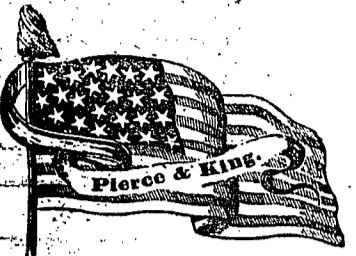


THE VOLUNTEER.

John B. Hutton, Editor and Proprietor. CARLETON, JUNE 24, 1853.



FOR PRESIDENT, Gen. Franklin Pierce, Of New Hampshire. FOR VICE PRESIDENT, Col. William R. King, Of Alabama.

FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER, William Searight, Of Fayette County.

Presidential Electors. GEORGE W. WOODWARD, of Luzerne. WILSON M'CANLESS, of Allegheny.

- ROBERT PATTERSON, of Philadelphia. DISTRICTS. 1. PETER LOGAN, Philadelphia. 2. GEORGE H. MARTIN, Philadelphia.

CIRCULATE THE DOCUMENTS.

THE "VOLUNTEER" FOR THE CAMPAIGN.

For the accommodation of those who desire a Democratic paper during the campaign, we shall send the Volunteer to Clubs, from the 1st of July, until after the Presidential election, at the following low rates: One copy 50 cents, Six copies \$3.00, Sixteen copies 5.00, Thirty-four copies 10.00.

The money in all cases to be paid in advance. Democrats, form your clubs as soon as possible, and send the names to us on or before the 1st of next month. A liberal commission will be allowed to any one who may send us large lists of names.

It is said that Gen. Scott, when in Mexico, was offered the Presidency of that Republic, at a salary of \$100,000 a year. We presume he still has the refusal of this magnificent offer, and after his defeat by the American people, it is supposed he will accede to the proposition made by the Mexicans.

A Federal paper before us commences an article on Gen. Scott in these words—"The Locofoco hate Gen. Scott, and so do the Mexicans." If it be true that the Mexicans "hate General Scott," how did it happen that they offered to make him the President of their Republic, at a salary of \$100,000? It appears a little strange, that the American General should be offered the highest office in the gift of a people who had been conquered by American valor.

During the sitting of the Federal National Convention, John M. Bates, of Virginia, (the same gentleman who took a comfortable snooze with a certain John Tyler at one time,) in reply to a delegate who charged Gen. Scott with hostility to the compromise measures, produced a non-committal letter signed by Gen. Scott, which letter, to the language of the General, was written in "rhyme." When the letter was read, a delegate remarked that "it had been smoked out of Mr. Bates' pocket, and contained nothing at all." This letter, it is generally believed, was written by Scott himself, in the absence of the committee appointed over him.

THE SICKLY SEASON.—We know not why it is, but it is nevertheless a fact, that our exchange papers in all quarters, and also many medical men, predict that the present will be a very sickly season. That dreadful scourge, the cholera, is now making fearful havoc in the Southern and Western States. It has made its appearance among the inmates of the Boy's Orphan Asylum, New Orleans, and seven of the children have died. On the western waters and in the western towns the cholera prevails to a considerable extent, and scores are victims to this fell destroyer.

We notice that the town authorities, in all directions, are adopting measures to secure the cleanliness of their cities, towns, and villages. We, therefore beg leave to call the attention of our Borough deacons to the filthy condition of our town. The greatest and only sure check to be given to all kinds of sickness, is cleanliness. Let our town be thoroughly cleaned—let the streets be examined, and all rubbish removed therefrom. The slaughter houses of our butchers should also be examined, to see that they are kept in good condition. Let our town authorities attend to these suggestions, and we can then hope that Carleton may not be scourged by disease and sickness to any great extent during the present summer.

Hol.—The weather. Cool.—Dullness subsiding. High.—Beef, Low.—Funds.

THE FEDERAL CANDIDATE.

The long agony is over. Gen. Scott has received the nomination of the Federal National Convention for the office of President of the United States. Fillmore and his Secretary of State, the great Webster, have been repudiated by a convention of their own party, and the Seward and Greeley, or abolition faction, have triumphed over those who prided themselves in being called "National Whigs."

Scott was emphatically the candidate of the "higher law" portion of the Federal party, and in the event of his election—of which there is no danger, however—he will appoint to office those who are prominent as anti-compromise men. Gen. Johnston, of this State, who pocketed the bill to give efficiency to the Fugitive Slave Law, would, no doubt, receive a cabinet appointment. Seward, Greeley, Kellogg, and other agitators, would also be provided for. Owing his election to those men, they would be his counselors, and the influence of his administration would be surrendered to them. To use the language of Mr. CABEL, a Whig member of Congress from Florida, "the election of Scott under present circumstances, would be to continue the government in the hands of the Free Soil party until their fanaticism has destroyed the Union."

Mr. GENREY, also a prominent Whig member of Congress from Tennessee, in speaking of Scott, said—"Gen. Scott has no personal attributes which make the people love him. They merely respect him as a military hero, and this is the beginning and the ending—He will prove to be the weakest man ever run for President." But, independent of his political opinions, is a man of Gen. Scott's caliber suitable for President of the United States? As a military man, we grant he has few superiors, and we would not, if we could, rob him of his military reputation. But, we require something more than a knowledge of arms in the office of President of the United States. Gen. Scott is notoriously a weak minded man, and as vain as he is weak! Like Gen. Taylor, he knows nothing of Government, but unlike Gen. Taylor, he has the vanity to consider himself a very great man. When such statesmen as Webster and Fillmore are to be cast aside to give place to a man like Gen. Scott, the people may well exclaim, "God save the Republic." The verdict is with the people, and we now make the prediction, that Gen. Scott will be laid out cold next fall—he will receive a defeat such as no man ever received in this country. Mark the prediction!

SCOTT AND GRAHAM.

Gen. Scott received the nomination of the Federal National Convention on the 53d ballot. The vote stood, Scott 159; Fillmore 112; Webster 21; Crittenden 1. On the first ballot, the vote was, Fillmore 133; Scott 132; Webster 29. The voting continued nearly the same up to the 47th ballot, when Scott ran up to 135, and gained on Fillmore on every ballot from that out.

For Vice President the contest was of short duration. On the second ballot WILLIAM A. GRAHAM, of North Carolina, was nominated. The vote stood Graham 233; Bates 52; Scattergood 9. Mr. Graham is said to be comparatively a young man, who has never yet made much noise in the world.

"United We Stand."

Never have we known the Democracy of this State so enthusiastic and harmonious in support of the candidates of the party as at present. There is not a dissenting voice from one end of the State to the other. All is union—all is harmony. With this feeling and this spirit, we feel sure of a glorious victory, for, when called, the Democracy of Pennsylvania are invincible. With Pierce and King as our standard-bearers, we go into this contest with buoyant spirits, and sanguine of success.

Gen. Pierce is something of a Hero after all, and we shan't be guilty of underrating his merits. He spent nearly a year in the service during the Mexican war, and got within sight of the engagement at Contreras. Owing probably to some nervous affection, the rude musket of artillery overpowered him, and he fainted and was carried off the field. He had no doubt read before that "whirlwind was the better part of valor!"—Herald.

The above, from the Herald of last week, is perhaps deserving of notice, as indicating the principle of veracity by which that paper will shape its course in the opening campaign. The article is, in fact, a curiosity. Under a show of candor, it conveys a sneer as useless to its author's cause as it is disagreeable to his character. It commences with a self-evident lie, and ends with one, little, if any less plausible. Whether it is an extract from a sheet of similar type, or owes paternity to the fertile brain of the Herald's editor, we know not—care not. Invented or only endorsed, the principle is the same. It is an insult to the intelligence of his readers; being one of those contemptible fabrications originated by demagogues, disseminated by unscrupulous partisans, and believed only, if believed at all, by children, old women and fools.

The Democratic State Central Committee have determined to re-assemble the delegates composing the Convention of the 4th of March last, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the Supreme court. They have fixed upon Harrisburg as the place and Thursday, the 26th of August, as the time for the meeting of the Convention.

A GREAT Democratic Ratification Meeting was held at the Court House, in Harrisburg, on Saturday evening last. GOVERNOR BOLLES presided and made an excellent speech. Addresses were delivered by Messrs. Cassara, of Bedford, Strauss of Berks, and Col. J. M'CARNEY of Philadelphia.

MODEST WORTH ELEVATED.—The Boston Post says—"It is no slender feat that the Presidency has been and is the aim of our first statesman and orator and hero. Yet the place sought by men so eminent now seeks a modest private citizen of New Hampshire. The spectacle is an agreeable one—From the Canada line to California the people will turn their eyes upon it with approbation. They will hail FRANKLIN PIERCE as the compromise and harmony candidate; and when the democracy of these thirty one States are truly united, the whig banner goes down before them, whatever champion shall bear it."

FRANCE FROM AN ENEMY.—The New York Tribune, speaking of the Democratic nominee for Presidency, says that "his Locofocoism is of a vindictive and malignant type peculiar to New Hampshire—Ohio alone vainly attempting to equal it."

How It grieves Them.

The opposition journals, says the Daily Argus, are in great tribulation on account of the National Convention having nominated FRANKLIN PIERCE instead of BUCHANAN, Cass, or some other man that was prominent before the Convention. They think that those gentlemen have been badly treated—all their great statesmen and honors to the land that gave them birth, and tells us that the failure to nominate some one of them, is a procedure "subversive of the principles of true republicanism."

What hypocrisy! Is it not known that these lamentations are feigned? If Gen. Cass, or Mr. Buchanan had been nominated, from Maine to California every Federal parrot would have uttered the contemptible tales about the "broken word," "extra pay," the last drop of Democratic blood, and "ten cents a day."

Now they are heartily grieved that some of our great men has not been nominated. We believe they are sincere in their lamentations; but their sorrow flows from a different source from that which would have us believe. They behold the enthusiasm with which the nominations are received by the masses of the Democracy everywhere united; they know that Whiggery is doomed, and that FRANKLIN PIERCE, if he lives until the 4th of March next, will be inaugurated President of these United States. This is the source from whence their sorrow flows.

PRESENTATION OF A SWORD TO GEN. PIERCE.

Entirely unambitious, (a rare virtue in these days) and preferring the sweets of domestic life to the strife of politics, Gen. Pierce resigned, in 1843, his seat in the Senate of the United States, which he had held for more than five years. During the Mexican war he was appointed a Brigadier General by President Polk, and having served the country with distinguished gallantry, on his return the legislature of his native State presented him with a splendid sword as a testimonial of their high regard for him as a citizen and soldier. The presentation speech was made by the Governor of New Hampshire, in reply to which, after referring to the six hundred and forty men who went with him to Mexico, less than one hundred and fifty of whom lived to return, Gen. Pierce said:

I accept this splendid weapon from the people of New Hampshire with a shuddering sense of the personal regard which has never seemed to grow cold. May I not be permitted to say, without reference to my political associations, that I receive it as one among multiplied evidences, so far as the men of my own time of life are concerned, of something like a fraternal esteem and confidence, which it has been my highest purpose to merit, and is my firmest reason to lose. In the mean time, I am not unmindful of another and higher consideration which actuates the legislature—their mission and the duties which are assigned and received as a token of the estimation in which you hold the services and sacrifices of the officers and soldiers of the brigade which it was my good fortune to command; and to them I would have the grateful thoughts of my friends united to detach, to the noble dead—to the men who with their life-blood sealed their devotion to the rights and honor of the republic—to the gallant living, who have fulfilled the mission which gave to me, as was designed and received as a token of the estimation in which you hold the services and sacrifices of the officers and soldiers of the brigade which it was my good fortune to command; and to them I would have the grateful thoughts of my friends united to detach, to the noble dead—to the men who with their life-blood sealed their devotion to the rights and honor of the republic—to the gallant living, who have fulfilled the mission which gave to me, as was designed and received as a token of the estimation in which you hold the services and sacrifices of the officers and soldiers of the brigade which it was my good fortune to command; 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