

THE BEDFORD GAZETTE.

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What is Democracy?

DEMOCRACY represents the great principles of progress. It is onward and outward in its movements. It has a heart for action and motives for a world. It constitutes the principle of diffusion and is to humanity what the centrifugal force is to a revolving orb of a universe. What motion is to them, Democracy is to principle. It is the soul of action. It conforms to the providence of God. It has confidence in man and an abiding reliance in his high destiny. It seeks the largest liberty, the greatest good and the surest happiness. It aims to build up the great interests of the many, to the least detriment of the few. It remembers the past, without neglecting the present. It establishes the present, without fearing to provide for the future. It cares for the weak, while it permits no injustice to the strong. It conquers the oppressor, and prepares the subject of tyranny for freedom. It melts the bigot's heart to meekness, and reconciles his mind to knowledge. It dispels the cloud of ignorance and superstition, and prepares the people for instruction and self-respect. It adds wisdom to legislation, and improved judgment to government. It favors enterprise that yields to many, and an industry that is permanent. It is the pioneer of humanity—the conservator of nations. IT FAILS ONLY WHEN IT CEASES TO BE TRUE TO ITSELF.

The above paragraph contains, in a few words, the main features of the Democratic Party, and to these the principles of the Ticket which follows stands pledged, as well by their own personal feelings as by the resolutions of the Convention which placed them in nomination. Who would not stand upon such a platform as this?—and what democrat would break a link in the glorious chain that unites us simply because he holds a little ill-will towards some one of the candidates personally? We trust, for the honor of our great cause, that none such will be found, but that all will rally under the motto, "Principles, not men."

Democratic State Nominations.

GOVERNOR:

Gen. Wm. F. Packer,

Of Lycoming County.

CANAL COMMISSIONER:

Hon. Nimrod Strickland,

Of Chester County.

SUPREME JUDGE:

Hon. Wm. Strong,

Of Berks County.

Hon. James Thomson,

Of Erie County.

COUNTY TICKET.

Prothonotary—SAM'L H. TATE, Bedford. Sheriff—W.M. S. FLUKE, M. Woodbury. Treasurer—SAM'L DAVIS, Bedford. Commissioner—C. EVANS, E. Providence. Director—GEO. SMUGUE, W. Providence. Auditor—JOHN W. CRISMAN, St. Clair. Having given the Democratic Platform and the Democratic Ticket fairly and honorably selected, we now proceed to give the Platforms and the Tickets of the motley opposition—and it must be borne in mind that they have two distinct STATE Tickets in the field warring each other to the death—and the county ticket will find it difficult to ride both ways with safety!

What is K. N. Americanism?

FIRST DEGREE—OBLIGATION.

You and each of you, of your own free will and accord, in the presence of Almighty God and these witnesses, your right hand resting on this HOLY BIBLE and CROSS, and your left hand raised towards Heaven, in token of your sincerity, do solemnly promise and SWEAR that you will not make known to any person or persons, any of the signs, secrets, mysteries or objects of this organization, unless it be to those whom, after due examination, or lawful information, you shall find to be members of this organization in good standing: That you will not cut, carve, print, paint, stamp, stain, or in any way, directly or indirectly, expose any of the secrets or objects of this Order, nor suffer it to be done by others, if in your power to prevent it, unless it be for official instruction. That so long as you are connected with this organization, if not regularly dismissed from it, you will, in all things, political or social, so far as this order is concerned, comply with the will of the MAJORITY when expressed in a lawful manner, though it may conflict with your personal preferences, so long as it does not conflict with the grand, state, or subordinate constitution, the constitution of the United States of America, or that of the state over which you reside, and that you will, under any circumstances, whatever, knowingly recommend in any way the cause of this organization, nor suffer it to be done if in your power to prevent it. You further promise and declare that you will cast YOUR VOTE nor give your influence for any man for ANY OFFICE in the gift of the People unless he be an AMERICAN-BORN citizen in favor of AMERICAN-BORN ruling America, nor if he be a ROMAN CATHOLIC, and that you will not, under ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, expose the NAME of any member of this Order, nor reveal the existence of such an organization! To all the foregoing you bind yourselves under no less a penalty than that of being expelled from the Order, and of having your name posted and circulated throughout the different Councils of the United States as a PERJURER; and as a traitor to GOD and your COUNTRY; as a being unfit to be employed, entrusted, countenanced or supported in any business transaction; as a person totally unworthy the confidence of all good men, and as one at whom the finger of SCORN should ever be pointed. So help you God! (This is admitted to be the oath administered by the Know Nothings.) Their 2d and 3d obligations are still more blasphemous and fearful.

The submitted Ticket stands square upon the above platform:

Governor—Iсаac Hazlehurst, Philadelphia. Canal Commissioner—J. F. Linderman, Berks. Supreme Judge—Jacob Brown, Jasper E. Brady.

The annexed Ticket adopts this platform with the additional plank that a dissolution of the Union is preferable to allowing the institution of slavery to exist in the South—and that negroes should enjoy all the privileges of the white race, social and political:

Governor—David Wilmot. Canal Commissioner—William Millward. Supreme Judges—James Veech, Joseph J. Lewis.

The Ticket which follows, is the child of a "P. N." of the above elements:

Prothonotary—JOHN ALSIP. Sheriff—J. S. BECKWITH. Treasurer—GEORGE OSTER. Commissioner—D. SPARKS. Director—THOMAS INLER. Auditor—GEORGE STUCKEY.

UNION SCHOOL HOUSE!

At a meeting of the citizens of Bedford Borough on last Saturday evening the School Directors were requested to invite the qualified electors of this Borough to meet at the court-house on Saturday the 1st inst. between the hours of 1 and 7 P. M. to vote for or against a Union School House for the accommodation of all the children. Messrs. A. King, John P. Reed, Jordan, Shannon, John Mower, Cessna, S. L. Russell and George Reimund addressed the meeting. Messrs. Wm. Hartley and Val. Steckman offered to be two of ten to subscribe \$100 each to the landable enterprise. Mr. Hartley gave an interesting account of a similar school in Ohio which he had visited.

A Journeyman Printer

Of good moral character will find employment at this office if application be made soon.

There will be no paper in this office next week.

THE public are told that a personal Convention was met in B. on the 2d inst., and nominated a County Ticket. The resolutions prove the declaration to SE, for they do not even make a reference to canism." It is passed over as one of the thi was, but is not! Here is the disgraceful fact year being played over again. It is own that the "Americans" have a full State in the field, regularly nominated by the party the Convention about which we are sped through professing to be "American," was pock etched with the utmost contempt, and

Resolve, That they cordially and approve the nomination of WILMOT, the republican leader, and the identical "free" whom these very same men declared, only years since, was the meanest creature that the earth in the character of a man?" With these cried, "she sinks in our nostrils."

The resolutions alluded to, were by Hon. S. L. Russell, who stood aloof and alone in Bedford at this time last opposition to Fillmore and in advocacy of Johnson. Now it would seem that he has baulk the wire-workers of the Fillmore line this sectional faction, notwithstanding they protested that they would cut off a right hand than attach themselves to a sectional party! many of the rank and file will submit to be transferred, like cattle, without their consent, reto be seen.

The travelling community are respectfully referred to the advertisement of Mr. JOSEPH A. GARMAN, which will be found in the proper column, and by which it will be seen that he runs a daily line of mail coaches between Bedford and Latrobe, so that passengers desiring to come or go to Pittsburgh, can do so for a less sum by this than any other route. In a few days he will have new and handsome Hacks on the road, and be prepared to accommodate the public in the best manner possible. The Proprietor pledges himself to employ no but competent and courteous drivers.

The sovereign independence of the States, and the freedom of the people in their religion and business from the pernicious control of the civil government, together with the gifts of nature, and the blessings of Providence, have indeed made us a mighty and a prosperous nation. If we could but know much we owe to these causes, the anniversary of the day on which our free system was inaugurated would be hallowed in all hearts except those which are wholly regardless of social duty and fatally bent on doing mischief!

It is, however, upon our own great State, that the bounties of the Creator have been most profusely lavished. Situated in the happy medium between the intense cold of the northern winters and the exhausting heat of the southern summers, she has a climate where more labor can be done with less fatigue than anywhere else on the Western continent, and where the human constitution is consequently developed in fuller maturity of nerve and mind. Her bosom is filled with inexhaustible treasure, and her fields teem with abundant fertility. The mountain and the flood—the golden grain that waves on every hill-side, and the rich fruits that blush on every tree—form a combination of loveliness and grandeur which the dweller in other lands can scarcely dream of.

"Which eye most see,

To know how beautiful this world can be."

The abolition Convention is met in Bedford on the 2d inst. passed a reso highly eulogistic of POLLARD, but nobody tell why, for he has certainly been the weakest man we have ever had. Rather not excepted, it why should the Wilmots praise him? He pely refused to recognize either of the Republic candidates for Supreme Judge, in filling the vacancied by Judge Black's resignation; and it is really believed that he will support Halehoun the rest of the "American Ticket" select the Lancaster Convention!

They passed another reso RE-iterating their entire approbation of FR. JAN during his Senatorial term, thus justifying vote which carried the JUG LAW, although majority of eleven hundred and nine of his inconsti constituents decided against it! Also his vixen exonerating the Pennsylvania RAIL ROAD fraktion FOR EVER! Also his conduct in pocket the \$200 extra pay! Also his extraordinary in declaring in an official paper that he could vote for Cameon for Senator without "throwing away his self respect and violating his oath," shortly afterwards committing the dreadful eny! Also his disgraceful conduct in acting as chairman of the FILMORE county committee while was secretly betraying and handing over the part Fremont!

The Hon. JOHN LAFORET, accompanied by his daughter and Miss ALEXANDER, are at present sojourning at the Bedford Springs, now the most interesting watering place in the United States.

Mr. SAMUEL KREUTZBURG and family arrived in Bedford a few days since, and will remain some time to enjoy our pure air and wholesome waters.—Mr. K. is a member of the Firm of the most extensive Hardware Establishment not only in Philadelphia, but in the United States; and, therefore, Merchants in this country will find it greatly to their advantage to make their purchases of him. Those who are not already acquainted with Mr. K. will find him at Mrs. FULLER's Boarding house. He is considered, and very justly, one of the most efficient and accurate business-men in Philadelphia. We were particularly shown through their entire establishment, not long since, and found it one of the best arranged houses in the city. Such is the man who, but a few years since, was a poor and sprightly little boy of this place. Virtue and integrity never fail to crown its possessors with distinction.

THE CATHOLIC

For the last three years, the monitoring effort has been made to create the impress that the Democrats were filling all the offices in land with CATHOLICS, and hence the necessity for the Know Nothing OATHS, Secrets, Mysteries, &c., to put a stop to it. Now the very opposite is urged by the same men, and the sworn Know-Nothings declare that even to have been "suspected of being favorable to the Catholic Church," is always the "sure defeat of any man who was a candidate for office or NOMINATION FOR OFFICE." To depose the defeat of Judge Campbell for a seat the Supreme Bench, and charge the Democrats whining caused it. They lament over the defeat of STOKES at the late Democratic State Convnt, and allege that he was rejected solely upon the ground of being a Catholic—and assert that "he wonhave been an OATH to the Bench." "One of the BEST men in Bedford" they declare was "rejeed for County Treasurer by the Democrats because his Catholic religion"—and another of the same was defeated at the late County Convention for Sheriff for the same crime!—and this, they say, is the wv the Democrats have "INVARIABLY" acted toward the Catholics.

LEAVING THE AMALGAMATION.

The we are requested by Mr. JOHN W. BOWEN, of Napier Township, to state, that although he has been a zealous WHIG all his life, and voted the K. N. Ticket after the dissolution of the Whig party—he cannot go ABOLITIONISM, which is now the banner under which the leaders of his old party rally.

He, therefore, wishes it to be put upon record that he is tired of the Tomfoolery which, for some years, has governed the conduct of the opposition to the Democracy, and that he intends, at the approaching election, to vote for General PACKER and the whole Democratic State and County Ticket, an example which will be followed by hundreds of other honest Whigs in Bedford county who have been similarly surfeited with the abominations of Know Nothingism and Abolitionism. Mr. Bowen is a man of the first respectability, and ranks among our most intelligent citizens. We congratulate him upon the noble determination at which he has arrived, and cordially welcome him to a party which is founded upon the Constitution and Declaration of Independence. Let all other conscientious men do likewise, and they will never regret the step.

The we would like to have an interview with the person who left a communication at this office a week or two since over the signature of "Annie Carlton."

JOHN ALSIP, Esq.

THE following letters from Judge BLACK and Gen. PACKER, in reply to invitations to attend the Democratic Celebration in Philadelphia on the 4th inst., will be read with pleasure by the freemen of Pennsylvania:

WASHINGTON, July 2, 1857.

GENTLEMEN—I feel obliged, by the invitation I have received, to join the Democratic citizens of Philadelphia on the Fourth. It costs much

regret to say that I cannot be there. Not to speak of celebrating the anniversary of American Independence on the spot where it was first proclaimed, a re-union with the friends who intend to assemble there would give me pleasure to withhold his confidence from those who so vilely deceived him.—*Maryland Union.*

From the Union Democrat, a Fillmore Paper.

The nomination of Mr. Wilmot for Governor, has been brought about and accomplished by men who have, through intrigue and deception, managed to become the leaders and managers of the Whig and American parties. The nomination of Wilmot was mad by these unprincipled leaders, with the determination to force him on the Whig and American parties. This is one of the bold games of deception we ever heard of.

It is a fact that every man ought to know that these leaders have transferred and sold the Whig and American parties to the support of Wilmot, who always did, and does now, denounce and despise every measure and principle they ever advocated. We ask where and when, did these self-constituted leaders receive the authority to make a sale of the Whig and American parties to a man who is the most obnoxious to them in the State. We have no doubt, if Wilmot should be elected, the unprincipled leaders, who sold their parties, would get some fat offices for their treachery. We are proud to see that the honest Whigs and Americans will not permit themselves to be sold like a flock of sheep. Notwithstanding the bargain and sale has been made, signed, and sealed, yet they are manfully protesting against it.

We will now examine Mr. Wilmot's political conduct, so that our readers can see his real character.

In 1844, Wilmot opposed Henry Clay for President, who pledged himself to oppose the annexation of Texas with Slavery, and supported Polk, who was pledged in favor of the annexation of Texas with Slavery. Daniel Webster stated, in his speech on the Compromise of 1850, that Texas had the right to make six slave States out of her Territory. The reader will see that Wilmot labored to bring six slave States into the Union at once. This fact proves that he is not acting from honest motives on the slavery question. The annexation of Texas with slavery was brought about by slaveholders and such men as Wilmot, who fought their battles in the North as soon as they made known what they wanted.

After the address the procession was again formed—and all hands repair'd to town. A suitable Dinner was prepared for the occasion by Mr. John May—and all whom inclination or appetite admonished bountifully partook.

To our joyful, good-looking friend, Sergeant Simons, we were indebted for much of the fun and pleasure we enjoyed. He is like Shakespeare's Yorick—a fellow of infinite jest and most excellent fancy—a prince in his way socially, as all who ever met him know. In a word, general kindness, good-feeling and enthusiasm ruled the hour; and the eighty-first anniversary of American Independence will, we have no doubt, be long and pleasantly remembered by the large audience of ladies and gentlemen who were present at Centreville to witness and join in its glad celebration.

acting upon the impression that they are masters, and the people subordinates. They must be taught differently—and the sooner they receive the first lesson the better."

For the Gazette.

The 4th of July in Cumberland Valley—Celebration at Centreville—Military Parade—Large Crowd of Citizens and Soldiers—Oration by Major S. H. Tate—Public Dinner—Great Enthusiasm, &c. &c.

Mr. Editor:—The 4th was a great day in Cumberland Valley! The attendance was large, some four or five hundred people from the Valley and county around, were at Centreville to witness and participate in its appropriate celebration.

The Cumberland Valley Blues, commanded by Capt. Nottingham, were called out at an early hour and continued on parade, at suitable intervals, during the day. The handsome dress—dignified and gentlemanly deportment—and military skill and discipline of the "Blues" elicited general admiration.

About the middle of the day, a procession was formed and citizen and soldier took up their line of march to a pleasant grove near town. After arriving at the place appointed, the assembly was called to order by Dr. P. S. Thompson, and a meeting organized by the selection of the following officers:—

President—Samuel Whip, Esq.

Vice do.—Elias Hite, S. Elliot, Geo. Bortz, H. Wertz, T. Donahoe and James Cessna, Esq.

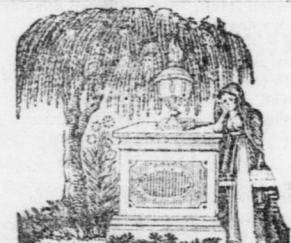
Secretaries—Thos. Fisher, J. Simons, J. Bruder and Geo. Bennett.

The Declaration of Independence was then read in a clear, distinct and forcible manner by Dr. P. S. Thompson. The President next introduced the orator of the day, MAJ. SAMUEL H. TATE, of Bedford. His address occupied nearly an hour in its delivery—and for elegance of diction, historical interest and correct moral deductions, equalled any address of the kind we have ever listened to. The crowd—entire—ladies and gentlemen, old and young, were out to hear it—and as many of its stirring tones, and eloquent touches fill up patriotic hearts the speaker was greeted with frequent rounds of applause.

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MARRIED:

On Sabbath morning, 18th inst. by John Smith, Esq. Mr. Joseph S. Baughman to Miss Elizabeth Mangas, all of Schelliburg.



We copy the following interesting obituary notice from the Presbyterian Banner of Pittsburg—and, although it relates to one who was not a citizen of this county, the fact that those near and dear to deceased reside in our place, suggests the propriety of affording their friends an opportunity to see how bright and glorious the end of a faithful believer in Christ:

DIED,

At his residence, Muney, Lycoming county, Pa. Mr. JOHN SAMPLE, in the 60th year of his age.

Mr. Sample became a communing member of the Presbyterian Church early in life. At the age of twenty-eight, he was ordained and installed an elder in the Shaver's Creek Presbyterian church, Huntingdon County, Pa. and in four different churches, within the bounds of which he has successively resided, he was called by the people to serve his Master in the office of Ruling Elder