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CLEARFIELD, APRIL 5, 1854.

FOR GOVERNOR, WILLIAM BIGLER. FOR SUPREME JUDGE, JEREMIAH S. BLACK. FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER, HENRY S. MOTT.

We have neglected for the last two issues of our paper to alter the number on the apt-side. This should be vol. 5 no. 19.

The Communication signed 'Kinderhook' shall appear next week.

In consequence of nearly all the hands employed in this office being sick, and unable to work, no paper was issued last week. Other assistance has been procured, however, and the sick are recovering. Our readers may again expect to receive the Republican regularly.

THE NEBRASKA BILL.

We have heretofore expressed our views briefly, but very decidedly, in favor of the bill for organizing the territories of Nebraska and Kansas, as it passed the Senate of the United States on the morning of the 4th inst.

The Nebraska bill proposes to establish two additional territories, preparatory to their admission into the Union as independent Commonwealths.

If the tables were turned, and the Missouri Compromise, instead of declaring that slavery shall be prohibited north of that line, had said that slavery shall exist south of it; and the south, instead of being in the minority in Congress as it now is, was largely in the majority as the north is, would we not demand with loud voices that this arbitrary restriction, or distinction, should be removed from our statutes?

We can very readily perceive how a man may be opposed to the Nebraska bill, and yet be as good a Democrat as its most ardent advocate.

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In the Pennsylvania Legislature, during the latter part of March, we perceive that a prohibitory liquor bill passed both houses.

These are the views we entertain on this question, and some of the reasons why we think the bill should pass Congress, and find no opposition among the American people.

But, as a sectional question, why it should be opposed by the anti-slavery sentiment of the north, and, if the South really desire the extension of slavery into these territories, why this bill should meet their approbation, and receive their support, is past our comprehension.

MR. CURTIS AND NEBRASKA.

We learn from a paragraph in a late number of the Elk County Advocate, that the Hon. C. B. Curtis, our representative in Congress, on the occasion of his recent visit to his home in Warren, Pa., made a speech at the anti-Nebraska meeting held there, in which he avowed his intention to aid in the defeat of the bill providing for the organization of the territories of Nebraska and Kansas.

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The New Orleans Courier, in speaking of an organization of 'Native Americans,' or 'Know Nothings,' has they more properly call themselves, which has been recently ushered into existence in that section, makes use of some very appropriate, and no doubt truthful remarks, which might apply very correctly to our own neighborhood, and which we copy, by way of showing that this is not the only place where the Whigs are fishing for Democrats with a Native American bait.

We suppose it is another bait to catch fishy Democrats and credulous fools; but we have sufficient confidence in the honesty and patriotism of the great mass of the American people to be satisfied that no secret political organization, having concealed and therefore unallowed objects to accomplish, can ever flourish and succeed in our midst.

The Elk Advocate, of week before last, in the temporary absence of its editor, contained another mean and selfish attack upon our worthy representative in the legislature, and the democracy of Clearfield county generally.

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Heated with drink, which had maddened him to insanity, he had no recollection of what transpired until after the fatal act attributed to him.

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Extract from a Speech of Gov. Bigler. Gov. Bigler, in his speech delivered at the late consolidation festival, at Philadelphia, alludes to our State as follows:

Pennsylvania, it is almost useless to say, is rich in the elements of a great and prosperous Commonwealth. She is rich in the variety and in the exhaustless resources of her mineral deposits—in her coal, her iron, her copper, her zinc, and other less precious deposits. She is rich, and yearly becoming richer, in her agriculture and manufactures—in all the industrial pursuits known to our country—in her railroads and canals, and in every element of prosperity.

On the completion of these turnpike roads, dawned the era of broad-wheeled wagons—superceding the use of the pack-horse in the business of transportation.

MANIFESTO OF THE CZAR NICHOLAS. 'We, Nicholas, I, &c. We have already informed our beloved and faithful subjects of the progress of our arrangements with the Ottoman Porte.

THE WHIG CANDIDATE.—Well, 'the child is born, and his name is Pollock.—The Hon. James Pollock, of Northumberland County, ex-Member of Congress, is the Whig candidate for Governor.

But Russia will not betray her holy calling, and if enemies infringe our frontiers, we are ready to meet them with the firmness bequeathed to us by our forefathers.

NEW COUNTERFEITS.—The following new counterfeit has recently been put in circulation: Philadelphia Bank, Philadelphia, Pa. 50's altered from 5's. Vignette on upper corner of left end, three figures, one holding a staff with cap of liberty on top—another holds some blades of grain, and the third a compass.

Our young Clearfield friend, who didn't eat the oysters, says the Hollidaysburg Standard, illuminated our sanctum with the light of his smiling countenance on Monday.

It is said that the last words of the great and lamented Clay were—'My mother—mother—mother.'

A man must govern himself, ere he be fit to govern a family, and his family, ere he be fit to bear the government of the Commonwealth.