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WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 1857.

DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

FOR GOVERNOR,  
**WILLIAM F. PACKER,**  
Of Lycoming County.

FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER,  
**NIMROD STRICKLAND**  
Of Chester County.

FOR SUPREME JUDGES.  
**WILLIAM STRONG,**  
Of Berks County.  
**JAMES THOMPSON,**  
Of Erie County.

Gen'l Wm. F. Packer.

The Democratic party having confided their standard to the hands of this gentleman, he is, we understand, about to commence the campaign. It could not have been confided to better hands. Gen. Packer, has unquestionably, a more accurate knowledge of the public affairs of the state, than any other man in it. He is an experienced public servant, and has always done honor to himself, and been serviceable to the people in every station that he has filled. We see the opposition papers are growing over the fact that he has held numerous offices. They argue that he has been fed altogether from the public crib, and, for that reason, should not be elected to another office. Nothing can be more absurd, than such reasoning. They are mistaken in the fact, that Gen. Packer derives his moderate fortune, from the offices he holds. He has always been a prudent and enterprising man, and, as is well known, has earned his money by hard work and honest enterprise. Being a good housekeeper in his own affairs, it is a proof that he will manage the concerns of the commonwealth, with economy and judgment. If it were not so. If he had saved every dollar he owns from the salaries he has enjoyed, (pitiful as they are when compared with what a man of his abilities and business qualifications could earn in the ordinary pursuits of life,) it would be a still stronger argument in his favor. Our word for it, the Black Republicans will soon abandon this task. They will find that the people reason more soundly than they do, and that when they see that a man has proved himself fit and capable for public affairs, honest in his endeavors to promote the welfare of the commonwealth, and successful in those efforts, they will repose confidence in him. A contrary course would condemn their best men to obscurity, and lead to the advancement of the reckless, unprincipled and ignorant. Such is not the path pursued by the Democracy. They stand by a good and faithful servant, and push him forward in the path of greatness, so long as he proves worthy, and no longer.

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COMMENCEMENT OF FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE.—The annual commencement of the above institution will take place on Wednesday, the 29th inst. On Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock, the Biennial Address before the two literary societies will be delivered by David Paul Brown of Philadelphia.

On Tuesday afternoon, the Diagnostician and Goethean Halls will be dedicated in immediate succession. Addresses will be delivered by Rev. Geo. B. Russell of Pittsburg, and Dr. Lewis Steiner of Baltimore.

On Tuesday evening the Address before the Alumni Association will be delivered by the Rev. Joseph Clark, of Chambersburg, Pa.

The graduating class consists of 16 members.

The Democratic Convention of Dauphin county is called to meet for the nomination of candidates for county offices, on the 4th of August.

We could, and shall in due time, mention other not less glaring cases.—We are not disposed to submit in silence, to what we consider, gross injustice to prominent members of our party. This fault from what we have heard and know of Gen'l Packer, his nature will not permit him to commit.

He is warm and impulsive, and of course has strong attachments. His sound sense and clear penetration will prevent him from yielding to private friendship more than it can justly claim, whilst his honest and kind heart will not allow him, because a man has been his friend and served him, to set him aside in order to forward new schemes of ambition. In short, he will not prove himself, dead to all sense of gratitude, and totally regardless of what is due to his own character as a man and a gentleman.

As a public speaker, the people will have ample opportunity to judge of his merits. His past career assures us, that he will fill the station with dignity, and in all respects, perform its duties, to the satisfaction of the people.

No man can say aught against his private character. He stands unimpeachable, both as to his private and his public life. We challenge investigation. Can the Black Republicans do the like? We shall see.

We call then upon the Democracy of this county, to put their shoulders to the wheel and roll up a vote for Wm. F. Packer and his associates on the Democratic ticket, which shall carry terror and dismay into the Black Republican camp.

On Thursday afternoon, at Kutztown, Berks county, a man named Charles Biehl, purchased a revolver, loaded it, and went to a brick-yard, where he fired at a young man named Silas Snyder, killing him instantly.— Some say that Biehl was intoxicated and that the deed was accidental; others say it was designedly, Biehl ran away, and on Saturday had not yet been arrested.

Gen. Packer ceased being a member of the Senate two years before the enactment of the Jug Law, consequently he could not have, in an official, and had not in a private capacity anything to do with that abominable banting of the opposition. As we said last week, the only vote that Gen. Packer gave relating to prohibition, was, to submit the question to a vote of the people.— We defy the opposition press to produce anything else. Especially do we call upon the *Lebanon Demokrat* to publish the clauses from the Senate Journal for 1852, it refers to figures. There's not one man in a thousand who can gain access to the Journal for that year, then the propriety of our request.

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The Christian and moral portion of the community, will of course note the anxiety of the opposition to hunt down a man because he is supposed to have had kindly feelings on the Temperance movement. The opposition first ruined the cause by its friendship, and now would again stab it by its enmity.

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THE LIBELLIUS of the male and female High Schools closed their exercises. The second day one of great interest, and the "Education Hall," in which it was held, was filled to overflowing by an intelligent audience. The exercises consisted of the reading of essays by the young ladies, and speeches and orations by the boys, interspersed with musical and dramatic performances.

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