## THE OLD SOLDIER.

SPRINGFIELD, (ILL.,) JUNE, 92, 1840.



FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS B, S. MORRIS, of Cook County; S. D. MARSHALL, of Gallatin; E. B. Webb, of White; C. Walker, of McDonough; A. Lincoln, of Sangamon.

A. G. HENRY, Chairman of the Harrison State Cer.

IOHN TODD, Chairman of the Committee of Corresof Soldiers who served under Gen. Harrison.

## To the People of Illinois.

To the Feople of Manois.

Ever since the nomination of Gen. Harrison by the Harrisbugh Convention, we have witnessed a constant and malignant effort by the Van Buren leaders, not only to deprive him of his well earned fame as a soldier and a civilian, but to fasten on him the charge of a civilian, but to fasten on him the cherge of being an abolitonist—an accusation equally odious and untrue. We need not be surpris-ed at these efforts they have made;—diret, because it is easier to attack than to defend; and secondly, because they cannot defend at all. There was a time in this State, when the policy of Mr. Van Buren was advocated by in facility and the charges against him by his friends, and the charges against him by his friends, and the charges against him repelled, if not with facts and arguments, at least with zeal and apparent confidence.— But now, when the people point to the disor-ders of the currency, they are told that Gen-Harrison was defeated at Tippecance !—if they complain of the reduction of prices and labor, they are told he rode Jo. Davies' horse, instead of his own!—if they speak of the ex-travagant expenditures of the Government, they are teld he was not at the river Raism! -if they complain of the boundless corruption in high places, they are told he was not at battle of the Thames !—and if yet dissatisfied, the people (suffering under the misrule, corruption, experiments and extravagance of the Government) should turn their thot's towards Gen. Harrison, they are told that he is in favor of selling white men into slavery

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There is, to our minds, proof enough even in these miserable evasions, of the weakmess of a cause which cannot bear even the advocacy of its friends. But the friends of Gen. Harrison, conscious of their vantage ground, are willing to examine his life and conduct, forming, as they do, a part of the history of his country. They appeal to his votes, his speeches, and his letters, as proof of what he has done, and what opinions he has entertained;—they show from his own words that these are his continues stiff: own words that these are his opinions still; and doing so, they confidently rest on the justice of the American people.

Gen. Harrison is charged with being an ABOLITIONIST.

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Let us by a comparison of facts, see whether Gen. Harrison or Mr. Van Buren is the more liable to this charge.

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In 1836, Gen. Harrison wrote the following let-ter, which shows his opinions on the Constitution-ality of abolishing slavery in the District of Colum-bia:

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In 1835, Mr. Van Buren, in answer to a letter of Sherrod Williams, in relation to the constitutionality of abolishing sisresty in the District of Comments of the Comments of

We have thus are no see views of General Harrison and Mr. Van Buren from documents and sources which cannot be disputed. Let the reader judge from the facts presented against which of the two candidates the charge of Abolition can be justly made.

Gen. Harrison has been charged with COWARDICE and WANT OF GENERALSHIP.

The following Resolutions, extracts from Speeches, Messages and Letters, will, we think, satisfy every honest and candid man, that these charges are base and malicious

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LETTER OF COL. J. SPEED SMITH.

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Respectfully, Your obedient servant, J. SPEED SMITH.

M. B. Corwin, Esq.

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Passware, May 10h, 1814.

LETTER FROM GOV. SHELDY.

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it will, hereafter, be found that the command of the North Western Army, and the various duties attached to it, has been one of the most arduous and difficult tasks ever assigned to any officer in the United States, yet he surmounted all.

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Hoping that my opinion of this meritorious officer will
not be unacceptable to you, I have candidly expressed it,
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Extract of a letter from Col. Davies, who was killed at the battle of Tippecance, Aug. 24, 1811:

"I make free to declare that I have imagined there were two initiary near in the West, and Gen. Hagnaron: J. H. DAVIES.

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Message of Simon Snyder, Governor of Pennsylvania, Dec. 19, 1813:

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In the Legislature of Iadiana, on the 12th Nov. 1811, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Gen. Wm. Johnson, thus addressed Gen. Harrison:

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Washington, Dec. 18, 1811.

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