

DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS.

FOR GOVERNOR: COL. WILLIAM BIGLER, OF CLARION COUNTY. FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER: GEN. SETH CLOVER, OF CLARION COUNTY.

FOR JUDGES OF THE SUPREME COURT.

FERMIAN S. BLACK, Somerset. JAMES CAMPBELL, Philadelphia. ELLIS LEWIS, Lancaster. JOHN B. GIBSON, Cumberland. WALTER H. LOWRIE, Allegheny.

STATE SENATOR.

AMOS R. BOUGHTER, of Lebanon Co.

Associate Judges.

We are authorized by many of our Democratic friends to say that Hon. JACOB GROSS and EMMETT SCHAEFFER, will be strongly supported for the office of Associate Judges of this county.

County Committee Meeting.

Agreeably to notice, the Democratic County Committee of Lancaster county, met at the public house of William J. Steele, in the city of Lancaster, on Thursday the 24th of October, 1851.

The following proceedings were had, viz: Resolved, That the Chairman of this Committee be authorized to issue, at such time as he deem most appropriate, a call to the Democracy of the county, to elect delegates to a County Convention, to be held on the 10th of the month of November next.

A communication from Mr. Jacob B. Amwake, repeating the offer made in June last to re-open and disregard the decisions of the Reading and Harrisburg Conventions, in favor of the right of the Fordyce Committee to represent the Democracy, was presented, and on motion laid on the table, and the Chairman directed to inform Mr. Amwake of the action of the Committee.

On motion, the public house of Wm. J. Steele was selected as the HEAD QUARTERS of the Democratic party on the day of the election.

JOSEPH NEWTON LIGHTNER, Chairman. JOHN L. KEFFER, Secy.

Meeting at Fitzpatrick's.

An immense meeting of the Democracy of the city took place, at Fitzpatrick's Hotel, in South Queen Street, on Wednesday evening last. The meeting was organized by the appointment of the following officers, viz:

President—George Sanderson. Vice Presidents—Francis Russell, Robert King, John Brown, Thomas C. Wiley.

Secretary—Alexander H. Sherz. On motion, the meeting was adjourned and eloquently addressed by Hiram B. Swart, Esq. At the close of his remarks, the crowd had become so great as to render an adjournment to the day necessary—where it was addressed by Messrs. James L. Reynolds, John S. Dougherty, S. E. W. Becker and Jacob B. Amwake and William Mathias, all of whom were loudly applauded by the vast assemblage.

At the conclusion of the speaking the meeting adjourned with three cheers to meet again at Evening's Hotel, (Spring Garden), on Saturday evening the 4th inst., from whence (if the meeting so determine) they will march in procession to the public house of Mr. Royer, corner of South Duke and Vine Streets.

Tremendous Rally!

An immense meeting of the Democracy was held at Evening's Hotel, on Saturday evening. The meeting was organized by appointing Michael Withers, President; Jacob Winslow, John Brown, Henry M. Reigart and Francis Russell, Vice Presidents; and John L. Keffer and Philip Wallace, Secretaries.

The meeting was ably and eloquently addressed by Messrs. Mathias, Reynolds and Frazer; when a procession was formed, and after marching through several of the principal streets of the city, under the direction of Messrs. Mathias and Huffing, was halted at the public house of Mr. Reah, in N. Queen Street, where the immense assemblage was again addressed by Messrs. Myers, Hill, Fott and Egby.

The meeting then adjourned to meet at the public house of Philip Snyder, in E. King Street, on Monday evening.

Democratic Meetings.

At York's (North Queen and Chenutt) this evening (Tuesday), at 7 o'clock. At Hinkley's (Manor st., to-morrow (Wednesday) evening.

At Andrew Bear's (North Queen), Thursday evening. At David Reas' (North Queen), Saturday evening.

A meeting of the Brethren Club, and the Democratic generally, will be held at the public house of Dr. Potts, East King Street, on Friday evening—also at the Court House, on Monday evening. The latter meeting will be addressed by JAMES BUCHANAN.

A Democratic meeting will be held at the public house of John Davis, at Roubertstown, on Thursday next, the 9th of Oct., at 7 o'clock, P. M.

A Democratic meeting will be held at the public house of Isaac Kress, in Strasburg, this evening (Tuesday), at 7 o'clock. The speakers announced are Col. Reah Fraser, Jas. L. Reynolds, William Mathias, H. S. Myers and W. F. S. Warren.

A meeting of the Democrats of Paradise and the surrounding townships will be held at the public house of M. Polts, in WILLIAMS TOWN, Paradise township, on Thursday evening, the 9th inst., at 6 o'clock. The speakers are to be Messrs. J. L. Reynolds, Hiram B. Swart, Wm. Mathias, Geo. Sanderson, John M. Amwake and N. Lightner.

A Democratic meeting will be held at the public house of JOHN FOX, in West Earl twp., on SATURDAY NEXT, the 11th inst., at 1 o'clock, P. M. Messrs. Reynolds, Mathias, Sanderson and Buchanan are expected to address the meeting.

A Democratic meeting will be held at the public house of Loretta Kelly, in the borough of Washington, on Wednesday evening, October 8th, 1851.

The Democracy of Columbia, West Hempfield and Manor townships, Sale Harbor, and other places are invited to attend. The speakers are Wm. H. Welsh, Esq., of York; Col. Reah Fraser, James L. Reynolds, Wm. Mathias, Hiram B. Swart, John S. Dougherty, Esq., of Lancaster city, will be present and address the meeting.

A Mass Meeting.

The Democratic citizens of Columbia and vicinity, will hold a general Mass Meeting on FRIDAY EVENING NEXT, at the Town Hall, when the Hon. JAMES BUCHANAN, Wm. Wood, Col. Reah Fraser, DAVID DOUGHERTY, ROBERT TYLER, W. H. WELSH, NEWTON LIGHTNER, and W. FARNEY, and other distinguished Democrats of the State are expected to be present.

Plainfield Classical Academy.

We direct public attention to an advertisement in another column respecting this excellent institution. It has now been in existence nearly six years, and has been gradually but surely increasing in public favor and usefulness, until it ranks second to no similar educational establishment in the State. The Principal, Mr. Burns, is a gentleman and a scholar in every sense of the words, and the location of this institution is in all respects a most desirable place for the mental and moral improvement of youth.

We direct the attention of capitalists and millers to the valuable Mill Property of Mr. SAJEL KELLER, advertised for public sale in another column. It is one of the most desirable properties of the kind in the county, and will be sold on accommodating terms.

VALUABLE PREPARATIONS.—The GARNMAN WASHINGTON PHLEGA, manufactured at No. 10, South Fifth Street, Philadelphia, by J. P. HORT, is highly spoken of on all hands by those who have tried it.

Dr. HORT'S Heave Powders is also said to be a most valuable remedy for the cure of Heaves in Horses, and is recommended by many of the most experienced Veterinary Surgeons in the country.

For further particulars, see advertisements in another column.

Farmers, Remember!

Under the National Administration of JAMES K. POLK, and the State Administration of FRANCIS R. SMITH, you got \$1.25 per bushel for your WHEAT, and \$6.00 per barrel for your FLOUR. Every other kind of produce brought a correspondingly high price.

But now, under the FILLMORE and JOHNSON dynasty, Flour is only worth \$3.75 per barrel, whilst wheat is sold at 75 cents per bushel! These are facts which speak louder than words, and facts, too, which every Farmer knows to his sorrow. What is the cause of this serious decline in the price of Flour and Grain? One cause undoubtedly is, the want of confidence in the measures and policy of the "powers that be." Restore confidence in the Government, by electing Colonel BIGLER and the Democratic ticket, and a better state of things will be brought about in a short time.

The Whigs try to relieve their rulers from all blame, by attributing the low price of produce to the operation of the Tariff of 1846. But that law was in operation during three-fourths of Mr. Polk's and Mr. Smith's administrations, and yet the price kept up until they went out of power—therefore it cannot be justly charged to that cause.

But suppose the Whigs succeeded in establishing a high protective tariff, what would be the consequence? A still farther reduction in the price of Flour and Grain, undoubtedly—lor, if the duties on imports are raised, there would be less demand for these imports—consequently foreign countries could not buy our Flour and Grain, but would be compelled to make their purchases of bread-stuffs from those people who buy their manufactures.

Let the Farmers of Lancaster county think of these things before depositing their votes in the ballot box.

Remember Voters.

That Governor JOHNSON, having the fear of the Abolitionists before his eyes, issued no proclamation, offered no reward for the apprehension of the Christiana murderers, until the 5th day after the occurrence!

REMEMBER, that JOHNSON was in the Cars when they stopped at Christiana, on the day of the tragedy—and when spoken to on the subject, said he did not leave the Cars because he "was no Coroner; no committing magistrate; he could do nothing for a dead man; could not have done any thing for a dead man if he had got out of the cars and staid a week." Thus evincing a heartless indifference to the feelings of the murdered man's relatives present, as well as an utter disregard of his high duties as Chief Magistrate of the Commonwealth.

REMEMBER, that this same Governor passed on from Christiana to Philadelphia, where he made a speech to his political brethren, but said not a word about the murder!

REMEMBER, that on Friday he went to Reading; but not finding rest for the sole of his foot in Old Berks, he wended his way back to Lancaster County and made a speech in New Holland, on Saturday—but not a word was uttered in reference to the Christiana affair!

REMEMBER, that the Abolitionists have been proclaiming it publicly for months past, that Gov. JOHNSON was under pledges to them to veto the bill passed at the last session of the Legislature, known as the repeal of the obstruction law!

REMEMBER, that the persons composing the meeting held in Bart township, in October last, who passed such violent resolutions in opposition to the Fugitive Slave law, are all warm supporters of JOHNSON, and, of course, approve of his delay in issuing a proclamation!

DON'T FORGET, that JOHN STROHM's rallying cry in 1840 was "Two dollars a day and Road Beef"—and that his rallying cry in Congress was NO BEEF for our soldiers in Mexico!

Democrats of Lancaster County!

The time is near at hand when every man is expected to do his duty.

On this day a week, the most momentous questions ever submitted for the decision of the people of Pennsylvania, are to be decided at the polls.

A GOVERNOR, A SUPREME COURT, A CANAL COMMISSIONER.

Are all to be elected—and but a few days remain for work. In addition—the result of this election depends, in all human probability, the perpetuity of our glorious UNION, and the onward march of our country to greatness and to power.

Let every Democrat, therefore, be up and doing. Are the different Township and Borough Committees at work? Is every district organized? Will every friend of BIGLER, CLOVER, BLACK, CAMPBELL, LEWIS, GIBSON and LOWRIE be at the polls? Democrats of Lancaster County—give one full day to your country, on TUESDAY NEXT, and as much more of your time as you can spare during the present week.

Let it rain or shine, see to it that every Democratic vote in the County is deposited in the ballot box on TUESDAY NEXT.

Hear the B'hoys.

"So desperate have the locofocoes become at the unmitigable prospects of re-election, that I really believe if they could they would force the election of their candidates.—Johnson in Holidaysburg.

Undoubtedly they will force the election—but it will not be by buckshot and bayonet, as the Whigs once attempted to force it. The Democracy will force it by the thunder tones of the ballot box a force more terrible than "an army with banners"—a force like a mountain avalanche, that will sweep them down and bury them—a force that they know and have often felt before.

His Excellency should know that it is not Democrats who attempt to subvert the will of the people. The strongest article of Democratic faith is to bow submissively to the will of the majority.—All past experience proves this. His own election is a strong illustration of the fact. By fraudulent and illegal votes polled in Schuylkill county his Excellency got into office, and the Democratic party made no effort to oust him, and the Democratic party had to turn back a leaf and take a glance at the history of the past. When D. R. Porter was elected Governor despite of the colonization of whigs voters in Huntingdon, Adams and other counties what then? Why, in their desperation they concluded to "treat the election as if it had never been held!" and in order to keep Democrats from the offices to which a clear majority of the people had elected them, the whig and anti-masonic powers sent to Philadelphia for a regiment of soldiers, armed and equipped with buckshot and ball, to intimidate and overawe the people. And this was done at an expense of two hundred thousand dollars to the taxpayers of Pennsylvania.

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A Few Plain Words.

Fellow Democrats of Lancaster County! Before our next issue shall have reached many of the remote districts, you will have deposited your votes in the ballot boxes; and so far as you may have decided the questions at issue between the two great parties of the Commonwealth. You will then have said whether you are content that the reins of government shall remain for another three years in the hands that now so unworthily hold them, or whether you, by your suffrages, are disposed to restore them to Democratic control. You will have said whether WILLIAM F. JOHNSON, with all his Abolition heresies and general character for demagoguism shall continue to rule over you—or whether that pure and noble minded Democratic statesman, WILLIAM BIGLER, is to be the Chief Magistrate of this mighty Commonwealth for the next gubernatorial term.

You will also have decided the question between SETH CLOVER, the honest, intelligent and patriotic Democratic candidate for Canal Commissioner—and JOHN STROHM, the Whig candidate, the man who, in the seat which he disgraced in Congress, refused to vote supplies of men and money to save our gallant little army in Mexico from ruin and starvation.

You will also have decided the great question of the Judiciary—a question of vast importance to the voters of Pennsylvania; in last resort, may depend the life, liberty and property of every citizen. The Democratic candidates, JUDAS BLACK, CAMPBELL, LEWIS, GIBSON and LOWRIE, are all jurists of great experience, enlarged and liberal views—emanating from the people, they know the wants and wishes of the masses, and their decisions will be in accordance with right and justice, and in consonance with the letter and spirit of the Constitution. Not so with their opponents. For, how often must we respect several of them as lawyers and as men, their education, associations and predilections will necessarily incline them to look upon the masses as far beneath themselves, and their decisions will partake more or less (however much they may wish to do justice) of that aristocratic bearing and tendency which have at all times and under all circumstances, but with few exceptions, characterized the Judges of the party to which they belong.

Fellow Democrats of the remote districts, at the approaching election on Tuesday next. See to it that every Democratic vote in your several districts is brought to the polls. Let it rain or shine, be up your posts, and spare no pains—relax not effort, until every Democratic vote is safely deposited in the ballot box. Let the old and the young—the aged and the middle aged—the sick and infirm all be brought out, and our word for it, a glorious and triumphant victory awaits you.

After Tuesday next, you can rest from your toils. Until then, let action, action, ACTION be your rallying cry from one end of the county to the other, and from the centre to the circumference.

We have discharged our duty.

SUPURIOUS TICKETS!

BWARE OF TRICKERY, DEMOCRATS!!!

We caution our Democratic friends all over the county to beware of supurious tickets. There is, without doubt, a deep-laid scheme to defeat Gen. CLOVER and elect JOHN STROHM Canal Commissioner. There has been a ticket, as we are credibly informed, purporting to be the so-called Democratic County Ticket, nominated on the 10th of September, printed at one of the Whig offices in this City, with the name of JOHN STROHM upon it, instead of SETH CLOVER, for Canal Commissioner.

At whose instance this ticket has been printed we do not pretend to say—it is sufficient that we announce the fact to the Democracy of Lancaster County. That a dead seal will be made against Gen. CLOVER, in this county, we have all along believed. But we prefer no charges against any one—merely call the attention of our Democratic fellow citizens to this bold attempt (let it emanate from whom it may,) to defeat the election of the Democratic candidate for Canal Commissioner, and to warn our friends to be on their guard against this new device of the enemy.

We have also reason to believe that the Democratic Judicial ticket has likewise been altered, and that the names of JAMES CAMPBELL and ELLIS LEWIS have been stricken off, and those of RICHARD CONYER and WILLIAM M. MERRITT, two of the Whig candidates substituted.

These supurious tickets, will doubtless be scattered in thousands over the county—and it behooves the Township and Borough Committees, and the active men of the party generally, to be on their guard, so as to prevent any of our Democratic friends from being imposed upon by such base trickery and rascality.

The True Issue.

The Governor's organ is still harping about the Governor having paid off the State debt, and reducing the taxes. If the taxes have been reduced why is it that every farmer finds that he has paid in a single year more than he has ever paid before? Let them have shown from the records that the taxes have been largely increased under JOHNSON'S administration. This clamor and falsehood about the redemption of the debt and lessening the taxes all reduction, and only intended to divert attention from a *corrupt subject*.

The true issue is that Gov. JOHNSON and his friends created the debt that made the sinking fund necessary. The people remember that Gov. JOHNSON voted \$400,000 to the Gettysburg railroad.

They remember that he voted \$75,000 to the Kittanning feeder.

They remember that he voted \$133,000 to the Sunnyside extension.

They remember that he voted \$150,000 to the Danville and Pottsville railroad.

They remember that he voted \$140,000 to the Laughlinton and Pittsburg railroad, that never was incorporated.

They remember that he voted \$120,000 to the Norristown railroad.

They remember that he voted \$400,000 to the Union Canal.

The remember that he voted for a bill appropriating THREE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS to State and company improvements in one year, and that Gov. RITNER said that such appropriation would increase the State debt, in four years, to \$45,000,000.

And, lastly, they remember that if it had not been for this kind of extravagance by Gov. JOHNSON, and the Union Stevens & Co., there would have been no necessity for establishing a sinking fund.—Investigator.

Ploughing Match.

The match projected under the auspices of the Lancaster County Agricultural Society took place near this city on Monday afternoon of last week. The day was very unfavorable, a cold rain commencing to fall before the operations had fairly begun notwithstanding, there was a large number of persons on the ground.

The following were competitors: Reuben Weidler, U. Leacock; Isaac Lantz, Strasburg; Benj. Longenecker, Strasburg; Emanuel Rutter, W. Earl; Jas. Bone, Manor; Emanuel Dabler, Lancaster twp.; Adam Herr, Manor; Daniel S. Herr, Lancaster twp.; David Gochnauer, E. Hempfield.

To the following contestants were awarded the premiums: D. S. Herr, \$40. James Bone, \$30. Reuben Weidler, \$20. Isaac Lantz, \$10. David Gochnauer, \$5.

The Judges were Daniel Hamaker, Manheim; C. B. Herr, Manor; John Bachman, Strasburg.

The ground was not in a good condition for ploughing, but the work was made of the best description possible under the circumstances.

If we are pleased to announce that our contemporary, Col. W. M. HUTCHES, of the Eastern Argus, has been nominated by the Democracy of Northampton county, as one of their candidates for the Assembly. It is an honor well deserved—and of his election there cannot be a doubt.

Why all this clamor about the payment of the State debt?

One would suppose by the great display of large type and figures in the Governor's proclamation, that the whole State debt had been paid off and the people relieved from taxation. So it is a matter well worth the inquiry of tax-payers how much of the State debt has actually been paid, and how much their taxes have been reduced; or, surely, if any considerable portion of the debt had been paid, would the interest in proportion. Well, a statement, certified from the books of the Auditor General and under his seal of office, shows that there has been paid in the last three years, the sum of \$358,478 54 on the State debt; and the same statement shows a large annual increase of the TAXES assessed upon the real and personal estate of the people. Here they are in one fact which interests the tax-payers. Their taxes have been increased. This naturally leads to the reflection and inquiry of who paid what has been paid on the State debt? On this point we extract the following very sensible remarks from the Keystone:

A small portion of the State debt, we are told by the Governor's proclamation, has actually been paid, and we propose to inquire briefly, who paid that? We are glad to find the credit of relieving the people of Pennsylvania from this slight share of their burden, a relief so slight, that it might not have been perceived if they had not been informed of the fact by the Governor's proclamation.

The Whigs say that Gov. JOHNSON is entitled to the credit of relieving the people of Pennsylvania from this slight share of their burden, a relief so slight, that it might not have been perceived if they had not been informed of the fact by the Governor's proclamation.

It is then the commissioners of the sinking fund, consisting of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, the Auditor General and State Treasurer, have paid off the debt by applying a certain portion of the taxes, appropriated by law to that purpose, to the purchase of certain evidences of indebtedness which they have cancelled and now certify the fact to the Governor, who, as by law required, proclaims it to the people of the State. The Governor, then, had nothing to do with it, not even a ministerial or executive agency; his whole part in the transaction consists in his receiving the report of the commissioners and making it known to the citizens of the State, which has been very well done by the commissioners themselves without his intervention.

It is then the commissioners of the sinking fund who have actually paid this amount of the debt, and if any public officers are entitled to credit they are the men who have received the money and have faithfully administered the law, by appropriating the taxes as the law required, and nothing more.

But, then, who paid the State debt? Our question is not who received the money, but who paid it. If the debt, or any portion of it, is actually paid, somebody must have paid it, some body has furnished the means, and is entitled to the credit.—Where did all the money come from? It came where all the money comes from, from the pockets of the people. The State is indebted to the people of the State. The Governor, then, had nothing to do with it, not even a ministerial or executive agency; his whole part in the transaction consists in his receiving the report of the commissioners and making it known to the citizens of the State, which has been very well done by the commissioners themselves without his intervention.

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"The Boot on the Other Leg."

Governor JOHNSON claims the credit of having originated the "Sinking Fund." This is a claim not warranted by the facts. The fact is that Governors Wolf, Porter and Shunk all recommended that measure—and by reference to the Senate Journal of 1846, page 109, on the 28th of January, it will be seen that Col. WILLIAM BIGLER, our candidate for Governor, "read in his place and presented to the Chair" an bill entitled "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE GRADUAL PAYMENT OF THE STATE DEBT"—the fifth and sixth sections of which bill read as follows:

SECTION 5. It shall be the duty of the State Treasurer to keep a separate and distinct account of the moneys received under the provisions of this act, and the same shall constitute a Sinking Fund for the gradual liquidation of the public debt in the manner hereinafter prescribed.

SECTION 6. That the Governor, State Treasurer and Auditor General, be and they are, constituted a board of commissioners, to be called "THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUND." And it is hereby made the duty of the aforesaid commissioners to use the moneys that may accumulate in the sinking fund in the purchase of State securities, at such times and in such manner as in their judgment will best promote the interest of the Commonwealth; said commissioners shall keep a record of their proceedings in a book to be kept for that purpose, and shall annually communicate to the Legislature the amount of moneys received, and the amount of the debt actually paid, and the amount of the moneys remaining on hand.

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