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TO READERS AND CORRESPONDENTS

Question.—How did the Pilgrim Fathers feel about the name of "persecutors" for "patriots" who had to leave their country? We are not aware that the early settlers of that country had or deserved the name of "persecutors for opinion's sake." During the Somersworth scuffle, much was done, and much of very heinous character, which is now charged to Patriotic Abolitionists, but it must be remembered, that suppression and not religious intolerance there had an almost undisputed sway. The Pilgrims were an intelligent and wealthy class of people; but under the eye of a jealous government and subject to the excesses of a mixed population, they were responsible for every outrage which was committed in their day and generation. The sons of the pilgrim fathers now have a long series of events which have illuminated the history of this country, contrasted a year ago to those stern adventures who sailed Plymouth Rock during the bleak winter of 1620.

Answer.—We had several articles from you, in our possession, but we do not exactly understand the style, nor do we appreciate the sentiments they express. It is strange that correspondents cannot understand that we are unwilling to publish any communication of a personal or even political character.

LAND.—Your want must await its return, in the General Land Office, at Washington. In our judgment, you would be foolish to wait, now, if you can afford to do so.

LITERATURE.—Seize your opportunity, if possible. Lawyers are not always the best advocates to use in justice, because the opinions of most men are controlled by facts and profit.

Q.—The Secretary of State is not expected for his services, and when you talk of his position as being a sinecure, you confess responsibility.

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Friends Philadelphia Evening Journal

LATEST NEWS.

The Democratic Convention—Temporary Organization; Upstart Buchanan Movements.

Philadelphia, Monday, June 23, 1851.

The boat from the Kentucky and Ohio started early this morning, thronged with passengers. It is supposed that there are twenty thousand strangers in the city, and the case is monotonously recurring with fresh additions to the throng. The Burnet House has supply of 3,000 dots in an adjoining warehouse. All the boats are over-flowing, and many delegates are quartered in private houses.

The press is largely represented, and 160 applications have been made for reporters' desks on the platform.

The Convention assembles at 12 o'clock. The Buchanan men are very confident this morning.

The New York Herald and Posts have each pamphlets in circulation, urging their respective claims.

The Douglas delegates are in secret session, and it is rumored that his name is to be withdrawn.

The Massachusetts delegation has been organized by the selection of B. K. Butler as Chairman. On test votes, the delegation stands for H. C. 17, for Buchanan.

At a quarter before 12 o'clock, the signal gun announced that the Convention was to proceed to assemble. It was called to order at 12 o'clock, by R. M. T. of Maryland.

Mr. Richardson, of Illinois, nominated Samuel Medary, of Ohio, temporary chairman, which was carried unanimously.

Mr. Hall, of Massachusetts, called for the reading of the call of the Convention and while the call was being read, Mr. Burleigh, of Indiana, a sudden roar occurred, as though a serious shot was about to take place. After a while quiet was restored, and the reading of the call was proceeded with.

Mr. McLane, of Maryland, stated that when the credentials of the Missouri delegates were presented, the Committee of Arrangements gave notice of adjournment to the delegates which presented *prima facie* evidence of their election, and refused the others.

New York, it also appeared, was represented by two sets of delegates, but as the Committee could not decide what to do, it declined to give its vote to either, unless an arrangement could be effected among themselves, as was done in the case of the Mississippi delegations. Both delegations from New York awaited admittance.

Samuel Medary, in taking the Chair, returned thanks for the temporary honor. He had attended every Democratic Convention since the first that nominated Gen. Jackson, and was anxious to be a member of this one.

He considered himself a member of the Democracy, and he was not unmindful. He believed the organization of the party, was calculated to bring up the negroes, and that it was time to begin to do so, despite the taciturnity of the negroes.

The Foreign and Domestic Society of the Nation.

LINES OF REASON AND A PERSONAL REFERENCE.

The dismissal of the English Minister, with the Consul at New York, Philadelphia and Cincinnati, is a feature in the administered policy of this country which demands a serious and careful consideration. The Minister-resident, Mr. Crampen, was received under the most favorable auspices, and was recognized at a time when the world was in a state of profound peace. He came to Washington in 1846, when Mr. Pakenham was Minister. In 1847 Mr. Pakenham went home, leaving Mr. Crampen acting Charge d'Affaires. In 1850 Sir H. T. Rosecrans over, and won immortal diplomatic laurels by making the celebrated Clayton-Bulwer treaty, which was a triumph of art, inasmuch as no one knows what it means. Mr. Crampen meantime went to England, but soon returned as full minister, and after a quiet intercourse with this government, returns under the stigma of having violated one of the most sacred laws of international reciprocity.

The foreign policy of this government has been one of neutrality, so far as the domestic concerns of other nations are concerned. This principle started with James Monroe, as the head of a Democratic administration, and has been carried out successfully for many years, by the guidance of Democratic statesmen. During the contention of the southern boundary question, when the mouth of the Mississippi was in the hands of the French, and Florida unrecognized, the Democratic Monroe doctrine became a matter of importance, and the wisdom of that statesman more thanaverted the country from the evils of foreign colonization, under the rule of foreign dynasties, the right to possession, and the right to control the political, industrial and commercial destiny of this hemisphere is a cardinal point in the Democratic creed—and that right has never been abandoned, either by Democratic administration or statesmen.

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THE CINCINNATI CONVENTION.

Before we issue another Wadsworth, the Cincinnati Democratic Convention which is in session, and our readers and the public, will witness deliberations and decisions with regard to the political organization of that Bellarmine clique which has so long and so gloriously deceived the masses of the people of Centre county. The establishment of the Watchman was the signal for this crusade of slander—and our success has availed them worst possible to their worst labors. Foreign as it ever has been to our education and experience as editors, the asperities of these attacks led us into some personal allusions—but they were demanded by the people—and our own sense of decency and honor, therefore prevented a plainer reference. In this borough, we are known to the people, and so are our defences. We came here unheralded, but where we came from, we left a good name, and can boast of having achieved here, among strangers, a reputation for honesty and probity, which it is difficult to equal. Our friends, and our friends to acknowledge, the people of Centre county were long anxious to see a general publication upon sound Democratic principles, and the best efforts of that organization, is the uppermost signal service of the Watchman. Intelligent though we are, the majority of the residents of Centre county of this region are wary of the upstart scribblers and hypocritical preachers who were depraving the tastes of their children, and laying waste that morally and spiritually the boast of well governed communities. In the wildest of all the Agency of Centre county, have been most easily deceived, so far deceived by the central leaders of the clique to which we refer, that a large portion of the people asked to be separated from those who were exhausting their resources, and consuming their rum. It was both reasonable and politic for the citizens of Centre county, to repudiate the efforts of a wealthy county to repudiate such men—and it was to be expected that the demagogues thus discredited would turn a hostile hand to prevent the propagation of free principles and liberal doctrines. As we stated in a former note, we reiterate now, that the leaders of Know-Nothing were formerly the men who kept the Democracy safe in nomination by their skill and influence. There is not a prominent man among them, who has not been elected to office by the Democracy of the county, and after that had betrayed their friends, bankrupt the treasury, and ruined their constituents, they rallied to the standard of the new party, and for a foreign war—and they are still in power.

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