

SOMERSET HERALD. SOMERSET, PA., TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1847. FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES IN 1848. GENL. ZACHARY TAYLOR. FOR VICE PRESIDENT. HON. ANDREW STEWART. Subject to the decision of a National Convention.

THE LOCOFOCO FREE TRADE TARIFF.

Now, that the famine in Europe is stayed and the unusual demand for American breadstuffs is likely to cease, we shall soon see by the amount of revenue that will be collected in the ordinary course of trade, what the General Government has gained by a reduction of duties upon foreign merchandize. It will be recollected that the plea for the reduction was, that it would be the means of increasing the revenue. Another six months will show whether such will be the effect. In the next place we shall see also its effects upon the agriculture and manufactures of our country. The general state of the market, the demand for and price of labor, the value of raw materials as well as of the articles manufactured from them, and the financial condition of those engaged in manufactures, will all tend to show the operations of free trade and its effect upon our prosperity. Then the people will know how far they have been deluded and injured by the policy which the present Administration has introduced and is determined to pursue to the end of its term. By that time, too, they will know a little more respecting the "rise and progress" of the Mexican War, and of the amount of life and treasure it has cost, if it shall then have been terminated, and will therefore be in possession of facts sufficient to enable them to decide correctly in regard to the merits or demerits of the Polk Administration.

THE MARKETS.

Philadelphia.—Flour, western \$5.75—fresh \$5.50 a \$5.75. Wheat, Prime Red \$1.25; white \$1.28 a 1.30. Corn, yellow 75c. New York.—Flour, moderate sales at former quotations. Baltimore.—Flour, \$5.50 a \$5.08.—Wheat, Prime white \$1.25, red \$1.46 a 1.17. Corn, white 67c; yellow 75c.

Messrs. Armstrong & Co., of our borough, have their foundry now in successful operation and will be able to furnish castings of every description. We understand that they have supplied themselves with metal of excellent quality, and, having attached a steam engine to the establishment, are prepared to fill orders on short notice.

The Whigs of Maine held their State Convention week before last and nominated DAVID BROWN for Governor. A resolution was passed declaring in favor of a National Convention for the nomination of candidates for President and Vice President.

VERMONT.—Nominations.—The Whigs have nominated Hon. Horace Easton, present incumbent, for Governor; Hon. Leonard Sargeant for Lieutenant Governor, and George Howes, Esq., for Treasurer.

The young men of Baltimore are about raising a company of Light Artillery to go to Mexico.

CENTRAL RAIL ROAD.—The work upon the Eastern division of this Road will commence on Monday next, and as soon as the hands can be mustered, in the neighborhood of our own city. One million of dollars has been paid in, and the road will be completed from Pittsburg to Philadelphia in twenty six months, and intermediate points will be opened much sooner than this.

The contracts from Pittsburg upon this road were taken at \$6,500 a mile. The Philadelphia Commercial List of Saturday says:

We take pleasure in stating that the sum of one million of dollars for subscriptions to the stock of this road have already been put under contract on very favorable terms. Next week we may expect the Governor to issue his proclamation declaring the law granting the "Right of way" to the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company null and void.—Pittsb. Gazette.

A NEW TRACK.—The "Carlisle Herald" of Wednesday says, the "Cumberland Valley Rail Road Co., has made arrangements to lay a new track on the road between Carlisle and Harrisburg and will commence the work without delay. The new rail will be a heavy bar of nearly double the thickness and weight of the old bar, and make a road far superior to the old for travelling purposes. This is a great improvement, and the increased business of the road we doubt not will warrant the company ere long in extending the new track over the entire line.

THE NEXT CONGRESS.

THE HOUSE PROBABLY WHIG. Some months back, the Washington Union predicted, with no little confidence, that there would be a Democratic majority in the next House of at least sixteen. New York voted giving 23 Whigs instead of the 14 which the Union allowed, and straightway another estimate was framed, making the majority 10. This estimate, and the actual result in the States that have voted, are as follows:

Union's Estimate. Actual Result. Table with columns for Locos and Whigs, listing states like New Hampshire, Connecticut, Virginia, etc.

This makes a difference of seven in the number of Locos, and (not counting as a Whig the Independent elected in New Hampshire,) a difference of 13 in the relation of parties, which would exceed by three the estimated majority of ten; and to this should be added the two members claimed from Wisconsin, making a clear Whig majority of 5. The following is the Union's estimate for the States where elections are yet to be held:

Table with columns for Whig and Loco Foco, listing states like Maine, Rhode Island, Maryland, North Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Indiana, Iowa, Virginia, etc.

The summing up shows that unless the Union can frame another estimate, the Whigs must have a majority. The N. Y. Express makes the same estimate that we have made, except that it counts two Whigs from New Hampshire.—Penn. Intelligencer.

PENNA RAIL ROAD.

The following communication was obligingly left on our table yesterday afternoon.

On the 22d inst. proposals were received for the construction of fifteen miles of the Western Division of the Pennsylvania Rail Road, commencing within the city of Pittsburg, and extending eastward through the villages of East Liberty and Wilkensburg, to a point on Turtlecreek about one mile below the junction of Turtle and Brush Creeks.

From this point eastward extensive surveys are in progress, but the route is yet undecided through Westmoreland county.

The number of bidders at the letting was very large, embracing an unusual number of competent and experienced contractors, and the competition was exceedingly close. The President of the company, S. V. Merriek, Esq., and a committee of the Directors, Messrs. Toland, Magee and Wright, were in attendance and after a careful and laborious investigation, declared the following list of successful competitors.

- Sections, Nos. 1, 4, 9, 10.—Joseph Hunt. " " 2, 11, 13.—J. Rehrar and J. & J. A. Irvin. " " 3.—Collins, Reside & Co. " " 5.—Collins, McFarland & Stewart. " " 6.—Lutz and Wallace. " " 7, 8.—Nester & Co. " " 12.—Rehrar, Black, Irvin, & Co. " " 14.—Sterrit, Humbird and Co. " " 15.—C. Cherry.

We are pleased to learn that the work has been let on very favorable terms, and that its cost will be much less than the estimates, either of the present or former Engineers.—Pitts. Amer.

RAILROAD ALLOTMENT.

The eighteen sections of the Central railroad commencing at Harrisburg and running to the Juniata aqueduct, were allotted on Friday last to the following contractors:

- Sect. No. 1. Chas. Murray & Jas. Duffy. " 2. J. McMahon. " 3. " " 4. Gamble and Oliver. " 5. Reilly, Kerns and Gaynor. " 6. Baron, Hague and Tustin. " 7. Geo. Blautenberger. " 8. Baron, Hague and Tustin. " 9. Lane Schofield. " 10. Henry Church & Co. " 11. Schuyler, M'Reynold & Co. " 12. " " " 13. Drums and Anderson. " 14. Gamble and Oliver. " 15. Garrett and Garver. " 16. Gilson & Co. " 17. Miller, Moore and Elliott. " 18. Jackson M'Fadden.

Penn. Intelligencer.

THE DIFFERENCE.

The Locofocos seem to be no little puzzled to know how the Whigs, who denounce Mr. Polk and his Mexican war, can consistently support General Scott or Taylor, who have so signally distinguished themselves by the achievements of the armies under their commands in this same war. Would they be equally puzzled to discover why the incendiary, who applies the torch to his neighbour's building, should be punished for crime, while the fireman who distinguishes himself in the effort to extinguish the flames and arrest the conflagration, is rewarded for his deeds?—Star and Banner.

The Whigs of Georgia offer a reward of \$5000 to be paid on the production of legal proof that the following named gentlemen have either sons or sons-in-law in the army in Mexico, viz:

- James K. Polk, President of the United States. James Buchanan, his Secretary of State, William L. Marcy, his Secretary of War, John Y. Mason, his Secretary of the Navy, Cave Johnson, his Post Master General, Robert J. Walker, his Secretary of the Treasury, Nathan Clifford, his Attorney General.

These are Mr. Polk's official advisers, and Mr. Polk himself. They are the men responsible for the war, and its authors. Now mark the contrast between them and the Whigs. Henry Clay has lost a noble son in this war. Senator Crittendon had another, a volunteer, in the thickest of the fight at Buena Vista, and Daniel Webster a son who has been temporarily driven home by sickness.—Generals Scott and Taylor, too, with a majority under their respective commands are Whigs, and we only wish we could put these Heads of Departments at the HEAD of an Army, or a column of troops. They would, we believe, make peace with all becoming promptness and with due reciprocity.—Pitts. Gaz.

HOW IS THIS!

The Union of Thursday night contains the following editorial paragraph:

"We deem it probable that if Mr. Buchanan's despatch had been transmitted to the Mexican Government immediately after the battle of Cerro Gordo, we should have had peace before this period. Why it was not so transmitted is a grave question; but we undertake to assert, confidently, that this was not the fault of Mr. Trist. On the contrary, he did every thing in his power to have it forwarded through General Scott."

Here would seem to be an imputation of some sort on General Scott, and we believe it is the second time that the Union has intimated some delinquency in that officer in regard to the object of Mr. Trist's mission to Mexico. In this instance, however, we apprehend that the Union has shot its bolt in the dark. The battle of Cerro Gordo occurred on the 18th April, at that time Mr. Buchanan's despatch" was scarcely written; it is dated in this city on the 15th of April, only two days before the battle, and Mr. Trist, who conveyed it to Mexico, arrived at Vera Cruz on the 5th of May, and at Jalapa, General Scott's headquarters, on the 14th of May. How then could the General have forwarded a despatch immediately after the battle of Cerro Gordo" which did not reach him until nearly a month after that battle.—Nat. Int.

"MEXICAN WHIGS."—A part of them in the Army at Buena Vista.—A correspondent of the Norfolk, Va., Herald, says of the officers in his regiment:

Of the 13 captains, 9 are Whigs. Of the 39 lieutenants, 28 are Whigs. The Colonel and Major are Whigs, and the Lieut. Col., although a Democrat, is an open advocate for "Old Rough and Ready" for the Presidency. Two thirds of the rank and file of the Regiment are also Whigs. Gen. Wool, who is now in command of our division, is a Whig, as also a large majority of the officers in the North Carolina and Mississippi regiments, and I am satisfied that if an election was to take place in our camp to-day on political grounds, that we could show you a "Bethel," if not an "Old Trap" majority. After this statement of facts, I think you will agree with me that the Whigs have a curious way of affording "aid and comfort to the enemy." Santa Anna, I am certain, thinks so; and I am sure he would rather receive such aid and comfort as his friend James K. Polk afforded him, than any he has ever received from Taylor, Scott, Wool, &c."

We annex an extract from Gen. Taylor's letter to Gen. Gaines, written as long ago as Nov. 9th, 1846. It is not without interest at this time, especially the passages in italics:

"If we are, in the language of Mr. Polk and Gen. Scott, under the necessity of 'conquering a peace'—and that by taking the capital of the country—we must go to Vera Cruz, take that place, and then march on to the city of Mexico. To do so in any other direction, I consider out of question. But, admitting that we conquer a peace by doing so, say at the end of the next twelve months, will the amount of blood and treasure which must be expended in doing so, be compensated by the same? I think not, especially if the country we subdue is to be given up; and I imagine there are but few individuals in our country who think of annexing Mexico with the United States."

If the Tariff of 1846 raised the price of Flour to eight and ten dollars a barrel, what has so suddenly reduced it to four, six and eight dollars a barrel? Can our neighbours of the "Union" and "Argus" tell? Why do they not now point exultingly to the result of their FREE TRADE doctrines? Has it, asks a temporary, "become disjointed and unable to perform its wonders because starvation is on the decrease?" When flour readily demanded \$9 per barrel, the cry was raised that the Tariff of '40 was performing wonders, by creating a good market for the farmers, &c. But a change has taken place. Prices have tumbled down, and must fall still lower? What, then, we ask, is the cause of this change? We repeat the inquiry—what is wrong?—Penn. Intelligencer.

The Official paper announces the appointment by the President of the United States, of Colonel STERLING PRICE, of Missouri, the Colonel of a Regiment of Volunteers from that State now or lately on duty at Santa Fe, to be a Brigadier General in the Army of the United States, vice JEFFERSON DAVIS, who has declined accepting the commission. From the following paragraph from the St. Louis Republican it appears that a very flattering recommendation had been made of Col. Baker (late Commander of a Regiment of Illinois Volunteers) for the same appointment—too late, probably, to have reached the Executive before the appointment was filled.—Nat. Int.

"Col. BAKER.—We learn that this gallant officer has declined accepting the office of Colonel of the new regiment of Illinois Volunteers, now nearly full. He has also declined the command, offered to him by the Secretary of War, of a battalion of veteran Illinois volunteers. With a very proper disregard of all party considerations, the members of the Illinois Convention, and the State officers at Springfield, have united pressing upon the President the appointment of Col. BAKER to be Brigadier General. The declension of this office by Col. JEFFERSON DAVIS offers to the President an opportunity of making a very acceptable appointment, and Illinois deserves this mark of regard for her military spirit, if any State in the Union does."

THE UNION JUSTIFIED.—The statement of the Union that Gen. Taylor has 10,000 men ready for active operations, which has been singularly disproved by facts, has been explained by the Providence Journal, as follows: "Rough and Ready" himself equal to 8000 Actual force 2000

Table with columns for Total and Actual force, showing 10,000 Total and 2000 Actual force.

Married: On Sunday, the 1st of August instant, by John A. Baker, Esq., Mr. H. D. McCoy, to Miss Julia A. Walter, both of Centreville.

New Advertisements.

Six Cents Reward.

RAN away from the subscriber's in Elkfield township, Somerset county, Pa., on the 13th day of July last, an indentured apprentice to the Cabinet making business, named John McCloskey, said runaway is between 22 and 23 years old, five feet 7 or 8 inches high, and dark complexion; had on when he left a brown frock coat; the above reward will be given to any person returning him, but no other charges paid. AMBROSE BRIKE, Aug 3 47-30 FERDINAND BRIKE

NOTICE

IS hereby given to all persons interested that the following accounts have been filed in my office, and will be presented to the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset county for confirmation, on Monday the 30th day of August, 1847, viz:

- The account of Christopher Beam, Sequester of the Somerset and Conemaugh Turnpike Road. The account of John Schneider, Committee of Frederick Althouse a Lunatic. The account of John Grove and Abraham Landis, Assignees of Peter Rhoads, under a voluntary assignment. The account of John Grove and Abraham Landis, assignees of John Rhoads, under a voluntary assignment. A. J. OGLE, Provy, Provy's office, Som., July 31, '47.

REGISTER'S NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons concerned as legatees, creditors or otherwise, that the following accounts have been filed and passed register in the Register's office, for the county of Somerset, and that the same will be presented to the Orphans' court for confirmation and allowance on Monday, the 6th day of September next, at an adjourned Orphans' Court, viz:

- The account of Michael Shoeff, Administrator of Christian Shoeff, dec'd. The account of Jacob Miller, Executor of Jonathan Eash, dec'd. The account of Daniel Adams, Administrator with the will annexed of Frederick Adams, dec'd. The account of Thomas Hanna, Administrator with the will annexed of Jacob Miner, dec'd. The account of John Fair, Executor of the last will and testament of Jacob Fair, dec'd. The account of Samuel Swank, Executor &c., of Catharine Swank, dec'd. The account of A. ner Yoder, Administrator of John Wigle, dec'd. The account of Samuel Hunsicker, acting Administrator of Jacob Swank, dec'd.

The Supplemental account of Samuel Kimmel, Guardian of the minor children of John Graham, dec'd.

The account of Mary Fream, late Mary Graham, Administratrix &c., of John Graham, dec'd.

The account of Mary Fream, Executrix &c., of Smiley Fream, dec'd, as far as he was associated with her in the Administration de bonis non of John Graham, dec'd.

The account of George Meese, Administrator of Kilian Kooztz, dec'd.

The account of Casper Loecher, Administrator of Conrad Werner, dec'd.

The account of Chauncey F. Stoner and Jacob Stoner, Executors, &c., of Isaac Stoner, dec'd.

WM. H. PICKING, August 3, 1847. Register. NEARLY opposite J. Neff's Tavern you will find the Drug Store of S. KURTZ.

NOTICE.

LEFT the subscriber, residing in Turkeyfoot township, on the 4th of July last, an indentured servant named William Vought. All persons are hereby cautioned against harboring or trusting him on my account. DAVID HINEBAUGH. August 3, 1847-36.

"Pro Bono Publico."

SHERIFF'S SALES. BY virtue of sundry writs of Venditio Boni Exponas issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset county, and to me directed, there will be exposed to sale by way of public outcry, at the public square in the borough of Somerset, on Friday, the 26th day of August next, at 1 o'clock, P. M., the following Real Estate, viz:

All the right, title, interest and claim, of John Bell, of, in and to a certain Plantation or tract of land, situate in the township of Addison, Somerset county, Pa., containing 150 acres, more or less, about 110 acres clear, and about 20 acres in meadow; adjoining the National Road on the South, and lands of Andrew Mitchell, Thomas Glisson and Richard Brook, on which are erected a dwelling house one and a half story high, log barn, and stable and spring house, two apple orchards on the premises, with the appurtenances—as the property of the said John Bell, at the suit of Peter A. Beachy.

—ALSO— All the right, title, interest and claim of Joseph Pisel, of, in and to a certain

Lot of Ground, situate in the Borough of Stoystown, Somerset county, Pa., containing 1/2 acre, more or less, adjoining a lot of Samuel Kimmel on the north and west, a lot of Jacob Hatmaker on the south, alley on the east, on which are erected a two story dwelling house and stable, with the appurtenances—as the property of the said Joseph Pisel, at the suit of George A. Clarke & Mary Graham, trading under the firm of George A. Clarke & Co.

—ALSO— All the right, title, interest, and claim of Charles Miller, of, in and to a certain

Tract of Land, situate in Greenville township, Somerset county, Pa., containing 10 acres more or less, about 3 acres clear adjoining lands of Daniel Yantz, on which are erected a two story house and kitchen also a large stable and blacksmith shop, with the appurtenances—as the property of the said Charles Miller, at the suit of James Garretson, now for the use of William Gettemy.

—ALSO— All the right, title, interest and claim of Samuel Trent, of, in and to a certain

Plantation or tract of land, situate in Somerset township, Somerset county, Pa., containing 225 acres more or less, about 100 acres clear, about 20 acres in meadow, adjoining lands of Daniel Coleman, John Cover, Daniel Shoemaker and others, on which are erected 2 log dwelling houses, a barn and stable, and an orchard on the premises, with the appurtenances—as the property of the said Samuel Trent, at the suit of Michael Freese, now for the use of Jost J. Stutzman.

SAMUEL GRIFFITH, Sheriff's Office, Somerset, } Sheriff. July 21, 1847.

PROPOSALS

FOR putting a cupola and roof upon Gideon Meeting House at Centreville will be received by either of the subscribers. Proposals to be handed in without delay.

AARON WILL, HENRY SHAFF, JONAS SHULTZ, Committee. July 27, 1847.

TO TEACHERS.

THE School Directors of Somerset Borough are desirous to employ three persons as teachers of Common Schools in said borough. The schools to commence on the 1st Monday in September, 1847.

By order of the Board of Directors, July 13 A. J. OGLE, Sec.

Journeyman Blacksmith WANTED.

THE subscriber, residing in Lavansville, Somerset township, wishes to employ a Journeyman Blacksmith, to whom constant employment and liberal wages will be given. Any one who is a good workman and desirous of engaging, will please make application soon. July 13 JOHN THOMPSON.

DRUGS, MEDICINES, CHEMICALS.

Essences, Patent Medicines, Paints, Dyes, Oils, Var-nishes, Painter's Brushes, &c., &c. —ALSO— Confectionaries, Notions, &c.; a fresh supply on hand and for sale VERY CHEAP at the Drug Store of WM. McCREERY, Somerset, Pa. May 4.

Executor's Notice.

LETTERS Testamentary, on the estate of Adam Brandt, late of Stonycreek township, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, residing in said township, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to attend at the house of the deceased, on Saturday the 7th day of August next, and those having claims, to present them at the same time and place properly authenticated. JACOB BRANDT, JOSIAH BRANDT, Executors. June 22 '47-60

BLANK DEEDS.

A Lot of Blank Deeds just printed, on fine white paper, and now for sale at this office.

Dissolution of Partnership.

THE partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the Firm of Armstrong & Hume, in the Foundry Business, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. JOHN ARMSTRONG, JAMES M. HUME. June 28, 1847.

N. B. The business will be carried on hereafter by Armstrong & Co., who hope to receive a liberal share of public patronage. July 20 '47-31

IMPORTANT.

IT is necessary that my books should be speedily closed. Those indebted to me for subscription, job work or advertising, are therefore respectfully, yet earnestly requested to call and either pay their accounts, or give their obligations for what they severally owe. My books will be kept at the "Herald" office until and during the ensuing Court week, after which they will be placed in the hands of a Justice of the Peace. It is hoped that all those interested will attend to this notice, and by so doing save costs. JONATHAN ROW.

IN the matter of the voluntary assignment of John Dull, for the benefit of his creditors, in the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset County, Pa; And now to wit, 3d May, 1847. The petition of Peter Dull was presented to the Court, setting forth that Jacob Knable, Jr., who had been appointed assignee of John Dull, and took upon himself the execution of the trust, has lately died without having made a final settlement and distribution to, and among the creditors of John Dull as by the aforesaid Deed of Trust was intended—therefore praying the Court to appoint some suitable person in his stead to take charge of the effects which were in the hands of Jacob Knable, Jr. and to execute the trust in pursuance of said deed of assignment, and according to the act of assembly in such case made and provided.

Whereupon the Court affix Monday the 30th day of August next, for the hearing in the matter. A. J. OGLE, Provy. June 22-1847.

NOTICE. TO ALL PERSONS WHO KNOW THEMSELVES indebted for FEES and TAXES on suits brought or judgments entered during my term of office as Prothonotary, I hereby give notice, that I may be afterwards compelled to pay the same, I shall necessarily will compel me, however reluctant I may be after the 10th day of September next, to enforce the collection of all fees, &c., that are not settled by cash or note before that time. I cannot longer consent to pay interest on moneys advanced for Taxes. Bills will be ready for all at next Court, which I trust will be attended to. SAMUEL W. PEARSON. July 15-1847-3m.

CHAIRS! CHAIRS! CHAIRS! GORDON & MITCHELL. Shop one door west of J. Neff's Tavern, and nearly opposite S. Kurtz's Drug Store, Main Street, Somerset, Pa.

THE SUBSCRIBERS would respectfully inform the citizens of Somerset and surrounding country, that they intend to carry on the Chair Making Business, at their old stand, where they will constantly keep on hand and will make to order Common, Fancy, & Tippecanoe CHAIRS. Settees & Boston Rocking Chairs, which they will sell very low for cash or exchange for lumber or approved country produce. GEORGE L. GORDON, C. F. MITCHELL. June 15-47

Assignee's Sale.

THE undersigned will offer for sale by way of public outcry at the house of Lewis Spangler, in Shanksville, on Saturday the 14th day of August next, the following real estate, viz:

A piece or parcel of land lying in Stonycreek township, Somerset County, Pa., about one mile east of Shanksville, containing

more or less, the whole of which is cleared, with a two story dwelling house, e-bin barn, and other buildings thereon erected. This property is situated in a fine section of country, and to a person wishing to locate himself in this county holds out strong inducements to purchase it. It would be an excellent situation for a mechanic, and any one desirous of procuring himself a small property would do well to examine it. Terms—will be made known on day of sale, by ALEXANDER HUNTER. July 6-17. Assignee of Geo. Brandt.