

OUR CANDIDATE FOR THE GOVERNMENT.

The Convention which assembled in Bedford, on last Wednesday, by a unanimous vote, presented Hon. John Cassa as the choice of this county for the Union nomination for Governor.

Mr. Cassa's course, for the last four years, has been for him a host of friends, both at home and abroad. When the war broke out, he placed himself at once, upon the side of the Government.

At the late State Convention he was chosen its Chairman, and the policy fore-shadowed in his speech, on taking the chair, was taken as the keynote for the platform of principles on which our ticket was to go before the masses.

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The contest which took place in this country was very much to be deplored, but under the circumstances, it could not have been avoided, unless one or the other of the candidates had withdrawn his name.

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The year 1866 was more than ordinarily crowded with great events. The year upon which we have just entered bids fair to equal or even surpass it in the importance of its bearing upon our immediate future as a nation.

Again there is a period, more frequently alluded to than any other in prophetic scriptures, known as the twelve hundred and sixty years of Daniel, at the expiration of which the power of the man of sin is to be destroyed and the millennial period to begin.

On the supposition that Popery is the most striking concurrence taking place, not the least among which is the withdrawal of the French troops from Rome.

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OUR COMMON SCHOOL SYSTEM.

NUMBER III.

Inequality of Appropriations. Before making any comparison of the appropriations we would reiterate the fact that the various school districts are required to keep open their schools for the full term of four months, in order to obtain their portion of the State appropriation.

Collectors' Reports. The Commissioner of the State has just received reports from the various school districts, showing the amount of the State appropriation required to keep open their schools for four months.

Montgomery county with a tax of \$62,193.46 had 7.34 months school, at the same rate four months, would have required \$33,892.89, enabling her to obtain an appropriation of \$63,84.94 or nearly one-fifth of the required tax.

Forest county raised by taxation \$1609.93 to secure four months and obtain an appropriation of \$81.12 or about one twentieth of the amount of its tax.

Bucks county raised by taxation \$26,930.83 and had 8.28 months school. At the same rate four months would have required \$30,404.98 or almost one-fifth of the amount she raised by taxation.

FISHERIES OF PENNSYLVANIA.

One of the most respectable assemblages of citizens of Pennsylvania, that has been convened in the State capital for many years was that of the delegates to the Fish Convention which met in the House of Representatives yesterday.

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FROM WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9, 1866.

The movement for the organization of a new party, which certain newspapers have been incessantly discussing in the House today by Mr. D. W. Voorhes, of Indiana, who introduced a resolution endorsing the President's policy, and making one of his old-fashioned speeches against it.

John A. Bingham replied with telling effect. One sentence evoked a roar of applause both on the floor and in the gallery; that in which he said that if the collision should come between the Unionists and the President which the gentleman seemed to anticipate, and the President should be left with no supporters save such men as met with Mr. Voorhes at Chicago to pronounce resolutions in relation to the President, God help the President and save the Republic.

THE COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF SUBSISTENCE. He has just prepared a statement showing the quantity and price of every article purchased by the subsistence Department, from the beginning to the end of the rebellion.

AMENDMENTS OF REVENUE LAWS. Collector Ginniss, of Cleveland, is announcing that he has been in consultation with the various officers of Customs, relative to the proposed amendments to the Revenue Law for the prevention of smuggling on the Northern frontier.

REBEL INDEMNITIES. An attempt was made, a few days ago, by the reconstructed rebels in Fairfax county, to burn down the residence of Mrs. Nixon, widow of Paymaster Dixon, of our Army, who was recently shot, and killed, in the streets of Alexandria, by a returned rebel officer.

CONGRESSIONAL.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8, 1866. SENATE. The result of the late vote in Washington on the suffrage question was presented. A resolution was adopted calling on the President for information in regard to an order issued forbidding the exportation of arms across the Mexican frontier.

LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 10. SENATE. The speaker announced the standing committees. Mr. Lowry is chairman of the one on Federal Relations; Mr. Connell of the Finance.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 11. SENATE. The bill introduced by Mr. Donovan allowing passenger cars to run in this city on Sunday was referred to the Committee on Vice and Immorality.

WHY HE IS HELD IN CONFINEMENT, AND WHY HE HAS NOT BEEN TRIED—THE CHARGES ARE—TREASON, INCITING ASSASSINATION, AND MURDER OF UNION PRISONERS—THE TRIAL MUST BE TRIED BEFORE A CIVIL COURT IN VIRGINIA—CHIEF JUSTICE CLAY DECLINES FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD TO HOLD ANY COURT THERE—ATTORNEY GENERAL SPEED THINKS IT IS NOT PRACTICABLE TO HAVE SUCH A TRIAL AT PRESENT—THE CHARGES AGAINST OTHER PROMINENT TRAITORS.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.

TO THE PRESIDENT: SIR—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from you of a copy of the resolution of the Senate of the United States, of date the 31st of December, 1865.

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