FRAUD!

FALSEHOOD & FORGERY

The fraud, falsehood and forgery employed to create the appearance of a democratic nomination of D. M. Bull, for Congress, would demand the severest denunciation if Justice did not lose her. balance in a fit of laughter at the harlequin-character of the performance.-This Jacob's-coated political actor made his first appearance for the season by a trial for a Workie nomination—then nominated himself and others in the Whig Argus-next nominated himself alone through the columns of the Reporter-then declared his adhesion to democratic usages, and failed to get his name mentioned in any county conven- ask, for the satisfaction of the public. tion of the district, and with an emphatic silence in Branford, even for the purpose of declining-next nominated filmself by a published letter dated September 14th-then stopped our press on the 24th to announce that as "under any circumstances I cannot render myself obnoxious to the charge of attempting to divide the democratic party to which I have all my life been attached, and thereby giving our common enemy the ascendancy, I withdraw my name from the canvass, leaving the issue in such a crisis for the people to decide.

" Hoping success in the great cause in which we all unite like a band of brothers, I hold that all minor considerations and selfish motives should be overlooked for its accomplishment.

I am, very respectfully,
DAVID M. BULL."

But now comes "positively his last appearance on any stage," and Punch beats all the monkey pranks of his life. We draw the curtain, and exhibit a "Democratic Meeting held at Towarda on the 25th." Chairman, DAVID M. BULL; D. M. Bull, Secretary; D. Munson Bull, Committee on Resolutions; David Munson Bull performer of all parts, particularly to invite Col. D. M. BULL to represent this meeting in the Congress of the United States, Gen. Patton being at hand there, as here, to act as sense-keeper & confidential clerk. "Whereof, Resolved, unanimously, that this meeting is highly gratified to receive the an-nouncement of Col. Bull's consent to be a candidate of the friends of the tariff, and that we individually pledge our most active exertions to

Col. Bull " having thus unexpectedly been called upon by so respectable a portion of his fellow-citizens" feels "the inadequacy of his abilities", and "the responsibility of his undertaking", but with "the whole energies of his mind" accepts the call, and conveys to the meeting his " best wishes for their prosperity and individual happiness"!! "You will please make my kindest regards acceptable to &c. and believe me as ever" !!! DID YOU EVER!!!!

Really no other Democratic meeting was held at Towarda on the 25th of September, and the one figuring in a handbill printed at the Whig Argus office, and in the Argus itself for the 28th ult., is a vile fraud upon the public and upon the men whose names are there used. It is notorious here that no such meeting took place in any manner or form whatever. We have received from ELI GRANTEER, who is represented as present, and acting as chairman of a committee to communicate with Colonel David M. Bull, the subjoined letter:

Monroe, September 28, 1844. TO THE EDITORS OF THE REPORTER: -In an extra sheet from the office of the Bradford Argus, headed "PROOF," I find myself represented as chairman of a committee, appointed at a Democratic meeting, to invite the acceptance by D. M. Bull of a nomination for Congress, I find that I have been most grossly imposed on and therefore ask to make a plain and full statement of the facts.

On Thursday, 26th day of September, I was called on by William Trout and asked to sign a letter on the part of a democratic meeting, held at Towarda that day, to D. M. Bull, drafted by Gen. Patton. I objected, fearing it was some whig trick, and enquired why it was not signed by some of the meeting in Towanda. It was represented as a large meeting of Democrats and all right, for The letter was drawn up by Gen. Patton, but that it was desirable to have it come from out of Towarda so as not to appear as a Towarda meeting. I still asked time for examining the letter and considering my course, willing to make any honorable opposition to Mr. Wilmot to whom I had objections of a personal, not political nature. I was still again a sured that it was all right, but that it would take a considerable time to read the letter and that they were in great haste to get the proceedings published. Unfortunately I assented; but on reading the hand-bill I find both the resolutions and

ent from my own and what I believe democratic. I find moreover that it is all a scandalous fraud upon me as well as the public and that no meeting whatever has been held and I think it the duty of all good men to frown down such attempts

ELI GRANTEER.

The following letter was addressed to each one named in the pretended

Towanda, Sept., 28th 1844. Sir The undersigned having seen our name, in a public hand-bill as an officer of a Democratic Meeting purporting to have been held in Towards, Sept. 25th, inviting D. M. Bull, to run for Congress, and being well-assured that no such meeting has been held, and that the use of the names there employed is unjust to their fair standing before the community. We respectfully whether you officiated at any such meeting.

I. H. STEPHENS, E. S. GOODRICH, GEO. SANDERSON, J. F. MEANS P. C. WARD. E. W. BAIRD. D. F. BARSTOW: D. VANDERCOOK T. B. OVERTON, E. W. MORGAN.

The communication of Mr. Granteer in another place, answers this inqui-The following is Mr. Brownson's ry, reply.

Towanda, Sept. 28th, 1844. In answer to the inquiry contained n your friendly letter of the 28th, inst. whether I officiated at any such meeting as described in your letter, I have only to reply that I did not. I cannot say whether such a meeting was held or not. But I have only to say, I was not

Yours Respectfully, WYLLYS BROWNSON. To Messrs. I. H. Stephens, Geo. Sanderson, and others.

WM. TROUT, and JOHN CASE, declined making any reply to this respectful inquiry on a point on which the public had a right to be informed. Mr. Trout is a partner in business with Bull, and may therefore be entitled to forbearance. Mr. Case is a whig, one of Judge Herrick's thirty signers to the turn-coat secret circular, and his becoming one of Bull's party now, creates no surprise, except that he is ashamed to own it. R. V. TROUT, the only remaining one whose name is used, when snught was said to be absent, peddling Bull's extras in Tioga-while Bull was doing his own peddling in Susquehanna, (as he says he is forced to do his own writing,) and the Sheriff's deputies doing the vending and venditioni honors together in Bradford.

The honorable manner in which Messis. Brownson, and Granteer have disclaimed the imposture, and exposed the fraud, is worthy of all praise.

The pretended meeting was a FRAUD; the entire proceedings, a FALSEHOOD; the use of names, which none who bear them dare avow, a virtual FORGERY; and the hand-bill is unqualifiedly a truthless, SCANDALOUS and DISGRACE-FUL IMPOSITION.

Democrats of Tioga.

The democracy of Bradford, with which you have lought so many battles. and achieved so many victories, expects you to do your duty nobly and manful truth of the statement here made. In ly in the present contest. Bradford and favorite son as a candidate for Congress. ' Bradford will nobly sustain him Tioga to stand by him with her full party vote.

Lies will be sent amongst you-base wicked lies-fraud and forgery will in all probability be resorted to. Heed them not-vote for Wilmot for Congress and the balance of the democratic ticket and all will be well.

Bradford promises to you 1500 matheir leaders with Bull, and will cast their votes for Wilmot, an honorable and high-minded democrat.

for Wilmot. Let Tioga and Susquehanna do their duty and we will have 3000 in the District.'

Col. Bull's MEETING .- The Chairman of Col. Bull's pretended meeting savs he does not wish to say anything about it, but truth compels him to acknowledge that it was not quite as large as the Baltimore Convention.

Democrats will bear it in mind that they vote for two candidates for Congress-David Wilmot for the regular term, and George Fuller for the unexpired term of A. H. Read. Let every spread out for the Priest and the pro- lition between Bull and Adams, takes the letter containing views entirely differ- democrat bear this in mind,

Slanders upon Mr. Shunk.

Some of the most reckless and unprincipled of the federal partizans, aware of the high estimation in which Francis R. Shunk is justly held by the people generally of Pennsylvania, and that his election to the office of Governor, cannot be defeated by the use of fair means and on adherence to the truth, have as is their custom, resorted to slander and falsehood, for the purpose of gratifying their malignant spirits.

A few weeks since, the Pittsburg American, one of the most vile and abandoned of federal presses, represented Mr. Shunk as having attended a Catholic meeting in the city of Pittsburg, and making a speech in German, in which he assailed the Natives and attempted to excite the feelings of foreigners and Catholics, against the whigs, &c. The whole charge was known by the citizens of Pittsburg to be false and unfounded, and was so treated by all, whigs and democrats, except the depraved characters who hover around the press that emitted the fabrication. The story, however, found its way into the Harrisburg Telegraph, a press of like character with the American, and thus it was about to be disseminated, by such unprincipled sheets, over the entire commonwealth. In consequence of this, a friend at Harrisburg addressed Mr. Shunk, on the subject, and received from him the following reply which cannot but prove satisfactory to all who know the character of that upright and virtuous man:

PITTSBURG, August 24, 1844. DEAR SIR. :- The publication in the Harrisburg Telegraph of the 14th inst. MAY, as you may observe, require some notice. It is an extract from the Pittsburg American, and purports to be the substance of a speech made by me at a democratic Mass Meeting, held at Broadhurst's in this city, on the evening of the 3d of August. THE SPEECH ASCRIBED TO ME IS ENTIRELY A WORK OF PANCYCY. I DID NOT UTTERA SINGLE SENTIMENT IT CON-TAINS, AND IT DOES NOT CON-

TAIN A SINGLE SENTIMENT I UTTERED. Being called upon, that evening, to peak to my German fellow citizens in their native tongue. I made a short address to them, in which I alluded to the causes which tore them from the homes of their youth, and the graves of their ancestors—from the pleasant Fatherland upon the Rhine—and induced them to come to this land of freedom, where the power of government is vested, not in Emperors and Kings, but in the sovereign people. I also alluded to the questions which at the next election for President are to be decided.and of the details, I urged them in common with all good citizens, to examine these questions with that care which their importance demanded, in order that their decision might be made with a view to the preservation of our free institutions, and keeping sacred in the hands of the people, the control of the government. I urged them to vindicate the equal rights of mankind. I said not a word, and did not allude, directly, or indirectly, to religious disputes, or sects, or to the movements of

the Native American party. I appeal with the utmost confidence to every man who was present, of whatever party or politics he may, be, who heard and understood what I did say, for the this city, where the facts are known, presents to you, her young, talented. the publication alluded to is understood and known, to be a fabrication, and had no right to the nomination of the has no effect, but abroad it may be beagainst all the desperate machinations of lieved. I have lately seen a version of federalists and traitors; and we look to it in a German paper published at Lebanon. Hence I am troubling you with this statement. Use it as may think

> In haste, I am, Yours respectfully. FRANCIS R. SHUNK.

One falsehoo having been thus, exploded, its authors, still bent upon acjority over the two-sided double-dealing complishing their object without regard traitor Bull. The rank and file of the whig party despise the coalition of had attended the laying of the corner stone of a German Catholic Church, in Pittsburg, and upon that occasion, he Set down Bradford 1500 majority had trampled on the American Flag, and had it spread out for the Priests and the procession to walk over, &c,

This slander also soon received its death blow, in the following from the officers of the Volunteer Companies that were present on the occasion refer-

TO THE PUBLIC.

... We have noticed for some day past a charge made by the editor of the American," against Frs. R. SHUNK, Esq., that, at the laying of the corner cession to walk over it. A more ab- with the old veterans.

surd or unfounded charge couldnot be made against any person, than the, that is now urged against Mr. Shunkor the purpose of injuring him in the opions of his fellow-citizens. We wentpresent during the whole of the certainy of laying the corner stone, as Companders of the Military Companie that were out on the occasion, and wican state from our personal observaon, that no such proceeding took play as the trampling on the American orany Flag. There was no National Flaon the ground, nor had any of the Von teer Companies their Flags with the as it was deemed by us unnecessary carry them on such an occasion Nothing approaching in the most d tant manner to what is charged up Mr. Shunk, took place during t whole ceremony, and we regret mo sincerely that any one should utter unfounded a calumny against a gentle

man who is esteemed by all who know HENRY ITIN, Major. LEOPOLD SAHL, Captain. JOHN N. STRAUB, do. CONRAD MUSLER, do. John Anderegg, do. VICTOR GUTZWEILER, Lieutenan FRANCIS FREYVGLE, do. do: PHILIP PEEIL, PHILIP VOGEE, do. do. F. G. HEINMAN, Jos. DUBAIL, do. PETER KRAFT,

Among the above names, as we learn rom the Pittsburg papers, are several gentlemen who are prominent members of the whig party, and two of them, Major Itin and Captain Sahl were assistant marshalls, in the recent whig procession in that city. It cannot be supposed, therefore, that either of these, has any political sympathy with Mr. Shunk, or that they would thus volunteer a contradiction of the calumny, if they did not know it to be false.

We may also state, upon the same authority, that a majority of these officers are members of Protestant churches, and if any thing had taken place that was offensive to their religious, feelings, they would not, of course, attach their names to a contradiction of the charge.

Mr. Wilmot and Hon. A. H. Read.

In Col. Bull's handbill a charge is made against Mr. Wilmot, that he attempted " to defeat the Hon. A.H.Read for Congress."

The Colonel has allowed his personal animosity to make " a mountain out of a mole hill." We happen to know something of this matter ourselves. Mr. Wilmot was urged to go into the convention of this county, as a candidate nimself, and obtained the nomination of Bradford, over Mr. Read. When the which, but too strongly indicate his susceptions of their could reither acres be attracted by the glittering allureconferees met, they could neither agree without entering upon a consideration upon Mr. Read or Mr. Wilmot, and fi- an election to Congress might expose him, we nally settled upon O. J. HAMLIN, Esq., the conferees of Bradford both voting for Mr. Hamlin. We were in company with Mr. Wilmot when the information was brought here of the nomination of Mr. Hamlin, and that the conferees of Bradford voted for him. Mr. Wilmot was evidently as much surprised as to have heard of the nomination of the czar nounced the whole proceeding wrong. He averred publicly, and unqualifiedly, that the conferees should have taken one of the names brought forward by the County conventions, and as Mr. Hamlin's name had not been brought forward at any of the County conventions, he conference; besides this, he stated that Bradford, although she had expressed her preference for him, -was decidedly in favor of Mr. Read as her nextchoice, and that his friends ought to have gone for Mr. Read as an alternative.

It was upon hearing these remarks of Mr. Wilmot, and carrying out the convictions of our own mind, that we immediately placed the name of Mr. Read at the head of our paper, which was finally done by all the democratic papers of the district.

It is due to Mr. Hamlin to say, that, entertaining the same views of the case. he promptly withdrew his name from the canvass.

D. M. BULL, it will be remembered was formerly assistant editor of the Bradford Settler. Our friends, the old whigs of this county will scarcely have forgot it. Yet this man now throws himself into the arms of the Whigs, and asks such men as Col. Mix, Edward Overton, J. C. Powell, Burr Ridgway Nathan Clapp and Francis Tyler to support him for Congress. We should suppose it would require a most christian exercise of the virtues of charity stone of the German Catholic Church, and forgiveness, for them to come up in the Fifth Ward, he had trampled cheerfully to the work. We shall see on the American Flag, and had it when the day comes, how this new coa-

COL. BULL'S MEETING.

We give piece, this week, at the special request of Col. D. M. Bull, to the proceedings of a meeting purporting to have been held somewhere on the 22th of Sept., recommending the said Col. Bull as a candidate for Congressand in connexion with this subject it is proper for us to state that these proceedings form part of a hand-bill got up by the Col. and printed at the whig office, and industriously promulgated throughout the district. We also feel bound to warn our Democratic friends-10 beware of this unhallowed attempt to deceive and defraud them.-The object evidently is to convey the impression that a portion of the Democratic party in Bradford are dissatisfied him as one of our most worthy citizens with Mr. Wilmot, and that a meeting of Democrats has been held recommendng Col. Bull. We say then beware. No such meeting has been held. We ave personally seen some of the perhis named, and they assure us that pir names were used without their Wowledge or consent, and we insert in the day's paper the certificate of Messrs. Ginteer & Brownson, committee to nice Mr. Bull to be a candidate, that the have been grossly deceived and imbsed upon.

bl. Bull has a most perfect and undouted right to be a candidate for congres in opposition to Mr. Wilmot, but he he no right use the names of the frient of Mr. Wilmot to aid him in his sciemes of deception. Col. Bull is the candidate of the whigs, (if the leader can whip in the rank and file) & he maydraw over him whatever veil he choose he is still THE WHIG CAN-DIDATE. The Democrats have unanimously settled upon Mr. Wilmot, throughout the entire district, no other name was even introduced before the convention of either county,-and the nomination of Mr. Wilmot has been received by the rank and file of the party with a zell and enthusiasm rarely, if ever equaed in a political contest. We repeat then, that there exists no disuffection in the party in Bradford.

At a meether of Democratic citizens of Brad ford County, held at Towarda 25th Sept. 1844 WM. TROUT, was called to the Chair, and JOHN CASE, was appointed Secretary.
On motion, he following Preamble and Res

utions were unanimously adopted . WHEREAS, There is now but one candidat for Congress before the people of this District and he is known to be opposed to the present tariff, in sustaining which we feel so deep and vital an interest; and Whereas, the vascillating course of that individual on this and other po-litical questions, together with circumstance ments of the friends of the U. S. Bank, to which cannot look upon him as a safe repository

our interests. Therefore

Resolved, That our motto is 'principle and not men;' and we cannot cast our suffrages in favor of any man who will not carry those prin-

ciples into effect. Resolved, That the increasing prosperity of the country since the present tariff went into operations far outweighs all the technical exceptions to duties on articles of minor importance and is the best evidence of its general utility. Resolved, That this meeting having full con

fidence in the integrity and qualifications of Col of Russia, and almost instantly pro- DAVID M. BULL, of lowands, and in his views in relation to the tariff, a committee be appoint ed to wait on Col. Bull, and ascertain whether he will consent to be a candidate of the friends offthe tariff. Whereupon Eli Granteer, Wyllys Bronson, & R. V. Trout,

were appointed said Committee. Mr. Granteer-Chairman of the Committee reported that he addressed to Col. Bull, the following letter and to which he received the subjoined reply:

Towanda, Sept. 25, 1844. Cor. Buil: Sin-The undersigned were appointed a Committee by a Democratic meeting held this day at Towanda, to ascertain whether you would consent to resume your position as a candidate of the friends of the tariff for a seat in Congress. The deep interest we feel in common with the tax payers of this Congessional district in favor of sustaining the Pariff of 1842, which we look to as the only hope of relieving our Commonwealth from her lagging load of debt and our people from the oppressive burthens which in cons car heavily upon them. has been the prompttng cause for making this request. - From Mr. Wilmot's frequent denunciations of the tariff, we cannot recognize in him a true representative of our interests on this vital question, and we cannot consent to surrender interests so dear to us without making a vigorous effort to secure them. As your views on this question accords with our and those we have the honor to represent, and as we believe a large majority of the people of this Congressional District and from your known and deserved personal popularity, our minds have naturally been directed towards you as the individual with whom we would be most likely to carry our views into effect, and relying in your devotion to the people's interests, we hope in that devotion to meet with a compliance with the wishes of the meeting we represent and of your numerous friends throughout the district,

listrict,
We are, very Respectfully, &c.
ELI GRANTIER, Ch'n of Com.

Towarda, Sept. 25, 1844: SIR :- Your letter of to-day accompanying Sin :—Xour setter of to-day accompanying the proceedings of a meeting of the friends of the tariff, asking me in the present posture again to permit my name to be placed before the people for Congress, is just received, and holding as I do, the doctrine that in a public crisis individual feeling should be sacrificed for the public good, and if my name therefore can be rendered useful to any portion of my fellow

advance their prosperity and happing grateful acknowledgements for the expression of me, and that under all

stances Fyield my assent.

The Tariff of 1842 should be adhered: Pennsylvania as her sheet anchor of pro In the last Congress, although every me Pennsylvania voted to sustain it, its fate of ed on only two votes in the House of F en ou only taives, so clearly was that body divided or question. Mr. Buchanan having sound lucemon. Let be " East the West the North the South, were combined in an effort to the tariff of 1842, so far as the great m turing interests of Pennsylvania is cor and he feared that we would not be able to sist their efforts." Hence it is impossible to sist their efforts." Hence it is important all who are not blind to their own interest those who are in favor of sustaining measure of public policy, should give to no man, unless unequivocally pleiged all circumstances to sustain it in in detail.

Having thus unexpectedly been call by so respectable a portion of my fellow c I feel the inadequacy of my abilities u their just expectations, yet feeble as the the whole energies of my mind will be to promote their common interests and give my assent to become the candidate people on whose broad penant is inscited the training of 1842 and no British free trade. feel the responsibility of my undertaking relying on the activity and vigilance of the ple, who should be ever watchful of their and interests, I accept the call with a fe surance that they will give a "long strong pull, and a bull altogether" on so

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ELI GRANTIER Ch'n. of Com. Whereupon. Resolved unanimous this meeting is highly gratified to receive nonncement of Col, Bull's consent to be didate of the friends of the tariff, this individually pledge our most active com secure his election.

Resolved, That the proceedings being the officers, and published in the paper out the District. WM. TROUT,0

JOHN CASE, Sec'y.

BEWARE OF FRAU

We strongly suspect from the rate and reckless opposition which leading whigs of this town are ma against DAVID WILMOT, our co date for Congress, that some deep is on foot to effect if possible high We should not be surprised at my and we give to our friends through the district the most emphatic of to be on their guard, and fully pro for anything and everything. batch of lies, we suspect from a movements, are being prepared culation, but they will be kept until it is too late to be refuted. Be nothing to the prejudice of any d candidates. Could democrats by duced by the lies put forth by the ralists to vote against our candi they would laugh in their sleeve, the election.

Let every good and true der vote the ticket, and the whole and a glorious victory will be then

We have just learned by accident the whigs of this borough bave rec a letter from Isaac Kellum, notorio the pupil of Wm. B. Stom, and wards Cashier of the Bank of Sus hanna county. We of count han thing of the contents of the letter, be this, that it contains something

Mr. Wilmot. We say to the public, that not ment which this man might a should receive the least credit. character is notorious throughout and Susquehanna county, as a and liar. No man who knows would for a moment believe a wo might sav.

He feels bitter and malignant to Mr. Wilmot, from whose office h excluded, for purloining from his important business letter, which written to Wilmot, when Cashier Bank, and which he feared might ed by that Institution to his preju

We have seen and converse R. V. Trout whose name figures Bull meeting. He says that he Browntown on that day & knewn about it, and never gave any and for such a use of his name. This Mr. Bull entirely alone, except ner Wm. Trout, who declines anything about it.

OH DONT!-We undersu Generoll William Patton three take the stump against Mr. Oh dont, now General. you not to annibilate Mr. Will Had you not better write to him ter informing him of his certain and ask him to decline and lety the field, as you did to Morris in Do you take General You to write more tickets for Mons there were plenty of printed of fore you clear your skirts of lard affair.

Democrats will recollect that the Legislature elects a United Suls tor. It is therefore vitally in that we elect two democra Legislature from Bradford. citizens, in carrying out measures calculated to and Elliott are the men-