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MONTROSE, PA., Thursday, March 19th, 1857.

DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

FOR GOVERNOR, WILLIAM F. PACKER, Of Lycoming County. FOR JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT, ELLIS LEVINS, Of Philadelphia City. FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER, NEMROD STRICKLAND, Of Chester County.

Farmers in want of Clover and Timothy seed, see advertisement of Crane & Rogers in another column.

The Co. Superintendent has decided to hold a Teacher's Institute at this place on Tuesday and Wednesday the 24th and 25th days of March. Prof. Stoddard will be present and lecture on Tuesday evening.

We would direct the attention of Teachers and others to the advertisement of the Wayne Co. Teacher's Institute. The University has been purchased by Prof. Stoddard, and will undergo through repairs previous to the opening of the regular session of the school in September next. Hezekiah Watkins, C. E. B. N. S. of the Rensselaer, Troy Polytechnical Institute, will take charge of the Engineering department.

Mr. Buchanan's Inaugural—What they say of it.

The inharmonious character of the opposition to the Democracy is very forcibly illustrated, by the different and conflicting views of its leaders. Mr. Buchanan's Inaugural, J. Watson Webb, one of the late canvassers, "approves very cordially of the Inaugural" and "holds with Mr. Buchanan that it is the right of the people in every State to institute or reject slavery at their pleasure; and if the people of Kansas when organizing their State government decide in favor of slavery" he solemnly affirms that it is "the last man living to object." This man Webb was a delegate to the convention which met at Philadelphia and nominated Fremont. He there favored the policy of restricting slavery by act of Congress. He made a speech at that convention and spoke of the possibility of failing to vindicate the restrictive policy at the ballot box; in which case, said he, "we will drive it (slavery) back, sword in hand, and, so help me God! believing that to be right I am with them." This infamous sentiment was applauded by the assembled conspirators, who looked to rebellion and civil war to vindicate their foul heresies, in case they could not triumph by means of the peaceful, constitutional weapon, the ballot. We rejoice that the author and promulgator of the base and treasonable thought has repented; that he has manliness enough to confess his error and to acknowledge the justice of the non-intervention principle enunciated by the Democratic party and sustained by its representative in his Inaugural address. But while Webb confesses his sins, Greeley remains stubborn and continues to propagate disunion sentiments. His opinion of the Inaugural, and the position he designs his mongrel party to occupy hereafter, can be ascertained from the following:

"But if Mr. Buchanan is not clear and forcible in style, we must admit that the doctrines of the Inaugural are sufficiently pointed and distinct. Of these, we come at once to the expression of a firm conviction, blunt as it may seem, that this Union is not worth saving, nor this Government worth preserving, upon the basis of the Inaugural, backed by the coming decision of the Supreme Court, to which the President, by intimation, clearly points."

This indicates that Greeley has determined to openly labor for a dissolution of the Union; the mask is thrown off and the hideous character of the beast exposed. Well meaning men who have hitherto clung to black republicanism under the belief that its aims were patriotic and full of philanthropy, can now see how they have been cheated, and how they have been robbed of their votes, and made to support a policy which they know to be treasonable, and which they honestly condemn. The ravings of the opposition captains about the late decision of the Supreme Court, and the Inaugural of the new President, will cease many of the rank and file to desert—the patriotic yeomanry of the country, have sufficient common sense, to repudiate the policy, which Greeley and his confederates would inaugurate, of resistance to the constitution, and the interpretation given it by the highest judicial tribunal of the land.

Preaching Against the Legal Authorities.

Several times since the organization of our government, a class of individuals properly denominated political priests, have denounced in the vilest terms the enactments of the national legislature, and sought to excite resistance to the legal authorities. During the war of 1812—a war waged in defence of the interests and honor of the Republic, and glorious in its results—the New England States were especially cursed with these incendiaries. The Hartford convention was the fruit of their ravings, and the dissolution of the Union, the purpose of that treasonable gathering. Then, as now, they affected to plead in the name of humanity and religion—then, as now, the South and slavery were

the targets at which they aimed their venom. They impugned the motives of those who pronounced the war unjust and unholy, alleged that it was carried on for the benefit of slavery, and branded as "murderers," those who volunteered in its support. But thanks to the patriotism of the masses, the clerical wolves were foiled; the war was prosecuted to a successful issue, and the priestly traitors, lived only to be loathed.

Not until 1854, when a proposition to remove the Missouri restriction was pending in Congress, did the clergy of the country make another important demonstration. This, like that of 1812, originated in New England; but unlike that, it diffused its wicked spirit, throughout the entire North and threatened to obtain control of the government. The inhabitants of almost every town and neighborhood in the free States remember with pain the zealous and active part played by many clergymen in the last canvass. Not only were their teachings fanatical and calculated to encourage resistance to the constitution and laws, but by introducing political subjects into the pulpit they occasioned quarrels, bickerings and divisions in religious societies, the consequences of which are evil. The popular verdict pronounced by the people against the "Pathfinder" was a terrible rebuke to clerical politicians; as such they probably regarded it, because since the result of the struggle was known they have been commendably quiet. But the late decision of the U. S. Supreme Court has set them in a whirl of passion again, and that august tribunal is made the subject of their bitterest and most malignant vituperations. We notice that Rev. Dr. Cheever was advertised to preach in New York last Sunday "on the judgment of the word of God in condemnation of the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court against the African race in this country." We presume that his example will be followed by the lesser lights of the black republican faith, and that a systematic effort will be made from the pulpits occupied by political priests, and through the newspapers controlled by such hypocrites as Greeley, to prejudice the public mind against the opinion of the court, and to bring the highest judicial authority known to the constitution into contempt. In some localities a formidable prejudice will be built up, by misrepresentations of the nature of the decision; but no effort of fanatics and traitors, no matter how bold and persevering, can destroy the respect of the American people for their highest and wisest judicial tribunal. It is quite natural that Fremont preachers and Fremont editors should whine and find fault, with the decision of the court because it wrecks their fondest hopes, and is an authoritative interpretation of the constitution—an interpretation which upholds the position occupied by the Democracy, and places the black republican plianx in a rebellious attitude. No true friend of our governmental theory will assert that that interpretation was influenced by political considerations; all who love their country will respect and abide by it.

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Speech of Gen. Packer.

The following is the speech of William F. Packer, our nominee for Governor, delivered to the Convention after his nomination. It is manly and decided; and sets forth in no equivocal terms the principles he has at heart. "The Union—the Constitution—the equality of the States—the equality of classes—religious liberty, and the right of the people to enact their own laws," are noble objects, the same as were endorsed by the Democrats in the last contest, and have always been maintained by them in every stage of their existence as a party. Mr. Packer said: "Mr. President and Members of the Convention—for me to assure you, sir, and the delegates here assembled, that I am thankful for the high honor conferred on me, would be faintly to express the profound feelings of gratitude which I entertain. To be selected under any circumstances as the candidate of the Democratic party in Pennsylvania, for the highest office in its gift, is a most distinguished honor; but, sir, how vastly is that heightened when such a mark of confidence is bestowed after an exciting contest, and after coming in contact with gentlemen so distinguished, so honorable, and so worthy as were my competitors on this occasion. In accepting the nomination, Mr. President, I confess I would be discouraged were it not for the reflection that the Democratic battalions in marching onward to victory look less to their standard bearer, than to the flag of their party—that good old flag which for eighty years has "braved the battle and the breeze"—and upon whose folds are emblazoned, in letters of living light: "The Union—the Constitution; The equality of the States; The equality of classes; Religious liberty—the right of every man to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience."

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Resolution of the Democratic State Convention. The following are the resolutions adopted by the Democracy of this State, assembled in Convention at Harrisburg, March 2d.—They have the ring of the true metal in them: Resolved, That as representatives of the great party founded by Jefferson, we salute our political brethren of the other States with congratulations upon the auspicious and just result of the recent Presidential election achieved by our united efforts and sacrifices, (with the aid of patriotic men heretofore attached to other political parties) and necessary, as we believe, to the honor and prosperity of our common country, and the continuance amongst us of the blessings of good government.

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The right of the people, in every government, to enact their own laws. That flag, Mr. President, was dear to our fathers who have gone before us, and around it the Democracy will rally with that enthusiasm which has heretofore, and will, I hope, again in October next, be crowned with glorious victory.

Pennsylvania has just placed one of her own distinguished sons in the highest office in the world—to-morrow he will enter upon the discharge of his official duties—what a burning shame it would be, if at the first general election after his elevation the Democratic party should fail to sustain his administration. For my own part, in assuming the position assigned me by your party, I promise you, that so far as I have ability, the campaign shall be so conducted as at least to reflect no discredit upon this Convention or upon the Democratic party.

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