

THE FREEMAN.

THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 1868.

Democratic State Ticket.

HON. CHARLES E. BOYLE, Of Fayette County.

FOR SURVEYOR GENERAL: GEN. WELLINGTON H. ENT, Of Columbia County.

Beau Hickman and the Tribune.

John Hickman, a leading Radical legislator, denounced Irish Catholics, and German "lager beer swillers," as inferior to the negro.

It is not true that the Democratic party "inculcates and practices a proscriptive policy." It proposes to grind under its pro-slavery heel four millions of native-born Americans simply because they have black skins.

In the above five sentences there are double the number of misrepresentations to term them by no harsher name.

"Proscription of any man on account of race, religion or color" is a Republican (radical) principle, and "hija" "favor with the masses of the party and its real leaders." The whole known Nothing party is embodied in the Radical party, and bound its members by hotbed oaths to deny the rights of citizenship to all who had the misfortune to be born on the other side of the Atlantic.

It is not true that the Democratic party "inculcates and practices a proscriptive policy." They hold that this is a white man's government, made by white men, for white men and their posterity forever. They do not seek to deprive the negro of any privileges he ever had, but they are not willing to make them rulers over the white population.

The Tribune again misrepresents the facts, and contradicts itself, in claiming equal privileges for the negroes. No State, even the most radical, that has held an election within the last five years on the subject, that has not declared against the capacity of the negro for suffrage. We mean in the Northern States, where the negro is supposed to have all the intelligence he is capable of acquiring.

For shame, Mr. Tribune. Meet this question honestly, as is your wont.

ACKNOWLEDGING GOD!

A pamphlet has been sent to us, containing an argument in favor of the new kink lately got up by weak-minded men and strong minded women, amending the Constitution by adopting a clause acknowledging the existence of a Supreme Being.

But what good would inserting it do? It would be repealed, like the rest of the Constitution, by the Rump Congress.

If these Radicals are anxious to have an acknowledgment of God in high places, they are taking a sure means of obtaining it by the impeachment; for old Ben Wade, when he gets to be President, will recognize the existence of a God by proclamation—in other words, by taking his name in vain in every sentence he utters.

THE TRIAL.

The impeachment trial was resumed on Thursday last. Judge Curtis opened for the defense in an able and exhaustive effort, which must have carried conviction to every unbiased mind.

The impeachment force is still in progress in Washington, and the managers are making every effort to secure conviction, no matter what means may be necessary to attain that end.

We await, however, without much concern this contest between the Radicals and their own President. It is a pitiable sight—such an one as could never have happened under Democratic rule.

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TAXATION!

The people of the United States are more heavily taxed in this year of grace, 1868, than they have been at any time since the Revolution.

These taxes weigh as an incubus on every acre of land, on every chattel, on all the proceeds of labor, and on every commercial transaction.

These burdens have hitherto borne patiently, but the people are beginning to inquire when a partial relief may be expected, or whether this state of things is to be perpetual.

And this is to continue until the Southern States agree to hand over the reins of power to the negro race—a period which never will, never can, arrive; for the day will never come when the free white people of the Southern States, or of any State or country, will place themselves under African rule.

Then the plain and simple method of relief from these burdens of taxation is to accept the result of the war as the restoration of the Union—not only permit but require the Southern States not only to support themselves, but to contribute their resources to the payment of our indebtedness.

Unless this is done, and more particularly if Radical extravagance in a Freedman's Bureau and a Southern army is to be perpetuated, national bankruptcy, or what is worse, national repudiation, must come as surely as the night succeed the day.

THE REGISTRY LAW.

We give this law a place on our first page, that our readers may become acquainted with its provisions. It should be entitled "An act to increase the difficulties of exercising the right of suffrage."

The great objections to the law are, that it complicates the machinery of elections, adds to the duties of county commissioners, assessors, and election officers, and greatly increases the expenses of government, and consequently the taxes of the people.

The greatest objection to the law, however, is, that the polls are closed at six o'clock—an hour earlier than under the present law, and thus the laboring classes, who are composed almost entirely of Democrats, cannot, as heretofore, complete their day's work before voting.

What seems unaccountable to us is, that the Radicals, while making it so very easy for the negroes to vote, are every day imposing new restrictions on free white suffrage.

The "Sober Second Thought!"

The people North and South, East and West, at the recent elections, are "impeaching the impeachers." There is a steady Democratic gain all over the country. The name of General Grant has been thrown into the canvass in vain.

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A Grave Question.

The impending convulsion is to be heightened, it seems, by a question that will further put in jeopardy the tranquility of the country.

Who should succeed not only a President, but also a Vice-President who has been called to fill the higher office, has been a question that seemed so remote that it never has enlisted close attention.

But his right is challenged from a high quarter. A paper of great ability recently appeared in the National Intelligencer, at Washington; it seemed traceable to a high legal source; and Forney's Press yesterday admitted that it was inspired by the Chief Justice of the United States.

The article in question proves, indisputably, that Congress cannot put one of its own members into the President's place. Indeed, it seems so clear, that it is singular it should not have been always obvious; but, as we have said, the conjuncture never before seemed probable—the subject never before excited very close attention.

An exchange says that Senator Yates, of Illinois, has been too drunk to cast a vote ever since the impeachment commenced. "His fortune is for him, for thereby he has so far escaped the infamy of perjury and treason. He may live to see the time when he will bless his stars for being a drunkard."

A terrible accident occurred at St. Mary's cathedral, Chicago, on Friday night. The cathedral was densely crowded on the occasion of "Good Friday" services. An alarm of fire created a panic in the church, and in the rush for the door, a portion of the galleries fell through, and three persons, all females, were instantly killed.

The Connecticut election, according to the official returns, resulted in a Democratic majority of 1,781, in a total poll of 99,267.

We do not doubt that the article which is of such interest, and has enlisted such attention, will soon be published in some convenient form.—Pitts. Age, 11th.

A MATERNAL EXAMPLE WORTHY OF IMITATION.

The Lynde (Mass.) Reporter tells the story of an Irish woman, who has been a mother indeed to her fatherless children. Her name is McCarty. Her husband was lost in a fishing vessel from Gloucester, and she was left with four children, the eldest of whom was only eight years.

McGee took place in Ottawa on the morning of the 13th instant. It was the most imposing ceremony ever witnessed in Canada. Thirty thousand people were in the procession and eighty thousand on the streets.

DON'T DENY.

The morning mongrel is "assured by several Senators" that Senator Landon did not "refer contemptuously to the Germans of Pennsylvania." Well, to what other Germans than those of Pennsylvania did he refer?

SINGULAR.

The original copy of Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation recently sold West for the sum of twelve hundred dollars. The commission of Dick Turpin, the great English highwayman and robber, which the eccentric fascal had drawn up, and forged the seal and signature thereto, sold recently in London for two hundred and fifty pounds.

One negro cut another nearly in two with a knife in Mississippi the other day.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The steamer Sea Bird was burned on Lake Michigan, on the morning of the 9th inst., and nearly one hundred lives were lost.

Dr. Livingstone, the great African explorer, has at last been heard from in an authentic manner, viz: through a letter addressed by himself to Sir Roderick Murchison, and received in London.

A Democratic voter of Hartford, Connecticut, who was incapacitated by rheumatism, was carried to the polls, Monday, on his wife's back.

A darkey, near Nashville, the other night, was scared out of his five senses, by a horseman whom he encountered on the road, who, after a little conversation, handed him a skull to the negro, requesting him to hold it a minute while he fixed his backbone.

About twenty of the convicts of the Nashville penitentiary, recently pardoned by Brownlow, have taken possession of an old building in the suburbs of that city and are committing all sorts of depredations, from robbing hen roosts to attempting to ravish females.

John Magee, who died recently at his residence in Schuylcr county, New York, the owner of property estimated to be worth \$10,000,000, committed suicide without a cent.

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