



Bradford Reporter

Free Soil, Free Speech, Free Men

E. O. GOODRICH, EDITOR.

Towanda, Saturday, June 29, 1850.

Democratic State Conventions

- FOR CAJAL CONDUMNER, WM. T. MORISON... OF MONTGOMERY CO. FOR DEPUTY GENERAL, J. PORTER BRAWLEY... OF CALVERTON CO. FOR ACTING GENERAL, EPHRAIM BANKS... OF MIFFLIN CO.

TERMS OF THE PAPER: \$5 00 per annum... APOLOGY: A domestic bereavement, has withdrawn our attention from this week's Reporter...

Speech of Thos. H. Benton.

We publish this week, entire, the Speech of Hon. Thos. H. Benton, upon the Compromise Bill, to the exclusion of our usual variety.

Fourth of July.

The birth day of our Nation, at this place will be suffered to pass without any demonstrations of respect...

The Mysterious Knockings.

A great ail is made now-a-days, about the mysterious visitors at Rochester and other places, now at New York, who converse with people by means of rappings...

The difference however is, that no alphabet can interpret their language; and we can only judge by the manifestations of the participator that they recall unpleasant memories...

New Mexico.

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The boundaries of the State were defined and Slavery prohibited. The Constitution was adopted on the 25th May. In fifteen days afterward, an election was to take place for the election of Members of the State Legislature...

Two Senators and Representatives in Congress would soon be elected, and efforts would also be made to procure their acceptance at Washington.

From Washington.

Our latest advices from Washington are, that Governor Doty had published a circular requesting the members friendly to the separate and immediate admission of California to meet in the House of Representatives on Friday evening.

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The fate of the Compromise bill is sealed; it is said it cannot even pass the Senate.

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Quite a number of these notes are in circulation about Binghamton. Our business men would do well to be on guard. They can be easily detected by holding them up to the light.

A Particular Notice.

Sunday, the twenty-third day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, being no less an occasion than the twenty-sixth anniversary of the birth of the editor of this paper...

Towanda, June 29, 1850.

Mr. E. O. Goodrich, Sir—You have, both directly and indirectly, on several occasions, within the last six months, charged in your paper, that I had some improper connection with the Bank of Susquehanna County...

The committee appointed by the last Legislature to investigate the concerns of this institution, commenced their sitting at Watertown on Monday next, to continue for some days. This committee, by ample powers, and I now invite you to make good, if you can, your vile insinuations...

A more impudent and insulting bravado than this we have never seen, and there could be no more striking illustration of the scriptural adage, that 'the guilty flee when no one pursueth'.

We should not have given a moment's attention to the bragadocio the letter contains, were it not that such a misdeed is totally uncalled for, and a tissue of falsehoods from beginning to ending.

It has come to a pretty pass indeed, if a broken bank cannot be mentioned, without Mr. Ward's flying into a passion, and crying out, 'that means me'.

We shall not accept this urgent invitation to be present at the investigation, with a full view of the awful consequences which are impending.

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A terrible punishment. It is a true sentiment of Charles Sprague's, 'Thou may'st show how hot thou art, by showing how cold thou canst be'.

And the man who fleeth from community by any means the hard earnings of labor, may fill his coffers with opulence, but at the same time entails upon his character and name a stain which no time can efface.

The Bank robber is the worst and most reprehensible of this class of persons. Mr. Ward asserts that DAVID WILMOT has over-written a note payable for the Bradford Reporter in relation to him...

We shall allow no one to talk to us about a 'lord and master,' much less a man whose whole life has been characterized by abject sycophancy, and cowering and cringing servility.

JOHN VAN BURAN has accepted an invitation to deliver a Fourth of July Address, at Binghamton. The party from New York, will consist of 'the Prince,' Lewis Gaylord Clark, ex-Governor Young and other notables.

SPEECH OF T. H. BENTON.

[CONCLUDED FROM FOURTH PAGE.]

And there the wisdom, not the philanthropy, of Virginia balked fifty years ago; there the wisdom of America balks now. And here I find the largest objection to the extension of slavery—to planting it in new regions where it does not now exist—bestowing it on those who have it not.

That the rapid population of the State of Ohio sufficiently evinces, in the opinion of your committee, that the labor of slaves is not necessary to promote the growth and settlement of colonies in that region.

The report of Mr. Randolph was in 1803; the next year, March, 1804, a different report on the same subject, was made by a committee of which Mr. Rodney, of Delaware, was chairman.

Thus, five times in four years, the respective Houses of Congress refused to admit even a temporary extension, or rather re-extension of slavery in Louisiana Territory, which had been before the ordinance of '87, a vast territory holding many slaves at Vincennes.

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ance, all the fruit trees of Europe—figs, peaches, pomegranates, and pears." [Vol. 2, p. 306.]

Humboldt is right, and recent travellers confirm now what he wrote in 1804. It was at the head of the valley of the Rio Grande, some three leagues north of Santa Fe, that Col. Fremont discovered his great disaster...

The committee's line has the further ill consequence of raising the question of the existence of slavery by law in the Santa Fe part even of New Mexico. If their line is a compromise of the Texas claim, it admits the right and sovereignty of Texas both above and below, and will involve members in an inconvenient vote...

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manipulated law—both in the case of citizens or communities of the same government, and between independent nations.

The mode of decision is in different—between independent nations it is done by negotiation or arms; between citizens or communities of the same government it is done by laws; independent nations may invade and fight each other for a boundary; citizens or communities of the same government cannot.

I have now examined, so far as I propose to do on a motion for indefinite postponement, these bills which the committee have tacked together—the California, Utah, New Mexico, and Texas bills. There are two other bills which I have not mentioned, because they are not tacked, but only hung on; but which belong to the system, as it is called, and without consent of which, injustice would be done to the committee in the presentation of their scheme.

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in writing in a name which applied to the father of Sarampilla root, and there may be equal reason in what applied to a compromise bill.

This is the end of the grand committee's work—five old bills tacked together, and presented as a remedy for evils which have no existence, and require to be accepted under a penalty—the penalty of being gazetted as enemies of compromise, and played at by the organs! The old one, to be added, and the screws all loose, and discouraging men, full masses, and still requiring to be done to it!

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE: ALL persons indebted to the estate of GEORGE A. SEYMOUR, deceased, late of Pike county, New York...

NOTICE: ALL persons indebted to HUSTON & PORTER, small call and settle forthwith. BUCKS & SHOES

HATS just received, a new supply of the celebrated H. Fur Union Hats for every class. Also a new style of clothing, at the new Clothing and Hat shop of Brock Row.