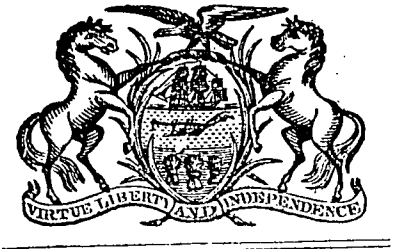


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CARLISLE, PA., AUGUST 18, 1864.

FOR PRESIDENT IN 1864, GEORGE B. MCLELLAN.

Democratic County Ticket. FOR CONGRESS, A. J. GLOSSBRENNER, of York.

FOR ASSEMBLY, DR. JOHN D. BOWMAN, of E. Pennsbrough.

FOR SHERIFF, JOHN JACOBS, of Silver Spring.

FOR COMMISSIONER, HENRY KARNS, of Monroeville.

FOR DIRECTOR OF THE POOR, WILLIAM WHERRY, of South Middletown.

FOR AUDITOR, JOHN A. HEBBELIG, of North Middletown.

THE COUNTY CONVENTION. In another column will be found the proceedings of the Democratic County Convention, which assembled in the Court house, in this borough, on Monday.

OLD SOUTH MIDDLETON. At a meeting of the Democrats and conservatives of South Middletown township, held in Papertown, on Saturday, August 13, to elect delegates to the Democratic County Convention, the following resolutions were offered and unanimously adopted.

FATAL ACCIDENT—DEATH OF MICHAEL BURKE.—We regret to learn from the Harrisburg papers that MICHAEL BURKE, a wealthy and much esteemed citizen of that city, met with an accident on Monday, which resulted in his death.

THE PRINTING OFFICE OF THE VALLEY SPIRIT, at Chambersburg, was entirely destroyed by the fire which laid waste to town on the 31st ult., under the vindictive orders of the Rebel General McCausland.

THE NEW YORK TRIBUNE, after advocating for years such political measures as have brought the country to its present deplorable financial condition, refuses to accede to the demand of its printers for such an advance of wages as will enable them to live over the reign of high prices.

WHO IS TO BLAME?

In his message to the extra session of the Legislature, Gov. CURTIS holds the National administration responsible for the late rebel raid into Pennsylvania, and for the burning of Chambersburg.

But, notwithstanding LINCOLN'S guilt, his utter indifference, and his imbecility, CURTIS is not guiltless. When he appealed to the miserable creature LINCOLN, for the privilege of calling out troops for the protection of our Southern border, and was refused, why did he not, as Governor of Pennsylvania, exercise his authority, and call the troops out himself, and explain to them the situation of affairs?

THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.—The Carlisle Herald, in informing its readers that the majority for the first proposed Constitutional amendment, (giving the soldiers the right to vote), in this county was 1339, uses this language:

As we predicted the politicians of the Democratic party did every thing they dared to do to defeat the first Amendment. Their tickets were all printed against it and in favor of the other two.

STOP THE DRAFT.—Petitions—aye, petitions to Abraham Lincoln—by chance, or by Heavens' wrath—President of the United States, are in circulation in the Western States, with numerous signatures, asking the postponement of the draft, in these words following:

LINCOLN, WAR, ANARCHY.

We predicted in 1860 that the election of the Union-splitter, LINCOLN, would be followed by a long and bloody war, that the Constitution would be trampled under foot, that State rights and State laws would be violated, and anarchy prevail throughout our once happy land—happy until the vengeful hands of a reckless, dishonest, treasonable Abolition faction took hold of the ship of State.

There are wretches who without virtue, labor, or hazard, are growing rich as their country is impoverished. They rejoice when abolition, ambition, or folly adds another year to slaughter and devastation, and laugh from behind their desks at bravery and science while they are aiding figure to figure and cypher to cypher, hoping for a new contract from a new amendment, and computing the profits of a siege or a tempest.

Parson Brownlow on Andy Johnson. As Parson Brownlow is the leading supporter of the administration in Tennessee, it may amuse and interest some of our readers to see what he thought of the Republican candidate for the Vice Presidency a few years ago.

Falling to Pieces. The shoddy dynasty is rapidly falling to pieces. Every day, almost, and from every section of the North, come evidences of the abandonment of Lincoln's fortunes by prominent members and editors of the Republican party.

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Col. WILLIAM McCANDLESS, late of the Pennsylvania Reserves, in a letter to the Adjutant General, declines the proffered honor of a Generalship, and says that "the post of honor, as the war is now conducted, is in remaining a private citizen."

ONESTES A. BROWNSON, a Republican candidate for Congress last year, says: "Here is one of the most serious dangers that threaten us. Convert the war, in the popular mind, into an abolition war; make it a war of the North on the South, or for imposing Northern ideas on Southern society, and the nation, as a republican nation, is ruined forever."

Four hundred discharged soldiers passed through Portland recently, one hundred and thirty of them on a single leg each.

WAR CONTRACTORS

One often hears the expression, "Stop the opportunities of making money, and this war will come to a close." This is true, and it is exceedingly painful to admit its truth, for such an admission reflects fearfully upon the selfishness and depravity of human nature.

Another administration of war! No change of policy! Mr. Lincoln has laid down his programme. He says, without the abolition of slavery you can have no Union.

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Let peace commissioners be appointed by either section, and, in the first place, let powers of negotiation, meet on neutral territory, and discuss the terms of peace.

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D. W. VORHEES ON OLD ABE.

We have room for only the following extract from a brilliant and powerful speech, delivered by Hon. D. W. Voorhees, at Green Castle, Indiana, on the 6th inst.

Five hundred thousand more men—that's all! When Mr. Lincoln was nominated at Baltimore, I was at Washington. Each delegation hurried down to congratulate him, and to tell the story of their service, their devotion to a mere man—and a very ordinary specimen of a man at that.

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DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION.

The Democratic County Convention assembled in the Court House in the Borough of Carlisle, on the 15th inst. T. P. BLAIR was appointed chairman, and D. Wherry and W. Kennedy, Secretaries.

Carlisle, East Ward.—J. T. Rippey, A. F. Meek. Carlisle, West Ward.—W. J. Shearer, J. Buntz. Dickinson.—Saml. Spangler, Geo. Kisinger.

For Sheriff, JOHN JACOBS had 27 votes.

For Commissioners, HENRY KARNS had 37 votes.

For Director of the Poor, WM. WHERRY had 24 votes.

For Auditor, JOHN A. HEBBELIG had 40 votes.

For Congressional Conferees, DR. JOHN D. BOWMAN had 26 votes.

Resolved, That we are in favor of General George B. McClellan for President of the United States, and hereby instruct the delegate representing this district in the Chicago Convention to vote for him and use all honorable efforts to secure his nomination.

Resolved, That we concur in the resolution of the Convention to vote for the nomination of ADAM J. GLOSSBRENNER, Esq. of York.

Resolved, That the course of our Senator, Hon. GEORGE H. BUCNER, and of our Representative, DR. JOHN D. BOWMAN, deserves and has the cordial approval of the Democracy of Cumberland; but that we deem it a duty to declare that JOSEPH BAILEY, in voting against the Dawson Resolutions, and in favor of net measures of an abolition administration, has forfeited and no longer deserves the confidence of the Democratic party.

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Curious Republican Movement on Foot.—The Election to go by Default.

[Correspondence of the N. Y. World.] Washington, August 11.—The deliberations of the leading Republican managers in this city, New York, Boston and elsewhere have led to a most singular determination on their part. It is stated upon authority that they have determined to allow the election to go by default, and leave the Democratic party to elect their President and the House of Representatives.

There are several reasons for the adoption of this policy are as follows: First, the Republican leaders are satisfied that the war is near its conclusion; wish the Democratic party to suffer the ignominy in history of being the political organ which consented to a separation of the North and South. Second, they argue that no more money is to be made out of the war, and that the finances of the country are now in such a state that contractors will be very busy, but cannot make money; in short, that the public orange has been squeezed dry, and the House of Representatives will be sent to a position where they could not conduct the war nor make any money.

Secondly, they argue that Lincoln has elected, peace would likewise be in danger to his wretched management of the war, but that a peace under Republican auspices would forever ruin the political fortunes of every public man connected with that party. Fourth, that as the majority in the Senate during the term of a Democratic President, they could prevent any peace that would not bring with it the abolition of slavery in the Southern States. Now, these are the arguments of the Republicans, consider that there should be peace, but that it will be the political power of the South to vote against a reunited Union.

Resolved, That in Major General George B. McClellan we recognize these sterling qualities which characterize the true patriot, soldier, statesman and gentleman, and which will insure an administration alike elevating to the nation and creditable to the civilization of the age; and while we would not disparage the claims of his brother officers, we but reiterate the voice of the millions, who comes upon the wings of the wind from every part of the land when we declare him the embodiment of the hopes, as he is the choice of the American people.

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The greatest enthusiasm prevailed in the meeting, and notwithstanding the vast numbers present all separated in quietness.

"LOYAL" SYMPATHY.—The Rev. Alfred Nevins, formerly pastor of the German Reformed church in Chambersburg, but recently a resident of Philadelphia, and a member of the "Yves of Monday," asking aid for the Chambersburg sufferers. He professes this card with the following sentence: "Those of us sufferers at Chambersburg who are for the Union should have material aid, but we suffer, as they therefore, are the cause of public charity? That sacred virtue, with which Dr. Nevins is so familiar, tell us if there any hunger fond (am) 3 or 300 give him drink." This is true, but their charity, but it does not mean to be "a vulgar" charity.—Shippensburg Sentinel.

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