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DEMOCRATIC STATE NOMINATIONS.

For Governor, HENRY D. FOSTER, OF WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS.

- Electors at Large: Geo. M. Klein, of Berks county, Richard Vaux, of Philadelphia. District Electors: 1. Fred K. A. Server, 14. J. Reckhow, 2. Wm. C. Patterson, 15. Geo. D. Jackson, 3. Jos. Crockett, Jr., 16. J. A. ...

The Vice Walker.—Mr. Price performed very successfully on a wire stretched from the Court House to Isinger's store, on Thursday afternoon last.

In Towns.—Deputy United States Marshal Jenkins, of Philadelphia, in company with twelve or fifteen Virginia gentlemen, were in our town on Friday last.

CONVENTION OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS.—The triennial Convention of the School Directors of Cumberland county, to elect a County Superintendent and fix his salary, met at the Court House, in this place, at 11 o'clock on Monday forenoon.

The Convention was called to order by Mr. Levi Merkle, upon whose motion, Dr. W. D. Hays was called to the chair.

The list of directors was read and the absentees marked.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to the nomination of a County School Superintendent, when the following named gentlemen were placed in nomination—D. K. Noel, Jos. Milfin, Geo. Swartz, and J. S. Hostetter.

AFTERNOON SESSION.—The President called the Convention to order, when, on motion, the amount of salary to be paid the Superintendent was fixed at \$500 per annum—

The Convention then, on motion, proceeded to vote upon a Superintendent, with the following result: First vote—Noel 32; Milfin 36; Swartz 24; Hostetter 10.

Second vote—Noel 40; Milfin 40; Swartz 20. Third vote—Noel 59; Milfin 41; Swartz 6. D. K. Noel having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected County Superintendent.

Mr. Merkle, for the purpose of testing the sense of the Convention, offered the following preamble: Whereas, The specific duty of this Convention is to elect a County Superintendent and fix his salary; yet as this body is fresh from the people from every part of the county, it would seem to be a proper time to pass a resolution expressive of the views of this Convention as to the expediency of such an office.

Therefore resolved, that this Convention believe that the Common School System would be better promoted by the distribution of the amount now paid to these County Superintendents to the several counties, and abolish the office and restore the school law as it was prior to the year 1854.

The resolution was not agreed to—yeas 29, nays 38. The Convention then adjourned.

It is asserted that the Democratic candidates for city officers at the late municipal election of Philadelphia, have already obtained information of fraudulent votes sufficient to establish their election, and that they have unanimously determined to contest the election, having secured the legal services of Wm. H. Road, Benjamin H. Brewster and Wm. L. Hirst.

The trees give promise of an abundance of fruit the coming season. Many trees were entertained that the recent heavy frosts had entirely destroyed the incipient crops, but the backwardness of the season has hitherto prevented any undue development of the trees, so that they were not injured.

The Prince of Wales is to reach the Canadas in June. The Buffalo Express says every preparation is being made to render his sojourn on our grand ovation. The Grand Trunk and Lake Huron Railways are building elegant cars for himself and suit, which will number, exclusive of his military escort of a regiment of troops, about one hundred gentlemen. He will visit Fort Erie, and then make the tour of the Lakes in his own yacht.

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CHARLESTON CONVENTION DIFFICULTIES.

After a session of ten days—which time was spent in specifying, wrangling, and unsuccessful balloting for a candidate for President—the Convention, on Thursday last, adjourned, "to meet in Baltimore, on Monday, the 18th of June, in order to afford the States that are not represented, an opportunity to fill up their delegations."

The Southern delegates—the seceders from the Convention—should permit their people to select others to represent them at Baltimore. Men who are determined to vote or ruin, had better yield their places to those more competent. It cannot be expected, in a National Convention, that all can be gratified, and the man who goes into a Convention with a determination not to yield to the wishes of the majority, is little less than a fanatic.

The following remarks of the Reading Gazette are sensible and truthful, and meet our own views: "The Democratic National Convention, after a session of ten days at Charleston, during the last two of which, fifty-seven unsuccessful ballots for a candidate for President, were taken, adjourned on Thursday to meet at Baltimore on the 18th of June."

Everything now depends upon the action of the Southern States from which delegates seceded at Charleston. They are now called upon to elect others in the place of those who abandoned the regular Convention. This will test whether the seceding delegates represent their constituents truly or not.

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Philadelphia Election. The Democrats made a gallant fight at the municipal election in Philadelphia on Tuesday last. They are beaten, it is true; but they have made such deep inroads upon the Opposition ranks, that the moral power of the victory which the latter have gained, is completely destroyed, and their small majorities only prove their weakness.

Perils of the Democratic Party. The proceedings at Charleston, says the Democratic Union, make it evident that the Democratic party, and with it the country, has reached the crisis of its fate, from which nothing but the greatest prudence, wisdom and patriotism can extricate us.

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Democratic National Convention.

Fifty-Seven Ballots for President. NO NOMINATION MADE. ADJOURNMENT TO BALTIMORE. EIGHTH DAY.

The Convention was called to order at half past ten o'clock. The proceedings were opened by Rev. Mr. Lagay, with the delivery of a most earnest prayer to the Almighty for union and harmony in the deliberations of those assembled.

Mr. Richardson (Ills.) inquired what was the business in order. The President stated that three separate motions to reconsider the platform resolutions, were pending at the time of adjournment, and that Mr. Morris, of Illinois, was entitled to the floor.

Mr. Benning (Ga.) rose to a privileged question, stating that the Georgia delegation had been in anxious consultation, and had passed resolutions instructing their chairman to inform the President of the Convention that they could no longer participate in the proceedings of this body, and were about to withdraw.

The Arkansas delegation then presented their protest, and withdrew. Mr. McCook (O.) offered a resolution fixing two o'clock today for balloting for President and Vice President.

The President decided that the vote should be taken so long as several States are absent consulting. The motion to fix the hour for proceeding to ballot must therefore lay over.

Mr. Seward (Pa.) as explained, the Convention remained, and explained, the Convention was in Congress when the Kansas Bill was passed, and would assert that the agreement between the North and South then was that the Constitutional question should be determined by the Supreme Court.

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Gen. Simons, of South Carolina, was unwilling to allow any committee to put forth an address representing his views which he would have no opportunity of previously examining. He was no politician, but he had his own views. He did not like some features of the platform, especially those relating to the Pacific Railroad, and that which declared a veto to the Union as superior to duty to the seceding States.

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