From the Pittsburg Union.

Bribing the Press.

It is somewhat remarkable that a few of the German papers in different parts of the country, about the same time announced their intention of supporting Fremont. We were almost persuaded at the time, that this course was not the result of fair means, and recent developements have added strength to that impression. The following affidavit which we find in the Easton *Sentinel*, gives some insight into the corrupt scheme which has been attempted by the leaders of the Fremont party. It is the sworn declaration of Josiah Cole, editor of the "Independent Democrat," a German paper, that he had been offered $3,000 to support Fremont. Read it!

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA,
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, ss.

Personally appeared before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace in and for said county, Josiah Cole, editor of the "Independent Democrat," a German newspaper, published in the borough of Easton, in said county, who being duly sworn according to law, doth on his solemn oath declare and say, that on or about the middle of July last, Henry W. Lowry, a brother of Major Gen. Grove P. Lowry, of Kansas, having first called deponent aside, proceeded to inquire if he was proprietor and had sole control of the paper of which he was the editor. That upon this deponent answering in the affirmative, and after some conversation had passed upon the prospects for success of the several candidates for the Presidency, the said Henry W. Lowry, further said that he was authorized by certain persons to say to him that if he, the said deponent would come out and faithfully support Col. Fremont, he the said deponent would receive three thousand dollars. That they had the money ready, and all they wanted was for him to pledge his honor that he would so support Col. Fremont and the money should be paid down to him, in cash, before he should be required to take any stand. That upon this deponent replying that he would not do it, the conversation upon that subject ended and they separated.

And this deponent further saith that the above and foregoing is substantially all that passed between him and the said Henry W. Lowery, in relation to that subject. JOSIAH COLE.

Sworn and subscribed August 4th, 1856, before me, HOR. E. WOLF, J. P.

When it is remembered that the great mass of those who compose the Republican party, have been members of the Know Nothing organization, and that almost the entire body of the newspaper press which is now arrayed on the side of Fremont, very recently sustained the principles of the Know Nothing party, and when we see these same men and press using every endeavor to flatter and conciliate the Germans and Irish, and to truckle for the foreign vote, we are disgusted with the exhibition of such inconsistency, such meanness and subserviency.

But repugnant as is such an exhibition to every sentiment of honor, it is innocent and trifling compared with a bare faced effort to bribe the German press to support the candidate of the combined Know Nothing and Republican parties. Such attempts have doubtless been made in more instances than one. The exposure only comes where the experiment is unsuccessful. Where the press is actually bribed the public is kept in ignorance of the fact, unless the sudden change of sentiment in the organ purchased excites a suspicion of the fraud.—But here we have in at least one instance, the iniquity nailed to the counter. And from this one instance we can gain some faint conception of the desperate game which is now being played by the opposition. To bribe a single newspaper, of limited circulation, for the Presidential contest, would, of course, be of little service. But the price agreed to be paid indicates that it was considered as a desirable object.—How can we account for this gross piece of attempted corruption otherwise than on the reasonable and fair supposition, that it is part of a general concerted system by which the whole German press of the State was sought to be controlled?

And this, we suppose, is the Republican idea of a free press which makes such a harmonious jingle with Free Soil and Fremont. Truly, we have come to a point in the history of the country when money seems to be regarded as omnipotent. The leaders of the North American and Republican parties have made their bargains and secret arrangements for a union, with perfect confidence in their ability to control the masses of the people, and to transfer their votes from one candidate to another with as much ease as Fremont transferred the government cattle in California to his confidential agent to breed on the shares. But while entertaining such an opinion of the character of the American people, they have manifested for the independent press an estimate still more contemptible. They supposed that with money at their command they could buy up the neutral press of the North, and that the German papers would be in the market. We are glad that at such an early period in the canvass the infamous game has been detected and exposed; and we trust that the attempt will meet with a rebuke which will not only give security against such plots in future, but also vindicate the integrity of the people and the true dignity of the press.

KENTUCKY ELECTION.—The Louisville Courier (old-line whig) of Wednesday says:

"We give this morning all the returns from various portions of the State received up to last night. It will be seen that they indicate still greater democratic gains. If the know-nothings continue to lose in the remainder of the State in the same ratio, the democratic majority in Kentucky will be fully fifteen thousand."

The Courier furnishes a table of returns from fifteen counties, which show a democratic gain of four thousand five hundred as compared with the vote in August last.

ILLINOIS CERTAIN FOR BUCHANAN.—The Chicago Times of the 13th instant puts the following crusher on the idle talk about the result in Illinois.

"We observe that persons at a distance seem to put some faith in the statements that there is a possibility that Illinois will vote for Fremont. We know that it has been said and positively averred by black-republican orators, that Illinois would vote the opposition ticket. Such an idea when expressed here is considered too stale even for a joke. No man in his senses thinks of this State voting for any one but Buchanan. As we said when Mr. Buchanan was nominated, the democracy of Illinois will give him a larger majority, in proportion to the entire vote, than he will obtain in Pennsylvania. Any Pennsylvania editor who wants to lose a hat on that proposition may apply for our measure at once."

THE BEDFORD GAZETTE.

Bedford, August 15, 1856.

G. W. Bowman, Editor and Proprietor.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE!!!

"The Union of lakes—the Union of lands,
The Union of States none can sever;
The Union of hearts, and the Union of hands,
And the flag of our Union forever!"

FOR PRESIDENT,

HON. JAMES BUCHANAN,

OF PENNSYLVANIA.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT,

HON. JOHN C. BRECKINRIDGE,

OF KENTUCKY.

DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

Canal Commissioner,
GEORGE SCOTT.
Auditor General,
JACOB FRY, JR.
Surveyor General,
COL. JOHN ROWE, (of Franklin county.)

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

Congress—WILSON REILLY.
District Attorney—G. H. SPANG.
County Surveyor—SAML. KATTERMAN.
Associate Judge—A. J. SNIVELY.
Commissioner—H. J. BRUNER, (3 years.)
" CADWALADER EVANS, (1 yr.)
Poor Director—GEORGE ELDER.
Auditor—HENRY B. MOCK, (3 years.)
" THOS. W. HORTON, (2 years.)
Coroner—JOHN HARSHBARGER.

DEMOCRATIC MEETING IN BEDFORD.

☞A Democratic Meeting will be held in the Court House in Bedford on SATURDAY next at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, which will be addressed by Col. SAML. W. BLACK, one of the most forcible and eloquent Speakers in the State. He will reply to Mr. FORD, the *Abolition Missionary* from Ohio. Let there be such a turnout as will do honor to the occasion, and the glorious cause in which we are engaged.

The Recent Elections.

☞In all the States where elections have been held within the last few days, the Democrats have succeeded by triumphant and overwhelming majorities, except Iowa, and that State will be all right for Buchanan and Breckinridge.—We hope to be able to give the full particulars of these elections in the next Gazette.

☞At the State Convention which met in Chambersburg last week, Col. JOHN ROWE, of Franklin, was nominated for Surveyor General—and at the Congressional Conference, WILSON REILLY, Esq, was nominated as the Democratic candidate for Congress in this District. This nearly completes our ticket, which is one of the best ever presented to the people of this county. In a few days the candidates for Assembly will be chosen, when the ticket will be full.

HON. JAMES BUCHANAN.

☞Our gallant standard-bearer for the Presidency, Hon. JAMES BUCHANAN, arrived at the Bedford Springs on last Saturday, where he will remain for a week or two according to his usual custom. He looks as well and as vigorous as he did twenty-five years ago. Having annually visited Bedford Springs since 1815, except when absent in the capacity of Minister from our Country to Foreign Courts, he seems like a member of our own community, and the familiarity with which our people meet him, exhibits the strong hold he has upon their warm affections. It is strange, indeed, that a single man should be found in Bedford County willing to record his vote against a candidate so pure, so good, and so competent; when, in casting their votes against him, they have no alternative but to go for BIGOTRY and ABOLITIONISM in their most fearful character. Mr. Buchanan is the only National candidate before the people, and hence every lover of our glorious Constitution and the perpetuity of these happy and prosperous States, will feel it a pleasant *duty* to rally to his support.

THE PROVIDENCES MOVING.

☞Large and enthusiastic Democratic Meetings were held in the Providences on last Monday and Tuesday. That at Bloody Run was organized by calling Capt. Wm. States to the Chair, and appointing Col. J. Hill, W. Wyant, and John D. Lucas, Vice Presidents, and Himas O'Neal and A. J. Morgart Secretaries. Able and eloquent addresses were then delivered by J. B. ROBERTS, Esq., of Pittsburg, and Maj. SAML. H. TATE of Bedford, when the meeting adjourned with tremendous cheers for Buchanan, Democracy and the State and County Ticket.

The meeting at Mr. Black's, in East Providence, was equally enthusiastic, and the large number in attendance seemed to create general surprize, that heretofore being the strong-hold of the opposition in Bedford County. This meeting organized by appointing John H. Barton, President, Wm. Ritchey, Wm. Morgart, Solomon Feight, and Daniel Herring, Vice Presidents, and A. B. Tate and Chas. M. Barton Secretaries. Addresses were delivered by J. A. HOPKINS, Esq., of Pittsburg, and Col. Jos. W. TATE and GEO. W. BOWMAN of Bedford. The best of feeling prevailed, and the meeting adjourned by giving nine cheers for Buchanan & Breckinridge, and the State and County Ticket.

Want of room compels us to omit an extended notice of these highly interesting meetings. We are warranted in saying, however, that the Providences will roll up a stronger Democratic vote than they have ever yet polled.

"The Flag of our Union Forever."

Whilst it is known to every man possessing a spark of intelligence that the Black Republicans place their entire hopes upon sectionalism—whilst it is true that in the Convention which nominated Fremont there was not a delegate from a Southern State—whilst it is equally true that that party has not, and will not, have an electoral Ticket in a single Southern State—whilst the *Flags* under which these fanatics hold their Fremont meetings embrace but sixteen stars—we say, in the face of all these undeniable facts, the Abolitionists have the impudence to insult the public judgment by placing the above motto at the head of their calls for Fremont meetings. A more glaring attempt at *imposition* was never before practised in this country.

A WRETCHED CHEAT.—In Mr. Buchanan's letter responsive to the union of the Syracuse democratic convention, the abolition papers (says the New Haven Register) have interpolated the word *southern* where he says "*the whole country* will hail this re-union as a rainbow in the cloud." Between the words "whole" and "country" they insert the word *southern*, to give the letter a sectional interpolation! If there can be anything meaner than such an act, it has yet to be illustrated in the miserable tactics which govern the opposition in this campaign. Such things are beneath the countenance of honorable men.

REGULAR DEMOCRATIC TOWNSHIP MEETINGS.

The next Democratic Township meetings for Bedford County will be in the following order:

Southampton,	August 14.
Juniata,	August 14.
Colerain,	August 15.
Londonderry,	August 15.
Cumberland Valley,	August 16.
Napier,	August 20.
Hopewell, Broadtop, Liberty,	August 21.
Middle Woodberry,	August 22.
South Woodberry,	August 23.
Union,	August 30.
St Clairsville,	Sept. 13.

All the above meetings to commence at 1 o'clock P. M. on the days above specified, and at the places heretofore announced by the County Committee.

A meeting will be held at Barndollar's schoolhouse in Colerain on the evening of the 19th inst.

K. N. TICKET.

☞The Know Nothings called together their old County Convention of last year, a few days since, and placed in nomination the following ticket:

Associate Judge, Wm. Griffith—Commissioners, Alexander Davis, Esq., and John Blackburn—Surveyor, Daniel Sams—Poor Director, John Metzger—Auditor, Andrew J. Reighart—Coroner, Samuel Snively.

On the above ticket there are two very good men, whom we are truly sorry to see made the representatives of such a party, and particularly at a time when certain defeat awaits them. We allude to ALEXANDER DAVIS and JOHN METZGER, Esqrs., both of whom are gentlemen of capacity and good citizens—but, as they have become the Representatives of this proscriptive party, of course they cannot expect Democrats to vote for them through personal friendships, and more especially so as our candidates for Director and Commissioners are men of equal standing and capacity, and entitled to the hearty and cordial support of every Democrat in the County. To place a man like Griffith at the *head* of a ticket and one like Mr. Metzger at its *tail*, would seem like a premeditated insult to the Party of which they are members. Whilst Mr. Metzger is one of the old standard Whigs of the County, and a gentleman who would command respect on the Bench, Griffith is an uncouth piece of humanity who hung on to the Democratic party until he found they would give him no office, when he became a great patriot and Know Nothing for the sake of a little public pap; and is at once made the *head and front* of what used to be the old Whig Party! It is no wonder, then, that an ardent and uniform Whig should have remarked, on hearing of the nomination, that it "*made him sick.*" If such a *dose* would'nt sicken, we do not know what would.

"False Pretences."

☞FR. JORDAN & Co. declare that men who, under false pretences, are the recipients of political favors, are no better than convicts in the Penitentiary. Well, suppose we take that *firm* at their word, and apply the test, how does matters stand with them? Because Messrs. Shires and Taylor were chosen to fill *vacancies*, the "*false pretence*" is set up that the "same thing was done in the different Townships throughout the County." This is not only a false pretence, but a falsehood as black as infamy can make it, as Mr. Nicodemus conclusively shows. This same combination professes eternal hostility to Slavery and Catholicism, and yet they support Fillmore and Donelson, the latter of whom boasts that he owns a hundred slaves—and they likewise go Fremont the son of a Foreigner and a Catholic? Is not this "false pretence?" which, if added to all the others, would, we think, give certain Know Nothings a long residence in the Penitentiary, according to the decision of Mr. Jordan.

Fillmore and Fremont.

The Fillmore men held a Convention in Harrisburg on the 6th inst. for the purpose of forming an electoral ticket; and, whilst they rejected a proposition to *fuse* with the Fremonters, yet it is plain that this was a mere *ruse* to get the Fillmore men to vote the Fremont ticket. Dr. DUFFIELD, who was a member of the *Abolition* Convention which placed Fremont in nomination, is the Fillmore elector for this District, a fact which leaves no room for doubt as to the course he would pursue if successful at the election. The *wire-workers* of the opposition in Pennsylvania are all for Fremont, whilst many of them *pretend* that they will die in the last ditch in support of Fillmore! These tricksters would abandon Fillmore at once, did they not fear that it would drive thousands of his friends to vote for Mr. Buchanan! The *fraud* is too palpable, however, to mislead any one,—and all who vote the present Fillmore ticket, will be as certainly transferred to Fremont and Abolitionism as that they vote. Will freemen bow before such *deception* as this?

☞In the *expiring groans* of Know Nothingism, Fr. Jordan & Co. step out of their way to give S. J. McCAUSLIN, Esq., an honest and upright mechanic of this place, a half column of low and scurrilous abuse, because he dared to exercise the right of a Freeman in renouncing the midnight oath-bound order. How does this accord with their clamor about "Free Negroes, Fremont, Free Kansas, and Free Speech!" Every *white* man who now exercises the right of "free speech" against Black Republican Know Nothingism, no matter how honest, or how humble, is attacked with all the ferocity of bloodhounds—whilst an earnest appeal is made to white men to give to negroes "free speech," and all the honors of the land! The true motto of our opponents now is, UP WITH THE NEGRO, DOWN WITH THE WHITE MAN!

☞A certain ERASTUS KING, of the Township of Napier, and County of Bedford, appears before the people in a card bearing date Aug. 4, 1856, and certifies to his OWN DEGRADATION by declaring that he was so beastly DRUNK as to be *insensible* when he signed the paper published in the Gazette of week before last renouncing Know Nothingism. Now, although it may be his character to get drunk when any body will treat him, yet we have the authority of GEORGE J. ROCK, and several other as respectable men as there are in Schellsburg, for saying that he was not only not drunk when he signed the paper alluded to, but that he acknowledged, several days after, when he was known to be perfectly sober, that he had done so of his own free will, and that he had gone to the Pole raising because he had determined to cut loose from the midnight order.—That his card was written for him by some of the *cellar-creepers* about Schellsburg, and that he signed it without *comprehending* its contents, must be evident to every sensible reader, for it cannot be possible that any man would thus *knowingly* certify to his own infamy. That Fr. JORDAN & Co. (the great *Temperance Lecturers* of last year,) should call to their assistance the aid of a man who certifies that he gets so *beastly drunk* as not to know himself, is a fact that will strike all considerate men with wonder and astonishment. Do the Freemen of Bedford County desire that *such* Americans should rule America?

K. N. CONVENTION.

The writer in the last Inquirer & Chronicle, in an article headed "*unnecessary trouble*," would try to palm upon the public the impression that the Delegates to the last Know Nothing County Convention, which nominated their County Ticket, were not the same that met in Convention last fall to present to that party a ticket! I say they are *the very same Delegates*, with the exception of a few vacancies that were filled. The writer asks whether THOMAS A. BOYD and Maj. RUPP are the same men as PETER H. SHIRES and JOHN TAYLOR, the Delegates for this year?" Last year there were three delegates from each council (Township,) because the Constitution of the State Council of Pennsylvania—"Art. 3, Sec. 5, Saith, the State Council of Pennsylvania shall be the head of the organization of the State of Pennsylvania, and shall be composed of three delegates from each subordinate Council, one to be elected for three years, one for two years, and the President of each Subordinate Council shall be the delegate for the year he has been elected President:" "Art. 5, Sec. 4, Saith, all officers of the subordinate councils as well as the delegates to the State Council, shall be chosen by ballot annually at the first regular meeting in August."

The manner in which this County Convention was organized was simply this. The President of the *Bedford* Council took upon himself the responsibility to send circulars to each delegate elected to the State Council to meet in Bedford to organize a County convention, and they accordingly met, I think, in June, 1855, in the *Sons of Temperance Hall*. And, by a resolution, organized themselves into a county convention, and vested the power in that convention to form the county tickets in whatever way they chose. The Delegates to the State Council were made the delegates to the county convention, and, by a resolution at that convention, their Secretary was authorized to receive the names of all persons who desired to be candidates for the different offices, and he was further required, after a certain day, to send the names so received by him to the different councils to be voted for, and the returns to be sent to the county convention, which was to meet on Monday of August Court for their inspection and ratification. And the different councils, at their first regular meeting, in August, 1855, elected their delegates to the State council, which was the first regular election held by the different councils in Bedford County under the Constitution, and resulted for Bedford Borough in the election of THOMAS A. BOYD for three years, Maj. RUPP two years, and myself, as President, (the delegate for one year.) And according to adjournment of the County convention, the Delegates so elected by the different councils met in County Convention on Monday of last August Court, in the Sons of Temperance Hall, and received the returns from the different councils, and, after considerable wrangling, a ticket was submitted to the people to be supported by the so called Know Nothing party. I was the only delegate from the Borough in the convention. Maj. RUPP having been elected a delegate without his knowledge or consent, would not serve as a delegate, and Thomas A. Boyd having removed to the west, and the late president having *bolted*, they were left without any delegates in the Borough, which accounts for PETER H. SHIRES and JOHN TAYLOR not being the same men this fall that THOS. A. BOYD and Maj. RUPP were last fall. As for the delegates from West Providence township, Daniel Sams, Jacob H. Barndollar and M. M. Peeples, were the delegates last fall, and the three were in the convention; but, in strict conformity with the Constitution, were not entitled to seats. M. M. Peeples being President of the council at that time, and that council neglecting, at the proper time in August, to elect their officers, the election was then deferred until some time afterwards, when David Sparks was elected President, which entitled him to a seat in the convention this fall, which accounts for the change of delegates in that township. The same delegates that nominated the ticket this summer met in convention last summer with two or three exceptions where vacancies had occurred. This same county Convention (same delegates) which met in convention last fall, met in convention on Monday evening of last February Court in the grand Jury room, and there, by a resolution, took the power from the different Councils to vote for the nomination of candidates, and conferred that power solely on that body, and agreed that that convention should form the ticket for this fall, and that same convention (same delegates) met again in the Grand Jury room in June last, and there, by a resolution, that convention authorized the County committee to give notice for the convention to assemble and nominate a ticket "at any reasonable time after the Democratic nominations were made" that the committee saw proper.—The county Committee gave the notice, signed by Fr. Jordan the chairman, and myself as secretary, and that same county convention (same delegates) without electing any new ones except a few where vacancies had occurred, met and nominated *their present ticket*. The delegates to the county convention were always elected in *secret* councils—and only those that were *Initiated* were permitted to vote for those delegates. The initiations were executed at different places in the country, and also in the Borough. Sometimes in *private houses*, sometimes in the *Sons of Temperance Hall*, and sometimes in the *Commissioners office*. The above statement of facts cannot be successfully contradicted.

H. NICODEMUS.
late President of Bedford Council.

☞We invite the attention of the Freemen of Bedford County to the following K. N. documents, which were never intended to see the light of day.

Bedford, June 7, 1856.

Mr. DEAR SIR:
The American County Committee have appointed you and
A Committee of Organization and Vigilance in your Township; and have notified the other members of their appointment. The County, State and Presidential elections are of vast importance, both in the principles involved, and in the candidates who claim our support; and demand the active efforts of every freeman. Bedford County *can* and *must* be carried this fall by the opponents of the present national administration; and in carrying the County, we are doing our part towards carrying the State and National tickets.—Your Committee intend to spare no pains or labor; and we ask all our friends to warmly and cordially second our efforts. We entreat you to make it your special business to see that every voter in your township who will vote with us attend the coming elections. To bring about this result we leave much to your discretion; yet we suggest and earnestly recommend that you get your committee together without delay, and appoint some active and reliable person or persons in each sub-school district (or smaller territory if practicable) to see that every friendly voter be at the polls. Make it the duty of these sub-committees to see every man personally before the election, and on the day of the election to see that every one be on the ground early, and if necessary to send for them—especially the aged and sickly—let the weather be as it may.

We also enjoin it upon you to see that every friend recently removed into your Township be regularly assessed *in time to ensure his vote.*

For any information desired write the undersigned Chairman or Secretary of the County Committee at Bedford.

We have appointed similar Committees in every Township in the County, and have sent them all similar instructions; and when the returns come in we hope to hear a good report from your Township.

By order of the County Committee.
FR. JORDAN, *Chairman.*
H. NICODEMUS, *Secretary.*

☞No platform of *principles* is here enunciated.—The faithful are only allowed to know that they must oppose the National Administration, without being told what for. It will be seen, too, that the Chairman, in this secret paper, places H. NICODEMUS, Esq. on a perfect equality with himself, notwithstanding the Squire is now denounced by Jordan & Co. as beneath the notice of a *dog*!

The following are the Township Committees as taken down in the Chairman's own hand writing.—There are some names on this list, which, we have no doubt, were placed there without their knowledge or consent, and we make the matter public in order that they may have an opportunity to place themselves right before the community.

K. N. Township Committees.

Bedford Township—Jno. S. Ritchey, Esq., Daniel Zimmers, Thos. Imler, Jacob Fetters, A. Barnhart.

Broadtop—Lemuel Evans, Esq., Lewis Anderson, John Rinehart, Jr.

Colerain—George James, Esq., E. J. Diehl, William Dibert, Jacob Bowser, J. M. Vanhorn, Jacob Wolf.

Cumb. Valley—Frederick Rice, Jonathan Dickens, Sr.

Harrison—John McVicker, David Miller, Esq., John G. May, William Showman, John E. Miller.

Hopewell—L. H. Diehl, Wm. Brollier, Thos. Key.

Juniata—Jno, Metzgar, Jos. Dull, Esq., Lewis A. Turner, Michael Hillegas, Jacob Corley.

Liberty—Tobias Snider, D. S. Berkstresser, Jas. Bowser, John Long.

Londonderry—John Wilhelm, Jr., David V. Evans.

Monroe—Wm. Stuckey, Elias Ritz, Evan Swartzwelder, James Carnell, Isaiah Shaffer.

Napier—Dr. J. C. Ealy, Shannon Mullen, Solomon Egolf, George W. Williams, Isaiah Connelly.

Providence East—George W. Householder, Sidney R. Whitfield, John Nycum, Sr., Dr. Eberly.

Providence West—Jacob H. Barndollar, David Sparks, Joseph Mortimore, Jno. A. Gump, Solomon Reighart.

St. Clair—Thomas Blackburn, Saml. Barefoot, Abner Walker, Jr., Wm. Kirk, Daniel B. Wisegarver, Esq.

Southampton—Wm. Lashly, Lewis Browning, Israel Bennett, Philip Clingaman, George Tewell, David Bollman.

Union—Wm. Griffith, John F. Riddle, John Eckhart, John Fickes, Wm. Hammer.

Woodberry Middle—Jeremiah Mentzer, Jas. Medaira, J. Brunnaman, Simon Brumbaugh, S. J. Castner, Esq.

Woodberry South—Adam Ketering, Robert Ralston, Josiah Ritchey, D. S. Longenecker, David Bottomfield.

A Little Light on a Dark Subject.

☞By an anonymous letter in the last Blair County *Whig*, we learn that the delegate from this Congressional District to the Fremont National Convention was not "*self-constituted*," but that he was delegated by a meeting in Middle Woodberry! Neither the time of the meeting, the place it was held, nor the names of the officers, are given! The idea of a township meeting giving authority to an individual to attend a National Convention from a District composed of five of the best counties in the State, is a *farce* ten times more ridiculous than that of a man going upon his own hook. To say that the Abolitionists have no organ in Bedford is to say what every sensible man knows to be false. The Fillmore organ is Abolition to the back-bone, and Fremont all over.

☞FR. JORDAN & Co. denominate HENRY NICODEMUS, Esq. as beneath the notice of a dog! If this be his character, what must be the character of the men to whom *he* administered the Know Nothing oath? We would like a reply to this fair interrogatory. Did Mr. Jordan select for his *private* Secretary a man that a dog would not notice? Tell us. As low a standard as we have always affixed to Know Nothingism, we did not think it quite so mean and degraded as its worshippers now acknowledge it to be. If, however, Mr. Nicodemus is beneath the notice of a dog, is it not singular, that he should be acknowledged a ruling Deacon in the Lutheran Church, composed of as respectable people as there are in Bedford county? Now, one of two things is certain. Either that the Lutheran Church must condemn Mr. Nicodemus' TRADUCERS as beneath the "notice of a dog," or they must arraign and turn the Squire out of church. There can be no dodging this question, and it remains to be seen what will be done.

The Old-Line Whigs in Maryland for Buchanan.

If anybody doubts that Maryland will vote for BUCHANAN, he can be disabused of the idea by reading the following list of eminent old-line Whigs in that State who have declared in his favor:

Hon. Thos. G. Pratt, Hon. James Alfred Pearce, present United States Senators.

Hon. Wm. D. Merrick, former United States Senator.

Capt. Richard T. Merrick, son of the above.

Hon. Thomas F. Bowie, of Prince Georges, now in Congress.

Hon. Reverdy Johnson, former United States Senator and Attorney General under General Taylor.

Wm. R. Gaither, President of the State Senate.

Hon. John B. Eccleston, of Kent, one of the Judges of the Court of Appeals.

Hon. Ezekiel F. Chambers, former United States Senator and Judge of this Judicial District.

Hon. Isaac D. Jones, of Somerset.

Hon. John W. Crisfield, do.

Samuel Hambleton, Esq., of Talbot, former State Senator.

Henry H. Goldsborough, Esq., lawyer, of Talbot.

Daniel F. Henry, Esq., of Dorchester former Whig candidate for Congress.

George W. P. Smith, Esq., editor of the Snow Hill Shield.

Hon. Wm. T. Goldsborough, former State Senator and Whig candidate for Governor.

R. W. Dirickson, of Worcester, former member of the Legislature.

Col. Joseph Wickes, of Chestertown, former Deputy Attorney General for Cecil and Kent.

Hon. Alexander Evans, of Cecil, former Representative in Congress.

George Earl, Esq., of Cecil.

John A. J. Croswell, of Cecil.

John C. Morgan, of St. Mary's.

John T. Dorsey, of Howard county, former member of the Legislature and member of the Reform Convention.

William H. Dorsey, of Baltimore, brother of the above.

S. Teakle Wallace, of Baltimore, a prominent lawyer and former Whig speaker.

Charles H. Pitts, Esq., former member of the Legislature and Whig speaker.

Thomas Yeates Walsh, of Baltimore, former member of Congress.

William H. Gatchell, Esq., lawyer of Baltimore.

Robert M. Magraw, Esq., of Baltimore, President of Susquehannah Railroad.

Thomas Donaldson, Esq., of Howard county, former member of the Legislature and member of the Convention which formed the present constitution of the State.

John K. Longwell, of St. Mary's county, former member of the Legislature.

Benedict I. Heard, of St. Mary's county, a prominent Whig.

MARRIED:

On the 10th inst., by the Rev. Wm. M. Deatrick of Pattonsville, Mr. ADAM COY and Mrs. HANNAH HIESTER, both of Hopewell tp.

From the Ebensburg Sentinel.

MICHAEL DAN MAGEHAN, ESQ.

This gentleman so well known to the people of this county, and who has always taken an active part in the politics of the country, has addressed a letter to Maj. John Linton, formerly a Whig member of the Legislature from this county, who is also well and favorably known throughout the State, which we are pleased to lay before our readers. In it he discusses the Presidential question in his usual style, and in strong language exposes the unconstitutional and treasonable organization and designs of the Know Nothing and Black Republican parties, and takes occasion to define his own position. Like hundreds of "Old Line Whigs" throughout the Union he avers his determination to support Buchanan and Breckenridge, regarding them as the only National candidates for the two highest offices in the gift of a free people, and in whose election only can the Constitution and Union of these now happy States be preserved. Mr. Magehan has heretofore been regarded as one of the most active opponents of the Democratic party in this county, and his present patriotic course when he perceives the institutions of his country endangered by the mad schemes of fanatics and disunionists, cannot fail to be commended. His letter no doubt will have its weight upon those with whom he has formerly acted, and we commend it to the perusal of our readers.

EBENSBURG, Aug. 6th, 1856.

MY DEAR SIR:—

The course which I have felt compelled to take in the approaching political contest, has elicited much of condemnation and some approbation, from men with whom I have acted for near a quarter of a century.

It is due to my early and steadfast friends, as well as to myself, that I should either justify myself, or be the fit subject of their scorn as a recreant from principles which I still have an abiding faith in.

The cherished doctrines of DANIEL WEBSTER and HENRY CLAY, will receive full acquiesence from me, so long as reason retains her dominion within the earthly case that retains the mind, the thoughts and energy (small though they be,) with which the giver of all good has endowed me.

The first question which presented itself to me after the nominations were made was—Where is the Whig Party? To that question I have obtained no satisfactory answer. Some tell me that it is to be found in the stables, out-houses, caverns and fence corners of the foul band of conspirators, who in enormity, crime and blasphemy have shamed and driven back to the gloomy shades of eternal desolation, the sulphuric shades of Murat, Danton, Robespiere and their fellow incarnations of all that was vile, wicked, horrible of other days. I believe it not! The party so loving the Constitution of our country. So faithful to the principles of self-government. Aye that party of Webster and of Clay, and our own John Sergeant and Walter Forward, never did, never can sacrifice itself in the lewd embraces of midnight conspirators, colluding together unseen by any but the avenging Angel, and their fit associates, low demons spewed forth from Hell to give some tone and character to their infernal orgies. The Whigs! We my friends are not with, or of them.

Where then is that noble, trustworthy, true party to which we belonged? Is it to be found in principle or practice among the Black Republicans? No! No! That old line Whig cannot be found mean enough to descend from Harrison, Clay, Webster, Taylor, Scott and hosts of mighty spirits who adorned not only our party, and the councils of the nation, but human nature itself, by their brilliant talents, pure lives, honest, fervid patriotism, to John C. Fremont. What are his antecedents? Are they such as would recommend him for a common county office? Is the climbing of mountains, the eating of reptiles, the degrading sentence of a court martial, the contumely with which he was hurled out of the United States Senate, the fraudulent speculation with government funds in milch cows, or the crowning feat of his inglorious life, in accepting a nomination which if consumated by election would scatter to the four winds of Heaven the labors of our (not his) fathers. Are I ask these the reasons which will induce the American people to elevate him to the highest office in the known world? Has he I again ask any capacity, any integrity, or a single qualification for that high station? Would you not be ashamed to own that you assisted to elevate the creature of yesterday, the nothing of to day, whose impotent and pigmy mind cannot soar above the robbery of the poor frontier settlers out of their rights, and along with his vile adherents belch forth his foul effluvia over our happy land, carrying with its pestilential breath disunion, dismay and ruin over the fair heritage which our fathers purchased in blood, and bequeathed to us, as the greatest legacy man ever left to his descendants.

But I am ashamed to talk to you in such a strain. You cannot and will not hug ignorance, impudence and assurance, like the spartan fool did the fox, to your bosom until your vitals are torn out. So far as Fremont is concerned I implore you not to assist to fire the temple of liberty.

I have done with the man and his confederates.

Now sir, can I support Millard Fillmore? Can you support A. J. Donaldson? These are questions not easily answered by you. You will not ask me to support the nominee of a party who with the filth of stables and hog pens hanging to their feet, redolent with the effluvia of the dirt and mustiness of filthy haunts, calumniate all that is dear to me.—Vagabonds knowing no law, no God, dare to arraign christian doctrines and practices at the standard of their malignant hearts, and with dispositions engendered in the regions of eternal misery, claim to crush and destroy all who will not deny their God, their religion, and their country's institutions, and bow down to the accursed idol which they wish to erect on the ruins of the great fabric erected by our fore-fathers, cemented in their blood, and in all the vicisitudes of political commotion, held to, revered—almost adored by their desendants of all parties.—Now with spirit accursed the demon has entered into the Eden of Freedom and attempted to pervert, mislead and misdirect the public mind, luring it from the paths of peaceful happiness to disorder, severance of society, and all the evils attendant on intolerance, religious and sectional jealousies.

When this bold attempt was made by wicked and designing men, the good and true friends of their country looked on with apathy and scorn. No friend of his country and his country's laws would believe that other than ignorance, base low bred bigotry could be induced to enter into so unhallowed a combination against the institutions planned by Washington, and perfected by the far seeing statesmen of the Revolution and their descendants.

But we were mistaken, the Fillmore's, the Donaldson's, the Johnston's, Conrads, Crittendens, and others of kindred feeling, felt no shame in joining and intimately associating with the vagabond outcast in midnight cabals, and secretly binding themselves to their ruffianly confederates by oaths so horrible impious and blasphemous that none who has a spark of christian feeling or brotherly love could do aught but recoil in dread from the dreadful profanation.

Yet, this is the man! The great recipient of Whig favor, for whom I am *not* asked to vote. For he and his myrmidons declare to the world that the son of the Revolution, whose ancestors acquitted themselves with honor during that tremendous struggle, because of his belief in the creed handed down by them to him, must be ostracised and driven beyond the pale not only of freedom, but of civilization itself.

I will not by my vote invoke Fillmore and Donaldson to make my son a *pariah*.

But I fear I tire you. I can support Buchanan because he never advocated a violation of the constitution. Because I sincerely believe that he and his adherents are the only national party loving the constitution, and having an unyielding determination to preserve the integrity of the Union at all and every risk.

And because, the principles of religious equality would be as safe and sure in his hands as they were in the days of Washington and Jackson.

MICHAEL DAN MAGEHAN.

To Maj. JOHN LINTON.

A SLANDER OF MR. BRECKINRIDGE NAILED.—The Louisville *Courier* disposes of a late falsehood of the Albany Evening Journal in short order. The Journal had said:

"There is a strong feeling of opposition to Breckinridge in Kentucky, growing out of the trial of Matt Ward, the murderer of the school-