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Democratic State Nominations.

SUPREME JUDGE, WM. A. PORTER, of Philadelphia. CANAL COMMISSIONER, WESLEY FROST, of Fayette Co.

Democratic Meetings.

The Democrats of the West will meet at the Hotel, on S A T U R D A Y Evening, the 13th inst., at 7 o'clock, to make arrangements for the Borough election.

PUBLIC DOCUMENTS.—We are indebted to Hon. John A. Ahl, of the House, Washington, and to Messrs. Fetter, Miller, and Stuart, of the State Legislature, for public documents.

DEPARTURE OF TROOPS.—Some 230 fine looking troops left the Carlisle Garrison on Monday, destined for Utah, under the command of Lieut. Chas. E. Norris.

THE WEATHER for the last eight or ten days has been intensely cold. Friday morning, we believe, was considered the coldest morning we have experienced this winter—the thermometer at 7 o'clock indicating 9 degrees above zero.

LAKE ONTARIO TROUT.—Our friend, INOBY, presented us with a mess of this delicious fish, and we must say they are worth the price asked for them.

JAMES HEBBURN'S SPEECH.—We publish in another column the able and convincing speech delivered by Hon. James Hebburn, of this county, before the late Democratic State Convention.

OUR SPRING ELECTIONS, AGAIN! In our last issue we endeavored to impress upon the minds of the Democrats of this county, the importance of preparing for the Spring elections.

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We have two weeks' later news from California, by the arrival at New York of the steamer, the Moses Taylor, with the Pacific mails and \$1,600,429 in treasure.

THE RETIRED OFFICERS OF THE NAVY.—We are glad to see that the House has passed the joint resolution from the Senate authorizing the President to restore detained and retired officers of the Navy, in certain cases, to the active list.

ECLIPSE OF THE SUN.—An annular eclipse of the Sun will take place on the 15th inst. in the United States this will be partial, and visible east of Wisconsin, Illinois and Mississippi.

REMOVAL OF A JUDGE.—It is stated that the Hon. J. G. Kimrod, President Judge of the Franklin and Somerset district, will be the Democratic candidate for Congress next fall, and will accordingly resign his present position.

PRAYING FOR THEM.—Some of the churches in New York have commenced the weekly duty of praying for our national servants.

THE DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

We publish, in to-day's paper, the proceedings of the 4th of March Democratic State Convention.

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His Kansas Policy Endorsed. THE RESOLUTIONS. WM. A. PORTER FOR SUPREME JUDGE.

Great Enthusiasm, etc., etc.

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FINAL ADJOURNMENT.

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The Convention was called to order by Hon. C. R. Buckner, Chairman of the State Committee.

Mr. Arnold Plumer nominated VICTOR E. PROCTER, Esq., of Bradford county, as temporary Chairman of the Convention.

The nomination was agreed to; and Mr. Procter took the chair, after briefly returning thanks for the honor.

Mr. C. J. Rhodes, of Lancaster, and Mr. B. Grant, of Erie, were elected Secretaries.

The list of delegates was read, and a number of contested seats were passed over for the present.

A resolution was adopted, that in all cases of contested seats, each party shall be allowed five minutes to state their position.

A Committee of one member from each Senatorial and Representative District, were chosen, to select permanent officers for the Convention.

Hon. James Hebburn, represented Cumberland county, was elected President.

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Resolved, That if the Constitution of Kansas is not acceptable in some of its provisions to the majority of the Free State men of this Territory, their own private conduct has warranted the result; they have no cause to complain, and their mouths should be forever closed.

Resolved, That we have evident reason to believe that the Abolitionists in Kansas and out of it, have much greater desire to overthrow the Democratic party of the nation than to ameliorate the condition of the slave; and while they are bold in their protestations against what they call the slave power, they conceal a thirst and desire for political place, which they would grasp at the cost of the broken and shattered limbs of the Union.

Resolved, therefore, That we unhesitatingly approve the measures of Mr. Buchanan in his Kansas policy, and are ready and willing to sustain him in all other measures of his Administration thus far disclosed; and we entertain the belief that he will not abandon an article of the Kansas policy.

Resolved, That the Democracy of Pennsylvania acknowledge with pride and commendation, the able and timely support which the Hon. Wm. A. Porter has given, in the U. S. Senate, to the policy of Mr. Buchanan's Administration.

Resolved, That in electing William F. Packard as Governor of this State, the Democratic party has secured the services of one of every way well qualified to administer the affairs of the State for its best interests.

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