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MISTER FODDER ABRAHAM:

Ich war uf der Convention letsht woch in Fildelfy, un bin aw froh dos ich dort war. We ich derham ob g'shtart bin hob ich missa tsurick denka en yohr, un mich selwer ferwunnern ea de gross ferenerung sidder ich noch Nei Yorrick gonga bin sellamohls we de demokrata mer my watch g'shtota hen, un we se der Seimoyer g'nominate hen for President. Wann mer draw denkt dos de demokrata un Republicans doch ol mitnommer mensha sin, un bei noddoor cans we's owner; dos se oll in unserm grossa freiaund woona mit gleicha rechta; dos de shoof-heiser un shoof bicher oll uf sin for an yeadas kint im lond, un dos der oll tag weaft for an yeadar Amerikaner, un aw for ordlich feel de kea Amerikaner sin—soddiche, for instance, we de Irische, Fronsosa, Deutsche, Tugs un onere Shponische fillubsters un gorillas, donn sel mer doch bei chucks net mehna dos so an grosser unerschied sei kent twischa de Demokrata un Republicans. Mei cayene erfahrung foram yohr ich selwer noch an demokrata war un uf de Seimoyer's Convention bin in Nei Yorrick, un des yohr we ich uf der Geary's Convention war in Fildelfy, is des: dos der unerschied twischa der Republican party un der Democratish party is about weder unerschied twischa an lot Canadian ponies un a trup long-eariche Ea Le. De fact is mer konn's ma crowd grawd aw sea eb'r Democratish oder Republikanish is. For instance, dorr in Nei Yorrick, selamohls, wars decidedly demokratisch. Eara g'sichter war for common roat, un ungebloat, un a dehl hen ous de awya g'geckt meauer we built-bund dos we mensha. Ich konn se net describa—der shtock war tsu hort. Ich konn yusht sawya dos according tsu mein cayana fessillogical un frennological judgment wahra tswea ous olly drei fun eana regulary pick-pockets, commony deeb, gamblers, drom siffer, bulies un hummers. Dos se mer mei watch g'shtota hen is kea wunner, for sell is sheints der Nei Yorrick demokratisch style—yusht sellamohls war ich ewa s'ler noch an demokrata, un hob mei awya uf grickt noch dem dos ich widder derham war, we de Bevy mers amohl deitlich explained hut.

Awer we wars deletsht woch? Ich will der's sawya. Im arshita plotz bin ich om Railroad shtation aw gland un bin net grawd umring'd warra mit deeb un onery demokrata, awer bin grawd nunnor ous Konshtimentaller Hotel. Weich nei bin un amohl run geguckt hob, donn, du mogst mers noch glauwa odder net, ich hob tsu mer selwer gedentk "du ormer Kitzelderfer fun Schiffletown—wan'd now so a werts-house tsheht we des doh, donn wars aw derwert!" Awer ich hob net lung tsuit g'hot for my admirations gedonka tsu exerseisa iver sell warts-house, for ich war noch kea tswea minnuta bis mer eaner sei hund uf mei oxle gedu hut un sogt, "Gook doh is yoh bei meiner sex aw now der Pit," un ich gook rum, un bohls mich der denkeren wann's net mein freind, der George war. Uf course ich hob hands g'shaked, un war froh can tsu seana. "Sog, Pit," secht er, "geb mer amohl an chawduwock." Ich hob ken, for ich use en net sog ich. "Well donn, husht ferliche a segar." Aw net, sog ich. "Ei was for an ding bisht du donn," secht er. "Kumma donn mit mer un luss uns amohl cans nemma," secht er. Awer ich drink aw nix, for ich hob der Bevy fursprocha nix tsu nemma, un my wart konn ich net brecha." Donn hen mer uns amohl ceta g'huickt un mein George hut mer ollerlea sacha explained fun weaya der Convention. Donn is aw an goner crowd uf g'shtopt, un mein George hut mich introduced tsu eam noch om onner—all first raty kerts un tip-top Republican gentileit. Ich kenn se nimmy all, awer eaner war der Jim Fuller un der Kurnel Hamersly un seller onner Hamersly fun Lehigh county; der Bill Kemble un der Bucky Neel un mein oter freind, seller Duckter Seltzer, un a yeadar hut an iver ous poleiter bow g'macht er hands g'shaked hut mit mer, un gedu was wann an introduction mit mecer ebas abhor dich's wer. Der negest ding dos kumma is war der lawm Jack wu selly gross Teitung druck dort in der shtadt, awer der George hut uns kea introduction geva brucha, for mer sin anonner shun long bekonnt. Der Jack hut mich awer doch gelechort, for er hut mer so an korjoser wink geva un sogt, "Pit, wensht noch we mer in Washington wahra for sell Marshall emty?" Soll was an sockdolager, un se hen oll awfonga tsu tscha, for se hen goot gewist war er meant well se's g'esse hen in FATHER ABRAHAM. Well, des ding war goot, donn sin noch tswea uf g'shtopt, un sin introduced war-

On their behalf I then warmly thanked the convention, and I here desire to reiterate those thanks again to you. And now, after having served the greater portion of the term for which I was elected, and after every official act of mine has been fully criticized and discussed by the people and the press; when you, the chosen representatives of the people from every part of the commonwealth, appear at the bar of public opinion and testify in my behalf, and confer upon me the plaudit, "Well done, good and faithful servant," I certainly need no better, no higher, no stronger verdict. In bearing the banner you have this day confided to me, I pledge you that it shall be carried at the head of the Republican column; its movements shall always be directed to the sound of the heaviest firing; and when the conflict is over, I confidently predict the banner will be placed, as it was in 1860, in triumph upon the dome of the capitol, without spot or blemish, or stripes, and each and every star as bright as when its first effulgence beamed on the country, and Pennsylvania will still be as true as when she signed "the sacred covenant that binds the States together in the bonds of an everlasting union." Should the people again place me in the executive chair, I will continue to use my best exertions to promote everywhere the peace, honor and welfare of my native State, and to secure all the blessings that a good government can bestow upon a free people. And it shall be my pleasure to aid the Chief Magistrate of the nation in his laudable efforts to "let us have peace," and if necessity should require it I will aid him to preserve our national rights and national honor at all hazards and every sacrifice. It shall be my special duty to extend all the influence I may possess to aid in procuring adequate protection for every branch of our domestic industry and productions, and to see that exact justice shall be done to the mechanic and the laborer, as well as to the capitalist, and as far as possible to make them feel that their true interests are one and inseparable. As a candidate I shall be my constant aim to extend strength and confirm the unity and good feeling of the Republican party, and in this work sincerely invoke the aid of every true Republican. For my own part I will not recognize divisions or factions in the party, but will from this time forth look upon it only as united, harmonious, patriotic, and enthusiastic in the development and determination of the great principles and measures of progress for which it was organized. I have no enemies in whose punishment I can take delight, and whatever has been said or done in the excitement of the movements preliminary to this Convention that was wrong and painful to me is frankly forgiven, and as far as possible obliterated from my memory. The Republican party has a proud record in the past, and a glorious future before it. It has accomplished more good in a shorter space of time than any other organization that ever existed, and we have reason to rejoice that it still lives, and moves, and has a being. Among its achievements is the abolishment of slavery. That scandal to humanity and opprobrium of the nation lies dead amidst its worshippers. The rights and privileges of all men are secured in their lives, their homes, their labor and their property. All men are protected because they are men, without reference to race or color. In the language of Abraham Lincoln, it "Cares for him who has borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphan, and seeks to achieve and cherish a lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations." Each individual is animated with love for the Union and for universal liberty. Never was a Republican found guilty of firing into the flag of his country and shooting down its brave defenders. The party has sacredly decreed the payment of the entire debt incurred to save the life of the nation. In a word, it has defeated the nation's enemies, saved the Union, and caused it to be more highly respected and admired throughout the civilized world than ever before. Friends of the four hundred thousand heroes who died for the country, with such a glorious record how can you surrender your government into the hands of those who would have destroyed it within the last six years if they could? The Union is the ark of our safety. The Republican party has proven itself the true friend of the Union. Sustain the Republican party by victory, and you will thereby sustain the Union, and suffer not uncertain rebels and their sympathizers ever to touch the hallowed sanctuaries of either State or national governments. Then let us here "highly resolve" to preserve forever the former in "Virtue, Liberty and Independence;" and to protect, defend and perpetuate the latter, let us here pledge anew "Our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor." Gentlemen of the Convention, again I thank you. RESOLUTIONS OF THE CONVENTION. The following resolutions, after a spirited discussion, were finally adopted: Resolved, That we rejoice in the glorious national victory of 1868, which is bringing peace, happiness, and prosperity to us as a nation. Resolved, That we wholly approve of the principles and policy of the Administration of General Grant, and we heartily endorse every sentiment contained in his inaugural address, and especially do hereby ratify and approve the late amendment proposed by Congress to the Constitution of the United States, and known as the fifteenth amendment. Resolved, That we have confidence that the General Administration will wisely and firmly protect the interests and dignity of the Union in respect to our just claims against Great Britain, and that we endorse the action of the Senate in rejecting the Johnson-Clerendon treaty, known as the Alabama Claims. Resolved, That we heartily sympathize with the struggling people of all nations in their efforts to attain universal freedom and the invaluable rights of man. Resolved, That we confidently endorse the Administration of General John W. Geary, as wise, economical and honest, and that it deserves, as it has received, the approval of the people of Pennsylvania, and we especially commend his uniform efforts to restrain the evils of special legislation. Resolved, That in Hon. Henry W. Williams, our candidate for the Supreme Court, we present a learned, pure, and patriotic jurist, who will adorn the high position to which we purpose to elect him. Resolved, That we reiterate and reaffirm our adherence to the doctrine of protection, as was justly emerging from a most terrible war; and with the dust of battle scarcely brushed from my own garments, and politically inexperienced as I was, I ardently entered upon the contest which resulted so gloriously for the Republican cause in 1866. I did not accept the nomination then in the belief that in my own person I possessed any intrinsic merit, or had rendered any services to my country which entitled me individually to receive it; but I accepted it as a compliment to my comrades in arms, and as a matter due to the three hundred thousand soldiers of Pennsylvania, who had rendered noble service in the field, the aggregate value of which can never be estimated, and to whom we are indebted for a home and a country.

SPEECH OF GOV. GEARY BEFORE THE REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

On Wednesday, after the nomination of Governor Geary as the Republican standard-bearer in the coming campaign, he was waited upon at his hotel and escorted to Concert Hall, where he was received by successive salvos of applause. He addressed the Convention as follows: Mr. President and gentlemen of the Convention: Your committee has informed me that you have nominated me for Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and conferred upon me the distinguished honor of being the standard-bearer of the Republican party for the approaching political contest. For this manifestation of continued confidence and appreciation, I feel that any language I am competent to command is entirely too poor to express, in appropriate terms, the emotions of my heart, and no other resource is left me than frankly to return to you, and through you to my fellow citizens whom you represent, my sincere thanks and gratitude. The nomination of Hon. Henry W. Williams for Judge of the Supreme Court is exceedingly gratifying to me. His pure and unsullied character as a man, connected with a high order of talent, cultivated intellect, eminent legal attainments and energetic industry, proclaim him the right man for that position, and induced me to place him where he now is. The remarkable unanimity that has characterized your action in reference to Judge Williams and myself inspires me with high hopes and brilliant anticipations. It augurs with certainty a favorable and triumphant result by the people, and gives "goodly promise of a glorious day in action." When I contemplate the labor, anxiety of mind, and responsibility that must necessarily be devolved upon me during the canvass for an election of such magnitude, a consciousness of the difficulties surrounding the task causes me almost instinctively to shrink from the undertaking. But I confidently look to a higher Power, and to my fellow citizens, for that aid, support and encouragement which may enable me to steer the Republican ship with safety through the breakers of the coming conflict. Satisfied that my trust is not misplaced, I unhesitatingly accept the distinguished honor that has been conferred upon me by this honorable Convention. Three years ago a similar honor was conferred upon me at a period when our nation was just emerging from a most terrible war; and with the dust of battle scarcely brushed from my own garments, and politically inexperienced as I was, I ardently entered upon the contest which resulted so gloriously for the Republican cause in 1866. I did not accept the nomination then in the belief that in my own person I possessed any intrinsic merit, or had rendered any services to my country which entitled me individually to receive it; but I accepted it as a compliment to my comrades in arms, and as a matter due to the three hundred thousand soldiers of Pennsylvania, who had rendered noble service in the field, the aggregate value of which can never be estimated, and to whom we are indebted for a home and a country.

Our Little Jokes.

The life-preservers oftentimes used in the battle-field—legs. If exercise promotes health, those who collect old bills for a printer will be the longest-lived people on top of dirt. Never wait for a thing to turn up. Go and turn it up yourself. It takes less time, and is sure to be done. Why is fashionable society like a warming-pan? Because it is highly polished, but very hollow. A good suggestion is like a crying baby at a concert—it ought to be carried out. Saxe says: "Laws, like sausages, cease to inspire respect in proportion as to how they are made." Billings blows that the hardest work a fellow can do is to spark two gals at once—and preserve a good average. "I think our church will last a good many years yet," said a waggish deacon to his minister, "I see the sleepers are very sound." Girls sometimes put their lips out poutingly because they are angry, and sometimes because they are disposed to meet you half-way. Utah exhibits specimens of raisins. Of all raisins, raisin' children would seem to be their best hold. In Cork, Ireland, a short time ago, the crier of the court endeavored to clear it by exclaiming, "All ye blackguards that isn't lawyers lave the court." "My dear," said an affectionate spouse to her husband, "am not I your only treasure?" "Yes," was the cool reply, "and I would willingly lay it up in heaven." Little Johnny was being catechised by his brother, who asked him what he was made of. Johnny replied: "You and me and papa are made of dust, and mamma and sister are made of men's wibs." A little boy being asked if he knew where liars went, answered yes—that they went to New York and wrote for a copperhead newspaper. Those exposed to summer sun are recommended to put cabbage leaves in their hats—but this remedy is not necessary to those who wear cabbage heads. It is estimated that there were seven miles of violin strings in the coliseum orchestra. How many miles of catastrophe must have occurred to produce the material! One of the superb styles of ladies' hats now worn is called the butter dish. They are a cross between a snapping turtle and a warning pan—and are so nice! The most tender-hearted man ever heard of was a shoemaker, who always shut his eyes and whistled when he ran his awl into a sole. A surgical journal speaks of a man who lived five years with a ball in his head. A waggish friend of ours says he has known ladies to live twice as long with nothing but balls in their heads. "Well George," asked a friend of a young lawyer who had been admitted about a year, "how do you like your new profession?" The reply was accompanied by a brief sigh to suit the occasion: "My profession is much better than my practice." To be a woman of fashion is one of the easiest things in the world. A late writer thus describes it: "Buy everything you don't want, and pay for nothing you get; smile on all mankind but your husband; be happy everywhere but at home." Some one blamed Dr. Marsh for changing his mind. "Well," said he, "that is the difference between a man and a jackass; the jackass can't change his mind, and the man can—it's a human privilege." "Does my son William, that's in the army, get plenty to eat?" said an old woman to a recruiting sergeant, the other day. "He sees plenty," was the laconic reply. "Bless his heart, then, I know he'll have it if he can see it; he always would at home." A modern writer gives the following enumeration of female eyes: "The glare, the stare, the sneer, the invitation, the defiance, the denial, the consent, the glance of love, the flash of rage, the sparkling of hope, the languishment of softness, the squint of avarice, the fire of jealousy, and the lustre of pleasure." A young woman in Davenport, Iowa, stopped a respectable citizen in the street a few days ago, and throwing her arms around him kissed him ingloriously, exclaiming at the same time: "I am on woman's rights this morning." The astonished kisser shoved the assailant off the sidewalk, whereupon she had him arrested for disturbing the peace. An Israelite lady, sitting in the same box at an opera with a physician, was much troubled with ennui, and happened to gape. "Excuse me, madame," said the doctor, "I am glad you did not swallow me." "Give yourself no uneasiness," replied the lady, "I am a Jewess, and never eat pork." As cool a person, under the circumstances, as ever we heard of, was a young nobleman, who, in a frightful railroad accident, missed his valet. One of the guards came up to him and said: "My lord, we have found your servant, but he is cut in two." "Ah, is he?" said the young man with a dreary drawl, but with a shade of anxiety depicted on his countenance; "will you be kind enough to see in which half he has the key of my carpet-bag?" "Charles Augustus, how do you like my new bonnet, just from Madame Gay-lark?" asked Araminta Euphrosina, yesterday, on Gold-front avenue. "Very much, aw very much, my dear. You always look so very charming, you do. But my dear, where the deuce is it, though? I can't see a thing, you know." Araminta explains that it is directly on the top of her head, but is shaded by a love of a ruse-bud. At a school in the north of England, during a lesson on the animal kingdom, the teacher put the following question: "Can any boy name to me an animal of the order of edentata—that is the front toothless animal?" A boy whose face beamed with pleasure at the prospect of a good mark, replied: "I can!" "Well, what is the animal?" "My grandmother," replied the boy, with great glee.

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