

REPORTER

Wednesday, December 4, 1844.

Fairer Prospects.

The anxiety and excitement which has pervaded all classes of community during the late political campaign is "passing away" and things are beginning to wear their usual and natural aspect. Right glad are we that the crisis is past, and the excitement subsided. It was wrought up to an unnatural pitch, and could not have remained at such a height for any great length of time without working serious injury to the social state of society. But we said, the crisis is past, and things again appear natural. Neighbors meet each other with a smile instead of a frown, and friends greet each other with a cordiality, which, to say the least, has been pent up by restraint for the last few months. This is right, and proves emphatically the virtue and intelligence of the people. It may be taken also as the strongest proof of the perpetuity of our institutions. While every one is absorbed in the deepest interest in public affairs, and especially in the election of a chief magistrate of the nation, yet, when the result is known, acquiescence in the final decree, and entire submission to the will of the people, follows as a matter of course, and all parties, the victors and the vanquished, are ready to greet each other as friends and forget that they have been warring, even politically one against the other. How beautifully are thus shadowed forth the principles of our free institutions, and the charms of a republican government. All are on a common level. The rich has no more power at the ballot box than the poor, and the will of the majority when legally expressed is received as the law of the land.

If, in the heat of the late contest, friends have been estranged, we hope that mutual forbearance and allowance for the imperfections of our natures, will soon eradicate every misgiving and restore their former friendly feelings, and that the entire community may wear its wonted smile of repose.

For our own part we can truly say, that we have offended none willingly—and if, in our zeal for the cause we espouse, we have wounded the feelings of any, we sincerely regret it, and as we freely "forgive those who have trespassed against us," we hope to receive the same courtesy at the hands of our opponents.

The Legislature of this State will convene on the first Tuesday in January, the 7th day of the month. The election of United States Senator to succeed Hon. D. Sturgeon takes place on the second Tuesday. The inauguration of Mr. Shunk, Governor elect, on the third Tuesday (21), in presence of both branches of the Legislature, Governor, heads of departments &c. The State Treasurer is elected in joint meeting of both houses on third Monday of January.

The approaching winter bids fair to be one of more than usual interest at Harrisburg to strangers and politicians.

FATHER MATHEW INVOLVED IN DIFFICULTIES.—A public subscription has been commenced for the relief of Father Mathew, the apostle of temperance, who, by his liberality in support of the cause, has involved himself in great and ruinous pecuniary difficulties. Lord Clonburry has contributed £50. It appears from a paragraph in the Cork Examiner, that the Rev. Mr. Mathew has actually been arrested for debt. His debts are said to amount to £5,000. The money now collecting will speedily exceed this sum, and leave the philanthropic friar something in hand.

A FOOLISH FEAT.—Two young men a few days back, in Dublin, excited much interest, and some painful emotions, by climbing to the top of Nelson's Pillar, and seizing themselves on the head of the naval hero. They descended fortunately without any accident, and were loudly cheered on reaching terra firma.

THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE of the State of Pennsylvania meets to-day in Harrisburg. The Governor has issued his proclamation declaring that the candidates nominated and supported by the democratic party, are elected.

The official returns of the vote of N. York give Mr. Polk 5,180 maj., and Mr. Wright for Governor 10,030.

United States Senator.

The last number of the Wayne County Herald (as good and efficient paper as issues from the Northern press) has in it some excellent editorial remarks on a communication recommending Hon. David Wilmot for the United States Senate.

Mr. Wilmot is a native of Wayne co., and her sons have just cause to be proud of him. If the Northern Democracy hope to have their interest sustained, and their principles eloquently vindicated, let them unite on Hon. David Wilmot. In his hands the rights of Pennsylvania, would find a safe and steadfast friend.

We publish below the article alluded to from the Herald:

"We not only cheerfully, but with pleasure, give place to the following communication from a distinguished Democrat. Mr. WILMOT and Judge Woodward are both natives of this county; both worthy and well qualified for the high office named; both have many warm friends and ardent admirers at the North, especially in this county. Had we been aware that Mr. Wilmot's friends here or in Bradford, intended to bring his name before the people, and the Legislature, for the office of U. S. Senator, we should certainly have stood neutral between him and Judge Woodward. We will continue to urge the rights of the North; we will publish communications from the friends of both these distinguished sons of old Wayne, but we will not intermeddle between them, or give either of them a preference over the other in our columns. We hope that the friends of these gentlemen, will yet be able to unite on one of them, and present an unbroken, undivided strength in behalf of Northern Pennsylvania, when the proper time arrives; nothing short of this we think, can secure the choice of a U. S. Senator from Northern Pennsylvania, where it clearly of right belongs."

[For the Wayne County Herald.]

U. S. SENATOR—MR. ALLEN.—Sir—I concur with you that "it is not improper or premature to draw the attention of the Democratic party" to some person as a suitable colleague of JAMES BUCHANAN. You have expressed your preference; allow me to express mine. We want a man who has been distinguished in this crisis—who openly and fearlessly has been a champion of the cause when danger threatened, and the calamity of '40 overwhelmed it—who labored to rally our scattered forces, and to lead them on the victory of '44 one who is in principle, in feeling, in character a Democrat. I am decidedly opposed to the selection of any man for that high and distinguished station, who has not been thoroughly tried in the period of our adversity—whose position in our recent struggle has been like that of a valiant soldier on the field of conflict, ready to sacrifice himself for the cause he has espoused. The country is indebted to such men. On all the great questions which were discussed in the recent campaign, we know where such men are to be found. Let the men who have thus distinguished themselves be remembered in preference to those whose only position was that of interested spectators. I know of no man in Northern Pennsylvania, on whom the honor of an election to the United States Senate, could be more deservedly conferred, than on DAVID WILMOT Esq., of Bradford County. Mr. Wilmot is a native of Wayne County, and is now a member elect of the next Congress. He is not in any respect inferior in talents to any of those whose names have been mentioned in connection with that office, while for many important reasons he is superior. He has struggled against adverse circumstances, and without the advantages of wealth or influential relatives, has attained a distinction seldom the lot of men of his age. A more eloquent advocate of our cause—a more clear and comprehensive expounder of its principles, has not taken the field. He is a Democrat without guile, in whose hands in any crisis, and on all occasions, our interests would be safe. No man has a stronger sympathy for the neglected masses than he; none whose feelings and talents are more earnestly enlisted for their interests. It is true, he is young; but it can with certainty be said of him, that he has done as much, if not more, to advance our cause, than those of more years, whose names have been mentioned for the same station. In any particular, with his want of age, he would not suffer in comparison with any of his competitors.

He has the discernment of age, the vigor and energy of youth. Few men of his age, enjoy to the extent which he does, the confidence of others. On him, I believe the active and energetic portion of the democratic party of the North would unite, with more cordiality, than on any other whose name has been mentioned. The East and the West are ready and anxious to remember him, should the North with tolera-

ble unanimity ask for it. Wayne County will not forget one of her sons, but be ready to do honor to herself in conferring it on one so deserving the distinction.—A NORTHERN PENNSYLVANIAN.

An Infamous Fabrication.

We cut the following from the "Wilmington County Record," credited to the Harrisburg Intelligencer. It is hardly necessary for us to say that it is false in every particular. We are assured by a gentleman from Cherry that no re-balloting was made, and that the election was conducted strictly in a legal manner. Before the balloting commenced, tickets were discovered, intended to deceive the democratic voters, circulated too by treacherous and suspected friends. Cherry gave Petriken 159, Pollock 13; notwithstanding the efforts of disorganizers and treacherous democrats.

"We are informed by a gentleman conversant with the fact, that in Cherry township, Lycoming county, at the election for Governor, members of Congress, &c., after the polls were opened and about sixty votes deposited in the ballot box, the Locofoco Judges and Inspectors discovering that the friends of Pollock had circulated imitation tickets, and presuming that some of the "Democracy" had thus been induced secretly to vote for the Tariff candidate, took the responsibility to stop the voting, throw out the votes that had been polled, and commence the balloting anew.—This is about as high-handed a proceeding as we have lately heard of. The township is thoroughly Locofoco—giving Petriken 100 votes, and Pollock 16! and exhibits Locofocoism in all its beauties.

CONFLICT WITH A MAD DOG.—The Charleston Mercury gives an account of a desperate conflict which a Mr. Happold, of that city had with a mad dog. He was out hunting, and observing that his dog exhibited strange symptoms; tied it with a handkerchief to a sapling, and leaned his gun against a tree. On returning towards his gun he found the dog evidently mad, in the act of tearing itself loose and making at him.—Without being able to reach his gun, Mr. H. ran into some water near and stood on a log until the dog, having gone out of sight, he was returning for his gun, when suddenly a dog rushed upon him over a hillock, and he only escaped being bitten by seizing the rabid animal by the throat. A struggle ensued between them for more than half an hour, requiring the exertion of all the muscular power of the assailed, while the dog mangled its own tongue dreadfully and covered H. with foam and blood. He at last succeeded in getting off his belt, putting it around the dog's neck and buckling it to the stem of a small bush, regained his gun and shot the dog. Mr. H., though he escaped without a scratch, was much exhausted, and the muscles of his arms were swollen from the exertion for two days after.

TERRIBLE STEAMBOAT EXPLOSION.—Loss of life.—On Wednesday, the 13th inst., as we learn from the N. O. Picayune, while the steam tow-boat Tiger was towing, over the bar at the S. W. Pass the barque Marcia, she burst all her boilers, six in number, making a perfect wreck of the boat even to her guards, and killing three persons and wounding three more slightly. Fortunately, before the accident, all hands had been called aft a short time to haul in the spring cable, or more lives would have been lost. Capt. Crowell, the master, was uninjured. The following are the names of the killed: Capt. Daniel B. Clark, pilot, of N. Orleans; David Brown, 1st engineer, of New York; A. Snyder, 2d engineer, of Canada. The remains of the two latter were recovered. Clark's body was seen flying in the air at the explosion and has not been recovered.

TWO THANKSGIVINGS.—In Chicago they will have two Thanksgivings days this year, their Mayor having appointed the 14th inst. for one, and Gov. Ford another on the 28th. As provisions are very low in that region, this looks reasonable enough.

CONGRESS.—The Congress of the U. States convened, at Washington, agreeably to the constitution on Monday last. We shall look with interest to its proceedings. As several important subjects will engross its attention, among which will probably be the question of the annexation of Texas.

CONNECTICUT.—The official vote of Connecticut gives Clay a majority of 3,991.

News from all Nations.

The New Orleans Picayune mentions a quarrel which lately took place in a "coffee-house" in that city, in the course of which one of the parties and four police officers were stabbed, one of the latter very dangerously. The desperado who inflicted the wounds was arrested only when severely cut by a broadsword and overpowered by numbers.

Fashion which affects to be honoris often, in all men's experience, only a ball-room code. Yet, so long as in highest circle, in the imagination of the best heads on the planet, there is something necessary and excellent in it, and it is not to be supposed that those inferiors should follow it.

By two arrivals at New Orleans from Havana, we have papers to the 9th instant. The news is not of importance. Contributions continue to be made for the relief of those who suffered by the hurricane. This total amount collected thus far exceeds \$55,000.

There was a severe gale at Matanzas on the 6th ult. What houses stood were unroofed, whilst others were knocked down; two-thirds of the coffee crop beaten down, the trees pounded to pieces, nearly every fruit tree down!

We have dates from Galveston, Texas, to the 2d inst., being three days later intelligence. There is nothing new. The account of the battle between the Indians and Mexicans, published by us some days ago, is confirmed.

At an execution of two murderers in Hungary recently, the two culprits contended with each other for the honor of dying first, one being a noble, the other of humble birth. The poor wretches got to blows and were with difficulty separated.

The schooner Young Hickory, of Staten Island, which was lying at the wharf at Brooklyn, was on Sunday afternoon driven by the violence of the wind and sea against the dock, and so much injured that she immediately sunk.

The farmers predict that the coming winter will be a tolerably severe one.—They say they have never seen a season of great abundance, especially in fruit, that was not followed by a hard winter.

We learn from Washington, that Lieutenant A. M. Pennock, of the U. States Navy, arrived in that city on Saturday morning, with important despatches from our Minister, at Mexico.

The Mobile papers mention the death of Judge William Hale, of that city, at the age of about 55. He was a native of Albany, and has resided more than twenty years in Mobile.

At Manchester, England, recently, a dinner was given to Charles Kemble, Esq., by a number of directors and other members of the Athenaeum.

The Mexican steamers Montezuma, Guadalupe, and the brig of war Santa Anna sailed on Sunday from N. York, for Vera Cruz via Havana.

A frightful accident recently occurred on the Rhine, at Chanz, by the upsetting of a boat; twenty eight charity children, and two boatmen were drowned.

We learn from Albany, says the New York Sun, that Ex-President Van Buren and Col. Young are talked of as Senators from that State.

A gentleman asked Justice Parsons the definition of "keel-haul." He instantly replied, "It is under going a great hard ship."

New Hampshire Legislature is now in session.

The Legislature of North Carolina assembled on Monday last.

Her British Majesty's surname before marriage was Guelph; it is now Busic.

Col. John M. Burris, of St. Francis co. Ark., was drowned in the Mississippi river on the night of the 29th ult. His body was found the next day, having floated upon a sand bar.

The Repealers give a grand ball at New York, this evening. Pretty women and good music are great things.

The Cherokee Councils is now in session, at Tah-le-quah, the seat of Government of the Nation.

John Flinn, who attempted to cut his throat at New Orleans, three weeks ago, died on the 13th inst. in the Charity Hospital.

The London packet Hendrick Hudson takes from New York \$250,000 all in silver.

United States Senator.

We concur in the views expressed in the following article from the Wilkes-Barre Farmer, and hope the North will be impracticable. Our northern counties have stood unterrified and unfaltering, when almost all the other counties of the State have given way. Look at us in 1840, and again observe our unbroken front in 1844. Ought we not to be remembered? Certainly we had, and will, if the north will but unite, and resolve that our claims shall no longer be deferred. In saying this much, we would not be forgetful of favors already received; or be understood to mean that the North has been wholly unnoticed. In some parts of the north favors have been lavished, while others have been wholly neglected. What has Bradford, Susquehanna, or Tioga received? A district giving nearly three thousand majority? Nothing. On the other hand, Luzerne and Lycoming have been the pets of the North, supplying almost every vacancy on the bench and in the Cabinet of the state for several years past. It is but just that either Tioga, Bradford, Susquehanna, or Wayne should be remembered at this time in the selection of a United States Senator. If either of these counties can present a man equal in all respects to any other, whose name may be presented, why should the north not unite on him. Such a man we have; such a man we intend to present, and in the concluding language of the following article, we say, "The Democratic North must be respected."

"A western paper, in bringing forward the name of Wilson M'Callister, Esq., as a candidate for U. S. Senator, in place of Dr. Sturgeon, very complacently assumes the ground that the "West is entitled to the choice." Permit me, in the name of the Democratic party of Northern Pennsylvania, to protest, in the most decided terms, against this assumption. The west is not entitled to the choice, nor will her claims to this, as to every thing else, be conceded to her. We should think it would be enough that Allegheny, with her three thousand Federal majority, has the Governor elect, a Canal Commissioner, without claiming the remaining best office in the commonwealth; especially when we take into consideration the additional facts, that Lancaster, with her five thousand Federal majority, has the other Senator; that Huntington, with her fifteen hundred Federal majority, has the present Governor; that Indiana, with her one thousand Federal majority, has another Canal Commissioner; and Chester, with her six hundred Federal majority, the Canal Commissioner elect.

Are the Democratic counties always to remain unnoticed? Especially is nothing to be conceded to the North? Is she never to receive a look, except an imploring glance just before election, accompanied by a supplicating voice, calling upon her in piteous tones, to give her round Democratic majorities which invariably save the state? Is she year after year to carry Pennsylvania for the Democratic party and then be cast off without further attention until the next election? Justice—honor—self-respect—common fairness, all say—No!

We would inform the liberal and honorable Democrats abroad, that the North claims the selection of a candidate for U. S. Senator; and we give them to understand that she is in earnest about the matter. We have sacrificed many of our wishes and our rights for the sake of peace; we have given way often to promote harmony; but the time has arrived when we must make a stand, and let our Democratic brethren in the West know that some limits must be set to the neglect and disregard of Northern Pennsylvania.—The Democratic North must be respected.

A NORTHERN DEMOCRAT.

HORRIBLE MURDER AND ROBBERY.—The Chillicothe (Ohio) Advertiser gives an account of the robbery of the store and the murder of Mr. Frederick Edwards, at Boumeville, on the 19th inst. It is supposed that some time after midnight an entrance into the store-room was effected by forcing open the front window shutters and window, from whence the assassin passed into the room where Mr. Edwards slept, who could not have awoke until the entrance into his bed-room, when, probable, springing up he encountered his murderer and received his fatal wounds. He was stabbed in the upper part of the left breast, twice, once in his left side, once in the abdomen, and eleven times in the back, and was also badly cut in the forehead. No clue has been discovered that could lead to the detection of the murderer.

VERMONT.—The official majority for Clay in this state is 8,720.

PROF. GOURAUD'S MNEMONOTECHNY SYSTEM.—We have attended Mr. Johnson's class recently formed in this village for the instruction in the system of Mnemonotechny invented by Prof. Gouraud, only regret that more of our fellow citizens have not availed themselves of this excellent opportunity to become acquainted with it. Its application to the recollection of historical dates is of calculable value. It enables us by comparatively little study to commit to memory all the most important events which recall each one independently of its connection with others. At the same time it renders it perfectly practicable to compare different events together, and to illustrate their mutual connection in a manner as will give them a new and impressive aspect. In one hour we have been able to commit to memory more dates than we could have done in a week without it. It is manifestly the outcome of a scientific and classical mind, and the result of prodigious labor and genuity, at the same time it is so completely simplified, that every person of common capacity can easily acquire it.

SEIZURE OF FIRE ARMS IN CANADA.—On Tuesday morning of last week, a detachment of the 89th regiment, under the direction of several magistrates, paid a visit to the Lachine Canal, in consequence of information laid before them that the canalliers were receiving arms from some quarter, and concealing them about their shanties. The visit was far successful, that about one hundred and twenty stand of arms were seized and taken to Montreal. The canalliers intended no doubt to have some "sport."

FATALISM.—A fire broke out recently in Dublin, in the house of a person belonging to a sect called the White Quakers. The inmates refused to admit of assistance, and made no exertion to extinguish the flames, declaring that the windows that God would provide his own. The police forced an entrance, and put out the flames.

FIENDISH.—A colored girl, about 15 years of age, living with a family in Richmond, Va., in a fit of anger, the other day, threw a little girl, left in charge, over the stair banisters, below a distance of four stories, causing a fracture on the thigh and other injuries probably fatal. The miscreant has escaped.

DOUBLE CALAMITY.—The Rev. Mr. Parme, who recently settled at Rockester, met with the double calamity on Tuesday evening last, of having his leg broken by being thrown from his wagon, in consequence of his horse being frightened by the ears, and of having his barn and its contents consumed by fire set by an incendiary, involving a loss of \$500.

MAIN LINE.—The Main Line of the public works of Pennsylvania, divided into 200,000 shares, at \$100 each, amounting to twenty millions of dollars, is to be offered at public sale on the 20th January next at the Philadelphia Exchange, by the celebrated auctioneers, M. Thomas & Son.

CELEBRATED.—Monday 25th ult. was what is called "Evacuation Day," in New York, from the fact that it is the anniversary of the British, in revolutionary days, leaving that city. It was duly celebrated by military displays, and in other modes.

FIRE AT SARATOGA SPRINGS.—A very disastrous fire occurred at Saratoga Springs on Friday morning last, which consumed 14 tenements. An extract from the Republican office, gives the particulars of the conflagration, and puts the amount of loss at \$13,000.

HON. SILAS WRIGHT, Gov. elect of the state of New York, will occupy his seat in the U. S. Senate during the month of December as he does not assume the duties of his new station until after the meeting of the legislature of that State, in January.

SUBSCRIBERS FOR THE CAMPAIGN.—Those persons who may have subscribed for the campaign, are informed that this is the last paper which will be sent to them. If they desire to continue their subscription, the post master will notify us at their request.

TENNESSEE.—Clay has carried Tennessee by the meagre majority of 171. This gives Polk 170 electoral votes, and Clay 105; leaving a majority for the former of 65; quite enough for all practical purposes.