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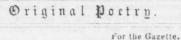
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### A Dirge for Douglas.

The busy mind has ceased to toil, I'he active frame has gone to rest; The Douglas sleeps beneath the soil Of his own well beloved West. Where Michigan her billows pours Upon het green, umbrageous shore; The dust of him who once was ours, Awaits the hand that shail restore.

How peaceful is our leader's rest ! How calm the scene that 'round him lies ! Here is no travail, toil, unrest, No strife, no bloody sacrifice ! The thorn-tree blossoms white and pure, The wild-bird trills its softest notes. The clover-blooms the bee allure, And peace on every zephyr floats.

So rest thee, Statesman of the West! Nor may thy deathless spirit know What demons dark have since possessed Thy land to shroud its homes in woe. So rest thee, Douglas ! though the roar Of war's dread thunder sweeps the air; Thou'lt hear the slogan nevermore, Nor with the chiefs the battle share. B. F. M.

#### **RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE NEW** YORK DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

We give in full the series of resolutions adopted on Wednesday week, by the New York Democratic State Convention, held at Syra-

Resolved, That in this crisis the watch- to the country. word which should pass through the Demoocratic ranks, calling them togeather and consolidating them in one erect and determined mass in detense of our perilled country, is the sentiment of Andrew Jackson, that "the Union must and shall be preserved."

Resolved, That it was the duty of Congress, in the initiation of this conflict, to have encouraged the loyal citizens of the South by ample guaranties of their rights and by all just and honorable concessions, and we believe it to be its duty now, while putting down rebellion with armed force, to offer to the loyal people of the disaffected States the remedy which the Constitution itself provides for public grievances, a convention of all the States for the revision and amendment of that instrument.

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Resolved, That the Democracy of this State will sustain no war nor countenance any peace tending to the separation of these States, and that they will regard any attempt to pervert this conflict for emancipation of slaves as fatal to all the hopes of the restoration of the Union

Resolved, That it is the duty of the administration, imitating the patriotic spirit of the people, to abandon the narrow platform of the Chicago Convention, which stands condemned by the suffrages of nearly two-thirds of the people, and to step forth upon the broad platform of the Constitution, to expel corrupt men from office, to exclude from the councils the advocates of separation or abolition, and to re-construct its Cabinet so as to conform to the altered condition of the country and to command more large-

ly the public respect and confidence. Resolved, That the right of fully and freely eanvassing the policy and measures of the administration in power is essential to a constitutional government ; it is a right upon which the pillars of our republic rest and is denied only by tyrants. To use the language of Daniel Webster, "It is a hombred right, a fireside privilege. It has ever been enjoyed in every house, cottage and cabin in the nation. It is not to be denied in controversy. It is as undoubted as the right of breathing the air and walking on the earth. It is a right to be maintained in peace and war. It is a right which cannot be invaded without destroying the constitutional liberty. Hence, this right should be guarded and protected by the freemen of this country with a zealous care, unless they are prepared for chains and slavery."

Resolved, That we thank our brave army in the field, and our navy upon the seas, for the noble devotion and heroic courage they have shown in rallying to the defense of the country in its hour of peril, and we will not forget that it is our duty to protect them from being the sport and sacrifice of politicians, who order battles from ideas of political necessity, or the victims of contractors, who make the peril of the country the occasion of general spoliation and speculation.

Resolved, That the hopes of the country detory in this State would be hardly less auspicious to the cause of the Union than the triamph of the federal arms on the field of battle. That, therefore, we hold those Democrats who "trom motives of ambition or factiousness, are seeking to divide and distract the party, as not only treacherous to its principles, but disloyal

#### STAND BY YOUR PARTY.

A Democrat who was somewhat soured at certain proceedings in his party that did not exactly tally with his views, and who was about to bolt his party on that account laid his grievthe old champion of Democracy. Andrew Jackson. The old Hero listened to his story and then raised himself erect, his eagle-eye flashing with fire and animation which characterized him in the days of his prime he brought hii clinched hand down upon the table before him and exclaimed—" No, by the Eternal— Stand by your party !" Coming from the lips of that wise and good man-he whom the Democracy and the country ever delight to honor-his words should be the rallying cry of every true Democat now when there exists an organized plot to destroy that time honored party of which Jackson in his day was so proud. "Stand by your party" has ever been the motio of the Democracy-whether the prospects before us were bright and inviting or whether the dark clouds of opposition hung over us and forrboded that we should be compelled to contest our march inch by inch. But with unbroken phalanx, we have gone on, with our country's best interest as our guiding star, refusing to unite with any other party, and success has almost invariably perched upon our banner. "Stand by your party," the glorious, old Democratic Party; it is still the hope of your country—the only national organization that can restore and maintain the Union, through its well known adherence to the principles of the Constitution. "Stand by your party," let that be your watchword and your pattle cry-let every conservative citizen rally to the standard of Democracy, and proclaim that the party must and shall be preserved, despite the efforts of factious malcontents, and traitorous demagogues and our glorious Union will once more be restored and maintained. - Valley Spiril. STRAYED OR STOLEN .-- " Lost, strayed or stolen," three commissioners appointed by Gov- a civil war, we implore members of Congress also such of the dead as had papers or other arernor Curtin to investigate the frauds in army clothing contracts. They have not been beard of since May, when they were seen in the cars, on their way to Philadelphia, it is supposed to partake of a public dinner, at the expense of several disinterested and patriotic individuals, in whose company they were seen, and who had nothing whatever to do with the clothing speculations. If the above mentioned individuals were heard of afterwards, the public would like to know the tact, and any information will be thankfully received.

The Philadelphia Press takes great offence at the reply of Hon. John Cessna, of Bedford, to some questions asked him on the occasion of his nomination to the Legislature, in which he promises "never to vote except as a Democrat." The pious editor lifts his hands in holy horror at the mere intention that a "high toned gentleman like Mr. Cessna," should have the co-dacity to be a follower of the immortal Jaciin these times of treason and rebellion We believe this man Forney used to be a Defa ocrat once himself, but the very name has to come so offensive to his nostrils since he is he turning his new formed friendships to such good account, that he will never be willing allow that a man can belong to that organ ization and at the same time be a true patrice. There is no truer union man in Pennsylvania than Mr. Cessna. We have reason to know that he stands upon the unequivocal platform of endorsing every necessary effort of the Government to preserve the Union and crush the rebellion; and when entertaining the views he does he says he will "vote as a Dera ocrat,' he stands, where every man deservi the name of a Democrat, should stand, in favor of the Union, the Government, the Costitution and the enforcement of the laws. Ve can have very little respect for those, when ever they are found, who seek to create this

impression that no one can "vote as a Dem ocrat," and be a friend of the Union. The pharisaic pride of some of the partisan friends of the administration, which glories in standing up in the high places of the synagogue, and thanking its maker that it is not as other are, would really be amusing if it were not so ungenerous and unjust. The Democratic party, with one or two insignificant exceptions, all over the country stand upon the same loyal and patriotic platform. Hundreds of them have already offered up their lives in defence of the country; and thousands can yet be found in the ranks, ready to follow their brave commander to victory and glory, and to death if needs be. It would be well for those who seem to be so thankful that they are so brimfull of patriotism to remember the parable of the Pharisee and Publican, to which we have alluded-for one of those men went down

from the temple justified rather than the other-and that one was not the Pharisee .---Chambersburg Timer.

#### ARE YOU READY ?

One week from next Tuesday, the annu election takes place. Are our Democratic friends ready for the contest that is to be decipend upon the unity and vigor of the Democrat-ic party in this crisis. That a Democratic vic-ded on that day? If not, let them now go to work, rallying and encouraging forward our forces, that we may make victory ours. A Democratic victory this fall, in the Old Keystone State, is of vast importance to the nation Pre-eminently the party of the Constitution, of law, and of order, its triumph will have the effect of re-establishing the confidence in the government, which has unfortunately been lost through republican error and mismanagement. It will place a check upon that dangerous Abolition fanaticism which has already wrought such dire evils, and threatens still further ones. It will assure the Southern rebels that the war now waged against them is not for the emancipation of the slaves, but for the integrity of the Union-and that assurance will be more pow-

# PATRIOTISM VERSUS DEMOCRACY. Diabolical Outrage on the Hannibal and The Philadelphia. Press takes great offence St. Joseph Railroad.

## EDITED BY SIMON SYNTAX. ESO.

DF friends of education who wish to enlighten the public on the subject of teaching the "young idea how to shoot," are respectfully requested to send communications to the above, care of "Bed-ford Gazette."

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SCHOOL ETHICS FOR PARENT AND CHILD. No. 13.

The pupils should beautify the grounds and house. One of the greatest exterior evidences not having the schools open all that time ? Why of a well working, harmonious, and well disciplined school, is that resulting from the care and attention bestowed by the pupils of the "He that hath true wisdom loveth his own school, upon the grounds and house. It may, soul." Would you love your soul, or your in fact, often be considered an appropriate in- neighbor's, by letting it lie like a barren wa dication of what may be the character of the for years ? We doubt it. Evidently our minde school. A great deal will depend on the char- were made to live and expand throughout the acter of the teacher. If he be a true lover of infinituse of eternity. That work of expansion nature's beauties, he will influence his pupils must commence here. Are we uot thwarting to their work in this respect. A love for the the designs of our Maker by abandoning or postbeautiful in both art and nature, is among the poning that noble work? How many minds most noble attributes of rational beings, and any | will be dwarfed and left to wander on the shoals buddings of such love in the child should be al- of the " darkness of ignorance and blindness of lowed and encouraged to ripen. These germinations are too often crushed by the ruthless can accomplish their designs ! hand of the teacher before they are allowed to make any progress toward maturity, and being once crushed, never again break forth.

The majority of our public school grounds are as destitute of trees and shrubbery as they con- the example left behind may be such as the veniently can be. True, nature sometimes sup- child may be thankful for. To watch for and plies the defect, or rather hides it, by growing is one of the noblest offices that father or mothtrees and bushes, Flowers, except wild ones, er can fill. Truly it has been said that are an ornament not thought of there. The "out of the mouths of babies and sucklings" public highway and the nearest fence mark the strenth has been ordained. What could give bounds of the school play ground. A few form greater strength to that widowed heart, than ness of the school house site is relieved by the God for the mercies of the day, and pray for his care and attention, paid to the ornamentation care during the coming night; then as usual and decoration paid to the school grounds. A came the earnest "God bless dear mother"neat fence encircles the grounds; fine shade but the prayer was stilled, the little hand untrees, beautiful shrubbery, and fragrant flowers, the mother's eye as the words of hopeful sorare scattered profusely in the yard; and al! are scattered profusely in the yard; and all seem to unite in rendering the school a place of pleasure, as well as a place of improvement. — iter little hps had been able to form the dear order that the child may work to advantage.-If that pleasure serve to cultivate the child in its æsthetic nature, so much more is gained .--Man's whole nationality has to be trained . æsthetic, scientific, and ethic.

Observers cannot fail to perceive the different effects different school-houses present. The that faitered almost too much for utterance, she pupils in our old, rickety, and ugly buildings do not enter on the performance of the day's duties with the same ardor as those do, whose whose house and grounds present a neat and beautiful appearance. The hearts of all seem

tingcup, reserve your dimes for a better cause and you, Mr. Stingy,-for you are always grumbling-buy that vain, uneducated daughter of of yours' a silk dress or two a year less, and you'll have enough to educate your and your poor neighbor's children. Do this, all of you, and the recording angel will give you a " long credit," and in the end there will be a ' balauce in your favor.

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The schools are to be postponed on account of the war, and even at the beginning Suppose the war were to last five or i what state of affairs would be brought about by we would be thrown back a quarter of a cent ry in educational matters. Would it be wree f superstition,' if the enemies of common schools

#### A TOUCHING INCIDENT.

What parent on reading the annexed extract,

can fail to reflect on the lesson it suggests? How important that when the parent has departed, train the budding thoughts of an artless child

She knelt at the accustomed hour to thank name, she prayed for a blessing upon it; it had tollowed close after mother's name, for he had said that must come first, and now to say the familiar prayer, and leave her father out. No wonder the new thought seemed to much for the childish mind to receive.

I waited some moments that she might conquer her emotion, and then urged her to go on. Her pleading eyes met mine, and with a voice said-

"Oh mother, I cannot leave him all out, let me say "thank God that I had a dear father once! so I can still go on and keep him in my prayers."

And so she always does, and my stricken more gay and cheerful when nature in all her heart learned a lesson from the loving ingenu-loveliness seems smiling, as if in approval of ity of my child. Remember to thank God for

The Schoolmaster Abroad. HUDSON, Mo., Sept. 5.

Abe Hager, baggage-master on the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad, furnishes to the St. Louis Democrat the following account of a diabolical outrage on that road the by before yesterday :---

The passenger express train bound West on September 3d was thrown into the Platte River, the timbers of the East end of the bridge over that stream having been burned nearly through. The entire train went down, the engine turning over and the baggage, freight, mail and two passenger cars piled on top. The passenger cars were completely smashed, and I was the only one on the train that escaped unhurt.--After getting out of the baggage car, I commenced taking the passengers that were not killed from the wreck. Conductor S. C. Cutter died in a very few minutes.

Frank Clark, the engineer, had one leg com pletely twisted and jammed into strings. He also died in a few minutes. Martin Field, mail agent; Chas. Moore, fireman, and J. Fox, a brakeman, were killed. Among the wounded were Mr. Medill, son of Dr. Medill, of Ohio, and his wife-both badly injured. I could not learn the names of all the passengers. I went to St. Joseph ; got an engine, physicians, and other necessaries for the wounded, and reached the wreck at 3 A. M. The greatest excitement prevails in St. Joseph in regard to this inhuman outrage.

Sept. 6 .- The following additional account of the horrible disaster on the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad is furnished to the St. Louis Republican.

The catastrophe occurred at Little Platte River bridge, nine miles east of St. Josephs. The timbers of the bridge had been burned underneath the track until they would sustain but little more than their own weight, and the fire was then extinguished, leaving the bridge a mere shell. The train, bringing from 85 to 100 passengers, including women and children, an exception to the general rule. The dreari- such a scene with her little daughter. reached the river at 11 o'clock at night and the bridge looking secure, passed in; but no sooner had the locomotive measured its length upon the bridge than some forty or fifty yards of the structure gave way, precipitating the entire train into the abyss below. All the septs in the passenger coaches were torn and shoved in front, carrying men, women and children in a promiscuous heap down the declivity, and hnrying them beneath the crushed timber or throwing them out of the cars through the broken Pleasure must be intermingled with work, in sides. Some were mangled by the machinery tearing through the timbers, several were caught between planks pressing together like a vice. Others were struck by parts of the roof as it came down with mighty force. Still others were cut with pieces of glass, while wounds, and blood and agony prevailed all over the frightful scene, and shrieks of pain were mingled with cries of terror. In this way the two last cars of the train went down, pitching the passengers into the wreck, or throwing them into the water, which at this point is about a foot and a half in depth. Only three persons—J. W. Parker, Superintendent of the United States Express; Mr. Mars, mail agent and Mr. Hager —were able to afford assistance to the suffer-

Resolved, That the claim of any State or number of States to a right to relinquish at will their obligations and allegiance to the Union has no warrant in the Constitutionis at war with its letter and spirit -- is incompatible with good government and the preservation of the public faith, and the enforcement of the treaties, and whenever this pretension has been advanced by secessionists North or South, it has been resisted and defeated by the Democracy, who have ever maintained, as they still do, that secession is revolution.

Resolved. That the seizure of the forts and property belonging to the federal government, tollowed by the authorization of privateers against the commerce of the loyal States, precipitated the country into a state of war; that it is the duty of the government to prosecute the war thus forced upon it with all its power and resources, and that it is the duty of the people to rally with arms and means to the government, until the struggle is ended by the triumph of the Constitution and laws, and the restoration of the Union.

Resolved, That we hold next in guilt to the faction which has risen in arms against the country, the politicians of the North, who for years have organized and sustained a system of agitation tending and intending to alienate the different sections of the country, and to stir up between them an "irrepressible conflict," based upon their domestic institutions, which, it was declared, could only terminate in the universal predominance of one section or the other.

Resolved, That to the infatuation of the same class of politicians we can trace the threatening proportions which this "civil war" has assumed and the catastrophes that have attended In the language of one of their representative men, "Congress adjourned, having done and said nothing to strengthen and encourage the Union men of the Border States. The great and powerful States of Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee, were lost to the Union, while three other States-Maryland, Kentucky and Missouri-are struggling to maintain their positions in it, because the Republican representatives were beguiled into the popular idea that they discharged their first and highest duty in standing by and on the Chicago platform;" and later still, when the people had rallied, without distinction of party, to the defense of the Union, the same predominant influence in the Republican party, by dictating "political battles to be fought," have, according to the a hundred millions of dollars to its cost, and omore soldiers

NATHANIEL B. BAKER, who has been nomisame authority, "added another year to the war, nrted as the Union candidate for Governor of last hours of Cardinal Wolsey's life will over-Iowa, was the last Democratic Governor of New take them we know not ; if it does not, the pened, graves for fifteen or twenty thousand Hampshire. After his defeat in 1855 he emi- moral philosophy of the world will be greatly he announced that he would cut his throat and grated.

erful than an army, in disarming rebellion, re- ed outright being so disabled as to be helpless. storing respect for the Union, and preparing After doing all that was possible for those rethe way for reconstruction.

A Democratic triumph is also of the highest importance to our State. We have been long enough cursed with the corruptions and profligacy of Republican ruleis. Our legislators, bribes in hand, have thrown away the public money by the million, and our honest farmess and mechanics are taxed to the very last stage of endurance, to pay for their criminal malteasance.

But we need not descend to speak in detail of Republican misdoings. The nation and the State of the rule of the Chicaco-platform-ites. The people-the honest people-are beginning see the realization of the mistake they committed in the placing such a party in power. They are longing for the opportunity to rein-state that good old party-the party of Jefferson and Jackson-under which the country was always prosperous.

Then, let all good democrats, in the full confidence of victory, go to work for the nominees of their party, and work for them, one and all. until the closing of the polls on the evening of the second Tuesday of October. Let them work earnestly, and continually, for in so doing they are working for their own best interests Two are so badly mangled that it was not expecand the welfare of their country .- Fulton Democrat.

Thulow Weed, of the Albany Journal, saw last January the storm that would inevitably burst over the country, unless some measure was adopted to avert it. He appealed to the Republican members of Congress not to listen Journals whose columns abounded in appeals to "backbone," "pluck," &c. He said To save this Union and to avert the horrors of of the wounded were being taken down, and to meet the reasonable proposition of the Union men of the South."

\* "In view of the trial that approaches and the ordeal through which public men must late, to a remorse which poisoned the last hours of Cardinal Wolsey." The Republican members of Congress heeded not the warning voice, course. They might have saved the country but hatred and revenge usurped the place of patriotism, and we are in the midst of a civil

war. Whether the remorse that poisoned the at fault.

ing, the remainder of those who were not killquireing immediate attention, Mr. Hager at

midnight left the wreck to go to St. Louis, for medical and other assistance. He walked 5 miles of the way, when he found a hand car, upon which he proceeded the remainder of the ourney. Two hundred vards West of the bridge he discovered a heavy oak railroad tie strongly strapped across the track, and two miles fuither he found the trestle work over a

small stream on fire, which, however, had not as yet been so badly burned that trains could not pass over, or could not be easily extinguish-

Arriving at St. Josephs, the alarm was soon spread throughout the city, and although it was one o'clock at night, 75 men, including all the physicians in the neighborhood, volunteered their services, and at half-past three o'clock, a train fully equipped, supplied with medical and other necessaries, was at the scene of the disaster.

The wounded had emerged from the wreck, and were lying on the banks and upon a sand bar in the river. Seventeen dead bodies were discovered, and it is believed that this number embraced all who were killed up to that time. ted they would survive till morning, while many others were dangerously wounded and would have to be well taken care of to recover. Many who will escape with their lives

will be maimed and crippled. Mr. Hager, our informant, did not remain to finish the embarkation of the wounded for St. Josephs, but was despatched to Brookfield, which is East of the bridge, for another train to go to the wreck. When he left, the names ticles about them by which they could be identified.

Fifteen miles out of the Platte River, Mr. Hager found another bridge over Smith's pass, we hope that Republicans will so bear Branch almost entirely burned, having been themselves that they will not be called, too fired after the train passed West, thus prevening assistance being sent from the East. Lieut. Shaw, of the Kansas regiment, killed, and Mr. Lauusberry and Sidney Clark, wounbut rushed madly on in their anti-slavery ded, are the only additional names we have at present.

> PARSON BROWNLOW, the valiant and fightng editor of the Knoxville (Tenn.,) Whig, has really come down and taken his position on the Secession platform. But a few days ago go to perdition first.

s seems smiling, as if in approval of their taste and care. Pupils should be led to the mercies of the past, as well as the blessings know that each wanton acts of destruction of of the future. nature's works is in violation of pure morality. KAPPA.

#### POSTPONING THE SCHOOLS.

that the schools in some of the districts of this of the Opposition in our midst are busy at work county were to be postponed the ensuing win- sowing the seeds of dissension. For selfish ends, ter. We are not sure whether this can be done, they are making every effort to divide publ for the common schools are permanent " insti- sentiment by assailing every one who is tutions" in this State ; and, if we mistake not, ditious language they are doing their utmost to the Attorney General has lately decided that stir up bitterness in the hearts of our patriotic there must be four months of school during the people. Week after week they assaul the Demyear. If this be so, it settles the matter at once. ocratic organs as Secession organs, and honest But we will allow the possibility and consider the expediency. We question very much for the defeat of the Democratic party, have whether it would be wisdom or economy to ut- prompted these assaults, and if it were in the terly cut down the small amount that is expen- power of these selfish leaders and a few of their ped for the cause of education. Why is to be followers, they would inaugurate anarchy and done ? It is assumed that in order to meet the they hypocritically deplore party strife and afexpenditures of the civil war with which we fect to deprecate a civision of public sentiment. are cursed, a blow must be struck at the very How long will public sentiment tolerate such vitals of the cause of universal education. Mis- violence of language, and countenance men taken policy ! one that the dark ages might have who are doing their utmost to destroy the peace produced without creating any astonishment, which happing reigns in our must a nearly, course of the leaders of this Republican party, but which, in these enlightened times is utter- now calling itself "the Union" party, such as ly out of place. What ! strike at a cause which not only to condemn themselves, but to consign next to our civil and religious liberty, is, and to an overwhelming defeat, the candidates has been, the boast of the land ? Banish the they lead and attempt to control ? Will the thought! Let no lover of humanity entertain moderate patriotic men of that party sanction the suicidal idea. And you, Mr. Narrow-souled Grumbler, who hate the school tax worse an honorable peace, put the seal of their conthan evil spirits, " lay not the flattering unction demnation, at the polls, upon these partisan to your soul," that you can now strike down an demagogues !

institution which you have always regarded with so much loathing. Your selfish mind first entertained the magnanimous (?) idea of robbing the poor children of their education ; for in no other could it have originated. There are a lowed, the clergyman actually married the thousand arguments against this mad policy, and wrong parties. there are a thousand things which are capable of retrenchment before you come to the common claimed in a voice of enthusiasm to a plowman

Cut down the luxuries first, and do not starve the soul until you must. You, who chew the "Them aint sheeps and lambs-them's hogs, poisonous weed, and who are in favor of econo- miss." mizing in these times, remember that " charity IF The christian duty of military blunderbegins at home." You, who imbibe the intoxica- ers--Resignation.

#### **REBUKE THE DEMAGOGUES.**

At this time, when it is imperatively demanded by the dangers of our common Country that all the citizens of the loyal states should We have heard it whispered very seriously, preservation of the Union, a few of the leadees. assist them to ride into office : and by their members of the Democratic party as " Secession Sympathisers." Personal hatred, and a desire such violence ? Let all men who love their country and desire a united North, to conquer

> IF As a marriage ceremony was about to be performed in a church in Troy recently, the clergyman desired the parties [wishing to be married to rise. A large number of ladies immediately rose, and in the confusion which fol-

A young lady who wore spectacles exschools. Education is a necessity, not a luxury. who was walking on the road, "Do you sir, appreciate the beauty of that landscape? Oh, see those darling sheep and lambs skipping about!"