Recting of the State Committee. There was quite a full attendance of the in Elaladelphia, on the 26th inst., and the turner edlings were conducted with spirit and is sidmity. The meeting of the Committee Spaham presided, and E. B. Chase, of Conquehanna, acted as Secretary pro tem. in relation to the present position and duties yel in Democratic party, the following reso-

Resolved. That the immutable truths Middle d'in our principles, which have been saithfully and successfully carried out by the Democratic party, and by which the glory, menor, and prosperity of the country have been upheld and secured, forbid and preclude the positility of our making any treaty with nia. error, or forming alliances for the sake of ex-Democratic party of using influences to ob-: woritism towards them in the distribution

flices, are unfounded and unjust;—that while there has been no proscription on acment of religion or birth place no negation or constitutionally guaranteed privilegeshere has not been any deriation from that principle of justice, that regards equally the is of every citizen.

Resolved That our faith in the great fun-The neutral Democratic doctrine has not been dirinished by the fortuitous combination of instances that occasioned the temporadefeat of the Democratic party in this State carriently believing that the people wil receive in the first attempt to incorporate in our system of government principles and ficasures inimical to the rights of any, the besimiling of a policy dangerous to the rights

Resolved. That the idea, that the old issues on which the Democratic party triumphed eave been abandoned by our opponents and ere obsolete, is false and deceptive-all expeence proving that on the acquisition of powby our adversaries, they seek to overthrow Democratic and substitute the antagonist-

ic policy.
Resolved That as the battle of the Democnev is a battle for measures, not men-prinles, not place the defeat of their candifates produces no evils or discouragements, except so far as at enables their opponents in a time, to carry out obnoxious measures; and being fully aware of this truth, a sense of duty and patriotism will constrain them with unrelayed zeal to advocate, and unabated we glance to guard, those principles of gov ment to which the country is indebted its unexampled growth and prosperity. Resolved, That a State Convention of the importatic citizens of this Commonwealth, mposed of a number equal to the Senators ad Representatives of the General Assembly. be selected in the usual way in the Repreentative and Senatorial Districts of the State a held at Harrisburg, on the fourth day of elv. A. D., 1855, to nominate a suitable pera for the office of Canal Commissioner, and insact such business and adopt such meases as the exigencies of the times may seem

TO THE PEOPLE OF PENNSYLVANIA. Fillow Citizens — The State Committee of a idress you briefly on the present aspect of

ion of the country is not yet under the feet of those who would trample upon it. The wil rights of our citizens are not yet overthrown. The Democracy has weathered many er storm, and rode it out in triumph. We have micofintered many an enemy, but never one that did not in due time fall before us. We are aimed from head to foot in all the the fine Arts, and disseminating a pure and trength of a just cause, and truth has thrown wholesome Liberature throughout the counaber broad shield over us. We stand up as we have ever stood for equal laws and equal rights; for that liberty of conscience which the Constitution guarantees to all men; and lighting for such principles as these, we are and must continue to be invincible. The idea hat the American people will ever deliberatemir fathers fought and died in the revolution, -werthrown for the sake of giving office to a lew politicians, is simply prepesterous. If my true Democrat sees anything to fear in Whe signs of the times, let him add to his faith nind; will scatter the present combination of dverse elements to the wind. In a very short ime the Democracy will be stronger than ever. We can afford to go into a minority or a season, and then emerge, as we shall do, Whiskey, Nebraska Slave Pens and all?" with brighter hopes and prospects for the future: We will soon teach anew, and in-a. manner more impressive than ever the lesson so often read and so fully known and under-

Democratic party can alone make the insti-

Remember that the Democracy has com-

teletely queiled its most dangerous enemies

The political superstitions and greedy infat

mation which threatened to put the industry

turions of a free country safe.

of the people under the dominion of banking and manufacturing capital, are almost entirely extirpated. The party that advocated ergy, talent and boldness, and with which we struggled for seventy-five years; has been against their own certain knowledge ! Or which they would crush my character. Will one insinuations. I covet the issue. Let him crushed to death in the folds of a new organ- has he schooled himself to falschood and slan- not a people, who love with and honesty, make it and community shall know on whose ization, that has not a single element in it to der till for for his life he cannot tell the bear with me while I may my plain things,give it strength or endurance. Its secrecy is calculated to give it temporary success, but that very feature will insure its speedy and he is dealing in the rankest falschood ! The last week, as well as the volume of last year, final repudiation. The party that has beaten latter is the most charitable interpretation and consider the provocation? I shall trust malfeasance in public trust. They are terrib-Federalism in so many shapes will not be of the fellow's meanness. It is true that Mr. it in their hands. conquered by an enemy which avows no poto make that avoyal publicly and in the face that he voted as every consistent anti-Nebras- tack upon my private character? Read the has alarmed them, for it don't look to them of the people. The Eagle will not be hawked ka man should have voted, for those who vo- last Register and no one can doubt. Its de- as though I was going to be driven out of at and brought down by the mousing owl. ted with the Know-Nothings for Pollock, fence of all that system of rascality which has town. And then, they have so long had a as a great misfortune to the State and we rece sure that metory will so record it. Nevthe party which was intended to crush the ly that it was written by one or more of them, from starvation, who has ever spurned an alcessor a fair and impartial consideration. The tree will be known by its fruits. If he bold- other words, they voted just as South Caro- character, "the horse doctor," whom they the Democrat six years, and left it with a ly uses the veto against the corrupting influ- line nigger drivers wanted them to vote, keep for all infamous purposes; and who is capital sufficient to put him in a high rank ence of incorporated wealth; if he does not prostitute the prerogative of the pardoning power to the use of his political friends; i

and disregards that which he took in the Know-Nothing-Lodge, on the 15th of June last, at the corner of Ninth and Arch streets, in this city, we will be bound to confess that

period of his power will be remembered here. The clitor of that paper (Ffazier) belongs to stand up aprilipoint out; in what manner I half what they did in the same time. In

mombers of the Democratic State Committee potatoe-rot, when all the years of plenty and prosperity are forgotten.

We ask you fellow citizens, to consider gests. Our opponents work in secret. They prefer darkness rather than light. They have Action a full and free interchange of opinion no principles which they are not ashamed to discuss. But the Democracy rely on a fearless, frank and full avowal of their sentiments. lution and address were unanimously adoptvestigation is alone sufficient to give the Democracy an enviable moral superiority which must in a very short time secure them the political ascendancy among a people as

I ELLIS BONHAM, Chairman. E B CHASE, Sec y. Philad's., Dec. 28, 1854.

Montrose Pemocrat.

THE LARGEST CIRCULATION IN NORTHERN PENN'A. E. B. CHASE & ALVIN DAY, EDITORS.

Montrose, Thursday, Jan. 4, 1855.

From Harrisburg. The Legislature assembled last Tuesday. H. K. STRONG of Phil's was elected Speaker of the House, by a vote of 76 to 21. He is Whig Know Nothing. The Senate is not

HAMLIN, 14, HENDRICES, 18, scattering 4. We have heard the name of Wu. S CAMPBELL of Pittsburg mentioned in connection with the nomination for Canal Commisioner. He is a good man, and as he was the choice of this section of the State at Reading in '51, we presume he will be in '55. He certainly is our choice.

We cordially second the motion fo meeting of the Editors and publishers of Northern Pennsylvania at Scranton the 17th Let us have it, we will attend certainly.

Editors' Convention. The Editors and Publishers of Northern

ennsylvania, favorable to the formation of Typographical Association, are requested to meet for that purpose, at the Wyoming House in Scranton, on Wednesday, Jan. 17th inst ..- the anniversary of the birth-day of the great Printer, Statesman and Philosopher, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN.

(Exchanges interested please copy.) APPOINTMENTS BY THE COMMISSIONERS. The Commissioners of this county have appointed WM. A. CROSSMAN, Clerk; FRANKLIN RASER, Est., Counsel, and W. M. Tingley of

Lenox, Mercantile Appraiser, for the ensuing

he Domocratic party have thought proper to cellent periodical for December is on our table. It is just entering on its 5th volume and gives good promise of being the best ag-

> We would call the attention of our eaders to an advertisement of the Cosmopolitan Literary Association, located at Sandusky Ohio, for the purpose of encouringing

> > Mr. Grow

here, who love honesty, integrity and fidelity of their infamous charges.

Grow voted for Bigler, and it is now seen We regard the defeat of Governor Bigler though honestly, now see that they voted to been perpetrated upon the people of this counhe economises the public treasure; if he keeps ples. Had Bigler been elected, Know-Noth- liance with their wealth which shall keep with no capital to commence with and left the oath which he takes at his inauguration, ingism would have been defeated, and then a him from starvation, and support him in his it able to purchase and stock a farm worth his administration is a better thing than we ing organization, strengthened by free soilers, in public and in private. It is from such a From my honest toil, in the paper,—and in hoped. But if, on the other hand, the influ- is being used to defeat the Bentons, Sewards, source that these false, malicious, and infa- my profession, which of itself has amprorted ence of his office shall be lent out to the evil and Summers of that party! As it has turn mous charges against me have emanated .- my family the last two years independent of

direction, as being more binding than the famous attack upon Mr. Grow as a man of why, in their independent, without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than their defendent, without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than their defendent, without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than their defendent, without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than their defendent, without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than their defendent, without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than their defendent, without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than their defendent, without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than their defendent, without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than their defendent, without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than their defendent, without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than the famous attack upon Mr. Grow as a man of why, in their indicates the defendent without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than their defendent without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than their defendent without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than the famous attack upon Mr. Grow as a man of why, in their indicates the defendent without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than the famous attack upon Mr. Grow as a man of why, in their indicates the defendent without reduke. Here then bankers there is more of a speculation than the famous attack upon the famous attack upon the defendent without reduke the defendent without reduke the famous attack upon the famous a

after as we remember the blights and mill- the order in this place, and his paper for the have deserved such vile slanders. Let any deed there must be something wrong here, dews, the times of famine and drouth and last six months has been devoted with great care to the propagation and defence of their doctrines. Now look at this Know-Nothing and reflect carefully upon the political top- scheme. Mr. Gnow is a determined oppono doubt, produce the happiest results, ice which the present condition of things sug- nent of Slavery extension, hence, like other prominent men on that question, he is marked as a victim for Know Nothing vengeance. But how can they accomplish his prostration in this District! Only by insinuating among The contrast between such a course and that the people that he is dishonest, that he proof a party which shrinks from all public in- fesser principles that he does not act upon .-This is the course hit upon to prostrate Mr. Grow by the Know-Nothing conspiracy.marked by the manly virtues of truth and mous libel upon Mr. Grow, and then reflect boldness, as are the freemen of Pennsylva- that the editor who perpetrated it last week, this week sets himself up as the Editor of the Republican, the exclusive organ of "free-soilers." A more transparent fraud was never perperrated in the face of Heaven. That paper is to be the organ of the Know-Nothing While conspirators of Montrose, and its object is to prostrate the Democracy of this county, and hand it over to the manacles of Slavery extensionists. To accomplish it they are endeavoring to seduce Democrats into its debauch their principles by the horrid oaths of its organization. This is the game now being played. Will not the earnest and true men of this county, rise up and rebuke its profligate duplicity? If not, they are but fit. vet organized. The vote for Speaker stood, grace upon the name of independent freemen.

Death of the Register. The Susgehanna Register, so long the orzan and defender of a class of men in Mon trose who have made themselves rich b plundering the people of this county, died last week. The concern had become so odious that its support became a great tax on its worthy masters who are beginning to feel

quite poor since the fire, and no prospect for another chance to replenish their pockets by a Bank failure. Hence the expedient has been hit upon to change the name of the paper, simply putting another head to it. ho ping thereby that the citizens of the county may be fooled into the support of an Editor and press which from their heart they loathe. and despise.

Very few we apprehend, will be silly enough to be caught in such a snare. But we have a good joke. New Year's day the Register issued its death-bed farewell in the shape of a Carriers Address, in which occurs the following stanza, composed by the great to any man, to fill one of the most responsi- ers, we are unable to say, -we will leave Homer himself.

"Rejoiced am I that my reign is o'er, That the acts of men I behold no more; For a year of commotion has been the last; In troublous times has my lot been cast." "Help me Cassius or I sink," might have

been appropriately added.

which have been made upon my personal and the other Bill imposed upon it, and that it own houses in order before turning their atpolitical character-which have been contin- did so relieve it. Blackened, burned all tention to their neighbors. ued with increased violence the past year, and over, in the fires of a hellish flendishness of If a few hundred dollars has made me rich. which this community will bear me witness, passion, hatred, revenge, falsehood and mal- I have grown rich because I have stood up tagonistic as they are, are here to be "fused" I have till now let pass in silence, as I con- ice, must be the hearts of the propagator of and exposed faithfully to the light of day, This gentleman needs no defence at our ceive reached a point in the Register last that libel, when he knows that the public rec- and to the people of this county, that worse in the District made famous by "the Provi hands. His defenders, bold and constant, week, where I am not only justified in reply- ords in our county offices, contradict him in than highway piracy, by which a nest of men are to be the flist to desert may be found all over the county and dis- ing with severity, but absolutely am driven the face. consent to see the great doctrines for which triet,—the hearts of the people. His course to do so, or else submit that my silence be But, for the sake of the ex-Elder of the lings of the people of this county. This is in Congress has been endorsed by everybody construed into a tacit confession of the truth family, allusion is made in the article to the why I have grown rich enough to purchase

In the Register last week we find the fol- being convinced that its authors, to serve the insinuation is thrown out that I was there same avocation. I should have been a great The good sense, the honesty and lowing malignant and defamatory thrust some purpose of their own, aim at destroying guilty of moral perjury. My readers know deal poorer I have no doubt, if my assailants plish that work, and here we find "free soil" eve of justice, which characterize the public which we copy for public information. That my character, ruining my business, and distant I have never alluded to that subject in had been honest men themselves, for many paper, speaking of Mr. Grow says, he is "a gracing my family. My character is all a my paper since its close, while time after then would have had no occasion for my ser-Democrat, who not withstanding his princi- father, long since in heaven, bequeathed me time, over the signature of the "proprietors vices, and would have found no use for my ples, votes for the regular nominee, Bigler, as an heritage on earth, and while I had hop- of the Steam Mill," and otherwise, it has been editorials. ed that silence and forbearance on my part thrust at me. I am not therefore the assail-Now, we ask Democrats to just reflect that would induce my malignant enemies to fol- ant in this particular. They have forced it the Editor who published that false and infa- low my example in that respect, it seems that upon me. And now I say to all this people, last week, about which I care. I will then mous charge against Mr. Grow, this week, I have mistaken them. Nothing short of my that if Albert Post will put that matter in leshood, that the policy and principles of the steps before the public as the Editor of the utter ruin and prostration will satisfy their gal form before a Court, where I can be al-Republican, the organ of the free soil Demo- hatred and satiste their revenge. I have now lowed to bring the truth in evidence as a decrats of this county. We say the charge submitted till Fean do so no longer. I can-fence, I will prove by members of his own against Mr. Grow is false and infamous, be not and shall not consent, that they shall Church, in addition to the young men who cause it says that Mr. Grow voted for Ne- drag the artillery of their malice over a bleed- made the affidavits, that in that matter, I brasks. Why, did the man who published ing reputation without a struggle. Trusting spoke the words of truth and soberness. I that article to the world suppose that the cit- in a God of justice, the protector of the in- will prove it to this whole community, and I izens of this county had forgotten how Mr. jured and the innocent, I shall make one challenge him to put it in such a shape. Let Grow roted on Nebruskh? Did he suppose more effort to huri back upon these infamous him meet me where the whole truth can be them such fools that they would believe him and guilty slanderers, the load of infamy with brought out, or else let him keep his slandertruth, when he knows everybody will see that especially when they turn to the Register

stiengthen the power of Slavery, and with ty, by the "Bank family," shows conclusive they cannot conceive how one can be saved Anti-Nebraska sentiment of the North. In and for the whole of them. That infamous liance with their favor. Abd Turrell edited while Mr. Grow roted in opposition to this now more pliant in their service than ever, in among our merchants, as a man of means. power which was siming to crush his princi- hopes thereby that he may form another al- Mr. Hompstead conducted it about four years, fair field for discussion of the slavery quest indolence, was undoubtedly the scribe. The now \$3000, and besides that is in a lugrative tion would have been left open. Now that whole tribe shout at its appearance, and reit- trade. I commenced to conduct it five years question is overborne, and the Know-Noth-lerate its slanders, in the street, in their stores, ago nearly, was poor then and am poor still. purposes of bad men—if he stirs up religious ed out, every free soil man in Pennsylvania Their purpose is to accomplish my ruin,—the paper, I have laid up enough in five years bigotry and strife among the people—if he who world for Pollock voted the non-slavery and why ! I appeal to the citizens of this to may \$1450 for all less for my little family. organis and some among the people—it he who voted for Pollock, voted the pro-slavery and why? I appeal to the citizens of this to pay \$1950 for my little family, said Congress should pass the bill at once. without adequate consideration—if he acknowledges the sworm obligations he ower to contained this innowledges the sworm obligations he ower to contained this innowledges the sworm obligations he ower to contained this innowledges the sworm obligations he ower to contained this innowledges the sworm obligations he ower to contained this innowledges the sworm obligations he ower to contained this innowledges the sworm obligations he ower to contained this innowledges the sworm obligations he ower to contained this innowledges the sworm obligations he ower to contained this innowledges the sworm obligations he ower to contained this innowledges the sworm obligations he ower to the fair fame of and the isance of small notes by brokers and against such aggressions; Southern polititheir defenders without solutes. Here then ha is county, thousands of whom have known me if I shall have good lung in meeting my en-

man, even my traducers, point out if they say they. So be it. I have not made my can, anything like dishonesty in my dealings, money by robbing Banks, forging notes, or wherein I have ever wronged a man of a far- plundering my maighbors, as some of my asthing, or wherein I have ever been guilty of sailants have made theirs. My humble resi immoralities of any kind. Let them point dence, if I shall be able to pay for it, will not out the instance in which I have forfeited be paid for by money filehed, in violation of public confidence in the discharge of rublic law, from the widow's purse and the orplan's duty,-where I have not been faithful as a heritage. I had no part in swindling this representative, and honest as a man. I fear- community out of \$205,000 at one sweep, lessly challenge the world to an investigation; and can my assailants say this for themselves I might appeal to persons in this very Bor- I do not stand in constant fear, lest some one ough, not particularly my friends either. Let shall undertake to execute the law, and send any man ask Leonard Seatle, in whose familime to the pentientiary. I have never been Look at it Democrats! Look at this infa- ly I resided a long time, what awful moral caught with the St. John thieves of Wall delinquency there is in my character. Or street as my companions, nor nided to give ask Judge Warner, in whose family I also them a character by which they might plunresided, or any of the business men in Mont- der community as they pleased. I have ner rose who have seen and done business with er made certificates to the very honest charme from day to day, the past six years; or go lacter of such men, nor shared the spoils o to the place of my schooling, anywhere, their rescality. Had I done so and become where I am known, aside from this "family" as "rich" as my assailants, then probably I of public plunderers in Montrose, and I chal- should have been a most honorable man lenge the man, woman or child, to come for their estimation, fully deserving of distingward, with any show of truth, and place a uished consideration for my integrity and spot upon my character. In extreme youth mornlity! These men talk of ill-gotten gain I was left an orphan, poor and friendless .- As well might the pirate from his bloody support by professions, while they can then By my own unsided exertions, I am what I deck, boast of honest-gotten gain as they am. I have labored to acquire the confidence As well might the foot-pad, from his mid of the public, to sustain an unblemished rep- night covert, talk of "ill-gotten gain" as the utation, well knowing that that must be my directors and writers of that article in the chief dependence in life, and therefore, I sup- Register last week. The people of this counpose, it is that my raputation is hunted down. Ity don't wonder that those men are troubled to be slaves themselves, they will bring dis. with all the malice and vengeance that ever on the subject of "ill-gotten gain." rankled in the heart of a Nero. "Let him

be crucified," is literally the constant cry.

close of the controversy, which he provoked an humble dwelling to protect me in future No person can read that attack without me into little more than a year ago, and years, while I shall continue to pursue the soul rests the guilt of "moral perjury.";

But they say I have grown " suddenly rich," and thus insinuate that I have been guilty of ly indignant because I have purchased a Who are the authors of this merciless at house and lot in Montgose at \$1450. This nome a histing and a byword, and the short rial article defending the Know Nothings. appeal to all this people and ask any man to gal business, Laste probably saxed last than an unsheathed sword.

Do these open and notorious public swind

lers, who have kept the Susquehanna Regis-Twice was I elected to the Legislature, by ter as the defender of their villainies for the majorities which plainly showed that the publingst years, suppose that there is no virtue in lic had some confidence in my integrity. Imen! Do they hold secret converse with Now these Satanic conspirators would rob their own hearts, which have become callous ableness of any men for public office, by the me of all that is valuable in public estima- by wrong and depredations committed upon question whether he was for or against the tion, that I may have acquired by ill-requit- their fellow men, and from that dark chamed toil in the public service. There, too, I ber of crime, and fraud, and peculation, which appeal to the public. The whole record of they find in their own breasts, do they judge my service in the Legislature stands forth on others to be possessed of the same? Do they ought to have the right to decide it; as soon its journals. Let any man search them from suppose that because they did not hesitate to as sufficient numbers have settled there to beginning to end and point out if he can, praise their guilty hands in defiance of the law, wherein I proved recreant to my trust, - and plunder their fellow citizens of the sum wherein I betrayed my constituents,—where- of \$205,000, that therefore there is no moral in I did not act there, the part of an honest, sentiment of obedience to law, which control fearless and faithful Representative. I chal- the conduct of others? Or, writhing under lenge the production of the first instance. If the load of guilt, and shame, which the judg- pose for the passions of men is required to it can be produced, let it be, pointed out, or ment of an honest public has placed upon else let public opinion declare that I am in- them, would they drag others down to their nocent. I might appeal too, to the Legisla- own guilty abode, on the principle that "misture. Why among all the men of that body, ery loves company!" Which of the above was I selected by the largest vote ever given | considerations actuates these Satanic libellble places in the Commonwealth, and the public which knows them well to judge! highest place of trust and honor in the gift The low and guilty villains, who stand con- were Houston, Chyton, Fillmore, &c. In the of my fellow members. Jesnot this of itself victed of robbing the people of this county of a sufficient vindication for me, against the hundreds of thousands, through their more loose and malignant attacks of men, whose villainous paper, which has disgraced decenvery hearts swim and burn in the corrosive cy in their service till not enough of the hon- and elected Mott. They also defeated Drum, sublimate of all malignity! But they say est men of the county will have it in their Heister and Trout, for Congress, who had I have seated myself to the performance of by that road view, while in the Legislature. having grown suddenly rich," because from what I conceive a duty and duty from which Here they show their tongue and soul of five years of honest industry and patient toil. I cannot shrink without personal dishonor. falsehood and defamation. It is false, and we have laid aside enough of our hard carnareful review of the facts connected with the ricultural publication in the country. Pub. To feel obliged to step before the public to they know it is false. They know that the ings (if we shall have good luck in collection ste election, have satisfied us that we have lished at West Chester, Pa by J. Meredith vindicate myself from public charges of per- Bill was passed two years before I ever saw ing our dues) to purchase an humble dwell-, bothing to fear in the future. The Constitute & Co. Terms one dollar per unnum in ad- jury, moral turpitude, and criminal fluibery, the Legislature, mainly at the instance of ing! Before they impute crime to others, is a thick which I never expected to feel ob- some land-holders in Muntrose, and that the they had best go about Susquehama county, liged to perform before a people who have price of survey was fixed by that Billy and like honest men themselves, return the known me from my youth up, and who have that the Bill passed last winter was got for mites which they have taken from the widmore than once honored me with high confi- the purpose of relieving the county from the ow and the orphan. Candidates for the perdence. But the base and malignant attacks payment of several hundred dollars, which itentiary themselves, they had best put their

in Montrose have grown rich from the earn-

I have now noticed all the points and accusations brought against me by the Register inquire why I am thus assailed. The answer is easy,-because, in the discharge of my public duties as an Editor, I would not be silent when my assailants were robbing my fellow citizens, by the thousands, of their hard and honest earnings. Because I have denounced wrong, and endeavored to warn and protect the rights of the people of this county against their rascality, I am pursued like for tiger. All their efforts in the past have failed,-their Miller's and their Frasier's have turned out much like their St. Johns. Their old Register press has dwindled out a miser able existance, till it has finally expired in the embrace of the dead year; and now, encouraged by a little political success, they are making a last desperate effort to gain predominance in this county. Shall they succeed? We have no fears that they will. Relying upon the sense of right, the love of Justice and moral truth of this people, for

one I shall endeavor to place some obstruc-I regret the necessity of this article, but trust my readers will remember that I was not the assailant. I had attacked no ones private character in my paper, nor will I do so unless driven as now, to self defence. But they have treated my silence as confessing their infamous charges, and grew bolder in their calumniations. My private character is as dear to me and mine, as is any ones, and when driven to the wall. I must turn and give battle. I will not submit to its prostrahenceforth, if war must come, let it come-With Truth and Justice on my side, and

Clayton on Free Soilers.

The last two numbers of our paper have contained extracts from the leading Know Nothing journals, showing in the strongest possible light that the Order is the worst foe to the "free soil sentiment" that can possibly exist. All their leading presses, and leading men openly and boldly proclaim, that one part of their mission is to rid the country sentiment of the North against slavery aggression are the shining marks for Know Nothing vengence. They defeated Thos. H. Benton in Missouri, and their organ at Washington gloried in it, which we published week before last, and at the same time proclaimed their determination to defeat Seward in New

It is well known that John M. Clayton several years ago, put forth from his sent in the U.S. Senate, views in reference to for eigners, in consonance with the Know Noth ing doctrines of the present day, and that he has uniformerly sustained those doctrines since. Hence he is a favorite of the Order, and is strongly urged as their candidate for the next President. At Delaware City no long since, Mr. Clayton made a speech at Know Nothing celebration, and in that speech occurs the following sentiment when speak ing of the principles of the Order:

"A party formed on these principles must necessarily be thoroughly national, and not sectional in its character. It can have no geographical divisions. No parallel of lati- to the intent, and the letter of our Constitutude or longitude can divide it into discordant fragments, to form the elements of future separation and civil war. Ignoring the slavery question as a proper element of party combinations, it would refuse to test the suitmere extension of slavery in some Territory of the United States, always content to leave that, as well as every other domestic question to the people of that Territory, who alone and combination of strength! But whenform a respectable commonwealth." And again he says of himself:

"I did not vote for the repeal of the lin the Nebraska act, and I will not vote to epeal the repealing clause in that act, or to disturb the subject again. Let it rest. Resave us from ourselves."

This speech is but in unison, with all declarations of the press and public men of the order everywhere. Among all the men discussed at the Know Nothing Council at Cincinnatti for President, not one of them is at all given to "free soil proclivities." They election in this state, they showed that they did not vote for Pollock on "free soil" grounds at all, for they also defeated Darsie. tion. In New York they exerted every nerveto defeat Clark for Governor, and to elect a pro-slavery, Fillmore candidate in his stead. In fact, there is no denial by the Know Nothings, either by word or deed, that they ignore the slavery question. This truth at least stands confessed, and all earnest. " free soil" journals, and leading men, have armed themselves and are struggling to the death against this insidious emissary of the slave power. And yet we have the singular spectacle presented in this county, of an attemp ted alliance between Know Nothings, Whigs and "free soilers." These three elements, aninto a great and predominant party! Here. their principles, and to throw themselves into the fetters of a power which was designed by the prapogandists of the South, to do just what it has done,-break the force of Northern organization against the perfidy of the Nebraska Bill. It was designed to accommen the first to kiss the rod that has smote them, -- thefirst to yield themselves to the shackles of southern political domination! (Ah.) are we not justified in saying that this whole "fusion" movement in this county is a fraud upon honest men? It is a Whig, Know Nothing scheme, for the mere spoi's of office, and nothing more. They would dupe Democrats der to the fly, they may be drawn into their meshes. Honest, consistent, and earnest "free soil" men there undoubtedly are, of every Republican idea. who have been made to believe that this Re-

deceived by this time, and if so, like honest men they will leave the sinking ship, and buckle on the armour against this foe of civil and such danger! It is utter nonsense! Bereligious liberty in these States. The Democratic party is now the only party in the North that is really fighting the battle of freedom from slave power, for it is the only party that is fighting Know Nothingtheir principles in this respect, will not be long in finding the forces with which they must stand to fight this great battle, and un- armies in the Revolution, cleared away the man who forsakes his principles for the spoils fice to break the shackles of southern pre-

their principles. They must have been un-

are crowded out of our paper this week. THOS. W. DORR. of Rhode Island. died at his residence last week.

Small Notes. Congress has now before it a bill to prevent the circulation of small notes in the When the Repeal of the ancient and agreed people who have ever yet stood by and she District of Columbia. This is perfectly right barrier against the encroschments of Slavery. ningh. The people of this county will not There is no places in this Union where so

Know-Nothingism.

The " Register," persisting in its advocacy of this order; two weeks since, published an extract from the charge of Judge Porter, to the Grand Jury of Wayne county, on the subject of its being indictable as a conspiracy. It then attempts a little feeble ridicule spou that charge; and publishes a sort of form of an Indictment, taken from a Hones. and Congress of slavery agitators. All true dale paper; having no legal idea; no semand earnest men, who have heretofore led the blance of argument; and, as a matter of wit, being utterly pointless and silly. Jagge Porter is known to be one of the most able Jurists in the Union,—and his opinions on legal subjects, formed with the care which marks his discharge of his judicial office, will hardly be shaken by the ridicule of such prints as those just named

The points may be thus stated: 1. Our Constitution was careful that relig. ious belief should be no political test,-no discitalification for office. An unseen combination of men declares,-" we will practically annul this provision of the Constitution, so

far as it concerns the Catholic faith." 2. By the same instrument, the offices of the country, (excepting President and Vice President,) are alike open to the naturalized and native citizen. This secret tyranny ordains that this equal and beneficent provision in our country's fundamental law, shall be practically violated, -that no naturalized citizen shall ever hold office.

Are not both these objects then, contrary tion? And if any proposition in law is clear. it is that any combination of persons for an unlawful object, is indictable. Indeed, some combinations of men for purposes that a single individual might lawfully do, are held to be punishable conspiracies. We have many such cases in the Books. Of such dangerous tendency, in the eye of the law, is concert that concert, in all its details, means, and manner of attack upon the sacred. Constitutional rights of a whole class of our fellowcitizens, is carefully wrapped in mystery, how transcendantly dangerous! Why, in a former day, when the people got even a suspicion, (since proven to be groundless,) that the Masonic order, embraced political objects; they prose with a mighty indignation against such danger. What; secret, oath-bound nolitical arrangements, in a free Republic !-And those objects too, expressly adverse to all the genius of our Institutions!

It may be, as that paper intimates in this case that some of the Order were in the Grand-Jury .- it may be that no Jury could. be drawn without such an element, it may be that this secret influence creeps into every Court, and into every branch of the government; so as to defv the power of law. If they were weak, and our insulted Constitu--but it is alarming when a conspiracy is hid away from the eye of the law, and is vet so confident of strength as to laugh, through its Press, at all idea of legal investigation; and sneer at Judges acting in the faithful discharge of their office.

This introduction of religious tests into the politics of the country; is but one form of ntolerance, and persecution; which once roused, has, in every country, sooner or later, kindled the flames of civil war.

It is no answer to say the freeman may vote against Catholics, if he pleases. The individual, and parties even, may legally vote under the influence of religious or political prejudice,-they may oppose any candidate, or any Ticket, or any principle, in an open, honorable way; but they have no right to combine in secret, in order to deprive a whole class of men of rights secured to them by law; any more than they would have, to combine to deprive them of liberty, or property.

There is still a third proposition. Our laws are very careful to preserve the voter from every infinence and control. Voting, is to be a freeman's free act. He shall not be accountable to any human power, for the manner of his vote. But this unseen tyranny, corrupts the Bollot-Box, and perverta the first principle of popular sovereignty, by toercing the voter; and holding him accountable that he conform that act to the will of the majority in their Grand-Council. Admit with the cry of "free soil," that like the spi- that such a viewless, irresponsible tyranny may preside over its members at the Ballot-Box: and you admit an element destructive

But what is the occasion for such a: compublican movement would in some way serve | bination ? Why. Papal power! All told, they do not number one-sixth of our population; and they are relatively decreasing at that, still five sixths must combine against side, we invited the Foreigner here, by all the alluring offers of Freedom, to unite with our weakness, that together we might grow up into a giant brotherhood, and strength, in this new world. He trusted our word, -shoot ism. Both Democrats and Whigs, who love off his former political relations, - swore solemn allegiance to our government, planted here his hopes and sympathies, -stood in our less they rouse themselves up, and at once untrollden forests, and was American in all take their position, come out from the "fu- his heart. Why arm this class against us, sion" if they have been in it, it will not be by the most irritating of all wrongs, perselong before they will find themselves laying cution on account of religious faith; and by under the load of infamy that attatches to a political distinctions? One would think this engine of mischief was potent enough to salof office. And let this be once fastened upon isfy the Arch fiend himself; but as if it was northern men, and two centuries will not suf- meant that nothing should be wanting to make this stupendous wrong the wonder of the nineteenth century; its authors lend to it Several articles and communications all the wicked energies of the America Slave power. Its Public Press, North and South,—the Resolutions of its Grand Gouncil, -the spoken interpretations of its acknowledged leaders - and all its party connexions, and arrangements, (except some local and temporary action.) conspire to prove this fact. -that crowning act of Southern parfidy, ord.

Out of circulation and coin, both gold and it in this new National party; in order to divide the North, and divert them from their. no transfer and the second