

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1886

Democrat County Committee.
The Democrat County Committee will convene in this city, at the rooms of the Democrat Association, on MONDAY, JANUARY 26th, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Democrat State Convention.
The Democrat State Convention for the nomination of a candidate for Governor of Pennsylvania, will meet in the hall of the State Convention, on MONDAY, JANUARY 26th, at 10 o'clock P. M.

Legislating a Principle.
The passage of the bill granting the right of suffrage to the negroes of the District of Columbia is an act of peculiar significance.

Benjamin L. Foster, Chairman.
Harrisburg, Jan. 9, 1886.

The Burly Senator's Interests.
Whose strength, unlike that of Samson, lies entirely in his boots, has given a violent kick at the interests of Pennsylvania, by introducing resolutions in the Senate to pursue a line of policy which would divert to New York and Baltimore the trade that now finds its way to Philadelphia.

Eighteen or twenty years ago there seemed to be great danger that Pennsylvania would soon dwindle from her rank as the second State in the Union, to that of the third or fourth. Ohio appeared to be overtaking her rapidly, and even Pennsylvania was beginning to wince with alarming distinctness.

The resolutions of Senator Bigham are designed to encourage "the construction of a through line on the route indicated in the contract between the Atlantic and Great Western and the Reading Railroad companies," and also "the extension of the Connelville Railroad eastward in the direction of Baltimore and Washington."

The Atlantic and Great Western Company is a foreign concern altogether. Its capital comes from England and its traffic is intended to go to New York, Boston and other English cities.

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During the political campaign of last fall the leaders of the Republican party denied the too special claim to deny that the organization was in any way committed to the odious doctrine of negro suffrage.

The passage by the House of Representatives yesterday, of Judge Kelley's bill striking out of the Constitution all laws and parts of laws prescribing the qualifications of electors in the State of Maryland in force in said District, is a most important event.

The Washington correspondent of the New York Herald, who has been in the ground from the beginning of the present session of Congress, and who has had ample opportunities to judge of the character and conduct of the radicals, speaks of their position and conduct on the only questions in which they have displayed any interest.

The low house of the present session assumed command of the armies and arranged everything relating to that portion of the government satisfactory to it, is now devoting its entire attention to the negroes in this District.

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The doctrine of Negro Equality solemnly endorsed by Congress.

The passage of the bill giving the negroes the right to vote in the District of Columbia by the House—Large Republican majority.

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