

THE BEDFORD GAZETTE.

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DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

JUSTICE OF SUPREME COURT: WILLIAM A. FORTNER, Of Philadelphia.

CANAL COMMISSIONER: WESTLEY FROST, Of Fayette County.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

ASSEMBLY: JAMES BURNS, of Bedford county. DAVID HAY, of Somerset county.

COMMISSIONER: JACOB BECKLEY, Of St. Clair tp.

CORONER: CAPT. JOHN LONG, Of Liberty tp.

POOR HOUSE DIRECTOR: JOHN AMOS, Of Bedford tp.

AUDITOR: JAMES C. DEVORE, Of Londonderry tp.

BURNS AND HAY.

We publish in another column the proceedings of the Democratic Conference which met in this place on Monday last, to nominate a ticket for Assembly, by which it will be seen that GENERAL JAMES BURNS, of this county, and DAVID HAY, Esq., of Somerset county, were nominated by acclamation as the standard bearers of the Democracy of this Legislative District for the present campaign.

David Hay is a man fresh from the people—a man thoroughly acquainted with the wants of the masses—a man who bears an unspotted reputation—an upright, moral, straight-forward, though unobtrusive, gentleman. He is a farmer and knows and respects the interests of the farmers.

ABOLITION MEETING.

The great (?) and glorious (?) Abolition party of Bedford county, held a very small and very quiet meeting in the Court House on Tuesday evening last. Mr. F. J. Jones stated the object of the meeting and introduced, as the orator of the evening, a fellow by the name of McPherson, who, it seems, imagines that he is the nominee of some party, or other, for Congress.

the appropriations for the next year mixed up with the expenses for the last. His memory, also strangely failed him on this subject, or he might have given his audience some interesting information concerning the recklessness with which the Opposition Congress of two years ago, contracted debts for the Government, which debts it now becomes necessary for the National Administration to discharge.

We have raised the names of HAY and BURNS to the head of our paper. Is the Somerset Herald satisfied?

SOMERSET.—Quite a number of our old Somerset friends visited our town during the present week. The Somerset Bar was represented in the persons of Wm. J. PAER, O. H. GAITHER, and VALENTINE HAY, Esqs. DAVID HAY, Esq., our able representative in the last legislature and who has just been renominated, also spent several days in our midst.

FROM WASHINGTON.

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GENTLEMEN:—Some two or three weeks ago, when I incidentally alluded to the formation of a "Christian Association" in the goodly Borough of Bedford, I little thought that my remarks would call forth the criticism that has followed.

Now, what did I say? I hoped the "Christian Association" would do good, but thought it better for all Christian men to turn their attention to the Church as the only safe method of promoting the cause of Christ.

"We all, like sheep, have gone astray," and, instead of discussing the question as to which political party is "Anti-Christian," would it not be better to institute a searching inquiry as to whether there is a real Christianity among us at all? We have, it is true, plenty of fine churches, with crowded audiences, eloquent preachers, and religious newspapers, but when you come to compare the mass of their members, in "small standing," with the world, there is so little difference, that you cannot tell which is which, even with the use of a spy-glass.

The last thing in this world that I would do, would be to throw obstacles in the way of any movement calculated to advance the cause of Religion; but as I did not hesitate to express my convictions when I might know Nothing Lodges, (headed by many Ministers and Religious newspapers) threatened to take the entire country by a storm of fanaticism, neither can I be deterred from giving expression to my candid opinion that the CHURCH alone is the only safe foundation for a Christian man.

GRAND DEMOCRATIC RALLY!



The Campaign Opens Gloriously!! THE DEMOCRATIC HOSTS AROUSED!!! VICTORY AT THE COMING ELECTION PLAINLY FORESHADOWED!!!! GREAT ENTHUSIASM FOR THE DEMOCRATIC TICKET!!!! SPEECHES OF HON. WILSON REILLY, DR. KEYSER OF PITTSBURG, AND OTHERS!!!!

According to previous notice, a Mass Meeting of the Democracy of Bedford County, assembled in the Court House, in this borough, on Monday evening last, and was organized by the appointment of

MAL JAMES PATTON, PRESIDENT.

NICHOLAS KEGG, E. G. HENRY J. BRUNER, Esq., THOMAS DONAHUE, WILLIAM PEARSON, JOHN SILL, CORNELIUS DEVORE, ISAAC MENDEL, THOS. GERRARD, PETER F. LEHMAN, Esq., and WILLIAM SLEEK, acted as Vice Presidents.

Thomas H. Murray, Jeremiah Thompson, Thomas Laughhead, and George W. Gump, were appointed Secretaries.

The officers of the meeting then chosen having taken their seats, on motion of B. F. Meyers, the Chair appointed a Committee of one from each election district to draft resolutions expressive of the sense of the meeting. The Committee was composed as follows:

- B. F. Meyers, Bedford Borough. John Amos, " Township. John C. Everhart, " Broad Top " Wm. Cessa, " Colerain " Jas. Cessa, Esq., " Cumberland Valley " George Elder, " Harrison " Solomon Steel, " Hopewell " Wm. Keyser, " Juniata " Geo. F. Steel, " Liberty " Josiah Miller, " Londonderry " Baltzer Fletcher, " Monroe " Robert M. Taylor, Esq., " Napier " D. A. T. Black, " East Providence " Sam'l Bender, " West " John Henry Schell, " Schellsburg " Dan'l D. Garing, " Snake Spring " Adolphus Ake, " Union " John B. Flock, " South Woodberry, " Wm. Pearson, " Middle " "

Major S. H. Tate, being called upon, addressed the meeting in his usual eloquent style, and concluded his speech by introducing to the meeting the Hon. Wilson Reilly, who until

Mr. Reilly's address was listened to with profound attention and was frequently interrupted by bursts of applause. There was but one opinion concerning it, namely, that it was the greatest speech that has been made in our town for many years. The topics dwelt upon, principally, by the speaker, were the Leecompton controversy, the Tariff and the Expenditures of the Federal Government.

In regard to "Leecompton," he maintained that that was a settled issue—that it was dead—at an end—buried (in the language of our opponents) beyond the hope of resurrection—and, therefore, we have nothing whatever to do with it in the present campaign. To argue, however, that his constituents might understand his position on the Leecompton question, when it was an issue in Congress, he would frankly and unreservedly give an account of his course in regard to it. He freely acknowledged that at the first blush of the subject and before he had had time to examine the facts connected with it, he was opposed to the admission of Kansas under the Leecompton Constitution; but after he had ascertained the whole truth concerning the matter, after he had made a full investigation of the question, and when he came to look at it as a lawyer and as a member of Congress, he was compelled as a conscientious man, to vote for the acceptance of that Constitution by Congress.

Dr. Geo. H. Keyser, of Pittsburg, was then called upon to address the meeting, and made his appearance amid great applause. The Doctor made an elegant and forcible address, eliciting frequent cheers and carrying conviction to the minds of his hearers. He said that he had been a Whig and that he still respected the name of Whig that that party was a "snoble race"—but it had passed away—was numbered among the things that were—that he was now a Democrat and when he reflected upon the fact that the Democratic party has been in power since the early days of our government and then looked over our land and beheld the present greatness and glory of our nation, he could not, accord any reasonable man, resist the conclusion that the Democratic party is and has always been the true party.

Whereas, we still adhere to the political doctrines on the operation of which our nation has risen to its present state of greatness, still regarding the Democratic party as the only organization calculated to preserve and strengthen the bond of National Union and as the only party whose creed is broad enough to subserve the interests of the whole country.

Resolved, That the Administration of JAMES B. BURNAN has thus far proved itself entirely Democratic. In the peaceful settlement of the long continued and embittered Kansas controversy; in the suppression of the formidable rebellion in Utah; in the prompt assertion and maintenance of our Nation's rights upon the Hays; in short, in all his official acts, as well as in his private life, he has shown himself entirely worthy of the confidence so freely reposed in him by his fellow-citizens.

by voting regularly nominated Democratic tickets, whatever may have been their position on that question, as good enough Democrats for all purposes.

Resolved, That we are now, as we have ever been, in favor of a Tariff for revenue—a Tariff which would raise a fund sufficient to defray the expenses of an economical administration of the Government, should, also, with our currency in a sound condition, and with a judicious discrimination in favor of our domestic interests, such as Coal and Iron, afford incidental protection to those branches of our home industry which may require it.

Resolved, That we are now, as we have ever been, opposed to the indiscriminate increase of Corporations for Banking purposes, knowing them to be the fruitful source of financial disaster, and believing that so long as they control the business of the country, "hard times" and commercial ruin will certainly and inevitably come upon us.

Resolved, That we regard the wholesale charges of extravagance made against the National Administration, as totally unfounded, and that, on the other hand, it is a matter of surprise that the expenses of Government could be so curtailed by the Administration during the last year that they really do not exceed those of former years, when we reflect that the Opposition in the last Congress voted all kinds of unaccountable appropriations and that some of the late transactions of the Government, as for instance the settlement of the Mexican troubles, were necessarily made at an enormous cost.

Resolved, That Hon. JEREMIAH S. BLACK, present Attorney General of the U. S., has shown himself eminently fitted for the high office which he holds, and his old friends in Bedford county are glad to know that his great intellectual endowments, profound legal learning and clearheaded and patriotic statesmanship, have won for him a national and highly honorable reputation.

Resolved, That we have entire confidence in the ability and integrity of Gov. PARKER and believe that his Administration will redound to the benefit of the Commonwealth.

Resolved, That we heartily approve of the course of Hon. Wm. BURNAN, our distinguished representative in the Senate of the United States, and that when we hear his name slandered and his record as a public man, belied, we can say to his detractors, with great appropriateness, "Detraction leaves a shining mark."

Resolved, That Hon. WILSON REILLY has faithfully and ably represented his constituency in the Congress of which he is at present a member, and that if nominated for re-election by the Democracy of this District, we will cordially support him; we will vote for him, work for him and triumphantly elect him.

Resolved, That Hon. Wm. P. SAMPSON, our able and efficient State Senator, deserves our unequalled approbation, not only for his Democratic course as a legislator, but for his unrelenting exertions in behalf of the interests of Bedford county.

Resolved, That the course of DAVID HAY, Esq., as a member of the last legislature, deserves the hearty approval of every true Pennsylvania man and that we will vote for his re-election with the liveliest satisfaction.

Resolved, That in General JAMES BURNS, we have a candidate for Assembly, whose election would reflect great credit upon our county, and in whose hands our lot could not be misplaced.

Resolved, That the Democratic State Ticket is composed of sound Democrats and honest and capable men. WILLIAM A. FORTNER, for Supreme Judge, and WESTLEY FROST for Canal Commissioner, merit and will receive, our ardent and unwavering support.

Resolved, That we recommend to the people of Bedford county, the Democratic County Ticket, regarding it as constructed of the very best material to be found in the County. We refer with pride to such men as JACOB BECKLEY, JOHN LONG, JOHN AMOS and JAMES C. DEVORE.

Resolved, That we now pledge ourselves, as Democrats, one unto the other, that we will not only vote, but work for, the whole Democratic Ticket, from top to bottom, and that we now unfurl our flag to keep it floating till victory shall perch upon our standard on the second Tuesday of October next.

Hon. Wm. F. SMITH, moved to amend the resolution endorsing Mr. Reilly so as to instruct the Conference, appointed by the late Democratic County Convention, to represent this county in the Congressional Conference at Chambersburg on the second of September, to support Hon. WILSON REILLY for re-nomination, which amendment was adopted without dissenting voice. The resolutions were then passed unanimously.

The following additional resolution was offered by Mr. Meyers, and was also adopted by the meeting:

Resolved, That we recommend to the favorable attention of Congress, the mineral regions of Bedford county, as possessing all the requisites for the location of a National Foundry. The Coal, Iron, Limestone, such other beds of high and other minerals abundant in our county, the water power furnished by our streams, together with the facilities of our climate, railroad communications with all the large cities, and our distance from the sea-coast, rendering efficient security against the incursions of enemies during times of war, all argue strongly in favor of the eligibility of this locality as the site for such an institution.

After a short but effective speech from O. E. STANLEY, Esq., the meeting adjourned with three long, loud and hearty cheers for the whole Democratic Ticket.

LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE.

Pursuant to notice, the Conference for the Legislative District composed of the counties of Bedford, Somerset, and Westmoreland, met at Bedford, on Monday the 30th day of August, last. On motion, Wm. J. BURN, Esq., was chosen President and Otho J. W. TATE, was elected Secretary.

The following delegates were present: Somerset.—W. J. BURN, Charles A. STALLER, O. H. GAITHER. Bedford.—J. G. HARTLEY, J. W. TATE and S. G. STABLE.

On motion, JAMES BURNS, of Bedford county, and DAVID HAY, of Somerset county, were nominated by acclamation as the candidates of the Democratic party of the district, for Assembly.

On motion, it was resolved that the proceedings of the Conference be published in the Bedford Gazette and Somerset Democrat, whereupon the Conference adjourned.

Wm. J. BURN, Pres. Jas. W. TATE, Sec'y.

FATAL ACCIDENT.

On Wednesday last week, the 23rd ult., as Mr. HENRY RIVINGTON, of St. Clair township, was engaged in throwing down grain from a mow in his barn, he fell to the barn floor, a distance of about twenty feet. He was taken up in a state of insensibility from which it was found impossible to arouse him. He lingered until the morning of the twenty eighth ult., when he breathed his last. He leaves a wife and six children to mourn their irreparable loss.

COURT.—Owing to the severe illness of his Honor, Judge KIMMEL, the Causes put down for trial at the present term of Court, were continued to next term. Judges Hartley and Saily sat several days for the purpose of hearing motions, &c. There were but comparatively few persons in attendance.

Coal.—L. M. and C. A. Statler, of Shad township, Somerset county, will be ready in a few weeks to supply their old friends in Bedford, with any quantity of stone-coal. Give them a call.

Circus!—See the advertisement of Van Amburgh & Co., in another column. Their great combined circus and menagerie will be here on Thursday next.

FULTON COUNTY.—James B. Sanson, Esq., editor of the Fulton Democrat, and Sam'l M. Woodcock and C. M. Barton, Esqs., of the McConnellsburg Bar, paid our town a visit the other day. They give a flattering account of the Democracy of "Little Fulton."

Announcement.

To the Independent Voters of Bedford and Somerset Counties: Thankful for the former partiality of my fellow citizens of this Legislative District, I am again a candidate for ASSEMBLY and shall remain so until the closing of the Polls, on next election day. Should I be so fortunate as to be re-elected, I pledge myself to fulfil the trust reposed in me, honestly and to the best of my ability. SAMUEL J. CASNER, Bedford, Sept. 3, 1858.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that Letters of administration have been granted to the undersigned by the Register of Bedford county, upon the estate of Wm. Leasure, late of said township deceased, all persons, therefore, indebted to said deceased, will please make immediate payment, and those having claims against it, will present them duly authenticated for settlement. ARCHIBALD PERDEW, of Bond's Cove, Bedford co., Adm'r.