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To the Democracy of the Thirteenth Congressional Distsict. (Concluded.)

FOR THE AMERICAN. H. B. MASSER, Esq - Dear Sir :- In 1836, when I was a delegate to the County Convention, it is asserted by 'O'd Lycoming' that 1, in a speech of characteristic malignity, denounced Gen. Fleming, who had been nominated as the Senatorial delegate to the reform convention.' On the contrary, after his nomination, morning of the election, one of which accidenthe having signed and delivered a pledge to carry ally fell into my hands in time to counteract out our principles, in relation to the Bank, &c., their influence, and by unceasing exertions, which is published in the Gazette of the 26th Oct. of that year, I advocated his election .- of the county, I succeeded in preparing and (See the election returns.) I did, however, as distributing a refutation, to which, doubtless, a consistent democrat, openly oppose General the democratic candidate owed his success. I the Convention, because his name was sprung took no measures to defeat it. He was an houpon us without any notice, having been named previously as a candidate for the Legislature, a great many democrats, because he had voted a nomination which his friends found they for, and, as the Lycoming Gazette says, carried could not effect, and, because I doubted his democracy, he having, during the Panic, denounced General Jackson for having removed the deposites from the Bank of the U. States. I am accused of opposition to Dr. Taylor, in 1837, and of having tampered with Mr. S. Bastress, 'who was the warm personal and political friend of this same Muncy factionist,' in order to induce him to run as a volunteer candidate.

The following correspondence with Mr. Bastress will completely refute that charge. "MUNCY, Nov. 20, 1835.

"S. BASTRESS, Esq - Dear Sir :- 1 have recently been conversing with a number of our friends, of each division of the democratic party, as to the best mode to be adopted to bring about a union, so as to prevent another defeat in the approaching contest for President and Vice President, and the general wish, as expressed, is that a meeting of the Democratic party be and become a participant with a few to get the called by the regular Standing Committee of control of it, in order to use it as an instrument the County, without references to the late unfortunate contest, and that, at that meeting, measures should be agreed upon, if possible, to produce the desired result. In attending the to it in self-defence. I might also review the meeting, those belonging to each division, must columns of the Gazette about this period, when come prepared to make mutual concessions, they will be found blank, as far as the U. States otherwise the attempt to produce a re-union Bank is concerned, until these spurious demowill prove abortive ; because it cannot be ex- crats were ont-generaled by the Anties, when by one side demanding all, and the other asked investigation, alleging that the grossest frauds 1840.

SUNBURY AMERICAN.

AND SHAMOKIN JOURNAL:

Absolute acquiescence in the decisions of the majority, the vital principle of Republics, from which there is no appeal bat to force, the vital principle and immediate parent of despotism .- JEFFERSON.

By Masser & Elsely.

until his name was announced.

Sunbury, Northumberland Co. Pa. Saturday, March S. 1845.

him the determination of Mr. Bastress, not to be | I was concerned in his defeat, never made a | purpose, when they must have known that the | ality can have no other effect than to subject

since settled by the people, both as regards Judge Taggart and myself. As far as the can-It is notorious, that an accidental circumstance enabled me to contribute largely to the didates for State Senator were concerned, I had success of Dr. Taylor's first election to the Lenot much choice between Messrs, Fleming and gislature ; and it is, perhaps, owing to the cir- Anthony. Personally, I would have preferred cumstance to which I allude, and my exertions. the latter, but I supported the former in opposithat he was saved from defeat. The opposition tion to Harrisburg dictation. And before his had secretly prepared an attack upon Dr. Taynomination, Gen. Fleming gave a written lor, remembered afterwards as the 'Keep Dark' pledge to carry out the principles of the party, hand bills, intended to be circulated on the which is now in my possession and subject to the inspection of any one. He was elected, and it is well known who gets the credit of it, if credit could be attached to any one ! A lecture going myself and sending others to various parts on gratitude might here be in place ; but let it pass. Allusion is made to the course of my 'own brother-in-law,' (Mr. Montgomery,) and an effort made to hold me responsible for his par-Fleming, while his nomination was pending in did not desire Dr. Taylor's re-nomination, but ticipation, as conferee in the nomination of La- zero, I esteem, was palmed upon the democracy nest and amiable man, but was objectionable to childishly contemptible is it to associate me and, in effect, we were given to understand that through the charter of the West Branch Bank, notwithstanding he had been elected an Anti-Bank candidate; but, after his re-nomination, I opposed Mr Bastress, my personal and political friend, and as honest a man and politician as exists, and supported the Doctor in good faith, as the election returns in Muncy, where 'Old Lycoming' says I exercise a controlling influence, will show. Mr. Bastress got but S7 votes at the District, and Dr. Taylor 180, the full democratic vote ! How well is 'Old Lycoming' Gazette against Mr. Montgomery for casting Let it not be forgotten, that Dr. Taylor, to

a candidate, and I heard no more of the matter 'coward' of me. I considered the matter long

whose second nomination I had objections, was ton county, where I believe the conferens form- of Clinton, and Col. James Burnside, of Centre the instrument in the hands of the Williamsport ed the ticket, Bruner had 692, Laverty 736 county; the difficulties arising out of the con-Clique, to procure from the Legislature the votes, leading his colleague in both counties 175 test between Judge Lewis and Judge Burnside, charter of the West Branch Bank. I might votes

here dwell upon the efforts that were made to 'Old Lycoming' withhold their censure as regards 1840 ; but they forget to mention that, wishes of the Executive, as will appear from induce me to come up to the help of the Bank, by the management of the Williamsport disor- the letters of the latter, to Capt, Forsyth, at ganisers, with the aid of the 'notorious John to rule the political destinies of the county; Morehead,' which the Gazette styles him about of the conferees, after several ballotings, that an but I forbear, feeling no inclination to hold men that time, the democratic candidate for the Asup to the scorn of the world, unless I be driven sembly was defeated in this county, at the spe- Jesse C. Horten, who had not been before the called for allusion above, and the representa- dence of their kind regard, cial election. They pass over in silence the abose of me, this year, in the Gazette, which was for the Senate, and who had, as before stated, indignantly hurled back at the authors of it, by the voluntary action of my triends and neighbors, in a publication of March 5, and by an pected that harmony will or onn be produced suddenly a clamor was raised, demanding an exposition over my own signature, of March 12, days before the election. It is remarkable, that

usual, ascribed to me ! Let us see with how no authority from the people, particularly one forced into the field by the people to oppose in the county, the selfish and disorganising pomuch truth. The previous session of the Le- of those from this county, who was answeramittee, of which Laverty was chairman, and a- gislature Mr. Gamble had, unfortunately, voted ble only to his principal, who shrunk from the muse the reader with their bravadoes, until, as for 'that damnable relief Bill,' as it was hypo- responsibility. if by magic, the charges were withdrawn, sig- critically termed by one of Gov. Porter's Cabi- Forsyth's was the only nomination made acsubject, and if the proposed meeting is called, nificant whispers circulated, and, it is said, the net officers, in a conversation with me, after it cording to Democratic usage. He was nominahush money' of \$1000 paid, which has not, I became a law. His vote gave great dissatisfac- ted by the delegate convention of Northunbermensure. Let me hear from you soon on the believe, been contradicted. But I poss by all tion to his constituents, and, as one of them, I land county, and now holds a certificate signed unhesitatingly expressed my disapprobation of by the delegates almost unanimously. By a salhis course. Was I, Mr. Gamble, or his friends utary usage of the party, the nomination of Senwho advised him to pursue that course, to blame after was conceded to Northumberland county, for the difficulties attending his re-nomination ! and she had, with great unanimity selected I, however, used no efforts to have him super. Capt. Forsyth, rejecting Mr. Horton, who, by It is alleged that, in 1838, three of my per- seded, but, on the contrary, having been placed arbitrary means, was palmed upon the party, on the ticket without a competitor, and having and the people asked to support him. Forsyth's tember, On the 1st ballot Brindle was duly ing' alleged, I received on the first ballot 64 given me the strongest assurences, in writing, triends in Northumberland county, under these of his regret for his vote, I yielded him, as the circumstances, would not permit him to with- Boal received but 2. Some irregularity being Ah! but, say the writers of 'Old Lycoming,' the draw, alleging that as he was the only regular nominee of the party, an ardent support. As regards the nomination of Sheriff, I took nominee, he was in the hands of the party, and again nominated, having received the vote of candidates expressed a willingness to waive all no part in it, whatever,-was not even at the must go before the people, even though he delegate election, being from home on a visit to should have to contend with the train bands of also nominated, having received a majority. those 64 delegates must have been possessed of a distant sick friend ; and I learned, at Nor. the State administration along the public works. Only one set of conferees was received from very little courage, if my nomination was 'cothumberland, for the first time, from Mr. Pack. The Governor, himself, came into the district, each of the counties. Brindle was nominated erced,' or those 'seven men in buckram' must er, that 'Donly would be nominated, as he and every one of his minious were set to work by the same conference that nominated Boal, so have assumed a very formidable appearance ! was strong in the centre.' It appeared, how- against Capt. Forsyth, the people's candidate. that if either were irregular, both were. 1 was The truth is, however, that there was no coerever, that his strength was 5 votes, on the 1st 1 openiy, and warmly supported Capt. Forsyth, not present at the meeting of the conferees, but cion on my part, or any of my triends. The our party is divided, they will take advantage do, that, instead of redeeming their promises, ballot, while Turner had upwards of 30 ! yet, and opposed Horton, who had not even the co- can appeal for the correctness of the above state- nomination was fair, and made without bargain they endeavored to shove him off and have one by din' of figuring, D n'y was nominated by lour of a fair nomination. In the heat of the ment to Messre, John & James Gamble, Col. or compromise. Nor did my honorable compoof their own clan nominated. I also remember 1 of a majority. This I learned from others, contest, I never stated any thing but the truth Rhodearmel, J. H. McCormick and others, who titors, at any time, 'express a willingness to having not been present, as I returned home in reference to the means used to present Mr. sick, and was lying ill when the convention Horton to the party. Forsy th would have been met, and, consequently, had no agency in the triumphantly elected had not the district been September 16th '43, and the following language It is false that I, or any of my relations, threatmy being a candidate, alleging Bruner's utter settlement of the ticket. Instead of encoursg- visited by the Executive and his officers, a pro- used in reference to it :-ing Mr. Turner to run against the ticket, he minent one of whom passed up the canal on the motives. I, however, as has always been my and his particular friends, as well as many of Sabbath day, immediately before the election, coming to come forward and sustain the ticket- didates would not be elected, but nothing like my neighbors, know that I used every argo. on his way from Hairisburg, and scattered the whole ticket-and nothing but the ticket- intimidation was attempted. Who ever heard ment I could muster to dissuade him from such hand bills, manufactured there, along the whole which will be found on the first column of this of a democratic convention nominating an indiline of the public works in the district. Letters page, printed in conspicious letters. Seldom vidual for tear of his opposition ! The bare intions, appeared in the field as a candidate for a course ; and I know that T. Maxwell, E-q. from Harrisburg, calculated to intimidate or has there been such an excellent ticket in eve- sinuation is an insult to the party. It is asserand Col. Bennet aided in Donly's nomination otherwise influence the weak or ambitious, ry respect formed and submitted to the people, ted as an excuse, I suppose, for the secret opand election. The latter rode the lower end of the county, electioneering for him. It is also came like the leaves of autumn, flying into eve- and we feel confident that it will receive a warm ways resisted their urgent solicitations. Had I false that Mr. Turner was a foreman on the ry part of the district. If more need be said on enthusiastic and general support by the denue- pecritically fawn upon those whom I knew to been so disposed, the 'ghost of the defeated canal, under T. Maxwell, Esq., or under any o- the subject, I shall call upon Capt. Forsyth and cracy of old Lycoming county." Packer,' which 'Old Lycoming' lugs in, would ther person. By a reference to the returns of the delegates by whom he was nominated, to not have scared me from the track ; for, I had the election of that year, it will be seen that publish an exposure of the whole transaction. sufficient evidence that it was a poor harmless Mr. Turner, who received 30 votes on the 1st I boast of going with my democratic brethern the people had dared to place a person objec- warm friends, whose regard I shall be proud to ballot, in the delegate convention, and those ali in support of Forsyth, against the candidate of tionable to Porter in nomination, up came Mr. cherish while I live.' The charge is basely the election of Judge Taggart, who is termed, from the 'lower end' of the county, obtained but the Executive, thus forced upon the party withby the writers of 'Old Lycoming,' my 'twin 7 votes in Muncy borough ! If I, whom 'Old out their consent. A bistory of the transactions personal responsibility struck the name of Brin- democratic Canal Commissioner ?' Who caubrother,' by an overwhelming majority to a seat Lycoming' represents so formidable as to 'co- and the correspondence thereupon, will fully dle from the ticket, and inserted that of John not fathom the dark design of this institution? in the reform convention. If the Ghost was to erce' the votes of 64 of the people's delegates sustain all I have stated in relation to the mat- Morehead in the Gazette, which immediately It was evidently intended to produce an effort be used as such a potent scare crow, why did in the convention, as the nominee for Congress, ter. not his 'canonized bones' then 'burst their cere- had exerted myself in favor of Turner, would This brings me down to '43. The ungen- ring to appear on the democratic ticket without triends who might apply for appointments. ments,' emerge from the political 'sepulchre' he have received the mesgre support of only themanly manner in which 'Old Lycoming' in- first securing the consent of his Excellency ! Who are the units vering democrats' who could wherein they were 'quietly in-urned,' and 're- ? votes in the borough where I live ! What troduces the name of my step-son, is intended, The following exposition, published shortly af- not be induced to vote the whole betwee? When visit the glimpses of the moon.' The truth is, will the public think of a writer, or writers, who I suppose, to wound the feelings of a parent ; ter by Col. Carter, who was editor of the Ga- dat an 'unwavering democras' ever secretly neither the 'Ghost' nor the original, ever had could thus deliberately string falsehood after but in this age of refinement and courtesy a. zette, will throw further light upon the subject : plot the defeat of the ticket, claim credit for the any terrors for me. My 'conscience,' so far as falsehood together to accomplish an unworthy mong even political opponents, such vile person- 'On Monday the 18th of September, I was re- act, and write an anonymous communication to

means of exposure were at hand ? the writers to the scorn and contempt of an en-In 1842, in consequence of the extraordinary lightened community. Brindle became a canmeans used to induce delegates to violate their didate against my advice. For several reasons bargain and sale, Mr. Maxwell, who was a candidate for the Assembly, was defeated in convention by a majority of one; still Boal's nomination had a color of regularity, and he was accordingly supported, though a large majority of the party had little confidence in his demosuspicions to be well-founded.

Mr. Horton's pretended nomination, as a candidate for Senator, however, was a different thing. In fact it was no nomination according to democratic usage, as I shall show ; but Horton, whom as a gentleman and a fellow citivarty, as a candidate for the Assembly. How of this Senatorial district by Governor Porter, with everything they consider reprehensible ! we must swallow him, because the Governor By calling on either of the delegates to the con- had use for him at the seat of government. vention which appointed Mr. Montgomery con- Northumberland county, in accordance with the feree, namely Messrs, D. Mecum and J. Daw- usage in the district, was entitled to the nomison, any one can learn that I had no agency in his i nation of the Senator, and when their convenappointment. Though it is not expected that I tion met, Capt. Wm. Forsyth was duly nomshould defiend him, yet the returns of the elec- nated, and Jesse Horton, who was before the tion may be set down to show what the people convention as a candidate for Assembly, was rethought of his conduct. Maj Bruner, residing jected. Conferees were accordingly appointed. in Lycoming, received, for Assembly, 1340 with instructions to support Capt, Forsyth in a votes- Laverty, of Clearfield, 1471 in this coun- conference of all the delegates from the whole ty, notwithstanding the unmeasured denunci- district. The conferees met twice, and adjournations and abuse hunched out by the Lycoming ed without being able to make a selection from the three candidates presented, namely ; Wm his vote at the conference for Laverty. In Clin- Forsyth, of Northumberland, George Crawford,

> to procure the nomination of the man who would best suit their respective views, and the that time. It was not until the third meeting apology for a nomination was made, namely, people of Northumberland county as a candidate curred on the 27th of September, only a few right."

at most of these meetings, a portion of the con- date, and sustained by the whole force of the ad- at it seems to be necessary. The Porter press, In 1841 difficulties are spoken of and all, as | terence was composed of substitutes, who had

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quested to call at General Packer's house. called, and found assembled in solemn conclave the following persons : W. F. Packer, Auditor General ; J. Butler, Canal Commissioner ; instructions, which was, in too many instances, I did not wish him to appear before the public A. B. Warford, Engineer ; J. B. Beck, Collecpropose the matter was Wm. F. Packer, Esq., Mr. Packer seemed to be the head, and Mr. when he visited our place, in company with Mr. Beck the tail of the party. Mr. Packer com-S. H. Lloyd, in order to solicit my aid in proco- menced consuring me in a pleasant way, for plaring the appointment of Prothonotary for Hep- cing Brindle's name on the ticket and writing burn McClure E-q. If Mr. Packer will do me an article in his favor. I replied that it was justice, he will testify, if called upon, that I my duty, as a democratic editor, to support regcracy. I had none. The result proved their was opposed to the measure of bringing Brindle ular nominations. He answered by stating that torward. The history of the campaign of '43 is | Brindle had received his nomination unfairlyso fresh in the minds of the people that I need that he was not to be trusted-and that he would not dwell upon it; but, that persons at a distance may judge who were the disorganizers, I Brindle and his friends to Texas or to, if my will briefly state the most important facts. Boal memory serves me correctly, even to a still had generally voted with the whigs in the Le- warmer place. After further conversation, it gislature, and had otherwise become objectiona- was agreed that Brindle's name should be strickble to the democrats, yet he was high in the fa- en from the ticket, and Mr. Morehead's name vor of the Governor and his particular friends. | inserted in its place.'

> Efforts were, therefore, made to prevent his re-It is unnecessary for me to follow 'Old Lynomination. In referring to the excitement of coming' through all the scurrility, misrepresenthe contest, an uncalled for allusion is made to tations and glaring fulsehoods in the notice they the pecuniary circumstances of the candidates; take of my nomination on the ticket last fall, and it is alleged, "on the one side, was seen the only time in which I ever yielded to the oft the influence of money' and on the other 'the repeated solicitations of my democratic friends bare crust of right,' unaided and unsustained to bring me before the public, as a candidate with either." This leaves me at perfect liberty for any office. The people of this county are to say, that for years I have sostained the 'bare well aware that personal considerations never crust of right,' and sheltered him from the 'pel- had any weight with me, in the efforts I have tings of the nittiless storms' of many winters, used in the cause of Democracy ; and as it is that I assisted in procuring him the means of difficult to prove a negative, yet, in this case, it obtaining and prosecuting an honorable profes- could be done. 1 ask the distant reader to besion ; and not because of any peculiar merits olieve the simple assertion of one who claims to ver other applicants, or that I had any great faith be an honorable man. I never sought officein his democracy, but because of his needy con- never was a candidate for political honors bedition. I interested myself in his behalf, and 1 fore the late contest, and 1 have freely declared believe, materially aided in securing him the that I never felt interested in any nomination office of deputy prosecuting attorney. His lia- other than, as a means, to perpetuate the prinhilities to me have not been discharged to this ciples of democracy pure and uncontaminated. day, nor is it likely, from present appearances. The hostility of a few demagogues to me, orithat they ever will; and the many acts of kindginated in the fact that they have not been aness he has received at my hands, has been reble to use me to aid them in securing the flesh raid with nought but ingratitude. I should pots of Egypt.' I am, however, truly grateful scorn to speak of these matters, but for the unto my fellow dem crats for the continued evi-

'Old Lycoming' seems to regard it as a piece of tions so repeatedly made that I have applied pecuniary means, to interfere with the political effrontery in me to permit my name to be used been rejected by their convention as a candidate | aspirings of the individual referred to, as ha- as a candidate for office ! I would rather not for the Assembly. The finale of this farce oc- ving nought on his side but the 'bare crust of repeat the circumstance of my nomination, lest I subject myself to the charge of egotism, which

But to return. Boal was the Porter candi- of all things I would most avoid ; but a glance the only one at that time him. When the delegates assembled at Wil- liticians-the Lawyers-the Judges-the Sherliamsport, and the Porter party made the disco- iff-the officers on the canal, from the supervivery that the 'Lower End,' by custom entitled sor down to the mud boss-all were against my that year to the member, had declared for nomination. I had for competitors two lawyers, Brindle with great unanimity, by a clandestine one of whom had before been honored with a and arbitrary course of proceedings, taking ad- seat both in the National and State Legislature, vantage of the absence of the anti-Porter dele- and the other had filled a seat in the reform congates, the wire workers managed matters so as vention, and subsequently in the State Senateto cause a division in the convention which re- and one Doctor, all highly distinguished and sulted in a separate organization, and the apdelegates, some of them making personal visita-These conferees, with those appointed in the tions, and all stumping it ; and yet, alone, aided other parts of the district, met on the 11th Sep- by my 'seven men in buckram,' as 'Old Lycomnominated, having received 4 of the 6 votes. votes, Mr. Ellis 15, and Gen. Flemming 9. alleged, a re-balloting was had, and Brindle was nomination was a 'coercive' one, and 'the other every conferee in the conference. Boal was their claims for the good of the party.' Now, were present. Thus the ticket was formed, waive all their claims,' but kept their names beened destruction to the ticket. The opinion "We now call upon the democracy of old Ly- may have been expressed that some of the canposition of 'Old Lycoming,' that I did not hybe unworthy. I am satisfied with my manner But did they support the ticket ! Not they ! in my intercourse with the public. Either that, So soon as the news reached Harrisburg that or my peculiar ways thave secured me many Packer, the Auditor General, and upon his own false that any of my warm friends traded off our opened its battery of abuse upon Brindle for da- upon the Canal B and, prejudicial to any of my

successful, and the most bare-faced system of at that time. The first person I ever heard tor of Tolls, and some two or three other persons.

to concede all. I wish you would use your endeavors to promote a spirit of forgetfulness of low them to Harrisburg, armed with the docuthe past, and a determination to pay no regard. mentary evidence, confront them before the comin future, to names, but to stick to the principles which the democratic party have been contending for. Talk to our old friends on the do not neglect to attend, if you approve of the subject, and believe me

Yours truly, WM. A. PETRIKIN." (Signed.) "Muscy, Sep. 15, 1837.

"S. BASTRESS, Esq -Dear Sir :- I received | ciple opposed. your esteemed favor of this inst., and am exminate in defeat. I do not know what to advise relative to running another man in this county. Bruner, I know, would not agree to run, and I would not advise you to do so, as it would depend very much on circumstances whether you would succeed or not. The great danger is, that when the opposition finds that of it and carry their man.

Yours Respectfully, WM. A. PETRIKIN. (Signed.) JERSEY SHORE, Sept. 16, 1837.

"WM. A. PETRIKIS, E-q.-Respected Friend: I received yours this day, and thank you kindly for the friendly hints therein. I think they are correct. I always doubted the propriety of running against wind and tide. Packer and Gamble went up, this day, to meet the Conferees from Clearfield. A.C. was here yesterday and urged the matter strongly. I told him I would not consent unless my friends in the lower end of the county requested me so to do. He told me he would see you this day. Now, my friend, you will do me a kindness, if you see him, to show him the great risk there would be, and, besides, I cannot submit to be called an anti-mason and a Fed., for running against the ticket. I always have been a democrat, and hope to remain one, altho' I am sometimes called an Anti, for supporting H. A. Muhlenberg. If he should have returned to Williamsport, please drop him a line, and we will drop the matter and be at peace. Do attend to this my friend. I remain your friend and wellwisher.

SOL. BASTRESS," (Signed.)

On the next day, after the receipt of the above letter, Mr. A. C., the individual above alluded to, called on me and I communicated to

and corruption could be proved. I might folthis, and ferbear to comment on the blight that fell upon Northern Pennsylvania, occasioned

sustained by the touch-stone of truth ?

by the 'flare up' of this pet. democratic (!) Bank, to the establishment of which, I was from prin-

treme'y sorry to learn that our party has con- sonal and political friends' aspired to important ducted matters, in relation to the formation of offices. The assertion is not founded in truth. their ticket in the representative district, in I am not aware that any of them were my 'parsuch a manner as to create dissatisfaction and ticular friends.' On that ticket appeared the division, which I am fearful will ultimately ter- name of Maj. Bruner, as a candidate for the Assembly, who does not acknowledge any 'particular friendship' for me. I remember, however, that he was a candidate for nomination the year before, and that, as I understood, the Williamsport faction, by promises of future consideration, induced him to withdraw in favor of Dr. Taylor. He may remember, at least 1

that one of the Williamsport gentlemen, who generally figures in the regulation of the nomi-

nations for the county, urged and insisted on incapacity. I, of course, refused, knowing his uniform practice, supported the ticket.

It is not true that I, previous to the nomina-Senator in 1839. My name was mentioned as such, but my political friends throughout the county, and my neighbors, will testify that I alshadow, and particularly the following year, in

inistration and the canal officers : Brindle was

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pointment of two sets of conferees. and thus it was announced in the Gazette of fore the convention until the last.