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MEETING OF THE DEMOCRATIC CO.
The Democratic County Committee met, pursuant to the call of the Chairman, at Stober's Hotel, in this city, on Thursday, the 15th inst., at 11 o'clock, A. M.

A LITTLE TOO FAST.
The Examiner of Wednesday last is a little too fast when it states that the Rev. T. Fiske, who was detected in publishing valuable letters in the Democrat.

THE TRUE PARTY ISSUE.
The party now in power in the State and National Governments has, by its vile slanders and defamations, forced the Democratic party into the position of self-vindication.

A FOLK EXCURSION.
A standing and a very weak argument advanced in justification of every infraction of the Constitution of the United States would necessarily seem to render necessary that the rebels habitually disregard the Constitution.

EXTRACTS
From the Official Organ of the Secretary of War—"The Harrisburg Telegraph"—August 10th, 1861.
The following extracts will have the more significance, when it is known that Gen. Cameron was at home at the time the paper was issued.

DEMOCRATIC MEETINGS.
The Democracy of Berks and Chester held very large and enthusiastic County meetings at Reading and West Chester, on Tuesday last, at which strong and pointed Union resolutions were adopted.

ANOTHER DEMOCRATIC VICTORY.
On the 5th inst., an election was held in St. Louis for a Clerk of the Law Commission. The result was the success of W. C. HUFFMAN, the Democratic candidate.

GEN. FREDERICK HAMBRIGHT.
We had the pleasure the other day of taking by the hand the gallant old veteran whose name heads this paragraph. He was on a visit to his relatives in this city.

MORE PROOF!
The New York Tribune—good Republican authority—states that the following resolution passed at its last stated meeting on the 15th instant: "Resolved, That the surest and quickest way of ending the rebellion and re-establishing a permanent peace is to declare IMMEDIATE AND UNCONDITIONAL EMANCIPATION."

THE WORD UNBROKEN MEANS, according to Webster, "existing or being every where." This element we never saw more than in the fortunate possessors of the Union.

GENERAL McDOWELL'S REPORT OF THE BATTLE OF BALL RUN, has at length appeared in print. It gives no accurate list of the killed and wounded, but the information is so full that it is here published.

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LOCAL DEPARTMENT.
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