

DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS. CANAL COMMISSIONER, WM. T. MORISON, of Montgomery. AUDITOR GENERAL, EPHRAIM BANKS, of Millin. SURVEYOR GENERAL, J. P. BRAWLEY, of Crawford.

CONGRESSIONAL MATTERS. In about ten days our Congressional Convention meets in Warren to nominate a candidate to supplant the Hon. James Thurston, and it is not at all strange that the political cauldron should commence boiling and bubbling.

The Scalded of the America. We are pleased to learn that the survivors of the disaster of the America, some eleven in number, most of whom are in the hospital, are fast recovering from their wounds, and that all will recover.

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THE COMPROMISE DEFEATED, WHO IS TO BLAME?

The loss of the Compromise Bill, after so many months of legislation, is not to be regarded as the party defeating it, but as the result of the measures ready to be already apparent.

Such as some Southern members have been to blame for this defeat, certain Northern Senators have been less so. For some time past, the latter have been in the habit of voting against the Union.

It is not Garrison, or Phillips, or men of that stamp who are to be dreaded, for their avowed hostility to the Union, coupled with their impious attacks on Christianity, render them comparatively harmless.

The Northern agitators who defaced this bill have never yet freed a single slave, with all their jargon about the cause of negro freedom.

Who threw that brickbat? The political world of whigdom, in and about Buffalo, were startled the other day by the announcement that the Hon. F. A. B. had withdrawn the nomination of A. L. S.

How does the Erie Observer like to see its article against Mr. Brawley, going the rounds of the Galphin press? We have seen it in the hands of the Galphin press, and we are glad to see it in the hands of the Erie Observer.

Declines the Honor. Mr. Bates, of Missouri, who has been tendered the appointment of Secretary of War in President Fillmore's Cabinet, has positively declined; his reason being so being strictly of a private nature.

Was Gen. Taylor a Mason? The Masonic Fraternity of Troy performed funeral ceremonies in honor of Gen. Taylor, who they claimed as a brother.

MEN AND THINGS IN BOSTON.—No. 1

I shall not attempt to write the history of Boston, to tell what it has been, from whence it sprung, and how unequal at different times has been its growth.

Boston contains 140,000 souls, mostly Yankees and Irish; that it is a city of crooked streets, that it contains the usual number of imposing public edifices, the usual number of large dilapidated, sunken dwellings, the usual number of large mindless public spirited men, and at least a great number of unmitigated scoundrels, and at least a great number of high and low degree, is hardly necessary for me to assert.

Some of them are blind of an eye, some lame of a leg; all, rough-haired and dirty, yet, mirabile dicto, they are mostly fat. It is painful to think of the end to which most of them must come.

Had the Irish one half the sense of the Germans, they would not stay here in England and wretchedness. Beyond the Mississippi and the Lakes, there is room enough for them to flourish; room enough and means enough to make them well conditioned, happy and contented.

Speaker Cobb's Position. A Washington correspondent of the N. Y. Sun thus defines Mr. Cobb's position on the Compromise: "Mr. Cobb is just now engaged in a violent controversy at home. He has thrown himself into the breach in defence of the compromise bill, and the Union, against the assaults of either, who are fast each becoming the assailant of the other."

Acquitted. Niram Phillips, who was upon his trial before the Court this week for arson, in burning a dwelling house in the town of North East, about a year since, was acquitted on Thursday. We thought the man could not be guilty, as he has always taken the Observer and paid for it.

Eric County Quarter Sessions. The several Courts of the county opened, Monday, August 5, 1850; Present, Hon. C. Church, President, and Hon. M. Hutchinson and Jos. M. Stetzel, associates. The first case called was—

Commonwealth vs. Niram Phillips. Indictment for arson, in burning a house at 20-mile Creek in North East township, in Sept. 1848. Pleas, "Not Guilty." Verdict the same. Depl. Attorney General Taylor and Marshall for prosecution; Walker, Babbitt and Grant for defense.

Lynching in Texas.

On the 11th ultimo, a Captain Brennan was murdered in cold blood at Brownsville, on the Rio Grande, by a notorious ruffian and brave, named Bill Hardy.

No one volunteering to shoot the guilty wretch, it was decided that he must hang. During all this time, and even while the arrangements were making for launching him into eternity, where he would meet a more dread tribunal than any on earth, he evinced the most patient and dignified fortitude.

On the 16th another bloody tragedy took place, and again was lynching restored to a Mexican went into a house where a monte bank is kept, and asked another young Mexican for a bit.

Gen. Paetz, the Venezuelan Hero. Gen. Paetz, his son and suit, have arrived at Baltimore. He is 63 years of age. The citizens gave him a cordial reception, among whom were a large number of the belles of the Monumental city.

THE OVERLAND EMIGRATION.—The St. Louis Republic has several letters from Fort Laramie, in regard to the California emigrants, the latest of which is as follows: Fort Laramie, July 21st, 1850.

REMEMBRANCE.—A Washington Correspondent of the Buffalo Commercial says, that after having heard of Taylor's death, he met Col. Humphrey Marshall, of Kentucky.

NECESSITY OF SEMI-ANNUAL EDUCATION.—"Joe Dobson, who was one of the fifteen hundred and eighty, becomes the Western horse-dealer of thirty-six, and very likely the South American Cavalry Colonel of eighteen hundred and forty, thence branches off to running steamboats on the Paragany, or working gold mines in the Cordilleras, unless he happens to have taken to politics, and so undertake a job of Constitution-making, or accepts the post of Foreign Secretary of State.

PLAYED ALIVE.—A statement was copied into the newspapers some time ago, that a man belonging to a party bound for California, having declared that he would not be the first Indian that met, he was shot, and being taken by a party of Indians, was skinned alive.

Like a bella that's rung for fire: like a careless schiefer-creeper; like, oh! like, a graceless liar, mischief-making tattler; go; stopping you with quacking feet, whispering as you lead an ear—"Mer-cy, oh, did you hear! Betsy Bear has got a

Horrible Murder and Attempted Suicide.

Yesterday (Sunday) afternoon, our usually quiet village was thrown into great excitement, by the report of a murder having been committed in its neighborhood. It is known from those who repaired to the scene of the misfortune, that the slight was appalling.

On Thursday last, he called on his wife, and requested her to do some work for him, but she refused. He called on several occasions, making the same request, and receiving a like denial.

From the letters which we have received from our emigration companies, who left this spring for the Valley, and from the news brought by mail, the tidings from the plains assume rather a dreary aspect. Sixty-two are reported to have died out of one emigrating party from California.

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