William Clark’s Diary
MAY, 1826-FEBRUARY, 1831
Edited by LOUISE BARRY

JANUARY, 1828

WEATHER AND RIVER DATA

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REMARKS

1 This Day Cloudy & Warm
2 This Day Cloudy and same. Rain & warm in the morning
3 Flying Clouds to day with occasional Sunshine
4 Arrive A Woman three Children & a Man of the Menominee Tribe
5 Foggy & very warm morning some Sun shine & very warm this evening.

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7 This day Cold & Freezing Cloudy Morning, and Clear evening Beaver a female Indian of the Cherokee Nation arrives from Fort Meggs 102 on her way to Arkansas.

8 This morning some Snow, the evening cold & Cloudy
9 S. B. Plough Boy leaves for Louisville & arrived Munday night
10 This morning Clear but the Evening Cloudy & like Rain
11 This morning Clear & Evening Cloudy & like for Snow
12 Dark rainy morning Still continues to rain.
13 This morning Clear & cold the Evening Cloudy & like Snow
14 Sleet this morning Ice running. still Cloudy cold, and freezing
15 Cloudy & Ice running. this Evening still Cloudy & like for Snow
16 S. B. Velossipide arrives Still cloudy & Ice running. ground covered with Snow about 2 Inch deep
17 Very cold morning & Ice running this Day Clear but very cold
18 Clear but cold morning. this Evening Cloudy & Cold
19 S. B. Velossipede leaves Ice in the river this morning. the coldest day so far this winter
20 Cold & Ice running. thawing a little from 10 to 12 OClock
21 Cold weather still & Ice increasing in River which is falling
22 Cloudy, some hail last night, thawing this evening. Five Shawnees arrive from the Osage River (Fish 103 & his party.)
23 Cloudy & like for Snow this morning. Still cold Ice & like for Snow
24 Ice still running Cloudy, & has the appearence of Rain this day
25 Some rain last night & this morning warm. Dined to day with the windows raised Black Feather & his party set out this morning for the Kanzas River 104
26 No Ice this morning, but cloudy & raining
27 rained last night wind hard and Cold all Day & part of the night preceding

102. “Fort Meggs” possibly referred to the Cherokee Indian agency in Tennessee, where Return J. Meigs (1740-1823) was agent for many years.
103. Senewashkawaw, or Fish, “signed” the Indian peace treaty of October 12, 1826. See Footnote 50. He was chief of a band of the Shawnee Indians who removed from Missouri to a reserve in present Kansas in 1828. According to contemporaneous accounts he was a white man, taken prisoner when a small boy.—The Kansas Historical Quarterly, v. 5, p. 343; Houck, Louis, A History of Missouri (Chicago, 1908), v. 1, p. 211.
104. Apparently this refers to the Shawnees mentioned under date of January 22. “Fish” was written in the diary just preceding “Black Feather,” and inked out.
28 Some Ice  Cloudy.  S. B. Muskingum arrives from Louisville
29 Ice running this morning  S. B. Jubilee arrives from Orl.  Last night Clear & Cold
30 Clear morning.  Some Ice running.  S. B. Muskingum leaves for Louisville
31 S. B. Jubilee leaves today for Orleans  Rain, but little Ice

February, 1828

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REMARKS

1 Very little Ice running today.  Parson Gideons died early this mornง105
2 Wind, hard & River very rough this morning.  continues.  Mr. Bursro's leg taken off

105. The Rev. Salmon Giddings, Presbyterian pastor, and conductor of a grammar school in St. Louis, was a much respected man. His funeral was attended by “about 12 or 1500 persons.”—Missouri Republican, St. Louis, February 7, 1828; Wetmore, Alphonso, comp., Gazetteer of the State of Missouri (St. Louis, 1837), p. 166.
3 Warm & Smoky. S. B. Liberator arrived last night from Orleans. Clar & warm this Even. Chief Perry with Two men & two Squaws arrive from the Osage River.

4 The forenoon warm, but the afternoon Cloudy and cold.

5 Cold morning. Sun Shine nearly all day. S. B. Plough Boy arrives. Two Kickapoo Indians arrive.

6 Very rainy morning. No rain this evening but cloudy. S. B. Liberator leaves for O. Two Shawnees leave on Board the Liberator for Kaskaskia.

7 Clear morning. S. B. Plough Boy leaves for Louisville. Mr Busro died last evening. Chief Perry and two Squaws leave here for the Osage river.

8 A fine clear morning. Cloudy this Evening and expect Snow.

9 Some rain last night & this morning. Cloudy. Snow this evening.

10 A cold cloudy morning. S. B. Velossipes arrived yesterday. S. B. Josephine to day.

11 A clear but cool morning. S. B. Origan from Orleans. Evening not very clear.

12 Not entirely clear this morning. Clear evening & pleasant weather.

13 Clear morning. This evening Cloudy & looks like Rain.


15 A clear & pleasant morning & evening. S. B. Pilot arrived this morning from Louisville. 4 Delawares Indians arrive. 3 Men & 1 Squaw.


17 Very pleasant morning. S. B. Pilot leaves for Louisville. Like rain this Even.

18 Rain with some appearance sleet. S. B. Plough [Boy] arrives from Louisville with J. Kennerly on board. 3 Kickapoo Indians arrive. 4 Delawares & 1 Squaw depart.

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107 This was evidently Charles Bosseron, blacksmith, for some years a resident of St. Louis, formerly of Vincennes, Ind.—Missouri Republican, St. Louis, February 7, 1828; Billon, F. L., Annals of St. Louis in Its Territorial Days (St. Louis, 1888), p. 224.
19 A clear morning but cloudy evening. three Kickapoo Indians depart.
20 hard thunder Stormy & high wind.
22 Beautiful morning Pleasant Weather & a considerable change.
23 Genl Clark attendd the Military Ball at Jefferson Barracks last evening. Rain.
24 This day Cloudy & Wind blowing cold from the North.
25 S. B. Illinoise arrived last night from Louisville. Cold day.
26 S. Boats Jubilee & Lady Washington arrive last night the former from Orleans, latter from Pittsburg. G. Puckett, Louisville. the Maryland from Pittsburg.
28 S. B. Illinoise arrived last night. much like Snow.

March, 1828

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108. The coming of the "new and substantial steam boat Illinois" was advertised in the Missouri Republican, St. Louis, of February 26, 1829. Hall, James, Notes on the Western States (Philadelphia, 1828), p. 256, lists a steamboat Illinois, built at Pittsburgh in 1826, weight 130 tons. Her "new" designation in 1828 possibly meant newly-renovated. The Illinois was lost by being "snagged," on January 10, 1829. See diary entry of January 22, 1829.

109. This is the first diary mention of the Botivar, though she was built in 1825.—Hall, op. cit., p. 252.
18 48 Cloudy N.E. 44 " N.E. "
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29 50 Cloudy N.W. 60 Cloudy N.E. " "
30 43 Clear N.W. " "
31 42 " N.W. 60 Clear N.W. " "

REMARKS

1 Cold & Cloudy morning. Snow at night
2 Cloudy & damp weather. this evening very cold Muskingum & Bolivar leave. P. Boy arrives & Nashville Packett
3 Very cold Ice running. Snow disappears freezes hard about zero[?]
4 S B Nashville Packett started this morning Clear & cold morning. S Bs Ploughboy and Illinois Departed for Lewisville
5 Ice Yesterday & to day running. S B Bellevuee arrived yesterday morning and Departed this evening for L. v
6 S Bs Hercules and Rover arrived last evening from Louisville (vary warm evening) White Feather & Wife arrive from the Kansas
7 S. B. Hercules Chartered for $100. to go to Camp on occasion of Genl Atkinsons party.\textsuperscript{111}
8 S B Hercules arrived from Camp this morning deports for Louisville S. B. Clopatra arrives from Louisville
9 This morning foggy preceded by Rain, after 10 OClock a clear fine day
10 A clear fine day. S. Bs. Liberator arrives from Orleans. Cleopatra departed for Louisville
11 A cloudy and misty morning S B. Oregon arrived from Orleans last night. Velocipede arrived from Louisville
12 A cool morning S Bs. Oregon departed for Orleans last night S B Rover Departed for Naples last night

\textsuperscript{110} “White Feather” may possibly refer to the Kansas chief White Plume, mentioned later (April 21, 1829), in the diary.
\textsuperscript{111} “Camp” evidently meant Jefferson Barracks where Gen. Henry Atkinson was commanding officer at this period.
A beautiful clear & fine Spring morning. S. B. Plough Boy arrives from Louis[ville] Bolivar from Franklin Josephine from Fever River 4 Fox Indians arrive & wish to have a talk. 7 Socks arrive. 3 Men & 3 Squaws with one Child

A cloudy cold morning S B Velocipede Departed for Cincinnati.


The Air this morning pleasantly cool. S. B Illinois departes for Fever River

Cold. Rainy morning S. B. Liberater & Muskingum Departed for Orleans

A beautiful clear and fine morning. S. B. Phoenix departs for Fever River

Clear in the morning Evening Cloudy & Smoky

This day cloudy with Smoke

Raining a little this morning. this evening Cloudy & Smoky, like Rain

A clear day. Col P. Manard arrives from Kanzas. S. B. Maryland arrives from Pitt[sburgh]

S. Bs. Cleopatra arrive this morning S B Maryland arrived from Pitt Last night S. B. Indiana Fever River


S Bs Maryland & Cleopatra departed for Louisville yesterday S B Bolivar for Fever River this morning & Galena Packet arrived last night from F. River (Violent storm of Wind last night at 10 Clock)

Fine & Clear weather. Genl Street arrive[d] night before last from Prairie du Chein.

Fine & Clear weather S. B. Velossipede arrived from Louisville Kickapoos arrived

A cold rainy day. S. B. Plough Bow Set[s] out for Louisville

S. B. Jubilee leave[s] for Orleans

112. Both Colonel Manard and his son, Pierre (or Peter) Manard, Jr., are mentioned in the diary. Pierre Manard, Sr. (1767–1844) was a Canadian who settled at Kaskaskia in 1790. He was prominent in Illinois affairs, holding many civil offices. For some years he was Indian subagent at Kaskaskia. A county in Illinois was named for him in 1839.—Reynolds, John, The Pioneer History of Illinois (Chicago, 1887), pp. 291–294. His arrival “from Kansas” is unexplained.

113. Joseph M. Street (1790–1849), a Virginian who removed to Kentucky, was appointed Indian agent at Prairie du Chien in August, 1827, succeeding Nicholas Bolivar (see Footnote 60). Street was later (1836) Indian agent at Rock Island, Ill.—Wisconsin Historical Collections, v. 11, pp. 356, 357.
April, 1828

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REMARKS

1. Fine clear weather. S. B. Rover leaves for Fever River
2. This day Clear with cool Breeze from the West 9 Indians from Merimac arrive to day Fish's party.
3. This day quite cold. S. B. Illinois from Fever River 8 More Indians arrive Osage
4. S. B. Muskingum arrived last night. Cold & Cloudy 3 Indians from Kaskaskia
5. A Cold morning accompanied with a light Snow

115. The Criterion, a new boat, of 200 tons, was built at New Albany, Ind.; the Courtland (212 tons, built at Cincinnati in 1826), is first mentioned in the diary here.—Hall, op. cit., p. 253.
7 Fine weather S B Cleopatra arrives from Lewisville. S B Missouri arrives from Louisville
8 S B Lagrange arrived last evening from Wheeling & S B Oregon arrived this morning from Orleans. S B Lagrange departed for Franklin. S B Rover arrives from F River
9 S B Cleopatra departed yesterday for Lewisville. S B Gallena packet arrived last night from Fever River. S B Criterion departed for Orleans yesterday. Fish's party set out home. the Osage party for home
10 S B Courtland departed yesterday morning for Louisville. S B Liberator arrives this morning from Orleans
11 S B Plough Boy arrives from Louisville. Storm of Thunder lightning & rain
   Steam Boat Rover Departed for Galena
   " " Oregon " " New Orleans
   " " Courtland " " New Orleans
   " " "Maryland" " " Louisville
3 Piankeshaw Indians (Jim) & 2 of his party arrive
12 S B Oregon arrives this evening from Kaskaskia. hard rain to day. Steam Boat Galena Packet Departed for Galena
13 S B Liberator for the Platte. This day Cool with Some Rain in the Evening
   Steam Boat Liberator Departed for Cantonemint Leavensworth
   " " Ploughboy " " Louisville
   " " Velocipede Arrived from Louisville
15 This day Clear but somewhat cool
   Steam Boat Criterion Arrived from M[outh] of Cumberland
   " " Indiana Departed for Galena
16 S B Josephene from Fever River. Cleopatra leaves for Orleans
17 Rainy [nd] Cold weather, fire quite pleasant. Steam Boat Illinois Arrived from Galena
18 Much like Rain, the air damp & cool

116. An advertisement in the Missouri Republican, St. Louis, March 4, 1828, stated: "The New Steam Boat Missouri will leave for Prairie du Chien, Fever River, &c., on and intermediate ports, on the 16th instant." The advertisement further stated that she had been built for the Fever river trade and "will carry and tow 200 tons and run light on 22 inches water. She is a handsomely furnished Safety Barge; and every attention paid to the comfort of passengers." Hall, op. cit., p. 257, listed the Missouri as a 30-ton boat. See, also, diary entries of August 20, 1828, and January 7, 1829.
117. The La Grange was a new, small boat (185 tons), built at Wheeling.—Hall, op. cit., p. 257.
118. Col. Pierre Menard (see footnote 112), and his son Pierre (or Peter) Menard, Jr., were both Indian subagents. Peter Menard, Jr., was appointed to the subagency at Peoria, Ill., in the spring of 1827.—April 4, 1837, letter of Peter Menard, Jr., in office of Indian affairs, "Registers of Letters Received," v. 2.
Contemporary Sketch of the Mississippi River Steamboat "Hercules". The average life of such a boat in the 1820s was but four years. Since the "Hercules" survived six years (1829-1835) she was more substantial than the usual Mississippi River steamboat.

From "The History of Travel in America" by E. H. Corbin, 1912.

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Steam Boat *Criterion* Departed for Orelans last night.

““*Rover* Arrived last night from Galena F River

19 Rainy & muddy weather. the Sun seen this evening at setting

Steam Boat *Pilot* Arrived from Louisville

““*St. Mary’s*” Nashville Ten.

““Missouri Arrived from Galena

20 A fine clear morning & clear evening, the first for nearly a week

21 Fine Weather. Part of the 1st. Regiment go for the Platt

Steam Boat *Pilot* Departed for Louisville

““*Cleopatra* Arrived from Louisville

Jim & his party set out for home.

22 Fine Weather. Part of the 3rd. Regiment go for the Prairie

Steam Boat *Cleopatra* Departed for Louisville

““*Illinois* Departed for Prairie du Chien with the

Troops of the first Regiment

Steam Boat *Indiana* Arrived from Galena

““*Jubilee* Arrived from New Orleans

““*Maryland* Arrived from Louisville

23 A very warm day. this evening much like rane Steam Boat

*Missouri* Departed for Cantonement Leavensworth with the

Troops of the third Regiment

Steam Boat *Galena Packet* Arrived from Galena

““*Miskingum* ““Louisville

24 Warm & Sultry weather. continues very warm to day

S. B. *Indiana* from Fever River

““*Gallena packet* arrive[s] from Fever River

Fish’s Son with 3 others arrives.

25 This morning warm, the evening a thunder Storm

S. B. *Gallena packet* departs for Franklin

““*Genl. Hamilton* arrives from Cincinnati

““*Legrange* ““Franklin

119. Hall, op. cit., p. 261, lists the *St. Mary* as built in Nashville in 1828, weight not given. She is not mentioned again in the diary.

120. See Footnote 123.

121. Ibid.

122. Ibid. The diary seems to be in error: The *Illinois* carried troops to Fort Leavenworth and the *Missouri* to Prairie du Chien.

123. “The steam boats Missouri and Illinois left Jefferson Barracks last week, the former carrying six companies of the 1st and two of the 3d U. S. Infantry, under the command of Col. [John] M’Neil, destined for the Upper Mississippi; and the latter, with four companies of the 3d Regt. of Infantry, commanded by Col. [Henry] Leavenworth, and bound for Cantonment Leavenworth on the Missouri River.” This movement was in accordance with War Department orders “That the six companies of the 8d Inf. at Jefferson Barracks, be removed, four companies to Cantonment Leavenworth, and two to Fort Armstrong (Rock Island;) That the 5th Infantry, which now garrison the Posts of Forts Snelling, Crawford and Armstrong, when relieved as above, shall concentrate at Jefferson Barracks. . . .” — *Missouri Republican*, St. Louis, April 29, 1828.
26 The wind blows hard & cold all this day from the NW
S. B. Rover arrives from Gallena
" " Jubilee departs for N. Orleans
" " Plough Boy Do. Louisville
" " "Maryland" from Annibold [Hannibal]
" " Legrange departs for Orleans
[Fish's son and party] Set out home

27 A Clear but somewhat cool morning. Evening cool. Sunday
S. B. Criterion broke her Shaft & lying at the mouth of the
Ohio
" " Liberator unloads at St Charles & ascends the River to
Annibold [Hannibal]
" " Hamilton leaves for Fever River

28 Clear fine weather. A Negro drowns himself in Mississippi
Monday Left home, cloudy morning with a rainy ride [?]
S. B. Rover leaves for Fever River Two Delawares from Big
Mackanaw arrive on business

29 Clear fine weather R. Graham Int died this evening124 S.
B. Liberator arrives from Annibold [Hannibal]

30 This evening Cloudy and Rain all night Two Delawares de-
part for Mackanaw

May, 1828

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124. The Republican, of May 6, 1828, noted the death of "... Richard Graham, Jr.,
a native of Kentucky, and son of Major Richard Graham, of St. Louis county." He had
apparently been employed as an interpreter. See, also, diary entry of May 1, 1828, and
Footnote 125.
REMARKS


2 Friday Rain with much thunder and lightning. Left S. B. for St. Louis. S. B. Coffee arrives from Florence.

S. B. Indiana arrives from Fever River

““Josephine arrives from Prairie.

3 A clear fine morning. A very warm evening

S. B. Cleopatra arrives from Louisville

““Maryland” from St Peters with the Troops of the 5th Regt. for J[efferson] Barracks 5th Reg. arrives from Prairie du Chein to day.\(^\text{126}\)

4 Warm morning, continues very warm [The Maryland] Depts for Louisville S. B. Pilott departs for Louisville

S. B. Rover arrives from Gallena

““Gallena packett from Gallena

4 Flat Bot. Boats descend to day.

5 Very Warm. still very warm & slight Shower Rain

S. B. Missouri depart[s] for Fever River

““Josephene depart[s] for Fever River

““Hamilton arrives from Fever River

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\(^{125}\) Richard Graham, later referred to in the diary (e.g., entries of August 30 and December 10, 1828), was an Indian agent from 1815 to 1829. He was first appointed July 14, 1815, as agent of Illinois territory; in the 1820’s he was agent for the Osages, Delawares, etc. in Missouri, and for the Delawares, after they removed to present Kansas in 1828. He made his home in St. Louis county, and married a St. Louis girl, Catherine Mullanphy.—25 Cong. 1 Sess., House Report 474 (Serial 263), p. 43; American State Papers (Indian Affairs), v. 2, p. 450; Billiot, op. cit., pp. 198, 896.

\(^{126}\) See Footnote 128.
Fire quite comfortable this morning cold this Evening
S. B. Oregon arrive[s] this morning from N. Orleans
" " Hamilton leaves this [place] about sun Set for Orleans
" " Illinois arrive[s] late at night from the Platt
" " Rover leaves for River Fever
" " N. America 127 9 Days from PittsBurgh (new & first trip) arrives Majr Hamtranck 128 comes home sick from St Charles
having gone . . . as far as Morgan's 30 miles from Jefferson City on his way to his Agency.

Cool mornings & Evenings still continue S. B. "Maryland" arrives from Louisville

Cool morning this evening warm again J. Benton
S. B. & I. Plough Boy arrive from Louisville
" " Plough Boy leaves about 6 OClock this Evening for Louisville.
" " Oregon leaves about 6 P. M for Orleans
" " Indianna leaves for Fever River
87 Kickapoo Indians arrive from Osage River

This morning warm. this Evening warm S. B. "Maryland" leave[s] for Louisville

Mr. Rules Daughter Eliza dies to day of a burn 129

Thunder Storm this morning & Cloudy & high wind all day
S. B. Cortland arrive[s] with Troops from N. Orleans 130
" " Missouri arrive[s] from Fever River

This day Clear and moderately warm
S. B. Illinois leaves this place for Fever River
" " N. America leaves for N. Orleans 1st Trip down.
" " Rover arrives from Fever River
" " Pilott arrives from Louisville
" " Missouri ascended to day from Camp with Troops

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127. The North America, built at Pittsburgh in 1828, 300 tons, was one of the larger class steamboats on the Mississippi.—Hall, op. cit., p. 269.
128. John Francis Hamtranck (1798-1828), of Indiana, after a youthful military career in the War of 1812, entered West Point. He left the army in 1822 and was appointed Indian agent to the Osages in 1826. He resigned this post in 1831, removing from St. Louis to present West Virginia.—Dictionary of American Biography (New York, 1938), v. 8, pp. 215, 216.

129. Eliza Rule has not been identified further.
Mr. Wiggins's Ferry S. B. arrives this Evening 131 8 Fox Indians arrive from Rock River
13 A cool, but pleasant morning. this Evening quite warm
15 this morning quite warm. A little Rain in Evening S. B. Corland leaves for Hannible " " Pilot leaves for Fever River " " Cleopatra arrives from Louisville
16 A very warm and sultry day S. B. Cleopatra leaves to day for Louisville " " Rover leaves to day for Fever River Gal. Packet arrives to day from Fever River S. B. Lady Washington arrives from Wheeling
17 Some Rain this morning before day. Very Warm S. B. Indiana arrives from Fever River " " Illinois from Fever River " " Corland arrives from Salt River The Kickapoo Prophet 133 with 20 of his party arrive. The Fox Indians of Rock River depart, and likewise the Sauks
18 Cloudy & Cool this morning. continues so all day Sunday S. B. Gallena Packet depart[s] for Fever River " " Maryland" from Louisville " " Cavalier arrives from Louisville 1st Time 134 bringing news of the destruction of the Car of Commerce 135 Steam Ferry boat bursts its boiler 136 — The result nothing tragical save one Man scalded in the Leg. — The Galena Packet departs for Fever River. — The Cavalier S. B. departs this P. M. for Louisville
19 Part of this day Cloudy but the day warm. Monday. Steam Boats departs to Louisville — "Maryland" & Courtland for New Orleans. The Steam Boat Illinois for Fever River

131. Samuel Wiggins established a horse-team ferryboat across the Mississippi at St. Louis about 1819 or 1820. William C. Wiggins, a brother, arriving later, was in charge of the ferryboat for some 25 years, though the ferry was owned by a joint stock company after 1828. — Bilton, op. cit., pp. 322, 323; J. T. Scharf (History of Saint Louis City and County, v. 2, p. 1071), says: "In 1828 a new boat, with steam-power, named the 'St. Clair,' was added and made two landings each day, sailing at the foot of Market Street, then at Morgan, and thence across to the Illinois shore." By 1830 the business increased demanded "another boat, and the 'Bear' was added." The 'Bear' is not mentioned in the diary.
132. This was the new steam ferryboat first mentioned on May 12.
133. Kennelkuk. See Footnotes 33 and 46.
134. The Cavalier was not new. Hall, op. cit., p. 265, says she was a 180-ton boat, built in 1826 at Cincinnati.
135. The Car of Commerce disaster is further noted under entry of May 22.
136. Damages to the ferryboat St. Clair were repaired by June 22, the diary notes.
20 Fine morning. Steam Boat *Maryland* departs to Louisville Tuesday. No Arrivals or Departures this day. The Shawanese Indians with Mr. Shame the Interpreter arrive from Lewistown.  

21 Morning Cool. Noon warm. Evening Cloudy, accompanied with rain. Wednesday. No Arrivals nor departures of Steam Boats this day.

22 Fine Cool Morning — Pleasant — Fine Evening. The Steam Boat *Plough Boy* Arrived this Morning from Louisville. — Also Steam Boat *Jubilee* from N. Orleans, this night at 11 o’Clock; by this boat is received the melancholy intelligence, of the loss of twenty four lives, by the bursting of the boiler of the Steam Boat “*Car of Commerce*”; it is further ascertained that two of the aforesaid 24 encuenters of an untimely fate, were the first and second Engineers.  

 — The Egyptian Mummy from the Pyramids supposed to be 3000 years old is brought by this boat the *Jubilee* and is intended for exhibition when many of our *fair citizens* will be gratified by a sight of one of these rare relics of antiquity it being the first one that has ever honoured our City with a visit. The Sauk Indians arrive to-day — 21 in number.

23 Pleasant Morning. Warm at Noon. Evening Clear and warm.

24 Morning agreeable — Noon Warm — Evening “ and “

S. B. *Plough Boy* depart[s] for Louisville Mr. Reed of this place died by a fall from his horse.  

25 last night some rain, much like rain this Evening. S. B. *Rover* arrive[s] this day in the morning from Fever River S. B. *Bolivar* arrive[s] this morning from Louisville

26 Morning fine — Noon Warm — Afternoon heat oppressive notwithstanding. Wind high. *Galena Packet* arrives this morning.

137. The Shawnee Indians from the Lewistown, Ohio, area were removing at this time to lands set aside for them in present Kansas. See Footnote 70 for item on Anthony Shama.

138. The *Car of Commerce* was on her way from New Orleans to Louisville. The account in *Niles’ Weekly Register*, Baltimore, June 7, 1828, says the accident occurred on May 13, when the boat was about 140 miles from the mouth of the Ohio. Out of 70 deck passengers, only three or four escaped injury; of the crew, only the captain and clerk were saved; of the seven cabin passengers, six were uninjured, one was scalped. Eighteen men were buried at once, 15 were missing, and half of the injured were not expected to survive. The *Car of Commerce*, the article stated, “was owned at Louisville, and is said to be an inferior boat, with an engine patched up from old machinery, and an old set of boilers—about fourth rate in size and appearance.” Hall, *op. cit.*, p. 245, noted 28 killed and 29 wounded in this disaster; and listed the *Car of Commerce* as a 150-ton boat, built in 1827 (p. 253). The account in Lloyd stated that the accident occurred at a place called the Canadian Reach, on May 14, and was caused by a faulty force-pump, which failed to supply water to the boilers.—Lloyd, James T., *Lloyd’s Steamboat Directory* (Cincinnati, 1856), p. 120. It was one of the worst steamboat disasters ever to occur on Western waters. The boat was repaired, however, and “survived” until 1852.—Hall, *op. cit.*, p. 255.

139. James Reed died at Galena, Fever river, on May 17.—*Missouri Republican*, St. Louis, May 27, 1828. He was the son-in-law of Charles Bosseron (see Footnote 107), having married Theresa Bosseron on October 12, 1825.—*Billon, op. cit.*, p. 224.
from Fever River with which comes Majr Taliaferro Indian Agent. S. Boat *Pilot* from Galena arrived this day at 12 oClock. The Emigrating Kickapoo Indians arrive.

27 Morning Cool & Pleasant — Noon Agreeable — Afternoon warm yet agreeable Steam Boat *Cleopatra* arrived this Morning from Louisville — Steam Boat *Liberator* Capt'n McGunnegle 10 days from N. Orleans. — S. Boat *Missouri* this P. M from St Peters on board of which comes down the 5th Regiment to be stationed at Jefferson Barracks. The Shawanese with Interpreter Shane depart The Sauk Indians of the Mississippi depart.

28 Cloudy Morning — Noon Cloudy & Light rain — Afternoon Clear and pleasant Wednesday. No Arrivals or Departures of Boats this day.

29 Warm Morning, Noon Warm with Little rain — Evening fine Thursday S. Boat *Cleopatra* departs this P. M. for Louisville A band of the Kickapoos 22 in number arrive to day.

30 Pleasant Morning — Noon Warm — Evening fine with thin fleecy clouds. Friday. S. Boat *Missouri* departed this morning for Galena Likewise arrived this morning 3 boats belonging to the American Fur Company with furs and pelttries. The S. Boat "*Maryland*" from Louisville. —

31 Morning fine — Pleasant Weather — Evening warm but pleasant.

June, 1828

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140. Lawrence Taliaferro (1794-1871), was Indian agent at St. Peters (Fort Snelling), from April, 1819, to January, 1840. The Indians of his agency were principally Sioux. Taliaferro retired in 1840, and lived the rest of his life at Bedford, Pa.—"Auto-Biography," in Minnesota Historical Collections, v. 6, pp. 189-265; also, ibid., v. 4, p. 49.

141. These were apparently Kickapoos from Illinois, joining others of their tribe on the Osage river, Missouri, where they had a 60-mile-square tract at this time.—23 Cong., 1 Sess., Senate Doc. 812 (Serial 245), p. 584.

142. See Footnote 128.

143. One of the very few mentions in the diary of fur-trading activities. The American Fur Company, organized in 1808, had established a branch in St. Louis in 1822, and by 1828 had almost a monopoly on the U.S. fur trade.—Dictionary of American History (New York, 1940), v. 1, p. 61.
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**REMARKS**

1 Morning Cool — Showering the fore-noon of this day — P. M. fine — Sunday S. Boat *Liberator* departs this day 12 oClock for New Orleans. The *Illinois* Steam Boat for Galena Fever River —

2 Pleasant Morning — Noon Fine but Warm — Afternoon pleasant Monday. S. Boat *Indiana* at noon from Fever River S. Boat *Criterion* Captn. Sparhawk 4 Days from Louisville The Fox Indians depart.

3 Morning fine — Noon Unpleasantly Warm — Evening Sultry appearance of rain Tuesday S. Boat *Indiana* departs for Fever River S. Boat *Criterion* for Louisville The Kickapoos depart.


5 Pleasant morning — Noon Cloudy & Warm — Evening warm unpleasantly so Thursday Steam Boat *Plough-Boy* arrived from Louisville. The *Saint Louis & Gal[ena]* Packet arrived at Noon from Galena & proceeded down to Kaskaskias for freight One Kansas [Indian] arrives

6 Morning fine after a little rain during the night. — Noon warm — Evening Warm Friday No Arrivals or Departures this Day A Seneca squaw [arrives ?]
7 Morning fine yet Warm — Noon Warm — Evening fine Moderately Warm Saturday The North America arrived Last Night in 10 days from New Orleans.— The Illinois this morning from Galena Fever River.

8 This day cool & pleasant, with Rain after night Sunday. Steam Boat Oregon departs this morning for New Orleans " " Ploughboy " " " Louisville " " Criterion Arrived to day from the Mouth of Ohio

9 Fine pleasant Morning after rain last night — Noon Cloudy & Warm — Afternoon Warm Monday. Steam Boat Rover arrived from Galena & Prairie du Chien. The Criterion departs this morning for Clarksville.\(^{144}\) The St Louis & Galena Packet arrives up from Kaskaskias via St Genevieve.


12 Fine Cool Morning — Noon pleasant — Afternoon fine & agreeable Thursday. Steam Boat Criterion descends from Naples.\(^{145}\) Steam Boat Cleopatra departs to Louisville. Steam Boat Rover departs to Prairie du Chien. The Delawares arrive 52 in number.

13 Pleasant morning — Pleasant at Noon — P. M agreeable yet a little warm Friday. Steam Boat Pilot from Louisville. Steam Boat "Maryland" " "


15 Morning showery — Noon Cloudy — P. M. Cloudy and closes with thunder and rain. Sunday. Steam Boat Missouri from Galena Fever River with freight 2600 Bars of Lead and passengers 80. Steam Boat Josephine arrives from Galena Fever River.

16 Morning Fine after a rainy Night — Noon Warm — P. M. rather disagreeably warm Monday. The Pilot departed this Evening at 9 O'clock for Galena.

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\(^{144}\) Clarksville, a village of Pike county, Missouri, was 105 miles up the Mississippi river from St. Louis.—Lloyd, op. cit., p. 232.

\(^{145}\) Naples was a village of Scott county, Illinois, on the Illinois river.
Pleasant morning—Noon Showery with high Wind—P. M fine yet warm Tuesday.
The *North America* departs for New Orleans
The *Josephine* " " Galena
The *Missouri* " " Galena

Fine Morning after a tempestuous night of thunder, lightning & rain.—Noon Warm—P. M. fine Wednesday. The *Lady Washington* 6 days from Louisville freighted with Governmental Stores. The *Illinois* from Galena.

Thursday. The *Galena Packet* arrived Last Night with 3,700 bars of Lead.

Morning pleasant—Noon Warm yet agreeable—P. M. fine Friday. No Arrivals or Departures this day

Morning fine—Noon agreeably fine—Afternoon Warm & pleasant Saturday. The *Jubilee* Capt'n Hinckley arrived from New Orleans—freight 1462 packages dry goods—passengers 160. By the arrival of this boat the Catholics of the city had the pleasure of seeing the Right Reverd Bishop Rosati appointed to officiate in this place. —The *Rover* Capt'n Newman descended from Galena and after a stay of but a few hours continued on to Louisville.

Morning pleasant—Noon Warm—P. M. Sultry & Warm. Sunday. The *Illinois* this morning for Galena. The accident of the 18th of May which the steam ferry boat of this city encountered, being now remedied it re-commences running. The *Ploughboy* this Evening from Louisville.

Warm Morning. Noon Warm—Evening Warm & sultry Monday. The Steam Boat *Indiana* from Galena. The *Galena Packet* departs to Galena, Fever River *Kiekapoo*[s] arrive 34 in number

Morning warm extremely—Warm Extremely—Evening warm & oppressively sultry Tuesday. The *Cleopatra* arrived last night from Louisville in 4 days. The *Ploughboy* departs at 10 o'clock A M. for Louisville. The *Missouri* came down from Galena having in tow the *Galena packet* and Cargo-boat the *Lady Washington* an accident viz bursting of the boiler having

146. According to Baird "Even a boat of 100 tons often carries 50 cabin passengers; as many more, or perhaps twice as many, on deck; and withal 75 or 80 tons of freight!"—[Baird, Robert], *View of the Valley of the Mississippi* . . . (Philadelphia, 1832), p. 292. The *Jubilee* was a 296-ton boat.—Hall, *op. cit.*, p. 257.

147. Bishop Rosati removed to St. Louis in the fall of 1830. At this date his head- quarters was at New Orleans.
taken to the latter. No lives were lost. Fox Indians arrive 50
in number.

25 Warm Morning — Noon Warm and oppressive. P. M. Warm
& Sultry Wednesday. The Jubilee left here at 4 P. M. for
New Orleans. The Cleopatra for Louisville One Ponecan and
Two Osage Indians arrive

26 Morning oppressive — Noon Warm — P. M. Pleasant more so
than yesterday Thursday. The Indiana for Galena.

27 Pleasant but Warm Morning — Noon Warm — P. M. Cloudy &
appearance of rain Friday. The Pilot Captain Elliott from
Galena. The Red Rover (for the first time here) from Pitts-
burgh. 28 days. Purposed to be employed in the upper Trade.
The Essex from Louisville. The Liberator from New Orleans
— passage 9½ days.

28 Warm yet pleasant after rain yesterday Evening — Noon
Warm — P. M. Cloudy and clear alternately Saturday. The
Lady Washington arrived this morning from Galena and de-
parted at Noon for Louisville. The Red Rover for Galena de-
parts this day. 43 Delawares depart to-day also the Sacs &
foxes

29 Pleasant morning after rain during night. Noon pleasant — P.
M. agreeably cool Sunday. The Illinois from Galena. The
"Maryland" Captain James Marshall from Louisville.

30 Morning cloudy with appearance of rain — Noon warm — P.
M. Warm & cloudy Monday. No arrivals or departures this
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July, 1828

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148. This Red Rover, a new 50-ton boat, was intended for the lead mine trade on the
upper Mississippi. In 1829, a 500-ton Red Rover was built, but there is no mention in the
diary of this latter steamboat.—Hall, op. cit., p. 260.
1 Fine morning — Noon pleasant — Afternoon warm Tuesday. The Oregon 9 days from New Orleans met the Jubilee 30 miles below Memphis all well.


3 Morning fine — noon Fine — P. M. pleasant Thursday. No arrivals or Departures this day

4 Morning fine — Noon Warm yet fine — P. M. Warm Friday. S. B. Rover from Louisville.

5 Morning Clear and pleasant. — Evening quite warm Saturday Red Rover from Galena

6 Morning fine — Noon Warm — P. M. Warm yet pleasant Sunday S. B. Plough-boy from Louisville late this Evening

7 Warm Morning. — Noon Warm — P. M Warm and oppressive Monday S. Boat Rover for Galena Fever River. Col Menard [from] Green Bay Galena Packet for Galena Fever River S. Boat Indiana from Galena Fever River S. Boat Columbus arrived at half past 10 from Louisville and Will as is thought descend to the Mouth of Ohio for a load of Timber — Her 1st. Appearance Here. Large Boat.

149. The Columbus sank a few months later. See diary entries of October 17 and 19, and accompanying footnote. She was a 220-ton boat, built at Pittsburgh in 1858.—Hall, op. cit., p. 253.
8 Pleasant Morning.—Noon Pleasant.—P. M. fine & pleasant Tuesday Plough boy for Louisville Red Rover for Galena in which went D. D. McNair \(^{150}\) as an Express from the Department to Genl. Street to advise and Warn the trespassers on Indian lands to Cease ere force be resorted to.

9 Fine Morning — Noon warm — P. M. fine and agreeable Wednesday No Arrivals or Departures

10 Morning pleasant — Noon Warm — P. M. fine and Warm Thursday The S. Boat Cleopatra from Louisville The S. Boat Missouri from Galena

11 Morning fine — Pleasant Noon — P. M. Fine Friday The Columbus departs to the mouth of Ohio for Planks The Essex from Louisville The Lady Washington from Louisville

12 Morning Clear & pleasant. — Noon Warm — P. M Warm & Sultry Saturday The Cleopatra for Louisville The Essex for Louisville

13 Fine Morning — Noon Pleasant — Afternoon fine yet warm Sunday No arrivals or Departures

14 Cool Morning — Noon Agreeable — P. M. fine and pleasant Sunday [Monday] S Boat Tecumseh \(^{151}\) from Louisville Lady Washington for Camp Millar

15 Pleasant Morning — Noon Pleasant — P. M. fine and agreeable

16 Morning fine — Noon Fine — Afternoon Pleasant Wednesday S Boat L. Washington for Louisville S. Boat Illinois from Louisville Fine S. Boat, "Columbus," from the Mouth towed up the North America above St Genevieve. S. Boat Red Rover from Galena

17 Morning Cool Weather Clear & dry — Noon fine — Afternoon warm. Thursday S. Boat North America from New Orleans — took on board as passing Natchez and brought up to here Mr. Caldwell's Company of Theatricals \(^{152}\) The S Boat Rover from Galena

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\(^{150}\) Dunning D. McNair was an interpreter for the Shawnee Indians, and, also, a clerk in the superintendency office at this period. In the spring of 1831, shortly after being appointed subagent to the Osage Indians, he was struck by lightning while crossing the prairie, and killed.—St. Louis Beacon, June 25, 1851; Superintendency of Indian affairs, St. Louis, "Records," v. 4, p. 229; list of interpreters for the Indians, in The National Calendar for MDCXXXIX (Washington City, 1839), p. 120. See, also, diary entry of March 19, 1830.

\(^{151}\) The Tecumseh, first mentioned here, was a 212-ton boat, built at Cincinnati in 1826. By 1830 she was worn out.—Hall, op. cit., p. 262.

\(^{152}\) Mr. Caldwell was the owner of theaters in New Orleans and Nashville, and of Natchez and St. Louis theater companies.—Missouri Republican, St. Louis, September 2, 1838. The opening play at St. Louis, on the evening of July 19, 1828, "Town and Country," seems to have been well received.—Ibid., July 22, 1828. Performances were advertised for four evenings a week during the season. The company remained in St. Louis until mid-October. See diary entry of October 16.
18 Morning warm and rain wanted — Noon Warm — Afternoon fine and warm. Friday The Illinois for Louisville. 17 Piankashaw arrived — 3 others arrive making 20

19 Morning Sultry appearance of rain — Noon Warm — Afternoon Warmth Oppressive Saturday No arrivals or Departures this day.

20 Morning Sultry and Very Warm — Noon Warm — P. M. Oppressively Warm Sunday The S Boat Jubilee from New Orleans 75 Sauks arrived to-day

21 Morning Warm Very — Noon Cloudy — P. M. Showery light rain. Monday The Galena Packet for Galena 27 Kickapoo arrive this day

22 A comparatively cool Morning after a happy rain last evening — P. M. Warm very Tuesday The Illinois for Franklin 2 Poncans Indians depart — also Shawonee 5 in number

23 Warm Morning — Noon Warm very — P. M Very Warm oppressive Wednesday The North America for New Orleans The Missouri from Galena

24 Rain a heavy shower with thunder & lightning — Noon Cloudy — Afternoon Cloudy appearance of rain Thursday The Essex 4 days from Louisville

25 Warm Morning — Noon Warm Cloudy — P. M. Warm extremely so Friday Steam Boat Essex for Louisville

" Missouri " Fever River

" Red Rover from Galena

26 Sultry Morning appearance of rain — Noon Warm — P. M Warmth oppressive Saturday No arrivals or Departures The Kickapoo depart 25 in number The Sauk depart 82 in number.

27 Fine Morning Rain — Noon Cloudy pleasant — Afternoon Pleasant cloudy No arrivals or Departures The Fox Indians arrive 23 in number.

28 Fine & comparatively cool morning — Noon pleasant — Afternoon warm yet pleasant The Republican from Louisville The Piankashaws depart. The Delaware depart (3 in number)

29 Fine cool morning — Noon Warm — P. M. pleasant though warm The Republican departs at Noon for Louisville

30 Morning warm yet not disagreeable — Noon pleasant — Afternoon pleasant The Illinois Came down last night from Frank-
lin. The *Galena Packet* from Galena — Cargo 2,500 pigs of Lead.\(^{153}\) The *La Grange* from Louisville

31 Morning pleasant — Noon warm — P. M. pleasant. The *Rover* Came down from [sic!] this morning from Prairie du Chien — 4600 pigs of Lead from Galena.

August, 1828

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**REMARKS**

1 Warm morning — Noon Warm — P. M. Pleasant yet warm. The *Criterion* from Louisville. The *La Grange* for Louisville. The Foxes 13 in number with Morgan the Chief\(^{154}\) depart from the Department this day.

\(^{153}\) The trade from the lead mines had grown rapidly since 1820. *Niles’ Weekly Register*, October 18, 1828, reprinted an article from "*Vandolin, Aug. 2,*" stating that the town of Galien, mining center, founded in 1826, already had a population of nearly 700, and "there have been 75 steamboat and 38 keel boat arrivals since 1st March. About *eight million* pounds of lead were exported during the year ending 1st of June last. The population in the neighborhood of the mines is estimated at 10,000."

\(^{154}\) "Among the Sauks and Foxes, Keokuk and Morgan, the head warriors of the two tribes, were her orators."—Atwater, Caleb, *Remarks Made On a Tour to Prairie du Chien...* in 1828 (Columbus, Ohio, 1831), p. 123. Keokuk is also mentioned in the diary in February and April, 1829.
2 Warm morning — Noon Sultry — P. M Rain and much wished for *Missouri* from Galena

3 Pleasant morning showery after rain all night — Noon Cloudy — P. M. fine and pleasant no departures — No arrivals

4 morning agreeably cool. — Noon Warm — P. M warm. The *Oregon* arrived last night from New Orleans — report that the *Liberator* took freight for the mouth of Cumberland which Causes its delay. The *Oregon* left New Orleans on the 24th of July. The Returns of the General Election Ticket gives 34 Administration — 25 Jackson — Derbigny Governor & White, Gurley and Overton for Congress &c.\(^{155}\)

5 Morning agreeably pleasant — Noon Warm — P. M Warm. Tuesday The Steam Boat *Liberator* from New Orleans via Smithland.\(^{156}\)

6 Morning warm yet pleasant—Noon warm — P. M. Warm Wednesday The *Essex* Steam Boat from Louisville The *Oregon ditto ditto* from New Orleans (a mistake) “Dont take them” [?] N. B Ten Fox depart this morning. Fourteen Delawares arrive this Evening

7 Morning Warm & Sultry — Noon cloudy — P. M rainy and pleasant Thursday no arrivals or departures. These above Fourteen Delawares depart this Evening

8 Morning pleasant — Noon warm — P. M. warm yet not unpleasant

9 Warm morning — Noon warm — P. M warm and Sultry

10 Warm morning — Noon sultry appearance of rain — P. M fine rain this evening Sunday The *Criterion* from Louisville The *Missouri* for Galena. The *Oregon* for New Orleans

11 Cool morning after the rain of last evening. — Noon warm — P. M. warm very Monday no arrivals or departures

12 Cloudy morning with appearance of rain — Noon warm — P. M. warm & pleasant Tuesday The *Galena packet* from Galena Mr Blake’s party of Creeks arrive.\(^{157}\)

13 A severe storm from S. W. accompanied with hail — Noon pleasant — P. M agreeably pleasant Wednesday no arrivals or departures

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\(^{155}\) Although these Louisiana returns favored John Quincy Adams for president, Andrew Jackson was the country’s choice in the 1828 elections. Pierre A. C. B. Derbigny was elected governor of Louisiana and the three representatives to congress chosen were Edward D. White, Henry H. Gurley and Walter H. Overton.

\(^{156}\) “Smithland” or Smith’s Landing, Ill., was 20 miles down the Mississippi river from St. Louis.—Lloyd, op. cit., p. 231.

\(^{157}\) Luther Blake, acting agent for the Western Creeks, and three Creek Indians, arrived at St. Louis on this date. See, also, entry of August 21.
Wilhelm Clarks's Diary

Rainy morning & comparatively cool — Noon warm — P. M warm yet pleasant Thursday Steam Boat St Frisbee 158 from Louisville 1st Time with which come an addition to Mr. Caldwells' Company of Comedians viz Mr Kinney & Lady 159

Morning pleasant — Noon agreeable — Afternoon fine yet a little warm Friday no arrivals or departures

Pleasant morning & cloudless. — Noon agreeably cool — Afternoon fine Saturday Saml Frisbee Steam Boat departs to Louisville

Warm Morning yet pleasant — Noon warm — P. M. pleasant Sunday S. Boat Republican from Louisville 1st Time. 160


Morning fine and pleasant. — Noon showery — P. M light rain & pleasant Tuesday The Republican last night for Fever River The Missouri arrived at Noon from Fever River rain last [night] which continues severely this morning from the East — Noon warm — P. M. warm Wednesday No arrivals or departures

Dark morning appearance of rain — A. M. rain — P. M Clear & warm Thursday Note. Mr. Blake arrives at St. Louis with a party of Creek Indians on the 11th August & sets out back for the Chickasaw nation with a letter from Capt. G. H. Kennerly to Chickasaw Chief on the evening of the 18th, August. On the evening the 19th the Revnd. Mr. McCoy leaves with the Party on their exploring expedition. 161

Warm morning — Noon Warm — P. M. Warm & sultry Friday The N. America 15 days from New Orleans

158. The Samuel Frisbee is mentioned in the diary through the succeeding months of 1828, but not after December. Hall, op. cit., does not list this steamboat.

159. See diary entry of July 17.

160. The Republican, not a new boat, is first mentioned in the diary under entry of July 28, 1828.

161. A conducted tour of lands in present Oklahoma had been planned for representatives of the Creek, Chickasaw and Choctaw tribes. It was hoped that these Indians could be induced to remove to the new Indian territory. Agent Blake, arriving with the Creeks and learning that the Chickasaw and Choctaw delegations had not arrived, set out for their nations to persuade them to come to St. Louis. Over a month earlier, the Rev. Isaac McCoy had reached St. Louis with a delegation of Pottawatomie and Ottawa Indians who were to view lands in present Kansas with a view of removing their peoples from Michigan and Indiana. Rather oddly, the diary does not record their arrival, which McCoy in his journal stated was on July 10. Capt. George H. Kennerly had been named leader for the expedition west. But when it was decided to send the Pottawatomies and Ottawas on ahead, McCoy was put in charge of them. His journal of this tour has been published in the Kansas Historical Quarterly, v. 5, pp. 227-227. Fifty days after setting out, the party returned. On October 7, 1828, McCoy went into St. Louis, and made a brief written report of the expedition for Governor Clark. For note on the second expedition of 1828, see Footnote 159.
Warm morning — Noon warm P. M. very warm
24 Warm yet pleasant morning — Noon pleasant — P. M. warm & Sultry
25 Warm & cloudy morning with appearance of rain — Noon warm — P. M warm
26 Warm & clear morning — Noon Warm — P. M warm & Sultry
Tuesday The Essex came up last night from Louisville The Jubilee departs for New Orleans Kickapoos (four) arrive this day from Illinois
27 Warm yet pleasant morning — Oppressively warm this evening
28 Warm & dry weather very warm and sultry this evening
29 Weather clear & still very warm. Continues very warm
30 Very warm this morning Rain a few miles W S. B. Atakapas arrive[d] this day from Orleans. Majr. R. Graham & W. Radford arrives in the Essex from Kty. on the night of the 26th Inst. S. B. Missouri Sinks on the evening of the 29th 90 miles above St. Louis in 12 feet Water. Little Turky & his party set out for Illinois

September, 1828

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162. The Current is a small river of Missouri and Arkansas.
163. Hall, op. cit., p. 252, lists the Atakapas as built at Louisville (no date given), a 124-ton boat.
164. Maj. Richard Graham, Indian agent (see Footnote 125), and William Radford, Clark’s step-son, a navy midshipman at this time. Radford (1809-1890) had a notable career in the navy. He served with distinction in the Civil War, and was made a rear admiral July 25, 1890.—Dictionary of American Biography (New York, 1935), v. 15, pp. 319, 620.
165. The Missouri, a new boat (see Footnote 116), was descending the Mississippi from Galena with a load of lead from the mines, when she struck a snag. Her passengers were brought to St. Louis on the Galena Packet.—Missouri Republican, St. Louis, September 2, 1828. In the issue of November 4, 1828, the Republican reported: “We are gratified to have it in our power to state, that the Steam Boat Missouri, of the sinking of which we published an account some time ago, has been raised without injury. She is now refitting, and will be ready to recommence running in a few days.” The next mention of the Missouri in the diary is on January 7, 1829.
Remarks

1 Clear & very warm. Wind from the West & cool & pleasant.
2 Cloudy & pleasantly cool this morning. Cold evening 8 Delawares arrive from White River. 4 Shawanees leave for the Current. 9 Kickapoos arrive from Prophets Village.
3 Clear cool morning. This evening clear & warmer. A Delaware man & woman from Ohio leave for Kanzas River (Step Son of Shain).
5 Some frost this morning. Warm evening. Kickapoo Prophet with 25 of his party arrive on the 5th Sept.
6 Clear & rather warm morning. Much warmer than for 2 or 3 Evenings.
7 Cloudy & much like rain. Rain & cool this evening. S. Boats Illinois & Frisby from Louisville.
9 Clear with some frost. Clear and Cool.
10 Fog this morning. Evening Clear and cool. S. B. Republican leaves for Louisville. Troops of the 5th Rgt. leave for the Lakes.

166. Evidently a reference to the stepson of Anthony Shane, the interpreter. See Footnotes 70 and 137.
167. Kennebuk, the Kickapoo Prophet, came frequently to see Clark. His previous visits were noted in the diary, entries of August 29, 1826, February 10, 1827, and May 17, 1828.
168. By War Department orders, eight companies of the Fifth regiment were to go from Jefferson Barracks to the following posts: two companies to Fort Brady, four companies to Fort Howard and two companies to Fort Dearborn.—Missouri Republican, St. Louis, September 9, 1828.

Clear & warm morning. Evening warm

Clear, some rain at 11 OClock. Evening Cloudy

Cloudy morning & appearance of rain this morning. Rain

Foggy morning. This evening warm and cloudy threatening Rain.

Rain this morning This evening warm & sultry. This Evening S. Boat Fecility arrives from Louisville 1st Time on board of which Majr. L Taliaferro & Lady arrives from Bedford Spring Pennsylvania. By this Boat we are informed that the S. Boat Essex had sunk in the Ohio River on her trip to this place; owing to a hell stone in her bottom.171 ha! ha! ha!!! "assuredly."

Clear fine morning This evening, pleasant &c. S. B. Gallena Packett arrives this morning Departe Steam B. Facility, for Louisville.

Clear fine morning & weather. Evening warm & pleasant Arrived S. B. Oregon from N. Orleans. 11 days. Arr. S. B. Lady Washington from Galena.

Fine morning somewhat cloudy. Fine pleasant Evening.

Cool morning cloudy. hard & stormy wind from South.

Stormy Winds from the South. Violent Rain this Evening S. B. Lady Washington leaves for Gallena with Mjr. L. Taliaferro & Lady on board. S. B. Illinois leaves this day for Orleansburg[?].

Hard wind from the South from 6 OClock last Evng to 5 this morning Gloomy Evening. Departe S. B. Maryland For N. Orleans. 2 Rifles sent to Winnebagoes. 1 Do. given to Ottawa Chief. 1 Shot gun to Mjr. Campbell 172 1 Rifle given to Shanes step son. 2 Rifles given at shop to Shawnees with two left in place. 2 Rifles given to Weas. 3 Rifles given to Mesco[?] out of Box by Capt G. H. Kennerly


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169. The Facility, 117 tons, was built at Cincinnati in 1827.—Hall, op. cit., p. 255.

170. See Footnote 140.

171. The Essex was reported wrecked on the rocks at Scuffletton bar, in the Ohio river.—Missouri Republican, St. Louis, September 23, 1828. But her arrival at St. Louis is mentioned in an October diary entry, so she was evidently raised and repaired.

172. John Campbell was subagent for the Delaware Indians at this date.—The National Calendar, op. cit., p. 119.

173. The Isabella (250 tons), was built at Marietta, Ohio, in 1827.—Hall, op. cit., p. 256.
24 Pleasant morning. Fair pleasant Eve.
25 Beautiful morng Fine Clear Evening
27 G. R. Clark leaves to day for Augtor [Augusta] Ky Last night & this morning cold a little Cloudy—pleast
28 This morning clear and fine. Fine Evening S. B. Jubilee arrive[s] from Orleans with Mr. Blake on board. Intreptr for Creeks S. B. Rover from Louisville.
29 This morning pleast Pleast Evening Departed S. B. Isabella for Orleans. Capt D. M. Greene
30 Cloudy & gloomy morning. the evening Cloudy No arrivals or departures——

October, 1828

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174. See Footnote 100.
175. See Footnotes 157 and 161.
REMARKS

1 Clear & pleasant morning. cool & pleasant evening no arrivals or departures

2 Cool Foggy morning. cool temperate evening Departed S. B. Josephine for Fever River

3 Fine pleasant morning. temperate evening
Departed S. B. Rover for Fever River
   " " " N. America For Orleans

4 Fine Cool morning. Clear evening


6 Somewhat cloudy & cool Warm Evening.

7 Pleasant morning.

8 beautiful morning. warm evening & Clear. Tecumseh & Maryland depart for Orleans Steamer Columbus Fine b[oa]t departed for Orleans

9 This morning warm. Warm Evening. Races begin. 38 Saux from White River with their Chief Shawanaqua

9 & 10 Races commenced. no arrivals or departures

10 Warm morning. Indian Summer commences

11 Plesant " " " & smoky weather Arrived S. B. Fairy from Louisville 1st time. Mr G. K. & Mr Metty 1 Rifle & Shot Gun Pottawattamies & Ottawas (5) of the Rev’d Mr McCoys party left yesterday for their homes

12 Smoky & warm. hard wind from the South This day The S. B. Crusader Arrived from N. Orleans with the long looked for Choctaws & Chickasaw delegation from Tenn. & Alabama, explorng party. Mr. Dunkin with a party of Chickisaws & Chocktaws arrive to day.

176. The horse races were run for three days, as advertised: "First Day, 3 miles and repeat, for a purse of $200. Second day, 2 miles and repeat, for a purse of $150. Third Day, 1 mile and repeat, for a purse of $100. Free for any horse, mare or gelding. . . . " They were run "over the St. Louis Turf," and there was evidently an established racing association at this date. The advertisement was published by its secretary Benj. Ames.—Missouri Republican, St. Louis, August 26 and October 7, 1828.

177. The Fairy, an 80-ton boat, was built at Cincinnati in 1827.—Hall, op. cit., p. 255.


179. See Footnote 161.

180. John B. Duncan and D. W. Haley, subagents for the Chickasaws and Choctaws respectively, arrived on this date with the Indian delegations for the trip west. (See Footnote 161.) On October 17 the Chickasaws and part of the exploring party set out, followed by the Choctaws, Creeks, and the balance of the company on the 18th. (See diary entries for these days.) Isaac McCoy, a member of the party, described the expedition as follows: "Our company consisted of Cap. G. H. Kennerly, leader; Lieut. Hood Topographer, Mr. John Bell assistant topographer, and G. P. Todson surgeon. . . . The Chickasaws Delegation consisted of 12 Indians, and an interpreter, accompanied by three white men.
13 Hard wind before day light from South fresh breezes from Wd. & hazy
13 & 14 no arrs or deptur. these days
14 Last night & this morning cool. Cool & pleasant.
16 Cool Frosty morning. Clear & pleasant Evening. Deptd. S. B. Crusader For N. Orleans with the Theatricals. 181
18 This morning very smoky Smoky Evening warm. 2nd pt. Exp[lores] depart 183 No Arr— or Deptrs.
19 The weather still warm & smoky. Very smoky evening Columbus Lost at Mouth of Ohio. 184 Arr S. B. S. Frisbee from Trinity. Saved nearly all the furniture & Engine of the Columbus & transferred it to the Tecumseh Deptd S. Boat Galena Packet for Trinity.
20 Cool & smoky weather Warm and smoky Evening
21 Clear & warm morning. A clear & pleasant evening Dept. S. B. Lagrange for N. O. Mr. Rousseau dep. 185 Dureing the Day light airs and pleasant Dept S. B. Sam Frisbee for Trinity
22 Cloudy morning warm cloudy pleast evening S. B. Illinois arrived from Orleans about dark
23 Cloudy & Smoky warm morning. warm Evening. 15 Cour-sates[?] Tobacco given to Saux 5 Rifles delivered to Shawonees.
24 Cloudy & warm morning. Cloudy Evening Rain
25 Cloudy warm morning. Evening Cloudy

chosen by themselves, in all 16, with Mr. John B. Duncan Sub. Agent, as their leader. The Choctaw delegation was composed of six Indians, and lead by Mr. D. W. Haley. The Creek delegation consisted of three, and was lead by Mr. Luther Blake. We had one interpreter to Osage and Kansas, seven hired men, and a black servant belonging to a Chickasaw Chief. In all 42. We had with us upwards of sixty horses. The account of this tour "Isaac McCoy's Second Exploring Trip in 1828," has been published in the Kansas Historical Quarterly, v. 13, pp. 406-422.

181. The last performance of the "theatricals," prior to their departure for Natches, consisted of two plays: the "Grand Melo Dramatic Opera of GUY MANNERING; or, a Gipsy's Prophecy. Dramatised from Walter Scott's popular Novel of that name. After which, first time here, Moncrieff's new and unrivalled Drama, entitled THE SONNAMBULIST; or, the White Phantom of the Village. . . ."—Advertisement in the Missouri Republican, St. Louis, October 14, 1828.

182. See Footnote 180.

183. Ibid.

184. The Columbus (see Footnote 149), struck a snag and filled with water. The engine, and a few pigs of lead were saved, according to the Missouri Republican, St. Louis, October 21, 1828.

185. Mr. Rousseau has not been identified. He may possibly have been Pierre Rousseau who was interpreter on Pike's expedition of 1805-1806.
Rainy morning. continues to rain with thunder & lightning at night. No Arrivals — 23d 24th & 25th & 26th or Departures

Beautiful morning warm Fair pleasant evening
- 29 No Arrivals or Departure to Day
The weather warm Mr. A. Clark 186 sets own [?] in Carriage for Louisville

Pleasant morning. Cloudy Genl. Clark & Miss H. Preston 187 depart in the stage The Gnl for Washington City. 188 Arrived S. B. Sam Frisbee from Trinity Steamer "Maryland" from N. Orleans. This day Genl. Clark Deptd for Washington City by the Stage.


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186. Mr. A. Clark has not been identified.
187. The Preston and Kennerly families were closely related. Henrietta Preston, mentioned above, was the daughter of William and Caroline (Hancock) Preston, and a relative of William Clark's second wife. See Footnote 98.
188. William Clark was apparently absent from St. Louis until March 29, 1829. (See diary entry of the latter date.) The Secretary of War had written Clark, and Governor Cass (of Michigan), asking that they come to Washington to aid in preparing a new code of regulations for the Indian department. In his report dated November 24, 1828, the Secretary of War stated that both men had arrived and were engaged on this work.—The National Calendar, op. cit., p. 276.
WILLIAM CLARK'S DIARY

Remarks

1 A very Smoky day with strong appearance of rain
2 This morning not so smoky. Col. Sanford arrives Frisbee for Louisville departs. S. B. Essex Deps for Louisville.
3 This day pleasant Election running for Jackson Presidential Election. S. B. "Maryland" for N. Orleans
4 Foggy morning polls closed For "A" 330 For "J" 299 — 31 majr. for A
5 Cloudy in morning & smoky. Cool pleast Evening
6 Cool smoky morning Warm Evening
7 This day warm & Smoky
8 This morning in the Evening
9 S. B. Essex arrived from Trinity
10 Cool morning tho pleas. Colder towards Evening
12 Cold morning Frost & little Ice. Colder Cloudy Evening.
13 Cloudy — rain Last night Colder Gloomy rainy Evening Miss F. Wright arrives to day & holds Lectures at Theatre. S. B. Jubilee Arrives from N. Orleans. Struck a Snag on her way S. B. Rover departs for the Rapids.
14 S. B. Jubilee arrived from N. Orleans struck a snag on her way up Miss Fr. Wright & Doct. Jennings passengers. Delivd three lectures. No Arrvls or Departures.

189. John F. A. Sanford, subagent to the Mandan Indians. See Footnotes 37 and 53.
190. The results of the Missouri elections for President were: Andrew Jackson, 8,272; John Quincy Adams, 8,400. — Missouri Republican, St. Louis, November 4, 25, 1838.
191. Miss Frances Wright (1795-1852), lecturer, reformer, "free thinker," was of Scottish birth. She was a woman of intellect and courage. Following her first visit to the United States, 1818-1820, she wrote a book, Views of Society and Manners in America (1821), which won her the friendship of General Lafayette. In 1824, Frances Wright and her sister toured the U. S. with the general. A few years later she began lecturing, shocking public opinion not only by this boldness, but even more by advocating such modern ideas as birth control, emancipation of women, incompatibility as grounds for divorce, freedom of slaves, etc. Her ideas were influenced by those of Robert Dale Owen, with whom she joined in editing his colony's New Harmony Gazette. — Dictionary of American Biography (New York, 1936), v. 22, p. 569. In 1828, The Missouri Republican, issue of November 18, 1828, stated: "The celebrated Miss Frances Wright has been in this city for some days. She has delivered several Lectures to crowded audiences."
S. B. Frisbee arrived warm evening No Arrivals or Departures

Fine morning Cool Evening wind from west This day the S. B. Frisbee arrives from Trinity

Warm morning & Cloudy Cloudy tho' pleasant. S. B. S. Frisbee departs for Louisville.

Fine morning & warm Cloudy warm evening S. B. Jubilee departs for N. Orleans to day

Little rain Last night warm morning. Fine last evening. S. B. Isabella arrived from N. Orleans S. B. North America arrives from N. Orleans.

Cool morning tho' pleasant Evening cool & Cloudy. This day The Pardon of the 2 Winebagoes at P. du Chien Arrives Steamer Cleopatra Arrived from Louisville.

Warm morning & rainy at 12 commenced "snowing." continued in eveng. Steamer N. America departs for Trinity to day To day an Express starts for Prairie du Chien, bearing the Pardon of the two Winebagoes, confined & condemned to be hung the 26th Deer next, for murder. At this time there has information been received from Cant. Leavensworth, that the Grand Pawnees, & Pawnee Loups, of about 1200 warriors, had gone en masse in a war excursion against the whites; and their attention will be directed principally to the Santa Fe road to intercept our traders, and should they fail there, to fall on the frontier settlements of Arkansaw, having declared their determination to scalp all white men whom they meet. This day our first "Snow" commenced at about 12 A. M. Snowed briskly in the Evening till about 1/2 past 8 accompanied with a driving N. wind.

"Snowed" briskly last night. "1 inch." Cool Morning turning colder this Eveng. Cold morning. freezing before day, & continues so. Wind from N. W.

Last night Little Steamer Plough Boy arrivd from Louisville.

To day a new Steamer Wm D. Duncan 194 " " "

192. Eight Winnebago Indians were indicted at Prairie du Chien for the murder of Registre Gagnier and Solomon Lineup, the scalping of Louisa Gagnier, and other depredations, in 1827. Red Bird, one of the principal offenders, died in prison. Of the seven Indians brought to trial in October, 1828, before a U. S. circuit court in Crawford county, Wisconsin, five were discharged, and two, Wam-i-ga ("the Sun") and Chik-hang-sic (or, "the Petit Beaufi"), were sentenced to be executed on December 26, 1828.—Wisconsin Historical Collections, v. 11, pp. 366, 367, 395, 396; Niles' Weekly Register, November 1, 1828, p. 151.

193. This information was in a letter written by Indian agent John Dougherty, of Cantonment Leavensworth, and dated November 10, 1828.—Missouri Republican, St. Louis, November 18, 1828.

194. Hall, op. cit., p. 292, listed the Wm. D. Duncan as a 100-ton boat, built in 1827 at Pittsburgh.
The Steamer Cleopatra departed for Louisville.

Isabella " Orleans.

23 pleasant morning. Strong south wind warm Evening.

Little Steamer P. Boy departed for Louisville

Wm. D. Duncan " 1st Time

24 Fine morning warm pleasant Evening Old Steamer Muskingum.\textsuperscript{105} Arrived from Louisville.

25 Fine morning Some Frost. Cool pleasant Evening. J. B.

Steamer Criterion Arrived from N. Orleans

Muskimgum departed For Louisville.

26 Spring morng. Strong South wind. Warm Strong S. Wind river rough No Arrivals or departures to day

27 Beautiful Spring morning. Warm. Fine Warm Evening Little Steamer Rover arrived from Lower Rapids up[per] Mipi. Little Steamer "Cumberland"\textsuperscript{106} from Smithland. 1st time To day Mr. Sanford departs for Washington City in the stage.


29 Fine morning tho cool. Strong W. wind pleasant Evening Steamer Cumberland departs for Trinity.


Criterion " Louisville.

December, 1828

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\textsuperscript{105} The Muskingum, a 150-ton boat, was built at Marietta, Ohio, in 1825. She was "snagged" on Red river in 1829.—\textit{Ibid.}, p. 258. See diary entry of April 3, 1829.

\textsuperscript{106} The Cumberland, built at Pittsburgh in 1828, was a 100-ton boat. She was sunk in 1881.—\textit{Hall, op. cit.}, p. 258.
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REMARKS

1 Clear & warm with strong wind from South. Spring Weather. Fine day. Little Steamer Genl. Pike 197 arrived from Louisville. 1st time


4 Cool morning. Tho' pleas. Fine Clear Evening & pleas. No Arrivals or departures. To day

5 Pleasant morning. Little Ice. Fine warm Evening. Thaw. Steamer Rover small departed for New Orleans. This day recovered a stolen axe by a black fellow who escaped.


7 A beautiful morning & fine day

Steamer Frisbee departs for Louisville

" Illinois " " N. Orleans "

" Criterion arrives from Trinity.

8 Cloudy morning. Rain this evening

Little Steamer Plough Boy arrived from Louisville

" " Diana departed for

" " Gnl. Pike " " Trinity.

197. The General Pike, a 150-ton boat, was built at Big Bone [Ky.?] in 1824.—Ibid., p. 255.

198. The Diana, a 100-ton boat, was built at Brush Creek, Ohio, in 1828.—Ibid., p. 254.

199. Gen. Henry Atkinson and his wife, the former Mary Ann Bullitt of Louisville, Ky. They were married January 10, 1826.—Missouri Republican, St. Louis, February 2, 1826.
Arrived Steamer Cleopatra from Louisville  
Departed "Criterion" for Trinity.
Cloudy, gloomy Evening. Little Steamer Plough Boy departed for Louisville.  
S. B. Maryland from Orleans
11 Clear & pleasant weather. Mr. Hamtranck²⁰² arrives.  
Steamer W. Duncan from Louisville
12 Cold. Heavy frost. 11 A. M. appearance of snow. Rainy evening.  
Steamer Cleopatra departs for Louisville, Ky
Little Steamer Wm Duncan departed for Trinity.
14 Hard freeze with ice this morning. Cool Evening. Steamer Maryland departs for Trinity.  
Steamer Muskingum arrives from Louisville
15 Cold. Freeze this morning. Fine pleasant evening.  
Steamer Oregon arrived from N. Orleans.
16 Clear warm morning. Still clear and warm. Mean Steamer Pilot departed for N. Orleans, etc.
17 Very Cold & Cloudy. continues very cold. [Steamer Pilot]  
sunk 30 miles below St. Gnve. being too heavily Laden.²⁰³  
Steamer Muskingum departs for Louisville.
Arrived Little Steamer Wm D. Duncan from Trinity Ohio.
Little Steamer Diana from Louisville
Little Steamer Wm D. Duncan for Louisville
21 Fine pleasant morning. Pleasant evening. Departed Steamer Diana for Louisville
22 Pleasant morning. a little freeze. Clear and cool. Arrived  
Little Steamer Ploughboy from Louisville. Steamer Bolivar  
from Trinity. Christmas week. J. B.
23 Beautiful morning. Spring weather. Clear and pleasant. no  
arrivals or departures these days

²⁰⁰. See Footnotes 112 and 118.  
²⁰¹. See Footnote 125.  
²⁰². See Footnote 128.  
²⁰³. "The Steam Boat Pilot, on her passage house to New Orleans, sprung a leak, and  
sunk [near] St. Genevieve. She was laden with lead."—Missouri Republicen, St. Louis,  
December 23, 1828.