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We are very sorry to lose Major Mills from the Coudersport Hotel...

Don't pass over the article from the Montrose Republican entitled 'The Speakership'...

The Janitor's Sentiment proposes Col. A. H. McClure, of the Pennsylvania Telegraph...

H. H. Dent has written, through his paper, a familiar letter to John B. Beck...

We fear the nomination of Fillmore will have a bad effect on the election of Congressmen in this District...

Ninety-four students had enrolled their names on Mr. Hendrick's class book on Tuesday last...

LEROY SCHOOL HOUSE.

Our friend Lewis Wood is on the anxious seat in regard to the outrage committed in depriving Mr. McGhee of his seat...

who could sustain these allegations, then in allusions to Morgan...

As to the name of the school house where the election was held, we have only to say that the School Directors have entire and exclusive control...

Can't some other of the signers of that document try his hand at defending it? Give us the names of those electors who were deprived of voting...

TWO THOUSAND CITIZENS IN COUNCIL.

An indignation meeting of the citizens of Williamsport and vicinity, on Monday evening, Feb. 18, 1856...

President, John K. Hays, Esq. Vice Presidents, William Allen, E. Calvert, Esq., Garrett Timman, Maj. Chas. Hepburn.

G. W. Youngman, Esq., stated the object of the meeting, when, on motion, a committee of nine was appointed to draft resolutions...

Whereas, The Elective franchise is one and most sacred of every true and honest citizen of Pennsylvania...

The committee, after retiring for deliberation, reported the following preamble and resolutions...

Resolved, That the facts as reported by the majority committee to try the contested election case of John C. McGhee, member elect from the district of Lycoming, Clinton and Potter...

the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania...

We would, therefore, call the attention of all reflecting men to the glaring abuses and tyrannical power exercised by the majority committee...

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Resolved, That no honorable and high-minded man would consent to take a seat in the Legislature against the wishes of a majority of his constituents...

Resolved, That John B. Beck is not the choice of a majority of the voters of this Legislative district...

Resolved, That John C. McGhee was the choice of a majority of the legal voters of this Representative district...

Resolved, That the voice of the freemen of the borough of Williamsport, as expressed on Friday last through the ballot box, is a merited rebuke upon the decision of the Legislative committee...

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be signed by its officers and published in all the public papers of this district and throughout the State.

The Pittsburg Convention.

One of the most important conventions ever held in the United States, met at Pittsburg on the 22nd of February, to take counsel as to the best method of preventing the further spread of Slavery...

Francis P. Blair, the old confidant and champion of Gen. Jackson, now a Maryland planter, was unanimously chosen to preside...

Vice Presidents—Horatio G. Russ, N. H.; Geo. Bliss, Mass.; R. G. Hazard, R. I.; W. P. Sherman, N. J.; Gen. Markle, Pa.; W. P. Clarke, Iowa; G. W. Julian, Ind.; Gov. Bingham, Mich.; F. M. Newson, Minnesota; L. Brainard, Vt.; James M. Bunce, Conn.; E. D. Morgan, N. Y.; Joseph Farley, Va.; Wm. S. Bailey, Ky.; R. W. Spaulding, Ohio; John McMillan, Ill.; David Jones, Wisconsin; L. Chapman, District of Columbia.

Secretaries—Russell Everett, Pa.; Isaac Dayton, N. Y.; D. R. Tilden, Ohio; J. C. Vaughan, Ill.; J. W. Stone, Mass.

We have not space for the proceedings of the convention, but the following extract which we take from the Pittsburg Gazette, shows the spirit of the convention and the gist of what was done:

Mr. Keomlin, of Ohio, was opposed to all National Conventions. It looks too much like following in the footsteps of the old parties...

objection is a great one. Jefferson didn't come from a convention; Jackson nor Washington didn't come from conventions. The Republican movement would obtain more success by going out among the people...

Mr. Lovejoy, of Illinois, was in favor of holding the Convention. We have been accustomed to them, and the people expect a Convention, which was the opinion of the committee.

The Committee further recommend the holding of a Republican National Convention, for the nomination of Candidates for the President and Vice President of the United States...

Mr. Ashley, of Ohio, offered a substitute for Mr. Lovejoy's amendment, making the representation of one from each Congressional District, &c.

Mr. Mann, of New York, from the committee on address, announced that he had been instructed, unanimously, by the committee, to present their report...

That the Republicans of the several States be recommended to complete their organization at the earliest practical moment by the appointment of State, County, and District, Committees...

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fact became known, the anti-slavery bolters, representing eight States, (N. Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Iowa, and Illinois,) met and adopted the following address:

TO THE AMERICAN PARTY OF THE UNION. The undersigned, delegates of the Nominating Convention now in session in Philadelphia, find themselves compelled to dissent from the principles avowed by that body...

They have, therefore, withdrawn from the Nominating Convention, refusing to participate in the proposed nomination; and now address themselves to the Americans of the country, especially of the States they represent, to justify and approve their action...

After this Millard Fillmore was nominated as the candidate for President and A. J. Donnellson for Vice President. This was considered a great outrage by a number of the friends of George Law, who repudiated the nomination...

First. The nominee is not a member of the American Party. He has never been inside of a council-room, and no act of his life, no word spoken, or line written by him, of which we have any knowledge, indicates that he sympathizes with that party...

Second. His nomination we regard as an utter betrayal of the great movement; a traitorous attempt to wrest it from its purpose, and make it minister to the selfish ambition of the leaders and demagogues of the dead organizations of the past.

Third. He was forced upon the State of New York by Southern votes against the wish of our State delegates, and from those States which no man pretends can carry their vote for an American President.

Fourth. He was forced upon the State of New York against the express wish of a large majority of our State Legislature—against the express wish of a majority of the State officers, and we repeat, against the express wish of two-thirds of our delegates in the Convention.

THE SPEAKERSHIP. Nine weeks of the Session, and hundreds of thousands of dollars were spent in a fruitless attempt to elect a Speaker and organize the House...

On the assembling of Congress the old Hunker Democracy held their caucus, nominated Richardson, who had been the champion of the Nebraska Bill and Slavery in the last Congress...

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the Pierce Democracy, was the Anti-Know Nothing plank in the platform upon which Richardson stood—they had no objections to the principles of Richardson in the main, but they were not willing to give their votes to stultify themselves and their party before the country...

After a great deal of billing and cooing between Humphrey Marshall, Whitney, Volk, Bunce, Fuller & Co., on the one side, and the leaders of the Pierce Democracy on the other, Richardson withdrew his name as a candidate for Speaker, and Orr, an old South Carolina nullifier was substituted in his place...

There were many reasons why Oliver was a suitable man for the party and the occasion. He was a resident of a Slave State, was the immediate representative of the Missouri Border Rufians, might in fact be said to be 'one of 'em'...

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