



THE WATCHMAN.

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DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

WILLIAM A. PORTER.

WESTLEY FROST.

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

One of our contemporaries says, with great truth, that it is a proud thing to be a Democrat. Coeval with the Constitution the old Party has defended it and preserved it from every assault, and is as fresh and vigorous now as when it was first organized.

Now the Democratic party is at the summit of political power and prosperity in the United States—now that the intelligence and patriotism of the country have fairly embraced the Democratic creed—the Democratic organization through which this noble victory has been exposed to a new peril.

It will not be questioned by Democrats that to the action of the Democratic party the Democracy marshaled and militant and so triumphant over all the forms of opposition to it—every great step in our national progress and every successful approximation to the principles of good government in our domestic policy, are due.

Against all these forms of peril and evil, the unbroken organization of the Democratic party is the only safe defense. Its time-honored principles, its usage conformed to these, and embodying the practical political wisdom of successive generations, its great success which has been the watchword of fruitful and glorious victories, all of these are wanted to perpetuate and preserve the Democratic system of policy, and to protect the country from the schemes and machinations of its opponents.

It is the duty, therefore, of all Democrats, who have at heart the success either of the Democratic cause or of the Democratic administration, to hold on firmly to the Democratic organization, in which lies their strength. No man is a safe counselor who would weaken it or break it down.

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Late and Important Foreign News.

We have again later news from Europe and Asia, by the arrival at New-York on Tuesday of the steamship Persia, from Liverpool, on Saturday the 1st inst. The marriage of the King of Portugal with the Princess Stephanie, of Hohenzollern, has been solemnized by proxy at Berlin.

General Roberts has also assaulted and captured the town of Kotah, which is a populous and fortified town on the Chambul.

Terrible Rail Road Accident.

We have an account of an accident on the New York Central Rail Road, which occurred on the 11th inst., on the bridge at Saquoit Creek, three miles west of Whitesboro.

Late California News.

The steamer Star of the West arrived at New-York on Thursday from Apinwall bringing over \$1,600,000 in gold, the California mints the 20th ult., two weeks later than the previous advices.

The Bribes.

Since the passage of the English bill, the Black Republican party find nothing of which to complain, except that a bribe is offered to the people of Kansas, to induce them to adopt the constitution.

Advices from Oregon to the 8th of April had reached San Francisco.

The Legislature of California has passed a bill prohibiting the future immigration of free negroes to California, and compelling those already there to register their names, and take out licenses.

News from Utah to March 6 reaches us by way of California.

The militia bill passed by the last legislature imposes a tax of 50 cents on all subject to military duty between the ages of 21 and 45, and pays volunteers \$1.50 per day for six days training, and \$10.00 for six days of encampment parade.

Rail-Road Meeting at Howard.

In pursuance of public notice, a meeting was held at the school house in Howardville, on Wednesday evening, May 12th, 1858.

Mr. Lawin stated that the object of the meeting was to take into consideration the necessity of raising stock to complete the Eastern Division of the Tyrone and Lock Haven Rail-road.

Col. Thomas L. Kane is reported as having arrived in Salt Lake City, on his mission to Bright Young.

We are informed that the ladies of Pine Grove have taken a pledge prohibiting any gentleman from kissing them in the habit of using tobacco.

John Lewis Jr. was next called upon, and indulged in a few appropriate remarks.

He stated that it was not for the mere dividends which prompted him to urge the enterprise, but it was for the general good of our country.

SECRETARY.

UPON THIS ANOTHER EXCHANGE QUERIES AS FOLLOWS.

How then is she to bring the Infantry up to the breast works, we would like to know, in case of an "attack of the measles"?

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Disolved—The Leans. Organized—The Bellefonte Grays. Coming out—Candidates for office.

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A Tale of Horror—An Incurable Fiend—Can it be?

Governor McWillie, of Mississippi, is charged by Vicksburg Southern with having pardoned out of the penitentiary a man named Dyon, who had assassinated another man named Nelms, for which he was simply sentenced to the prison for fourteen years.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.—A fire occurred on last Sunday near the Axe Factory of Mr. Harvey Mann, which resulted in the destruction of a large frame building belonging to Mr. Mann, but which was at the time in the occupancy of three families, who suffered very severely by the conflagration.

New Volunteer Company.—A new Volunteer Company has been formed in this place. The soldiers are a brave and warlike set of fellows. Shouldn't wonder a bit, if they become imbued with a proper spirit of patriotism, and tender to the country their services to teach Brigham Young and his confidants a lesson of obedience to the majesty of our laws.

Bloody Tragedy in Philadelphia.

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PROPOSED MAP OF CENTRE COUNTY.

By reference to an advertisement in to-day's paper, it will be seen that Mr. J. A. Cummings of Chillisqueque, Pa., proposes to publish a map of Centre County, from actual measurement. This map will contain a survey of all the public roads with their respective distances ascertained. The names of all the property holders in the county will be attached to the exact locality in which their property is situated.

IMPROVEMENTS.—We notice that our friend Mr. C. Mitchell is making additional improvements to his property on cheap side, in the way of sodding and decorating his premises with ornamental trees and shrubbery.

He has constructed a beautiful arbor, about which different varieties of grape vines are growing. When these come to maturity, and other contemplated improvements are added to those already effected his location will be one of the most inviting in the place, especially to his children. We admire his taste, and should be glad to see others of our citizens possessing the same enterprising spirit.

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