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Antimasonic and Whig County Convention

☞ The Whigs and Anti-Masons, of Allegheny county, will meet on Saturday, the 29th of May last, at the usual places of holding primary meetings in their several election districts.

In the townships respectively at 5 o'clock, P. M., to adjourn at 5, except Pitt townships.

In the boroughs and Pitt township at 7 o'clock, P. M., to adjourn at 7 o'clock; and in the several wards at 12 o'clock; M., to adjourn at 2 o'clock, the election in the wards to be by ballot. Each of the election districts to select two delegates to a county convention to be held at the Court House, on Monday, the 2nd of June following, at 10 o'clock, A. M., to nominate a ticket to be supported by the party, at the ensuing October election.

JOSIAH KING,
Chairman of Committe of Correspondence.

FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER,
JACOB HOFFMAN, OF BERKS COUNTY.

FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS.

SENATORIAL.
A. L. BROWN. JAMES POLLOCK.

REPRESENTATIVE.

Districts.	Districts.
1. WILLIAM F. HOGHES,	14. JAMES H. CAMPBELL,
2. JAMES TRIMBLE,	13. JAMES D. PATTON,
3. JOHN W. STOKES,	16. JAMES R. DARRAGH,
4. JOHN P. VERNEY,	17. Dr. JNO. MCCLELLOUGH,
5. SPENCER MCILVAINE,	18. RALPH DEAKE,
6. JOSEPH M. FELIX,	19. JOHN LINTON,
7. JAMES PERRONET,	20. ARCHIBALD ROBERTSON,
8. JOHN SHANTZER,	21. THOMAS J. HOLMES,
9. JAMES MARSHALL,	22. LEWIS L. BOSH,
10. CHARLES F. WALLER,	23. COMMODORE MYERS,
11. DAVID ALSOP,	24. LEWIN PHILIPS,
12. M. C. MCCLURE,	25. SAML A. PURVIANCE.
13. JOHN MCCONNAHEY,	

☞ READING MATTER WILL BE FOUND ON EACH PAGE OF THIS PAPER

The contents of the Gazette to-day are of considerable interest. On our first page will be found a letter from our New York correspondent, and a report of a late lecture in answer to Archbishop Hughes. The letters of "Junius" are unusually interesting. The correspondence of an able and independent looker on at Washington, such as "Junius," in these exciting political times, is of much interest and value to readers. The harrowing details we give of the dreadful catastrophe at St Louis, will be read with mournful interest. The letter of Gen. Robinson, will also, as well as other matters, attract the attention of the reader

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THIS EVENING, Professor Jacours, of the Western Theological Seminary, will deliver a lecture at Masonic Hall, on the subject of "Popery and our Free Institutions." From the high character of the lecturer for learning and talents, and from the fact that he has travelled extensively in Catholic Europe, and can speak from personal observation of the effects of Papal influence upon national character and institutions, we may expect an intellectual treat of no common order. The subject is one of intense interest, and is likely to be investigated as it has never been before. Bishops Hughes and O'Connor have done the cause of civil liberty more service than they intended, by opening this controversy.

DR. M'GILL'S LECTURE—THE JOURNAL.—The *Journal*, of yesterday, copies from the *Gazette*, our report of Dr. M'Gill's Lecture, and not only makes no acknowledgement of the source from which it received it, but in an apology for its own failure to report it, and publish contemporaneously with us, it endeavors to detract from the accuracy of our report. We have taken the trouble to compare the reports, as published in the two papers, and find that a few alterations have been made, in the copy published by the Journal, only one of which changes the sense in the least, and that escaped the attention of our proof reader, at the hour of three o'clock in the morning when worn out with his labors, and which any reader of sense would make for himself in every other case the alterations are unimportant. But we also found, in this comparison, about a dozen errors made by the Journal, which mar the sense of the Lecture, so that after all the "numerous corrections and alterations," of which the Editor speaks, the report in the Gazette is the best, and most nearly represents the language of the distinguished Lecturer.

This may seem a small matter to our readers; but we could not, in justice to ourselves, pass over such a palpable and wanton violation of the rights and courtesies acknowledged by all respectable members of the press. The Journal undertook to report the lecture and *failed*. We undertook it and *did not fail*. On that principle of justice or honor had the Journal a right to appropriate our property without leave?

BISHOP HEDDING, the venerable senior Bishop of the Methodist E. Church, died in Poughkeepsie, New York, on Friday last. He was a holy and eminently useful man, an able Minister of the New Testament, and a laborious and distinguished Bishop of the Church of which God had made him overseer. We shall publish a further account in our next.

INDIANA, PA., REGISTER.—Mr. G. P. ROW has withdrawn from the editorship of this sterling Whig sheet, and Mr. J. Row assumes his place. He goes for Scott decidedly, and gives good reasons for so doing.

HON. EDWARD STANLEY, of North Carolina, has published a letter in the Republic, in reply to the remark in the letter to the New York Express, which we copied, which asserted that Mr. Stanley would not support Gen. Scott, unless he pledged himself on the compromise measures, and shook off abolition influences. Mr Stanley states he never said he would not support Gen. Scott, and will not say it now. He pays a high compliment to Gen. Scott, and closes as follows:

"The people of North Carolina want a man whose opinions are known, who is worthy of confidence in all the relations of life—of tried patriotism and unsuspected integrity. They do not want a man who writes letters and makes pledges just before the Baltimore Conventions that would require 'personal explanations' every ten days to enable the country to understand them.

It is an old trick, by which I do not intend to be clarmed, to excite prejudice against one who may be nominated by the Whigs, to charge him with want of fidelity to Southern interests. Mr. Clay, Gen. Harrison, Gen. Taylor, Mr. Fillmore, Mr. Webster, and Gen. Scott have all been denounced as abolitionists when their names have been brought forward as candidates for the Presidency. So it will be, no matter who is nominated.

EDW. STANLEY.

THE MAINE LIQUOR LAW.—The following is the list of the yeas and nays in the House at Harrisburgh, on the vote which defeated the Maine Law:

Yeas—Messrs. Acker, *Appleton*, Benedict, Blaine Broomal, Chandler, Dougan, *Fiffe*, Gibbs, Gritford, Gills, Gossler, Hamilton, Hart, Harris, Hebbell, Hunter, James, of Chester, Jaubs, of Warren, Kelso, Kilborn, Kingsley, Laughlin, *McCluskey*, McCune, McConnell, McKean, Maclay, Madeira, Meloy, Merriman, Mylert, *Miller*, of Allegheny, Miller, of Phil., Painter, *Penney*, Reel, Rhoades, Ross, Sharron, Shugert, Smith, Souder, Springer, Torbert, Wise—46.

Nays—Anderson, Dyer, Bigelow, Black, Binir, Bonham, Brock, Craig, Dengler, Ely, Evans, Flanigan, Foliger, Freeland, Fretz, Gabe, Gaodwin, Guffey, Henderson, Herbert, Hook, Hunsecker, Keen, Kraft, Landis, Lowry, Leech, Lilly, Mc-Granahan, Mellinger, Myers, Miller, of Northampton, Mott, Mourey, O'Neill, Powell, Reifsnider, Riley, Ringer, Rubicum, Schell, Seltzer, Sheaffer, Schull, Steward, Thomas, Wagner, Walter, Yest, Rhey—60.

The members in *italic*, are from Allegheny county, and we are glad to see their names all recorded in the affirmative.

For the Pittsburgh Gazette.

MR. EDITOR—Sir: In your paper of the 7th inst., I find an "advertisement" over the name of T. J. Bigham, in which are several misstatements—one of which only I will notice at this time. He says "I had taken the precaution to speak personally to the Senator from this District, I explained to him its present position, and requested, if the matter should be agitated, that I should at the earliest moment be informed of the same. He promised not only to give me this notice, but added unasked assurance that I need not fear any interference with matters pending in Court." I regret that I am compelled, by the course Mr. Bigham has taken, thus publicly to say that no such conversation ever occurred between him and me; nor did I know that he was in any way interested in the matter. JAMES CAROTHERS.

HARRISBURG, April 8th, 1852.

MAZZINI VS. THE POPE.—The following item of news by the last arrival, will attract attention. Mazini has boldly thrown down the gauntlet to the Papacy; and the struggle between it and Republicanism in Italy, when it does come, is to be one of life and death. Certainly the present position of "this Holiness"—propped up as he is by foreign bayonets—is precarious in the extreme. That the majority of the Italians are opposed to his rule, is proved by the fact that he dare not rely upon the fidelity of his own subjects. It is out of the question that such a state of things can last; and there is probably no other ruler in Christendom who would dare to offer such an insult to his people, or be mean enough to retain power on such terms. Of course such a ruler, so sustained, cannot be any thing else than a tyrant.

A meeting of the friends of Italy had taken place in London. M. Mazini was the chief orator. He said that the Papacy was the curse of his country. The moment the Pope was limited to his forces, and deprived of the aid of Austrian and French troops, he would run away from Rome, and thus the question would be solved. They aimed, candidly speaking, at the destruction of the Papacy, both as a temporal and spiritual power. When the Pope had run away, they would adopt measures to ascertain the actual state of belief in Italy, and the meeting might depend on it, the verdict would be that the Papacy was a curse.

The Chairman begged M Mazini would explain why he did not desire to see liberty established in Italy under a Monarchical form of Government.

M Mazini answered They declared themselves Republicans because they are Republicans, and they are so mainly because they are Italians. Those who asked to have a Monarchical form of Government established in Italy, forgot that there were not ingredients in the country to constitute it. They declared themselves Republicans, because every attempt that had been made without a positive flag, round which to rally, had failed. [Hear.]

AWFUL EXPLOSION OF THE GLENCOE.

We condense from the *St. Louis Republican*, of Monday, April 4, the following account of the dreadful explosion of the steamboat, Glencoe, which took place on the Saturday evening previous. The harrowing details should call loudly upon the authorities of the country to adopt some more stringent measures to prevent such tremendous catastrophes.

We are called on to record a most terrible catastrophe—the explosion of the steamer Glencoe, and the destruction of a large number of human beings—it cannot be ascertained how many. The history of this dreadful event, as well as we could ascertain it during the preceding intense excitement, is about as follows:

The steamer Glencoe had just arrived, on Saturday evening, between seven and eight o'clock, from New Orleans, having taken in tow, and was endeavoring to effect a landing between Pine and Chestnut streets.

The steamers Aleck Scott, Georgia, Cataract, and Western World were lying, one beside the other, at that point, and the Glencoe was attempting an entrance between the Cataract and Georgia. Just as her bow was a little above the stern of the Georgia, when two or more of her boilers exploded, spreading death and destruction in every direction about her.

From a young gentleman, who, during the upward trip of the Glencoe, acted as her assistant clerk, we learn that she carried eighty deck passengers, more or less, and from twenty to twenty five cabin passengers. We give the names of both deck and cabin passengers in another place. The boat had touched at several a jacent steamers a sufficiently long time to allow many persons from shore to board her, swelling her numbers considerably.

The explosion was, as we have intimated, a tremendous one. The entire upper works of the Glencoe, forward of the pilot house—unfortunately the part where the majority of the passengers had gathered to witness the landing—were torn away. Chimneys, boilers, timbers, and freight were scattered about with many human beings in every direction.

The work of destruction was not confined to the Glencoe. The after upper works of the Cataract, which lay close by, taking in the whole of the ladies' cabin, was destroyed. Other boats near by were visited, but to a less extent, by the calamity.

Shortly after the explosion, the boat was discovered to be on fire, and simultaneously with the discovery commenced floating down. The full extent of the ruin presented itself as she passed down.

The cabin forward of the wheel house was gone. A portion of it had been thrown on the freight piled at the forecastle, this mass rising as high as the after hurricane deck. The flames were hurling fiercely about where the boilers had been, and spreading rapidly to all sides. From the shore, many human beings, men and women, could be descried hurrying from one side to the other, desperately seeking some place of escape.

One or two poor fellows who had been scalded, and afterwards caught in the falling timbers, were seen motioning, and heard crying wildly for assistance, as the flames reached and envelopeil them. The scene was almost horrible one by the boat continued to glide down, her yawl became filled with her surviving passengers—The yawls of some other boats also were pushed out and proceeded in saving others. We undertake no correct estimate of the number of persons lost by scalding and drowning. It is supposed that from sixty to seventy were saved—Allowing the estimate to be correct from thirty to forty, or even more, lives have been lost.

We give such names of persons lost as we could learn amid the existing excitement.

John Kemp, clerk of steamer Glencoe, killed. His body found on hurricane deck of steamer Western World, horribly disfigured.

George Buchanan, engineer of the Glencoe, reported killed. We heard the report subsequently contradicted.

A son of Capt Lee, of the Glencoe, killed.

Miss Kent, on the steamer Cataract, killed.

James Little, pastry cook of the Cataract, killed.

McLane, bar keeper of the Glencoe, blown ashore and dangerously wounded.

Daniel Hinman, from Warrick county, Indiana, arm broken and badly scalded.

Francis Cafferata, a hotel runner, slightly injured.

George Washington Ralfe, hotel runner, dangerously wounded in side—right foot nearly severed from the body—not expected to survive.

Michael Dunn, arm broken and scalded.

George Reeder and James Wiles, hotel runners, missing—supposed to have been lost.

Mr. Staddiford, from Ohio, blown overboard slightly bruised—saved

The names above were all that we could gather from sources to be at all depended on. Some twelve or fifteen bodies were counted on boats and on shore; a very few of which could be identified. Cap. John Lee and family escaped in a miraculous manner, as will be seen below.

The scenes witnessed immediately after the occurrence of the catastrophe are of the most heart-rending description. We noticed several men, their faces blackened, their clothes wet and soiled with ashes, hurrying along the levee and crying for relief. One body on the Cataract had the head blown entirely off. We saw, also, the legs of a boy or girl, the body having been blown some other direction. A number of physicians were in attendance and rendered every service which lay in their power.

The body of a lady, so horribly mangled that it scarcely head together, was taken from the ruins of the Cataract's ladies' cabin. She was not of course, identified.

It was thought that a girl, aged about thirteen, was also picked up on the Cataract, and it was for a while believed that she could be saved. But a closer examination by the physicians revealed one of the fatal wounds, which induced the opinion that she would not survive until morning.

The burning Glencoe lodged at first about the foot of Spruce street, where some of the surviors who had not escaped by the yawls succeeded in gaining the wood boats and thence reaching shore. Afterward, she swung round, and floated until within a few blocks of the gas works, where she permanently lodged, and burned to the water's edge. The fire was communicated to the wood boats she had passed, seven of which that were fully freighted were destroyed.

Five other empty wood boats were also consumed. The flames spread next to the corded wood on shore. It is estimated that from 250 to 300 cords was consumed. Fortunately the fire did not spread to the buildings on the Levee.

In our statement of the injuries to the steamers lying near the Glencoe when she exploded, we failed to give all the particulars. One of her chimneys, we are informed, struck the after cabin of the steamer Georgia demolishing it completely. The starboard forward guard of the Cataract was greatly damaged.

Some slabs from the tables on the Glencoe fell on the hurricane roof of the Aleck Scott, penetrating it in several places. One of the escape pipes entered the texas of the Western World, demolishing several state rooms. Flattened sheets of the Glencoe's boiler lodged on the decks of the adjacent steamers. One of her flues was driven in the ladies' cabin of the Cataract. Timbers were strewn on shore, and bricks from the works about the boilers, cast a considerable distance. The report of the explosion was heard far in the western extremity of the city, and the concussion felt as high up as Third street.

THE DEAD.

Here follows an account of the editor's visit to the dead room. Of the bodies, none were recognised except that of Capt. Lee's little son, which was in pieces, and that of Mr. Denny, the clerk.]

THE WOUNDED.

We visited, Saturday night, at 11 o'clock, the Hospital of the Sisters of Charity, in company with Dr. McPheters, and by the ladies shown all the wounded. So far as we could, we obtained the names of all those yet living. They are as follows:

Wm. Callahan, a fireman, from Ireland. He is not dangerously wounded

Jesse R. Harrington, from Cook county, Ill., formerly of Ohio. He has a fracture of the right thigh and wrist, with injuries on the face.

Samuel Sloy, a man who went on board after the boat arrived, probably mortally wounded.

Daniel B. Henman, from Warrick, Gibson county, Illinois. His arm is broken, and he is badly scalded.

Louis McLean, of Ohio, had a flesh wound, and badly scalded. It is doubtful if he recovers.

Thomas Carroll, of Liverpool, injured in the head and shoulders, and dangerously.

Wm Brethwad This man is so badly wounded, that it was difficult to get any thing out of him. He will not survive. As far as we could learn, he is from Berchand, England, where his father keeps a hotel. He had about him a large amount of money, which has been taken care of, and another amount was in his trunk, which, of course, is lost

David Crees, a passenger from Belfast, Ireland; very dangerously wounded

Wm B. Gathright. He lives in Mississippi, and was a passenger on his way to visit his relatives in Callaway county. The Doctor thinks he will recover.

Frederick W Burlog, of Germany, not mortally wounded

John Graham, only a sprain of the ankle

Thomas Donoho, of Dubuque, badly injured in the head and one eye

Patrick McLaughlin, an Irishman, from New York

In addition to these, there were in the Dead House, two women, one of them a girl about fifteen years of age, and a man, Henry Bircruit, the second pilot.

It was certainly one of the most painful sights we have ever witnessed, and the recovery of many of them is extremely doubtful

ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS

The escape of Captain John Lee, and a portion of his family, is deemed almost providential. When the explosion took place the dead hands were engaged on the capstan, a line having been taken ashore, and the Captain stood on the forward extremity of the hurricane deck superintending their operations. At the same instant he became aware of the explosion, the cabin behind him was shattered to atoms and he felt the portion of the deck on which he stood give way, lasting, as it went, to one side. He fell a distance of probably twenty or twenty five feet, catching as he went at the objects near to him, and being violently struck several times by the falling timbers. Preserving his consciousness, as soon as he could recover his self from the virtuous long enough to draw his breath, he second. Attaining the cabin floor, he hurried back to the ladies cabin, whence finding nothing at that a trance stage of the disaster could, he proceeded to the steamer Cataract.

Captain Lee had a fracture about the shoulder, he was thrown violently on the arms and legs, and must be detained within Lancaster some days

The greater number of passengers on the cabin of the Glencoe, were embraced in a party consisting of Mrs John Lee and servant, Miss Jane Lee, Mrs. John Finney and two children of Mrs Lee. Fortunately they all escaped except the son of Mrs Lee after passing through scenes of great danger and suffering in the burning wreck

We mention above that the missing son of Captain Lee was killed. The unfortunate boy was blown to fragments. A coroner's jury of just 22 cents was called to sit upon the remains found, but ought, in justice to the case before the explosion, he was seen standing on the hurricane deck. His remains were interred in the residence of Mr Fenney, on Penn Avenue between the tract of his parents—Morgan county. They were conveyed on yesterday afternoon. A large number of the friends of the family, in the Western Penitentiary, where they were interred

OFFICERS OF THE STEAMER

We give below a full list of the officers of the steamer Glencoe, with as much of their residences as we could hear:

Captain John Lee injured as before stated

Clerk, Patrick Denny, killed as stated a hove

Pilot, Robert Hughes, slightly bruised on the arm

Pilot, Harry Baker, badly injured

Engineer, George Buchanan We can hear nothing reliable from him Many of the friends have called, to no avail, at the Sisters' Hospital, believing that they would find him among the wounded He has a family in the city, we understand, but we could not find their place of residence in order after the news.

Mr Fay, engineer, injured on the head

John Egan, striker, badly injured on the ear Had it amputated yesterday afternoon, and also had a bone on the side of his face fractured

Wm Branan, striker, escaped with all on board

Cornelius Whipple, carpenter Has face like that of Buchanan, is unknown We made no more inquiries, but to no purpose He is said to be a man of most exemplary conduct

McLane, bar keeper, fourth cousin—not seriously injured

We did not hear from the mate but believe that he escaped without injury

REGISTER OF PASSENGERS

The cabin register of the Glencoe was found, with some other books and papers, on an adjoining boat We copy it verbatim

J M'Laughlin, Peter Shannthan, J W Nobbs, Isaac Harrington, Charles Bennet, Walder, Amphete, Frotermington, Bradbows, Bingham Bingham, J C Forbes, Frank Ungaser, H Lucas, Knickbein, Patrick Fannon, D B Henman, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs Gentse, Miss J Watson and servant The above passengers embarked at New orleans for St Louis Boy, at Baton Rouge for Natchez H Lucas, at Bayou Sara for Memphis, W Birth, at Baton Rouge for St Louis, Hanson, at Baton Rouge for Monigomery

Three others in the ladies cabin are marked as having been taken, but the names are not given Other rooms may also have been taken and no note made

McGathey embarked at Natchez for Bachelor's Bend; T R Sutton, at Natchez for Lee Place Gathright, at Princeton for St Louis. L C Regan, at Gaine, La., for Helena; Cassel, at Napoleon for Helena, Cunningham, at Cairo, Underhill, at Memphis. H Meriter and daughter at Memphis for St Louis. J Young, at Memphis for Head No. 10. J Pritchard, at Wolff Island

REPORT FROM THE HOSPITAL

Dr. McPheeters has kindly furnished us with the subjoined statement of the condition of the wounded late yesterday afternoon

John Ryan, Engineer Dr Pope amputated right thigh for compound fracture of the knee case critical This latter patient is not at the hospital.

Pat McGlockland, Jersey City Injury of the ankle and bruised generally—doing well

Jesse H. Harrington, just from California, and lives near Chicago, thigh and wrist fractured; and otherwise badly bruised—will probably die.

Wm. Calshan, face and head injured, and body bruised—doing well.

John Graham, fireman, foot injured—doing well.

Samuel Slay, England, head injured; and side bruised—doing well

William Braithwait, actor, head and face injured—doing tolerably well

Thomas Donaho, of Dubuque, badly scalded on the head and face, arms and body—doing tolerably well

F W Burleg, German, face and head scalded, hand badly bruised Doing tolerably well

Mr Dunn—scalded and bruised Doing well

Mr. McLean, bar keeper, badly injured in several places Case critical

Little girl, aged thirteen or fourteen, name not known, and has not been recognized or claimed. On another boat when accident occurred; badly injured about the head and is delirious—will probably die

D B Henman—doing tolerably well.

Thomas Carrol, Liverpool, Eng., head and shoulder injured and badly scalded. Doing well.

Edward McCree, Ireland, badly scalded, head injured and body bruised. Died yesterday afternoon.

Mr W. R. Carthwright, of Miss., father lives in Callaway, county. Lower jaw fractured in two places; face and head badly wounded; right shoulder dislocated, and body entirely scalded. His case is very critical

Last evening, about ten o'clock, Mr. Carthright, the man from Mississippi, on his way to Calloway, died Before his death he made a *'nuncupative'* will for the distribution of his property.

George W. Rolph, porter at American House, compound fracture hip bone; also, right ankle, and burnt. Died at Hospital this morning.

Governor Bigler, a contemporary says has to-day more bills in two months, than Governor Johnston did in three and a half years.

HON. HUMPHREY MARSHALL has written a long letter to the Editor of the Buffalo *Commercial Advertiser* declaring that Mr. Fillmore is the first choice of nine-tenths of the Whigs of Kentucky for the Presidency, and expressing great surprise at the inactivity of his friends in New York. He says that unless Gen. Scott shall write a letter giving pledge for his course on the subject of Slavery, he cannot obtain the vote of a single Slave State.

OHIO AND PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

The following letter, communicating the proceedings of the late Stockholders' meeting of the Pennsylvania Railroad in relation to a subscription of stock to the Ohio and Pennsylvania Railroad, was addressed by Gen Wm. Robinson, Jr., President of the latter company, to the Councils of Philadelphia. We trust the Councils of our sister city will hasten to award the reasonable and eminently just demand made.

GIRARD HOUSE, PHILADELPHIA,
April 8th, 1852

To the Honorable the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia:

GENTLEMEN,—It will not, I trust, be looked upon as an unwarranted intrusion on the part of the undersigned to convey to the City Councils of Philadelphia copies of the proceedings of the late stockholders meeting of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, which have special reference to the Ohio and Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

My official relations to the latter will also, I hope, prove an adequate apology for pressing, respectfully and earnestly a favorable consideration on your part of the question at issue

The elaborated and intelligent report of the Committee to whom the subject was referred at a former meeting of stockholders, covers almost the whole ground and relieves the undersigned from the duty of occupying but a brief portion of your time in its further elucidation

It appears from the report, that antecedent to the subscription of one million of dollars by the county of Allegheny to the stock of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, an understanding or official pledge was made to the citizens of Allegheny, that whenever the connection with the Western Railroads rendered it expedient, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company would stand pledged as a condition of said subscription to contribute a sufficient amount for the construction of the road from Pittsburgh to the State Line of Ohio.

This pledge of your then President, as appears from the records, was approved by the Board of Directors, and at the next subsequent meeting of stockholders submitted and unanimously adopted.

The undersigned takes occasion in this place to say that it is with a his personal knowledge, and cannot be controverted by any one who put this question; some such pledge or condition on the part of the authorities of the Pennsylvania Railroad company the subscription of one million of dollars to the city of Allegheny never would have been obtained.

But supposing an unbridgeable difference grew and Allegheny county had voluntarily and unconditionally subscribed one million of dollars, and the city and Penn'a were to withdraw from the enterprise, the subscription would be void to the last cent of it, and could not be collected, and nothing upon which to maintain a suit could be found, calling upon your councils to levy a tax upon the property of the citizens of Philadelphia to meet a claim of which the legal validity is questionable, and which could not be collected without a long and expensive litigation.

Assume upon and operating, in all weathers, on the Pennsylvania Railroad

Submitting herewith for your consideration and action the original resolutions of the Board of Directors of the 4th September 1851 and the report of the Committee to the Stockholders, at that time,

I have the honor to be,
Most respectfully, your ob't,
WM. ROBINSON, JR.
President Pa. and Ohio R. R. Company.

FROM WASHINGTON

By the evidence of the Electoral Correspondence

WASHINGTON April 7, 1852

The speech of Mr. Ward of Kentucky, in the House to day, and the letter of Hon Edward Stanley, relative to the position of Gen Scott, go far to confirm what I have frequently said, that General Scott possesses the confidence of the South, and will be, if nominated, a popular candidate there. It is one both gentlemen assume that General Scott is warmly in favor of all the Compromise measures, but they say they are ready and willing to take him without any pledges or letters. They rely upon his character for moderation, upon his Southern birth and education, and upon his patriotic and pure national associations throughout his life. Mr Stanley is correct When he says that the city of Washington will be raised by hypocrites and demagogues at the South against any candidate the Whigs may nominate. He might have added that when raised against General Scott, it will be repelled with much greater ease than it could be, if made against either of General Scott's most prominent competitors. There ought to be no lingering prejudice in any Slave State against Mr Fillmore, because while in Congress he asserted and defended the rights of his own State and the North in general, against the aggressive spirit of Slavery, but there is—and the full Whig strength of the South could not be concentrated upon him The objections to Mr. Webster on that section on the same score are even stronger. These prejudices are discreditable to the people of the States where they exist, for in practice they amount to an absolute proscription of all Northern men,—whether favorable to Southern pretensions or not. But the fact is as stated, and it constitutes an unanswerable argument in proof of Gen. Scott's availability at the South

A state of circumstances has arisen which induces Northern Whigs to omit inquiry into the truth of the charge that Gen Scott was and is in favor of measures which they believed to be insulting and unjust to them, and unrepublican and unconstitutional in themselves. With the liberality and accommodating temper which have always distinguished the masses and leaders of both of our political parties in their dealings with the South, the Whigs of the Free States are willing to adopt a Southern man as their candidate, provided he issues no manifesto of hostility and proscription against them—Some Southern politicians, headed by the Cabal, which long distracted, once betrayed, and then left the Whig party, insist that such a manifesto shall be issued. They insist that Gen Scott shall first be made odious to all anti-slavery, anti compromise, and moderate Whigs of the Free States. They will not vote for the same candidate who receives the votes of "Abolitionists" Why the men whom *they* call *Abolitionists* comprise three fourths of the Whig party of the North. How many Whig States do these modest gentlemen control, and how many votes do they cast. They control the party in Georgia, Florida, and a few other States. Now both the first are hopelessly lost to the Whigs. They are as certain for any Democratic Hunker or Compromiser whom the Baltimore Convention may present, as Alabama and Virginia are; and the whole "union" faction will go for that candidate. The genuine Whig States of the South insist upon no such test; and if they did, Northern Whigs would not submit to it. The palpable object of this entire contest about men is to procure the manifesto described. If issued before the nomination it would defeat Gen. Scott in the Convention, if issued after his nomination, it would repel every Northern Electoral vote, although it would secure some ten or dozen otherwise doubtful Southern votes.

I learn that the adjourned meeting of Whig Senators will be held in the Senate Chamber on Friday, when the report of the Committee, appointed at the last meeting, to confer with Whig Members of the House, will be received.

I find that a separate vote was taken on the adoption of the two Compromise resolutions on Monday last, Jackson's resolution was that which made special mention of the Fugitive Act. The vote upon this was 100 to 64

The affirmative vote was thus divided:

Northern Democrats,	33
Southern Democrats,	39
Northern Whigs,	6
Southern Whigs,	20

The negative vote was as follows

Northern Whigs,	50
Southern Whigs,	1
Northern Democrats,	22
Southern Democrats,	11

It thus appears that the Democrats as a party gave 72 votes in favor of the fugitive act, and 33 against it, endorsing it by a majority of 41 out of a vote of 105. The Whigs gave twenty six votes for, and thirty one against the act, condemning it by a majority of five out of a vote of fifty seven. The majority of Northern Whigs against it, however, was 24 out of 30. votes. The Northern Democrats gave a majority of 17 in favor out of 67 votes. This settles the question of the position of parties on the Fugitive Law. The Whig party of the North is almost unanimously against it, the Democrats have declared themselves for it. For one I am glad to accept this issue. If the South can impose such laws upon me, and execute them, they no less as well relinquish our pretence of nominal share in the Government, and get their our States merely subject provinces. Fast would at least save us from the degrada[illegible]

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Mr. Stanley said in the House, in the Presidential discussion of the same being the duties of [illegible] May a Free Soil Democrat [illegible] which he intimated that [illegible] Mr. Stanley had understood [illegible] Mr. Stanley had understood [illegible] Mr. Stanley had understood