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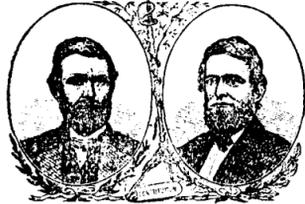
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Attention!

The great importance of immediate and thorough organization cannot be too strongly impressed upon the mind of every Republican voter. A business meeting should be held, at once, in every district throughout the State, and the strength of the party ascertained and registered by competent committees. The wavering and doubtful should be supplied with sound Republican reading matter, which could not fail to remove his doubts and bring him to a front seat in the party. It is not necessary for a business meeting to be very large; a dozen or twenty in an election district, when assembled for laying out work, will do all that needs be done to assure thorough organization and a glorious victory.

The enemy is, and for some time has been, thoroughly organized, and this fact accounts for the audacity, confidence and strength of the party under Copperhead leaders. The Republicans, in many localities, seem to rely entirely upon the justice of their cause for success. But we tell them that a good cause, when pitted against a bad one, seldom if ever wins without an earnest effort and skillful generalship.

We are glad to know that the efficient Chairman of the State Central Committee, Hon. Galusha A. Grow, is at work, and local organizations throughout the State are about to hear from him. We entreat one and all to second his efforts promptly, carry out his instructions to the letter, and all will be well. Let us not forget the deplorable lesson of last year, when the great Keystone State was humiliated by a Copperhead victory won, not by party strength, but only by superior party organization. If this matter is properly attended to—if the active young men of the party will only discharge their duty, Grant and Colfax will not have less than twenty-five thousand majority in the old Keystone State. Therefore organize!

A "Small" Business.

The "small" daily in South Queen street talks very flippantly about "small" politicians. Well, the smallest business we can think of is to misrepresent a man, and then, in the smallest possible way, attempt to wriggle out of it. The "small" daily referred to, said that Mr. Stevens, in a letter which it published, asserted that his opponents in an argument were "fools and swindlers." Mr. Stevens did say:

"I have only declared against fools and swindlers, who have fabricated the most atrocious falsehoods as to my position upon the currency question."

Now, we submit that when we characterize the assertion of the "small" daily as wilful and deliberate misrepresentation, we used only the proper terms, and the article in the "small" daily only shows that the word "small" applies to the "small" daily in more than one sense. The fact is, that all of week before last our "small" neighbor was in a muddle, and any one who will think it worth while to read its articles on the 19th and 21st ult., will easily see how befogged the man was who wrote the articles, if the same individual wrote both, which we consider doubtful.

Remember New York!

How many Boys in Blue remember, when at the front, in July 1863, how Horatio Seymour's "friends" in the city of New York made a desperate effort to inaugurate civil war in the North, and entirely cut off all re-inforcements and supplies for those engaged fighting our great battles in the South? Can the soldiers of the Republic forget how they then wished for an opportunity to settle accounts with the cowardly home traitors, when thousands of their comrades were withdrawn from the front to attend to the rebellion so seriously threatened in the rear? Does not every Boy in Blue well remember his own feelings of indignation when he read, in the newspapers which were sent them by dear ones at home, the speech of Horatio Seymour to his "friends," the rebel murderers of draft officers and burners of Orphan Asylums in the city of New York, and how he encouraged and instigated these horrible scenes of fire and blood?

Wait a little longer, Boys! The day is rapidly approaching when it will be in your power to square accounts with that very same Horatio Seymour. Wait until next November, and then—"go in."

Smart and Severe.

The "small" daily in South Queen street, speaks of a "small weekly" that exposed their misrepresentation of a letter from Mr. Stevens. It hurt, did it? Well, probably that was the best way to treat FATHER ABRAHAM—and probably not. Don't advertise it, for it has now a larger circulation than the "small" (in more than one sense) daily and the big weekly combined!

Andy Armstrong.

This gentleman published a card in the Columbia Spy of the 30th ult., in which he attempts to explain away his participation in the Hlyus "grab," and his own "big thing" on mileage at Harrisburg last winter. He carefully avoids the real charge made against him as the manager and setter up of the Hlyus job. We therefore consider the statement of Mr. Hlyus fully sustained—that he induced the latter to come to Harrisburg and draw the "pay" in question.

That part of his card which refers to his mileage is as follows:

"The distance from my place to Harrisburg is 30 miles, and by me so returned at both sessions, and if any middle-class person chooses to affix the figure 6, for selfish purposes, and you gulp it, I can't help it—that's all."

Clear as mud! But, we respectfully suggest that Andy also explain, whether it was the same "meddlesome person" or himself who pocketed the cash, \$91.80—just \$82.80 more than the lawful mileage? And let him please tell us, also, whether or not, his attention was called to the mistake by an official at Harrisburg before the money was paid, and whether Andy did not pronounce it all right? Of course he will let us know all about it. Nobody doubts his purity.

Scolding.

From the time of firing the first shot at Fort Sumter, until the present day, the Copperheads have been scolding. It seems to be their only remedy for all their numerous afflictions. They scolded the Republicans when Buchanan first divided the Republic, and whilst the work of restoration was going on they scolded harder. When the army needed men, they scolded. When the treasury was empty they scolded, and when the tax collector came they scolded harder than ever. When a battle was lost they scolded, and when one was won they scolded. They scolded when Greenbacks were issued, and scolded when they stopped the issue. They scolded when the rebel States were kept out, and now they are scolding themselves out of breath because they have been brought back into the Union. They are common scolds and the whole set of them a common nuisance!

Organize!

To insure success, we must be organized and disciplined; and as the election of our ticket in the State depends upon its success in the Districts, and in the counties on the townships, and in the townships on the towns and communities, and in the towns and communities on the active, earnest, loyal, working Republicans in them, therefore it is the duty of every Union man to do all he can toward carrying the State for the hero of Appomattox Court House by a majority of many thousands.

Unprofitable!

Gen. W. B. Franklin proved himself during the war to be an utter failure. He is now engaged in the very appropriate business (for him) of writing a series of letters against General Grant's military character. This is another illustration of the "noble eagle being hawked at by a mousing owl." The less Franklin says about anybody's military career, the better. There are enough people who think that if he had his deserts, he would be keeping his friend Fitz John Porter's company. It was only Mr. Lincoln's kindness of heart that saved him.

Old Thad.

At the request of a number of friends, we to-day republish the excellent likeness of the Great Commoner. We are sure it will be appreciated by thousands on our present large subscription list, who did not see it when it appeared in our second number.

In next week's issue we publish an engraving of Gen. Hartrauft, our candidate for Auditor General, to be followed the week after by one of General Campbell, our candidate for Surveyor General.

Remember!

That a United States Senator, to fill the seat now occupied by Senator Buckalew, is to be elected by the next State Legislature. This fact should not be overlooked by the voters of Lancaster county, in making their selection for legislators at the coming primary elections.

GENERAL HARRY WHITE, the Senator from the XXth Senatorial district of this State, was unanimously renominated by the Republican conference on Thursday last. He is one of the ablest men in the western counties, and will be recollected as the gallant soldier who was held, through Democratic appeals to the rebels, a long time in prison at Libby, when his vote was necessary to give the Republicans the majority in the State Senate.

OVER SIX THOUSAND.

For about two weeks—during harvest time—the increase of our subscription list was not as rapid as during the preceding three or four weeks. But, since our last issue, we have met with the most gratifying success, and our list is now larger than that of any other newspaper ever published in the interior of Pennsylvania, being just 6080 subscribers up to the time of writing—Tuesday evening, August 4th.

Under our reduced terms of subscription, we will be very much disappointed if we do not increase at the rate of one thousand per week during the present month, which will swell our list up to ten thousand by the first of September. We expect to announce the coming Republican victory—the election of Grant and Colfax—with an edition of at least twenty thousand.

The First Gun.

The election in New Albany, Indiana, on Tuesday, resulted in a Republican gain of seven hundred! Where's Blair?

THE most disagreeable duty we feel called upon to discharge, is to show up and expose the corruptions and shortcomings of those in whom the great Republican party have confided, by elevating them to offices of honor and trust. Speculators have formed themselves into regular organizations against the interests of the tax-payers, and as honest and independent public journalists, we cannot do less than expose them, if in our power to do so. This duty shall be faithfully discharged on our part, to the best of our ability.

We hold that plenty of good and competent men can be found to fill our offices, local and general, who will accept them for the fair and ample compensation prescribed by law, and the official who will take more than is allowed by the letter and spirit of the law, is a bad man and cannot be trusted. Let every Republican voter discharge his duty at the coming primary election, and vote only for such candidates as he believes to be free from all secret leagues and rings which are formed in our midst, not for the purpose of promoting the interests of the great Republican party, but only to abstract money from the public treasury by foul and dishonorable means. Let us have a county ticket of good and honest men, and then, our word for it, the glorious Old Guard will go into the contest with a will, and roll up at least seven thousand majority for Grant and Colfax!

"ALTHOUGH there is a good deal of opposition to Mr. Stevens in the Lancaster Congressional district (the 1Xth), no doubt is entertained that the people will decide to retain the services of the venerable statesman."—Exchange.

There always has been "a good deal of opposition" to "the old man" in this county. But the ambitious gentlemen who want his place were afraid to face the music, and have caved. They made a splutter for a few days, but it wouldn't work.

[Communicated.]

Something for the People.

DEAR FATHER ABRAHAM: From the great liberality of our County Commissioners in squandering the money of the tax payers, it is painfully evident there is an absolute necessity for the election of an honest, independent and competent Commissioner, as well as an honest, independent County Auditor, who cannot and will not be manipulated by the ring-masters or the office-brokers. Of late we are informed, that these worthy Commissioners have appropriated one hundred and fifty dollars out of the County Treasury to two fire companies in Columbia, through the influence of Mr. Geo. Brubaker, candidate for the office of District Attorney, who for the purpose of getting the votes of the firemen there, promised them a donation from himself of twenty-five dollars, but which, it is suspected, he did not make, when the Commissioners were so kind as to make them a larger donation. Now, by what authority are such donations made? The county has no property there, and on the same grounds, every Fire Company in every town of the county has as much right to a donation as Columbia.

I see, too, that the Commissioners have taken very good care of themselves with respect to their own emoluments of office, charging more for mileage, like Mr. Armstrong, than the law allows, as they can charge only for actual travel. This outrage must be corrected.

I hear, also, whispers about letting out of bridges, without first asking for proposals by public advertisement. In one instance, it is said, that when a good and responsible party offered to build a bridge for a certain sum, the contract was denied him, but given to another, at a higher rate, by which course the County is a loser. Public agents have no right, I contend, to make private bargains for the public necessity, and for their own sakes they should not attempt it, lest unfavorable suspicions arise. The refusal to advertise the building of bridges or anything else, and ask for proposals, forces the conclusion that there is a "cat in the meat tub" and any public agent, properly careful of his reputation, will not make a contract without first giving

the community an opportunity to bid. Hence, it is hoped that the tax payers will attend to their best interests on the 15th of August, and select men of the right stamp. I do not believe the present Commissioners are immaculate, and as it is the intention of the law, that the Auditors should investigate the Commissioners' accounts, and approve only of such disbursements as are legal and right, and reject such as are illegal and wrong, every one must see and know the necessity of electing to the offices of Auditor and Commissioner none but the most competent and unexceptionable of men.

INDEPENDENT.

Father Abraham's Chips.

THE Democratic party has informed the people of the Rebel States that they are at liberty again to embark in Rebellion, to nullify the acts of Congress, and thus renew the struggle. The Democratic party has invited the people of the Rebel States to renew the war by assuring them that the action of Congress is unconstitutional, and that they are not bound to yield any obedience to these Reconstruction acts of Congress. If the people of the South do not again embark in the rebellion, it is because they disregard the express wish of the Democratic party of the North, and if they do embark in the rebellion, the Democratic party of the North is responsible for the war, and the blood will be upon their shoulders.

THE agent of the Insurance Company in which Mr. Seymour has his life insured, waited on him the other day, and formally notified him that in the event of his election to the Presidency, with the Blairs for Vice-President, his policy would be declared forfeited—that insuring lives under such circumstances would burst up any company.

WILLIAMS is the name of the colored gentleman who figured as a delegate to the late Copperhead National Convention at New York. He represented one of the districts of Tennessee, but now, it seems, he is ashamed of it—says they made him drunk when he accepted, and he went. Had he been sober, he says, he "never would have been caught in such a crowd."

"LET us have peace," says the victorious warrior. Let us have peace that the wounds of the nation may be healed. Let us have peace that brotherhood may be re-established. Let us have peace that tranquility and justice may be secured, and our institutions preserved and perpetuated.

COPPERHEADS only went into rebellion; Copperheads only sympathized with and aided rebellion. The rebellion was a Copperhead measure—invented, advocated, conducted, defended and supported by none but Copperheads, and is now virtually endorsed by the Copperhead party.

THE last act of the rebels, before the war, was to vote the Democratic ticket. The first act of the rebels, after the war, was to vote the Democratic ticket. As there was but one step from Democracy into rebellion, there was but one step from rebellion back into Democracy.

A female—the wife of an unfeeling brute who refused to work "because he did not get pay enough"—died of starvation at Orange, New Jersey. She had not eaten anything for five days, and gave birth to a child shortly before death. The husband is a loud-mouthed Copperhead, and supports Blair.

THE nomination of Seymour and Blair puts the Copperhead party very much in the condition of the man who had lost four wives, and who, when a friend called to condole with him on his last bereavement, remarked: "Well, I must say, I've had some all-fired hard luck in wives."

Rock a by Seymour  
On a see-saw  
When tlection comes  
'Twill break like a straw.  
When the votes fall,  
The people will stare,  
For down will come Seymour,  
His party and Blair!

HENRY DALE, an escaped convict from the Trenton, N. J., jail, was arrested in Philadelphia last week, at Arch street wharf, whilst talking Seymour and Blair to a crowd. Of course, he is a democrat.

CHARLES WILT was arrested in Vine street, Philadelphia, on Thursday, charged with assault and battery with intent to kill his wife. Wilt is a member of the Democratic Ward Committee.

AMONG the transparencies carried in the Democratic torchlight procession in Louisville, recently, were portraits of Jeff. Davis, R. E. Lee, J. Wilkes Booth and Frank P. Blair.

Mr. S. S. Cox says of Horatio Seymour: "The more you rub him the brighter he shines." The same may be said of a brass candlestick and Blair's nose.

WHISKEY is recommended by Frank Blair as a protection against musketoes. "Taken internally in sufficient quantities it will cause perfect insensibility to their stings."

ON Sunday evening last, Thomas Roach, keeper of a beer saloon in Hoboken, stabbed Henry Cameron, Patrick Madden and Thomas Cavanaugh. Of course, Roach is a Democrat.

THE bottle is Frank Blair's worst enemy—ink or whiskey—either is sufficient to ruin him.