows no waking. Til God himself shall bid the dead arise to judgment.

Date:Saturday, November 3, 1849 - Page 2

Location:Terre Haute, Indiana

Paper:Wabash Courier

Reference to our obituary column will show the deaths of several old and respected citizens of Vigo, within a few days. Mr. Reuben Newton, of Sugar Creek – Mr. William Denny, of Otter Creek – Mr. William Combs, of Riely – and Mr. Zelotas Harvey, of Harrison, are now numbered and sleeping with the silent dead.

Date:Saturday, March 29, 1845 - Page 3

Location:Terre Haute, Indiana

Paper:Wabash Courier

Died

Suddenly, on Wednesday morning last, about five o'clock, A. M. at his farm in Vigo county, John Jackson, Senior, in the seventy-second year of his age.

Mr. Jackson was a native of England, and emigrated to America with his family in the year 1787. He lived in the State of New York until 1814. Thence he moved to Ohio, and in 1820 settled in Vigo county, Indiana, where he has ever since resided. He was elected to the Legislature in 1827, and has always borne the character of a highly respectable and honest man. Mr. Jackson has raised a large family, many of whom were settled around him. He was a valued member of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the last thirty years of his life. And now passes to the grave in a good old age – leaving behind him a reputation of great worth, and a character, than any or all may be proud to hold up as an example, for imitation before the world.

Date:Saturday, August 14, 1841 - Page 3
Location:Terre Haute, Indiana
Paper:Wabash Courier

Died

At his residence in Parke county, on the 6th inst., in the 76th year of his age, Capt. Daniel Stringham, a soldier of the Revolutionary War, and one of the first settlers of Vigo county, having arrived at Fort Harrison immediately after the close of the war. He was born in New York, (we believe Orange county,) on the 5th of June, 1765, and although quite a youth, entered with ardor the army of the Revolution. He was distinguished through life, for his kind, urbane and hospitable disposition, and none have died leaving fewer enemies. His son, Com. Stringham, distinguished himself during the late war in the capacity of Midshipman, and now ranks among the foremost officers of the Navy.

Date:Saturday, August 16, 1845 Page 2
Location:Terre Haute, Indiana
Paper:Wabash Courier

Died

In Harrison Township, Vigo county, on the 14th inst., Mr. J.W. Wines, after an illness of six days, in the 52^d year of his age.

Date:Saturday, August 12, 1848 Page 3
Location:Terre Haute, Indiana
Paper:Wabash Courier

On Sabbath morning (Aug. 6th) Anna Vincent, infant daughter of R. V. and Sarah E. Dodge, aged 15 months and 26 days.

At Prairieton, on the 4th of the 8th month, Robert Hoggatt, in the 49th year of his age, after a lingering illness of two months. The deceased was a highly respected member of the Society of Friends, and much esteemed by all who knew him. For several years he held the office of Probate Judge in Vigo county – the duties of which were faithfully discharged. He was a man of close and honorable business habits – correct in all his dealings, and a pattern among men in his way of life.

Date: Saturday, October 20, 1849
Location: Terre Haute, Indiana
Paper: Wabash Courier

Sons of Temperance No. 109
Division room, Oct. 7, 1849

At a Meeting of Terre-Haute Division, No. 109, Sons of Temperance, assisted by the members of Vigo Division. No 91, the following Preamble and Resolutions were submitted and unanimously adopted:

Whereas, A merciful yet painfully mysterious Providence has, at an unlooked for moment, removed from our midst our highly esteemed and much beloved Brother, Orson Barbour, who died on Saturday, the 6th inst.; and whereas the Members of this Division feel anxious in some suitable manner to bear cordial testimony of their regard for his memory – Therefore.

Resolved, That we deeply deplore the loss of one whose many estimable traits of character had endeared him to the Members of this Division. We cherish his excellent qualities as a Son of Temperance, his fervency as a friend, and his unblemished reputation in all the social relations of life.

Resolved, That we sympathize with the family and relations of our deceased Brother under the peculiarly afflicting circumstances which attended his death, and offer them our heartfelt commiseration in the bereavement they have sustained.

Resolved, That as a token of regret for his untimely end, and as a mark of respect for his memory, we will wear the usual badge of mourning thirty days.

Resolved, That a copy of these proceeding be furnished the Family of the deceased by our Recording Scribe, and that they be published in the newspapers of Terre-Haute.

Date: Saturday, June 30, 1849
Location: Terre Haute, Indiana
Paper: Wabash Courier

Coroner's Inquest

An inquest was held on the 20th day of June, 1849, on the body of a man found while dying in the public road, near David Sasseen's, in Otter Creek township,, four miles north of Terre Haute, and after an examination an hearing testimony, the Jury returned a verdict as follows: "That they were unable to ascertain the means whereby he came to his death, and do declare that he died from causes to them unknown."

The deceased was about 35 years of age, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, sandy hair, blue eyes, a scar on his right thumb; he had on when he was found, checked pants (cotton,) a striped cotton shirt and red flannel undershirt, a leather belt, thick brogan shoes, blue woolen socks, a straw braid hat, and black cotton tape around his neck under his shirts. There was nothing found upon his body whereby to recognize him, nor was there any thing found in his pockets except a plug of tobacco and a comb. He is supposed to be an Irishman. The body was buried in the Terre Haute grave yard. His clothes are left in the Treasurer's office.

Thomas Walker
Coroner Vigo County, Ind.

Date: Saturday, March 30, 1844 - Page 3
Location: Terre Haute, Indiana
Paper: Wabash Courier

Partition of Real Estate

Notice is hereby given to Margaret Welsh, widow of John Welsh, late of Clark county, Illinois, deceased, and to William Perry Welsh, Elizabeth Welsh, Amanda Judith Welsh and John Henry Welsh, heirs at law of said John Welsh, deceased, who died intestate, that application will be made to the Circuit Court of Sullivan County, Indiana, at the next term, thereof, to appoint three commissioners to make partition of the following described lands, in said county of Sullivan, whereof the said John Welsh died, seized, to-wit: The South West quarter of the South West quarter of section 7, the West half of the North East quarter and the East half of the North West quarter of section 17, the North West quarter of the South East quarter, and the North East quarter, and the West half of the North West quarter of section 18, all in Township 9, North, Range 10, West, and to assign to said widow her dower therein, and to each of said heirs, together with the undersigned, another heir at law of said John Welsh, their respective share of said Real Estate.

James M Welsh

Date: Wednesday, February 10, 1858 - Page 2
Location: New Albany, Indiana
Paper: New Albany Daily Ledger

On Saturday, Feb. 8th, in this city, John Hagan, colored.

Date: Friday, January 31, 1840 - Page 1

Location: Indianapolis, Indiana

Paper: Indiana Democrat

Partial Article - Ship Accident

...wheel, and was lost. He saw several floating with life preservers, but Capt. H. thinks none survived until morning. He advised to tumble over the cotton bales, and assisted he thinks in getting over 10 or 12, and ????? to one.

When the steamboat stopped which she did from some cause being(?) unknown, a man by the name of Cox, employed on board, got on with him about 8 o'clock, and the braces under the guards were full of persons, having gained that position as the last resort.

He remained on the bale of cotton and was taken off by Capt. Meeker, of sloop Merchant, of Southport. They discovered the fire soon after it broke out; and attempted to get out of the harbor, but I being shallow, and the tide falling, the caught ground, and did not get out until morning tide. Cox died about eight o'clock, on the bale with him.

Capt. Manchester, the pilot, and Chas Smith, boat hand and Capt. Hilliard, are suppose to be all that are saved. Two bodies were found, one supposed to be the steard, and Cox, as mentioned above, and were taken to Southpoint. Capt. Hill is now on board, from Bridport to New York.

Your obedient servant.

John Brooks

Partition of Real Estate - Page 3

Date:Friday, March 30, 1838

Location:Indianapolis, Indiana

Paper:Indiana Democrat

Notice is hereby given, that we the undersigned heirs and representatives of Edmond Cooper, late of Hendricks Country, Ia. Who departed this life intestate, will on the first day of the April Term of the Hendricks Circuit Court, to be holden at the Court House in the town of Danville, on the second Monday in April next, apply to the Judges thereof, to appoint three Commissioners, according to the requisitions of the Statute in such case made and provided to make partition of the following real estate to wit:

West half of South East quarter of Section two in Township fourteen, North of Range one, West containing eighty acres, and also of lots numbered seven and eight in the addition to the town of Belville, amongst the following proprietors to wit: Catharine Cooper widow of Edmond Cooper, deceased. Robert Cooper, Martin Cooper, Edmond Cooper Jr., Lewis Cooper, Samuel McClelland and Margaret his wife, Worrick L. P. Johnson and Agnes his wife, John Newell and Dorothy his wife, William Harron and Catharine, his wife,

and Jane cooper, all according to law.

Samuel McClelland
Margaret McClelland
Warrick P. L. Johnson

Agnes Johnson
John Newell
Dorothy Newell

Date:Saturday, November 24, 1848 Page 3

Location:Terre Haute, Indiana

Paper:Wabash Courier

Executor's Notice

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has taken out letters testamentary on the estate of Reuben Newton, late of Sugar Creek township, Vigo county, Indiana, deceased. All persons indebted to said estate, are requested to make immediate payment – and those having claims against the same are notified to present them duly authenticated for settlement. The estate is solvent.

David A. Sterling

Executor's Sale

Notice is hereby given that I will offer at public sale on Tuesday the 27th of November, 1849, at the late residence of Reuben Newton, dec'd, in Sugar Creek township, Vigo county, all the personal property of said deceased: consisting of Beds and bedding; horse; horned cattle; one yoke of oxen; sheep and hogs; one 1 horse wagon; one ox wagon; ploughs; gears and farming utensils, corn in the hold, hay in the stack; lot of joiners tools; one sett of saw-mill irons; two guns; a wheat fan – and many other articles too tedious to mention.

A credit of twelve months will be given for all sums over three dollars; the purchaser giving las(?) note with approved security, without relief of valuation laws. Sale to commence at 9 o'clock A.M.

David A. Sterling

Death & Sheriff's Sale of Property

Date:Saturday, April 15, 1848 - Page 3

Location:Terre Haute, Indiana

Paper:Wabash Courier

In this place, on Monday last, Mary E, infant daughter of James W. and Mary Stewart.

In Lost Creek Township, on the 30th ult., Maj. John Coltrin, a native of Cayuga county, New York, but for the last 23 years a resident of this county – aged 54 years.

Sheriff's Sale

By virtue of an execution issued from the Vigo Circuit Court, and to me directed and delivered in favor of Frederick L. Yates and Marshall Papoon, and against Robert S. McCabe, I have levi-on(?) the following property, to-wit: about five acres of land. In the North-half of the North-half of the South-West quarter of Section fifteen, Town twelve North, Range rune(?) West, beginning at a gate post on the State road leading to Crawfordsville, on the line between Belt and McCabe, from thence East 40 rods, thence North 20 rods, thence West to the saul road, then South along said road 20 rods to the place of beginning – being the lands and tenements belonging to the said Robert S. McCabe; and I will on the 8th day of May, 1818 at the Court House door in Terre Haute, within the legal hours of said day, offer the rents and profits of said premises, with the appurtenances thereunto belonging, for a term of sever years; and if they should fail to sell for sufficient sum to satisfy said execution, I will then and there offer the fee(?) simple to the highest bidder, for cash to satisfy said execution and costs. Marvin M Hickcox, Sherriff.

Date: Saturday, August 26 1848 - Page 3

Location: Terre Haute, Indiana

Paper: Wabash Courier

On the 16th inst., at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Gen. Arthur Patterson, of Terre-Haute, in the 76 year of his age.

Gen. Patterson was at the Springs for the benefit of his health, and died suddenly; of which, Telegraphic notice was transmitted to his family in Terre Haute. The deceased was an old and respected citizen, highly esteemed by a large circle of acquaintance in Parke and Vigo counties.

Date: Thursday, October 13, 1870 - Page 2

Location: Elkhart, Indiana

Paper: Elkhart Weekly Review

Wm. Burgess died in Terre Haute, on Monday night of last week, from the effects of a blow dealt him on the head with an ice pick the night before, by a saloon keeper named Fred. Comby. Comby is now in jail.