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DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION.

FOR ASSEMBLY, J. ELLIS BONHAM, of Carlisle.

Appointments by the County Commissioners. The Commissioners of this county, on the 1st inst., made the following appointments, viz:

Commissioners' Attorney—James H. Graham, Esq. Clerk—William Riley, Esq. Physician to Jail—Dr. W. W. Dale. Keeper of the Public Buildings—James Dunbar.

Our New Press. We have just received and have now in operation, a new and splendid Washington Printing Press, from the manufactory of R. Hoe & Co., New York.

We have disposed of our Old Press to a gentleman in Fulton county; and henceforth it will be engaged in disseminating the peculiar doctrines of Whiggery.

Our Special Election. By the Sheriff's proclamation, in another column, it will be seen that Friday, the 24th instant, is the day appointed for the holding of our special election for a member of the House of Representatives.

Governor's Message. We received, a short time before going to press, a copy of Gov. Johnston's Annual Message. We have had no time to read it.

We are authorized to state that J. Ellis Bonham, Esq., has resigned the situation of United States Commissioner, under the Act of Congress of the 20th of February, 1812, and the several supplements thereto, and transmitted his resignation to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, from which he received the appointment.

Improvement. The Herald of this place appeared in a new dress last week, which has improved its appearance very much. We are pleased to note this evidence of the prosperity of our neighbor.

The following officers were recently elected at a meeting of the Carlisle Lodge I. O. O. F., to serve the ensuing session: N. G.—F. A. Kennedy, Y. G.—Dr. H. Hinkley, S.—James M. Allen, T.—Jacob Shrom, A. S.—Joseph C. Thompson.

Libel Suit. The editor of the "Pennsylvania," (Col. Forney) has prosecuted the editor of the "Spirit of the Times" for libel. For weeks past, the Times has been teeming with articles of the most abusive and malignant character against Col. Forney. He has been charged with almost everything in the calendar of crime.

Arrested. We learn that a man named Michael Fisher, was arrested in York, on Thursday last, on suspicion of setting fire to Mrs. Beitel's house, which was fired on Sunday the 22d ult., and involved the destruction of five other houses.

Gov. Quitman and the Cuba Expedition. The President, it is said, has information concerning Governor Quitman's participation in the late Cuban expedition, sufficient to convict him ten times over of the charges brought against him.

Opp. Fellows and the Union. It is stated that the Opp. Fellows in New York contemplate giving a public expression of sentiment in relation to the disorganizing movements now on foot.

Paper Mills. Of the ninety-seven Paper Mills in the State of Massachusetts, thirty-two are in Berkshire county, and of these thirty-two, nineteen are in the town of Lee alone.

Jenny Lind says that after her trip from Wilmington to Charleston, she does not desire to be a night-gate again.

Patent's New Light. There have been many converts to Mr. Paine's new light. A few days since the President of the Springfield Gas Company visited Mr. Paine, at his house, and was admitted to an examination of the process for generating hydrogen gas by means of electricity.

Great Snow Storm in Maine. We learn from the Portland (Me.) papers, that the snow from the late storm is piled up to immense heights, in Portland and vicinity. In some places the drifts and accumulation thrown from the sidewalks would measure from 6 to 8 feet in height.

J. ELLIS BONHAM, ESQ.

By reference to the proceedings of the Democratic County Convention, published in another column, it will be seen that this gentleman is now before the people of the county, as the Democratic candidate for the seat in the Legislature, made vacant by the death of Henry Church, Esq.

We also congratulate our Borough on the selection. It is an evidence that the strong and bitter prejudice that has existed among our country friends against selections made from the town, has given way to better and more kindly feelings.

The Legislature. The Legislature of this State assembled at Harrisburg on Tuesday, in the House John Cassa, Esq., of Bedford—a true and reliable Democrat—was elected Speaker.

The Judges. The Pennsylvania says:—The important duty is to be performed at the approaching session of the Legislature, of giving impulse and direction to the judiciary to be chosen in accordance with the late amendment of the Constitution, under which Judges are to be elected by the people; and we rejoice to discover in men of all political complexions a disposition to join in the endeavor to bestow upon ourselves an improved bench.

United States Commission for Claims. The President recommends to Congress to authorize Commissioners to settle and adjudicate claims against government, which, in Philadelphia alone, says the Ledger, amount to several millions of dollars, and the people have a right to raise their voices in seconding the resolution of Mr. Fillmore, who in this matter has evinced a sagacity and moral courage worthy of his station, and such as ought to find imitators among the representatives of the people, to whose want of energy this branch of the public business has been so reprehensibly neglected, or shifted off upon the shoulders of others, who absorb enormous commissions in their collection.

Henry Clay and the Mills of St. Louis. The St. Louis Intelligencer, of the 18th, says: We have been requested by five of the most extensive and best flouring millers of this city, to tender to Hon. Henry Clay henceforth any quantity of flour necessary for the use of his household at Ashland.

Sold. We learn from the Spy, of Saturday, that the Columbia Depot, belonging to the State, in Columbia, was sold on Tuesday week for \$8000, to Mr. John Barr, of that borough. There were a number of strangers from York, Baltimore and Philadelphia, present at the sale, who desired to purchase it.

The Cherokee Nation. The National Council of the Cherokee recently appointed a delegation to proceed to Washington, which is now on its way thither, fully empowered to adjust the remaining unfinished business between the United States and the Cherokee people.

The 8th of January.

Yesterday, the 8th instant, was the 36th Anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans, a battle in which the immortal Jackson defeated the flower of the British army, and ended the war in a blaze of glory.

Worthy of Consideration. The public of late years, says the Pottstown Ledger, have been puzzled to know of what utility the vast expenditure of money by State and General Government, for "public printing" is to the "tolling million."

The Novel-Writers' Race. A London paper says, facetiously, that Mr. G. P. R. James, upon his arrival in America, backed himself, for a large sum, to write ten novels in less time than the Fenimore Cooper will take to write his.

A Learned Journeyman Printer. The Albany Dutchman gives an account of Mr. John Patterson, a native of New Jersey, and a journeyman printer, who has by his own efforts, become thoroughly versed in every branch of mathematics, and can read and write Greek, Latin, Hebrew and Arabic, with as much fluency as he can English.

The New Hampshire Constitutional Convention have nearly closed their labors, and are expected to adjourn this week. Among the principal amendments of the Constitution, we find the following:—All religious and property taxes, a qualification for office have been stricken out. The Governor and members of both houses of the Legislature are made elective for two years.

The Invasion of Cuba. Rumors continue to be circulated by the newspapers from time to time, in relation to a new Expedition against Cuba. They are, we believe, utterly unfounded, and yet it is apparent that a restless spirit prevails upon this subject in some portions of the South.

The McDonough Will. The First Municipality Council of New Orleans has refused to acquiesce in the engagement of any special counsel to defend the Will of John McDonough, and this action, says the Crescent, is fraught with serious consequences to the city at large.

Important Decision. In the Supreme Court of the United States, at Washington, on Tuesday week, the case of the United States vs. Jesse Hoyt, late collector of Customs at the port of New York. The decision is in favor of the Government, by which the judgment of the Circuit Court against Mr. Hoyt for a sum over two hundred thousand dollars, stands.

The Scientific American says that in less than two years travellers can step into a railroad car at New York, and proceed by an uninterrupted Railroad to Galena, on the Mississippi, in Illinois, a distance of 1,200 miles.

Who can it be? The Pittsburg American notices the arrival in that city, of a runaway couple, from Lancaster, Pa., the groom being an old farmer of seventy-five, worth \$30,000, and the bride a blooming girl of eighteen!

Homestead Exemption.

The custom is gaining ground, says a contemporary, among the States of the Union, of making an exemption of the Homestead of a family against the operation of an execution for debt.

And when this calamity comes—when the hand of an officer is laid upon the accumulations of a life—not alone of the head of a family, but of the woman whose diligent hand has added to and preserved their earnings—shall the homestead, endeared to them by early struggles and early joys—the roof which first sheltered their children—the soil which their parents' Humanity answers, not! And the voice of wisdom wherever gives the same response.

The State Works. Reducing Taxes. We are glad to learn, says the Philadelphia North American, that the Board of Canal Commissioners, after a thorough and careful examination of the subject in all its bearings and relations, have adopted the important resolution of reducing the tolls on the Erie and Schuylkill canals, and framed a new schedule.

Silver Coin. The Harrisburg Union says:—The people are generally complaining of the scarcity of silver coin. Many of the banks decline paying it out in change, simply because they have not got it.

The Patent Laws. Congress is attempting to amend the Patent Laws, and has submitted some wholesome provisions for the security of inventors and the public, and limiting the discretionary powers of the Patent Office.

A distressing accident occurred at Reynoldsville, Jefferson county, the other day, during Quarterly meeting. An invitation was given for persons to come forward for prayer, a large number presented themselves, and the congregation pressed forward to see the proceedings, when the joists under the floor gave way, and about one hundred and fifty persons, men, women and children were precipitated into the cellar in a heap.

Murder in Delaware. An old gentleman, Captain Joseph Williams, was murdered near Armstrong's Cross Roads, about two miles north of Middletown, Delaware, the Republican says, on Monday evening last.

Bank Note Ink. The ink for printing bank notes in London is made from the calined leaves and seeds of grapes, and forms one of the finest and darkest imprints that can be found.

Democratic County Convention.

The Democratic County Convention, for nominating a candidate for the Legislature, in the place of Henry Church, Esq., deceased, and to appoint Delegates to the two State Conventions, met in the Court House, in the Borough of Carlisle, on Tuesday last, the 7th instant.

The following Delegates appeared from the different townships and boroughs, and took their seats: York—William Graham, Peter Baker, George Long, Bridgeport—George Long, George Lovelock, Carlisle—J. E. W.—M. H. H. Quigley, Quigley, Dickson—Samuel Woodburn, Robert Parkington, Mechanicsburg—Dr. Ira Day, Benj. Haverstick, Monaca—John Murphy, Peter Baker, Pottsville—New Cumberland—Thomas Coleman, John F. Lee, Newton—Thomas McCulloch, Samuel Cogo, North Middleton—Joseph Lobach, A. Lamberton, Newville—John M. Woodburn, Robert Parkington, Shipensburg—Lewis K. Branson, David Orin, Westport—F. Eckel, Esq., George Day, Southampton—James Cates, Robert McCone, South Middleton—Thomas Bradley, T. A. Wackley, West Pennborough—William Kor, Esq., Major S. Tritt.

On motion, it was resolved, that the Convention vote by ballot. After balloting, J. ELLIS BONHAM, Esq., of Carlisle, was declared nominated on first ballot.

Delegates to the Reading Convention, to nominate candidates for Governor and Canal Commissioners, were then balloted for, which resulted in the nomination of Hon. JOHN STUART, of South Middleburg, Senatorial Delegate, and Dr. IRA DAY, of Mechanicsburg, and SAMUEL GRAHAM, of West Pennborough, as Representative Delegates.

On motion, it was Resolved, That the delegates elected to the Reading Convention be instructed to support the Hon. WILLIAM BULLOCK as a candidate for Governor.

Delegates to the Judicial Convention, to meet in Harrisburg, were next balloted for, which resulted in the choice of WILLIAM H. MILLER, Esq., of Carlisle, and WILLIAM KEA, Esq., of West Pennborough.

The following resolutions were then offered, and unanimously adopted by the Convention: Resolved, That this Convention highly approves of the course pursued by the State Central Committee, in appointing a separate State Convention, for nominating Judges of the Supreme Court; and that we believe that this measure is founded on policy and wisdom, and best calculated to secure the nomination of men distinguished for talent, integrity, and legal learning.

Resolved, That J. ELLIS BONHAM, Esq., having been nominated by this Convention, as a candidate for the office of Senatorial Delegate, we hereby pledge ourselves to use all our exertions to secure his election. The Convention adjourned. LAMBERTON, President. Secretaries.

The Steamer "Trenton." The new Steamship, City of Philadelphia, which was launched at Philadelphia, on the 25th ult., arrived in this city on the 1st inst. She is the first of a new class of ships, built for the purpose of running between Philadelphia and New York, and is expected to be a great success.

Another Fire in York. The York Republican, of Wednesday week, gives the particulars of another fire which occurred in that borough on the Monday night previous. The fire originated in a large frame barn of Mrs. Lauman, west of the Codrins, between Main and Philadelphia streets.

The Cholera. What a strange career this mysterious visitant has run, the two years past, on this continent and the islands adjacent! First it ravaged the United States and Canada—passing away almost as rapidly as it came.

Free Negroes at the South. The Charleston Mercury opposes the proposition to remove the free negroes from that State. It considers such a measure objectionable on the score of expediency. It says they are a peaceable and orderly people, and we have seen no reason to suspect them either of a disposition to conspire or to riot.

A Contrast. The whole number of votes cast at the late Wisconsin election, was 42,878; which exceeds by 11,933 the entire population of the State in 1840.

Extract of a letter from...

Unhappy as it is, that country and its people are in a state of such a menacing before long they will be a mere English-made article of commerce. The account of the durability and perfection of the new trade if proper care were taken to improve it, but the commerce of this country, as it is, is a mere English-made article of commerce.

Wesley vs. Hulbeman. Mr. H. Hulbeman, Austrian Minister, recently addressed the United States Senate, complaining of the course of our Government in despatching Mann to watch the progress and results of the Hungarian revolution, alleging that the King was palpably hostile and intimidating.

Sentence of Death in Pennsylvania. Alexander Hutchinson, tried at the Court of Oyer and Terminer last week in Hollidaysburg, for the murder of the late William Edmondson, was found guilty on Tuesday and on Thursday, Judge Tyler passed sentence of death on him. The unfortunate youth is but 19 years of age.

The Indiana Constitutional Convention has adopted a resolution making the embezzlement of public funds felony. A resolution was also passed providing for a section in the Constitution which shall make the duty of the Legislature to furnish permanent asylums for the Deaf, Dumb, Blind and Insane.

The Bounty Land Law. The House of Congress has passed an act explanatory of the general bounty land act of the late session, and providing that the warrants shall be assignable, at the house originally intended. They should not consider whether it is not proper to grant 160 acres where, under the law, persons are entitled to but 80 acres.

Franklin Railroad. We learn from the Chesapeake, Md., Sentinel that the New York Company who purchased the Franklin Railroad, will now terminate at Hagerstown, have an Engine surveying a route, via, Williamsport, to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. The location selected passes through the eastern part of Williamsport, near the famous "Sand Hole," and it is designed to construct a bridge across the canal and river at that point.

The "Crittin" in Disquis. A late Temperance paper describes a species of sugar plump much in vogue, as follows: "We have them before us as we write, but broken them and find them hollow, with about a fourth of a tea spoonful of brandy in them. We have poured out near a table spoonful from a many as a boy could purchase for five cents. The sugar is saturated with gum, so that it is not soluble in water."

Mr. Cushing, the millionaire of Watertown, Mass. and Mr. Appleton of Boston, are understood to be the gentlemen who made a present of a house in Boston to the widow and family of the late John W. Webster.