

Lineage No.: **ABINGDON 01**

Group Title: **Political Prospect**

Variant 01: The Holston Intelligencer and Abingdon Advertiser.

Publication Data: January 4, 1806 to about August 1811 Weekly

Proprietors: John G. Ustick

IVP Associates: John Gano Ustick (421); Thomas Ustick (528)

Notes: Only known copy is issue for May 15, 1810 (vol. 4, no. 198), a Tuesday; local histories report that Ustick's paper commenced publication on January 4, 1806, a Saturday; the numbering of this singular issue indicates his paper was in suspension for about 10 weeks during that period, as that issue should be no. 208 if publication were continuous weekly. A dunning notice he published in mid-1808 (reprinted that September in *The Reporter* of Lexington, Kentucky,) stated that subscriber arrearages had left him without the cash he needed to buy paper, suggesting a suspension of his journal was then imminent.

Calculated start date of Ustick's succeeding *Political Prospect* indicates an end date for this title of August 31, 1811, also a Saturday, though it is possible that there was also a suspension during the transitions as well, hence the indefinite end date reported here. Variance in the day of the week when paper was issued is likely the result of changes in the schedule of Abingdon's postal service.

References: LCCN No. 90-069188

Variant 02: The Political Prospect

Publication Data: September 7, 1811 until late 1819 Weekly

Proprietors: John G. Ustick

IVP Associates: John Gano Ustick (421); Thomas Ustick (528)

Notes: Earliest surviving copy is issue for January 4, 1812 (Vol. 1, no. 18), indicating a change in title from the *Holston Intelligencer* starting with the September 7, 1811 issue. Last known issue is one for January 9, 1819. As Ustick moved to Wytheville in early 1820, it is almost certain that this paper ceased publication sometime in late 1819. All surviving copies are held by the University of Virginia.

References: LCCN No. 90-069191
