

BEDFORD INQUIRER.



BEDFORD, Pa.

Friday Morning, April 30, 1858.

"FEARLESS AND FREE."

D. OVER - Editor and Proprietor.

POLITICAL MEETING.

There will be a mass meeting of all those opposed to the present National Administration...

Delegates will be chosen to represent our Representative and Senatorial Districts in the approaching State Convention...

WE WANT MONEY! - During the past winter we sent out a great many accounts, but as yet have scarcely received enough in that time to live on...

Bedford Railroad Meeting.

The Commissioners named in the Act of Assembly to incorporate the Bedford Railroad Company, will meet in the Court House...

Locofocoism and Slavery!

NORTHERN MEN, READ AND Ponder.

Ex-Governor Hammond, of South Carolina, and now a United States Senator from that State, and of course a leading member of that party...

LABORING MEN BUT MUD SILLS.

In all social systems there must be a class to do the mean duties, to perform the drudgery of life - that is, a class requiring but a low order of intellect and but little skill.

NORTHERN LABORERS ARE BUT SLAVES.

The Senator from New York said yesterday that the whole world had abolished Slavery. By the name, but not the thing; and all the powers of the earth cannot abolish it.

The difference between us, that our slaves are hired for life, and well compensated; there is no starvation, no begging, no want of employment among our people...

Your slaves are white, of your own race; you are brothers of one blood. They have your natural endowment of intellect, and they feel galled by their degradation.

There is no need of that. They are coming here. They are thundering at our doors for homesteads, of one hundred and sixty acres of land for nothing...

This is not very flattering to Northern mechanics and laborers, says the Reading Journal - not exactly the sort of speeches we hear from 'Democratic' orators hereabouts...

As to the degraded class alluded to by the Senator, he admitted their existence, but contended that they were mostly foreigners...

Senator Hammond, of South Carolina, certainly wrote himself down an ass, when he made his insulting allusion to free mechanics and working men.

In conclusion we would call on all free men, all men who curb their living by the sweat of their brows, to submit to this DEMOCRATIC DOMINEERING no longer.

SENATOR SCHELL AND EXTRA PAY.

The last week's Gazette, has an article under the above caption in which it attempts to lie Mr. Schell out of the responsibility of his vote for the \$200 extra pay!

In the Senate, on the 7th inst., the question of the \$200 extra pay came up. Mr. Myer moved that instead of the \$200 additional pay, the annual compensation shall hereafter be \$700 and mileage, instead of \$500 and mileage...

It will thus be seen, that Mr. Schell VOTED FOR THE LAW, which was defeated by a TIE VOTE! But this would not suit the Democratic Senate, and they RECONSIDERED it, after it was defeated, and Mr. Schell had the power to have killed it by his VOTE ALONE...

I thank you for your interesting letter. It is very gratifying to me to find that your good sense and discrimination led you at once (without, I presume, seeing a full and correct report of my recent speech which I sent you now) to perceive the full meaning of my argument.

should be slaves under any circumstances. Respectfully, Your Obedient Servant, J. H. HAMMOND.

Now, we contend that there is all the difference in the world between a Southern slave, and a free white laboring man of the North. In the South the slave is owned, flesh and blood, bones and gristle and all, by his master.

Yet, according to the showing of this Senator, NORTHERN MECHANICS AND LABORERS ARE SLAVES AND MUD SILLS; on the same equality as the SOUTHERN NEGRO! This is democracy with a vengeance!

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"The true state of the case is this Mr. Schell was opposed to giving members of the PRESENT Legislature any extra pay, but was in favor of increasing the salaries of members of future Legislatures."

Mr. Jordan and other members of the American party several years ago, when there was occasion for the increase were abused roundly by the Locofocos for increasing the pay from \$3 per day to \$500 per session.

The following Supplement to an act providing for the publication of certain accounts in Somerset County, was passed by the late Legislature. We have not a copy of the act or we would publish it.

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G. NELSON SMITH, Speaker (pro tem.) of the House of Reps. WM. H. WELSH, Speaker of the Senate.

Approved the sixteenth day of April, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.

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For the Inquirer. WOODBURY, April 22, 1858.

Mr. Editor: - I feel slightly communicative this afternoon, and under the pressure of the noble impulse, I have seated myself to inform you, and through you, your readers, of the passing events in and about Woodbury, a village almost famous for transpirations that, as a general thing, terminate before His Honor, Judge Kimmell.

The heavy rains for the last two weeks have turned our streets into eddies a la Chicago. Nevertheless, the rain was much needed, and the fine appearance presented by our grainfields is a sufficient recompense for a few days wading through mud.

A burglary was committed on the 20th ult., by an Englishman named Wm. Miller, an employee as a weaver in J. Keagy's woolen factory, who made a successful attempt upon the house of Daniel Over.

A large number of our citizens have turned their attention to sporting, and the result so far, has been fish by the bushel and ducks by the cart load.

G. R. Barndollar has again opened out a store in our place, where he is prepared to attend to his numerous customers as in days of yore. Croft and Barnett, the gentlemanly and good-looking clerks of the establishment, are as clever a set of fellows as we generally meet with in a mixed crowd.

The marriage manna has been raging in this section with frightful effect; numbers are almost daily, at least weekly, committing matrimony. On the 15th ult., there were no less than six couplings.

ALL SORTS OF PARAGRAPHS.

MOSSER BANK. - It is proposed by somebody in New York to fuse into one institution all the corporate banks in New York city. There are fifty-four of them, with an aggregate capital of sixty-five millions.

THE COOLIE TRADE. - It is stated that Mr. Reed, our minister to China, has made a move towards putting a stop to American vessels engaging in the coolie trade. He has notified an American vessel now loading at Macao with coolies of his intention to move the United States government to put in force the act of Congress of 1818, relating to this matter.

ONTONAGON, THE NEW STATE. - Two names have been suggested for the new State to be erected from parts of Michigan and Northern Wisconsin - Superior and Ontonagon. The latter is the more popular, and has the advantage of being aboriginal.

Senator Bigler has presented to President Buchanan a letter from the Adjutant General of Pennsylvania, tendering the services of a regiment of volunteers from this State for the Utah expedition.

In Philadelphia, on Tuesday, an Englishman, who had indulged in the forbidden luxury of a brace of wives, was before the Recorder, on the charge of bigamy. When the bigamist was about being consigned to the cells below stairs, he remarked, that this was not much of a free country, after all.

A man named Lewis, refused to pay one of the plank road companies in Ohio his toll, amounting to one cent, for which he was sued and fined five dollars. He appealed from the decision of the magistrate, and has carried the case from one court to another, until the costs amount to over eight hundred dollars.

The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun, a violent Lecompton man, says in his letter of 15th that the advocates of Lecompton 'cannot yet see land.' They can, if they take the trouble to look, see a big rock, and pretty soon their crazy old craft will be dashed upon it.

A severe hurricane occurred at Besonville, Arkansas, on the 21 ult., which nearly destroyed all the houses in the town. Twenty-five persons are reported as killed, and a large number wounded in addition.

A woman in St. Louis was whipping her child with a stick a day or two since, when a splinter flying from it entered her left eye, and destroyed the sight.

The Paris correspondent of the N. Y. Journal of Commerce, says that a gorgeous embassy from Japan is expected, which, after visiting Paris, London, and perhaps Vienna, will cross the Atlantic to the United States.

ANOTHER MASSACRE. - Great alarm prevailed in Honduras at the latest date from that country in consequence of the capture of the city of Secular by the Yucatan Indians, who had massacred some of the inhabitants.

Advices from Washington state that there is no doubt of the passage of the old whig bankrupt law, or one similar to it, by the present Democratic (!) Congress.

The city of Lowell has been compelled to pay Miss Morrison, a girl of fifteen, \$500 for damages received from a defect in the high-way, by which she was crippled.

The Santa Fe mail has arrived at St. Louis. Colonel Mangy left there on the 13th of March, with twelve hundred animals, mostly mules, and one hundred and sixty troops, and the same number of herdsmen. They expected to join Col. Johnston by the 1st of May.

SLIDEL FOR PRESIDENT. - A Washington correspondent of a New Orleans daily paper says that the Hon. John Slidel is now fairly out for President, backed by the whole power of the national Administration, which is endeavoring to secure for him New York and Pennsylvania influence. What has become of Cobb, Orr, and Buchanan.

A report lately presented to the Emperor Alexander, of Russia, contains the following statistical returns relative to land-property and serfs in that Empire.

The number of families who are land-owners amounts to 127,000. Total peasant serfs of the nobility, 11,750,000; those of the Crown, 9,000,000.

There are, therefore, 20,750,000 persons anxiously waiting for an improvement in their condition.

SONORA. - A rumor from Washington states that Mr. BELMONT has dispatched a agent to Mexico, to negotiate a loan of \$1,500,000 with the Government, on a pledge of Sonora. This proposition is said to be endorsed by Mr. BUCHANAN and GEN. CASS.

UTAH ASKING ADMISSION TO THE UNION. - A letter from Washington states that Mr. Bernhisel, delegate from Utah, has presented to the House Committee on Territories, a constitution framed by the people of Utah, with the request that the Territory be admitted as a State under it.

A lady at Cortignano, Italy, consulted her priest as to the investment of 40,000 florins. The same night two robbers entered the room of the lady and demanded the money. She raised an alarm, and one of the robbers was shot and the other arrested by her servants. The one shot was her priest, and the other his clerical assistant.

NATIONAL FINANCES. - The receipts into the Treasury each week are half a million less than the expenditures. This disparity, it is likely, will continue, and unless there be a revival in importations to yield revenue to the Government in the way of duties, it will, in all probability, grow greater. As it is, the five millions in the Treasury will disappear in two or three months. In view of the increased expense of the Government, because of the Utah war, the whole of the \$20,000,000 of Treasury notes will be required.

SEVENTY YEARS A PREACHER. - The London Watchman records that the Rev. John Hickling, ninety three years of age and having been seventy years a preacher, on the 29th of February delivered a discourse of an hour and twenty minutes on 'Early Methodism,' and that in its delivery 'there was a deficiency of voice, memory or mental power, but the whole was connected, interesting and instructive.' On the 25th he preached twice to overflowing congregations, his discourses being each an hour long, and distinguished by good sense, fervor, energy and piety.

The Washington Union makes the following candid avowal. It says:

'Sending back the Lecompton Constitution to Kansas with the reputation of Congress endorsed upon its back, the chances are even that majority vote could not again be obtained in its favor.'

Here is a palpable back down - an open, out-and-out confession that the Lecompton swindle never did represent the wishes of the people of Kansas, and that if now voted upon, it would be rejected with ineffable howling and contempt.

SURRENDER OF BILLY BOWLES. - The Madisonian (Fla.) Messenger has reliable information that Billy Bowles 'has surrendered his sword, and is now at Tampa with his whole party, waiting the consummation of arrangements now being made to be transferred to the West. It is said that the old gentleman was in a shockingly ragged and dirty condition when he presented himself at Tampa.'

Little Bigler.

Pennsylvania generally makes such blunders in selecting men to represent her in the U. S. Senate, but never in the annals of her history has she sent an animal there with as long ears, as the one answering to the name of BIGLER. He has traduced and dishonored her. He has covered her with shame and confusion on account of his unseemly abilities, they are derided everywhere, and he has become the laughing stock of the whole country, his political dishonesty has become a by word and he richly merits the contempt of men of all parties. Read the following extract from a Washington letter to the Philadelphia Dispatch of last week.

I have just left the Senate, and saw Bigler in the hands of Douglas. Heaven! what a specimen of cruelty to animals. Bigler's vanity is proverbial, and his stupidity is painful. I blushed to see his awkward, ungainly and miserable manner. The President should send him to a grammar school. He used such phrases - 'I have come to the conclusion,' and in alluding to the *Opus Ter* he said, 'The slavery question is the *Uprun*.' He used the word 'is' for 'ate,' and 'done' for 'did'! &c., &c., and all this with a Captain Grand air, and an affectation of style that would have made a dog laugh. Douglas stepped up, took him by the cuff, and pummeled him through the Senate, making every Pennsylvania bang his head in confusion.

What a blessing is the Washington Globe to such humbugs as BIGLER. And here is another from the Philadelphia Press of the same date.

But the most remarkable demonstration against the patriotic action of the House is that of Senator Bigler, of this State, an abstract of whose remarks appears in our telegraphic report. There is not a decent man in Pennsylvania who will not cry 'shame!' upon such ignorant audacity. This man - who is covered all over with pledges in favor of a fair election in Kansas, who voluntarily committed himself against the Lecompton Constitution, because it had not been submitted to the people, and who knows that Kansas cannot be made a slave State, save by fraud of the most infamous character - now comes forward to say that he had hoped to see Kansas coming into the Union as a Slave State.

Truly, Truly, what a fitting mouth-piece for our blundering President.

SCENES AT AN EXECUTION. - The Philadelphia Press records the following incident of the execution of Anderson and Richards at Lancaster, Pa. It says:

'The morbid curiosity to see the execution was intense. No house within the vicinity of the jail were high enough to overlook the walls, but some Yankees had erected a platform on two or three-tops, capable of accommodating some hundreds of spectators. This stand was rented out to curious individuals at a dollar a head, and long before the hour of execution, was crowded to excess by a number of males, and a small number of females! One or two other rickety contrivances were erected, and rented out at exorbitant prices - The yard leading to the main entrance was crowded by a large number of spectators, eagerly peering through the iron gratings. The night previous to the execution both convicts received the holy communion.'