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THE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES.

In our issue before the assembling of the Republican Convention at Chicago, we took occasion to predict that the action of that Convention, both in the formation of its platform of principles, and in the selection of the candidates to stand upon it, would be eminently conservative, and satisfactory to the mass of the Republican party. The prediction has been verified in the nominations for President and Vice President of ABRAM LINCOLN, of Illinois, and HANNIBAL HAMLIN, of Maine.

Probably a more intelligent, influential, Union-loving, and really conservative Convention never assembled in this country, than the one which placed in nomination Lincoln and Hamlin. The harmony which marked its proceedings, and the enthusiasm which greeted the results of its labors, are happy signs of the thorough organization of the party, and presage victory at the election in November.

There was no feature of the proceedings more pleasing; no scene more interesting than that, in which the friends of William H. Seward, acquiesced cheerfully in the decision of the Convention, and pledged their hearty support of the ticket. Mr. Seward was a prominent candidate for the nomination; many thought that he had well earned the right to the distinction; all knew that he had been most unjustly and untruthfully assailed by the Democracy; his ability as a statesman, and his integrity as a man are unquestioned even by the bitterest of his political enemies; and his fealty to, and love of the Union, are based on the Constitution. It is not surprising therefore, that such a man should be honored and loved, and severely as for the moment his friends felt their disappointment, they will doubtless emulate his noble example and give their hearty support to the man who, for reasons satisfactory to the Convention, has been preferred as a standard bearer in the present contest.

Mr. Seward was not rejected, by the Convention because he is inferior to Mr. Lincoln in any respect, or because he is less a lover of Freedom. The fact is, that both were formerly old-line Whigs; both at an early day of its existence joined the Republican party, and both have highly distinguished themselves as its advocates and defenders.—But when the delegates came together and compared votes, it was found that there were States which it was doubtful whether Mr. Seward could carry, but which it is morally certain will cast their vote for Mr. Lincoln—this State and Illinois being among them.

Mr. Lincoln, (whose first name by the way, is Abram, not Abraham,) is a native of Kentucky, having been born in Hardin county, in that State, on the 12th of February, 1809. His father died when Abram was but six years old, leaving his family poor, and they soon after removed to Southern Indiana. Mr. Lincoln is emphatically a self-made man.—He was in turn a farm laborer, a workman in a saw mill, and a boatman on the Mississippi. At the age of twenty-one he migrated to Illinois, locating near Springfield the State capital. Here he worked on a farm as hired man his first year; the next year he was a clerk in a store; then volunteered for the Black Hawk war, and was chosen captain by his company; the next year he was an unsuccessful candidate for the Legislature; he was chosen the next, and served four sessions with eminent usefulness and steadily increasing reputation; studied law, meantime, and took his place at the bar; was early recognized as a most effective and convincing advocate, before the people, of Whig principles; was a Whig candidate for elector in nearly or quite every Presidential contest from 1836 to 1852 inclusive; was chosen to the XXXth Congress from the central district of Illinois in 1846, and served to its close, but was not a candidate for re-election; and in 1849 withdrew from politics and devoted himself to the practice of his profession till 1854. He was the candidate of the Whigs for U. S. Senator before the Legislature chosen that year; but they were not a majority of the body; so he declined and urged his friends to support Judge Trumbull, the candidate of the anti-Nebraska Democrats, who was elected. In the Presidential campaign of 1856 his name headed the Fremont electoral ticket of Illinois.

Though recently active in politics, Mr. Lincoln has kept himself singularly free from their corrupting influence, and it can be said of him, with perfect truth, that his bitterest political opponents have always acknowledged the high integrity, the spotless purity, and unwavering honesty of his character. Among all classes in Illinois the *soubriquet* of "honest Abe" is habitually used by the masses, and the New York *Tribune* but does Mr. Lincoln justice when it says of him that "this rude designation, invented by unerring popular instinct, expresses the entire and confident affection which the hearts of the masses feels for Mr. Lincoln wherever he is known; it declares the popular certainty that his is a nature of sterling stuff, which may always be relied upon for perfect integrity and constant fidelity to duty."

To this high personal character, may be added a moderation and conservative tendency of mind, which will make him acceptable to our very best citizens, to Whigs and Americans as well as to Republicans. And should the Democratic Convention nominate a man of ultra views or filibustering tendencies, the more conservative of the Democrats may find Mr. Lincoln worthy of their confidence.

The Hon. Hannibal Hamlin, the nominee for Vice President, is at present United States Senator from Maine; is well known as a gentleman of equally high personal character and of solid abilities. He is but a few months younger than Mr. Lincoln, having been born in August of the same year. He is a lawyer, but for the last twenty years has been in public life. From 1836 to 1840 he was a member of the legislature of Maine, and for three of those years he was the Speaker of its House of Representatives. In 1843 he was elected a member of Congress, and re-elected for the following term. In 1847 he was again a member of the State Legislature, and the next year was chosen to fill a vacancy, occasioned by the death of John Fairfield in the United States Senate. In 1851 he was re-elected for the full term in the same body, but resigned on being chosen Governor of Maine in 1857. In the same month he was again elected to the United States Senate for six years, which office he accepted, resigning the Governorship. Up to the time of the passage of the Kansas-Nebraska bill in 1854, Mr. Hamlin was a member of the Democratic party. Thenceforward he gave his support to the Republican party, of which he has ever since continued a faithful and distinguished leader.

The Opposition in Pennsylvania, to a corrupt and tyrannical Democracy, has but to organize thoroughly throughout the State, and maintain that organization unbroken, to ensure a glorious victory first in October for our candidate for Governor, ANDREW CURTIN, and then in November for LINCOLN and HAMLIN. For a long series of years this country has been kept in a continual state of agitation by the machinations of the Democratic party to keep in power; compromises have been made between Freedom and Slavery, only to be broken when no longer useful to the latter; Democratic Administrations have arrayed all the influence, patronage, and even bayonets of the Federal power, to force a hated institution upon free territories; while Free Trade has been enacted to please the slave power, and our workmen have suffered. Assuredly, the people of Pennsylvania have a long and bitter account to settle with the Democratic party, and we are much mistaken if the day for it is not near at hand. Let each man but do his duty, and Pennsylvania will cast her vote for Freedom and Protection next Fall to the tune of twenty thousand majority.

THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION.

In our last we published the proceedings up to the second day, and had barely time before going to press, to announce that Abram Lincoln of Illinois, had been nominated for the Presidency.

We will now give a *synopsis* of the proceedings of the third and last day, in which the nominations for President and Vice President were made.

The first ballot resulted as follows:

FOR MR. SEWARD.			
Maine	10	Texas	4
New Hampshire	5	Wisconsin	10
Massachusetts	21	Iowa	4
New York	70	California	4
Pennsylvania	48½	Minnesota	5
Maryland	8	Kansas	6
Virginia	5	Nebraska	2
Kentucky	5	Dist. of Columbia	2
Michigan	21		
Total			173½

FOR MR. LINCOLN.			
Maine	9	Indiana	26
New Hampshire	7	Illinois	22
Massachusetts	4	Iowa	4
Connecticut	6	Nebraska	1
Pennsylvania	4		
Virginia	14	Total	102
Kentucky	1		

For Mr. BATES—Rhode Island, 1; Connecticut, 7; Maryland, 8; Delaware, 5; Missouri, 18; Texas, 2; Iowa, 1; Oregon, 5.—Total, 46.

For Mr. CAMERON—Pennsylvania, 47½; Virginia, 1; Iowa, 1; Nebraska, 1.—Total, 50½.

For Mr. MCLEAN—Rhode Island, 3; Pennsylvania, 1; Kentucky, 1; Ohio, 4; Iowa, 1.—Total, 12.

For Mr. CHASE—New Hampshire, 1; Rhode Island, 1; Connecticut, 2; Kentucky, 8; Iowa, 1; Ohio, 34; Nebraska, 2.—Total, 49.

For Mr. WADE—Connecticut, 1; Kentucky, 2.—Total, 3.

For Mr. DAYTON—New Jersey, 14.

For Mr. READ—Rhode Island, 1.

For Mr. FREMONT—New Hampshire, 1.

For Mr. COLLAMER—Vermont, 10.

For Mr. SUMNER—Kentucky, 2.

Whole number of votes, 465
Necessary to a choice, 233

The second ballot was then taken.

Mr. Cameron's name was withdrawn.

FOR MR. LINCOLN.			
New Hampshire	5	Delaware	0
Vermont	10	Kentucky	9
Rhode Island	0	Ohio	46
Pennsylvania	48½	Iowa	4

The whole vote for Mr. Lincoln was 181.

FOR MR. SEWARD.			
Massachusetts	22	Kentucky	5
New Jersey	4	Texas	6
Pennsylvania	2½	Nebraska	3

The whole vote for Mr. Seward was 184½.

Bates	35	Cameron	2
Read	8	Dayton	10
Chase	42½	C. M. Clay	2

The third ballot was then taken amid excitement, and cries for "The ballot." Intense feeling existed during the ballot, each vote being awaited in breathless silence and expectancy.

FOR MR. LINCOLN.			
Massachusetts	8	Maryland	9
Rhode Island	3	Kentucky	1
New Jersey	8	Ohio (Applause)	29
Pennsylvania	52	Oregon	14

This gave Lincoln 230½ votes, or within 1½ of a nomination.

Mr. ANDREW, of Massachusetts, then rose and corrected the vote of Massachusetts, by changing four votes and giving them to Lincoln, thus nominating him by 21 majority.

The votes of several States were then changed for Mr. Lincoln, until the result of the third ballot was announced:

Whole number of votes cast, 466
Necessary to a choice, 234

Mr. Abram Lincoln received 354, and was declared duly nominated.

The States still voting for Seward were Massachusetts, 8; New York, 70; New Jersey, 5; Pennsylvania, ½; Maryland, 2; Michigan, 12; Wisconsin, 10; California, 3—total, 110½.

Mr. Dayton received one vote from New Jersey, and

Mr. McLean half a vote from Pennsylvania.

The result was received with renewed applause.

When silence was restored, Wm. M. Evarts came forward to the Secretary's table and spoke as follows:

"MR. CHAIRMAN, GENTLEMEN OF THE NATIONAL CONVENTION: The State of New York, by a full delegation, with complete unanimity in purpose at home, came to the convention and presented its choice—one of its citizens, who had served the state from boyhood up, and labored for and loved it. We came here, a great state, with, as we thought, a great statesman, and our love of the great republic from which we are all delegates. The great republic of the American Union, and our love for the great Republican party of the Union, and our love of our statesman and candidate, made us think we did our duty to the country, and the whole country, in expressing our preference and love for him. But, gentlemen, it was from Gov. Seward that most of us learned to love Republican principles and the Republican party. His fidelity to the country, the constitution and the laws, his fidelity to the party and the principle that majorities govern; his interest in the advancement of our party to its victory, that our country may rise to its true glory, induce me to declare that I speak his sentiments, as I do the united opinion of our delegation, when I move, sir, as I do now, that the nomination of Abram Lincoln of Illinois as the Republican candidate for the suffrages of the whole country for the office of Chief Magistrate of the American Union be made unanimous."

At the *afternoon session*, a large banner was brought on the platform by Pennsylvania, bearing the inscription, "Pennsylvania good for 20,000 majority for the People's Candidate, Abe. Lincoln." It was received with loud applause.

At 5½ o'clock order was obtained, and the President announced the business before the Convention to be a ballot for Vice President.

Mr. Wilder of Kansas named John Hickman of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Carter of Ohio named Hannibal Hamlin of Maine.

Mr. Boutwell of Massachusetts named N. P. Banks of Massachusetts.

Mr. Smith of Indiana named Cassius M. Clay.

Mr. Lowrey of Pennsylvania named Gov. Reeder of Pennsylvania.

A ballot was then taken with the following result:

FOR HANNIBAL HAMLIN.			
Maine	16	Ohio	46
New Hampshire	5	Indiana	26
Vermont	10	Michigan	5
Massachusetts	22	Illinois	11
Rhode Island	4	Wisconsin	5
Connecticut	6	Iowa	4
New York	35	Minnesota	4
Pennsylvania	48½	Oregon	3
Maryland	8	Total	194
Delaware	5		

FOR CASSIUS M. CLAY.			
Connecticut	3	Michigan	4
New York	9	Illinois	5
New Jersey	1	Wisconsin	1
Maryland	1	Minnesota	1
Delaware	2	Nebraska	1
Virginia	2	Dist. of Columbia	2
Kentucky	23	Total	101½
Indiana	18		

FOR JOHN HICKMAN.			
Massachusetts	1	California	6
Connecticut	3	Minnesota	1
New York	11	Oregon	3
Pennsylvania	1	Kansas	1
Maryland	1	Nebraska	1
Delaware	1		
Missouri	9	Total	58
Illinois	1		

For Gov. REEDER—Massachusetts, 1; New York, 2; New Jersey, 7; Pennsylvania, 24; Illinois, 16; Iowa, 1. Total, 51.

For N. P. BANKS—Massachusetts, 20; Connecticut, 1; New York, 4; Pennsylvania, 2½; Missouri, 9; Iowa, 1; Oregon, 1. Total, 58½.

For HENRY WINTER DAVIS—New York, 8.

For SAM HOUSTON—Texas, 6.

For WM. L. DAYTON—3.

For Mr. REED of Pennsylvania—1.

Total, 461. Necessary to a choice, 232.

The second ballot was then taken.

Massachusetts withdrew the name of Mr. Banks, and cast 26 votes for Mr. Hamlin.

Pennsylvania withdrew the name of Gov. Reeder, and cast 54 votes for Mr. Hamlin.

New York cast 70 votes for Mr. Hamlin.

The result of the vote was announced as follows:

Hamlin,	367	Clay,	33
Hickman,	13.		58

The result was received with tumultuous applause.

Mr. Giddings offered the following:

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with those men who have been driven, bona fide from their native states and cities from the states of their adoption, and we now entitled from their homes on account of their opinions; and we hold the Democratic party responsible for the gross violations of that clause of the constitution which declares that citizens of each state shall be entitled to all the privileges, and immunities of citizens of the several states. Adopted.

The following were announced as the National Committee for the next four years, Pennsylvania alone unfilled:

Maine	C. J. Gilman	Kentucky	C. M. Clay
New Hampshire	G. G. Fogg	Ohio	Thos. Spooner
Vermont	Jas. Briard	Indiana	S. Hall
Rhode Island	J. Z. Goodrich	Missouri	Ass'n S. Jones
Connecticut	T. C. Turner	Michigan	Austin Blair
New York	Gideon Welles	Illinois	N. B. Judd
New York	Edwin D. Morgan	Texas	P. Henderson
New Jersey	Downing Dues	Wisconsin	Carl Schurz
Maryland	Jas. F. Waggoner	Iowa	A. J. Stevens
Delaware	N. B. Smithers	California	D. W. Cheesebrun
Virginia	Alfred Caldwell	Kansas	Wm. A. Phillips
Minnesota	John McQuaick	Nebraska	O. H. Irish
Oregon	W. C. Johnson	Dist. of Col.	J. Gerritzen

The Convention then adjourned sine die, with nine hearty cheers for the ticket.

The following is the platform as adopted. An amendment that the prelude to the Declaration of Independence be made the preamble to the platform was adopted:

Resolved, That we, the delegated representatives of the Republican Electors of the United States, in Convention assembled in discharge of the duty we owe to our constituents and our country, unite in the following declarations:

First—That the history of the nation during the last four years has established the propriety and necessity of the organization and principles of the Republican party; and that the causes which called it into existence are permanent in their nature, and now, more than ever before, demand its peaceful and constitutional triumph.

Second—That the maintenance of the Federal Constitution is essential to the preservation of our Republican institutions, and shall be preserved.

Third—That to the Union of the States, this nation owes its unprecedented increase in population, its surprising development of material resources, its happiness at home and its honor abroad; and we hold in abhorrence all schemes for disunion, come from whatever source they may. And we congratulate the country that no Republican member of Congress has uttered or countenanced the threats of disunion, so often made by the Democratic members of Congress without rebuke, and with applause from their political associates. And we denounce those threats of disunion, in case of a popular overthrow of their ascendancy, as denying the vital principles of a free Government, and as an avowal of contemplated treason, which it is the imperative duty of an indignant people strongly to rebuke and forever silence.

Fourth—That the maintenance inviolate of the rights of the States, and especially the rights of each State, to order and control its own domestic institutions, according to its own judgment exclusively, is essential to that balance of power on which the perfection and endurance of our political faith depends. And we denounce the lawless invasion by an armed force of any State or territory, no matter under what pretext as among the gravest of crimes.

Fifth—That the present Democratic administration has far exceeded our worst apprehensions, in its measureless subserviency to the exactions of a sectional interest, as is especially evident in its desperate exertions to force the infamous Lecompton Constitution upon the protesting people of Kansas; in construing the personal relation between master and servant to involve an unqualified property in persons; in its attempts at the revival of the slave trade; in its general and unscrupulous use of the power of the Federal Government to further the interests of slavery; in the subversion of the rights of the free States, and in its general and unyarying abuse of the power entrusted to it by a confiding people.

Sixth—That the people justly view with alarm the reckless extravagance which pervades every department of the Federal Government; a bold reckless and unblushing official corruption, and the imminent peril of a sudden transfer of power to unfaithful hands, to make way for which they have been systematically plundered by favored partisans; while the recent startling developments of fraud and corruption at the federal metropolis, show that an entire change of administration is imperatively demanded.

Seventh—That the new dogma that the Constitution, of its own force, carries slavery into any or all the Territories of the United States, is a dangerous political heresy, at variance with the explicit provisions of that instrument itself, with its contemporaneous exposition, and with legislative and judicial precedent; that it is revolutionary in its tendencies, and subversive of the peace and harmony of the country.

Eighth—That the normal condition of all the Territory of the United States is that of freedom. That as our republican fathers, when they framed the constitution, decreed that no person should be deprived of life, liberty and property without due process of law, it becomes our duty, by legislation, whenever such legislation is necessary, to maintain this provision of the constitution against all attempts to violate it. And we deny the authority of Congress, of a Territorial Legislature, or of any individuals, to give legal existence to slavery in any Territory of the United States.

Ninth—That we brand the recent re-opening of the African slave trade, under the cover of our national flag, aided by perversions of judicial power, as a crime against humanity, as a burning shame to our country and age, and we call upon Congress to take prompt and efficient measures for the total and final suppression of that execrable traffic.

Tenth—That in the recent vetoes by their Governors, of the acts of the Legislatures of Kansas and Nebraska, prohibiting slavery in those Territories, we find a practical illustration of the boasted Democratic principle of non-intervention and popular sovereignty embodied in the Kansas and Nebraska bills, and a denunciation of the deception and fraud involved therein.

Eleventh—That Kansas should of right be immediately admitted as a State under the Constitution recently framed and adopted by her people, and accepted by the House of Representatives.

Twelfth—That while providing revenue for the support of the General Government, by duties upon imports, a sound policy requires such an adjustment of these imposts as to encourage the development of the industrial interests of the whole country; and we commend that policy of national exchange which secures to the working men liberal wages, to agriculture remunerating prices, to mechanics and manufacturers an adequate reward for their skill, labor and enterprise, and to the nation of commercial prosperity and independence.

Thirteenth—That we protest against any sale or alienation to others of the public lands held by actual settlers, and against any view of the free homestead policy which regards the settlers as paupers or suppliants for public bounty. And we demand the passage by Congress of the complete and satisfactory homestead measure which has already passed the House.

Fourteenth—That the National Republican party is opposed to any change in our naturalization laws, or any State legislation by which the rights to citizenship hitherto accorded to immigrants from foreign lands shall be abridged or impaired, and in favor of giving a full and efficient protection to the rights of all classes of citizens, whether native or naturalized, at home and abroad.

Fifteenth—That appropriations by Congress for river and harbor improvements of a National character, required for the accommodation and protection of our growing commerce, are authorized by the Constitution and justified by an obligation of the Government to protect the lives and property of its citizens.

Sixteenth—That a railroad to the Pacific Ocean is imperatively demanded by the whole country, that the Federal Government ought to render immediate and efficient aid in its construction, and that a preliminary survey, a daily overland mail should be promptly established.

Seventeenth—Finally having thus set forth our distinctive principles and views, we invite the co-operation of all citizens, however differing on other questions, who substantially agree with us in their approbation and support.

THE TARIFF.

As our readers are aware, the House has sent to the Senate, a fair, judicious, satisfactory Tariff bill. If it should be passed, confidence will be re-established; manufactures will again spring into active life; our people will once again have remunerative employment; the Government will again have money without being compelled to have recourse to borrowing, and the country will become prosperous. To the Senate therefore, we look, in the hope that this measure of relief will be accorded us.

As this subject is at this time, very interesting, we make the following extract from the Washington letter of the Philadelphia *North American*, dated "May 22":

The friends of the tariff are determined either to compel the democracy to aid them in providing sufficient revenue to meet the expenses of government, and the interest on the public debt which this Administration has created, by passing such a bill which the opposition cannot defeat, carried through the House of Representatives, or to go before the country on the issue of refusing that fair and necessary provision. Gen. Cameron took occasion yesterday, when presenting an imposing petition on this subject, to say very emphatically in the Senate, that he intended to have a distinct and conclusive test on the bill which had been sent from the House, in order that the people of Pennsylvania might see who were really in favor of protection, and who were against it in that chamber. His object was to relieve the question from all doubt or equivocation, and by all the record speak in such terms that no deceptions, such as had been practised on *former occasions*, could be repeated. His constituents had suffered great injustice and injury, and it was time they should understand whether the professions which were so freely made *for local effect*, on the eve of every election, had any claims to sincerity whatever.

This is the proper spirit, and it is demanded now more than ever, by the shameful and barefaced impositions which have been repeated in Pennsylvania by the democratic leaders in and out of Congress. This Administration has been over three years in office, with large democratic majorities in both branches of the last Congress, and yet, with all the professed friendship of the President for a tariff, the first practical step was never taken to obtain a modification of the present odious and imperfect law, which was passed by the power of a democratic Senate, where it originated. Mr. Buchanan sent milk and water messages to Congress, and yet retained a Secretary of the Treasury who openly ridiculed his arguments and controlled legislation against his timid and halting recommendations. Such is the aid and comfort which Pennsylvania received from a Pennsylvania President, and that too, with one of his own instruments, Mr. Glancy Jones, at the head of the Ways and Means in the House. Mr. Buchanan could find means enough, and very questionable ones, as the evidence before the various committees of investigation shows, to subdue a majority against Lecompton, and to force it through the last House of Representatives, but he could not raise his arm or his voice in behalf of the suffering interests of his native State, after being elected by the most solemn pledges to protect them. These are historical facts which cannot be disputed, and are told without bias or feeling.

A change in the tariff is not only required, in justice to the great industrial interests which have been prostrated by defective, capricious and bungling legislation, but it is absolutely needed as a revenue measure. What is the state of the treasury now, and what are its prospects for the coming year? It is utterly impossible to obtain any correct idea from Mr. Cobb's last report, which seems to have been contrived with the express purpose of concealing the true condition of the department, and which has suppressed from the account current at least $9,000,000, in order to create imaginary balances on the first of July and for the next fiscal year. Take the present year as an illustration. We are now midway in the fourth quarter. Adopting the returns of the three quarters already received, and Mr. Cobb's estimate for the current one, and the receipts would be as follows:

Customs,	$55,947,670 62
Public Lands,	2,000,000 00
Miscellaneous,	1,002,774 83
	$58,950,445 45

Contrast these receipts with the expenditures for the same period, which, upon the same basis, are

	$67,802,818 53
Deduct receipts,	58,950,445 45
Year's deficit,	$8,852,373 07

That is the rate of progress at which we are now going, and, owing to the compulsory retrenchment made by the Opposition in the last Congress, the speed down the declivity is much checked.

In the face of these figures, and the experience of the last three years, Mr. Cobb has the complacency to estimate that the expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year—from 1st July, 1860, to 30th June, 1861—will not exceed $54,452,475. But to do this he ignores entirely the estimates from other departments, amounting to $9,806,250 05, all the private bills which may pass Congress, and the contingent public objects which must involve large outlay. These are excluded as unworthy of consideration. The Committee of Ways and Means have reduced his estimate $1,230,017 83 for the next year, and yet they are fully persuaded that even with this reduction the actual expenditures will exceed his figures fully $10,000,000.

The imports of the present year will exceed the enormous sum of $412,000,000, or nearly $50,000,000 more than in 1857, when a financial explosion was the result of excessive importations, from which the country is only now beginning to recover. Cotton, it is true, is high, and the production is large, but that is no basis for estimating the nation's prosperity. Look at the condition of the great west, where there is no currency, and hardly a living remuneration for agricultural products. Yet with these extravagant imports, sufficient revenue is not obtained under the present tariff to meet the current expenditures of government. Mr. Cobb estimates that $60,000,000 will be derived from customs during the next fiscal year, but he does not explain that, to reach that point, the imports must expand to $448,641,000, being about $15 per head for a population of thirty millions, or 33 per cent. more than the average of 1857, and 40 greater than that of 1836. Such facts are well calculated to startle the country, and to make reform in our tariff legislation, that must be the ultimate consequences of such a reckless system?

When this Administration came into office, in March, 1857, they found a balance in the treasury of $17,710,714, and a public debt of some $29,000,000. The tariff of 1857 went into operation almost simultaneously. Let us see how the two worked together, and what results they have produced. Within the first year the whole balance in the treasury was absorbed, and the debt increased to $44,910,777. On the 1st of July, 1859, the debt had increased to $58,754,699, and on the 1st of May, 1860, to $55,681,099, according to the best information which can be obtained. It is thus demonstrated that the deficit in the revenue under the tariff of 1857 is over $52,000,000.—Since Mr. Buchanan became President, we have been going behind at the rate of $17,000,000 a year, and issuing treasury notes to pay our creditors.

Such is the policy which our Administration, professing to be in favor of a hard money currency, has introduced and illustrated at the cost of the American people. No candid man of any party can examine the facts which are here presented, without being astounded, and certainly not without being convinced that a radical change in our revenue system is absolutely needed, to provide means for carrying on the government, and maintaining the public credit. The interest on the present debt is within a fraction of $4,000,000 a year. That debt must either be increased, or a tariff must be passed which will meet the necessities of the treasury. The alternatives are a wise and sound policy, which will revive our prostrate industry, secure a home market to agriculture, start the wheels of enterprise, and furnish ample revenue, or new loans to oppress the energies of the people still more, and build up a mammoth debt for posterity to redeem. The Opposition have planted themselves on a fair tariff, and will stand there, leaving the responsibility with the democratic majority of the Senate.

CHEERING.

The Entire Opposition to the Corrupt Democracy Rallying to the Support of Lincoln.

The wisdom of the action of the Chicago Convention is exemplified, in the hearty manner in which the entire Opposition in rallying to the support of LINCOLN and HAMLIN.—Wearied with the corruption and misgovernment at Washington, men of all parties are eager for a change. Misrepresentation as far as the principles of the Republican party are concerned, has had its day, and now is little heeded by men of thought. A new era is dawning. The Chicago Convention, by its platform and its candidates, has placed the party in a position where it appeals with a new confidence to the country, and may well cherish the hope of commanding almost universal support.

A most impressive indication of what is to be looked for in this respect is to be found in the following carefully-considered article from the Buffalo *Commercial Advertiser*, a journal of great ability and influence, which, in 1856, supported Mr. Fillmore. It places the Chicago ticket at the head of its columns and thus comments upon it:

"The Republican party approaches the attainment of power, and with its growing consciousness of strength comes a new sense of responsibility. At the Philadelphia, in 1856, it was vehement, intemperate, fanatical, because only by appealing to the passions of men, arousing their prejudices and inflaming their zeal could it acquire that hold on the popular affections necessary to the building up of a new political organization. That work is done. The same party which in 1856 denounced Slavery as a relic of barbarism and a flagrant blot upon the fair escutcheon of the republic, in 1860 is content to stand upon the ground of the compromises of the constitution, and to leave the question of slavery in the Territories of the United States, which rested itself on this one issue alone; which was all it was upon either of the other vital questions of politics, to the calm, dispassionate, and conservative judgment of the sober-minded and conservative; this same party, we say, has met at Chicago during the week just closed, and enunciated a political creed so definite in all its matters of real importance, so free from sectional denunciations, so true to the old standard of the relations which should exist between the North and the South, that it appeals strongly to the confidence and support of those who have hitherto stood aloof from an organization which seemed—and under certain management was—dangerous to the perpetuity of our beloved Union of States. That danger no longer exists. The Chicago platform resists no insult to the South; demands nothing which should not be yielded in a free government; protests strongly for the maintenance of State rights and the security of the domestic institutions of separate sovereignties, and brings us back once more to the Fathers to those other grand questions of political economy which relate to our revenue and the general policy of Government to foster and give safety to commerce.

"Of candidates we have little to say. Mr. Bates and Mr. Cameron would have come within the scope of that which we have often expressed—that the Chicago Convention would unite the Opposition by presenting a platform and candidate worthy of conservative support.—We have said that should be the basis of the union, for which we labored at Syracuse in 1858, and which we were instrumental in accomplishing in our local politics for election. In the hope that this might prevail, we withheld our support from the noble but hopeless ticket nominated at Baltimore, until the field of view should be more open.

"The result is before the people. Abram Lincoln of Illinois is the standard bearer. So far as the Opposition is concerned, the choice rests between Mr. Lincoln and Mr. Bell. For the latter, all conservatives have a respect so sincere, and affection so earnest, that only a strong political necessity could lead them to refuse him their votes. But what political man, wishing to cast his vote where it will tell against the infamous power now enthroned at Washington, can honestly say that he expects to obtain a State and by voting for Bell in this State? The fates have so ordered that not even his acknowledged purity of statesmanship can meet its reward, and though he is a man who like him will die, should Lend our every energy to his support, it would result only in failure, or worse than that, in a Democratic triumph.—Where, then, lies the path of duty? Mr. Lincoln is nominated by a portion of the people in more than possible. If he is not personally objectionable, if there is no reason in the man himself, why he should not receive the support of conservative and honest National men, then it is the plain duty of every old Whig and American who hopes to do anything for his country in this campaign to vote for and labor to secure the election of Lincoln that aid and comfort which a true man's help can give. His colleague on the ticket the Hon. Hannibal Hamlin of Maine, is a statesman of cultivation and experience. No man can doubt his ability and adaptation to the place, or would fear to see the reins of the executive office placed in his hands in event of the death of the President.

"With such views of the Chicago platform and nominations, with the vote before us that the little strength he has left in this State is already diminished by a considerable secession to Sam Houston, and with the Old Whig hatred of Democracy, nursed in with our mother's milk, and as strong to-day, as in 1844, in our hearts, we conceive it to be our duty to place the names of Lincoln and Hamlin at the head of our columns, as a ticket that we will extend to them such honorable and faithful support as may belong to our position and influence."

While not agreeing with the view here expressed of the Philadelphia platform or the position of the Republican cause in 1856, we commend the noble spirit of patriotism, and the calm estimate of the exigencies and duties of the day which are exhibited by the *Advertiser*. There can be no doubt that the same spirit and the same judgment will control the course of conservative men in all quarters. The only hope of putting down extravagance, corruption and misrule, and of restoring to their rightful supremacy in the Government the time-honored principles of the Fathers lies in the success of the candidates nominated at Chicago.

MR. BENJAMIN of Louisiana, delivered a telling speech in the Senate on Tuesday.—"Independent" the Washington correspondent of the *North American*, thus speaks of it:

Mr. Benjamin's speech yesterday, was by far the most damaging to Mr. Douglas that has yet been delivered in the Senate, and is destined to increase the hostility against him at the South. In fact, it is now evident that there is no possibility of reconciliation between these factions, and no ground of compromise which will be mutually acceptable. The breach widens every day more visibly, and cannot be closed by any of the temporary expedients which have been hitherto tried. Mr. Pugh, in replying to Mr. Benjamin, took occasion to say that the seceders from the Charleston Convention ought not to be admitted at Baltimore, and that the friends of Douglas would sit there, if necessary, until the 4th of March next. Let us hope they will adhere to this patriotic resolution. Such patience will be serviceable and edifying under all the circumstances.

The most effective point made by Mr. Benjamin was in comparing parts of Mr. Douglas' article in Harper's Magazine, with extracts from Mr. Lincoln's speeches, to prove that the former had appropriated much of the reasoning of the latter, without any acknowledgment whatever. He was frank enough to admit, too, that after a careful perusal of Mr. Lincoln's speeches, he was induced to regard him as far more conservative than he had supposed, and intimated pretty broadly that the rights and interests of the South would be safer in his hands than those of the Senator from Illinois, who had forever forfeited its confidence and favor.

A. B. NIMSON and Patrick McHugh have been appointed by U. S. Marshall Yost to take the census of Carbon county.

COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.—The School Department at Harrisburg, furnishes to the *Telegraph* the following list of County Superintendents elected by the respective conventions on the first Monday in May, with the salaries fixed, and the number of schools in each county. No *official* returns have yet been received from the counties of Blair, Centre, Clearfield, Green, Venango and Westmoreland:

COUNTIES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	No. of Schools	Salaries.
Adams,	John C. Ellis,	141	$500
Allegheny,	A. T. Doutheit,	470	1,000
Armstrong,	John A. Calhoun,	207	500
Beaver,	T. C. Carothers,	154	500
Bedford,	George Sigafoos,	176	500
Berks,	John S. Ermentrout,	613	1,000
Blair,	John Tyrrell,	120	600
Bradford,	Charles H. Coburn,	253	1,000
Bucks,	Simon S. Overholt,	234	800
Butler,	Eugene Ferrero,	202	800
Cambria,	Thomas A. Maguire,	127	800
Carbon,	Thomas L. Foster,	87	400
Centre,	Thomas Hollihan,	169	600
Chester,	W. W. Woodruff,	303	1,000
Clarion,	John G. M'Gonagle,	159	500
Clearfield,	Jesse Broomall,	121	1,000
Clinton,	Jesse H. Harry,	89	400
Columbia,	Lewis Appleman,	152	400
Crawford,	Samuel F. Bates,	151	600
Cumberland,	D. K. Noell,	193	500
Dauphin,	Samuel D. Ingram,	197	800
Delaware,	C. W. Deans,	89	500
Elk,	C. R. Kerly,	49	400
Erie,	L. W. Cavarly,	202	800
Fayette,	J. V. Gibbons,	202	600
Forest,	Geo. W. Rose,	7	185
Franklin,	Philip M. Shoemaker,	208	800
Fulton,	William A. Gray,	54	500
Greene,	No returns.	151	500
Huntingdon,	Robt. M'Divitt,	167	600
Indiana,	S. P. Dellman,	210	500
Jefferson,	Samuel M'Elhose,	116	550
Juniata,	John B. Porter,	91	500
Lancaster,	David Evans,	448	1,250
Lawrence,	Stephen Morrison,	135	500
Lebanon,	Henry Houck,	149	750
Lehigh,	Tilghman Good,	153	500
Luzerne,	Abel Marcy,	350	800
Lycoming,	Hugh Castles,	251	500
M'Kean,	Warren Cowles,	73	480
Mercer,	John A. M'Chalister,	227	800
Mifflin,	Asariah Smith,	90	600
Monroe,	C. S. Detrick,	122	555
Montgomery,	Robert Cruikshank,	219	800
Montour,	William K. Butler,	62	500
Northampton,	Wm. D. C. Rodrock,	200	700
Northumberland,	Jacob Dip,	119	550
Perry,	Lewis B. Kerr,	151	500
Pike,	Philip F. Fulmer,	43	215
Potter,	Seth Lewis,	94	500
Schuylkill,	J. K. Kreamer,	240	1,000
Snyder,	Samuel Alleman,	98	400
Somerset,	J. J. Stutzman,	182	500
Sullivan,	Hugh Lenahan,	59	300
Susquehanna,	Benj. F. Tewksbury,	220	700
Tioga,	H. C. Johns,	227	900
Union,	D. H. Reckendorn,	74	500
Venango,	C. H. Dale,	219	800
Washington,	Is