

REPORTS OF THE GENERAL ELECTION, HELD IN POTTER COUNTY, PENNA. OCTOBER 14th, 1856.

Table with columns for DISTRICTS, REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS, and DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS. Lists names like Cochrane, Scott, Bigler, etc., and their respective vote counts across various districts.

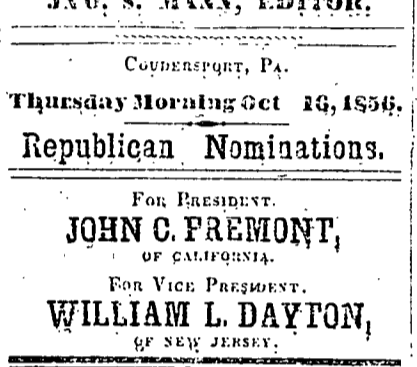
LETTER FROM HORACE GREELEY. The Dissention and Annihilation of Beef Bigler.

To the Hon. WILLIAM BIGLER, U. S. SENATOR: SIR: For some time past, an anonymous and utterly unindorsed string of columns and misrepresentations, entitled "Unity and Abolitionism," an open appeal to the friends of religion, morality, and the American Union, has been gratuitously flooded over the country. I have been repeatedly asked to put my foot on it, but declined to do so, as I do not deem a prominent slanderer worthy of so much consideration.

levelling, anti-religious, and revolutionary doctrines of European ultraism and destructives. It is controlled by a corps, among whom are notorious infidels. It has opened its columns to the revolting doctrines of "Free Love," to "Ponierism" and to the scarcely less dangerous dogma of "Spiritualism." All the wild, monstrous, and absurd theories of the day, including the political equality, and the certain and consequent social equality of blacks and whites, have found favor in its sight.

This day, there are handbills circulated in your State, calling on the people to rally for "Buchanan, Breckinridge and free Kansas," just as they were called in '44 to struggle for "Polk, Dallas and the Tariff of '42." I observe one of the speakers who in '44 maintained in a public debate that Polk was a better protectionist than Clay, now on the stump demonstrating that Buchanan's election will more subserve the cause of freedom in the territories than would that of Fremont.

THE JOURNAL. JNO. S. MANN, EDITOR. COUDERSPORT, PA. Thursday Morning Oct 16, 1856. Republican Nominations. FOR PRESIDENT JOHN C. FREMONT OF CALIFORNIA. FOR VICE PRESIDENT WILLIAM L. DAYTON OF NEW JERSEY.



The severe illness of the Senior Editor, Mr. Mann, will be ample excuse to our readers for the lack of editorial in this number. We fear that the readers of the Journal will be deprived of the valuable services of Mr. M. for several weeks, from the fact that his disease has taken the form of a malignant typhoid fever.

Beef Bigler has at last secured the attention and particular notice of Horace Greeley, (whose letter we publish in another column,) and the notice is neither very complimentary nor untruthful. Greeley handles Bigler without gloves and with sharp claws, but not more roughly than he deserves.

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willful ignorance of the principles they are fighting against. But Bigler has gone still further, and confounded Republicanism with Infidelity, Free-Loveism, Fourierism, and Spiritualism; four isms, by the way, to which he is secretly, but devotedly attached, and which fact alone is sufficient to refute any insinuations of a connexion between them and Republicanism; therefore we need not pursue that argument further.

We would call the attention of our readers to an article on the first page of this paper, from the Pittsburgh Journal, entitled "The Wrongs of Kansas." It is a candid statement from a truthful man and his heroic daughter—a confirmation of the statements of Rose Jenkins; and we are prone to believe with Rose, that half the wrongs of Kansas are not depicted in the letters which are written to their friends in the States by the Free State settlers of Kansas.

On the same page will be found an article from the Indianapolis Journal, which should forever close the mouths of Buchanan's (in Potter county, at least,) from endeavoring to excuse and apologise for the acts of the Pro-Slavery party in Kansas. And yet, the instance here given is but one of hundreds which exact from the blind and pitiable followers of Buchanan in this section, the exclamation: "Bleeding Kansas! What do I care for Kansas?" Verily, what do you care for Free Kansas, when you will stand up and excuse the villainous acts of Missouri and South Carolina ruffians there? You do care for slave Kansas in prospective; and that, though quietly urged, is the test of the Buchanan political faith, not only in the South, but here at the North.

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LAWYER, Sept. 21 1856. This is Sunday, but it can hardly be called the Sabbath. This morning the physical world seems to be in unison with the political—both are dark and gloomy. It rains now a little, and although a good deal all night, and although we have had no frost, nor will have any I am told for a month to come, yet the coldness of the air and other things remind us, that this "melancholy days" are coming fast upon us.

I have said that the political world here looks dark and gloomy. It seems that the National Administration will not rest satisfied till Kansas is subdued. Pierce well knew that whiskey Shannon did not know enough to subdue us, hence he is removed and Geary is sent here to fill the vacancy. Last Sunday when this city was on the verge of being "wiped out" he comes here with the United States troops after the danger was over and after the vanguard of the Ruffians had been beaten back by a handful of men.

files to Leocompton—the murderer is still at large, and unhang.

But how is it on the "other side of the goose." Col. Harvey on his way back to Lawrence with one hundred men for his defence against this new invasion, is arrested. The entire company is taken by the troops, disarmed, blankets not furnished them, and their food is miserable. They are charged with murder, robbery and arson, by the ruffians. They are going to be tried to-morrow. Mention their horses and guns are being sworn away from them as fast as possible. For instance a Ruffian goes to Marshal Donelson and says "I would like to get my horse." "Where do you live?" enquires the Marshal. "O! I live in Platte County, Mo., but my horse was stolen from me by the abolitionists." "Is the really," "O! in your sworn to your horse?" asks the Marshal. "Yes Sir" is the emphatic rejoinder. "Well, go and pick him up, and bring him down to the office, and be sworn," says Donelson. The fellow then goes to the horses, picks out any that suits him, tells the man in charge that the Marshal sent him, takes it, and rides whither he pleases. The ruffians generally forget to be sworn, and when pressed hard to do so, as they are sometimes, for the show of the thing, they do so and without much effort. To be brief and plain about this, I think there is no difference between Geary and Shannon, except that Geary is the ablest man and is not a drunkard. They are alike as regards their being the tool of a perfidious and depraved Slaveholder administration, and time will demonstrate the fact more fully.

Pierce told the National Kansas Committee that if Geary found any persons committing outrages, such person would be hung next day. Yet Geary visited David Buffum a few hours before he died, and immediately after he was shot and the murderer is not arrested, nor never will be, any more than the murderers of Dow, Barber, Brown, and others. Why? Simply because no free State man will get out any writ under the bogus laws for their arrest. This comprehends the whole key to the policy of Geary since his appearance among us. But he mistakes the character of the Free State men here altogether, for rather than countenance the infamous code, every free State man in the Territory will be murdered with impunity as far as an appeal for justice to this code is concerned, before such appeal will be made. This is his game, to coerce us into obeying laws which we never made. How much Capital will he make for Buchanan out of this will be seen in November.

In the meantime everybody who has taken any prominent part in defending ourselves from armed ruffian, is hunted by day and by night by the myriads of Sheriff Jones, with bludgeons writs for their arrest. It must be remembered that the same batch of territorial officers who surrounded Wilson Shannon, now surrounds Geary, and the latter will be more or less actuated by their representations. Woodson, the Secretary, and from him down to the infamous Deputy Marshal Orner; all have a most malignant hatred of everything with the prefix Free. Free Speech, Free Press, Free Soil, Free Labor, Free Schools, Free Men, Free

—these words have a bitterness to their minds, far more bitter than the waters of Marah to the thirsty Israelites of old. I wish November would come now and tell us our destiny at once.

If you have kept "backed up" about Kansas matters, then nothing however atrocious it may be, can surprise you. I may estimate your feelings by my own, but since I have resided here, I have heard of the murders, as I looked upon the dead bodies of some of my warmest personal friends without feelings of sorrow. True; there were other feelings of a less noble character than sorrow stirred up within me; but gets which six months or a year ago, would have been horrible to me, are now regarded only as common place occurrences. I am satisfied that war and all other evils which follow in the train of Slavery and its extension, bludgeoned feelings of human nature, and degraded, rather than elevated human character. The facts to which I was going to call your attention are these, and they may serve to show Geary's position. First, then, he has caused the arrest of one hundred and seventeen Free State men. Second, he has not caused the arrest of a single pro-slavery man, though a foul murder was committed by a gang of them, almost in his presence. Third, writs are placed in the hands of pro-slavery officers for the arrest of all prominent free-State men, so that, since Geary's appearance, not less than three hundred Free State men have left the Territory to avoid them. More are leaving every day; their means exhausted, they cannot any longer sustain themselves against the ruffians. The infamous Trust is enrolled by Geary as a Captain of a company of Ruffians to be paid and rationed for three months, by the United States Treasury. The mails to and from this place are robbed, or purloined, at some end of the line. Dozens of letters which I know were written to Mr. Russell and myself from Coudersport have never reached us. The St. Louis Republican and Westport "Border Ruffian" both say that I am known and "spotted"; but I am not surprised at this at all, for any Journalist who will dare to write the facts will be "spotted" of course. At least such was the case with Mr. Redpath and Mr. Phillips both of whom were hunted like wolves, till both were compelled to flee the Territory to save their lives. Both, like brave men, are now on their way through Iowa to resume their duties even at the risk of life.

Lawrence is nearly "wiped out;" her business has failed and her people are disheartened and discouraged. The probability is that the "Free State" Hotel will not be resumed till Spring, and not then unless Fremont is elected. No Free State man will be likely to invest money in a Slave State which Kansas will certainly be, if Buchanan is elected. Every man here, (and there are some men here, who can see as far into a grindstone as Lewis Wood,) feels and knows that this result is inevitable. So that every man who desires to see Kansas a Slave State must vote for the man who would give free labor ten cents a day—and make white men work side by side with slaves at that.

THE RESULT. The above table presents the returns as far as received up to 12 o'clock Thursday.