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WHIG STATE CONVENTION.

A State Convention, to be composed of Delegates from the City of Philadelphia and the several counties equal to their representation in the General Assembly of this Commonwealth, will be held at Harrisburg on TUESDAY, the 9th day of MARCH NEXT, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of selecting candidates for Governor and Canal Commissioner to be supported by the Whigs and the friends of the Protective Policy at the next ensuing election, and to transact such other business as may be deemed important to the success of the Whig cause.

J. P. SANDERSON,
SAMUEL D. KARNS,
JOSEPH KONIGMACHER,
MORTON McMICHAEL,
GEORGE ERETY,
H. JONES BROOKE,
THEO. D. COCHRAN,
JAMES FOX,
JAMES MARTIN,
WILLIAM BUTLER,
J. J. SLOCUM,
JOHN R. EDIE,
EDWARD COWAN,
JOHN B. JOHNSON,
WM. J. HOWARD,
Whig State Committee.

To our friends and patrons we tender the compliments of the season.

The Magnetic Telegraph is to be completed to Pittsburgh in the course of the present week.

Capt. Naylor's Riflemen.

A company of Riflemen, under command of Hon. Charles Naylor, reached Stoystown on last Friday a week, in conveyances furnished by the citizens of Bedford. On Saturday they were taken forward on sleds and sleighs, by a number of the citizens of our county, some of whom accompanied them as far as Greensburg. Ere long they will have joined their Regiment and be gliding swiftly down the Ohio, on their way to Empico.

By a letter which is published on first page it will be seen that our Representative, Hon. ANDREW STEWART, desires a nomination for Governor.

GODLY'S LADY'S BOOK.—The January No. of this periodical is received, well bound with matter and containing several fine engravings.

The Lady's Book, one year, and either of the Reprints of Blackwood's Lady's Magazine, or the London World of Fashion, will be sent to any person forwarding \$2, and a copy of the new annual, "The Fountain," complete, for \$3.

Gubernatorial.

Mr. STEWART having declined to be a candidate for Governor, Gen. IRVIN and Mr. COOPER have now the field to themselves. We have no idea as to which will be selected by the Convention, but are anxious in saying that a large majority of the Whigs of this county would prefer the nomination of Mr. COOPER.

More Troops.

The President has made a requisition upon the Governor of Pennsylvania for an additional Brigade of volunteers. A sufficient number of companies have already tendered their services.

Sergeant Hart, the noble fellow who lost his right arm in planting the American standard in Monterey, passed through Uniontown last week, on his way to Baltimore, accompanied by his wife and little son.

The rumor about a suspension of business by the Mount Savage Company is contradicted by the Cumberland Citizen.

The remains of Major Briggold have been brought to Baltimore and interred with appropriate honors.

The following sentiment of the editor of the Philadelphia North American, we commend to the attention of every man who feels an interest in the success of his principles.

Every Whig owes it as a first duty to principles which he sustains, to subscribe to the local paper of the county in which he resides. This should be done, even a favor, but in a spirit of duty, for such is evidently its aim. The county of Lancaster, at least, but poorly repaid for its services—his condition should therefore be a stimulus of manly independence as respecting the dignity of his position, and tending more effectually to exhort him to & exertions."

A correspondent of the Lancaster Tribune recommends Andrew McPhail, Esq., for Canal Commissioner.

Our State Legislature meets on Monday next.

More Troops called for.

A second requisition has been made upon the State of Louisiana, by the Secretary of War, for a battalion, to consist of two companies, two or three of which are to be equipped and organized as artillery, and the remainder as infantry. The requisition is made on condition that, in the opinion of the Governor, the battalion can be raised and sent forward to the seat of war ten days or a fortnight sooner than the regiment which the State has been called upon to furnish. The battalion is to serve during the war, unless sooner discharged.

It is also stated that the President has authorized a company of volunteers to be raised in the city of Mobile, for the Mexican war. Six months' clothing and pay in advance are to be furnished, and the company is to serve during the war.

The Military Election.

The following are the official returns of the Military Election, held yesterday, for officers of the 1st Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers. The election was held by Col. Samuel Jones and Major Wm. Larimer as Judges.—*Pitts. Amer.*

FOR COLONEL.

J. M. Wynkoop,	310
W. F. Snail,	306
A. L. Trouper,	253
E. Trovile,	16

FOR LIEUT. COLONEL.

Samuel W. Black,	452
R. K. Scott,	382
J. G. Motterhead,	144

FOR MAJOR.

F. L. Bowman,	491
J. C. Brown,	334
G. C. McClelland,	23
Jno. C. Gilchrist,	20
Alex. W. Foster,	1

Regimental orders—No. I.

1st Regt. Pa. Volunteers.

December 19, 1846.

The First Regiment of Penna. Volunteers will prepare itself for marching according to the following orders:

Company B, Captain Negus, and Company C, Captain Smidt, will embark on the steamer Messenger, at 10 o'clock A. M., on Monday, the 21st.

Company E, Captain Bennett, and Company H, Captain Scott, will embark on board the steamer Circassian at 2 o'clock on Monday, 21st.

Company A, Captain Hay, and Company G, Captain Moorhead, will embark on board the steamer Allegrippa at 10 o'clock on Tuesday, the 22d.

Company C, Capt. Binder, and Company I, Captain Dana, will embark on board the steamer St. Anthony at 2 o'clock on Tuesday, the 22d.

Company D, Captain Hill, and Company F, Captain Herron, will embark on board the steamer New England at 9 o'clock on Wednesday morning, the 23d.

The commanding officers request a strict and prompt compliance with the above orders.

By command of
F. W. WYNKOOP, Col.
ALEX. BROWN,
Adj. of the 1st Regt. Pa. Vol.

THE RIGHT SPIRIT.

From the Gettysburg Star.

The locofoco press continues quite uneasy at the prospect of having either Mr. Cooper or Mr. Irvin to battle against in the next campaign, and speculates with no little anxiety on the possibility or probability of dissensions in our ranks. Conscious of the disaffection and corruption that are breaking up our own organization, and its resulting disastrous defeat in a fair contest with the friends of American industry, no wonder that they are so restive and uneasy, and grasp with so much eagerness at the faintest symptom of division in the Whig ranks. Unfortunately, however, for our opponents, in this matter, the wish is entirely "father to the thought," as we can assure them that in no event will they be troubled with more than one Whig candidate, though it is very probable that they may find some difficulty in taking care of that one. Can they promise us much with reference to the locofoco nomination?

TAX ON TEA AND COFFEE.

It will, or half, or even quarter, that has been said by locofocos, in Congress, in Newspapers, and at Elections, against Taxing the Tea and Coffee of the Poor, had been true or sincere, this would have been the last burden the Administration would have imposed. However great and pressing the demand for money, if a Tax on Tea and Coffee be the cruel thing Free Trade Locofoco represent, it the Poor should be exempted from it. But in the teeth of all they have said, President Polk, and Secretary Walker now recommend a Tax on Tea and Coffee! This, according to the teachings of our Ralers, taxes *necessaries*, rather than luxuries, and therefore imposes the War burthen upon the Poor instead of the Rich! But it is ever thus with Locofocoism. It works its power by professing attachment to principles which are abandoned the moment they have beguiled the People of their suffrage.—Lan. Tribune.

John M. Read, Esq., lately appointed Attorney General by Gov. Shunk, has resigned his office, and Benjamin Chapman, Esq., of Lancaster, has been appointed to fill the vacancy. The cause of Mr. Read's resignation is not made public.

Mr. Stokes, one of Mr. Read's Deputies in Philadelphia, and Joseph J. Lewis, Deputy in Chester county, have also resigned.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Correspondence of the Lancaster Examiner.

On Tuesday, the resolution offered by Mr. Garret Davis, as mentioned in my last, being again under consideration, Mr. Boyd offered a substitute, that restored it nearly to its original form and in that form it was adopted by the House. On motion of Mr. Broadhead, the House then resolved itself into committee of the whole on the state of the Union, in order to take up and refer the President's message. This gave rise to an animated discussion, which was commenced by Mr. Giddings, who commented with great severity on the manner in which the war had been commenced, and the course pursued by the Administration. Messrs. Payne of Alabama and Johnson of Tennessee, occupied the remainder of the day in defending the President and justifying the manner in which the war was prosecuted.

On Wednesday the debate was continued by Messrs. Gentry of Tenn., Keeney of Ia., and Hudson of Mass. Mr. Gentry intermixed with great severity on that part of the President's message which imputes treason to those who dare to give an expression to opinions differing from those of the Executive, and said that his principal object in addressing the Committee, was to show his utter contempt for all those mean denunciations.

Mr. G. is a gentleman of fine talents, to which is added the advantages of a noble and commanding appearance, and a voice that penetrates every recess of the Hall. In order to give you some idea of the manner in which he handled the Executive, I will subjoin an extract from his speech:

"The message," said Mr. G., "is nothing but a low demagogic attempt to deceive the nation—to tell just enough of the truth to cause the people to believe a lie. But he never could convince people of plain common sense that the war was undertaken for any other object, than to make his own administration glorious." The President was writhing under that scathing question, "Who is James K. Polk?" and he seemed determined to make every body know who James K. Polk was, and, as it was truly said by a poet—Pooh stuck in where angels fear to tread; he had ventured on matters far beyond the compass of his powers."

Mr. Kennedy replied to Mr. Gentry, and endeavored to justify the Executive, and shew that those who opposed the war were guilty of treason to the country, and were the means of prolonging the war. Mr. Hudson made a brief, logical and argumentative speech against the jibe of the message, and the conduct of the Administration.

Thursday was occupied in the election of Chaplain; the Rev. Mr. Spiegle was elected. The Rev. Mr. Sleeter had been previously elected by the Senate.

On Wednesday Mr. Pollock asked leave to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That, in lieu of the duty upon tea and coffee, for the purpose of increasing the revenue, as proposed by the Secretary of the Treasury, in his late annual report to Congress, the Committee of Ways and Means be directed to report a bill, repealing the act of July 30th, 1840, entitled, "An act for repealing the act of July 30th, 1840, entitled, "An act for repealing the duties on imports and for other purposes," and revising the tariff of August 30th, 1842.

Objections were made to the reception of the resolution, and on a motion to suspend the rule, the yeas and nays were demanded, and stood, yeas 73, nays 110—every Whig present voting for a suspension of the rule, so as to receive the resolution, and every locofoco present, except Mr. Broadhead, voting against it. That vote may be taken as an indication of the course which the party intends to pursue on the tariff question. Even the Pennsylvania locos, who strenuously opposed the passage of the tariff bill last August, are now for holding on to it, because, forsooth, the President commands them to do so—thus showing the true friends of Domestic Protection that there is no dependence to be placed in locofocos, whatever their professions may be. Depend on it, those who are in favor of a protective tariff should lend their aid to prosecute locofocism.

Friday and Saturday were devoted to the consideration of private bills, and a number were engrossed and passed, that had remained unfinished at the former session.

The Senate sat but three days last week, and did very little except to appoint the committees, elect a Chaplin, and confirm the nomination of John Y. Mason as Secretary of the Navy.

Mr. Boyd of Kentucky, has introduced a bill to increase the pay of the volunteers and of the regular Army, two dollars per month, and to give each volunteer who serves three months and until regularly discharged, one hundred and sixty acres of land. Several efforts were made at the last session by Mr. Stewart of Penn. to increase the wages of the soldiers, but were invariably voted down by the locofocos. Now, that it has been brought forward by one of their men, it will no doubt pass.

On Saturday, the 13th inst. by John A. Baker, Esq., Mr. JONATHAN NEWTON, to Miss LYDIA SHAWLEY, of Jefferson tp.

On the 1st inst. by Wm. Reel, Esq., Mr. HENRY ZIGLER, to Miss SUSAN KELLY, both of Sionycreek tp.

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