

## Voter Lists

Among the Hays papers that survived in my family were two voter lists. One is from an election held 14 October 1828 in Findlay Township, Allegheny County, PA. The other is for the presidential election of 1836 presumably also held in Findlay Township. Martin van Buren, a Democrat, won. It is one of the more unusual elections ever held in the United States. The Whig Party ran four different candidates in different sections of the county hoping that the sum of number of electors for the four would exceed that for van Buren. The tactic did not work.

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Election of 14 October 1828

List of the names of voters who voted at an election held on Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> day of October A.D. 1828 at the house formerly of John Charles Dec<sup>r</sup> in Findley Township in the county of Allegheny.

No	Names	voted	No	Names	voted
1	John Meginnis		33	Thomas Dean	Tax
2	Thomas J. Hewitt		34	Isaac Meanez	
3	William Eaton		35	John Forbes	
4	Thomas Bryan		36	Rev. Wm. Wilson	
5	Frances McClinton		37	Andrew Bayne	
6	John McElkland		38	Wm. Stewart	Tax
7	Wm. Morgan Senr.		39	Alex. Burns	
8	Wm. Read		40	Samuel Thornburgh	
9	George Thornburgh		41	William Beer	
10	Andrew Crooks		42	Daniel Stewart	
11	Wm. French		43	John Twiford	
12	John McCall		44	Francis M. Bode	
13	John Cavit		45	James Thornburgh Junr	
14	James Elliot		46	James Stewart	
15	George Eaton		47	John Burns	
16	Andrew McMinis		48	Jacob Wilson	Tax
17	John Byres		49	James Twiford	
18	William Meloney		50	Thomas Patterson	
19	William Morgan	age	51	Benjamin Vandecumash	
20	George Elliot		52	John Stewart	
21	Ambris Kenady		53	Mark Orr	
22	James Morrison		54	James Burns	
23	Jacob Drake		55	John Dunlap	
24	Arthur Forbes		56	John Stewart	
25	Wm. Forbes Senr.		57	Benjamin McCullough	
26	James Cooper Senr.		58	Joseph Springer	
27	John Morgan Junr.		59	James Kerr	
28	John Johnston		60	John Hooper	
29	Isaac Markes		61	Samuel Meloney Senr.	
30	Thomas Cochran	Tax	62	James Taggart	
31	Thomas Burns		63	Dr. John Pollock	
32	James Thornburgh		64	Samuel Head	Tax



no	names	voted	no	names	voted
65	Peter Teel	Tax	101	Henry Crooks	
66	Benjamin Gaunce		102	George F. Rice	
67	John McAttee		103	John Adams	
68	John Kirkpatrick		104	John Morrison	
69	James M. Mahan	age	105	Alexander Burns	
70	Samuel M. Mahan	Tax	106	John M. Claron	age
71	Samuel Meloney		107	Wm. Armor	
72	John Stewart	Tax	108	Alexander Jeffrey	
73	Daniel Ansley		109	Henry Burns	
74	James Meloney		110	James Wilson	
75	John Stroup		111	Peter Springer	
76	Martin Pharis	Tax	112	John Burns Junr	Tax
77	Robt. McCullough		113	Richard Stewart	
78	Charles Erwin		114	Jeremiah Cook	
79	Alexander Stewart		115	Andrew Purdy	
80	Alexander Meloney		116	Andrew Kelper	
81	Alexander M. Adams		117	William Forbes	
82	Samuel Stewart		118	Nathaniel M. Bride	
83	James Dixon		119	Joseph Love	
84	Joseph Dixon		120	James Forbes	
85	Abiah Butler		121	Joseph Wherry	
86	John Linton		122	John Taggart	
87	James M. Adams		123	James M. Glaughlin	
88	Joseph Harper		124	James Head	
89	Nichial Springer Junr		125	Richard Cooper	
90	Thomas Adams Senr		126	Gyon Eddy	
91	Thomas Stewart		127	Wm. McCullough	
92	Wm. Burns		128	John Cloud	
93	James Smith		129	Jacob Shook	
94	Josiah Guy		130	Saml. M. Creevy	
95	Alexander Lewis		131	George Bell	
96	Alexander Bell		132	Danl. Cloud	
97	John White		133	John Mixter	Tax
98	Andrew Vance		134	John H. Stewart	
99	Jonathan Jackson		135	Joseph Morrison	
100	Wm. Ferguson		136	Joseph Gurnet	



No.	Names	Vote	No.	Names	Vote
137	Saml. Morgan				
138	Isaiah Mixter				
139	John Dixon				
140	Thos. Ansley				
141	Jeremiah Morgan	age			
142	Daniel M'Elester				
143	Andrew M'Elester				
144	James Cavit				
145	James Cooper				
146	Samuel Porter				
147	Thos. Boultbee				



Presidential election of 1836

A list of voters who voted at an election held at the house of William Ewing (late of Elizabeth Charles) in Fındlay Township on Friday the 4<sup>th</sup> day of November A.D. 1836 for the election of electors of President and vice President of the United States and for delegates to amend the Constitution of the State of Pennsylvania -

Names			Names		
No. 1	Samuel Ewing	voted 32	James Chriswell	voted	
2	John Ewing	v 33	Richard Stewart	v	
3	William Morgan	v 34	Charles Stewart	v	
4	Samuel White	v 35	James Shaw	v	
5	Abiah Butler	v 36	John Manor	v	
6	Andrew M. Minn	v 37	Andrew Read	v	
7	John Threise Sen	v 38	John Wilson	v	
8	Robert Luttan	v 39	A. M. Armour	v	
9	Peter Springer	v 40	Davidson Scheson	v	
10	James Todd	v 41	Ed. Flanagan	v	
11	George Aten	v 42	Robert Stevenson	v	
12	Samuel Miller	v 43	Alexander Henry	v	
13	Hugh Barton	v 44	John Byers	v	
14	William Aten	v 45	Thomas Stewart	v	
15	William G. Ferguson	v 46	William Armour	v	
16	John McClelland	v 47	Thomas Burns	v	
17	David Threise	v 48	Isaac Marks	v	
18	John Pollock	v 49	Johnathan Stevenson	v	
19	James Dickson	v 50	David Moody	v	
20	Isaac Manor	v 51	George Elliott	v	
21	John Barton	v 52	Samuel Meloney	v	
22	John Smith	v 53	James McLaughlin	v	
23	Samuel Manor	v 54	Joseph McClarn	v	
24	John Stewart	v 55	John Smyres	v	
25	Benjamin McCullough	v 56	Samuel McBride	v	
26	Joseph Dickson	v 57	Joel Ferree	v	
27	George Bell	v 58	James Wherry	v	
28	Samuel Eichel	v 59	John Forbes	v	
29	John McCullough	v 60	Samuel Pollock	v	
30	William Houghston	v 61	William Howard	v	
31	John Mitten	v 62	John Patton	v	



Names		Names	
63	Robert Adams	98	William Dowling
64	Thomas Adams sen	99	John Burns sen
65	Eliza Charles	100	John Hooper
66	William Wilson Rev	101	John Oliver
	<del>Samuel</del>	102	Ambrose Kennedy
67	Benjamin Vandemark	103	Samuel Morgan
68	Alexander Burns	104	Andrew Purdy
69	James Wilson	105	John McGinnis
70	John Mahan	106	George McKall
71	John Furford	107	John W. Stewart
72	Nathan Hood	108	James McWhorter
73	William Erwin	109	John Stewart mather
74	John McKall	110	James King
75	John White	111	Isaac Benward
76	Farmer Purdy	112	Charles Morgan
77	Joseph Harper	113	Alexander Burns
78	Charles Erwin	114	James Oliver
79	Arthur Forbes	115	William Wilson
80	Alexander Byers	116	John Dickson
81	Daniel Mclester	117	John McClarn
82	Robert McClarn	118	William Weaver
83	William Forbes jr.	119	Peter Whitel
84	Joseph Gunnet	120	Samuel Read
85	St. Guy	121	Joseph Scott
86	James McKall	122	Alexander Gould
87	George Fodd	123	Robert Wilson
88	Isaac Miller	124	Andrew Mclester
89	Samuel Porter		James Alexander
90	James Stewart jr		
91	Thomas J. Hewitt		
92	John Wilson A.D.		
93	James Archibald		
94	James Stewart sen		
95	John Nelson		
96	George Howe		