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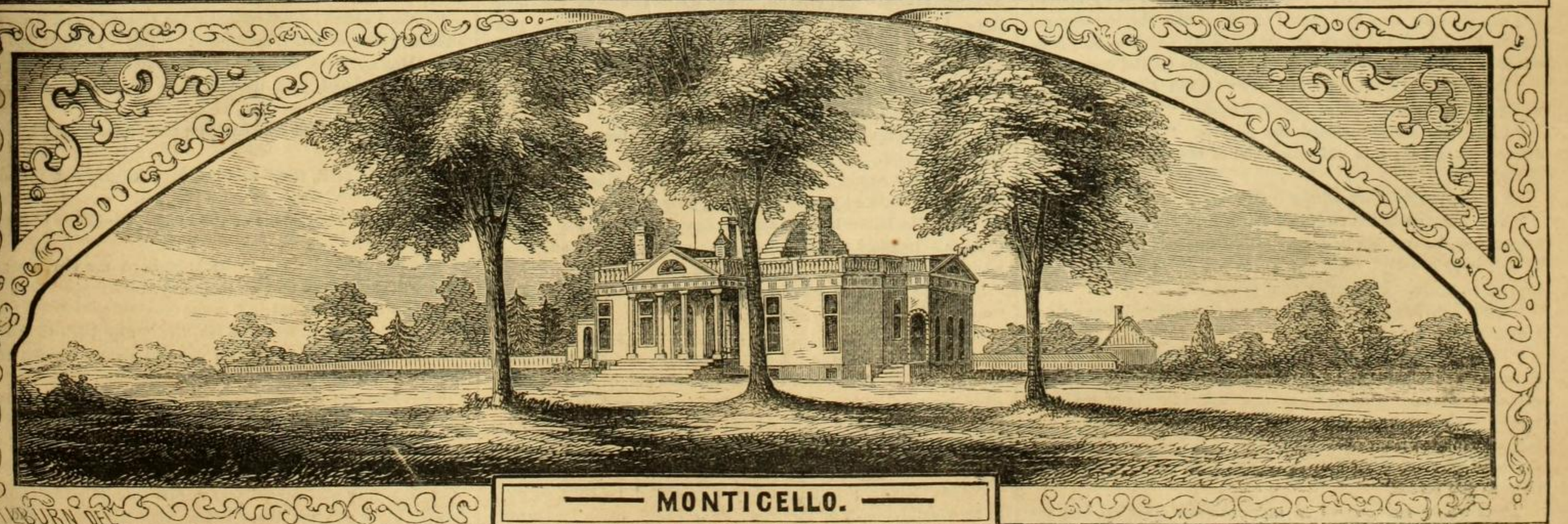
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THOMAS JEFFERSON.

We present below a picture commemorative of the birthday of one of America's greatest statesmen, who was born April 2d, 1743. At the top of the picture, we have a portrait of Thomas Jefferson, the author of the Declaration of Independence, and third president of the United States. On the left of the head are several books, among others his celebrated "Notes on Virginia," symbolical of his literary attainments. On the right, a scroll, bearing the legend, "The Declaration of Independence;" and the capital of an architectural column, designed by Mr. Jefferson, of a truly American character. The column is composed of the stock of the American corn, and the capital of the leaves and blossoms of the tobacco plant, arranged like the Corinthian capital. Beneath, we have a view of Monticello, the famous resi-

dence of the great American statesman. We have selected these timely, national, and interesting themes for illustration, that we may thus aid, by our Pictorial, to fix upon the minds of the people the history of the past, and the memory of such of its great names as should be ever fresh and green in their recollections. Others, of a similar character, are designed to follow through the volume, thus enriching its pages, and adding historic value and interest to them. Franklin's birthday occurs in January, therefore his likeness was given with appropriate illustrations in that month; Washington's was given in February, on the same plan; Bowditch, in March; and now we give that of Jefferson, who was born in the present month. Mr. Jefferson early adopted the law as a profession, and commenced his public career in the legislature of Virginia. The far-famed and justly-honored "Declar-

ation of Independence" was the work of Mr. Jefferson's hands, though afterwards amended by Franklin, Adams, and Congress. Subsequently he filled various important offices and appointments, proposed and arranged the present money-system of the country, was minister to France, and Secretary of State, under Washington. In 1796 he was chosen Vice President, and in 1801 was chosen President of the United States, and was re-elected again in 1805, and after eight years of service retired to his residence of Monticello. He left several works, the fruits of his scholarship and sound political judgment, for the benefit of his countrymen. He died July 4, 1826, just fifty years after the date of the Declaration of Independence. No name on the annals of our country stands forth in more grandeur and honor, none is more revered and cherished, than that of Thomas Jefferson.



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