

Headquarters Republican State Central Committee of Pennsylvania

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 23, 1872.

In pursuance of the resolution of the Republican State Central Committee, adopted at Harrisburg, Feb. 13, 1872, a Republican State Convention, composed of Delegates from each Senate and Representative District, in the number...

OUR COUNTY FINANCES.—About two years ago in looking over our county finance reports, we discovered that there was some mismanagement, and that the taxpayers were annually paying a large amount of money entirely unnecessarily.

It is scarcely possible that out of all this incongruous jumble of items, any one platform could be formed which would be satisfactory to the several factions, unless, indeed, in taking a survey in company, they see any such effort to be hopeless, and thereupon agree and to go into the canvass merely with a ticket and no platform.

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THE POLITICAL KALEIDOSCOPE

The North American of Friday last presents an interesting kaleidoscopic view of the political field in all its present aspects. It says: "The Republican National Convention for the nomination of candidates for President and Vice President, is to assemble in Philadelphia in June. The free-trade Republicans, under the lead of Carl Schurz, will hold a convention in Cincinnati. Whether the Democratic party will hold a convention is as yet unsettled. But still another convention is to be held somewhere, that is to include the Labor Reformers, Woman Suffragists, Prohibitory Liquor Law men, etc. As a contribution to this latter organization Mrs. Victoria C. Woodhull, chief of the Free Labor, publishes a neat and graceful manifesto, withdrawing her candidacy, as being an obstacle to harmony, and agreeing to support the ticket of what she calls the Equal Rights Convention.

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CORRESPONDENCE

From our Washington Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 20, 1872.

DEAR WILYET: The Pennsylvania Republican Association held its third annual meeting last night at Masonic Temple. A very large crowd was in attendance, and all seemed pleased with the entertainment. Several of our Sunbury friends were present, but I am not a member, and probably they have no desire for publicity. I will omit names, nor will I offend, doing as the reporters of the press do here in Washington, who receive pay for tickling the fancy and pride of nobility, by giving a description of the beautiful dresses worn by them on the occasion. The commencement of the programme at a social is a grand entrance and promenade, and after a little small-talk the music is heard, and then the fun begins, and the young couples (and some old ones too), begin revolving over the floor. It is the old story of the lady being in the arms of a gentleman, with her face hid in his "pure white shirt bosom," while that part of her dress which rounds out like the boot of an old-fashioned stage is thrown violently to and fro, reminding one of the pathetic ballet that chronicles the wreck of the fast sailing canal packet, "Mary Ann," where it says: "She heaved and set, and set and heaved, And high her rudder flung!"

All the time the gentleman with his left hand seems to be feeling the pulse of the lady, while with his right he clasps her to his medicated heart! This is only a light-colored description of the round dances, which are not engaged in by all those who are fond of "shaking the rattle of the foot." For staid persons like myself and humble correspondents, the Committee of Arrangements has provided for the further consideration of the bill abolishing the duty on tea and coffee. He also moved to suspend the rules, take up the bill and pass it. There was a good deal of squirming among the free traders, and in the present session allowing totally disabled soldiers and sailors increased pensions. This is an act of simple justice to the men who were maimed in an extraordinary manner during the rebellion, and a strong effort will be made to pass it. It is understood that the committee will report in favorably, it provides that all persons who were maimed in the military or naval service and in the line of duty, shall have lost the sight of both eyes, or who shall have lost both hands or been permanently disabled in the same, or otherwise, shall be entitled to a pension, or to render them utterly helpless or so nearly so as to require the constant personal aid and attention of another person, shall be entitled to a pension of fifty dollars per month, and all persons who under like circumstances shall have lost both feet or one hand or one arm, or be totally and permanently disabled in the same, or otherwise, shall be disabled as to be incapacitated for performing any manual labor, but not so much so as to require constant personal aid and attendance, shall be entitled to a pension of forty dollars per month.

THE TREATY.—LONDON, Feb. 20.—The Times to-day, in an article on the Alabama claims controversy, says: "Our relations with the United States are such that nothing should be done to weaken the authority of the government." The Times, however, is of the opinion that the American Cabinet will yield to public opinion.

WHEN OUR CASE WAS RECEIVED.—In the House of Commons to-night Mr. Gladstone replied to an inquiry as to the time when the American case on Alabama claims were received. He admitted that five copies reached England in December, but that all were sent to the Foreign Office, diplomatic agents, and arbitrators themselves. It was only about the first of February that the Cabinet was supplied with the document. When he first saw the case he thought it was an able argument in regard to the Alabama claims, but he was surprised to find other important questions.

Hostility to the Jews—Israelites indiscriminately slaughtered by Natives.—LONDON, Feb. 17.—Advice received in this city state that the Jewish persecution in Roumania is increasing in force. Numbers of Jews daily fall victims to the rage of the native inhabitants, over whom the authorities exercise no control. Murder in public is frequent and unpunished. Unfortunate Israelites are subjected to every species of indignity and persecution their enemies can devise. Their dwellings are frequently riotous mobs, and lives are frequently sacrificed to complete the holocaust. Relentless persecution has compelled many to leave the territory. Numbers of these refugees are placing themselves under Turkish protection. In the city of Kani the persecution has been developed in the bloodiest aspect. Seventy Israelites, including defenseless women and children, have fallen victims to oppression. Thirty-five were wounded, many fatally.

The reports of the early retirement of Secretary Fish from the Cabinet are set at rest by the announcement that he has again leased the residence corner of T and 15th streets at present occupied by the Congressman Freeman Clarke, of New York. Yours fraternally, H. D. W.

A Hint how the Would-be Honest Democrats do their work in Shamokin Township.—PAXINOS Feb. 19th, 1872. MR. WILYET: Dear Sir:—The honest would-be Democrats of our township do up their work in their usual honest way. I will inform you how they managed at the late election. In the first place there was notice given by the Democrats to appoint delegates to each district, and they proceeded at Paxinos to nominate candidates for township officers. A few of the people met in several of the districts—in the Sunfrown district there was a tremendous turnout of two persons, who elected themselves delegates. In the lower valley district there was a turnout of three persons, who elected themselves delegates. In the upper valley district there was a turnout of four persons, who elected themselves delegates. In the lower valley district there was a turnout of five persons, who elected themselves delegates. 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