

Bradford Reporter

Tayanda, Wednesday, Jan 12, 1847.

The Province at the Late Election.

We again say, that we are mortified and astonished, to see Gov. Shunk's election claimed as a triumph over the principles of the Province...

or that he will permit his independence to be corrupted, or his perception of the Right perverted, by all the offices in the gift of Government?

This infamous slander upon the intelligence and patriotism of the people of this State, is doubtless caused by the belief that the Honorable Secretary of State, in his letter to the Berke County Meeting...

The people of Pennsylvania were too proud of their present excellent Governor - than whom, a purer or worthier man never was at the helm of State - to sacrifice him after the Secretary's letter had appeared...

It was an ungenerous attempt to make capital out of another man's popularity, and showed but little regard for the success of the Democratic party in this State.

In the Reporter we repeatedly stated that the Province formed no issue at the coming election; that it was not a question of party, and he who sought to make it such, was its enemy.

The Tariff of 1846.

When the Vice President gave the casting vote in the Senate for the Tariff of 1846, the Pennsylvania and Observer stood almost solitary and alone, in the state, as the defenders of that vote.

"Almost" alone, indeed, were the Pennsylvania and Observer. They had but about half a dozen companions - and among that half dozen we remember with pride, was the York Gazette.

With the Observer we are not acquainted, but we recognize in the Gazette a faithful and zealous co-laborer with the then Democratic papers of this District in support of the Tariff of 1846.

A. H. CALLIORN, editor of the Oswego Advertiser, has been elected Clerk of the N. York State Senate.

Martin Van Buren as the Presidency.

We are gratified to observe the attention of the Democracy rapidly turning to the distinguished statesman, MARTIN VAN BUREN, as the best candidate for the Presidency.

The claims of the several candidates at that time, were fully and freely canvassed in the primary meetings of the people, and so general an enthusiastic was the preference for Martin Van Buren, that Mr. Buchanan left it his duty to withdraw his name...

Philadelphia for Dallas.

The delegate election, which took place in the city and county of Philadelphia, on Monday 3d inst., resulted in the triumph of the friends of Geo. M. Dallas.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE GOVERNOR.

Hon. REUBEN WILKES, has been appointed Revenue Commissioner for the Judicial District, composed of Luzerne, Bradford and Tioga Counties.

Proceedings of the Penn'a Legislature.

(Correspondence of the Reporter.)

HARRISBURG, Jan. 5, 1847. Both branches of the Legislature organized yesterday. In the Senate, Mr. Williamson, the old Speaker, was again elected Speaker by the vote of the whigs - the democrats voting for Mr. Hill of Westmoreland county.

Mr. Member of Philadelphia county announced the presence of Capt. Small, who was elected last year, but did not take his seat for the reason that he was in Mexico, fighting the battles of his country.

In the house, Gen. W. F. Paeker of Lycoming county, the nominee of the Democratic members, was elected by the unanimous vote of his party friends.

Very little other business has been done as yet, except the appointment of the usual committees to inform the respective Houses and the Governor, that they were organized and ready to proceed to business.

The Governor has been quite sick for several days, but is now recovering.

Gov. Shunk's Message.

We publish this week Gov. Shunk's message to the Legislature. It is unusually brief and a plain, comprehensive and well written document.

"We are obliged to defer until next week the proceedings of a meeting held in Sullivan county; also of a meeting held in Athens; and the report of the great Terrytown Mass Meeting, by a speaker."

APPOINTMENT BY THE COMMISSIONERS - CHAURCY S. HERRICK, at Clerk of the Commissioners of Bradford County.

(For the Bradford Reporter.)

Message Errors - I regret exceedingly to see the progress of improvement in our county so much impeded in consequence of the course pursued by a few LAND PATRONS.

The truth is, we are in a situation almost as deplorable as were the people in the old countries under the feudal system, where every settler occupying land was compelled to do service to his Lord.

The Bank of North America, which had contracts, bonds and mortgages &c., against the settlers, amounting to about one hundred thousand dollars, besides a large body of lands unsold, have recently been purchased by a company in this county for the sum of thirty five thousand dollars.

There are two questions to be considered. First, the settlers are not satisfied (as they ought not to be until they have the means of knowing) that the pretended holders have the legal title to said lands.

A FRIEND TO THE SETTLERS.

Jan. 10, 1848. This payment, of the reduction of the debt, within the last financial year, was effected by the cancellation, at the Treasury, of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars of the relief issues, and by the receipt of State stocks in payment of old debt, which is allowed in certain cases by law.

Table with columns: Receipts, 1847, Estimate, 1848. Rows include Land, Auction commissions, Auction duties, Tax on bank dividends, Tax on corporation stocks, Tax on real and personal estate, Tavern licenses, Retailers licenses, Fiddlers licenses, Brokers licenses, Pleas and circuit licenses, Penalties laws, Militia fines, Tax on writs, etc.

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MESSAGE.

Delivered by Gov. Shunk, to the Legislature of Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg, on the 4th of Decr., 1846.

My countrymen - No ordinary reasons for thankfulness to the Great God, crowd themselves upon the Representatives of the people, at this annual meeting. Abundance during the past year, has been the reward of honest industry, in every pursuit of the citizen.

Our religion, our interests, and our institutions, are essentially peaceful. The people hold in their hands the sovereignty of the nation, and exact from their rulers obedience to their will.

In defence of these rights, the power of this people is irresistible. Every citizen holds himself responsible, and the army springs into existence, not by conscriptions, or contracts for enlistments, but by the voluntary impulse of independent freemen, animated by patriotism and urged onward to deeds of heroic valor.

The support and prosecution of the war in which we are engaged, Pennsylvania has given to the world the noble example of a people, who, in the hour of their greatest peril, have shown the truest patriotism.

The finances and credit of the State - the amount and condition of the public debt, and the means of reducing it, are among the objects which claim the first attention of the Representatives of the people.

The amount of the public debt, on the 1st Decr. 1846, was \$46,789,577 09. On the 1st Decr. 1847, it was \$40,628,949 51.

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