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TUESDAY MORNING, MAY 25, 1858.

The County Convention.

On Saturday next the primary meetings will be held for the election of delegates to the Republican County Convention. We trust the meetings will be well attended, and that every member of the party will avail himself of the privilege of deciding, as far as he can, the complexion of the ticket to be selected.

So far, the Sheriffalty contest has absorbed most attention, to the exclusion of the equally important offices of Congressmen, Senator and Representatives. Wherever it is practicable to give a full and fair expression of opinion, those who attend the primary meetings would do well to instruct their delegates on all offices they think of importance.

It is to be regretted that separate conventions were not called for the nomination of candidates for Congress. These are the most important nominations of all the rest, politically speaking, and should have been confided to delegates elected specially for that purpose. As the county forms two Congressional districts, these nominations do not properly belong to a county convention; and we hope that when the delegates meet this year in convention to nominate Congressmen, they will appoint Congressional Committees to call future conventions entirely separate and distinct from the usual county nominating convention, and so take this office out of the contest for mere county affairs.

For the Congressional nominations, the candidates in the Pittsburgh district are Hon. A. W. Loomis, Hon. W. F. Johnston, W. B. Negley, Esq., and Gen. J. K. Moorhead. In the Allegheny district they are Robert McKnight, Esq., Thos. Williams, Esq., Gen. Wm. Robinson and J. H. Sewell, Esq. Hon. S. A. Purviance, the present member, is also a candidate.

For the Senate, Assembly and the various county offices the name of the candidates is Legion. We cannot pretend to enumerate them, and if we did undertake the task we should probably give offence by omitting some names of which we have not heard. Our main purpose in this article is, not to direct attention to the candidates but, to remind our readers of the time fixed for the primary meetings, and to urge upon them the fulfilment of the duty of attending them. Whenever the primary meetings are fully attended there is more certainty of harmony and less danger of distraction: and those who do not attend them should remember that they will have so much the less right to complain at whatever the result may be.

A Westport Correspondent of the *St. Louis Republican* writes as follows:

"A gentleman who arrived here to-day says that last Monday, the 10th of May, the troops and Montgomery had another fight, in which four dragoons were killed and six wounded—six horses shot. This was a small posse of thirty U. S. troops attacked by forty abolitionists, who got the better of the fight."

(COMMUNICATED.)

State Senate.—*Editors Gazette*: Among the various offices to be filled this Fall, not the least in importance, by any means, is that of State Senator, in the stead of that "venerable Lecomptonite," Judge Wilkins. Now, considering the importance of the office, it is proper that a good man should be nominated for the post: and among the many competent names mentioned in connection with the place, we know of none better qualified than the Hon. George Darsie. His long experience, and the ability with which he has filled the office heretofore, is sufficient evidence that the interests of Allegheny county will not suffer in his hands. Republican.

The La Crosse and Milwaukee Railroad Investigation.—Byron Kilbourn, in his testimony before the legislative committee to explore the decline and fall of this company, terms a bribe "a pecuniary compliment." When Senators Clement and Sholes had an interview with Mr. Kilbourn, we learn that in the course of the conversation with each of them, "the subject of gratuities was introduced." When he wished to taint the sources of legislation he "caused it to be understood," that, "in the event of the La Crosse Company obtaining the grant, that company would acknowledge the favor by a liberal douceur or gratuity, to such members as should favor its passage."

In another place we are informed that the company were willing "to acknowledge the favor by a reciprocal act of liberality." Whether this would bear "the strict test of morality," Mr. Kilbourn himself had some doubts: but he adds that he had to choose 'between this and defeat.' In his testimony respecting his interview with Governor Bashford, he speaks of handing him $50,000 in bonds, in order "to propitiate his feelings with reference to the future operations of the company, by an act of such liberality as would reconcile him to his disappointment," at the passage of the bill making over the grant to the La Crosse Company. His testimony abounds with these delicacies of diction.

The Wisconsin Bribery Case.—The idea of bribing the majority of a legislature to pass a Railroad Charter, by direct, palpable gifts, seems at first, almost incredible. Yet, it has been done in the United States before now. Something like sixty years ago, the *entire Legislature* of Georgia was bribed! It was in the case of the Yazoo Grant. The Legislature sold several millions of acres of the Yazoo lands for a nominal consideration to a company of speculators. *Every member* of the Legislature was given lands—about one thousand acres apiece by the Company. The matter became known, and the people met at Milledgeville, the seat of Government, and *burnt* the journal and records of the Legislature on the public green. The Act was repealed the following year, and the question arose before the Supreme Court of the United States, whether the purchases under the grant of the Legislature were valid. The Supreme Court decided in their favor, and thus established the validity of contracts.

A Goliad correspondent of the Colorado Citizen, gives some curious facts in relation to the grasshoppers in that region. He says they have an especial fondness for wheat and cotton, but don't take so kindly to corn—the only vegetable they spare is the pumpkin—the most deadly poisons have had no effect upon them—fumes of sulphur they rather like than otherwise—mosquito nets they devour greedily—clothes hung out to dry they esteem a rarity—blankets and gunny bags they don't appear to fancy—they swim the broadest creeks in safety, sun themselves awhile, and then go on—the whole mass appear to start and move at the same time, travel for an hour or two, devouring everything in their way, and then suddenly cease, and not move for perhaps a week, during which time no feeding is noticed—and finally, they carefully avoid the sea shore. He judges they are not the same as those which devastated the Northern plains and California.

Intelligence received here from responsible sources reflects severely upon Mr. Davis, lately appointed District Attorney of Kansas, *vice* Weir, as being a wholly unfitty person. Under the English bill, he has power to determine the election of Judges and other important matters, as he is the fifth commissioner.

When the special delegation called on Mr. Buchanan on Monday respecting the postponement of the land sales he inquired as to the character and fitness of Mr. Davis, and was informed at length, although it was evidently desired to avoid an expression of opinion, that no respectable Democrats in Leavenworth County would have recommended him.

He was originally from New York, and left that State after a discreditable affair at Union College.—*N. Y. Trib.*

Another Alleged Swindle.—The Southern Pacific Railroad Company has exploded. It was purely a speculative affair, got up in New York city. Only ten per cent. of the subscription was ever demanded, which amounted in the whole to $300,000. On this basis business was conducted by Stillman, Allen & Co., New York, who, failing last fall, the company was found moneyless. The charter in Texas has been forfeited in consequence of the noncompletion of twenty miles of road by the required period. A meeting of the stockholders has been held at New Orleans, at which the whole thing was exposed as a swindle.

Mendicants.—A gentleman in Cincinnati, during the past winter, being annoyed by numerous applicants for alms, adopted the following plan to test what proportion of that number were actually in want. He uniformly gave each beggar an order upon his wife to supply the applicants with as much food as he or she could eat, and to give them a basket full to carry away with them. He states that *only one out of thirty-six applicants* has honored the draft on his larder. We think if this plan were universally adopted, the "occupation" of the professional beggar, like that of Othello, would be "gone."

The Scientific American says, in an article upon serpents, that a female adder has fifty young once every year. It seems then that the adder is a great multiplier.—*Iowa Jour.*

Fewtile Soil.—Four silver watches were ploughed up last week, in the field of D. L. King, in Akron, O.

General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church.—Saturday May 15th.—Dr. L. J. Halsey, chairman of the Committee on the State of Religion, read the narrative of Religion. It states that 117 presbyteries have sent up narratives of the state of religion in their churches, and the committee are able to send back the most cheering accounts to the churches. It has been a year of great awakening among the people, of unusual concord and peace among the churches, and of unusual liberality to all the great benevolent operations of the day. From the North, the South, the East and the West, the voice of rejoicing comes up for what the Lord has done for the church.

A few churches speak of a great degree of barrenness, but even their reports are full of spirit of prayer and faith in the coming of a great revival of religious life.

Another class of churches report a steady increase of attention to religious observances, a new zeal in pastoral ministrations, and the increase of religious services: of the unusual attention to the condition of the colored population, and to Sabbath schools, and an enlarged liberality in the churches. Here, though the church has not received large accessions, there are evidences that the beginning of a great work of religious revival is commencing.

From the remainder of the churches, including much the larger portion within our bounds, extending to over seventy presbyteries, come to us the most gratifying accounts of revivals, such as the history of the church scarcely ever recorded.

The work of divine grace, commencing under different agencies, has extended over whole sections of the land. Hundreds of churches report additions to their communion of numbers, varying from fifty to six hundred persons, this work is still in progress, and the results for the remainder of the year promise to give a record that will be without a precedent in our history. These revivals commenced without any excesses or unusual agencies, and have reached men of all classes and ages—the skeptic, the abandoned, the learned, the aged, as well as the pure in character, the ignorant, and the young.

Another fact is worthy of notice. This revival has been most wonderfully marked in the academies, colleges, and seminaries of our country.

The report, of which the above is a brief summary, was accepted and approved by the house; and after a prayer by Rev. W. M. Grimes, the body sang a song of praise.

Dr. Junkin made a report on Systematic Benevolence, which recorded a large increase in the contributions of the presbyteries, mentioning them in the order of the amount of their benefactions. This report proposed some improvement in the plan of systematic benevolence, and contained several deliverances which we have not room to copy at length. The report, somewhat amended, was, after having been discussed by several members, adopted.

The chairman of the Committee on Systematic Benevolence also made a report on the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, was adopted.

After prayer the Assembly adjourned.

The Presbyterian General Assembly, New School.—Second Day—*Progress and extent of the revival.*—The roll of the Presbyteries was called, and the Narrative of each handed to the Clerk. The members made a brief verbal statement of the progress and extent of the religious interest in their respective Presbyteries their names were called which occupied the whole day.

The Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of the Presbyterian House in Philadelphia was then received, read and referred to the Committee on Education.

The Permanent Committee on Church Extension presented their annual report, which was read and accepted.

Another Great Case to be Litigated.—The late Charles McMicken, of Cincinnati, bequeathed a handsome sum to the City of Cincinnati, for the foundation of Free Colleges for Orphans. A portion of the property so devised lies in Louisiana. The tutor of Mr. McMicken's children, in New Orleans, on the 5th inst., filed a petition in the Second District Court against the non-resident heirs, to restrain them from effecting a partition of the property located in Louisiana. It is held by the petitioners, that the City of Cincinnati, as a foreign corporation, is incapacitated to take property situated, in Louisiana for any purpose whatever, and that the bequest is contrary to the laws of the latter. It appears, moreover, that Cincinnati cannot take the property situated in Ohio, (which constitutes the bulk of the bequest,) for want of constitutes the bulk of the bequest,) for want of constitutional capacity. A cause of prolonged litigation is in prospect, which may prove as interminable as the famous McDonough controversy, which is also a New-Orleans sugar plum for the lawyers.

Further News From Utah.—We are indebted to Mr. Block, of the steamer John H. Dickey for the following important news from Fort Leavenworth:

The latest news from Utah was brought in by Mr. Able Gilbert of Weston, who arrived at Fort Leavenworth, on Sunday, the 16th inst, accompanied by Col. Kane

The Mormons were dispersing from Salt Lake City, going into the country.

Brigham Young had abdicated the gubernatorial chair.

Gov. Cumming was met about thirty miles from Salt Lake City on his way thither, with an escort of about fifty Mormons and others: and preparations have been made to give him a grand reception as governor of the territory.

Gov. Denver is at present in Leavenworth City, and reports things as being quiet at Fort Scott.—*St Louis Dem.*

An Outrage.—Some one, so fear for wicked ends, has sent from Boonville the following telegraph to the East:

BOONVILLE, May, 17

Gen. Larimer, of Pittsburgh, was killed by the explosion of a cannon at Fort Leavenworth, on Wednesday, the 12th inst

The General, who is now a citizen of Leavenworth, site by our side, as hale and hearty as ever. "I knew it was a lie," said he, "the moment I read it." It is hard to conceive of a man base enough to injure one who would help and bless every human being, needing help or blessing, if he had the power, as we know from half a life's acquaintance. We hope the Boonville operator may be able to explain how, or from whom he obtained the telegraph.—*Leavenworth Times.*

A Compromise Woman.—The Richmond *South* says:

"Our pen recils from duty—yet it is our province to record the revolting fact, that a white Woman in Mecklenburg County, Va., became the mother, a few days since, of four children, two of whom were of her own color and the other two black."

The pen of the *South* however has no convulsions whenever it records the seduction and corruption of black women by white men in Virginia, an every day occurrence there—in fact the *South* and its party do all they can to encourage the production of half-blacks and quarter blacks whose parentage is thus mixed, such children are marketable in Virginia.—*Boston Bee.*

The Mount Vernon Sketbook.—The New-Orleans *Bicayune* gives Mr. John A. Washington the Mount Vernon Sbylock, the following "first rate notice."

Died—On Sabbath morning, May 23d, at 8 o'clock, Isabella, mother of Alex. Bradley, in the 80th year of her age.

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Bank Statements.

Statement of the Bank of Pittsburgh,
Monday Morning, May 24th, 1858.

MEANS

Loans, Bills and Discounts	$[illegible]
Real Estate and Ground Rent	[illegible]
Stocks and Miscellaneous	[illegible]
Due by other Banks	[illegible]
Bank Notes & Checks and U. S. Treas. Notes	[illegible]
Specie (gold and silver)	[illegible]
	[illegible]

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	$[illegible]
Profits and Earnings	[illegible]
Unpaid Dividends and Suspense Acct	[illegible]
Due to other Banks	[illegible]
Circulation	[illegible]
Deposits	[illegible]
	$[illegible]

The above statement is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief JOHN HARPER, Cashier

Sworn to and subscribed this 24th May, 1858, before me my25 AUSTIN LOOMIS, Notary Public

Statement of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Bank of Pittsburgh.
PITTSBURGH, Monday, May 24th, 1858.

Capital and Contingent Fund	$[illegible]
Notes in Circulation	[illegible]
Due Depositors	[illegible]
Due other Banks	[illegible]
Due Commonwealth	[illegible]
Loans and Discounts	[illegible]
Specie, Gold and Silver	[illegible]
Notes and Checks on other Banks	[illegible]
Due by other Banks	[illegible]

The above statement is correct and true to the best of my knowledge and belief W. H. DENNY, Cashier

Sworn and subscribed before me this 24th day of May A. D. 1858. my25 J. F. MACKENZIE, Notary Public

Statement of Exchange Bank of Pittsb'g.
PITTSBURGH, MONDAY, May 24th, 1858.

Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Real Estate	[illegible]
Specie in Vault	[illegible]
U. S. Treasury Notes 5 per cent	[illegible]
Notes and Checks on other Banks	[illegible]
Due by other Banks	[illegible]
	$[illegible]
Capital Stock	$[illegible]
Contingent Fund and Profits	[illegible]
Circulation	[illegible]
Deposits	[illegible]
Due to other Banks	[illegible]
	$[illegible]

The above statement is correct and true to the best of my knowledge and belief H. M. MURRAY, Cashier

Affirmed before me this 24th day of May, 1858.
my25 C. W. ERNEST, Notary Public

Statement of the Citizens' Bank,
Pittsburgh, May 24th, 1858.

ASSETS.

Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Coin in Vault	[illegible]
Notes and Checks on other Banks	[illegible]
Due by other Banks	[illegible]
Real Estate, &c	[illegible]
	$[illegible]

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock	$[illegible]
Individual Deposits	[illegible]
Contingent Fund and Profits	[illegible]
Dividends unpaid	[illegible]
Circulation	[illegible]
Due to other Banks	[illegible]
	$[illegible]

The above statement is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief JOHN MAGOFFIN, Cashier

Affirmed and subscribed before me this 24th day of May, 1858. my25 ROBERT FINNEY, Notary Public

Statement of the Allegheny Bank,
PITTSBURGH, MAY 24th, 1858.

ASSETS.

Notes and Bills Discounted	$[illegible]
Coin	[illegible]
Notes and Checks of other Banks	[illegible]
Due by other Banks	[illegible]
	$[illegible]

LIABILITIES

Circulation	[illegible]
Due to other Banks	[illegible]
Individual Deposits	[illegible]
Unpaid Dividends	[illegible]
	$[illegible]

The above statement is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief J. W. COOK, Cashier

Sworn and subscribed before me, May 24th, 1858.
my25 C. W. ERNEST, Notary Public

Statement of the Mechanics' Bank of Pittsburgh.
PITTSBURGH, MONDAY, May 24th, 1858.

LIABILITIES

Circulation	$[illegible]
Due to other Banks	[illegible]
Due to Depositors	[illegible]
	$[illegible]

ASSETS

Bills and Notes Discounted	$[illegible]
Due by other Banks	[illegible]
Notes and Checks of other Banks	[illegible]
Specie in Vault	[illegible]
	$[illegible]

The above statement is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. JOHN P. SHORB, Cashier.

Sworn before me this 24th day of May, 1858.
my25 A. W. FOSTER, Notary Public

New Advertisements.

Notice.—We, the undersigned, having used in our families the "OLD DOMINION COFFEE POT," which is purchased from Geo. W. Hubley, Federal street, Allegheny, think it proper to certify our unqualified appreciation of the same, as being in all respects superior to any Coffee Pot we have ever used. It produces a clear, aromatic fluid, free from grounds, with less berry than any other pot; it does not injure the coffee by boiling over boiled but rather improves the longer it is boiled, the aroma escaping in vapor being held by the condenser. Coffee making by its use is reduced to a SCIENCE, and is no longer an acc