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WAYNEBURG, PA. Wednesday, July 30, 1862.

DEMOCRATIC STATE NOMINATIONS.

FOR AUDITOR GENERAL, ISAAC SLENKER, OF UNION COUNTY.

FOR SURVEYOR GENERAL, JAMES P. BARR, OF ALLEGANY COUNTY.

CONGRESS. GEN. JESSE LAZEAR, OF GREENE COUNTY.

ASSEMBLY. ALEXANDER PATTON, OF MORGAN TP.

COMMISSIONER. JOHN PRIOR, OF MORGAN TP.

AUDITOR. ISRAEL BRRES, OF MORRIS TP.

COUNTY SURVEYOR. GEORGE HOGG, OF CENTRE TP.

POOR HOUSE DIRECTOR. WILLIAM DAVIS, OF JEFFERSON TP.

I hold that this Government was made on the White Basis, by White Men, for the benefit of White Men and their Posterity Forever.—STEPHEN A. DOUGLAS.

On this, our nation's birthday, we declare to our foes, who are rebels against the best interests of mankind, that this army shall enter the Capital of the so-called Confederacy, that our national Constitution shall prevail, and that the Union, which alone can insure internal peace and external security to each State, must and shall be preserved.—GEO. B. MCLELLAN.

VOLUNTEER! VOLUNTEER!!

We trust the effort making to fill up the Volunteer Company from this county may be an early and signal success. Let it be organized promptly, and composed of the best material in the county—brave, stalwart lads, who will give a good account of themselves before the enemy. Let those who cannot go themselves give liberally of their means to support the families and dependants of those who take up arms, and let every one who has no means contribute his influence.

OMISSION.

Editors are guilty of many sins of omission, as well as of commission. They are presumed to know everything and every body, and to chronicle all the mishaps as well as acquaintances as of people they never knew or heard of. This was illustrated in our case, last week, when we were very roughly interrogated as to our failure to notice one of the gallant sons of our townsmen, Wm. McClellan, as among the "missing" of Company I, after the late terrible battles before Richmond. The reason of our omission was simply that the name of our neighbor's son was not included in the printed list from which we copied, and being a comparative stranger here and entirely unacquainted with the brave lad, we were ignorant both of his name and the fact that he was a member of Company I. COL. JENNINGS knew him well and intimately, but was absent when our paper went to press.

Elijah McClellan, who was the only member of Company I, who lost his life in the battles in which they were engaged, was announced among the killed some two weeks since.

We make this explanation in simple justice to ourselves, and not because any body demands it.

LIEUT. D. GRAY PURMAN.

This gallant young officer reached his home in this place on Thursday last, and we are glad to say is recovering as rapidly as could be expected from the wounds he received at Shiloh. The warm-hearted greetings he has received on all hands attest the esteem in which his friends hold him, and may be regarded as an earnest of the popular affection and cordial welcome awaiting all the brave lads who acquit themselves like men before the foe in this great struggle for a Country and a Government.

GONE BACK.

Our young friend, LAFAYETTE GORDON, son of Lieut. Jno. A. Gordon, left yesterday morning to rejoin his Company in the 85th, before Richmond. He returned home several weeks since, utterly prostrated by a severe spell of fever; but has recruited rapidly, and is ready to shoulder his musket again. He has the right kind of pluck for a soldier, and will do his whole duty in the hour of battle.

WAR LETTERS.

We have several interesting letters from the Army before Richmond; but it is utterly out of the question to find room for them, without excluding all the current news. This we trust will be an ample apology for their non-appearance.

THE Constitution of the United States, said Daniel Webster, is a written instrument; a recorded fundamental law; it is the bond, and the only bond, of the Union of these States; it is all that gives us national character.

RETURNED, SAFE AND SOUND!

We neglected, last week, to announce the safe return to the editorial tripod and to his friends and home, of the gallant Lieutenant L. K. EVANS. His corps having reached the vicinity of Richmond and the proximity of rebel shells and bullets, and the great events and terrible carnage of Battle Week being imminent, the Lieutenant prudently concluded to put a safe distance between himself and danger, threw up his commission in disgust, and lives to detail his wonderful achievements and "fight his battles over again" to admiring friends and remote posterity. And we are not sorry "he still lives." On a very brief acquaintance we would pronounce him a good-natured, good-hearted, good-for-nothing sort of a fellow, fit for chinking holes with "to keep the wind away," or for any dirty work his masters may have for him to do. Lieutenant, we tip our "tite" to you. We hope you may improve on acquaintance.

OUR MISSING BOYS.

Wm. P. PHELAN, son of JOHN PHELAN, Esq., and ROBERT A. SAYERS, son of Wm. SAYERS, Esq., of this place, who were among the "Missing" after the Battles before Richmond, have at last been heard from. Young Phelan is a prisoner, and an inmate of Libby's Warehouse Hospital in Richmond, and Sayers is in another prison. The latter has a deep wound in the left thigh, but we presume is in no danger and will recover. We have no account yet of John H. McClellan and J. P. Burk, who are both missing.

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

This body, which held its meeting in Harrisburg on the 7th inst., nominated Thomas E. Cochran (the present incumbent) for Auditor General, and Wm. S. Ross, of Luzerne county, for Surveyor General. John W. Forney, and other moderate Democrats made speeches on the occasion. The Abolition element predominated, though the Convention was very politic and careful in its utterances. Its endorsement of the course of Wilmot and other politicians of his school, however, shows the prevailing sentiment of the body.

WAR MEETING IN RICHMOND.

We attended the War Meeting at Gray's Old Stand in Richmond on Saturday last. The "turn-out" was quite respectable, and the feeling exhibited throughout the proceedings harmonious and cordially patriotic. Speeches were made by R. L. McConnell, A. A. PURMAN and J. A. J. BUCHANAN, Esq., and a subscription started to raise a liberal bounty for each volunteer from this county under the late call.

FROM THE EIGHTY-FIFTH REGIMENT.

The Washington Reporter says:—By advices received from Capt. JOHN HALL, up to the 14th inst., we learn that this gallant regiment is improving rapidly in health and strength. It now numbers nearly six hundred men for duty, a great falling off, it is true, from its original strength, but it has suffered very severely from battle and sickness. Col. Howell, we are grieved to learn, is beginning to realize, in greatly impaired health, the severity of his duties, and the privations of the campaign. The regiment is in the left wing of the army, which is nearest Richmond. A number of officers have been sent home on recruiting service, the policy of which, at this critical juncture, it seems to us is very questionable.

THE PUBLIC DEBT OF NATIONS.

The public debt of Great Britain, with a population of 20,000,000 inhabitants, is \$4,237,000,000. The funded debt of France, with a population of 35,000,000 of inhabitants, is \$1,964,000,000. The public debt of Austria, with a population of 33,000,000 of inhabitants, is \$1,468,000,000. That of Russia, with a population of 65,000,000 inhabitants, is \$410,000,000. The public debt of the United States, with a population of 30,000,000 of inhabitants, 8,000,000 of whom are in a state of rebellion, will, at the expiration of the year, amount to \$1,200,000,000.

WHAT IT WOULD COST.

The St. Clairville, (O.), Gazette, in its editorial comments on the President's late Emancipation message, says:—"If we add to the amount of the bonds this message requires to be issued, the amount which the war has already cost us, we will have a debt—an interest debt—not very far short of four thousand million of dollars."—Are the people prepared for this enormous burden upon their industry and resources? And this too in the first eighteen months of "Republican rule."

DAWSON NOMINATED.

The Democratic conferees of Fayette, Westmoreland and Indiana, recently assembled at Greensburg, and after nearly a hundred ballots, occupying two days, succeeded in nominating Hon. John L. Dawson, of Fayette, as the Democratic candidate for Congress.

WAYNEBURG TURNPIKE.

A meeting of the Stockholders of the Waynesburg Turnpike Company will be held at the Court House in Waynesburg on Saturday, August 2d, 1862, at 2 o'clock, P. M. It is important that every Stockholder should be present, as business of great interest will be brought before the meeting.

DEATH OF EX-PRESIDENT VAN BUREN.

Ex-President Martin Van Buren, died at his residence in Kinderhook, New York, on the 24th inst., after a lingering and painful illness. He was in his 81st year.

FOR THE MESSENGER. BY THE SEA.

I sit upon the sea-side rocks, And listen to the ocean's solemn moan; The pine trees wave their hearse-like plumes Above my head—and I am all alone. The hills are gay with painted leaves; And in the swampy lowlands' gloom, The red lobelia's bonfire burns, And golden splendors of the orchis bloom. Last Autumn, when the woods were red, I walked with Robert here upon the strand; The pine trees whispered lovingly, The tide leaped laughing up the land. The earth is fair, but I feel no joy; The sunshine is bright, but its warmth is fled; O, where shall I go from my desolate pain? My life is a weariness—Robert is dead. The last dull beams of the Autumn sun Are red'ning over the glassy flood; I moan, and shudder, and haste away, For I fancy 'tis Robert's blood. M. L. N.

THE "DISLOYAL" DODGE.

There is a disposition manifest just now, in certain quarters, truly and forcibly remarks a contemporary, to charge disloyalty upon all who do not concur in the policy that a dominant party in the Government proposes.

The party in power find it convenient to use the patriotic purpose of the people to maintain the Government, to protect them in the execution of their party purposes.—It is time that the people should scrutinize the acts of this party in power, and separate party and patriotism. We are for a support of the Union, with all the hazards that the contest involves; for all the evils in the Union will be aggravated tenfold out of it. A separation of these States is no remedy for evils felt or apprehended.—The errors and the crimes of one generation may be borne; for it is a small period in the lifetime of a nation. But a Union of the States once broken up, the principles of free government written in our Constitution are at hazard. We may add they are lost.

We shall not, however, suffer the cry of "traitor" to blind our eyes to the designs and purposes of party, nor suffer the suggestion of disloyalty to the disparagement of those who aid the Government in maintaining its authority, because they rebel against the behests of party. Our opinion is, that there are no greater enemies to the restoration of the Union than the Abolitionists. It is hypocritical to cry Union, and assail the conditions of the Union—conditions which existed at the commencement of the Government, and to which the Constitution was adapted.

These conditions of the States remain, and the Administration of the Government must conform itself to them if we are to have a Union in peace and prosperity. It is idle to tell us that a violation or disregard of these conditions is necessary to preserve the Union.

Look at the measures of this Congress, and tell us how many of them that have passed, and that a majority of the dominant party desired to pass, had anything to do with the question of preserving the Union.

This Congress has abolished slavery in the District of Columbia. How was that adapted to suppress the rebellion? What possible bearing could the measure have favorable to the desired result? What necessity for it could be alleged? None at all, must be the answer; it was done at the dictate of party. It was purely a party measure.

The generation that made the Constitution, and that administered the Government, did not meddle with the institution in the District. The States that ceded the District to the Federal Government did not contemplate that the property held in it should be disturbed. Even John Q. Adams, anti-slavery as he was, opposed such a measure. He would not sanction legislation for one people upon the petition of another. The District, it is true, has not the rights of a State technically; but a body that would violate a principle will not scruple to violate written law.

THE WAY THE MONEY GOES.

The present Republican Congress voted ONE MILLION AND A HALF OF DOLLARS for the negro in the District of Columbia, besides other appropriations for his benefit in quantity yet unknown. Then it is estimated that ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND blacks are in the aggregate supported by the Government, at various points, in almost total idleness. Saying nothing of the clothing, the "rations" of this number, at a cost of twenty cents each, amount to SEVEN MILLION OF DOLLARS per annum!

We could add count after count of the same character. For all these enormities the Republican party is responsible, and its leaders know and feel it. They may seek to hide their heads from the frowns of honest and patriotic men, by giving their organization new names—"Union Party"—"People's Party"—or anything else but its true title; yet there is no escaping the righteous condemnation which the people have in store for them. In the language of Senator Wright, of Indiana, "radicalism must be abjured," and it will be!

Hon. ISAAC SLENKER, the Democratic candidate for Auditor General, was on the Democratic ticket for President Judge last fall in the counties of Union, Snyder and Mifflin. This district gave from two to three thousand Republican majority, but Mr. Slenker came within seventeen votes of being elected, and was defeated only by a mistake as to the place of holding the election in one township.—In the town of New Berlin, where he resides, he received nearly the whole vote.

OUR LOSS.

Accounts recently received from Headquarters of the Army of the Potomac, state that the official report of the battles before Richmond places our loss in killed, wounded, prisoners and missing at sixteen thousand.

THE DUTY OF THE COUNTRY.

It is of no use now to refer to the mismanagement of the Administration at Washington, in the conduct of the operations against Richmond, except to make a record of it. However bad it has been, and disastrous in its consequences, these do not change the duty of the people to the Government, which, be its management good or bad, is the sole instrumentality of crushing the rebellion. We have these facts now before us: that the troops now in the field are insufficient to crush the rebellion, and that the President has decided to call into the service an additional force of three hundred thousand men. The immediate and highest duty of the country is to furnish these men, as the immense forces have hitherto been furnished, by prompt and spirited voluntary enlistments.

The moral effect of a prompt and spirited response to the call of the President will be great and salutary, as well upon the European powers, waiting for a decent pretext to recognize the rebel Confederacy, as upon the rebels, who, having resorted to universal conscription, are behind the last ditch of their desperate cause.

The President's call does not embrace a man too many. What the country has never ceased to want since the war began, is that whatever number of men necessary to bring the rebellion to a speedy and final close should be put into the field.

We feel warranted in answering for the Northwest as to the President's call. We believe that this section, which has heretofore furnished many more than its quota of troops, will have its quota, under the new call first under arms. The war can, should be, must be finished within the next ninety days. People of the Northwest, let it be the fault of the Government if it shall not be.

CALCULATING THE COST.

The N. Y. Independent estimates "the total losses of the nation and of individuals, traceable directly and indirectly to the war, to not less than ten thousand millions of dollars." This is an estimate of the present loss only, and does not include the heavy weight of taxation to be borne by the present and future generations on account of this terrible war. And great and overwhelming as this is, it is nothing compared to the loss of life and the physical suffering resulting from it. The Albany Argus truly says that one-half of this great loss may be charged to Abolitionism, of which the Independent is a prominent organ. Without the aid of the agitators and preachers who control it, and the Tribune, the rebel leaders never could have organized a rebellion so formidable. On all other questions the Southern people would have been divided; but on that of political anti-slavery they are massed in opposition, under the manipulation of leaders who know how to use the incendiary materials furnished them by Northern disunionists. This is not an imaginary proposition. Whenever the gloom of rebellion has been penetrated by our armies, the loyal sentiment is found to be hated to the Abolitionists; and the belief that the whole North is Abolitionized, and bent on violent emancipation, is the inspiring element in Southern opposition to the federal rule. It is patent, therefore, that on the high priests of Abolition, BRECHER, GREELEY, SUMNER, LOVJOY, STEPHENS, and their followers, must rest one-half the responsibility for the losses, evils, bloodshed and taxes of the war. Heavy as the responsibility is, they will thrive under it, for there is nothing in the experience of the country to warrant a denial of the maxim, "When the people suffer, demagogues thrive."

SENATOR COWAN SLIGHTED!

Senator COWAN was left out in the cold by the Republican State Convention—that dignified body, composed mainly of Abolitionists, with a small sprinkling of moderate Democrats, not liking his conservative and truly National and patriotic course in the Senate. They passed him by without even a notice, but lavished their praise on that arch renegade and rank Abolitionist, DAVID WILMOT, who has, perhaps, done quite as much as any other man in the country, Wendell Phillips or Horace Greely not excepted, to bring about the terrible calamity with which we are now afflicted. This, more than any thing else, shows the character of the Convention. It was an Abolition, negro-sympathizing concern throughout, and will be so regarded by the honest, well-meaning, patriotic masses of all parties, who will give its hybrid candidates their quietus at the ballot-box when election day comes round.—E.C.

MARKETS.

PHILADELPHIA CATTLE MARKET. Pa., July 25.—The receipts of Beef Cattle continue moderate, reaching about 2,300 head. This week prices are unchanged, ranging at from \$7 to \$7.75 per 100 lbs. according to quality. Extra Cattle would bring better prices, but the stock is mostly ordinary. Most of the Cattle this week are from Ohio, Illinois, and Chester county, and one small lot from Kentucky, sold by Messrs. Fuller & Brother. The greater part of the stock on sale is from the West, as the receipts from the East and the counties have fallen off very much. At the close the market was rather dull, but prices well maintained, and very few led over.

THE SHEEP MARKET.—The arrivals and sales of Sheep are smaller than usual this week, only reaching about 3,700 head. Most of the better and prices have advanced 25c on the 100 lbs at the close. The market was very firm, and prices well maintained. Sheep selling at from \$4 to \$5 per head, and Lambs at from \$2.50 up to \$4 per head, according to condition.

THE HOG MARKET.—The arrivals of fat Hogs at G. C. Imhof's Union Yard reached 1,384 head, selling at from \$4 to \$4.50 for stiffs, and \$5 to \$5.25 per 100 lbs for corn Hogs, as to quality.

Special Notices.

TO INVALIDS. DR. WHITTELY'S next professional visit to Waynesburg will be made on Monday and Tuesday, the 11th and 12th days of August. Office rooms at the residence of Dr. Whitteley, in the new building, on the corner of the following complaints, viz: Diseases of the Throat, Lungs, Heart, Liver, Stomach, Dropsy, and all other affections of the internal organs, such as Scurvy, Cancer, Fever Sore, Nervous Debility, and all other chronic diseases. All forms of Female Weakness and all other ailments of the female sex, such as Dr. Whitteley's office rooms will hereafter be at the Hamilton House, directly opposite the Court House, May 14, 1862.

WANTED. A GOOD, trusty Girl to do housework. A pleasant and permanent home at liberal wages to a good Girl. Apply at the Messenger Office. July 20, 1862.

LEGAL NOTICE. In the Orphan's Court of Greene County, on the 26th day of June, 1862, N. B. in the matter of the Partition of the Real Estate of Evan McCullough, dec'd, of Morgan township, Greene County, dec'd, to Sarah McCullough, intermarried with John Denny, Isabella McCullough, Jane McCullough, intermarried with Edward L. Bedin, Margaret McCullough, D. A. Worley, Guardian ad litem of Anna McCullough, a minor, and John McCullough, dec'd, who was intermarried with A. H. Swan, Rachel McCullough, and John F. McCullough. Notice is hereby given to all persons interested in the said real estate, that by virtue of an Inquisition awarded by the Orphan's Court of Greene County, on the 13th day of September, 1861, an Inquest will be held on the 13th day of September, 1862, at 10 o'clock, a. m. of said day, for the purpose of making partition of the said real estate, as in and to the said Inquisition required, at which time and place said parties can attend if they think proper. THOMAS LUCAS, Sheriff. July 20, 1862.

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