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THE GRAND DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION OF Columbia and Adjoining Counties.



Enthusiastic Meeting.

On Wednesday night last the Democracy of Berwick and surrounding townships assembled in large numbers to hear the issues of the campaign discussed by Messrs. Robert F. Clark and John G. Freese of Bloomsburg.

The meeting was organized by the selection of M. E. Jackson, Esq., as President; Hudson Owen, J. W. Dietrich, Lewis Enke and Alzah Bower, as Vice Presidents, and J. S. Sanders and J. M. Snyder as Secretaries.

On motion a committee consisting of M. M. Truett, Esq., and S. E. Smith were appointed to wait upon the speakers and inform them that the meeting was organized and prepared to hear them.

The President of the meeting then stepped forward and introduced as the first speaker, Robert F. Clark, Esq.—Mr. Clark, who was a Whig, and when the party dissolved, became a Republican, stated that he was now acting in good faith with the Democratic party of the country in order to save the Union, and that he was here to night to induce his fellow-citizens to aid in accomplishing that work, by the election of Seymour and Blair. His speech elicited hearty applause, and we are only sorry that our limited space will not permit us to alude to it in detail. At its conclusion, he was complimented by both his Democratic and Republican fellow-citizens. The speech will doubtless have a good effect in this community.

Col. Freeze followed him with much sound and practicable advice, and if acted upon, will greatly increase our strength in this county. He alluded to the extravagant and profligate waste of the public moneys by the Legislature of this State, by quoting largely from the Auditor General's report of 1867, and which not only Democrats but Republicans are thinking. He also read a letter from the Radical State authorities at Harrisburg, wherein they state that they intend to withhold the usual appropriation for common school purposes, for this county, because as they claim, Columbia county is in debt to the State. This is an outrage that should be resented by every friend of education, and see DON'T TAKE A TICKET FROM A STRANGER.

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MICHAEL MILLARD, High Sheriff of Columbia county, do hereby make known to the people of this county, that a general election will be held on SATURDAY, THE THIRTEENTH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1868, at the several districts within the Beaver township, at the public house of Ben F. Zarr, in that township, at the public house of Andrew T. Kehler, in the town of Benton.

ATTENTION, DEMOCRATS!—Having been appointed by the Standing Committee of Columbia county, Chief Marshal for the Grand Democratic Mass Meeting to be held on the Bloomsburg Fair Grounds, on Thursday, October 8th, I would announce the following instructions to the different delegations for the purpose of securing order and despatch:

1. The delegations coming down the Big Fishing creek will concentrate at Lightstreet by 10:30 a.m.

2. The delegations from the up-river region, including those which cross at Epsy, will concentrate at Epsy by 10:30 a.m.

3. The delegations from beyond Catwiss will congregate at that point by 10:15 and will be joined by the delegation from Montour at Rupert, at 10:45 a.m.

4. The delegation from Madison and Hemlock will meet at Buckhorn at 10:15 a.m.

5. The Little Fishing creek delegation will concentrate at the Fishing creek bridge at 10:45 a.m.

6. Each delegation should use every effort to reach the place of rendezvous at the appointed time, and should wait a reasonable length of time for the delegation beyond it.

7. Each delegation should have a mounted marshal, who should wear a white rosette on his left breast. At the time appointed all should have the place of rendezvous and march towards town, at the outskirts of which they will be met by the Chief Marshal, who will aid in forming the procession. No one should leave the column until after the parade. Delegations from adjoining counties will receive proper attention.

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OUR PROSPECTS ARE GLORIOUS.—We hear of important changes in our favor daily, but let no one relax his efforts on that account.

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