

"Father Abraham."

CIRCULATION OVER 8500.

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"I shall have no policy of my own to enforce against the will of the people."—GRANT.

REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

"MATCH 'EM."



NATIONAL TICKET.

President: Gen. ULYSSES S. GRANT, OF THE UNITED STATES.

Vice President: SCHUYLER COLFAX, OF INDIANA.

STATE TICKET.

Auditor General: Gen. JNO. F. HARTRANFT, OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Surveyor General: Gen. JACOB M. CAMPBELL, OF CAMBRIA COUNTY.

COUNTY TICKET.

Associate Judge: JOHN J. LIBHART, Marietta.

Assembly: DR. J. C. GATCHELL, Martie. CAPT. W. W. HOPKINS, City. JACOB G. PETERS, Eastoneta. AARON H. SUMMY, East Hempfield.

District Attorney: GEORGE BRUBAKER, City.

County Commissioner: JACOB C. KREADY, Manor.

Prison Inspectors: HENRY POWNALL, Bart. M. H. SHIRK, West Cecilie.

Directors of the Poor: GEORGE FRY, East Cecilie. CONRAD GAST, City.

Auditor: GEORGE W. MEHAFFEY, Marietta.

POLITICAL.

CONGRESS.—We are authorized to announce O. J. DICKEY, Esq., of Lancaster, as a candidate for Congress, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primary election on Saturday, September 12th, 1866.

CONGRESS.—We are authorized to announce A. HERR SMITH, Esq., of Lancaster city, as a candidate for Congress, subject to the decision of the Republican people at the primary elections on Saturday, September 12th.

CONGRESS.—Unexpired Term.—We are authorized to say that ALEXANDER H. HOOD, Esq., of Lancaster city, will be a candidate for the unexpired term in Congress of Hon. Thaddeus Stevens, deceased, subject to rules of the Republican party.

"EVERYBODY READS FATHER ABRAHAM."

CIRCULATE THE DOCUMENTS.

ANOTHER REDUCTION OF TERMS.

GREAT INDUCEMENTS TO CLUBS!

After September 11th, "FATHER ABRAHAM" will be furnished at the following rates:

- One copy for..... 30c.
- Five copies in a package to one address..... \$1.25
- Ten copies in a package to one address..... \$2.00
- Fifty copies in a package to one address..... \$8.00

There will be no further reduction of price during the campaign. Therefore Clubs and individuals who desire to serve the good cause by placing the best and cheapest campaign paper into the hands of the people, should at once forward their orders. We ought to circulate at least twenty-five thousand copies every week before the first of October. Persons getting up clubs will bear in mind that, at the above rates, we cannot address each paper, but only send them in packages as may be directed by those getting up the club.

THE Oil country is all ablaze for Grant and Colfax. Old Venango held an immense Republican meeting at Franklin on Monday evening. The Young Men's Grant Club turned out with full ranks in a torchlight procession.

"DONNER UND BLITZEN!"



WAKE UP, COPS!

OLD VERMONT HEARD FROM! THE GREEN MOUNTAIN BOYS HAVE SPOKEN!

36,000 REPUBLICAN MAJORITY!

39,000 REPUBLICAN GAIN!

WHERE ARE SEYMOUR'S "FRIENDS?"

WHERE'S BLAIR?

"WE ARE COMING, FATHER ABRAHAM."

COMING! COMING!! COMING!!!

The election for Governor and other State officers took place in Vermont on Tuesday last, and resulted in the election of the Republican candidates by THIRTY THOUSAND MAJORITY!

Being a Republican gain of about TEN THOUSAND!

ANOTHER GUN!

THE "BLUE HEN'S CHICKENS!"

LITTLE DELAWARE HEARD FROM!

The election for Mayor in the city of Wilmington, held on Tuesday last, resulted in a glorious REPUBLICAN VICTORY, and by a largely increased majority.

A Glorious Record.

The history of the Republican party is indeed a proud record. Inheriting a bankrupt treasury, a dishonored credit, and a gigantic rebellion, from the traitorous Administration which preceded their advent to power in 1861, the Republicans heroically and successfully grappled with and conquered all these obstacles to the life and progress of the nation. They replenished the treasury; they redeemed our credit; they subdued the mightiest rebellion that ever confronted civil power since governments were instituted among men; they struck the shackles from four millions of human beings, and gave them every civil right under the Constitution and the laws. And while accomplishing these herculean tasks, the Republican party administered the Government so wisely that prosperity has been all the time abroad in the land; great business enterprises have been undertaken and successfully prosecuted; factories have been built; forests subdued; farms brought under cultivation; navigable rivers improved; thousands of miles of railway constructed; the continent spanned by telegraph wires; the two oceans well nigh connected by a road of iron; the migrant protected on the remotest frontier; Territories carved out of the wilderness domain; and new States of promise and power added to the National Union.

What other party in the history of this country ever confronted such difficulties? What other party ever gained such victories?

"Pit Schweflebreuner."

The "Pennsylvanisch Deitsh" letters from "Pit Schweflebreuner" are everywhere pronounced decidedly the most perfect productions of the kind that ever appeared in print. Probably no feature of FATHER ABRAHAM contributes as much towards the great popularity of the paper as these productions.

We do not claim for them more than ordinary wit and humor, but only perfection as to the peculiar dialect. One thing, however, is wanted to make them perfect in every respect, and that is, in writing as it is actually spoken by that class of Democrats to which "Pit Schweflebreuner" belongs, it would be necessary also to give the many coarse and vulgar oaths and expressions which characterize their utterances. As our paper is FATHER ABRAHAM, and not a *La Crosse Democrat*, these letters can only appear in such a shape as to fit them for reading in all places and among civilized and christianized people. The writer is, of course, himself a "Pennsylvania Dutchman," and permanently engaged on FATHER ABRAHAM—the only paper in the country in which they appear regularly and originally every week.

Cheering Signs of the Times.

Colloway Nosler, Esq., of Crawfordville, Indiana, a leading Democratic State politician, has just renounced the corrupt party, and declared for Grant and Colfax.

The friends of Grant and Colfax are very confident of carrying Luzerne county in this State, which has heretofore given large Democratic majorities. The Northern tier of counties—Bradford, Tioga, Susquehanna, Potter, McKean and Warren—will all increase their Republican majorities.

Joseph Obert, Esq., proprietor of the extensive Union Boiler Works in the city of Reading, a German of great influence, and heretofore a staunch Democrat, has avowed himself for Grant and Colfax, and, as an appropriate recognition of his influence and patriotism, he was on Saturday last unanimously nominated as the Republican candidate for Sheriff of Berks county.

The *Weekly News*, published at Riverhead, Long Island, heretofore a neutral paper, has run up the flag for Grant and Colfax.

Hon. Wm. Richardson, of Chippeway county, Ohio, one of the Democratic Executive Committee, has just declared for Grant and Colfax.

The Democrats of Preston county, W. Virginia, nominated J. F. Hine, Esq., for County Assessor. Mr. Hine resented the implied question as to his patriotism, and at once avowed himself for Grant and Colfax in the most emphatic manner.

The *Montour American* says a large number of naturalized citizens of that county who have heretofore voted the Democratic ticket are now openly for Grant and Colfax.

The nomination of Seymour and Blair was too much for the San Jose (Cal.) *Patriot*, which paper has just hoisted the Grant and Colfax flag.

At the recent election in Montana Territory the Republicans made a clear gain of nearly six hundred votes.

Col. Harris, Ex-Mayor of Cincinnati, and Collector of the First Ohio Revenue District, is out for Grant and Colfax, and takes the stump. He has run the Johnson machine in that city for two years.

Eighteen members of the "White Boys in Blue" in Muncie, Ind., have become disgusted with the Copperhead organization, and joined the "Fighting Boys in Blue."

Hon. John Hall, of Mason county, West Virginia—a delegate at the late New York Democratic Convention, which nominated Seymour, is out in favor of Grant and Colfax.

Philadelphia.

The prospects of a brilliant Republican victory in the great city of Philadelphia are getting brighter every day. The work of thorough and perfect organization is going on rapidly in every ward and election precinct, and the local ticket gives entire satisfaction to all elements of the Republican party. The Germans of the party are stronger now than ever before, and rapidly adding new members to their clubs. On Monday evening of last week they organized a German Campaign Club at Thirteenth and Spring Garden streets, on which occasion an able speech was made by Dr. J. H. Seltzer. The reception of Gen. Carl Schurz on Saturday evening last, and his powerful speech, also in the German language, did a very good work. The various ward mass meetings of the party are well attended. On Tuesday evening of last week, "FATHER ABRAHAM" had the honor of addressing the Grant, Colfax and Myers Club, of the Thirteenth ward, on which occasion the Hon. Leonard Myers made a powerful and unanswerable speech. Even the candid men among his political opponents admit that he will be triumphantly re-elected to Congress, and his friends claim at least a thousand majority in the district, which has always been a very close one. We desire to record our deliberate conviction, that Philadelphia will roll up a majority of five thousand for Hartranft and Campbell in October next, and thus settle the Presidential question beyond the shadow of a doubt.

Let Them Come On.

The late leaders of the rebellion who have come to the front as leaders of the Democratic party, seem anxious for another war. If their words mean anything they intend there shall be one. So far as we understand the feelings of the Boys in Blue, they will decline no necessity. But let this be understood: If there must be another appeal to arms, the conflict will be short but very decisive. If Toombs, Hampton, Semmes, Forrest & Co., have not had enough of fighting, let them be gratified. Our impression is that after that few of the leaders who talk so defiantly now would ever be heard of as delegates and platform makers in Democratic conventions.

The Congressional Question.

From all we can learn, we are satisfied that the Congressional nomination lays between O. J. Dickey and Ellwood Griest. If it were a mere question as to men, we would not have a word to say about it, as we are, and mean to be, entirely independent, and ask no favors of either candidate. But we have a duty to discharge, as Republican journalists, and that is, to call upon every Republican voter of the county to put an end to the secret oath-bound organization of Thuggery. To have the great Republican party of Lancaster county ruled by an organization or ring of office seekers—an organization which exists only for the purpose of securing offices, contracts and fat jobs for those belonging to it, is simply disgraceful. Should the Thug candidate be nominated, the result will go far to establish and perpetuate the power of the chief to decide, for all time, who shall and who shall not enjoy the confidence of the Republican party of Lancaster county. Ellwood Griest is the Thug-Ring candidate. The Chief has issued his decree, that no man can hope for success next year, or in the immediate future, who dares to question his organization of political brokers, jobbers and office seekers! And many otherwise good men, we have reason to believe, are entirely under his control, and feel compelled to do his work.

If the Old Guard is to preserve her well earned reputation; if her grand majority of over six thousand is to be brought to the polls on the second Tuesday of October next, and if every Republican shall have a fair field for nomination hereafter, the organization of Thuggery must be broken up now. This, in our judgment, can only be done by concentrating the independent and honest Republican voters on O. J. Dickey. It can not be done by scattering the vote upon several candidates. Let every Republican look this truth squarely in the face. Now is the time to ventilate this subject in plain English. Lay aside all personal considerations and peel a solid vote for O. J. Dickey.

Watch Them!

The *Press* says the "carpet-baggers" in the South are hated because they are the *colporteurs of freedom*, the *awful carriers of the school-house*, the printing press and the manufactory. But Pennsylvania is doomed to be invaded by a different set of carpet-baggers—gentlemen who will bring coffee-colored naturalization papers, revolvers and Seymour ballots. We hear from reliable sources that organizations are on foot in Baltimore, and the counties in Maryland that border Southern Pennsylvania, to send upon us thousands of these peripatetic patriots—most of them ex-rebel soldiers, who, having lost the right to vote in their own State, not only exercise that right in defiance of justice, but supplement the assumption by preparing to vote in Pennsylvania in October. But we have a suspicion that these Confederate carpet-baggers will find themselves checked again by the same "Boys in Blue" whose acquaintance they made at Appomattox and Vicksburg.

Retrospective.

In 1864, when Grant was holding Lee in his grasp in the rebel capital, and Sherman was fighting his bloody way to Atlanta, when patriot hearts were cheered by the hope of soon subjugating the rebellion, the Democratic party assembled at Chicago. Horatio Seymour presided. The convention, inspired by slavery, and in sympathy with their rebel Democratic friends in rebellion, resolved that the "war is a failure," and demanded "cessation of hostilities." The Republican party met in convention, declared for the complete abolition of slavery, the subjugation of the rebellion, and the re-election of Abraham Lincoln. The Democracy, boastful as is its wont, received 21 out of 234 electoral votes, and was beaten by a popular majority of more than 400,000 votes. 1866 will be the counterpart of 1864.

Which is Right?

The *New York World*, the Copperhead organ, says that General Grant, as a soldier, is "destitute of ideas and incapable of foresight." Lieut. General Sherman, the gallant soldier, in his address before the Army of the Tennessee, last November, says: "After a whole year of toil and battle, varied in adventure that would fill a volume, that renowned fortress (Vicksburg) succumbed at last to the army and navy, led by two heroes that have no superiors in any country, and both of whom still live to reap the reward of their labors—Grant and Porter." Loyal men and "Boys in Blue," which do you believe—the lies of the Copperhead sheet, or the words of the brave General Sherman? Answer at the polls in October and November next.

General Hartranft.

Whilst the people of Pennsylvania are compelled to pay enormous taxes created by the late Democratic war against the Union, they have the consolation to know that under the able and faithful financial administration of John F. Hartranft, Auditor General, the State debt has been reduced more than five millions of dollars. At this rate our entire State debt will be paid in ten or twelve years. Of course, every citizen of the commonwealth who desires a continued reduction of taxes, and a faithful management of public finances will vote for this honest, able and accomplished public servant.

Remember!

Republicans of the "Old Guard," when asked to support Ellwood Griest as your nominee for Congress, that that gentleman was influential in the defeat of the two wounded soldiers, Captain Godschalk and Major Reinoehl for re-nomination to the Legislature. What do you think of it, soldiers of Lancaster county! Can you support such a man? We guess not.

By Act of the March 1866, Section 28, it is declared that "if any officer of this Commonwealth, or any city, borough, county or township thereof, shall loan out, with or without interest or return therefor, any money or valuable security received by him, or which may be in his possession, or under his control, by virtue of his office, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor in office, and on conviction sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding \$1000, and undergo an imprisonment by separate or solitary confinement at labor, not exceeding five years; and if still in office be adjudged thereafter incapable of exercising the same, and the said office shall be declared vacant by the Court passing the sentence."

Does any body know of any treasurer of the county of Lancaster, not now in his office, who has had money on deposit in any Bank in Lancaster county, for which he received a per centage? If any body does know, let him speak out, for such treasurer, we think, ought not to be elected to Congress.

Our Correspondence.

The Congressional Primary Elections.

EDITORS FATHER ABRAHAM—As a friend of Col. O. J. Dickey for Congress, I deem it my duty to call particular attention to that rule of the party which makes the unsuccessful candidate for Judge of an election district an Inspector, so as to give the minority, as well as the majority, a representation in the election Board, and thus guard against ballot-box stuffing or other frauds. All I ask, and would insist upon, is a fair election and a fair count of the votes to be cast throughout the county. To secure this, let the friends of Col. Dickey, or of any other candidate who may be in a minority in certain townships, be sure to run a candidate for Judge, in every district, so as to secure at least one Inspector, if not the Judge.

HEMPFIELD.

New and Novel!—Grand Democratic Parlor and Variety Concert in Old Berks—Speech, Song, Poetry and Variety!

WOMERSBORO, August 31, 1866. Professor L. Marion Clark, hailing from the far down sands of New Jersey, and labeled "The Actor, Author, Poet, Ventriloquist, Magician, Vocalist and Philosopher," just published a handbill and programme for a "Seymour and Blair Grand Parlor Concert and Variety Entertainment at Seltzer Hall," in the classic and ancient town of Womelsdorf, "Alt Barrieks County." Prof. Clark announces to the astonished native democracy of Womelsdorf and vicinity, that he will introduce "two of his greatest pieces," and also "an immense variety of other novelties too numerous to mention;" that before the concert he will speak from the front of the hotel on the political questions of the day—he being "an eloquent speaker and a sound democrat;" for he says so himself. He "will prove clearly and conclusively that the niggers are determined to rule this country, and crush out the white race entirely," not only in the States of the South, but everywhere! He pledges himself to prove that there is a decided difference between niggers and white democrats. Prof. Clark calls upon "all good, sound democrats," who are yet free from the pernicious influence of free schools—democrats who are not guilty of the stupendous folly of spending their hard earnings for such worthless trash as country soap and fine tooth combs, to "turn out on this glorious occasion, and give their quarters (the price of admission) to enjoy the grand entertainment and help Mr. Clark along in the good cause he has undertaken." As an additional inducement for democrats to rally in their might for this moral, political, social and intellectual democratic parlor entertainment of novelties and varieties, a "subscription list" has been opened "at the office of the Seltzer House," which means, at the bar, where all sorts of red hot democratic refreshments may be obtained in a liquid state, "at all hours of the day (and night) in order that those who cannot attend the grand concert and variety entertainment may have an opportunity of showing their appreciation of Prof. Clark's labors in carrying on his good work, by subscribing their names, and placing a substantial token, in the shape of a 25 cent stamp, in the hands of the clerk of the Hotel," whereupon each depositor will be entitled to one drink of the "very