

The Watchman.

BEING AN EXACT HISTORY OF ALL THE NEWS OF THE DAY.

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BELLEFONTE, PENNA.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1853.

To Readers and Correspondents.

We are afraid of a first, but when a body attains to a position, as if they had been... Such a fool is 'Oscar'.

LOCK HAVES. We are not aware of any man residing in Bellefonte as a man... We should like to know.

W. J. A. We are under obligations to you for the peaches so perfectly preserved in patent cans. They contributed to the festivity of a happy Christmas dinner.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY STANDING COMMITTEE. Bellefonte - J. H. MORRISON. Getz - J. H. MORRISON.

Democratic County Convention. The Democrats of the different Districts and Townships will meet at the Election House of this county...

THE NEWS. The first and fourth pages will be found to be very interesting: Stanzas to a Daughter, Memory, and Forget not the Angel, are fine specimens of poetry.

The people of Clearfield county have instituted the course of Judge Kane in the Washington on Saturday, from Wilmington, North Carolina...

One of Buayan's descendants died recently in England, aged 80, Roman BUAYAN, Esq. the last male descendant in a direct line from JAMES BUAYAN, the author of the celebrated allegory 'Pilgrim's Progress'.

The 22d ult. one of the banks of New York city received a package of \$7,010 in counterfeit notes on the Bank of Cincinnati.

The Supreme Court of the Seventh Judicial District of New York has just made a decision sustaining the constitutionality of the prohibitory liquor law, as far as brought before them.

A. K. McClure has resigned the office of Superintendent of the State Printing. There are a large number of applicants besieging the Governor for the appointment.

DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTIONS. Democratic State Conventions have been called in the States at the times following for the purpose of appointing Delegates to the National Convention at Cincinnati.

President Pierce has issued a proclamation against the Nicaragua Abolitionists, who are about to sail from New York, and also a proclamation announcing that Newfoundland has complied with the provisions of the Reciprocity treaty, and is entitled to all its benefits.

New Political Parties - The Democracy - The North and South.

The aspect of political parties, North and South, is such a peculiar complexion that politicians and demagogues are left in doubt as to the result of the coming contest for the Presidency. By many it is believed that the election of a President and Vice President will be thrown into the House of Representatives.

But on the other hand, while admitting the confusion which exists, and recognizing the many new parties which are daily springing into existence, we must not forget the great fact that the conservatism of the Democracy is becoming stronger as other organizations are torn and broken by internal convulsions.

But, we wonder unconsciously from our subject. It is the new parties of which we wish to write - of the new names they have assumed, and of the strange principles which they are publishing. All these organizations exist in every purpose but one, and that one purpose is opposition to Democracy, its measures and its men.

To turn from a view of these conflicting masses it is cheering to be able to direct the attention of the reader to the attitude of the National Democracy. We but assert a great truth while declaring that the position of the party to which we are attached, never was more honorable, never more consistent and never more powerfully organized.

Such is the contrast between, and such is the condition of political parties in this country. We leave the candid reader to draw his own conclusions.

REVEREND KNOW NOTHING CHARTY. The pious and meek editor of the 'Tyran's Era,' exhorts his Black Republican brethren to proscriber every man who is opposed to his fanatical creed.

A Response from our Contemporaries - Compliments to the Watchman.

With no disposition to boast but with a high appreciation of the cordial manner with which the Watchman has been received by our brethren of the press in Pennsylvania and other States, we transfer to our columns the following highly complimentary notices.

First, the Washington Union, the great orthodox organ of National Democracy, thus greets our enterprise:

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The Influence of Emigration, with its Contributions to Wealth in the County.

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