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Mr. Hale having accepted the appointment as Post Master General, a few days afterwards withdrew his acceptance.

De Witt Talmage thinks a boy has a right to whistle on Sunday, provided it's a religious tune. Mr. Talmage might have the interludes between the verses, sung in his church, performed by whistlers—it would draw a crowd.

Nearly the entire democratic press of the state is asking that our senatorial district elect Wm. A. Wallace to the senate, where his ability and experience are so much needed under the new Constitution. Centre is the only county in which a few politicians would interfere with Mr. Wallace's re-nomination. As Mr. Orvis is to be re-nominated for Judge, Centre there by gets her full share and has no right to ask for more—other counties in this district also have their rights.

The Bellefonte Republican, edited by two potato-bugs from Yankedown and a native grasshopper (*Haystacks*, Ger. Heschke, i.e., Grasshopper) has already started the war again Mackey, democrat, for Congress, and labors us for favoring his nomination. The real purpose of the Tatten sheet is to create a division among democrats by pretending to point out other parties for the nomination. In this the radical phrasers from New England will signify fail. Democrats of Centre county are not so bigoted as not to allow an honest expression of preference, and, as such, they will listen to all advice coming from the Republican's camp, with the greatest suspicion. If any Democrat of this county desires the "complimentary" on Congress, we do not think there will be any serious objection from any good Democrat, and the Republican can not stir up a fight on that matter.

Some fellow has slandered the farmers of Brush Valley, by writing a communication in favor of having all the principal offices filled by Bellefonters, Congressman, he wants at Bellefonte, Senator at Bellefonte, Judge, of course, which belongs to Bellefonte, and may get Assembly also. This would leave the small offices Auditor and Commissioner, &c., for the balance of the county. Now such is not the sentiment of any farmer in Brush Valley or Penns Valley, for, on the other hand, our honest farmers are, and always have been, opposed to a clique at Bellefonte having all the offices, and such communications are written by fellows who are fond of playing into the hands of certain Bellefonters who always try to monopolize all the offices. There are some good and deserving Democrats at Bellefonte, but they are not among those who are continually begging for office. Whoever is in favor of Bellefonte having all the principal nominees on the ticket, let him, like a man, say so over his own name, and not hide behind a fictitious name. And if complimentaries are to be passed around, these are as deserving democrats outside of Bellefonte as it is upon whom a senatorial and congressional recognition in the shape of a complimentarity would be deservedly bestowed, for instance, such Democrats as Ed. Park's, T. M. Hall, Judge Allisen, Mr. Woodward, Maj. Fisher, Sam'l. Gilliland, and a host of others whose names do not just occur to us. We go in for fair play and intend to advocate it—the honest tax paying Democrats of the townships are with us on this matter, in spite of communiques hogously signed "Farmer" denouncing us for advocating justice and fair play and honest and competent nominees. Those persons have all through given the Reporter the cold shoulder and have been in leageue to cripple and crush this paper,—they will fail to frustrate us, an outspoken advocacy of right democratic men and measures.

We have been assured that on 48 hours notice the names of 1000 democratic farmers can be sent us, for publication, who are opposed to one town monopolizing all the nominations, complimentaries, &c., now, whoever wants to kick against the pricks let him say so over his own name. We repeat, attend the primary elections. Give your delegates to understand what you expect of them, and let your delegates be men who will honestly, faithfully, and intelligently discharge their duties.

Another reservoir disaster occurred at Chester, Mass., in 13. Houses, mills, bridges, &c., were swept away. No lives lost. Damage about \$350,000.

An oil tank, at Jersey City was struck by lightning a few days ago, and 2 million gallons of oil were washed down their throats at pleasure. We have always been the advocate of justice to the democrats outside of Bellefonte as well as willing to accord the full measure of justice to those in Bellefonte.

Every year, after the nominations, the Democracy of Penns Valley complain of the injustice done them in the ticket framed—now is the time for them to speak out as the ticket is soon to be made. There are always a few on this side who go against the wishes of our people, and these are the ones who denounce the Reporter for fearlessly speaking for the rights of the men in this valley who do the democratic voting and cast the democratic majority.

We here make an offer: If the fellow who wrote the communiqué in favor of putting all the best offices to Bellefonte, and signs himself

"Farmer of Brushvalley," will furnish us his real name, merely to let the people know him, we will send him the Reporter 1 year free. There is no such farmer in Brushvalley that is so much in love with the Bellefonte office seekers; they generally feel like going the other way.

#### ELECTION OF LEGISLATORS.

Forney's Press has a sound article under the above caption, and it contains advice which will do to offer in Centre county, as well as in other quarters we cannot forego publishing it.

It is very evident, says the Press, that in many parts of the state the people will pay special attention to the fitness of the men nominated for the Legislature, with reference more particularly to their position on the new constitution, while in other counties there will be no indifference manifested on this point, in usual with people who do not take that interest in political affairs which they should.

Herratice it has been too much the practice of both parties to allow a few men to make their candidates, and then under the weight of the party lash, drive all to their support; but when the catastrophe of such a course was reached the men who were really responsible for it have demanded with cool effrontery that the independent journalist should throw himself into the breach, and battle with an evil which they could have prevented at the polls had they participated in the primary elections and insisted on the nomination of good men. It is very evident now that the journalists to whom we refer are resolved to force the masses of both parties to take the responsibility fully on this subject, by compelling the people to make their own inquiry concerning the personal fitness and honesty of men put forward for office, and particularly for that of legislator. In reference to the new constitution, the next Legislature will be the most important ever assembled in Harrisburg. What is demanded, is the utmost vigilance on the part of the friends of the revised constitution, to elect its tried and able supporters to represent them in the Legislature. Just here the people begin to begin to learn that there is a line to personalities in politics. The nomination of bad men has, during the past few years, called forth the bitterest personal encounters during political campaigns. Journalists were forced into such contests, who really have no taste for such collisions, by the people themselves clamoring for the denunciation, and yet in the face of the most crushing exposures on such occasions large masses of those who virtually called on their local organs to make the fight went to the polls and cowardly but secretly supported the very men whom they were supposed to be antagonizing, and then again, when the evil of electing such men was realized by their acts while which occasioned notice because, as we have said, it was made by a negro. Lynch, it is true, has also made a speech, but it is a speech in a negro caucus, in which he declared that no matter how bad the Republican party might be the negroes would stick to it, because it had given them "freedom." Old "Daddy" Cain is a noted character at home in South Carolina, where much of his time is consumed in defending himself in suits brought against him for alleged corruption. He is a Methodist preacher, edits a small religious and political weekly paper, which is a curio in literature, and would drive Josh Billings wild with envy. If he should see it, and is generally considered as a good-humored and amusing old scoundrel, Oscar Williamson, recently delivered himself at Williston, Fayette county, Tennessee, in which he said:

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