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HEALTH OF ST. LOUIS.—The mortality at St. Louis for the last two or three weeks has been very heavy. During the week ending the 3d inst., the number of deaths there was 470, including many victims of cholera; principally on the river boats from New Orleans.

Dr. Rice, the circus man, who is said to have cleared within the last month \$1300 by his show, has left \$1000 of it in Jackson, Miss., as a bet that Mr. Fillmore will be the next President. Foolish fellow!

The Philadelphia Ledger of Monday last says: The Washington Monument Fund, as we learn from Col. James Westworth, Secretary of the State Society of the Cincinnati of Pennsylvania, amounts to the sum of \$33,674 35, invested in the loans of the State of Pennsylvania, in the names of Horace Binney, Alexander W. Johnston, John Stee, John R. Latimer and Thomas Robinson, trustees.

DOMESTIC BLISS IN NEW ENGLAND.—The New Hampshire Superior Court, at its late term, held at Concord, heard arguments in eighty-three divorce suits. Thirty-three of the applications were granted, seven denied, and the decision of forty-three reserved. The Superior Court of Rhode Island, at its last term, had seventy-three similar cases before it, of which forty-two received judgment of divorce, four were denied, three settled, and the remainder continued for consideration.

BECOMING AWARED OF IT.—We perceive that many of the Whig papers of this State, some of those which were the first to advocate the peculiar tenets of the Know-Nothing humbug, finding its proscription principles unpopular among the great mass of the people in the country, are now endeavoring to back out from their first position, and to deny all connection with that "one and only" organization. We are glad that this is so, and hope their "sober second thought" will have the effect of reclaiming others from the error of their ways. America was never destined to be a land of persecution for conscience sake, and it is to be hoped that it will always remain free from the foul blotch of religious bigotry, that hydra-headed monster which has been the fruitful source of so much misery, and so much persecution and bloodshed in the Old World.

Know-Nothing Victory.—A Shallow Device.

It appears that the Whigs, finding that their "Whig" with the fanatical and proscription party of "Know-Nothings," is certain to render them still more odious and unpopular with the people, have become alarmed at the consequences of their hasty and ill-advised movement, and would now gladly, if they could, repudiate all connection with that secret organization. But this they cannot do; they are too deeply committed to the support of Know-Nothingism, and have received too many favors from that party, to get rid of the alliance, or avoid the evil consequences which their close union will entail upon them. Instead of denouncing and condemning this anti-republican organization, as the Democratic journals have universally done, the Whig press, with scarce an exception, have flattered their vanity, heralded their victories, ministered to their evil passions, and courted their support. Having aided in bringing this party into existence, it is in vain for them to attempt to conceal their affinity with it, or to endeavor to shift the responsibility of its organization upon the Democrats. No, the fatal effects of their mad folly will stick to them, like the poisonous shirt of Nessus, and as they have "sown the storm so shall they reap the whirlwind."

We have been induced to these remarks by reading in the Chambersburg papers the result of an election recently held in that borough, at which the "Know-Nothings" are said to have triumphed. The Whigs, being largely in the majority there, induced one of the members of the Town Council to resign, in order that an election might be held. Having effected this, the result of that election shows that the Whig candidate had 22 votes, the Democratic candidate 25 votes, and the "Know-Nothing" candidate (a Democrat, it is said) had 174 votes. Of the whole number of votes polled, not more than 50 were Democratic. This result was brought about by the Whigs, in order, if possible, to shift the odium of the charge of Know-Nothingism from their own shoulders and fasten it upon the Democrats, and accordingly the Whig-Know-Nothing organ of that place announces it, with a great flourish of trumpets, as a "Locofoco Know-Nothing Victory!" The trick, however, is too stale, flimsy and transparent, and the motive too apparent, to deceive the most credulous and uninformed, and our Whig friends, if they wish to disown and discard their faithful conductors, must do so more openly, and in a manner which will redound more to their honor, than does this flat device, this bungling attempt to screen themselves from merited odium by throwing the Know-Nothings overboard.

THE CONSTITUTION BURNED.—A transaction took place at Farmington, Mass., on the 4th, which shows the real spirit and intent of the Abolitionists and their allies. A meeting was held at that place, at which Garrison, Phillips, and others, delivered speeches. At the conclusion of the performances, Garrison burned the Constitution of the United States and the Fugitive Slave Law, amid the applause of his fellow-traitors. This is a fitting and appropriate celebration of the 4th of July by such men. It is not the Fugitive Slave Law alone to which they object. Their designs point to the Constitution, and through that to the whole structure of this free government. While the patriots of the country were indulging in praise and thankfulness for the blessings that flow from the Union, Garrison and his colleagues were burning the Constitution, and blaspheming the precepts of the Gospel of Peace by their infernal ravings. It is for the people to say how far this spirit shall spread.

HOW THEY GAZETTE.

The tone of the opposition press at present is not only vain but insolent. Those papers that still cling to the name of "Whig" and continue to speak of the "Whig party," are crowding lustily in anticipation of the "glorious victory" that awaits them in October. They point to the election of the Know-Nothing-Maine Law-Abolition Mayor in Philadelphia and boast of what they (the Whigs) accomplished. The Philadelphia Sun, however, the Native American and Know-Nothing organ, ridicules the pretensions and boasts of those who still persist in calling themselves "Whigs." That paper, after administering a few hearty kicks to the defunct and putrifying carcass of Whiggery, thus discourses:

"The result must either be an American or a locofoco triumph—no Whig candidate, as such, can be elected, and no issue will be recognized by the people, except as between Americans and Foreign Infidels." "To make ourselves fully understood, we here say that James Pollock can be elected the next Governor of Pennsylvania, if he will give the same pledges, and adopt the same principles which carried ROBERT T. CONRAD so triumphantly into the Mayorality of Philadelphia: he can be elected as an American, but not as a Whig. The American party will not assist to elevate any Whig to office, if it is to be claimed as anything beyond a triumph of American principles. The Whig party must become Americanized, or remain a minority faction, split up, divided, and disorganized. The large bulk of its members are truly American, but its leaders superciliously arrogate to themselves the credit of the success achieved without their agency, and upon principles which they misrepresent and oppose. Those who are not for us openly, are against us—those who fear to declare for the Locofoco, and are timorous lest they should alienate any class of foreign voters, their former partial tendencies, are the worst enemies of American republicanism—traitors to their country, and infidels to the cause of civil and religious liberty."

There!—that's an end to the Whig party; it must give up the ghost and forget its name. The great party of Webster and Clay must succumb to a miserable band of bigots, yelped Know Nothings! The Whigs must do this, they say—they must abrogate their former principles and name, and submit to the conditions imposed upon them by their new masters. Falling in with the CONRADISTS will "know-nothing" of POLLOCK on the second Tuesday of October. Our neighbor of the Herald, who is wont to speak of "the Whig party" as though such a party still existed, must strike his colors, pledge himself never again to mention the word "Whig party," and don the "Know-Nothing" apparel. Will he do this?—will those who have so long cherished the name of "Whig," submit to the indignity? We need hardly ask the question, for it is well known that those who once gloried in being called Whigs are now ready to espouse any cause and to join any faction, if by so doing they can destroy the organization of the Democratic party. Smirking under many disastrous defeats, and anxious again to get control of the State and National Governments, that they may once more gallop into the treasury, they are ready and willing to submit to any indignity, and resort to any means provided they can accomplish their nefarious ends.

Democrats!—we have nothing to fear if every man will do his duty. Be not discouraged by the vain boasts of your enemies. Be active, vigilant, and determined, and our victory will be glorious and decisive. On the second Tuesday of October the ballot-boxes of Pennsylvania will overflow with Democratic votes, which, with the majesty of the mighty wave, will roll over the prospects of the opposition factions, and wash away the last vestige of their hope. Again we say, organize for the campaign, and on the day of trial you can turn out an "army with banners," and return from the battle with the chaplet of Victory on your brows.

THE RECENT FRAUDS.—The astounding frauds which have been developed within the past few days in connection with the New York and New Haven, the Harlem and the Nantucket Railroad, will fall with heavy effect upon innocent parties. The stock of the New Haven Railroad in particular, the Journal of Commerce says, is distributed largely among persons who sought in it a safe reliance for the support of their families, and in great depreciation in consequence of these frauds will be to them a serious calamity. The losses discovered in these transactions exceed two millions and a half of dollars, and are the most extensive frauds which have ever occurred in this country. Directors of Railroad Companies must be grossly negligent in their duties when such transactions can occur without their knowledge.

Italy appears to be in a very disturbed state, growing out of the war in Europe, and the prospect of some relief in the course of events it is superinduced, from the despotism under which it suffers. Private letters from Italy confirm the intelligence of the anxiety which is said to reign in the principal cities of the peninsula. The police of Naples are singularly active and suspicious of some undefined impending outbreak. At Modena, they are afraid of a second emute at Spezia, and the whole of Lombardy is occupied by Austria with a precautionary force, such as has never been judged necessary before. The recent expressions of Kosuth and of Mazzini show that there is good reason on the part of the authorities to fear a popular disturbance. As much as the Hungarian and Italian parties hate Russia, as the impersonation of despotic authority, they hate Austria, and those under her influence, more for being the persecutors of liberal sentiment, and the perpetrators of barbarities against the republicans, disgraceful to the age and to humanity.

THE GAINES SUIT.—This celebrated contest is not yet ended. Mrs. Gaines is about to make application to the probate tribunal to have the missing will of her deceased father admitted to probate. She was induced to take this course by an intimation given by the supreme court, that this effort might succeed, and in case it should, her claim to the property would be indisputable. Judge Campbell, in an elaborate opinion, has favored the application, and Gen. Walter Jones, of Washington, George Wood, Esq., and Judge Kent, of New York, concur in that opinion. The perseverance of this lady is certainly without a parallel.

The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun says: "As a set off to the anti-Nebraska excitement, we heard of a rising Southern opposition to the Canada reciprocity, and the Down East Fishery Treaty. It is said that when this treaty comes before the Senate for ratification, a clause will be insisted upon by the South, providing, 1st, that all the fugitive slaves from the United States in Canada shall be surrendered; 2d, that their time during their absence, shall be paid for; and 3d, that a full compensation for all those fugitives who may have fled in Canada be made."

Whig Distinctions.

That portion of the Whig party, says the Lebanon Advertiser, which may be considered the leading platoon, composed of heterogeneous conceptions of all creeds and issues, pursues at this time a course that is fraught with danger, and derogatory to the character of the American people. While it professes sympathy for the negro race in general, and attacks the very pillars of our institutions for the slave in particular, in its endeavors to free them from their bonds, and place them on a equal footing with the whites in every political and social respect, they at the same time and in the same breath abuse, denounce, and openly avow their purpose of degrading their own color, and the descendants of the same forefathers with themselves, to the condition of the blacks. The negroes they would make feeble, the Irish and German slaves.—They in effect argue that the former are deserving of freedom and the right of suffrage, and the latter not. They would place the Presidential Chair within reach of an African, and make the European ineligible to the office of constable. Let the matter be viewed in its true light, and this truth will present itself clearly and undeniably. Read their papers. Is not every other paragraph an abolition story or sentiment, and intertexture a "Native American" one? Are they not in alliance with both these organizations? and is not the object of the former to elevate the African to the present position of the whites, and the object of the latter to degrade and the European to the condition of the blacks?—Divest the Irish, the German, or any other portion of our population of the right of suffrage, (only one of the objects of the Native American organization,) and their position politically, will be precisely that of the colored race.

CATTLE FROM THE WEST.—The Rochester Advertiser notices that a freight train from Buffalo for New York passed down the Central Railroad on Wednesday evening, consisting of thirty-nine cars, having on board five hundred and ninety head of cattle. These probably did not weigh less than three hundred and fifty tons. The high prices of cattle in New York induced droves to crowd forward their property, and the market has recently declined. The Advertiser says: "It is presumed that when the Central Road and others West shall have been double tracked, the business in the beef line will be further simplified and expedited.—Instead of sending the cattle to market, they will be butchered in the west, and by means of refrigerating cars and ice, the meat will be presented clean and cool in the sea-board markets, much to the relief of those places, both in the way of cleanliness and price."

THE MEXICAN TREATY, &c.—The House of Representatives has passed the bill appropriating ten millions for the purpose of carrying out the treaty with Mexico by a very large majority. An evidence, we think, of good judgment and true patriotism. It is a pleasant thing to see the area of freedom constantly extending; to see the principles of republicanism spreading wider and sinking deeper into the hearts of the people, and to know that the power and influence of our country is increasing with a rapidity unknown to any other country.

In a very brief period the population of our country has gone up from 600,000 three millions to twenty-five millions; 600,000 States from thirteen to thirty-one; besides several large and powerful Territories soon to be incorporated in the great family of States. All this too by peaceful acquisition, not by fraud or violence, not by robbery and bloodshed.—This we say is a pleasant picture to contemplate, and as our hearts glow with pride while thinking of the onward march of our country under our glorious stars and stripes, we can but say, blistered be the tongue and palsied the arm that would speak against our Union or offer violence to the compact that binds us together.

It so happens that in several States where the laws of Congress relative to "fugitives from labor" are most obnoxious, and it is considered a moral duty to set them at defiance, the same parties who recognize in their own "conscience" a "higher law" than the constitution are the most zealous in forcing a prohibitory liquor law upon their fellow citizens.

In view of this fact a question of casuistry has been raised, which it is hoped some of the "higher law" gentlemen will answer. Many thirsty people, there is reason to believe, consider a prohibitory law a violation of their natural rights; one of which, they say, is to drink when they are dry, and to eat when they are hungry. Also a violation of the rights of property. Others, who never drink liquors, not even ale, wine, or cider, may think the law wrong, because likely to beget reaction, and thus do more mischief than it prevents. Under these circumstances, the question is, Ought they to obey the law, or not? And if not, are they justified in resisting it? May they shoot down the officers engaged in enforcing it? May they enlist their fellow gazers in the war? They don't like the law at all. Their consciences, they say, (meaning their stomachs,) revolt at it. An individual cannot successfully resist it alone, his only chance is, to get up a mob. Shall he do it? May he rightfully do it? Is it his duty to do it? Or must he suffer what he deems his natural rights, to be trampled under foot?

THE FORMER NEWS.—The news by the America embraces some additional intelligence from the Danube. The attempts of the Russians to take Silistria have so far failed, and some severe reverses to their arms are reported. The accounts say that they have been driven across the Danube by "dreadful loss," and that the siege has been raised. This probably refers only to the attacking party in front. Luder's division is certainly not driven across the Danube, or the forts he had taken were again in the hands of the Turks, which is not the case. While the English accounts say the siege has been raised, the Russian accounts say that it is to be prosecuted with greater vigor than ever. From the Baltic and the Black Sea there is nothing new or important, the French and English fleets continue to show themselves at various places, and destroy property whenever they can get a chance, but carefully avoid the Russian fortresses.

The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania has decreed that a bid made for property which is selling at sheriff's sale may be withdrawn at any time before the property is knocked down by the bidder, notwithstanding the notice of sale may have declared that "no person shall retract his bid or her bid." They require the bidder, however, to pay the legal costs of a second sale should the retraction of his bid render one necessary.

CELEBRATION IN CARLISLE IN 1862.

A copy of the American Volunteer of November 20, 1862, printed and published by W. B. & J. UNDERWOOD, was handed us a few days since. In dimensions it is not quite half our present size, and is printed on coarse paper and large type. In its columns are contained the proceedings of a "Jackson Festival," which took place in Carlisle on the 25th of Nov., 1862.—Gen. JAMES LAIBERTON presided at the meeting. From the regular toast drink on the occasion, we select the following:

The victory was celebrated.—Achieved by the honest yeomanry of this country over the combined efforts of faction and anti-masonry! It is a new era to the world, and tyrants tremble at its very name. Gen. Andrew Jackson.—A hero, a statesman, and a civilian: "The budding glories" of his revolutionary services, presaged the grandeur of those in the later war. The gratitude of the patriot and the judgment of the statesman, have called him again to preside over the destinies of our happy country. The departed heroes and statesmen of the Republic.—Their memories will be cherished by future generations, as the friends of liberty and independence, and the enemies of tyranny and despotism. Gen. Carroll of Carrollton.—The last signer of the Declaration of Independence has been "gathered to his fathers," and the nation mourns the loss of so great and good a man. The Hon. Jefferson.—The polar star of democracy: His eminent services to his country, and his genuine republican principles, will ever secure for him the grateful remembrance of his people of a democratic victory will again reverberate throughout the State. Hon. Jeremiah S. Black.—A bright and distinguished legal lumina, the intelligence of his firmament of the Union. His past services upon the Supreme Bench are a sufficient guaranty for the future. Henry S. Mott.—His experience in the Legislature of our Commonwealth—his intimate acquaintance with our public works and his well known reputation as an honest man—peculiarly fit him for the office of Canal Commissioner.

The Foreign News.—The news by the Baltic confirms the report that the Russians have abandoned their present position on the Danube, and are evacuating Wallachia. The czar says he does this out of "consideration" to Austria. The Austrian troops are occupying the positions which the Russians have abandoned. It is said that diplomacy had to do with this retreat, and the courage of the Turkish heroics defense of Silistria. Austria pines herself now between the Turks and their allies, on the one side, and the Russians, on the other, and keeps both parties in check. This appears to be the policy of the Government, and it is suggested that the Baltic fleet be withdrawn except so far as is necessary to keep up the blockade, and that it be employed in the Black sea.

Some of the English journals regard the movement of the Russians as an attempt to divide the German and the Western Powers, the czar, having complied with the requisition of Austria, that power and Prussia may retire from the contest, whatever may be the conduct of the other States of Europe. England demands material securities for a lasting peace, and Lord Aberdeen has been compelled, by the force of public opinion, to declare substantially that England and France contemplate no settlement of this question, until a convention upon which it stood before the war, but that they are resolved to insist on effectual guarantees.—The London Globe says the war is not at an end, though the march to Constantinople, between Russia and Western Europe (the war) is beginning. The London Times says: "The Russian Government has announced that it is unwilling to make any further living to declare beforehand on what terms peace should be negotiated. 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