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Volunteer Candidates--Radical Conspiracy.

Ever since the defeat of some of the Democratic nominees last fall, in Columbia county, by a union of volunteer candidates with the leading Radicals of the county, it has been said that the combination was not merely a temporary arrangement but was to be permanent, so far as the leaders were concerned. The tone of Radical leaders since that time, with other incidents, confirmed this view. Previous to our delegate elections it was openly asserted that a portion of the candidates for the Democratic nominations had secretly made arrangements to run as volunteers if not nominated, although all had pledged their honor to abide by the decision of the Convention. Events since the nominations prove the correctness of the previous rumors. Although the Democratic people are well pleased and satisfied with the nominations, greedy office hunters and Radical leaders are not. The very men named before the delegate elections as being in this conspiracy are now announcing themselves as volunteer candidates, and it is said a full ticket of them is to be presented. Although they even resort to fraudulent means to hide the fact, all the schemes of these men are concocted and put into shape by the Radical leaders and their pronunciamentoes are printed in the *Republican* office. Lest the character of their associations should tell the tale upon them, their printed circulars bear the imprint of "Local Advertiser." That sheet is a monthly advertiser, the paper for which already printed on one side is purchased in New York, and the rest of it is printed in the *Republican* office at this place. The publishers of the Advertiser have no printing office, and the imprint to these volunteer-radical essays is therefore a falsehood and a fraud, a make-believe that the printing is not done at the Radical office, while in fact every word of them is printed there.

We last week fully explained the position of the Locust delegates, showing that their votes were regular and authorized, and therefore nothing further need be said on that subject.

The Pine delegates are also attacked. One was instructed for EVERITT and voted for him. The other was not instructed at all, as only a fragment of those who elected him voted instructions for Treasurer, and those were a tie. As it is admitted by every one that the voters of the district were about equally divided between the candidates, it was fair and proper that each should receive one vote from the two delegates.

If the nominees of the party are to be constantly defeated, Democrats may as well give up their organization and quit holding conventions. In fact there is no other mode than holding nominating conventions by which a party can be held together and united, and if not united it can never be successful. Its very life depends upon union and harmony, and whoever strikes at its organization strikes to kill. We have no fear that any amount of disorganization that can be mustered in Columbia county can accomplish this result. The success of the volunteer candidates last fall was owing to very peculiar causes that do not exist now, and when election day comes we believe the Democratic party of the county will be found united and determined. They are too honest to be corrupted and too intelligent to be hood-winked or led by the little bevy of Radical office-holders in Bloomsburg, even though the latter are assisted by volunteers who in their greed for office violate pledges publicly and voluntarily made.

Radical Tricks.

It would be a "sweet" thing for the Radicals if they could succeed in inducing Democratic volunteers to enter the field as candidates where nominees of their own party would stand no chance. To divide the Democracy would be a great point gained for them and volunteers would serve Radical purposes as well as candidates of their own. They cannot elect either, and they would much rather see their Democratic tools sacrificed than that their own men should suffer defeat. In fact if the Radicals succeed in inducing volunteers to become candidates for them, they will trade them off afterwards whenever opportunity offers. Volunteer candidates are wanted by them only for trading purposes and to keep Democratic voters away from the polls. That is an old trick in politics that has been practiced too often to be successful again. *Beware of Radical schemes*—if they succeed in inducing Democrats to vote for volunteers they will laugh in their sleeves at their success in duping those who aid them by voting for their candidates. They already boast that they are making or will make a break in the "Fishingcreek confederacy." Let these "confederates" look to it that their ranks are not broken by the enemies who persecuted and constantly libel them!

Bolters.

At this time, when some ambitious gentlemen threaten to oppose a portion of the county ticket, it may be well to call attention to the following extracts from the rules governing the party in Columbia county, to wit:

XVII. No person shall be eligible to a nomination by a Convention who has opposed the Democratic ticket at the next preceding election. * * *

XVII. It shall be a good cause of challenge against any person offering to vote at any delegate elections that he has voted against Democratic candidates at a Federal or State election within two years, or has opposed the Democratic ticket at the last preceding election. * * * * * * *

Men who will not abide by the decisions of a convention certainly should have no voice in controlling it, and there is no doubt but that the above rules will be rigidly enforced hereafter.

It may as well be understood at once that we do not print in the political interest of Radicals, and that therefore their candidates need not apply here for anything that will assist them in their attempts to injure the Democratic party. Although this notice is intended especially for candidates brought out by our Radical friends, every body else may as well read it.

COLFAX is again on the war path in the North West. Look out for land grabs in the next Congress.

Party Nominations.

That party is always most successful, and in fact most deserves public confidence, which is most careful in making its nominations and adheres to them with greatest unanimity. It is clear to every body that no party, no society, no combination of individuals to accomplish particular ends, can long remain powerful unless complete unity of action is maintained. The highest authority expressly declares that "a house divided against itself can not stand." Prudence, wisdom and necessity, combine to require that parties which seek to govern the country should maintain unity in their own ranks. If they do not, they will soon destroy themselves and become the prey of the common foe. Who does not distinctly see, therefore, that whoever opposes a regular nomination strikes at the very foundation and strength of his party—weakens, disheartens and defeats the very men who uphold his own cause? Every body knows that union, harmony and good will alone give strength and lead to success. If we would establish Democratic principles, therefore, let us all unite in sustaining the nominations of the party.

The Broken Pledge.

The volunteer candidates are whining about the county that we refuse to print for them. True—and why? Week after week for months before the delegate elections were held each and every one of them had his name published in the COLUMBIAN, and paid in advance to get it there, in a list headed by the following pledge, to wit:

[The following persons have been named for nomination by the next Democratic County Convention. All who are announced in this list are pledged to abide by the decision of the Democratic Convention.]

This pledge, voluntarily, and solemnly, from week to week given to the public over their own names, is as firmly binding upon the conscience and honor of the candidates and their friends as any obligation it is possible for a human being to assume. We are asked to assist in violating it, and of course we contemptously refuse the proffered dishonor and spurn it as an insult.

These volunteers join hand in hand with the Radical leaders in an attempt to break up the Democratic party. In this attempt they will get no aid from us—we do not print in the political interest of the Radicals—we cannot assist men in violating pledges—we support the Democratic party in all its interests.

The State War Claim Robbery.

There are some queer statements about the defalcation of GEO. Q. EVANS, State war claim agent. He has paid a portion of the money into the Treasury since the exposure—leaving a balance still due of near $300,000. It is stated that the claims in question had been "disallowed and suspended" by the accounting officers of the Federal government—in other words had been rejected as bogus—and that to obtain payment bribery had to be resorted to. As this is a very common way, under Radical rule, to filch money from the State and Federal treasuries, we are ready to believe the statement. But in any case let the whole subject be thoroughly vindicated and the guilty at least exposed.

The Auditor General and State Treasurer have directed EVANS to pay all his collections into the Treasury, but he declines to do it. Prosecution is threatened but not yet instituted. It is doubted whether an action against the delinquent agent for embezzlement could be maintained. His bond is for only $10,000, and this is all that can be collected from him. Gov. GEARY was certainly culpably negligent in accepting a bond for so small an amount, and this fact gives force to the suspicion that he was interested in the whole profits of the job. Certainly his Attorney General is very remiss in not promptly arresting the defaulter.

The conviction is general in Harrisburg, that a large portion of the plunder of EVANS has passed out of his hands into those of a band of men who procured his appointment, and cannot be refunded. This is likely true. EVANS is only the tool of worse men in this State—men who are now preaching morality and leading the Radical party. These are the men we wish to see unearthed, and they will be, if Attorney General BREWSTER does his duty. No matter whom the axe may strike, let it fall. It is so common, however, for Radical officials to steal that an exposure does not cause surprise. For years the Radicals have had some mysterious ways of raising funds to sustain their newspapers and carry on elections. Is this one of the ways?

GUILTY! GUILTY!—Among all the high crimes and misdemeanors charged to the account of the radical party, that of packing the Supreme Court for the purpose of obtaining favorable decisions is the most heinous, because, if our judiciary is made subservient to party ends, no man is safe either in person or property. Of this crime they have been guilty time and again—decreasing or increasing the number of judges as often as they wished to obtain a decision sanctioning their usurpations. Let the verdict of the people, whose liberties are thus trifled with, be Guilty! Guilty!"—*Altoona Sun.*

But the Radicals do not stop with the Supreme Court; all the Federal courts are prostituted to partisan ends. The manner of summoning the jurors for the district courts is for the Radical Marshal to select out such men of his party as he chooses in each county and to summon them as jurors. Of course all are red hot partisans. When the court assembles its prosecuting officers are surrounded by gangs of pimps, who compromise cases, or have them compromised, for a consideration, and nothing can be effected except through these low whelps. Coming to trial a defendant in revenue cases stands no chance at all for acquittal, for the law is such that it is impossible for any human being to comply with every construction that may be put upon it, and as all such cases are regarded as political and the juries are partisan, of course conviction is the only possible result, however honest and law abiding the defendant may have been. For thus prostituting the courts the Radicals are responsible, and as long as they continue in power this gross abuse will exist.

UNITED STATES Treasurer SPINNER fails to account for Treasury warrants drawn by him to the amount of over *three millions* of dollars! The dates of the respective warrants and amounts of each are given. Where is the money? Verily the people pay dearly for Radical rule!

Our Nominees.

The Democratic nominations of Columbia county are highly complimented by all the newspapers surrounding us—even by some of the more candid of the Radical press. The nomination of Capt. BROCKWAY for Representative is particularly acceptable to the Democracy throughout the State, and is also received by the workingmen's organizations with great satisfaction. Never were competent men more needed in our Legislative halls than at present, and Columbia county receives much credit for taking the lead in placing such in legislative positions. The rest of our ticket is equally competent and deserving. Let all receive an energetic and unanimous support.

THE Chairman of the Republican Committee of Columbia county has called a county convention to assemble in this place on the 11th of September, "*to nominate candidates for the various county offices to be voted for in the coming October*," &c. Whether the convention is called at so late a date in order to give Democratic volunteers, who receive nearly their sole encouragement from Republican leaders, an opportunity to get fully under way and then to steal a march on them, or whether the call is a barefaced sham, as we have little doubt, remains to be seen. The Republican leaders carry their party in their breeches pocket, and as spoils is their object, they will do what to them seems most advantageous to Radicalism when the time comes.

Democratic Standing Committee.

A meeting of the Democratic Standing Committee was held at the Court House on Saturday last, in pursuance of a resolution of the county convention. A permanent organization was effected by the election of C. G. BARKLEY, Esq., of Bloomsburg as chairman, and R. J. MILLARD, Esq., of Scott township, as Secretary.

HUDSON OWEN was, by resolution, made a member of the committee from Berwick, where the Democrats had failed to elect at the proper time. After some consultation concerning the work of the committee, an adjourned meeting was ordered to be held in Bloomsburg, at the office of the chairman, on Wednesday the 6th of September, at 1 o'clock, P. M. It is hoped that every member will then attend punctually.

The War in Corea.

Further victories have been gained in Corea by the U. S. forces. A number of forts have been captured and many Coreans have been killed. But no impression seems to have been made upon the authorities of the country. When the American Admiral inquired of them what he should do with his prisoners, they coolly replied that he should do with them what he pleased. The fact is the country is overpopulated, little if any value is placed upon life, and the whole affair seems to be regarded by the authorities as an excellent opportunity of getting rid of a portion of the population. As the country is too far off to be annexed or occupied, as the people seem to have nothing that we want and as they are careless of the destruction of life, it is difficult to see what is to be gained by continuing the war.

Colonel Stanton--A Stolen Title!

The Radical papers persist in calling Surgeon STANTON, their candidate for Auditor General, *Colonel!* He certainly never held a Colonel's commission—he was never in a battle—never in sight of an enemy, unless when prisoner. True, he drew the pay of a Colonel, while acting as contract Surgeon during the war, but that does not confer even the honorary title upon him. He may have marshalled regiments of pill boxes and battalions of calomel with dexterity for what we know, but there is no such office as Colonel of physic or emetics in the army. Certain it is he was never a *fighting* Colonel, and if he has laurels he won them by the chivalrous use of pills and calomel and not by the sword. If the Radicals will persist in claiming military honors for him, let them tell the public where and when he performed military services.

IT was published a short time ago that a woman calling herself Mrs. CLARK committed suicide at Pittsburg. She had $1,800 in cash, besides much valuable jewelry and clothing. In a few days a man claiming to be her husband appeared, described her clothing and effects and had her remains taken from the Potter's field and decently interred in a burial ground. Scarcely had this been done, however, until three other men appeared, each claiming to be the husband, and also describing her personal appearance and clothing accurately! The Coroner therefore refuses to surrender the effects to any one until letters of administration are properly taken out. Moral—people should not commit suicide except in the presence of witnesses.

AS AN evidence of the wasteful character of the GRANT administration, the Washington *Patriot* says that all "important papers requiring the signature of the President must be sent to Long Branch by a special messenger, who is allowed ten cents mileage each way for going and returning, hotel bills, and other expenses. It is estimated that every time the President signs his name, by the seashore, to a commission, order, bigamy pardon, or other paper, it costs the tax-payers seventy-five or a hundred dollars, according to the allowance which may be made to the messenger."

THE Democracy of Luzerne county are to be congratulated upon the accession of Mr. H. B. BEARDSLEE, of Wayne county, to the editorial chair of the *Luzerne Union*. Mr. B. is a strong writer who understands the faith that is in him and has firmness to maintain it, a politician of much experience and undoubted integrity, who served a term in the State Senate with decided credit, and has had large and creditable experience as an editor. The paper is to be enlarged and we hope improved in its typography.

THERE is a reported deficit, unaccounted for, in the Post office Department, of *nineteen millions of dollars!* Verily the people pay dearly for the services of Radical thieves!

ONE of Gov. GEARY'S State agents to collect war claims, GEO. O. EVANS, is a defaulter to the amount of $298,922-84! Verily the people pay dearly for Radical agents!

THE Republican organ last week, in a round-about way, calumniated Mr. SHAFFER, the Democratic nominee for Commissioner, alledging that some delegate (not named) had said to some candidate, (not mentioned) that Mr. SHAFFER had paid $15 to each of the several delegates to vote for him; and this week it repeats the calumny by saying that certain delegates were worth but $15 a-piece. There is not the slightest truth in this imputation and on behalf of Mr. SHAFFER and the other nominees we deny in unqualified terms that any delegate of the late convention was induced to give his vote for them or either of them by corrupt means. We have made thorough inquiry upon this subject and brand the charge, whether made by Radical or bolter, *as basely false.*

GEN. A. L. ROUMFORT, of Harrisburg, one of the ablest and most prominent Democrats in the State, presided over the recent Democratic convention in Dauphin county, and has consented to act as chairman of the county committee for the ensuing year. When veterans of 75 take active field service upon themselves to save the Nation from the dangers that threaten it, what should not younger men do? Every patriotic instinct now demands activity and united effort. Let all division cease and let every Democrat make every effort, and if need be sacrifice, for the great cause.

THE Democratic convention of Huntingdon instructed for Gen. HANCOCK for President, and nominated J. SIMPSON AFRICA, Esq., for Assembly. Mr. A. has heretofore represented the county with much credit, and it is hoped may be elected again. The Democracy are generally putting forth their very best men for Legislative positions, which is a most encouraging sign of the times.

A QUEER rumor comes from Washington that Postmaster General CRESSWELL is to resign to make room for Gov. CURTIN. If true, it is only because the Radicals have no hope of carrying this State for GRANT except through the active aid of CURTIN. With or without him, GRANT is doomed in Pennsylvania.

SOME of the more reckless Republican leaders gab about Democratic candidates purchasing support. The hint is to buy *them*—the Radical leaders! It wont take. Aside from the morality of the proceeding the drug is worthless and will corrupt anything it is mixed with.

WHEN Radical office-holders are robbing the State Treasury of thousands, is it not high time that a check should be put upon them by electing a Democratic Auditor General to settle their accounts and see that no improper ones are paid?

THE Democratic ticket is received with every evidence of satisfaction throughout the county. The Republican leaders may "rack their brains" for a plan to defeat it, but the people are in no mood to be humbugged by them.

By One Who Knows Him!

ZIEGLER'S *Democratic Herald* gives the correct view of Gen. CAMERON'S declination of the Vice Presidency, to wit:

We see it stated that Gen. CAMERON has no intention of being a candidate for Vice President on the ticket with GRANT in 1872. In consequence of this asserted determination of the General, Gov. Curtin and Hon. Wm. D. Kelley are mentioned as proper persons for the position. So far as we are concerned, we have no faith in the declination of Gen. Cameron. He is an astute politician and knowing that his nomination would be violently opposed in the Convention, he does what he has always done, pretended to be no candidate when in fact he is doing all he can to get it. There is plenty of time for the General to change his mind, and that he will do so we have not the slightest doubt. Especially do we think so, when we know that he never lets his enemies know what he is about until he has them completely routed and disarmed.

When the general belonged to the Democratic party his tactics were always such as to throw his enemies off their guard. Eventually his policy became thoroughly understood by leading politicians, and being "played out" with the Democracy, he turned his coat, joined the Radicals and has been quite successful in imposing upon their credulity and simplicity. He will be a candidate unless he considers more is to be made by pulling the reins by which Grant is made to dance as he whistles.

Personally we have nothing against the General, but that he will take abundant care of himself and all his relations, admits of no doubt. Politics with him is purely a matter of business and he has heretofore made it pay handsomely. He will do so in the future, for the habit with him has become second nature.

THE sub Committee of Investigation has adjourned until the twentieth of September, leaving at Washington a special committee of three to finish up the business, with witnesses summoned, and now in the city. This whole affair has been nothing but a Radical contrivance to keep up sectional animosity and to foment new strife. Most of the testimony taken, has been already cooked up three or four times in different forms, and before different committees, during the last two years. The same facts and individuals, with an occasional revarnishing of testimony, and fresh recruits of subornation, have appeared to tell of marvels in 1866, 1867, 1868, and 1869, nine-tenths of which are sheer fabrications.

The committee has succeeded in spending forty thousand dollars in eight weeks, and in making a huge volume of calumny. Negroes and carpet-baggers have been paid at the rate of two hundred dollars a head for hard swearing. Such is the result of this wicked imposture.—*Washington Patriot.*

HON. HARRISON ALLEN, a Republican member of the Pennsylvania Senate, in a speech in which he advocated Capt. James H. Cooper for the position of Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, said "I know the gentleman (Captain Cooper) well; I know that he was a true and faithful soldier in the war, following all its successes and misfortunes, and is one of the best young men the State can present. No Democrat can do himself injustice—*No Republican can do himself injustice*—by voting for as deserving a young man as this." With such candidates as McCandless and Cooper, held in the highest esteem by men of all political shades, success seems assured to the Democracy.

BEN BUTLER says to a labor reform convention—

"It makes no difference what you do at your convention or who you nominate, I take your platform."

Quite characteristic of the individual—he'd take a dose of salts if there was a chance of swallowing the spoon.

SECRETARY BOUTWELL has spent about a million of dollars in trying to sell four hundred millions of Government bonds and has utterly failed! So much for the boasted government credit under Grant's Radical administration.

THE Congress of Chili is discussing a proposition to extend the President's term to six years, and prohibiting reelection. As an election in Chili is equivalent to a revolution, the people want to lengthen the space between the events.

THE debt of Philadelphia is Fifty Millions of Dollars, twenty millions more than that of the State of Pennsylvania. More than Thirty Millions of this debt has been piled up since the Radical party obtained control of the city councils.

THE white population of New York city is 929,109, of which 510,553 are natives and 418,645 are foreign. The excess of natives is only 91,907. The foreign population contains 201,997 Irish, 80,494 Germans, 31,646 Prussians and 100,609 of all other nationalities.

IT is stated that Governor Geary is not very strong in his support of the Republican candidates for Auditor and Surveyor General. The action of the convention in nominating Grant for reelection did not suit Geary, as he is a presidential candidate himself.

EX-MAYOR OPDYKE refuses to call a special meeting of the New York Chamber of Commerce to examine the city accounts, as requested by Mayor Hall. The Republicans are afraid to have their charges against Mayor Hall investigated, lest their falsehoods should be demonstrated and Mr. Hall proved innocent.

THE reduction of the public debt during the month of July was only $8,701-976. The income of the government, besides "extras" was over $23,000,000! the legitimate expenses of the government were about $12,000,000, leaving *only* $13,000,000 unaccounted for. Where is the balance?

ANDREW JOHNSON was right when he said the internal revenue system is destroying public morals, and dividing the people into two classes—the tax-payers who seek to cheat the government out of all the tax they can, and the tax collectors who steal all of the tax they dare to, after they have collected it.

THE Democrats of Pennsylvania are just now rendering their Radical friends uneasy by calling upon the Radical administration of the State to inform the people what has become of about fifteen millions of sinking fund that ought to be in the treasury, but which is not there, according to the latest report of the Auditor General.

THE messengers who travel constantly between Washington and Long Branch to secure the President's signature to documents, receive ten cents a mile, which added to the twenty-five thousand dollars a year of presidential salary makes up a bill of expense by no means light. Many of the signatures are to pardons of defrauders of the revenue, counterfeiters and internal revenue defaulters.

THE South Carolina Ku-Klux are again disturbing the rest of the loyal Forney, even in the Custom House in Philadelphia. The editor of the *Press* has, it seems, taken a special contract to manufacture Ku-Klux horrors from now until the election. How strange that Greeley has seized the other horn of the dilemma and denounces Forney's saints as "thieving carpet-baggers."

THE people of New Hampshire have reasons to congratulate themselves on the recent Democratic victory in that State. The new Legislature reduced the State tax from $600,000 to half that sum; put the naturalization laws once more in operation—prior legislation, under Republican auspices, having virtually nullified the Federal laws in this regard—and exempted disabled soldiers from the payment of the poll tax:

GEN. MCCANDLESS performed his military services on the battle field—Col. Stanton performed his as a medical director of an Ohio hospital. General McCandless was promoted because of his brave deeds as a soldier—Col. Stanton because he was the "nephew of his uncle," the Secretary of War. General McCandless came out of the service with a maimed body and impaired health—Col. Stanton with a good bank account and a whole skin.

THE *Charleston Republican* (S. C.) says:

"We hold more firmly than ever to the wisdom of couple'e amnesty. The withholding of it can do no good, but rather it will insure measures as harm to these Southern States, and through these to all our nation, while the speedy proclamation of a complete, unequivoca. pardon will bring us a measure of peace and prosperity which can be secured to us in no other way."

—Nine-tenths of the Republicans of the States lately in Rebellion are of that same opinion, as was evinced in the vote of Missouri on a direct issue last October. Two States were lost to the Republicans last year which Universal Amnesty would have saved. How many more can we spare?—*N. Y. Tribune.*

THE services of the Democratic candidates for Auditor General and Surveyor General far eclipse those of the Republican nominees. While General MCCANDLESS was in the midst of battle, Dr. STANTON was finishing his profession in a safe hospital, practicing on wounded and sick soldiers or contracting for medicines. While Captain COOPER was firing shot and shell into the country's enemies, Mr. BEATH was at home talking loyalty. If the Republicans really do love the soldiers of their country, as they professed a short time since, they will have an opportunity of rewarding them at the election in October.

SOME of the Radical papers declare that they are "sick of this nonsense about the workingmen." Of course they are. The workingmen's movement does not agree with the constitution of these fellows whose interest are all identified with capital and against labor. Oil and water are very difficult to mix. In the olden time it was a favorite dogma of Old Federalism that "the government should take care of the rich and the rich would take care of the poor." In other words, they offered "Protection" to the laboring man—that kind of protection which vultures give to lambs. Honest toil commands very little respect from the bloated capitalist.—*Perry County Democrat.*

THE New York *Mercury* calls for an examination of the books of the Treasury Department. It says:

The people are not allowed to know anything about the disposition of the revenue of the country, amounting to over $400,000,000, beyond such facts as the officers of the Treasury may vouchsafe to give. Let the books of the Treasury Department be examined at once, that the people may know what has been done with their money. Federal thieves have been employed in the greenback bureau for years, and they have become wealthy on moderate salaries. Let the nest of corruption be cleansed at any cost.

COPPERHEADS.—What has become of the venomous, undignified and indecent epithets which the radicals applied to their neighbors during the war? Even radical ladies, so-called, under the influence, of course, of Radical men, were free in the use of these epithets. The parties using them ought to be, and evidently are, ashamed of themselves. Some of them now want office; some of them now want the friendship of these same men. All of them mingle daily with the same people to whom they applied these villainous snakey epithets. We do not advise hostility or revenge, but have Democrats any certainty that these Radicals would behave any better now if they had the power to renew their persecutions with success?—*Sunbury Democrat.*

The Candidates for Soldiers and Workingmen.

The soldiers and the workingmen of Pennsylvania cannot fail to make a distinction between the candidates of the two political parties at the coming State election in Pennsylvania.

The Republican candidate for Auditor General is a man who never had any connection with or sympathy for the toiling masses. Going into the army as a country doctor he was soon elevated to the lucrative position of Medical Director, not on account of any superior fitness, but because he happened to be a relative of the Secretary of War, E. M. Stanton. He had an easy time serving his country, got big pay, but never smelt powder or received a wound. He was nominated simply because the corrupt Treasury Ring wanted a willing tool in the Auditor-General's office. Quay looked over the list of Simon Cameron's satellites and picked upon Dr. Stanton. The order was issued to those who set up delegates in the different counties, and the nominating of the creature of the Ring was settled in advance of the meeting of the Convention.

The Democratic candidate for Auditor General is one of the most skillful mechanics in the State. When he worked as a machinist he acknowledged no superior in his business. When he studied law he displayed the same energy which distinguished him when he wielded the hammer. When the war came, he entered the army not to seek for an easy berth, but to fight with all his might as he had labored at the bench and the forge. In all the glorious roll of the gallant Pennsylvania Reserve Corps, there is no name which shines brighter than that of General William McCandless.

The soldiers and the workingmen of Pennsylvania must be alike attached by the antecedents of the Democratic candidate for Auditor General. They cannot conscientiously vote for the creature of the corrupt Treasury Ring.

The Radical candidate for Surveyor General saw some service in the army as a commander of negro troops, but we have looked in vain through Bates' History and the files of Republican newspapers for any record which can connect him to the white soldiers of Pennsylvania. When he returned from the army he at once entered political life as a recognized tool of Simon Cameron. After being defeated as a candidate for the Common Council of Philadelphia his political master had him made a sub-postmaster. Leaving that position he next appears in the capacity of book-keeper to a Schuylkill coal company, and as *Secretary of the Coal Operator's Ring, which was organized for the purpose of crushing down the workingmen and compelling them to yield to the demands of a set of greedy monopolists by starving them and their families.*

There is not a surviving soldier of the Pennsylvania Reserves to whom Capt. Cooper, the Democratic candidate for Surveyor General, is not well and favorably known, either in person or by reputation. When he left the army he went to work on his own saw-mill, and identified himself with the industrial classes of the Commonwealth.

When the soldiers and the workingmen of Pennsylvania cast a ballot for Surveyor General next October, they will see to it that the name of Captain James H. Cooper is on their ticket.

The candidates for the soldiers and workingmen are McCandless and Cooper.—*Lancaster Intelligencer.*

The Collection of Taxes.

The records show that over eighty thousand men are employed in the collection of the income tax. They are chosen, not on account of their fitness for the position they are called upon to fill, but solely on account of their political relations to some Radical Congressman or other officials. Many of them are destitute of business talent, not a few lack honesty, and multitudes of them are mere bummers and brawling pot-house politicians. To keep up this vast army of inefficient officials costs the people many millions of dollars every year, in one way and another. The Revenue Department has been converted into an asylum, where many of the worst men belonging to the Radical party are pensioned off and supported at the public expense. The masses of that party cannot be so completely blinded by prejudice as not to see the evils which exist, and we are sure that thousands of them would gladly vote to remedy the abuses which affect all classes of the community alike.

In our judgment the best and the cheapest way to collect the taxes which are necessary to support the general government, would be to apportion the amount among the several States, according to their ability to pay, and to leave each State to collect the amount thus levied upon it from such sources and in such a way as its authorities might deem proper. The same officials who collect the State and County taxes could collect all taxes levied for the general government, and the whole army of federal officials might be thus dispensed with. The States being responsible, would hold the county officials to a strict accountability, and they would exercise a like restraint over their subordinates. The people would choose the men who would gather the tax from them, and they would select honest and capable persons. The Legislature of each State could apportion the taxes in a more equitable manner than Congress does, and the whole system being brought under the immediate view and control of the people, would be vastly simplified, improved, and cheapened.

One of the greatest curses of this country is the increase of Federal office-holders which has taken place since the Radicals obtained control of the general government. This garden must now be weeded out, and whole crops of useless officials cut up by the roots. The people are all interested in cheapening the expenses of the government, and they begin to see how they have been imposed upon. Let them apply the remedy at the ballot box.—*Carlisle Volunteer.*

Despotic Grant.

History has no parallel to the vacillating weakness of the autocrat who is in charge of the pools at Long Branch. Efficient and capable officials are the sport of his caprices. First the faithful Cox, late Secretary of the Interior, who was too high toned, too honorable, to eat the guilty bread of Executive subserviency, was removed. He was too honest to connive at stealing, too honorable to be Grant's or Boutwell's tool, and too faithful to yield to incompetent dictation. He must be put out of the way and was accordingly decapitated. Next comes the good and brave soldier, Pleasanton, whose removal is to-day announced. Grave and important are the disclosures which now attract public attention, the Federal Treasury is being depleted, public ledgers are being destroyed, warrants are being cancelled, and wholesale robberies are being exposed, and because Pleasanton will not pledge secrecy, or be a willing party to this monstrous corruption, *he too must be sacrificed.* The country must pronounce on Mr. Grant's action in the premises.—*Ashland Advocate.*

THE colored men of the South are to meet in Convention on the 1st of October to consider the political situation, and the proper means of getting rid of the carpet-bag influence. Another "new departure," and one that will cause certain leading white Radicals of the South to "depart" from that section in a hurry.

THE New York Commercial says: The thanks of the country are due to General Hancock for a refreshing bit of common sense touching the best method of dealing with the Indians. He tells us, briefly, it is better and cheaper to feed them than to fight them. A little calculation would make this apparent.

AS GOES Pennsylvania so goes the Presidential election. Don't forget that fact, Democrats! Keep it freshly alive in your memories, and as election day approaches put forth your best energies for the defeat of the Radicals.

National Labor Convention.

This body has lately been in session at St. Louis. All the States were fully represented. They suggest their principles by distinctly setting forth the evils of which they most complain and the remedies therefor. In the main we agree with them, and their policy as announced is clearly that of the Democratic party, excepting that the 12th plank in the platform is only creating a cumbrous attachment to the government that would clog action and render it inefficient. The evils they enumerate are:

First: Banking and monied monopolies, by which, through ruinous rates of interest, the productions of human labor are concentrated in the hands of non-producers. This is the great central source of these wrongs, and through which all other monopolies exist and operate.

Second: Consolidated railroad and other transit monopolies, whereby all industries are taxed to the last mill they will bear, for the benefit of the stockholders and stock-jobbers.

Third: Manufacturing monopolies, whereby small operators are crushed and the price of labor and its products are determined with mathematical certainty in the interest of capitalists.

Fourth: Land monopolies, by which the public domain is absorbed by a few speculators.

Fifth: Commercial and grain monopolies, speculating and enriching their bloated corporations on human necessities.

We propose to restore the Government to its original purpose, and as far as possible, to remedy these evils and remove their results:

First: by establishing a monetary system based on the facts and resources of the nation, in harmony with the genius of the Government, and adapted to the exigencies of legitimate commerce. To this end the circulating notes of the National and State banks, as well as all currency that is not a full legal tender, should be withdrawn from circulation, and a paper currency issued by the Government, which shall be legal tender in the payment of all debts public and private, dues on imports included, and declared the lawful money of the United States. This currency or money to be interchangeable at the pleasure of the holders of Government bonds bearing 3 per cent interest; the Government creditors to have the privilege of taking the money or the bonds at their election, reserving to Congress the right to regulate the rate of interest on the bonds and the value of the currency, so as to effect the equitable distribution of the products of labor between money or non-producing capital and productive industry.

Second: By paying the National debt in strict accordance with the laws under which it was originally contracted—gold where specifically promised, but all other forms of indebtedness, including the principal of the five-twenty bonds, shall be discharged at the earliest option of the Government in the legal-tender currency or lawful money of the United States, without funding it in long bonds, or in any way increasing the gold-paying and untaxed obligations of the Government.

Third: By preserving inviolate the public domain to actual settlers, tillers of the soil.

Fourth: By a tariff of revenue alone, believing as we do that the reduction of interest to adjust the rate will do more to increase rewards of labor and to encourage the development of agricultural, mineral, manufacturing and mechanical resources than any system of tariff laws that can be devised.

Fifth: By restraining, or, if needs be, abolishing corporate monopolies and interdicting class legislation, and confining national legislation to necessary objects; subjecting the military to the civil authorities, and reducing the army to a peace standard, and confining its operations to national purposes alone.

Sixth: By requiring that in all future wars the means necessary for their prosecution shall, as required, be collected from the wealth of the country, and not entailed on the future earnings of labor.

Seventh: By adopting an Indian policy, founded on national justice, by which many valuable lives and many millions of money will be annually saved.

Eighth: By holding legislators to a more rigid accountability; but requiring the submission of the annexation of territory and other fundamental laws affecting the general interest of society to a vote of the whole people.

Ninth: By prohibiting the importation of coolies or other servile labor, and protecting labor from all unnecessary burdens.

Tenth: By encouraging co-operative efforts, and the building up of manufacturing industries throughout the country.

Eleventh: By granting General Amnesty, and restoring the Union at once on the basis of the equality of rights and privileges to all classes and interests, the impartial administration of justice being the only true bond of union to bind the States together and engage the affections of the people to the Government.

Twelfth: By the creation of a board of management of the currency and revenue, to consist of such a number of intelligent business men as may be necessary to transact the fiscal affairs of the Government, which board shall be charged with the execution of all laws relating to the collection of and disbursement of the revenue and the regulation of the currency; and empowered to employ and have the oversight of the clerical force and other officers and agents required in the discharge of all the duties pertaining to this Department; the same rule to be applied to the Post-Office and Interior Department, as far as may be practicable; the Secretaries of the Departments to be Presidents of such Boards.

PERSONS who go into a County Convention for nomination, get beaten and then come out as "independent" and attempt to beat the regular ticket by a secret bargain and sale with the opposition, are a disgrace to the party to which they profess to belong, and as such should be denounced and punished like the worst species of political knaves. It is the duty of parties to set a mark upon such persons as unworthy of confidence and to forever debar them from the privileges of nominating conventions, either as delegates or candidates.—*Pottsville Standard.*

A RUSSIAN fleet is on its way, conveying the Grand Duke Alexis of Russia on a visit to this country. It will reach New York about the first of October, and be received in a proper manner. Russia has been a steady friend of the United States, and in receiving the Grand Duke we show our appreciation of the conduct of his illustrious father, the Czar.

MARKET REPORTS.

Bloomsburg Market.

Wheat per bushel	$1.45
Rye " "	1 00
Corn " "	80
Oats " "	60
Flour per barrel	8 00
Cloverseed	6 00
Flaxseed	1 60
Butter	25
Eggs	20
Tallow	10
Potatoes	1 00
Dried Apples	10
Hams	17
Sides and Shoulders	12
Lard per pound	16
Hay per ton	19 00

NOTICE.

Public notice is hereby given that on the 21st day of JULY, 1871, I purchased at Constable's Sale, as the property of Levi Creasy, the following articles, to wit: 1 Cooking Stove, 6 Chairs, 1 Bureau, 2 Looking Glasses, 1 Cupboard, 2 Bed Steads, 1 Table and 2 Pigs, and that I have loaned the same to said Creasy, during my pleasure, and all persons are cautioned not to purchase or meddle with the same as it belongs to me. JOHN W. MILLER.

Centre twp., August 1, 1871. aug.4,71-3t*

DEMOCRATIC STATE NOMINATIONS.

AUDITOR GENERAL,
GEN. WILLIAM M'CANDLESS.
OF PHILADELPHIA.

SURVEYOR GENERAL,
CAPT. JAMES H. COOPER,
OF LAWRENCE COUNTY.

Columbia County Democratic Ticket.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE,
CHARLES B. BROCKWAY,
BLOOMSBURG.

ASSOCIATE JUDGE
IRAM DERR,
JACKSON TOWNSHIP.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
JAMES BRYSON, Jr.
CENTRALIA.

TREASURER,
WILLIAM LAMON,
BRIARCREEK TOWNSHIP.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER,
WILLIAM SHAFFER,
CENTRE TOWNSHIP.

CORONER
CHARLES G. MURPHY,
NORTH CONYNGHAM.

AUDITOR
CHARLES CONNER,
ORANGEVILLE.

New Advertisements.

NOTICE.

The undersigned having purchased the stage line of W. F. Piatt, from Benton to Bloomsburg, will run a each three days each week, on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Leave Benton at 6 o'clock A. M., arrive at Bloomsburg at 10 o'clock A. M., leave Bloomsburg on the arrival of the Philadelphia mail. The driver can be seen at Brown's Hotel on each stage day between 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. Passengers will be safely conveyed to and from all intermediate points. All packages left in my care will be promptly delivered.

J. S. KLINE.

BENTON, August 19, 1871-aug.-3t.

NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS.

Notice is hereby given to the Tax Payers of the Town of Bloomsburg, that on and after

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1871,

the undersigned will be prepared to receive the Town Taxes assessed for the year 1871, at his office, in Exchange Block, in said town, 2d door from west call on the 2d floor, and said tax-payers are hereby required to pay the same.

Office hours from 9 to 12 A. M. and from 1 to 5 P. M.

Any tax unpaid at the expiration of thirty