

THE CAMBRIA FREEMAN. EBSBURG, PA. Friday Morning, - October 24, 1873.

The Constitutional Convention has adopted a clause prohibiting the granting of free passes on railroads, and an exchange facetiously remarks that a standard price for peanuts will be the next thing in order.

In order to show how a knave like San Joseph can be foisted into the Legislature by the well-known operation of the Philadelphia registry law, we publish below the official vote in the Third district, which glories in the disgrace of having for its representative such a political villain as the above-named Joseph.

UNDER a provision of the local option law, the vote on that question, so far as it applied to Philadelphia, was not taken until the election on Tuesday of last week. The vote stood as follows: For license, 56,617; against license, 23,153—showing a majority in favor of license of 32,494.

"If the vote had been out, Henry's majority would have exceeded his last year's majority, and we would have rejoiced in the election of every candidate on the Republican ticket with the exception, probably, of Auditor and Coroner." —Johnston's Tribune.

Let us see how much truth there is in the foregoing statement. At the October election, one year ago, Buckle had 3,530 votes. This year Ludlow had 3,222, showing a Democratic deficiency of 308. One year ago Hartman had 2,823 and this year Gordon had 2,734, showing a Radical deficiency of only 89.

The Democrats of Ohio have won a brilliant victory. The election of William Allen, as Governor, over Noyes, is now conceded by a majority ranging from 600 to 900. Although this is not as deep as a well nor as wide as a barn door, still it will do. When Allen was nominated the Radical press all over the country treated it as a species of political buffoonery.

In Oregon, which gave Grant a majority of 4,000 last year, the Democrats elected James W. Nesmith to Congress by over two thousand. In Iowa the Radical majority has been reduced from 50,000 to about 15,000 and an anti-monopoly, which means an anti-radical, majority elected to the Legislature.

Through the name of the individual who struck the immortal Billy Patterson is still a profound mystery, the Radical leaders hereabouts assert that they can point to the man who knocked the political life out of Thomas Griffith, the late Radical candidate for County Treasurer. They lay the commission of that unpardonable sin at the door of the editor of the Johnstown Tribune, a paper whose devotion to the candidates of its party is not lightly to be questioned.

Here lie the political remains of THOMAS GRIFFITH, the Republican candidate for County Treasurer of Cambria county, at the October election, A. D. 1873. His death, which was entirely unexpected by his political friends, was caused by his unfortunate visit to St. Nicholas.

We had hoped that the Democrats of this county by whose votes Samuel Henry was twice elected to the Legislature would not repeat their folly for the third time. But we have been disappointed. It is not our intention to indulge in any harsh criticism against those from whom a different course was expected.

The recently discovered robbery of the Treasury of the State of New York, says the Pittsburgh Post, is charged upon Democratic officials. Suppose we take the trouble to see what amount of truth there is in the allegation. Mr. Raines, the State Treasurer, was elected to that office upon the Republican ticket; he subsequently joined the Liberals and voted for Mr. Greeley.

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Twelve short months have barely passed away since the country was in the midst of the heat and passion of the Presidential election. The principal events of that exciting period are still fresh in the memory of millions who participated in the memorable contest.

Gen. Grant was supported by a formidable combination of banks, railroads, and other corporate agencies, independent of the partisan machinery by which the whole army of office-holders was marched in solid column to the polls.

It was represented by the signers of this paper that they had no confidence in the principles which Mr. Greeley advocated; that his policy would be ruinous, and that his election would inevitably be attended by a financial crash which must bring distress on the country and involve a repetition of the consequences of 1857.

Among the persons most energetic in this political financing, and in exciting the fears of the timid, were Jay Cooke & Co., Henry Clews & Co., (both financial agents of the government abroad), Fisk & Hatch, Howes & Mace, and others of like standing.

That is what Grantism has done. Look at it. Study it. Think of it. Is it not there should be a change, and that the country should be rescued from the hands of robbers, no matter what their disguises? —N. Y. Sun.

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Journals in different parts of the country have indulged in comments upon the results and lessons of the late elections. Although differing as to some of the points involved in the contest, they all agree in one view of the case, that in none of the States have the Radicals held their own.

The sidewalk surrounding the store and the two houses on Locust street was very visible to lay a new one. The work was commenced yesterday. As long as Mr. Clark can remember the house No. 430 Locust street, immediately back of his establishment, has had in front of the door an old marble or soapstone slab.

It contains the following inscription: In memory of Mrs. MRS. ALISON, Wife of Robert Allison, Esq. Who departed this life April the 20th, 1769. Aged 145 years.

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A woman who lived one hundred and forty-five years.

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Mr. Clark has served out dried beans, measured molasses, sliced ham, and weighed salt mackerel at said corner for twenty years and odd. The house was occupied by his father before him, and has an aged appearance—the house has.

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