The Post.

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THE assertion has been going the rounds of the papers advocating the adoption of the new Constitution, that all but four members of the Convention had signed the Constitution. This is not so. From the very best authority we learn, that out of the whole membership, consisting of *one hundred and thirty-three* but NINETY TWO have signed it, FORTY ONE positively refusing to do so. It will thus be seen that *nearly one third* of the men who framed the New Constitution, after looking over their work, condemn it.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2—The dispatches from London last night give the following particulars of the loss of the steamer Ville du Havre. The ship Trimountain, from New York arrived at Cardiff at an early hour in the morning bringing intelligence of the dreadful disaster to the steamship Ville du Havre, which left New York, Nov. 15, for Havre, under the command of Captain Surmount. At 2 o'clock on the morning of Nov. 23d, the Ville du Havre collided with the British ship Loch Earn, from London for New York, and sank shortly after. Two hundred and twenty-six of the passengers on the steamer lost their lives. The Trimountain rescued eighty-seven of the passengers and crew, and brought them to Cardiff.

THE Somerset *Herald*, commenting upon the text of sections one and two article nine of the Constitution, says: "It follows, therefore, if this new Constitution is adopted, the act of Assembly that now exempts all real estate in this Commonwealth from State taxes is not only *repealed* but no new law exempting it *can ever again be enacted*. Demagogues may declaim, and cunning lawyers may twist, and construe and pervert the language of these two sections, but it still must remain clear that they wipe out the present law exempting real estate from taxation, and positively prohibit a similar law from ever being enacted. Therefore the owner of real estate who votes for the new Constitution, votes to restore taxes upon it for State purposes, *from which it can never be exempted by law.*"

Stubborn Facts.

Increase of Taxation.

The advocates of the new Constitution give us no solid reasons why it should be adopted, but rely solely on the fact that one hundred and thirty gentlemen had deliberated on its provisions nearly a year, during which time they increased their salary FIFTEEN HUNDRED dollars over and above what they agreed to serve for, and placed themselves entirely above the people. The *Selinsgrove Times* has taken the trouble to count up the cost of the instrument, and presents the following array of figures:

Under the present Constitution the Senate has 33 members, who at a salary of $1,500, cost the State every year $49,500. The House of Representatives now has 100 members, who at the same rate of compensation, cost the State every year $140,000. Total cost, $199,500. But under the new Constitution the Senate will have 50 members, who at the same rate as now paid them, will cost the State $75,000. The House, under the new Constitution, will have 210 members, who would cost the State $315,000. Total cost under the new Constitution $390,000. An increase of $190,500! It may be said that as the legislature will hereafter meet but every two years, it will cost the State but one half of the above sum. Every man who knows anything however about the disposition of modern legislative bodies, will not be deceived in this matter. As the new Constitution allows the members to fix and determine their own salaries, they will not be slow to appropriate themselves compensation for two years' services, although they may be in session only three months during the two years term. The man who builds up any hopes of roform in this direction is destined to be disappointed. To the above must be added the salary of the new office of Lieutenant Governor, which will not be likely to fall below $5,000 per annum. Also two additional Judges on the bench of the supreme Court, whose united salary will not be less than $10,000 a year. The number of district President Judges is not strictly defined; still one Judge to every 40,000 population is the basis. According to this basis we should probably, and actually may have 88 President Judges in place of 28 as now, an increase of 60. The 28 cost the State $112,000. The 88 would cost $352,000; an increase in cost of $240,000! Thus it will be seen that in a few years these three items alone may or will cost $435,500 more than now.

Heretofore the main business of the Legislature was to pass special laws. This business the new Constitution abolishes. About 50 to 75 general laws are passed in a session. Last winter only 61 were passed. Now as ninety nine - one-hundredths of the legislation is abolished by the new Constitution, where in the name of common sense was there any use in doubling the number of the members of the Assembly and creating the office of Lieutenant Governor in addition? And as special legislation is abolished will there not also be a corresponding decline in litigation. This is probable. And if this be so, why provide for the more than trebling of the Courts? These are substantial facts for

The Workin...

The *Labor Tribune*, Pittsburg, gives the followin... statement of the new Constitutio... Let every laboring man read it. The *Tribune* says:

"This body, which commenced its labors on the second Tuesday of November, 1872 has adjourned temporarily to the 27th day of December at Harrisburg; and in the meantime, an entirely new Constitution, which no one outside of the Convention has ever read, is to be voted upon by the people on the third Tuesday in December. With all diligence in printing and distributing this instrument, it will barely give the citizens of this great and populous Commonwealth four weeks to read, and no time to reflect upon, a document so important to them and their posterity, affecting as it does, an entire revolution in the whole frame of our State Government.

"Out of one hundred and thirty-three members of the Convention, one hundred and three were lawyers, so that it may be appropriately styled "The Lawyers' Convention."

"Besides, the members were never elected by the citizens upon a fair contest, but were simply nominated by party conventions and rings, so it may be properly termed "A Ring Convention."

"For the third article of the Constitution, consisting of four sections, the Convention proposes to substitute an article containing seventeen sections, as it appears in the publication as passed third reading, most of which is *ordinary legislation*. But there is one provision which, if adopted, will destroy the whole system of ballot as it has always been understood in Pennsylvania since seventeen hundred and seventy six.

"The object of the ballot is to prevent intimidation and bribery: and it is therefore necessary, absolutely necessary, *to be secret*, so as to put the *rich* and the *poor* man, the *employer* and *employed* upon a footing of entire equality.

"This second section says "all elections of the citizens shall be by ballot—every ballot voted shall be numbered in the order in which it is received, and the number recorded by the election officers opposite the name of the elector who presents the ballot, and any elector may write his name upon the back of his ticket."

"Here is an entire destruction of all secrecy; *viva voce* voting in reality. It is anti Democratic and anti-Republican, & no man can vote for it."

One plain, sturdy blow like this is worth more than a thousand of the poor, childish attempts to cajole people by telling them to be thankful that the Constitution is no worse, which forms the substance of what the *Press* calls newspaper support of the thing.

The new Constitution Deserves Defeat.

I. Because it restores the tax on real estate, after that tax had been taken off the homes of Pennsylvania as a burden no longer required or justified by the necessities of the State finances.

II. Because it violates the sanctity and Independence of the ballot, through a scandalous provision that renders the poor man's vote the rich man's prey.

III. Because it adds new restrictions to suffrage, by lengthening the period of residence, and by other needless and tyrannical embarrassments to its free exercise.

IV, Because it flagrantly violates fairness and justice in cheating the Republican majority out of the Legislature, and putting in power the Democratic minority.

V. Because it violates the first principles of free Government in placing the Legislative department under control of the Judiciary in cases of contested elections.

VI. Because it drives integrity and manly spirit out of civil affairs, in demanding of all officers a degrading oath, which honest men will disdain, while scoundrels will willingly take it; and so remitting our affairs to the control of perjured villains.

VII. Because it only transfers special Legislation, the source bribery, from one department to another thus cleansing the Legislature while debauching the courts of law; reforming nothing.

VIII. Because its authors refuse the people an opportunity to read it or time to consider it; clearly proving that the Convention feared a free and full examination of their work by the voters.

IX. Because the good and the bad must be all accepted or all rejected; a final proof and blunt admission that a conspiracy seeks some thing by its adoption, as a whole, certain to be defeated if submited in seperate articles.

X. Because its adoption is being corruptly urged by an illegal and shameful squandering of money belonging to the taxpayers, and appropriated by the Legislature for a proper, and different, object.

XI. Because it is a crude and blundering batch of irrepealable laws, instead of a sensible statement of first principles and wise restrictions in accordiance with the spirit of Freedom, and conforming to the wisdom taught by experience.

XII. Because it confers power and restrains its exercise—as shown in the matter of contested elections for members of the General Assembly: —*and blunders again is permitting persons disfranchised as voters holding and exercising powers as civil officers*—as seen in the case of women being admitted to the office of School Directors.

These wrongs, outrages, blunders, and imperfections, have been all fastened on this Constitution by proof taken from its own text, and no defense is made. In regard to many of these strictures no defense is attempted. The whole outrage is to be thrust down our throats. And we are expected to swallow the vile dose, or stand forward as partisans of "corruption" and opponents of "re-form."

OF THE ARMY,—In view ...ke preparations of the ...curiosity is manifested to ...strength of our land forces. An examination of the proper authorities shows that the army of the United States consists of 29,505 men of all arms—ten regiments of cavalry, 8,647 men and officers; five regiments of artillery, 3,206 men and officers; twenty-five regiments of infantry, 13,582 men and officers; engineer battalion and other non-combatants, 3,970.

NEWS ITEMS.—Attorney General Williams has been appointed Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. Col. Bristow, an able lawyer of Kentucky, recently Solicitor of the Treasury, will succeed Mr. Williams as Attorney General.

—Congress assembled on the 1st inst. The President's message was presented to Congress and in a short time we will give our readers a synopsis of its most important features. James G. Blain was elected Speaker of the House. McPherson retains his place as Clerk.

—A definite agreement between Spain and the United States has been entered into and signed by Secretary Fish and Rear Admiral Polo. The Spaniards don't like the terms, nor do many members of Congress. American citizens are by no means secure in Havana. Two citizens were murdered lately.

—Boss Tweed wears the same style of suit as the Five Points sneak thief, and has been assigned to the duty of assistant orderly in the penitentiary hospital.

—The Williamsport Gazette & Bulletin is out hot-foot against the New Constitution.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Election Notice.

The members of the Snyder County Agricultural Society are hereby notified that the Annual Election for Officers of said Society to serve for the year 1874, will be held in the Court House, in Middleburg, on Monday the 3d day of January, next, at 2 o'clock P. M.

A full compliance of the Constitution and By-laws of the Society will be required of those participating in said election.

The executive committee are requested to meet at the office of T. J. Smith, at 10 o'clock, A. M. of said day, for the transaction of unfinished business. T. BOWER, Pres.

D. S. ROTH, Sec. Dec. 1st, 1873

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GREETING:

You are hereby cited to be and appear before the Judges of our Orphans' Court at an Orphans' Court to be held at Middleburg, on the 2d Monday of December A. D. 1873, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to accept or refuse to take the Real Estate of said Andrew Shetterly deceased, at the appraised valuation put upon it by an Inquest duly awarded by the said Court, and returned by the Sheriff of said county, or show cause why the same should not be sold. And hereof fail not.

Witness the Hon. Joseph C. Bucher, Esquire, President of our said Court, at Middleburg, this 8th day of November A. D. 1873.

J. CROUSE, Clerk O. C.

ESTRAY.

Notice is hereby given that a Red Bull about two years old came to the residence of the subscriber in West Beaver township, about six weeks ago. The owner is hereby required to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take it away, otherwise it will be disposed of according to law.

October 30, '73. JOHN WAGNER.

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