Arouse, then, fellow citizens, regardless of former differences as to measures of policy, and strike a blow for the great principles of our Government—for the union of the States—the rights and privileges of citizens—for civil liberty and religious toleration, by rejecting the candidate of a corrupt and desperate combination, based on principles and prompted by purposes at variance with all these sacred features of our Government.

JAMES F. JOHNSTON,
Chairman State Central Committee.

The Republican Compiler.

GETTYSBURG, PA.

MONDAY MORNING, OCT. 8, 1855.

For Canal Commissioner,
ARNOLD PLUMER, of Venango Co.

Democratic County Ticket.
Assembly,
ISAAC ROBINSON, of Hamiltonban.
Commissioner,
HENRY A. PICKING, of Reading.
Director of the Poor,
GARRET BRINKERHOFF, of Strabane.
County Auditor,
JOHN HAUPTMAN, of Mountpleasant.
County Treasurer,
J. LAWRENCE SCHICK, of Gettysburg.

Fatal Casualty.

We record with regret the occurrence of a distressing casualty at Mineral Mills, on Marsh creek, on Thursday week, which resulted in the death of Mr. JOHN KOHR. It appears that he had gone down into the "pit," to examine the working of some part of the machinery, when he became dizzy, and fell over upon a shaft in motion, by which one of his legs was crushed from the knee to the ankle, and one of his hands severely injured. His death ensued on Monday morning. His age about 45 years.

LARGE APPLES.—Mr. JOSIAH BENNER, of Straban township, the other day, placed upon our table a pair of Apples, the largest of which measured 14½ inches in circumference, and weighed one pound—and the other was not far below it. They were emphatically "big apples."

☞The Teachers' Association of Adams county had an interesting and no doubt highly instructive semi-annual meeting, in this place, during Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday last. Several subjects connected with the art of teaching were ably discussed, and excellent and appropriate Addresses were delivered by Dr. MARSDEN, of York Springs, and Dr. STEM, of Cashtown. The minutes will be published, we understand.

☞The Rev. ROBERT JOHNSTON, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church in this place, has accepted a call to the First Presbyterian Church in Peoria, Illinois; and will leave for his new charge towards the last of this month.

☞The Presbytery of Carlisle met in the Presbyterian Church, in this place, on Tuesday evening last, and continued in session several days.

☞Bear in mind, that Mr. GOBRECHT'S Sale will take place on Tuesday, the 30th inst.

☞Recollect, Democrats, that the Polls close at 7 o'clock in the evening of election day. Be sure that you are on the ground in time.

☞Democrats of Adams county, whether it RAINS or SHINES, turn out to the election on To MORROW, Tuesday, the 9th. Give the whole, or at least a part of the day to your country—and thereby aid in putting down the proscriptive heresy of Know Nothingism. Then, when the battle is fought and won, you can rest from your labors, and have the pleasing reflection beside that you discharged your duty faithfully and well, and assisted in the glorious achievement.

☞Democrats, pay no attention to the boasts of our enemies. This is their game now. They boasted of 20,000 majority in Virginia, professing to speak "by the book." Yet Wise beat them 10,000. So in Tennessee—and now SO IN GEORGIA! They may know the number on their lists, but do not know how many are reliable. In this county their leaders are out daily and nightly, endeavoring to keep the *fractious* elements of their party together till the election. If they are so certain of success, why these extraordinary efforts?—Democrats, let their boasts pass as the idle wind. Go and vote, and teach them that their system has lost its power. Thus you do your duty to your party and your country.

☞A State Convention of Know Nothings met at Carlisle on Tuesday. The attendance was small, although some three hundred delegates were expected. Simon Cameron was the leading spirit, and managed "the wires." *The nomination of Nicholson was endorsed!*—making him the Know Nothing candidate for Canal Commissioner.

TWO FACTIONS.—According to the St. Louis *Democrat* there are two branches of Know Nothings in Missouri—one who follow Atchison and the other Doniphan. At a recent meeting a proposition was favorably entertained: 1st, to secure a union of the two factions on U. S. Senator, and 2d, to establish a fund to send Southern emigrants to Kansas. Stringfellow & Co. belong to the Atchison branch of K. N's.

Massachusetts.

The Know Nothings of Massachusetts have had a blow up. Gov. Gardiner, the God of their idolatry last year, has been thrown overboard, and Julius Rockwell nominated in his stead. The Boston *Bee*, a Know Nothing paper, charges Henry Wilson, the Know Nothing United States Senator, with saying to Mr. Rogers at Worcester, "*I'll blow the whole thing* (American party) *to hell and damnation.*"

ANOTHER WORD!

The election is at hand. To-morrow (Tuesday) the People of Adams county will be called upon to exercise one of the dearest rights which belong to Freemen. Are you prepared for performing the duty of exercising this great privilege? To you, Democrats, we have but to say, you are engaged in a conflict with an enemy which will resort to any means to secure their ends. BE ON YOUR GUARD! Yours is a noble cause. Be not recreant to your duty, but go to the Polls to a man, and there record such a verdict against bigotry and intolerance as will strike terror and dismay to the hearts of the enemies of our Constitution. To the honest Whigs of the county we would say, you have remained true to your party, while thousands have deserted it, and turned traitors to its principles. But you have no ticket in the field, to which you may yield your support. Which will you vote for?—The Know Nothings profess to entertain as a chief object the breaking up of the old parties, and proscribe every man who will not debase himself to enter their dens of darkness. The triumph of the Democratic ticket will be the triumph of principle over trickery and deception.

To all we say, deposit your votes in favor of open and manly political action—in favor of civil and religious liberty. Do this, and a victory will be gained of which the friends of law and order may well be proud.

VOTERS, LOOK OUT FOR THE Emissaries of the Know Nothings!

At this time the county is travelled by a set of men whose daily vocation is to utter the most shameless slanders and unblushing lies against the Democratic nominees. They are pursued by these men in a manner that cannot fail to bring upon the authors of the slanders the contempt of every honest man in the county. WE CAUTION THE PEOPLE AGAINST THESE TRICKSTERS, and ask them to treat these villifiers with the scorn they deserve. They have not, and cannot utter one word, in truth, against the private or political character of any of the Democratic candidates. This they know, and have, therefore, resorted to misrepresentations of every character for the purpose of stealing from them the confidence of the people. Such a course must recoil upon their own nominees, and they will find that the true and honest citizens of Adams county cannot be influenced by such men and such miserable electioneering tricks. Again we caution our friends to be on their guard—look out for them—watch them at every turn—give them no quarter—and remember that their object is to promote the ascendency of the Know Nothing party at whatever sacrifice of truth, honesty and honor they may deem necessary to accomplish that purpose.

"Somebody Bound to be Cheated."

It is asserted, without contradiction, that Mr. WILSON, the Know Nothing nominee for Assembly, has *privately* promised several landlords of the county, that if elected to the Legislature he will vote for the repeal of the "Jug Law." This is of course done to get their votes. It so happens, however, that whilst he is making this promise, the leading Know Nothings of this Borough are manœuvreing to secure for him the entire Temperance vote, using as an argument that Mr. Wilson has always been an avowed and uncompromising Temperance man; and that though he may vote for the repeal of the Jug Law, *if* he does, it will only be with the hope that he can secure the enactment of a more stringent law.

Now, we submit it to every honest voter, whether one side or the other is not bound to be *cheated*. It cannot be otherwise—for the *design* is such. What confidence, then, is there to be placed in a candidate, who, just before an election, occupies conflicting positions, to suit every shade of conflicting opinions! The people will not endorse such low cunning.

Beware of Lying Documents!

The Know Nothings, we are informed, are circulating in the country documents containing the Address of their Executive Committee, and other articles of an equally *veracious* character. Place no reliance upon its assertions—for they are false and calculated to deceive. To prove how little credit can be given the statements of the Address, we refer to the communication of "One who Knows," on our first page. He proves then to be deliberately false.

But the blackest part of the affair is, that Know Nothings, who pretend to have so much regard for *Religion*, outrage the holy SABBATH by employing it in circulating these lying documents! A pretty picture of hypocrisy, is it not?

No Go!

We are reliably informed that the Know Nothing meetings which have been held in the northern and western parts of the county, were very, *very* slimly attended, the Gettysburg "delegation" generally constituting about the half. At Bendersville they expected a monster demonstration—but the upshot was that the attendance did not number more than a few dozens, and nearly the half of them were Gettysburgers. The fact is, the PEOPLE are against these midnight plotters, and all the abuse their speakers can fling at the editor of the *Compiler* will not change popular opinion concerning them and their despicable doings.

By the way: the editor of this paper has not the time nor space now, (even had he the inclination—which he has not,) to notice every sneaking cur that would snap at his heels.—He has more important work on hand, and makes it a point to act out the old saw, "business first, and pleasure afterwards."

☞Beware of spurious tickets. See that your ballots contain none but the names of the Democratic candidates.

☞We regret that several communications intended for this number came to hand too late for insertion.

☞Hon. JAMES COOPER and Col. A. G. EGE are announced in the Carlisle papers to speak at a Democratic meeting at Boiling Springs, in Cumberland county, this (Monday) afternoon.

MESSRS. MARTIN, HENDERSON AND WILLIAMSON WITHDRAWN FROM THE FIELD, AND

THOMAS NICHOLSON,

A DARK ABOLITION KNOW NOTHING, NOMINATED FOR

CANAL COMMISSIONER!

A few of the members of the central committees of the Know Nothings, self-styled Republican, and Whigs, met in a back room of Herr's Hotel, at Harrisburg, on Thursday *night* week, for the purpose of concentrating upon one candidate for Canal Commissioner, in order, as they said, of making sure to defeat Mr. PLUMER, the Democratic nominee. After a long pow-wow, they agreed to drop all the regularly nominated candidates, and unite upon THOMAS NICHOLSON, at present a clerk in the Treasury Department at Harrisburg, and an old office-hunter.

Martin, Henderson and Williamson have therefore been withdrawn, to make room for a *red-mouthed Abolition Know Nothing*. "Anti-Nebraska" is the plea for this extraordinary proceeding, but "*the spoils*" are at the bottom of it.

That Know Nothings and Abolitionists should *fuse* is not astonishing, but that any old line Whig should take part or lot in the bargain, *is* strange. Indeed, we cannot believe that any considerable number of that party will give a moment's countenance to it, much less endorse it by voting for Nicholson.

We do not fear the result, but deplore the moral baseness and political obliquity which characterize the doings of the opposition leaders. Thousands of Democrats who were decoyed into the dens a year ago, will have their eyes opened by this vile Abolition Know Nothing manœuvre, and return to their first love; and thousands of honest Whigs, who have no sympathy with Know Nothingism or Abolitionism, will desert those leaders who have basely betrayed them, and vote with the Democratic party, which now stands alone, the sole champion of the Constitution and the Union.

The Harrisburg *Patriot and Union* gives us a sketch of the doings and characters who figured at the caucus:

Committees on behalf of the Whigs, the Republicans and Know Nothings assumed to act for the independent yeomanry of the Keystone State, and, in the small hours of night, in some retired room of a Hotel, *tell* the people what they must do to defeat the Democratic party. Simon Cameron as the leading spirit, aided by Lemuel Todd, of Cumberland county, represented the Know Nothings—Jessup, of Susquehanna, with some kindred spirits, were the spokesmen of the self-styled Republicans, whilst the redoubtable editor, Col. McClure, of Franklin, with assistants, acted for the old line Whigs. The Know Nothings led off for Wm. B. Anderson, of Perry county; but after a number of ineffectual ballots, Simon at last suggested as a compromise, Mr. Nicholson of Beaver, and now chief clerk of the State Treasury, and on a vote of six to five, Nicholson was declared the candidate of this most iniquitous of all the political amalgamations the country has ever heard of.

The address of the Democratic State Committee, in another column, treats this subject with much truth and ability. It should be carefully read.

Thomas Nicholson—Is He Honest?

READ THE TESTIMONY!

The Lancaster *Examiner & Herald*, the leading Whig paper of the State, does not and will not endorse the bargain between Cameron, Wilmot, Stevens & Co., by which Nicholson is made a candidate for Canal Commissioner; and among other reasons for standing aloof from the infamous combination, Mr. Darlington gives the following, to which we ask the serious consideration of every Tax-payer. The *Examiner* says:

"There was another reason why the Whig Committee could not recommend Thomas Nicholson to the support of the Whig voters of Lancaster county. His antecedents are not of the right character. It is well understood that when a Clerk in the State Treasurer's Office, some five years ago, he drew the salary appropriated by law for *two* clerks—the business of the office allowing one clerk to be dispensed with—but the pay was retained. In an office so important and peculiar as that of Canal Commissioner, where temptation besets the incumbent on every hand, a propensity of the kind indicated, in the opinion of the Whig Committee, was not desirable, and with his past history before them, they could not recommend Mr. Nicholson to public support."

— There are Know Nothings even who will not *give in* to the nomination of Nicholson.—The *Daily Bulletin*, the organ of the K. N's. in Allegheny City, boldly protests against it, as follows:

"We learn by telegraph this morning, that some self constituted fusion committee in Philadelphia, has nominated a man by the name of Nicholson, and that Peter Martin, the American candidate, declines the honor conferred upon him by the American party of Pennsylvania. We hope, if the report is true, that the American party of the West will not touch any candidate put in nomination by such a self-constituted crowd of political tricksters. There is still an American in the field who never flinches from his principles; and if the American Know Nothing party have dropped their nominee, we hope that the American party of the West will vote as one man for Kimber Cleaver. As independent men and Americans, we of the West will accept of no candidate who is the spawn of Philadelphia Committees."

HON. ARCHIBALD YELL.—The Hagerstown *Herald of Freedom* states that "this distinguished Democratic statesman, formerly Governor of Arkansas, has written a letter, renouncing his connection with the Administration, and favoring the principles of the American Party."—Hon. ARCHIBALD YELL, of Arkansas, *has been dead for some years!* He served as Colonel of a regiment of volunteers, under Gen. TAYLOR in Mexico, and was killed at the battle of Buena Vista.—This nails another Know Nothing falsehood.

Hon. Arnold Plumer.

This gentleman attended the Agricultural Fair, at Harrisburg, and won golden opinions from all, by his urbane and gentlemanly deportment. Mr. P. has a fast hold on the affections of the people of Pennsylvania, as will be abundantly manifested by the immense vote he will receive at the election to-morrow, Tuesday.

READ AND REFLECT!

MR. STEPHENS, OF GEORGIA, ON KNOW NOTHINGISM.

We find in the *Macon* (Ga.) *Telegraph*, a report of the speeches delivered at a grand mass meeting of Democrats and anti-Know Nothings held in Griffin, Ga., on Thursday, the 6th, from which we clip the following extracts from the remarks made by the Hon. A. H. Stephens, a candidate for re-election to Congress from that State. The remarks of Mr. Stephens will be read with great interest. He has long been known as a prominent Whig:

Mr. Stephens said he wanted the people to hear his words and remember them. He came to speak not to their passions, but to their reason—not to their hearts, but to their heads. He had confidence in the people and their capacity to govern themselves. They needed no secret dictators, and he had no fears for the result when he saw them, as then, feeling an interest in public affairs, and determined to examine into them. The question was merely this. Were they willing to live under the Constitution of their fathers, or did they want another? We have formerly differed about *measures*, but now the difference was about a *form of Government*. The Know Nothings propose to substitute their supreme council for the present Government, and their Constitution for the Constitution of the country. Let the people choose. Which would they have—the Constitution of their Fathers, or that of the Know Nothing Council? That was the real question. He had the Know Nothing Constitution in his hand. It was genuine and he knew it. It declared that the Supreme National Council should "decide all matters appertaining to National politics," that it should have power to "tax" and power to "punish" without limitation or restriction. This was more power than was claimed for Congress.—Our forefathers guarded our liberties with checks and balances. It made the Senate a check upon the House—the President a check upon the Senate, and the Judiciary a check upon the President. But this party claimed all these powers for its secret National Council alone. Here was power to decide our national politics—power to tax and to punish—power over the sword and power over the purse—in short, all the great powers of government in the hands of a few men, and men not chosen by the people at that. What then was the use of our Constitution or of our government? This party made another Constitution and government for us. Would a freeman acknowledge the right to *tax* him? To *punish* him? To decide all political questions for him? What was the question? Did the people want a new government? Were they tired of the Constitution of Jefferson and Washington and Franklin? They must choose between them. They must say whether they wanted another form of Government. He held in his hand the two Constitutions. The one made by our fathers, the other by the Know Nothings.—Choose ye, this day, which of the two ye will have. * * * Let the people think of this K. N. Constitution. Let them remember it—powers to decide national politics—powers to tax the people—powers to punish, yes to *punish* the freemen of these United States. Fight against this monster—fight for the Constitution of your country. Don't stop with beating it. Cut its head clean off in October next; so that it will trouble you no more. He had confidence in the people, and he knew they would do it. Go out, from now till the day of election, *spread yourselves* for the Constitution.—To the old and young man, the rich and the poor man, he would say, *spread yourselves*.—He would even appeal to his country-women to come into the contest. Let mothers tell their sons—the wives tell their husbands—the damsels tell their sweet hearts to go to the battle, and *spread themselves*. Spread themselves, I say, for liberty of conscience, the Constitution of their country.

CONSISTENCY!

Know Nothing editors and speakers have the assurance to ask old line Henry Clay Whigs to vote for the dark-lantern candidates, "for the love they bore the Sage of Ashland!" Were Henry Clay alive he would scorn and spit upon the midnight plotters and their principles, as does his gallant son.

But how do the Know Nothings of Kentucky revere the memory of the departed Statesman? Why, they elect to Congress from the Ashland district, Dr. A. K. Marshall, who declared that he *hated Mr. Clay in his "heart of hearts"—who wished he had "two hearts" that he might hate him still more!* This is no fancy sketch—but the honest truth.

"Americanism."

"As its name implies, the American Party seeks to *Americanize* the feelings and habits of our people."—[*From the Know Nothing Address published in the Star and the Sentinel.*

☞"Americanize" them after the Know Nothing fashion, we suppose. To make them take wicked and unconstitutional oaths that they will deprive fellow citizens of just rights, and proscribe all who do not endorse the corrupt doings of unprincipled political aspirants;—to make them scour *nightly* the high-ways and by-ways, to seduce the honest and unsuspecting into their dark dens;—in short, to school them in falsehood and deception, and end by swearing them to lie. Heaven preserve this Republic from *such* "Americanism!"

☞A bold attempt has been made to trade off the old Whig party, "body and breeches," to the Know Nothings and Abolitionists, by the nomination of NICHOLSON for Canal Commissioner; and they are expected to acquiesce in this bargain, which a few of the leaders have made with Cameron, Wilmot & Co., without halting or objecting. But will they do it? We think not.

LAST GASP OF A DYING PARTY.—The Know Nothings are making a desperate effort to get up a sensation. Their meetings, here and there, throughout the city, are thinly attended, and only noticeable as the dying kick of the secret order. The Know Nothings may rant about Catholics and howl over foreigners, but the die is cast. The honest masses suspected, when Know Nothingism was brought out, that there must be something rotten in it, but now, since it has been tried, since it has bankrupted Philadelphia, and caused the streets of Cincinnati and Louisville to flow with blood, the people are convinced it is a cheat, a fraud, a grand imposition.—*Phila. Argus.*

☞The Know Nothings of Knox county, Indiana, in view of three hundred French Catholics in and about Vincennes, who always voted the Whig ticket, are thinking about dispensing with the Catholic test.

☞Democrats, the time for action—united, vigorous ACTION—is at hand.

GEORGIA O. K.!

Know Nothingism again Floored!

"THE WORK GOES BRAVELY ON!"

An election for Governor, Members of Congress, and of the Legislature, took place in Georgia last week, and returns from more than two-thirds of the State unerringly indicate the election of JOHNSON, Democrat, for Governor, by from 7,000 to 10,000 majority!!! and the defeat of nearly every Know Nothing candidate for Congress!!! Messrs. COBB and STEPHENS are elected by large majorities.

NOW, PENNSYLVANIA, STRIKE YOUR BLOW!

Texas Elections.

The majority for Pease, (dem.) for Governor, is 7,237; for Runnels, (dem.) for Lieut. Governor, 3,250. Against the U. S. Congress Debt Bill, 1,474 majority. Hon. P. H. Bell's (dem.) majority for Congress, is 5,948. Hon. Matt. Ward's (dem.) majority, also for Congress, so far, is 28. The counties of Orange and Jefferson are yet to hear from, though one paper gives what purports to the entire vote, making Ward's majority 230. This is not Matt. Ward, of Louisville, but an honorable and able man.

Trouble in the Camp.

It appears that the Know Nothing National Council is "in pecuniary trouble," and wants the brethren to make prompt payment of "the semi-annual assessment." Where do these assessments go? Is money used to control elections, or do the TIFFANYS and the GIFFORDS of the order find it a profitable thing to act as Presidents and Secretaries of Grand Councils? The following Circular has been sent to the various subordinate Councils:

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, S. C. OF PA.
Philadelphia, Sept., 1855.

BROTHER:—You are hereby notified that a stated meeting of the S. C., will be held on the 2d of October next, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at Marion Hall, on Main street, in the borough of Carlisle. You are requested to inform your colleagues of said meeting, and communicate to them the P. W.

You will bring with you or forward the quarterly report of your Council, also the semi-annual assessment due October 2d, as the term ends on that date. It is *highly important that you should pay the semi-annual assessment*, AS WE ARE LARGELY INDEBTED TO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL, AND THEY ARE IN PECUNIARY TROUBLE.

The Pass Word by which you will be admitted is 20, 2, 25, 10, 9, 17, 24, 11, 12.

T. L. GIFFORD, Secretary.

The Constitution of the U. States,

VERSUS

KNOW NOTHING OATHS.

"No religious test shall ever be required as a qualification to any office or public trust under the United States."—*Constitution, United States.*

"Congress shall make no laws respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."—*Constitution, United States, Amendment 1st.*

"In the presence of Almighty God, and the witnesses, we do solemnly promise and swear, that you will not vote, nor give your influence to any man, for any office or gift of the people, unless he be an *American born citizen*, in favor of Americans ruling America, *nor if he be a Roman Catholic.*"—*Know Nothing obligation, 1st degree Council.*

"You * * * do solemnly and sincerely swear * * * * that, if it may be done legally, you will when elected or appointed to any official station, conferring on you the power to do so, remove all foreigners, aliens or ROMAN CATHOLICS from office or place; and that you will, in no case, appoint such to any office or place in your gift."—*Know Nothing obligation, 2nd degree Council.*

☞If the above does not PROVE the objects of Know Nothingism to be violative of the Constitution of the United States—the very Charter of our liberties—then we would like to know what the plain English of it is.

For the Compiler.

MR. EDITOR:—In these days of strange events, one ought not to be astonished at anything: but I confess that the course of your neighbor of the "Adams Sentinel" for some time, but for the last few weeks in particular, has struck me as more than ordinarily wonderful. From the two issues of his paper previous to the last, I was led to hope that Mr. Harper had at last, (at the eleventh hour though it be,) determined to stand up like a man for his long avowed principles; but his paper of Monday last dissipated every gleam of sunshine thus afforded, and I am forced to look upon him as designedly and knowingly playing into the hands of the Know Nothing party. Else why so willingly allow his journal to be the vehicle for spreading Know Nothing electioneering articles? Wherefore, I say, do this, in the face of his pretended all-one-sided affection for the old Whig party? The matter is unsolvable to me, and I call attention to it "more in sorrow than in anger." Mr. Harper has lost more confidence in a week than he can repair in months. PATRON.

DEATH OF MRS. TANEY AND DAUGHTER.—We regret to have to announce that the Norfolk boat yesterday brought the intelligence of the death and burial of the wife and youngest daughter of Chief Justice Taney, of this city. They died at Old Point Comfort, where they spent the summer. Mrs. Taney died of paralysis, and the daughter of yellow fever. They were both buried in one grave, on the farm of Col. Segar, near Old Point, on Monday. In this sudden and double affliction the venerable Chief Justice will have the united sympathies of all our citizens.—*Balt. Sun of Wednesday.*

Liquor Law in Pennsylvania.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 2.—The State Liquor Law went into operation to-day. A few taverns have closed, but others continue in operation under their licenses, which run till May next, issued before the passage of the present law. Some others have been arrested on the charge selling contrary to law. The constitutionality of the law will be tested. One tavern keeper is giving away his stock of liquor in order to close business.

☞The Democrats of Maryland are in high spirits.

For the Compiler.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "STAR."

I see you have struck on another plan to hoax the people of this county. It is something new, and you are intelligent enough to think that people in general are fond of novelty. So they are, but you cannot think, I hope, to make any intelligent man believe there is anything new in the *matter* of this Know Nothing Executive Address, which I am alluding to. There is novelty in the *manner*, I must confess, but we are not Know Nothing enough yet to think the same of the *matter*. You are of course the father of the whole affair, and to give it an air of importance and authority you have induced the other gentlemen to give it the weight of their names, well knowing that the worth of their character would also accompany that of their signatures. But as for the stuff, every body knows that it is only a repitition of what has appeared in the "Star," under different heads and shapes, from week to week, ever since you *betrayed* Neely and *apostatized* from the Whig party. You feared that the people might suspect you of insincerity, the same that you played off last fall in regard to poor Neely, and you struck upon this plan to convince them that *this time* you mean what you say, and that you will not deceive them *any more*, if they forget the past. This shows what an ingenious man you are, and I am glad that you have made such a *tasty* selection in the formation of this your "Cabinet." Of course *you* are "*the whole world*," (in your own eyes,) and your companions "*the rest* of *mankind*;" and of course we may expect something rich from your joint *labors*. I have not the pleasure of being acquainted with *all* your Cabinet, but I am sure they are *congenial spirits*; men that are proverbial for *candor* and *straightforwardness*—men of *veracity*, who would not *sign pledges to be broken* for the sake of nominations or offices—who would not *thrust* themselves into Democratic private meetings, *under false pretences*, and communicate *to you* all they heard, and a *leetle* more. With such political saints as you are now associated, you cannot fail to do a great amount of good. Your country will forever revere your memories and your services. You no doubt will have the gratification of beholding, *with your own eyes*, monuments springing up in every quarter, and bearing all sorts of noble and saintly devices, in testimony of your unbounded worth, and fruitful and *consistent* labors.

But, astute as you are, nevertheless, I perceive one grand mistake that has crept into your Address. It most inevitably conflicts with the letter and spirit of the Constitution of the United States. You should have Americanized your feelings and habits a little more, by perusing and studying that immortal document, before you issued your Know Nothing decrees. You should know that all parties in these United States should adopt the Constitution as their paramount platform, and build up nothing that has not that "Magna Charta" as its foundation. This you have overlooked, doubtless, because you are unacquainted with the laws of America. You should, by all means, have put some *legal* men on your committee, so that your proceedings might square with *law*, as well as logic. For your edification, I will now inform you wherein you violated the letter and spirit of the Constitution. The Constitution declares that "No *religious* test *shall ever* be required as a qualification to *any* office or public trust under the United States"—and that "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the *free exercise* thereof." Now, if the Constitution of the United States were favored for one moment with animal life and speech, it would rise up against your bigoted and proscriptive *hypocrisy*, when you say you wage no war against any man because of his *political* or *religious* belief, but you decline giving Catholics your support;—when you say *you accord* "to every man (magnanimous generosity!) the *right* to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience," and yet tell the Catholic in advance, no matter what his civil qualifications may be, that you can never support him for any office, because his *conscience may dictate* the worship of his God in the Catholic church. Your platform, too, how beautifully does it square with the Constitution, and these quotations from your Address. Of course your Order is founded on the Philadelphia platform, and you are certainly aware that respectable men were *excluded* from participating in a *political Know Nothing Convention*, at the City of "Brotherly Love," some time ago, and when your present platform was framed, *on account of their religion*; because they chose to worship God according to the dictates of their own conscience. In the face of this, you and your committee brethren have the effrontery, the hypocrisy, to avow that *you accord* to every man the right to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience. The Constitution says there shall be *no religious test*—the Philadelphia platform says there *shall be* a religious test, and *consequently excludes* Catholics; you *must* subscribe to the platform; and hence your hypocrisy in saying you accord to every man the right to worship God according to the dictates of his conscience.

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For the Compiler.

The Editor of the *Star*, I observe, is driven to wonderful extremes, by the violence of the malice he seems to entertain for those that differ with him in his proscriptive policy. An occasional perusal of his columns, I think, will have a beneficial tendency at this particular period of political madness. It will serve to show the danger that is to be apprehended, and the evils that must result, from an order that *swears* its adherents to support such men and measures as a majority of the *secret* councils may *dictate*, "though it may conflict with their personal preference." It will have a beneficial tendency, I believe, in dissuading men of all parties from joining this anti-republican and anti-christian order—and from giving it the aid of their support. It is high time for all who have the reputation of their country at heart to be up and doing. When the Whig and Democratic parties were the only political parties of the land, no such proscriptive measures and practices as are resorted to and advocated by this new *order*, could have been tolerated for a single day. Both parties would have *frowned* upon all such base appeals to the religious passions of the populace. And I hope the country has not retrograded in the scale of morals and republican integrity. Honest Whigs cannot fail to see through the flimsy veil of bigotry with which the *Star* is now endeavoring to blindfold them. They know from the history of the past what reliance can be placed in that deceptive sheet, and they can judge from that what it will resort to in order to gain its ends. They will, therefore, not be surprised to find it now waging a war of proscription for conscience sake,—under the mask of serving the interests and reputation of the country. Protestants and Catholics have ever been living in this county in the most intimate and social bonds of friendship. They have, on all occasions, acted together and commingled in the true spirit of Christianity, and agreeably with the letter and intentions of our