

NEWS FROM ALL NATIONS.

-Late advices from the Rio Grande report a resulting in the overthrow of Matamoros... -Last week an attempt was made to break the Helena, Ark. jail. One convict, Asa Henson, in for horse thieving, was shot through the body and mortally wounded by corporal Andy Burrows...

Bradford Reporter.

Towanda, Thursday, August 23, 1866. Union State Ticket. FOR GOVERNOR, GEN. JOHN W. GEARY, OF WESTMORELAND COUNTY. THE PHILADELPHIA DOOLITTLE CONVENTION. We venture to assert, that in the history of political conventions held in this country, none were ever convened and carried through, where the inconsistency and hypocrisy of the prime movers, were as transparent as in the last week's Philadelphia Convention of Johnson men, Democrats and Rebels...

gressmen, are all swallowed up by the great Doolittle's, the great Cowan's and Raymond's of this eventful movement. And so also, of the representative men from the rebel states. These former shining lights are now but bobs in the tail of the kite Mr. Doolittle is flying. Now, why is all this? If this is to be a great National Union Party, why do the rebel and democratic delegates take no part in its proceedings? Hereafter, the representatives of the democratic party, and leading southern men, have not been remarkable for their modesty. They were never known to take back seats before. Is the thing not all transparent, that they are only acting a part. They went into this convention, and gave its countenance, in order to encourage Messrs. Doolittle, Raymond and Cowan, in their futile attempt to divide the republican party. This is the whole game. If Mr. Johnson had called a National Convention of his own adherents alone, there would hardly have been a corporal's guard in attendance, hence to give it importance and character, "all the world, and the rest of mankind," are invited in. The shallow-hooped, however, of the trick is ridiculously transparent, and what an idea these hucksters of shallow tricks must have of intelligent republicans, to suppose that they can be bamboozled into the support of "my policy" by such stuff.

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This body of disaffected Republicans, expectant office-seekers, and reconstructed rebels, met at Philadelphia on the 14th, and was presided over by Senator DOOLITTLE. The love-feast concluded with the reading of a long address by RAYMOND of the New York Times, and the adoption of the following platform reported by Senator COWAN:-- The Declaration is as follows:-- The National Union Convention, now assembled in the City of Philadelphia, composed of delegates from every State and Territory in the Union, admonished by the solemn lessons which for the last five years, it has pleaded the Supreme Ruler of the Universe to give to the American people, profoundly grateful for the return of peace, desirous, as a large majority of their countrymen, in all sincerity, to forget and forgive the past, revering the Constitution as it comes to us from our ancestors, regarding the Union, in its restoration, as more sacred than ever, looking with deep anxiety into the future as of instant and continuing trial, here issues and proclaims the following declaration of principles and purposes, which they have with perfect unanimity agreed:-- First: We hail with gratitude to Almighty God the end of war and the return of peace to an afflicted and beloved land. Second: The war just closed has maintained the authority of the Constitution with all the powers which it confers, and all the restrictions which it imposes upon the General Government unbroken and unaltered, and it has preserved the Union with the equal rights, dignity and authority of the States perfect and unimpaired. Third: The fundamental right of Congress of the United States and in the Electoral College is a right recognized by the Constitution as abiding in every State and as a duty imposed upon its people, fundamental in its nature and essential to the exercise of our Republican institutions, and neither Congress nor the General Government has any authority or power to deny this right to any, or withhold its enjoyment under the Constitution from the people thereof. Fourth: We call upon the people of the United States to elect to Congress as members thereof not men who admit this fundamental right of representation, and who will receive to seats their loyal representatives from every State in allegiance to the United States, subject to the Constitutional right of each House to judge of the election returns and qualifications of its own members. Fifth: The Constitution of the United States and the laws made in pursuance thereof are the supreme law of the land, anything in the Constitution or laws of any State to the contrary notwithstanding. All the powers not conferred by the Constitution upon the General Government are reserved to the States or to the people thereof, and among the rights thus reserved to the States is the right to prescribe qualifications for the elective franchise therein, which right Congress cannot interfere with. No State or convention of States has the right to withdraw from the Union, or to exclude, through their action in Congress or otherwise, any State or States from the Union. The Union of these States is perpetual. Sixth: Such amendments to the Constitution of the United States may be made by the people thereof as they may deem expedient, but only in the mode pointed out by its resolution, and proposing such amendments, whether by Congress or by a Convention, and in ratifying the same, all the States of the Union have an equal and an inalienable right to a voice and a vote thereon. Seventh: Slavery is abolished and forever prohibited, and there is neither desire nor purpose on the part of the Southern States that it should ever be re-established upon the soil or within the jurisdiction of the United States, and the enfranchised slaves in all the States of the Union should receive in common with all their inhabitants equal protection in every right of person and property. Eighth: While we regard as utterly invalid, and never to be assumed or made of binding force, any obligation incurred or undertaken in making war against the United States, we hold the debt of the nation to be sacred and inviolable, and we perform our purpose in discharging this debt, in performing all other national obligations, to maintain unimpaired and unimpeached the honor and the faith of the Republic. Ninth: It is the duty of the National Government to recognize the services of the Federal soldiers and sailors in the contest just closed by meeting promptly and fully all their just and rightful claims for the services they have rendered the nation, and by extending to those of them who have survived, and to the widows and orphans of those who have fallen, the most generous and considerate care. Tenth: In Andrew Johnson, President of the United States, who in his great office has proved steadfast in his devotion to the Constitution, the laws and interests of his country, unmoved by persecutions and undeserved reproach, having faith in the people and in the principles of the Government, we recognize a Chief Magistrate worthy of the nation and equal to the great crisis upon which his lot is cast, and we tender to him in the discharge of his high and responsible duties our profound respect, and assurance of our cordial and sincere support. Eleventh: Governor, Fletcher, of Missouri, has issued an address to the people of that State upon its present condition, and what may be achieved by proper efforts. He says that the laws of the State and nation shall be enforced. The registration act, which gives the rebel so much trouble, will be carried out, and the annual enrollment of the militia will be made. Armed and organized bodies of men will not be allowed at the polls or at public meetings, unless by express permission. PROCLAMATION.—The President has issued a proclamation, which is going on in Mexico, and that the so-called Emperor of Mexico has issued a decree for the blockade of Matamoros, which decree is given at length, announces that the decree of blockade will be held void by the United States against our citizens, and that an attempt to enforce it against citizens of the United States will be disallowed. The rising of tobacco in New-Jersey is attracting the attention of some of the leading agriculturists of the State. Some parties have already been very successful, and have this year promising crops. The Southern part of the State is, no doubt, better adapted than any other to the cultivation of the plant.

New Advertisements. GUN SHOP! GUNS, RIFLES AND PISTOLS. J. V. GEIGER, would respectfully inform the public that he has opened his... GUN SHOP. On the north side of the Public Square, near the Court House, there may be found a complete assortment of Barreled Guns, Rifles, Revolvers, Pistols, Cartridges, &c. Keys fitted to orders, Trunks and Padlocks. Gun Partsicular at discount given on repairing, and all work warranted. Towanda, Aug. 20, 1866.—G. M. HALL, J. V. GEIGER. U. S. BONDS. 7 310 TREASURY NOTES. COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES. Bought and sold by B. S. RUSSELL & CO. The Treasurer of the United States is now converting the first Series of 7 310 Treasury Notes in the amount of \$600,000. Holders in this vicinity who wish to have their Notes converted, can do so by calling on B. S. RUSSELL & CO., Bankers, Towanda, Pa., Aug. 20, 1866. PUBLIC AUCTION.—The undersigned will sell at Auction, at the residence of the undersigned, on Main street, nearly opposite the Ward House, THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 1866, at 10 A. M., his entire stock, consisting of Lounges, Spring Beds, Mattresses, of 6 different kinds, Rocking Chairs and other chairs, &c. These articles are all of his own manufacture, made in the most substantial manner, and finished with the best materials. Sold for the reason that the building is about to be removed. F. COOK. Towanda, Aug. 21, 1866. NEW ARRANGEMENT AT THE NEWS ROOM AND BOOK STORE. The undersigned having purchased the BOOK STORE AND NEWS ROOM of J. G. Griffiths, respectfully invite the old patrons of the establishment and the public generally, to call and examine our new arrangements. ALVORD & BARBER. S. W. ALVORD. F. E. BARBER. A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC constantly on hand at the NEWS ROOM. A BEAUTIFUL ASSORTMENT OF Family and Pocket Albums, at the NEWS ROOM. PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS of ALL sizes and styles, at the NEWS ROOM. GAMES FOR THE FAMILY CIRCLE, at the NEWS ROOM. DON'T FAIL TO CALL AT THE NEWS ROOM, and if you don't see what you want, ask for it. ALVORD & BARBER. MUSIC, OR ANY OTHER ARTICLE in our line, ordered at short notice, by calling at the NEWS ROOM. CHINESE FANS FOR SALE at the NEWS ROOM. SHAVING AND TOILET SOAPS, FOR sale cheap at the NEWS ROOM. POCKET BOOKS, A LARGE ASSORTMENT at the NEWS ROOM. FINE ASSORTMENT OF PRAYER BOOKS at the NEWS ROOM. SUBSCRIPTIONS TO ALL THE STANDARD Daily and Weekly Papers, received at the NEWS ROOM. GOODS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION at reduced prices at the NEWS ROOM. A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF BEST quality Penmanship at the NEWS ROOM. COMMERCIAL NOTE PAPER, BY THE ream or quire, very cheap at the NEWS ROOM. LARGE VARIETY OF FANCY ARTICLES at the NEWS ROOM. MISCELLANEOUS BOOKS at COST, at the NEWS ROOM. POCKET CUTLERY LOWER THAN at any other establishment in town, at the NEWS ROOM. THE ETNA AND THE PORTLAND FIRE. ETNA INSURANCE COMPANY, HARTFORD, CONN. ASSETS, JULY 1, 1866. (Cash on hand in bank and with Agents... \$ 257,300 00 United States Stocks... 212,277 20 Real Estate, unencumbered... 49,505 50 Stocks... 47,690 00 New York Bank... 17,000 00 Hartford Bank Stocks... 270,510 00 Miscellaneous Bank Stocks... 129,000 00 Railroad Stocks... 25,000 00 Mortgage Bonds, City County & R. R... 1,011,130 66 Total... \$4,705,830 52 LIABILITIES. Losses unadjusted and not due... \$21,230 33 Net, \$3,854,594 20 Income for last year (net)... \$2,323,300 94 Or a daily income of \$87,830.34 Losses and Expenses for same time... \$22,241,394 39 Total Losses paid in 47 years... \$19,217,410 99 Vix: Fire, 17,243,000 99. Inland, \$1,884,609 67. Government and State Taxes paid... \$179,175 34 LOSS BY PORTLAND FIRE, JULY 4th. The total amount covered by Etna Policies on property destroyed or damaged is \$300,854, on which \$100,000 will be also paid. Our total amount paid very much from \$300,000, and is being promptly adjusted and paid. This sum is a per cent. upon the assets, a figure not slightly exceeding our government and state taxes paid last year, or a proportion equal to a \$3000 loss for a company of \$100,000 assets. The necessity for insurance and the value of the property of corporations, is forcibly illustrated by this fire. Several insurance Companies are destroyed. Portland has a population of 25,000—was handsomely built, mostly of brick or stone structures—up-fitted and screened with upwards of 3000 shade-panels—most of them with water-tights, literally almost rising from the ocean—and with a good steam fire department—yet it has \$200,000 worth of property consumed in a few hours—upon a holiday when its people are least occupied—from the very insignificant cause of a contemptible fire cracker. Remember the trifling origin of fires that sweep away in a few hours the earnings of years. Consider your best interests—and if you are in doubt, call on us, you need proper insurance service. Policies issued at fair terms. H. B. MCKEAN, Agent. Towanda, Aug. 11, 1866. CAUTION.—Whereas, my wife Louisa has let my bed and board without any just cause or provocation, I hereby forbid any person trusting her on my account, as I will pay no debts of her contracting after this date. JOHN E. SMITH. Aug. 13, 1866.—J. E. SMITH. BLOOD & CO., Still Manufacture the best HORSE POWERS, The Best THRESHERS AND CLEANERS, Also, THRESHERS AND SEPARATORS, FANNING MILLS, &c., &c. All of which we furnish at the Lowest Prices. CALL AND SEE, AT THE NEW STORE. Athens, Pa., Aug. 16, 1866.—J. A. THENS EXCHANGE. The large well known and favorite hotel, has been opened for the accommodation of the traveling public. It has been refurbished and refitted with every convenience for the comfort of its guests. The table and bar are supplied with the best the market affords, and an effort will be spared to give entire satisfaction to all who patronize it. A few desirable rooms for summer boarders. W. E. SMITH, Prop'r. Athens, Pa., March 22, 1866. CAUTION.—Whereas, my son Edgar Vroman, has let my house without any just cause, I hereby forbid any person trusting him on my account, as I shall pay no debts of his contracting after this date. BARNIA VROMAN. Grandview, July 14, 1866. GROCERIES of all kinds are selling cheap at FOXS.

OUR CONGRESSMAN. It is very evident that Judge MERCER, who faithfully served this district in the last Congress, will have to bear the assault of the combined opposition of democrats, copperheads and Johnson renegeades from this on to the election. By his fidelity to the cause of human freedom, to his country, and to his constituency, he has aroused the bitter hatred of traitors and their abettors, and their envenomed wrath is poured out against him without measure. We confess that we like this. No man can have a better recommendation than the enmity and abuse of the enemies of the country. If they howl and fain would bite him, one may be sure that he has done his country service, and Judge MERCER can give the loyal men of this district no better proof of his devotion to the true interests of the nation, than the hostility his course in Congress has awakened among rebel sympathizers. We hope the leaders, and the papers of this party, will keep up the fire at him until the day of election—indeed, we beg of them to let him have a broadside of their peculiar slang every week—for it will so arouse the zeal of the Republicans of the district, that not a loyal vote will be left out when the returns come to be counted. Come then, gentlemen democrats, copperheads and Johnson renegeades, do your best against Judge MERCER, for we want him elected, and the more you slash away at him, the more votes he will get. You know very well, that if the Judge's course in Congress had been dubious, or such as to secure your praise, the loyal men of the district would have been shy of him, and perhaps dropped him altogether, and nominated another, and so, by parity of reasoning, if he has awakened your ire and abuse, it is pretty good proof that the Judge has gone right; and the more too, he gets from you of this, the stronger the evidence in his favor, and the more he deserves re-election from the hands of the Union men. So crack your whips over Judge MERCER, gentlemen grey-backs. And then too, we like to see the game of perversion so well practiced as it is in the case of Judge MERCER. When his enemies, when speaking of his public acts, are obliged to hide important facts connected with them, it looks as if they were hard run; and the Republicans know the whole story, and are always ready to tell it, so that misrepresentations of our congressmen generally come to a bad market. Hence, when copperheads, democrats and Johnson men tell that Judge MERCER voted to enfranchise the negroes of the District of Columbia, when seven thousand out of seven thousand and seventy, of the white voters of the District, voted against it, they carefully avoid telling the fact, that the seven thousand who voted against the enfranchisement of the blacks, were rank republicans, and the abettors of the murder of LINCOLN, while the seventy were the only loyal element of resident voters in the District! To be sure, with copperheads, this is a strong argument against the Judge's action in the premises, but with loyal men, Union-loving people, it is a strong argument in his favor. So also, when talking about the increase of pay which Members of Congress voted themselves, we are right glad that the Judge's enemies try to hide the fact that he voted against this increase, although the proposition was attached to a measure he favored, but he would not be tricked into its support. His loyal supporters know this, and to see an unscrupulous opposition striving to deceive the people in this particular in order to injure the Judge, only tends to stir up the just indignation of all fair-minded men, who from thence out become zealous in the exposure of deception and unfairness. So we repeat, crack your whips over Judge MERCER, all ye who are opposed to freedom to all—who acquiesce in rebellion—who love traitors better than loyal men, and who approve of riots and rioters.