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DEMOCRATIC STATE NOMINATIONS.

JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT:
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COUNTY COMMITTEE MEETING.

The County Committee met, agreeably to the call of the Chairman, at the hotel of Emanuel Shober, in Lancaster, on Saturday, the 28th inst., at 10 o'clock, A. M. The following members were present, viz:

H. B. SWARR, City, Chairman.

Adamstown—Elias Redcay, jr.,	Pequea—Daniel Fulton,
Colerain—A. D. Whiteside,	Lancaster City,
Columbia,	S. W. W.—Jacob F. Kautz,
S. W.—F. H. Ebur,	S. E. W.—James H. Barnes,
Conestoga—John Kolp,	Lampeter E.—Col. J. Lightner
Donegal E.—Jacob Spiese,	" W.—Samuel Long,
Elizabthtown—J. A. Gross,	Leacock U.—Dr. A. S. Bare,
Eden—Henry H. Breneman,	Lanc'r Twp.—Benj. Huber,
Fulton—Samuel Wicks, Esq.,	L. Britain—B. S. Patterson,
Hempfield E.—Dr. S. Parker,	Manheim Bor.—Nat. Worley,
Strasburg Twp.—Jacob Neff	Warwick—S. E. Keller,
" Bor.—W. T. M'Phail,	Washington—Jos. E. Charles,
Leacock—John L. Lightner.	

On motion, H. H. Breneman was appointed Secretary.

After a full interchange of opinion, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Chairman of the County Committee be instructed to issue a call to the Democracy of the city and county, for the election of Delegates, on SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th, 1858, in the several wards, boroughs and townships of the county, to meet in County Convention, at Fulton Hall, on WEDNESDAY, the 15th day of SEPTEMBER next.

On motion, the Committe then adjourned.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION.

In pursuance of the authority given the undersigned by a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Democratic County Committee, held on Saturday the 28th of August, 1858, you are requested to assemble in the several wards of the City, Boroughs and Townships of the County, on

Saturday the 11th of September next,

then and there to elect not less than THREE nor more than FIVE delegates, to represent each district in a general County Convention, to be held on WEDNESDAY the 15th of SEPTEMBER next, following, at 11 o'clock, A. M., at Fulton Hall, in the City of Lancaster, for the purpose of forming a ticket to be supported at the next General Election.

☞ The Township Committees are requested to give early notice, in their respective districts, of the time and place of meeting for the election of delegates.

By order of the County Committee.

H. B. SWARR, Chairman.

LANCASTER, August 31, 1858.

TOWNSHIP AND BOROUGH COMMITTEES.

Adamstown—Elias Redcay, jr., Henry Stauffer, Richard J. Regan.
Bart—Harrison Graham, Martin Felix, Adam Rutter.
Brecknock—Reuben E. Shober, Jonathan Smith, Joel Kind, John W. Lorah, Benjamin Kessler
Carnarvon—Dr. Levi Z. Ringwalt, James Miller, Joseph Spotts, Geo. D. McCormick, Martin Leber.
Clay—John B. Eberly, William Kline, jr., John Dommy, Samuel Enck, Martin Bentz.
Colerain—James Turner, Wm. Galbraith, Wm. H. Whiteside, Simeon Swisher, D. H. Bunting.
Columbia N. W.—Joseph M. Watts, Casper Seibert, Fred. Hagman, John K. Eberlin, Philip Ault.
" S. W.—J. E. Maxton, M. Clepper, L. Tredenick, M. Hays, James Collins.
Cocalico East—Cyrus Ream, George F. Stump, Abraham Myers, Col. Andrew Ream, Samuel Bucher.
Cocalico West—Dr. Samuel Weest, Joseph Landis, Augustus Strein, Peter Kegerize, John Reinhold.
Conestoga—Samuel S. Welsh, Henry Hammer, John Madden, John Martin, Esq., John Hess.
Cony—George Hackenberger, Frederick Dase, Henry Nagle, Henry Nophsker, John B. Small.
Donegal East—Jacob Bower, Henry Jacobs, Jacob Peck, George Henderson, John Morten.
Donegal West—Jonathan Diffenderfer, Mathias Shank, Jacob Lindemuth.
Drumore—[illegible] McSparren, George R. Hastings, Clarkson Phillips.
Earl—Alfred Ellmaker, W. D. Smoker, J. C. Martin, Peter Ream, Adam Overly.
Earl East—George Duchman, Aaron Stauffer, Harrison Haller, Reuben Schneader, James Hammond.
Earl West—Jacob Busser, Jacob Smith, John Forney.
Ephrata—Jacob Longenecker, Washington Fry, Benj. Uhrich, Martin S. Bard, Samuel Slough.
Elizabethtown—Henry M. Brenneman, Jas. Wilson, G. W. Boyer, Dr. Isaac Bowman.
Elizabeth—Benjamin Brattigam, John W. Gable, Oliver Caldwell, Joseph Mathews, John Elser, Jr
Eden—James Montgomery, Jr., Robert Evans, John Graham, James Duncan, James Brown, Jacob Mayers.
Fulton—Samuel W. Scott, Lawrence Hipple, Joseph Swift, John Kennedy, John A. Lightner, Amos Lyle.
Hempfield East—Henry Hoffman, David Baker, Jacob Sener, Benjamin Lutz, John Russell.
Hempfield West—John Stillinger, John Boyce, Jacob Hogendobler, George Rettew, David Weidler.
City—N. W. W.—John R. Russell, Charles R. Frailey, H. Blickensderfer, Col. John Rankin, Geo. W. Brown.
S. W. W.—Alfred Sanderson, Dr. H. Carpenter, Henry Schaum, Frederick Coonley, James Peoples.
N. E. W.—C. M. Howell, Benj. Lichty, Jacob Zecher, Wm. Lowry, Henry C. Wentz.
S. E. W.—Col. W. S. Amweg, John Deaner, John Hensler, Wm. A. Morton, Davis Kitch.
Lancaster Twp.—Peter E. Lightner, Daniel Hartman, Wm. Deitrich.
Lampeter East—Andrew M. Frantz, Thos. B. Row, Archibald T. Lytle, Amos Gara, Bolden Miller.
Lampeter West—Samuel Raub, Henry M. Miller, Jacob Kauts, Benjamin Leckey, Abraham Sides.
Leacock—Peter Beam, Robert J. Knox, Isaac Dunlap, Isaiah M'Kilips, Dr. S. Sample.
Leacock Upper—Wm. Waldman, Isaac L. Barr, Dr. Isaac C. Weidler, Washington Simmons, Frederick Cremer.
Little Britain—C. W. Hayes, Joseph Jones, Henry Kelso, D. K. Hilton, Morris Reynolds.
Manheim Bor.—A. J. Eby, Jacob E. Cross, S. S. Young, David Wolf, Jacob Neavling.
Manheim Twp.—John S. Hostetter, Joseph Wisner, Geo. Hambright, John Flory, P. M'Evoy.
Manor—Park Mason, Jacob G. Peters, Geo. G. Brush, Charles J. Rhodes, C. H. Charles.
Martic—William E. Ramsey, Jacob Otto, Samuel J. Kirkwood, William Wentz, Abraham Shenk.
Marietta Bor.—Joseph Buchanan, E. P. Trainer, John Wolfersberger, John Crull, W. L. Carter.
Mount Joy Bor.—Joshua Leader, J. H. Breneman, Alex. Reese, H. B. McNeal, C. W. Johnston, James Barlow.
Mount Joy Twp.—John Sheaffer, Jacob Grove, Jacob Hiestand.
Paradise—Amos A. Hauk, John Armstong, John Gibbons, Jos. Hamilton, Henry Girvin.
Penn—Aaron Longenecker, Samuel Plasterer, James McMullin, Adam Habecker, William Rettew.
Pequea—Christian R. Herr, Michael Zercher, Daniel Conrad.
Providence—John R. Smith, Amos Wisters, Dr. J. K. Raub.
Rapho—John Masterson, Jacob Snavely, H. B. Becker, Samuel Becker, Michael Becker.
Strasburg Bor.—Isaacher Keese, William Kinzer, W. T. McPhail, B. Frank Ibach, Wm. Echternacht.
Strasburg Twp.—Francis Clark, Col. Isaac Girvin, David Potts, Martin Barr, Martin Herr.
Salisbury—Samuel Leaman, George Diller, Isaac Rutter, B. F. Houston, Eli Rutter.
Sadsbury—Isaac Walker, Paul Geiger, John Harrar, W. Gillespie, Dr. John Smith.
Warwick—R. R. Tshudy, C. R. Kryder, J. Bombergor, H. Kline, B. Zentmyers.
Washington—David Miller, John Evans, G. E. Sehner.

NIGGERISM TRIUMPHANT!

The Peoples (alias *Republican*) County Convention met at Russel's Hall, in this city, on Wednesday last, and so far insulted the good people of the county as to place in nomination for Congress, THADDEUS STEVENS, the very head and front, the complete embodiment of Abolitionism in Pennsylvania. In addition to this, which is enough of itself to disgust ever National man of every party in the community, the Convention also nominated the creatures and followers of this man for the Legislature—thus, in effect, abolitionizing this great and influential county, and making it a by-word and reproach to the whole Commonwealth.

Are the good people of Lancaster county—and we now speak more particularly to the National men, the Democrats, old line Whigs and straight-out Americans, the nearly nine thousand voters who cast their suffrages two years ago for JAMES BUCHANAN—prepared to endorse such nominations, and especially are they willing to be bound hand and foot and dragged after the car of Abolitionism, with THADDEUS STEVENS for a driver? Can it be possible that a majority of the free *white* men of Lancaster county will support a candidate with these principles for a seat in Congress? We do not believe it. We are incredulous as to the probability of such a result—a result that would be deplored by every sincere patriot throughout the Union.—The disgrace of electing this Abolition leader would be reflected upon his constituency for years to come, and we would be despised in every quarter of the Republic.

Through the influence of money, trickery and deception Mr. STEVENS has secured the nomination over the heads of such pure and National men as Messrs. DARLINGTON, SMITH, MYERS, PATTERSON and BURT, either one of whom would have been a credit to the district and the worthy exponent of the true sentiment of the county. But will he be sustained at the ballot-box? We cannot think so. We do not believe he will, for we are loath to suppose for a moment that the people of Lancaster county will be so recreant to their best interests and to their oft-repeated declarations, as to vote for such a man, merely because he is a bitter opponent of the Democratic party.—Thank God, the Democracy of this County and State have never been cursed with so deadly an incubus, and we sincerely pray they never may be. An infliction of the kind would be an infinitely worse plague than the cholera, and would sink them, as it will any party to which such a pestiferous political demagogue belongs and rules, so low that the hand of resurrection could never reach them.

If I should be elected, perhaps I may come in contact with the worthy President, who claims this city as his home, and oppose his measures, (although I do not hope to be especially noticed by him for it,) and also say something against him; but if saying that he is the *meanest* man that has ever occupied the Presidential chair, in having violated all the pledges he has ever made, and that he is the greatest despot we have ever had—fully equal to the most despotic of the Satraps of Asia, brings his displeasure upon me, *then I shall say it.*

We make the above extract from the speech of THADDEUS STEVENS, before the County Convention on Wednesday last. It was accurately taken down at the time by a reporter. What think the intelligent and respectable people of Lancaster county, amongst whom Mr. BUCHANAN has lived for nearly half a century, at this vile attack of an unprincipled adventurer upon one of the most distinguished statesmen of the age—against a man whose integrity, uprightness and benevolence have always been, and still are proverbial in this entire community?

Can this political assassin point to a single act in the history of Mr. BUCHANAN's long and eventful life that would justify such a wicked assault upon his character? Did he ever corrupt the ballot-box, seek to revolutionize the government of the State, and smother the indignant voice of an outraged people by the use of "buckshot and ball," bayonets and cannon? Did he ever, when detected in an infamous conspiracy to set the sovereign will of the people, as expressed through the ballot-boxes, at defiance, turn pale at his own enormity, and escape a coat of tar and feathers, or, it may be, a hempen halter, by fleeing through a back window of the Senate Chamber? Was he ever, either at Lancaster, at Harrisburg, or at Washington, found in the company of Gamblers, handling the cards and dice with professional skill, and winning the money of poor inebriates and others, which should have been appropriated to the comfort and sustenance of their families?

If Mr. BUCHANAN has ever been guilty of any of the above acts, and others equally criminal which we have not room or time at present to enumerate, then, indeed, would he be entitled to the appellation of the "meanest" of men; but as he has not, and his traducer knows it full well, then should the unerring finger of scorn be pointed at the man who is *mean* enough to make the infamous charge, and the rebuke of the Prophet to David would not be a whit too severe for the slanderer.

POPULAR SOVEREIGNTY.

Mr. STEVENS ridicules the idea of popular sovereignty, and therefore takes ground against the platform erected by his own party in this county, at a Convention held in Fulton Hall a few weeks ago. It will be recollected that Mr. FISHER, of Columbia, on that occasion, offered a resolution fully recognizing the Democratic doctrine of the right of the people in the *Territories*, as well as in the States, to regulate their domestic affairs in their own way—and this was unanimously endorsed by the Convention. Mr. STEVENS is opposed to this, and claims that Congress possesses and should exercise unlimited power over the Territories—District of Columbia, and all—and should at their pleasure, legislate slavery into or out of them, the decision of the Supreme Court in the Dred Scott case to the contrary notwithstanding! This is his doctrine, and if elected to Congress he will doubtless go in for agitation, and for annuling the doctrine of popular sovereignty altogether. He assumes to be wise above his fellows, and to undo all that has been done by Webster and Clay and Cass and their co-patriots of 1850, as well as the solemn and deliberate opinion of the highest Court in the Nation, and the many distinguished statesmen now upon the stage of action.

Mr. STEVENS has always been noted for his strong propensity for mischief—for his fondness for pulling down and destroying; but never for building up, consolidating or strengthening. He has always been powerful for mischief, but powerless for good, and has destroyed every party and every cause where he has been permitted to take the lead. He will do so again, unless the people of Lancaster county give him a political burial at the next election.

BASELESS CALCULATION.

The Republicans of this county claim the influence and votes of the old line Whigs.—They are imprudent enough for that, but they offer no substantial reasons why the alliance should be made, and no evidence that it will be. It is a mere assertion—nothing more.—The claim that the National men of the old Whig party sympathize with the supporters and particular friends of Mr. STEVENS, the advocate of negro social and political equality, is of a piece with many of their other claims, and has no foundation to rest upon. With the Republicans, this campaign is intended to be one of brag and bluster, of perversion and falsehood, and nothing else. The people of Lancaster county understand the game, and all attempts at deception will be unavailing.

WITHOUT A PLATFORM.

The Republican, alias "Peoples" Convention, of this county, failed to lay down any platform for their candidates or their party to stand upon. Not a word about slavery, the tariff, or any thing else, except a resolution instructing their candidates for the Legislature, in the event of their election, (a wise proviso!) to oppose the repeal of the tonnage tax! This is the first time in the history of parties in this county, we believe, in which a County Convention refused or neglected to show its hand, and we trust it will be the last. The people of Lancaster county are, therefore, asked and expected to "go it blind" in favor of candidates who have avowed no principles for the public eye, but who are known to be, from first to last, the devotees of THADDEUS STEVENS, and prepared to carry out the Abolition sentiments which he is known to entertain and disseminate. If the people of this county are Black Republicans or Abolitionists of the deepest dye, they will vote the STEVENS ticket from head to tail—if not, they will oppose it, and effectually crush the monster in its incipient state by voting the Democratic ticket that will be settled on the 15th of September.

THE DELEGATE ELECTIONS.

By reference to the proceedings of the County Committee it will be seen that next Saturday week is the time for holding the Delegate Elections in the different wards, boroughs and townships of the County. We hope the several committees will give early notice in their respective districts, of the time and place of meeting, and that our Democratic friends every where will see the propriety of attending these primary elections.

DEMOCRATS, BEWARE!

Certain individuals in the North West Ward of this City are already boasting that they can control the ward, by *buying* over Democrats to vote for THADDEUS STEVENS. We know these pimps and agents of the Great Unchained, and shall spot them out at the proper time. But we deem it proper at this early day to put our Democratic friends on their guard against the devices of these men. No true Democrat will for one moment think of voting for such an enemy of his party and of its principles as STEVENS, and any attempt to *bribe* him to do so, would be an insult which he should resent with scorn and detestation for the man or men who make it.

FACTS ON THE SLAVERY QUESTION.

There was never a better illustration of the truth of the old adage that a "lie well stuck to is as good as the truth," than the continual harping of the Republicans, and their reiteration for years of the falsehood that the Democratic party of the Union is opposed to the interests of freedom, and against the multiplication of free States in the confederacy. So consistent and vehement have been their charges, says the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, although history furnishes a full and complete reply to them, that a large portion of our people, without reflection and in ignorance of the truth, have been led to give them credence. The facts which we are about to state from the recorded history of the past should be stereotyped and everywhere held up to view, for they perfectly annihilate the very basis upon which the Republican party is placed. We defy and challenge contradiction of the following proposition:

1. Every new free State which has been admitted into the Union, from Ohio in 1802 to Minnesota in 1858, has been by a Democratic Congress, and in all cases save one, under a Democratic President. Here is the list:

Ohio, in 1802, under President Jefferson, with a Democratic Congress; Indiana, 1816, under President Madison, with a Democratic Congress; Illinois, in 1818, under President Monroe with a Democratic Congress; Maine, in 1821, with a Democratic Congress; Michigan, in 1836, under President Jackson, with a Democratic Congress; Wisconsin, in 1846, under President Polk, with a Democratic Congress; Iowa in 1847, with a Democratic Congress; California, in 1850, under President Fillmore, (Whig,) with a Democratic Congress; Minnesota, in 1858, under President Buchanan, with a Democratic Congress.

No free, or slave State either, was ever admitted under an administration opposed to the Democracy. Mark that! John Adams left the Union composed of the same number of States that he found it when he assumed the duties of President. So did J. Q. Adams, the next President elected, opposed to the Democracy. The regime of Harrison and Tyler did not add a State to the Union, athough it took initiative measures to bring the slave State of Texas into the Union. The formal admission was accomplished by President Polk in 1846.

A Democratic Congress, under the administration of Fillmore, brought California into the Union with his assent. His signature was all the opposition ever did toward increasing the number of free States from the foundation of the Government.

Before the termination of the Democratic administration of President Buchanan two more free States will doubtless be added to the Union—Oregon and Kansas; yet, fellow-citizens, the party that has brought nine new free States into the Union is arraigned by a lying and unscrupulous press as being Southern and pro-slavery in its proclivities, and as opposed to the interests of freedom. Was there ever such a monstrous perversion of history? It is but just to add, that the Democratic party have admitted these nine free States into the Union, not especially because they were free, but because it recognizes the right of every State to adopt, without interference from others, such local and domestic institutions as it desires.

Our second proposition is this, that despite the charge which the Republicans make, that the Democracy are in favor of the extension of slavery into territory now free, the records show that not a mile of free territory was ever acquired by the General Government and converted into slavery. On the contrary, four-fifths of the immense territory which was acquired by the Louisiana purchase in 1803, which was all slave when we bought it, will by converted into free States under the principle of the Compromise of 1850, adopted by a Democratic Congress. Texas and Florida have been added to the Union, but slavery already existed in them when acquired, so that their acquisition made no difference to the interest of freedom. Of the territory acquired from Mexico in 1848, it is a moral certainty that it will all be made into free States.

With this history of the country before us, is it not astonishing that any person should have the effrontery to talk about the domination and aggression of the South, or to charge the Democratic party with being opposed to the admission of free States.

MESSRS. ROLAND AND ROATH.

Why were these gentlemen, who represented the county in the last Legislature, made yearlings of by the Stevens County Convention? What sin had they committed, that they should be slaughtered so unceremoniously by their own party friends? Were they not as faithful and attentive to their duties as Col. PRICE, whose name has been placed on the ticket for a second term? Are they not as respectable and worthy of confidence in every respect? It is true they pocketed the two hundred dollars extra pay, but he did the same. If that was a crime, he is equally guilty with them—then why make "fish of one and flesh of the others?" But that could not have been the reason of the bad treatment they have received, or he would have sunk as well under the displeasure of the Convention.

The truth is, these gentlemen are anti-Abolitionists, and that is the secret of their defeat. Had they entertained the same doctrines on the slavery question with STEVENS, they would have been re-nominated; but, failing to come up to that standard, they and their friends were insulted by casting them aside to make room for men who will implicitly obey his behests. Will they now turn round and kiss the hand that smote them?—We shall see.

A PROTECTIVE TARIFF.

Mr. STEVENS, in his speech the other day, repudiated the doctrine of the Republican State Convention, on the subject of the Tariff, which was, in substance, the Democratic doctrine of a revenue tariff with incidental protection. He advocates a Protective Tariff—not for revenue purposes, but for *the sake of protection*. Mr. S. owns a Furnace up in Adams county, and would fain raise the duties on Iron so high as that he would be able to make a fortune in a short time off the Farmers, Mechanics and consumers of the country. This doctrine won't do to preach up at this late day. The whole country, and all the interests of Pennsylvania flourished more under the Revenue Tariff of 1846, than it or they ever did before. That was emphatically a *Democratic* measure, and it would still be the law of the land had it not been disturbed by the *Republican* Congress of 1856-7.

☞ Mr. STEVENS forgot the Scripture injunction *not to speak evil of our rulers*, when he made the wanton and uncalled-for attack on President BUCHANAN, in the County Convention, the other day. Perhaps, however, his course of reading *does not embrace the Bible*; and, if not, then, it may be, he had never seen the sentiment in print, and his friends will doubtless be able to excuse him on the ground of *ignorance!*

THE KANSAS ELECTION.

LEAVENWORTH, August 22d, via Boonville, August 25.—The Board of Election Commissioners, constituted by the "English Bill," have issued a proclamation, declaring the Proposition rejected by nine thousand five hundred and twelve majority. The whole vote was thirteen thousand and eighty-eight. No fraudulent votes were received, but a few precincts were rejected on account of informalities.

THE ATLANTIC TELEGRAPH.

Every body is not crazed on the subject of the submarine telegraph—at least the Southern people look at it coolly and philosophically, and do not indulge in ringing of bells, booming of cannon, illuminations, sending off sky rockets, burning City Halls, blowing the arms off cannoniers, and other noisy and exciting demonstrations. The Richmond *Enquirer*, of Tuesday last, talks to the public in the following sensible strain:

Seriously, we think our friends are making too much fuss about the Telegraph. It may be of immense advantage to the world, if properly managed; but who knows how it is to be managed, or to what uses it may be applied? Some think it is the inauguration of the millenium, and that it is the harbinger of eternal peace between nations. We can imagine that it may be made the instrument of fermenting discord between kindred nations, and may itself become the subject of a mighty war. We can imagine it may be the instrument by which immense wealth may be accumulated, and we can foresee how it may induce undue speculations, whereby untold misery and distress may be the consequence. Who can tell what may be the evil which a lie sped across the wires may produce? It may be speedily corrected by the truth, but at the termini of the wires the lie may be taken up by the steam horse where the wires extend not, and disseminated to the slow coaches and slower mails, and the mischief may be done long before the remedy can be applied. The managers at both ends of the line will be men, with human ends to accomplish, self interest to promote, liable to be worked upon like the machines they work, and to get out of order like them, sometimes wanting a little oil to lubricate the springs, sometimes a little more fluid to make the current strong. Sometimes governments will have peculiar objects to accomplish, at variance with the wishes of other governments; means will be resorted to carry out those objects. Then these must be thwarted and counteracted, and if agents will not agree, force must be applied, and force must be met by force; and what then? Other lines must be established. One line is a monopoly. The charges are exorbitant—competition must be encouraged. Different sources of knowledge yield different information, and good and evil resultas from all other things. No doubt the telegraph is a great invention. It has produced great results, and it is likely to produce greater still; but we are disposed to take things more calmly—to look upon them, it may be, coolly—to philosophise a little, to examine patiently, and wait for results. We are not disposed to go off, like a sky-rocket, with a great whiz and a bright light, and come down a broken stick. Take it as an established fact, that the telegraph is entirely successful, that transmission of words is effected, for the whole distance, at the rate of a word a minute, how many persons in England and America can use it each day? Suppose that a dollar a word is charged for the transmission, will it pay at that rate? If it will, how many can afford to use the luxury, at that price? Why should we ring the bells, and fire great guns, and illuminate our houses, and march in torch light processions, and burn Roman candles, and send up rockets and rack our brains to frame devices for banners and for windows, because one hundred persons, at the utmost, out of as many millions, may, perchance, send some message from one continent to the other, when that message, perchance, may be to the injury of thousands, as well as the benefit of other thousands? "Lord, send down thy rain," prays one man, "for it will benefit me." "Lord, withhold thy rain," prays another, "for it will ruin me." The Lord knows what to do; but what mortal can tell what may be the result flowing from any message he sends? The best disposed person writes a message, and thinks it too plain for cavil. Who knows what construction others will give to his language?

TENDENCIES IN KANSAS.

Several of the journals of Kansas, have taken bold and decided ground against any movement, looking to the immediate erection of the Territory into a State. The opposition is not based upon any consideration affecting free soil or slavery, but is put exclusively upon the score of expediency. It is assumed that the people are unable to bear the expenses of a State Government, and that their prosperity will be greatly promoted by waiting until they are better able to bear such burthens. An article setting out these views strongly, which appeared in the *Journal of Commerce*, published at Kansas City, is copied with commendation by several other Kansas papers, and nothing thus far has met our eye, urging or advocating any other policy. Under these circumstances, would it not be well if all papers outside the Territory would keep silent on the subject and let the people settle this affair in their own way, as they certainly will in the end do. For ourselves, we shall abstain from all interference, only noting the expressions of public sentiment which may occur, for the information of our readers.—*Richmond South.*

On the other hand, the *Richmond Enquirer* suggests that, in order to prevent any further agitation, Kansas be allowed admission under any Constitution the people may hereafter adopt—slave or free—so that it be republican in form; and is, therefore, not disposed to compel her to wait for the requisite population, *unless she herself so determines and prefers.*

"THE PACIFIC COMMERCIAL ADVERTISER."—We are in receipt of several numbers of a journal bearing the above title, published weekly at Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, by HENRY M. WHITNEY. It is a little larger than The Intelligencer, and is furnished to subscribers at the rate of $6 per annum. The editorials are written in a very able manner, and indeed throughout the Advertiser's columns evidences are given that it is a first-class paper in every respect. There is not a neater-printed paper in the United States. We have perused all the numbers sent us with great interest, and shall make some extracts from future papers for the benefit of our readers, many of whom no doubt expect to see the day when the Sandwich Islands will be part and parcel of our glorious Union. We trust that Mr. Whitney, (who must be an American by birth, at least we judge so from the go aheadtiveness displayed in every department of his paper,) will be amply remunerated for his fine enterprize and ability.

—We make the following extract from the Advertiser of July 1st:

APPOINTMENT OF MINISTER OF FINANCE.—It has pleased His Majesty to appoint the Hon. DAVID L. GREGG, late United States Commissioner at these Islands, to be his Minister of Finance. We understand that Mr. Gregg will be presented to the Privy Council and enter on the duties of his office to-day. We also learn that His Majesty has conferred on Mr. Gregg Letters of Denization, granting him all the rights of a subject. It will be seen that we were correct in our announcement some weeks since, that the above appointment was determined on.

CONSOLIDATION OF DEMOCRATIC PAPERS.—The Harrisburg *Patriot & Union*, and the Harrisburg *Keystone*, have been united, and will hereafter be published by Messrs. Barrett & Co., (R. J. Haldeman, Esq., editor,) under the title of *Patriot* and *Union*. The proprietors have also purchased the Harrisburg *Daily Herald*, and will commence a daily paper on the first of September, at which time the *Herald* will be discontinued. The arrangement will doubtless be a more desirable one in every possible respect. We wish the enterprising proprietors the highest success.

PHILADELPHIA NOMINATIONS.

The following are the Democratic nominations for Congress:

First District—Thomas B. Florence.
Second " —George H. Martin.
Third " —James Landy.
Fourth " —Henry M. Phillips.

ANOTHER WILD CAT BANK.—The Potter County *Journal* has the following in reference to the McKean County Bank: "The McKean County Bank gave up the ghost a few days ago." The Cashier decamped with $71,000 of its funds, was arrested in New York, and committed in default of bail. The bills of the bank have been thrown out in New York. Mr. Kingsbury, its President, says the *Journal*, will secure the holders of its issue against loss, being able and willing to do so.

CITY AND COUNTY AFFAIRS.

THE LATE COUNTY CONVENTION.—The motley assemblage 'cyclopt, by way of courtesy, we presume, the "People's County Convention," met in this city on Wednesday last, at Russel's Hall, South Queen street. At an early hour in the day the Solons appointed, and made up to order, made their appearance in the streets of the city to the infinite amusement of grinning Ethiopians and noisy school-children. Wending our way to the Hall, we arrived just as a raw-boned, flat-footed specimen of woolly-headism rose to his feet and in musical tones, slightly tinged with a nasal twang, announced "dat as Chairman of de County Kommittee" he would call the Convention to order by nominating Mr. John Wise, of the city, as "President." The motion being put and carried, Mr. Wise with well dissembled gravity and dignity strode forward, mounted the rostrum, briefly thanked the Convention for the distinguished (!) honor conferred, and took his seat.—This part of the programme completed, a delegate from Columbia, rejoicing in a nose resembling a weather-beaten knot of a gum tree, arose calmly, deliberately and methodically, and asked that the printed list of delegates be called over. While this was being done we amused ourself by looking *over* the Convention and taking notes. The first thing that struck us as being strange was the unusually small number of old line Whigs present. Here and there a scattering one, looking heartily ashamed of the company he was in, met the eye. How different from the Whig Conventions of a few years ago! Then, men, solid, substantial, honest-minded men, composed the majority; but now, a miserable set of political scare crows, decked out in decent men's habiliments, occupied their places. Cast off men of all parties—know-nothings with the mark of the beast still upon their foreheads—woolly-heads with red mouths wide and ugly enough to swallow a "nigger" without being greased, were all there, in full plume and feather, willing, ready and anxious to do the dirty work of their lord and master—Stevens!

The next sight which struck us as strange, and not only strange but disgusting, was the number of Thad's body guard present. These men, from Keeper of the Prison *down* to Prosecuting Attorney and State Senator, were active in pressing the peculiar claims of their patron Saint, hunting up the lost, comforting the disconsolate, stirring up the sleepy; in short, doing all the mean things which a mean mind could devise and a mean spirit carry out.

From the outset it was evident that the Convention had been packed by political quacks and adventurers to the exclusion of honest men; and that hence a ticket would be nominated to suit the ulterior views of Stevens. So confident were the few honest Whigs and Americans found in the Convention of this, that they tacitly yielded compliance, with a mental reservation, however, to give the ticket a Peter Martin support at the polls. By the way, it is said that Peter was bought over by the promise of Stevens to have him appointed Marshal of the Eastern District in 1860, when the the opposition President is elected (!) and that Zook, of Ephrata, Billingsfelt, of Adamstown, and Dr. Bowman, of Manheim, are respectively to be provided with good county offices. Billingsfelt wanted to be the successor of Stevens in Congress, but on being told that he was not "fit," compromised the insult to his self importance by consenting to succeed William Carpenter, Esq., as Prothonotary. Verily, these toads in the dirty pool of Abolitionism are doing the thing handsomely!

The farce of balloting for a ticket already prepared for the "green horns" having been gone through with, some fellow from Eden—apparently a country schoolmaster—moved that a committee be appointed to wait on Stevens and request him to address the meeting. The motion was adopted, the committee appointed, and the schoolmaster made haste to introduce the distinguished nominee!

The committee had not far to go to meet the "nominee;" for with his characteristic modesty he was standing at the entrance of the Hall, impatient at the slow progress his slaves were making in balloting for his ticket. Entering the room, and thump-lumping his way to the stand, he mounted it and stood in all his 'ancient glory' before his faithful followers. At this moment it was amusing to witness the scene: Old Tittlebat Titmarsh, with his fly trap open from ear to ear, stood ready to catch the first sound of his voice; while the imperturable, but dignified Charley looked as if he were just ready to pass into the glories of the "Happy Land." Around them were the whippers-in, the stakeholders, and the whole corps of bought up freemen (!) It was a sight to curdle the blood of every honest-minded man, and we saw more than one "old liner" hang his head with shame and mortification depicted upon his countenance.

The speech was characteristic of Stevens. Full of malice, hatred and ill-will. He ignored all his previous teachings on Slavery and Abolitionism. He thought that now the Tariff question was the all-absorbing topic. Out upon the old hypocrite! Now, as ever, he knows but one topic, and that is Niggerism.

But in his allusion to the President of the United States, his malice caused him to overshoot the mark. Men will not tolerate billingsgate when applied to the Chief Magistrate of the Union, even if it is "spit out" of the foul mouth of Thaddeus Stevens. This he saw depicted upon the countenances of hundreds who heard him on Wednesday, and if we mistake not, the second Tuesday of October will teach him that even malignity of times overleaps its object, and returns in full force upon the head of him who sent it forth. We have done with the notorious "nominee" and his disgusting speech.

THE TICKET.

On the second ballot Thaddeus Stevens was nominated.—We give the ballots:

First Ballot.—Thaddeus Stevens, city, 54; A. Herr Smith, city, 31; David W. Patterson, city, 10; A. H. Hood, city, 5; James Myers, West Hempfield, 18; Nathaniel Burt, Salisbury, 12.

Second Ballot.—Thaddeus Stevens, 72; A. Herr Smith, 28; David W. Patterson, 15; James Myers, 14; Nathaniel Burt, 9; A. H. Hood, 1.

The Convention adjourned to meet at 1½ o'clock, when the balloting for members of the Legislature commenced. The successful candidates were Nathaniel Ellmaker, Samuel H. Price, Dr. Samuel Keneagy and Amos S. Green. The ballotings were as follows:

First Ballot.—Jeremiah Brown, 15; William S. Barr 29; Dr. John M. Dunlap, 57; Nathaniel Ellmaker, 82; J. Hervey Eshleman, 2; Thomas Furniss, 11; Elisha Geiger, 7; A. S. Green, 50; John F. Herr, 36; Charles M. Johnston, 12; Dr. Samuel Keneagy, 49; C. S. Kauffman, 29; Samuel H Price, 80, Jonathan R. Roland, 37; Emanuel D. Roath, 16; Jacob S. Wimer, 15; Samuel S. Worth, 20; Henry M. White, 3.

Second Ballot.—A. S. Green, 66; Dr. Samuel Keneagy, 65; Dr. J. M. Dunlap, 50; J. H. Roland, 27; John F. Herr, 18; C. S. Kauffman, 18; Samuel S. Worth, 14; Jeremiah Brown, 8; William S. Barr, 8; Charles M. Johnston, 4.

Third Ballot.—Keneagy, 103; Green, 92; Dunlap, 81; Johnston, 2.

Ballotings were then had for County officers, and the following gentlemen were nominated.

County Commissioner—Joseph Boyer.
Prison Inspectors—Hiram Evans, Jacob Sides.
Directors of the Poor—John Heller, David Oberholtzer.
Auditor—James B. Lytle.

THE PLATFORM.

The following (which is no doubt particularly agreeable to the feelings of Senator Shaeffer, inasmuch as he is the Solicitor of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company,) was the only resolution adopted by the Convention. Nothing was said about "Bleeding Kansas," or "a Protective Tariff," but a general hunt was made for "de nigga in de wood pile:"

Resolved, That we hereby instruct the candidates settled for the Legislature this day (*should they be elected*) to use all honorable means to prevent a repeal of the present tonnage tax on the Pennsylvania and Harrisburg and Lancaster Railroads.

MILITARY DISPLAY.—The Jackson Rifles will make their first parade in full dress uniform on Wednesday the 8th of September, and muster one hundred and twenty strong. Invitations have been extended to all the military in the county to join in the parade, and it is expected that six companies will be in line, among them the Fencibles. It will undoubtedly be the finest display of the kind witnessed in this city for many years. In the evening the Rifles will give their First Grand Military and Citizens' Dress Ball at Fulton Hall.

THE AGRICULTURAL FAIR.—As will be seen by reference to our advertising columns, the Second Annual Exhibition of the Lancaster County Agricultural and Mechanical Society will commence in this city on Tuesday the 5th of October, and continue throughout the week. Gen. M. R. WITMER, of this city, has been appointed General Superintendent, and we think the Managers have been exceedingly fortunate in their selection. Gen. W. is an active and intelligent business man, and will push things forward to a speedy completion. We have not a doubt but that this Fair will be in all respects worthy of our great county.

A BEAUTIFUL PAINTING.—Messrs. Sprenger & Westhaeffer have on exhibition in the window of their Book Store, No. 33 North Queen street, an excellent picture representing Gen. Washington's Triumphal Entry into New York on the 25th of November, 1783. The picture is a chromo-lithograph in oil colors, and is said to be the finest performance in that branch of art ever undertaken in this country. Washington and the prominent Generals and Statesmen of that day are admirably represented. The work is worthy of inspection, and would adorn a private parlor or gallery of paintings.

RE-OPENING OF THE CITY SCHOOLS.—All the Common Schools of the city, after a vacation of six weeks, re-opened on yesterday morning, with an attendance of from 2500 to 3000 scholars. The list of transfers from the Secondary to the High Schools is, we learn, very large.

EXAMINATIONS AT THE NORMAL SCHOOL.—The examinations at the Lancaster County Normal School commenced on yesterday, and will be continued to-day and to-morrow. On to-morrow evening the Junior Class will give an exhibition, and on Thursday afternoon a number of essays and orations will be delivered by members of the Preparatory Classes. On Thursday evening, SAMUEL H. REYNOLDS, Esq., will address the Societies of the Normal School. The music for the different exercises will be furnished by Taylor's Orchestra, of this city, and the Normal Glee Club.

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