

The deliberations of this body which met at Harrisburg on the 4th inst., resulted in the triumphant vindication of President Buchanan and the measures of his Kansas policy.

The Convention was composed of the flower of the party—of men who have battled during a life-time for the principles of the Democratic creed.

The nominees of the Convention are men who deserve the undivided support of the party. WILLIAM A. PORTER, of Philadelphia, who received the nomination for Judge of the Supreme Court, is well known as a lawyer of great ability and as a man eminently fitted for the position for which he is a candidate.

WESLEY FROST, of Fayette county, the nominee for Canal Commissioner, is an active, intelligent business man, and enjoys an enviable reputation for honesty and upright character.

A RIDICULOUS NOTION. Certain designing politicians have persistently urged as an objection to the Lecompton Constitution, that it contains a provision that the Governor of the State of Kansas shall have been a citizen of the United States for twenty years and shall have resided in the State at least five years next preceding the day of his election.

Nothing could be more ridiculous than such a conclusion. They might as well say that the Constitution of the United States, is a Know Nothing document, because it makes activity in the United States necessary to eligibility to the office of President.

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Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Convention that the time has come when the difficulties and troubles in Kansas should be determined whether the people are still to be agitated by the same, or whether they should be local, sectional; and that dangers are to be apprehended to the Union and the cause of free government, by the further delay of her admission as a State.

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Our amiable friend Sanson, of the Fulton Democrat, will please excuse us from taking further notice of him, as his article in reply to ours of two weeks ago, though a column and a half in length, is not worthy of a replication from us, being merely a long string of words, "full of sound and fury, signifying nothing."

We are indebted to HON. CHARLES R. BUCKALEW, for a copy of the able report of the Select Committee raised in the Senate on the Kansas question.

Messrs. SCHELL and BREWER, of the State Senate, and Messrs. HAY and CASTNER, of the House, will accept our thanks for numerous favors.

S. D. ANDERSON, Esq., editor of that able Democratic paper, the Philadelphia Pennsylvania, has favored us with a pamphlet copy of that renowned document, the Lecompton Constitution, for which he will please consider himself thanked in the latest and most approved style.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE STATE CONVENTION.

The Democratic State Convention which met at Harrisburg on the 4th inst., adopted the appended resolutions by a vote of 111 to 1, 21 anti-Lecompton men not voting.

YEAS.—Messrs. Abrams, Clarke, (Westmoreland) Clyde, Coker, Collioth, Calhoun, Gamble, Garvin, Huges, James, Jackman, McKinney, Madill, Noon, Orlady, Spell, Schure, Stokes, White, Workman, Zollinger.—21

Resolved, That we recommend to the Legislature of this State such measures of reform and economy as will lessen, as much as possible, the heavy burthens imposed upon the people by taxation; and we particularly recommend such a revision of the system of banking, as may prevent, in the future, the troubles and difficulties that the people of the State have lately encountered.

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Communication.

For the Bedford Gazette.

Test oath in Judicial Proceedings—Vote in Pennsylvania Senate—Mr. Schell.

It is well known that all Christian and civilized nations of the world have established the principle that, before a person can give testimony in judicial proceedings, a test is required as to his belief in God and a future state of rewards and punishments.

In this age of the Bible and Common Schools, one would suppose that no man in his proper senses would think of striking with one fell swoop, so vital and wholesome a test from our system of government.

But it has been left to the bright era of the nineteenth century to discover, through the wisdom of a portion of a Pennsylvania Senate, that the great fundamental principle of religion, morals and good government, which has stood the test of all time is an error.

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Brevities.

For the Bedford Gazette.

It is said that when Thomas Ritchie was editor of the Washington Union, inkstands were placed all over his house, and even in his garden, so that he could write down his thoughts whenever they came into his mind.

Lately, a young lady, seventeen years of age, named Louisa Ann Walker, residing in the town of Nassau, Rensselaer county, N. Y., suddenly fell dead in her mother's arms.

The Bishop of Oxford, England, has promulgated an order to the clergy, to grant no authorization of marriage to any parties who have been divorced, while the former husband or wife is still living.

William Jones, Jr., tried and convicted for the murder of Samuel H. White, at the last term of the Washington County Court, has been granted a new trial. The Court did not assign any reason for granting the motion.

A Passenger Railway Company is about being organized in Baltimore.

A bill has passed both houses of the Tennessee Legislature allowing further time of two years for the general government's acceptance of the Hermitage for the site of a military school.

J. P. M. Epping, of South Carolina, has been appointed consul of the United States at Elsinore, in Denmark.

A funeral discourse on the late Bishop Waugh was preached at Lancaster, Pa., last Sunday, by the Rev. Dr. Hodgson.

The will of Colonel Daniel Fuller, of Franconstown, N. H., leaves upwards of \$80,000 to relatives of the testator; the whole of his fortune having been the result of a profitable working of a freestone quarry.

The French Senate has unanimously approved of the law for exacting from candidates at elections, a declaration of allegiance to the dynasty of Louis Napoleon.

According to Judge Russell, of New York, persons having no license are not indictable for selling liquor on the Sabbath. The Sunday law he seems to think, only applied to licensed houses!

Mr. P. M. Morgan, a merchant hailing from Venango county, Pa., was robbed of \$900 while stopping at a hotel in Pittsburg, on Tuesday. The thief is unknown.

The Indiana (Pa.) Register says that the small-pox is prevailing to some extent in Canoe township, near the borders of that county, and that several persons have died of the epidemic.

Miss Sarah S. Lewis, the New York school teacher, who was so severely burned in that city on Wednesday noon, has since died from her injuries.

Neil McCallister, an old citizen of Allegheny county, Pa., was killed on Tuesday last by being thrown from his carriage.

Hon. Edward Everett is to deliver his oration on Washington before the Legislature of Pennsylvania on the 12th inst.

A wild cat, weighing thirty-eight pounds, was caught in Unity township, Westmoreland co., a few days since.

Henry Ward Beecher, it is reported, is going to California.

The prettiest lining for a bonnet is a smiling face.

Philadelphians contain no less than two hundred and ninety-five churches.

Why are husbands like dough? Because the women knead them.

"Well," said a carpenter, "of all the saws that ever I saw, I never saw a saw saw as I saw that saw saw."

It is said that Ex-Governor Matteson of Illinois, will be a candidate for United States Senator from that State, in opposition to Judge Douglas.

PUBLIC SALE OF THE DAVIDSON PROPERTY.

In pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court of Bedford county, the subscriber will expose to sale by public outcry on SATURDAY, the 27th day of MARCH, A. D. 1858, at the late dwelling house, in Bedford township, of Margaret Davidson, deceased, all the interest, be it the undivided one half part of the said Margaret Davidson, deceased, in the following described Real Estate, situate in the said township of Bedford, viz:

1st. The MANSION TRACT, lying on the south side of the turnpike road, and west of, and adjoining the borough of Bedford, containing about THIRTY-TWO ACRES, all cleared and under fence, and having thereon erected a BRICK DWELLING HOUSE, two and a half stories high, TWO SMALL BRICK HOUSES, A BRICK BARN, and other out-buildings, with a never failing well of excellent water in the yard. There is, also, an orchard upon the property, and altogether it is one of the most desirable places in or near Bedford.

2d. A Tract of Land on both sides of the Cumberland Valley road, containing about 40 acres, having a small house upon it, now occupied by David Drenning, with about 15 acres cleared, the remaining being wood land, adjoining lands of G. D. J. D. Shack, Joseph Sellers, Henry Dorsey and others.

3d. One third of the purchase money at the confirmation of the sale, one third on the 1st day of April, 1859, and the remaining one third on the 1st day of April, 1860, without interest, the payments to be secured by judgment bonds.

How to save Money! ALL persons who are in want of good and very cheap Chairs and Cabinet Furniture, can now have an opportunity of saving money, by calling on the subscriber, and selecting such articles as they may need from a large stock on hand, which he has sold lower than the same can be bought in this country.

Table listing prices for various items: CHAIRS FROM \$1.50 to \$6.00 per set, BEDSTEADS, 2.50 to 3.00, TABLES, 2.50 to 3.00, BUREAUS, 10.00 to 15.00, CUPBOARDS, 5.00 to 12.00, WASHSTANDS, 1.50 to 2.00, WORK STANDS, 1.00 to 5.00, CANDLE STANDS, 1.00 to 3.00.

ISAAC MENGEL, Jr. February 19, 1858.

Broad Top Coal! AT THE COOK KILNERY!! AT HOPEWELL.

THE undersigned would hereby notify the public that he is engaged in the coal & mining business, at the Broad Top coal mines, one half mile from the town of Hopewell. In order to insure speedy sale he will sell it at the mines at 4 1/2 cents per bushel, and delivered at Hopewell, at 6 cents per bushel.

BANKING HOUSES OF JOHN T. HOGG. SOMERSET, MOUNT PLEASANT, WESTMORELAND, CONNELLVILLE, FAYETTE CO., UNIONTOWN, BROWNVILLE, NEW BRIGHTON, BEAVER CO.

Deposits received, Discounts made, Drafts bought, sold and collected. Bank notes and specie bought and sold. Stocks, notes, and other securities bought and sold on Commission. Correspondence and collections solicited.

PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.

THE undersigned will sell at public sale on the premises, in Cumberland Valley, on the 25th day of MARCH, next, the following FOUR TRACTS OF LAND.

1st. The Mansion Tract of John Blair, dec., containing 106 ACRES and 21 perches. The improvements are, a TWO STORY BRICK HOUSE AND KITCHEN, a DOUBLE LOG BARN, Spring House, Granary, and other out-buildings; APPLE ORCHARD, PEACH ORCHARD, and never failing water on the premises. The land is limestone principally. There are about 100 acres cleared, under fence, and in a good state of cultivation, with about 14 acres in meadow.

2d. One other Tract adjoining the above, with a SAW-MILL thereon, containing about 120 acres. Twenty of which are cleared, and the balance well timbered.

3d. One other Tract adjoining both of the above tracts, containing about FIFTY ACRES, about 2 1/2 of which are cleared. This tract contains one of the best Mill Seats in the county, furnishing a full of at least twenty feet, in Exit's creek, a stream that is mostly supplied by strong springs and is constant and regular in its flow. A good mill is much needed in the neighborhood.

4th. The undivided seventh part of the Real Estate of Henry Brant, deceased, (being his son Jacob's share) consisting of a tract of TWO HUNDRED ACRES, in said Valley, and having thereon erected a store and a SAW LOG HOUSE, CABIN HOUSE, BARN, TWO NEW LOG HOUSES and other out-buildings. Also an orchard thereon—about fifty acres cleared and under fence.

These properties lie close to the Maryland line and within ten or ten miles of Cumberland, with a good road leading thereto, where at times a ready market is afforded for produce or lumber.

For drafts, diagrams, or other particulars inquire of Cesna & Shannon, Bedford, Penna. Feb. 26, 1858. WM. BLAIR.

A CARD. The Subscriber would respectfully announce to his friends and customers that he has associated with him in the mercantile business J. G. Minnich of Bedford Bor. and that hereafter the same will be conducted under the firm of Reed & Minnich, at the old stand. He makes this opportunity of returning his thanks for the past liberal support awarded him by his friends, and solicits a continuance of their favor for the new firm. He respectfully calls upon his friends & customers to settle up their accounts as soon as convenient, pay or no pay, as it is very desirable to have his old books closed.