

THE AGITATOR

WELLSBOROUGH, PA. Thursday Morning, Dec. 14, 1854.

make use of them... I will meet a more formidable antagonist...

Illinois. A friend of ours has communicated the following statement, which will help to account for the ill success of Senator Douglas...

Summary Enforcement of the Liquor Law of Michigan. Correspondence of the N. Y. Tribune.

Osago, Michigan, Dec. 16. Hurrah for the women of Osago! Thirty strong, and backed up by some fifty men...

Judge Abner Pratt, of the Supreme Court, and who presides over the Courts in this district, says that our women ought to have a reward for their bravery...

PLANKS. A fresh supply of Blank Deeds, Mortgages, Affidavits, Deeds, etc., for sale at this office.

Donation. Will. The friends of Rev. A. A. Miller, will make their usual Donation to the Society, on Monday evening, January 23, at 6 o'clock P. M.

Americanism. In Relation with Temperance and Slavery.

The Americanism of the Know-Nothing party, as it is familiarly called, has gained in a brief existence the power to exert a greater influence for the welfare, as well as this nation, than any other political party in America ever enjoyed in half a century.

The primary objects of the new party are declared to be—Opposition to Romanism and to foreign influence. But its political aims are but just now emerging from the rudimentary sphere of development.

Judging the new party by its action in the late contest in this State, it would seem at first thought to have been decidedly anti-slavery in sentiment. But upon further investigation, this first view loses somewhat of its plausibility.

If hostility to the Slave power, even in its incipient stage, had been a budding principle of the new party, the whole State ticket might have been elected anti-slavery men and by majorities comparable with Mr. Mott's.

It may be objected that Mr. Darsie was the nominee of the Whig party; and that that party is in a minority. That Gov. Bigler was the nominee of the Democratic party, which was in the majority.

As for the Temperance question, we are rather inclined to think the new party left it out of the canvass altogether, considered as a direct issue. In other words, it was neutral; it did not let the question interfere with, or govern its preferences to an appreciable degree.

In view of all these facts, the conclusion that the new party has preserved a kind of neutrality on the Rum and Slavery questions in this State, seems inevitable.

We shall not attempt to conceal our suspicion that if it ever becomes a national party, it will be pro-slavery and anti-prohibition. This suspicion is not without foundation; Turn to the late election in New York.

Then, what is the testimony of Massachusetts? There, the new party absorbed the Free-Soil faction it is true. But it appears that the absorption ensued upon the choice of the Republicans between two evils.

"I pity John, where did you get that loaf of bread?" "Please your honor," said John, "it's an old one of yours, that Missus gave me the year day when you were in town."

A New Paper. A new paper, devoted to the interests of the Republic, and appropriate to the times, will be published at Wellsborough, Pa., on the 1st of January, 1855.

New Advertisements. On this page, we have a list of new advertisements, including one for a new paper and another for a school.

The Common Schools of Tioga Co. One of the most serious obstacles to successful operation of our Common Schools, is a want of confidence in the wisdom of our School Law.

The appearance of Mrs. E. Oakes Smith before the Wellsborough public as a lecturer, and the crowded houses which she drew for three consecutive evenings, may be considered as one of the most signal triumphs of a liberal and progressive spirit over that intolerant, and generally dogmatical spirit called Common.

Her lecture on Madam Roland was a splendid production, abounding in eloquent passages and brilliant rhetoric, fused together with poetic fire. Seldom, perhaps never, was the ephopy of the Anglo-Saxon tongue better evidenced, than in this lecture.

Her third lecture was free, and overflowing attended-of course. MARGARET FULLER—one of the most brilliant minds that America ever produced—was the subject, and the lecturer showed herself thoroughly acquainted with her subject.

What if it were? Somebody has said that purchased obedience is equivalent to successful rebellion. If this be true, the South's triumph in getting Anthony Burns back into Slavery doesn't amount to any certain end.

The latest act of prescription is the removal of Wm. H. Farness, Esq., P. M. at Towanda, Pa. We would like to know the probability of his being re-appointed to the office. Do it, Jimmy!

On Thursday last week, our town was the scene of an outrage more cowardly, base and unmanly, than can be found recorded in the annals of crime.

No sooner was this outrageous outrage made public, than our citizens gathered around the Mayor's room, where the offender was confined. The popular excitement was intense, while the feeling of indignation on the part of each and all was wrought up to the highest pitch of resentment.

The ladies thus assaulted and maltreated supported characters beyond reproach. They had the sympathy of the entire community, which was no doubt greatly heightened by the fact that they had failed to find in the person of Robinson, either an avenger of their wrongs or a protector of their rights.

Thereupon, the prisoner was escorted to the jail and locked up. But ere the jailer, protem, had fairly retired, the room in which the prisoner was confined was entered by the crowd, the prisoner taken out and mounted on a rail. Thus elevated, he was paraded through the principal streets of the town; attended by numbers of our citizens, and preceded by a band, somewhat "calabumpan," so far as the musical instruments were concerned.

In the evening a meeting of the citizens of the place was called at the Court house, to take into consideration the nature of the outrage, and to give public expression to the feelings of indignation entertained by the citizens toward the perpetrator of an act, at once so dastardly, cowardly and unmanly.

We take it, that the day is far distant, when our people will be again called upon to avenge the perpetration of an outrage of a similar nature. The lesson, which has been taught the offender in this instance, is one which he will long remember and may be the means of saving to other unprotected females, the pain and mortification of similar assaults and indignities.

Gov. Reeder on Popular Sovereignty. About the middle of November, a meeting was held at Leavenworth City, Kansas Territory, composed mainly of citizens of Missouri, and of the citizens of Kansas, which appointed a Committee to wait upon the Governor of the Territory, with a memorial requesting him to take immediate measures for ascertaining the population of the Territory, and to order an election for members of the Legislature.

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A WRITER in the St. Louis Intelligencer says there are ten negroes taken from Missouri now to one that was "spirited away" before the passage of Douglas's Nebraska bill. He also states that there is just enough Slavery in the State to prevent the white mechanics and laborers from coming in and settling, and not sufficient to do a thousandth part of the work which ought to be done in the State.

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