

FROM KANSAS.

The Army of Occupation.

Lawrence, K. T., July 22, 1857.

Active military operations have not yet commenced. A military attaché of the Governor said yesterday that he was afraid there would be a brush yet.

A threatening army is here, under an infuriated Governor who, with the keen vision of a vulture, is hunting for a cause of quarrel.

Why not leave the regular action of the law to meet any breach of it? Why, at least, send an army before there is an overt committed?

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THE AGITATOR.

M. H. Cobb, Editor.

WELLSBOROUGH, PA.

Thursday Morning, Aug. 6, 1857.

All Business and other Communications must be addressed to the Editor to insure attention.



Republican Nominations.

For Governor, DAVID WILMOT, of Bradford Co.

For Canal Commissioner, WILLIAM HILLWARD, of Philadelphia.

For Supreme Judge, JAMES VEECH, of Fayette County.

JOSEPH J. LEWIS, of Chester County.

Cut out the Trial List. It will not be published again. Jurors list next week.

Attention is directed to the advertisement of Mr. C. O. Erb, Tioga. He is apparently determined to put bread within the reach of the poorest. Success to him.

We are requested to state that Rev. N. Brown, who was advertised to speak in this village next Sunday, will not be able to do so.

A friend writing from Union, says that their town ship will give Wilmot 150 majority in October.

PICNIC.—Last Saturday we again had the pleasure of being present at a pleasant picnic party in Delmar, near Mr. E. M. Carter's.

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that character in this paper, however much our opponents may slander David Wilmot. For eight we can prove to the contrary, Mr. Packer's private life may be as pure and blameless as we know Mr. Wilmot's to be; and we can inform our friend that no man who has any considerable reputation for morality of culture, within our range of acquaintance, ever calls Mr. Wilmot's character in question.

Political charlatans, indeed, do spit their harmless venom at him; long-faced and smooth-tongued hypocrites, political and religious, cant about his shortcomings. But all these are as the cringing clients who tagged the heels of Appius Claudius, and of whom Macanby makes the Roman bard sing—

"Such knaves are hired to pimp and jest among the lying Greeks!"

Such varlets still are paid to hoot when brave Licinius speaks!

Where'er ye shed the honey the buzzing flies will crowd!

Where'er ye fling the carrion, the raven's croak is loud!

Where'er down Tiber garbage floats, the greedy pike ye see.

And whereso'er such lords are found such clients there will be!"

No doubt our Wayne friend believes Mr. Wilmot to be a moral and social monster. Men invariably judge the outside world by the little world in which they live.

We did not say that Mr. Wilmot would not discuss State politics in this campaign, but only that he would not consent to seal his lips upon the most important of all living questions—Slavery.

Dear Sir:—I purpose to spend some time, during the summer and fall, in canvassing before the people of the State, the principles and issues involved in the pending State election.

Partly meetings bring out only that portion of the people to which the call is made, and the addressers are necessarily all on one side; whereas, it is desirable that the whole people, so far as may be, should have both sides fairly presented before them at the same time.

If it should meet your views, I propose that we canvass so much of the State as is practicable, in company, addressing alternately the same meetings. Should this meet your assent, please so inform me at your earliest convenience, so that we may arrange the times and places of meeting, order of speaking, &c., &c. Very respectfully your obedient servant,

D. WILMOT.

Republicans have great cause to congratulate themselves upon having selected a standard-bearer who does not wait an unreasonably long time for the enemy to offer battle.

But the fan of the thing is, that Packer submitted the challenge to the Mulatto State Committee, the Chairman of which directed him not to accept it, because "Wilmot is a dangerous man." Ex-actly so. He will prove a very dangerous man to Gen. Packer, see if he doesn't!

EXPLANATORY.

The Philadelphia Daily News is welcome to tell the whole truth concerning anything we may say of any cause, party, or principle; because we usually get ready to talk before saying anything, and then endeavor to speak so plainly that there can be no two meanings to what we say.

"The Agitator is laboring hard to convince its readers that Foreign Infidels are a very oppressed class, and ought to be relieved" by being admitted to testify in Courts of Justice, it entirely mistakes what we have said of the action of the State Senate upon this subject last winter.

We did say then, and do say now, that the law prohibiting heterodox men and women from testifying in a Court of Justice, is a relic of a barbarous age; a disgrace to the Statute-book; a bigoted, unreasonable decree; an attempt to prescribe what men shall believe and what they shall not, or whether they shall believe at all, under penalty; a law which ignores human intelligence and libels human integrity; an unconstitutional law—unconstitutional, because denying liberty of conscience in matters of faith and worship. We war always with injustice, whether it proceed from and be sustained by Czars, princes, and pontiffs, or whether it proceed from and be sustained by the superstitious of a nominally free people, backed by the thousand and one petty inquisitions which have sprung up all over the civilized world. And we assure the News, and all its kith and kin, in Newspaperdom and without the same, that we advocate nothing that we believe to be wrong, and that we advocate everything we believe to be right, without fear of, or favor to any man, body of men, sect, or party, and that without asking leave of any man, body of men, sect, or party; and furthermore, that we would neither persecute nor disfranchise any man because of his faith or birthplace, whether he defer to Pope, Convention, Synod, Assembly, Conference, or Association; or whether he reject all these and defer to God and his own conscience alone. And though every newspaper in the land, and every bigot, from the Pope down to the scurriest cur that snaps at the legs of honest men, should raise the cry "INFIDELTY!" about our ears, as does the News—it should not render Right less dear nor Truth less sacred; it would neither frighten nor deter; for while we remain faithful to our highest convictions of Duty, we cannot, by any possibility, become infidel to God and HUMANITY.

And this we have declared over and over again, and intelligent people understand us fully. Those, who, like the News and a few others, are determined to misunderstand us, are at liberty to do so; we shall never pause and turn from the work before us to write another line explanatory of our views upon taboed subjects, nor shall we waste words in trying to convince such men that the sun does not revolve around the earth. We say to them now and for a lifetime—

"Grab, little moles, grab under ground, There's sunshine in the sky!"

And from what is written here those who read the Agitator may learn just what has ever been and just what will be its course as regards the Wrongs and Rights of Men, so long as it remains in our charge. The present is the second Number of the Fourth Volume, friends, and through your kind patronage the Agitator enters its 4th year with a larger list of Cash subscribers than ever. If you like it, take it, and if you think it's humanity too broad, why—do not take it. This should have been said a week ago but was forgotten. That is all.

A School-Teacher Cut to Pieces in Texas.

GREENVILLE, TEXAS, July 6, 1857.

A terrible affair took place about eight miles east of this place on the 3d inst., between a school-teacher by the name of Moore and a man by the name of Jesse Howard and his four sons.

Moore undertook to chastise Howard's son, about twelve years old; for writing indecent language in a young lady's copy-book. He had struck the boy but four or five blows with a switch when the boy's brothers came into the school-house with clubs, and one of them struck the teacher with a heavy club on the forehead and felled him to the floor.

The other struck the teacher several times while down, but the teacher recovered himself and got out his pocket-knife and drove them out of the house. But at this juncture the old man, two other sons and two sons-in-law arrived, and the old man rushed into the house with a large dirk pocket-knife. Moore begged Howard to spare his life, telling him he was then nearly dead.

At this time Moore had a severe contusion on the forehead and was covered with blood. But Howard, disregarding his entreaties, rushed upon him and plunged his long knife into him twice upon his right side, both of which wounds entered the cavity. Moore broke from him, when Howard cut him on the right shoulder, making a frightful gash four inches long and to the bone. With all his wounds, Moore broke from the house and ran twenty rods. The boys outside threw clubs at him as he ran, one or two of which hit him.

Moore was a young man of slight make, and in poor health, who had lately come to this State. He was a man of unexceptionable character, and a successful teacher. He will probably die of his wounds, a victim of revenge so low and despicable that humanity blushes at the recital. The antecedents of Howard and his family are in keeping with this act, having been frequently engaged in brutal assaults upon their neighbors; and the family are reported to be guilty of every mean act. Moore had had a difficulty with the same child before, and had requested Howard to take him out of school. The old woman replied she meant to send the boy to school, and that if Moore whipped the boy she would make Howard cut his d-d heart out. It is generally supposed that the boy was urged to provoke Moore to chastise him, and no doubt they expected it that morning, as they all arrived at the school-house in the day.

The old man's bail bond was fixed at \$4,000; the oldest sons at \$2,000, and the other three sons at \$250 each. But they have not yet, and probably cannot give bail. The public feeling is against them, which induces me to hope that they will get their deserts.

The Fourth in South Carolina.

The following are some of the toasts offered at a celebration of "Freedom's natal day" in the tremendous little State of South Carolina: A Southern Confederacy.—The time has come when the South must look to herself. May she break loose all ties with Yankeeedom, and form herself a slavholding confederacy. Equality and the Union or Disunion and the Sword.

God speed the hour when South Carolina will be the first to shake off the shackles of Federal tyranny, and serve as a model to her sister States of the South.

The sons of South Carolina will always hold themselves in readiness to maintain and defend the peculiar institutions of the South, under all circumstances and at all hazards.

Hon. P. S. Brooks.—Though dead, yet liveth in the hearts of the sons of Carolina.

Gen. Bonham, successor to Brooks.—Able to lash with tongue and hand, may he keep in mind the achievement of his predecessor, and when argument has failed, wipe out every stain attempted to be thrown on the people or institutions of the South by magic of a cow-hide.

To the Orator of the day.—Though young and in bloom, we hope that a few years may bring him to a state of maturity, that he may be able to cane Summer standing, sitting or lying.

Hon. L. M. Keitt.—Held in the highest estimation by his constituents, may he have a bright and glorious page in the history of South Carolina.

South Carolina.—The Banner State in supporting and promoting the principles of human rights.

The Fourth of July.—A day sacred to liberty, talked of elsewhere, but enjoyed here alone.

A pod of red pepper in every man's eye. Who will not celebrate the Fourth of July.

The President of the United States.—We hope he will not prove recreant to the various constitutional duties assigned him by a majority of his fellow citizens.

Ex-President Pierce.—The model President and staunch patriot.

Mr. Moran, the newly elected President of the N. Y. & Erie Rail Road Company, has his salary fixed at \$25,000. This is the highest salary paid by any corporate company in this country, we believe. It equals that of the President of the United States.

Our Correspondence.

QUINDARO, K. T., July 24, 1857.

FRIENDS: I must write you a few lines in regard to the doings here at the present time. There is great excitement all over the Territory in regard to Gov. Walker's marching the U. S. dragoons against the city of Lawrence. He arrived there on Friday last, and has since been standing out sweltering under the hot sun. The Governor knows not what to do, and would give his life to get out of the scrape he is now placed in. I heard last night he intended to enforce the Territorial laws and collect taxes from the Lawrence people. This he will not do, for the reason that the Free State men will not pay them.

A meeting was held in this place on Tuesday night last, and addressed by Gov. Robinson, Prof. Daniels of Wisconsin, and several other speakers, upholding the doings of the people of Lawrence and condemning Gov. Walker.

The citizens of Topeka having heard of the traitorous proceedings of the Governor at Lawrence, met, and resolved at once to form a municipal government. Wyandott city & Oswatomie are also forming. When Gov. Walker marches the U. S. troops against Lawrence for removing dead horses and dogs, bridging a few streams; grading the town and sprinkling the streets, it is time the people were opening their eyes.

The Border Ruffians are all much pleased with Walker's proclamation, and say they will go over and help him enforce it, and drive every d-d abolitionist (for that is what every Free State man is called here) out of the Territory.

When Gov. Walker came to Kansas, he made a speech favorable to the people of this place, then went to Leavenworth and made a speech which suited them, then went to Lawrence and made a speech for them, promising that everything should be fair, &c., &c. then goes to Leocompton, the strongest Border Ruffian town in the Territory, and makes a speech suitable to them. He was present at the Free State Legislature at Topeka, in June, and said he was glad to see them there—said they were doing good, &c., &c. and made several favorable speeches to them. This has been his course all the time he has been here, and he is now public laughing stock all over the Territory.

There will probably be a great immigration here in the fall. To all persons coming from Pa. and the east, I can recommend the better route after arriving in St. Louis, than to take the Pacific Railroad to Jefferson City, thence take the "Lightning Line" Steamers, which carry the U. S. mail and express, and leave shortly after the arrival of the cars in the evening. The fare is just the same by this route, and you will have a much more pleasant trip, besides arriving in Kansas about two days sooner than by taking the steamboat at St. Louis. To all who wish to go to the interior of the Territory, there is no better place to disembark than at Quindaro. Here we have two first class hotels, and a good road to Lawrence, with a daily line of hacks running over it. The distance is 31 miles—fare \$2.50. Arriving in Lawrence you can be accommodated with conveyance to any part of the Territory. The scenery is surpassed in Kansas. Quindaro was founded by Free State men, and is a temperance town—no liquor sold except "on the sly."

But the "skeeters" are congregating around me so thick and presenting their bills, that I shall be obliged to close. Yours &c., F. A. ROOT.

In defiance of the general agreement of "National" men of all parties to "suppress agitation" and "preserve the Union," the following "incendiary" paragraph appeared in the last N. Y. Express:

"A negro belonging to Logan Harbor, in Chicago, in the State of Mississippi, arose in the night and killed his wife by chopping off her head, after which he hung himself to a tree near the house. The reason for this horrible deed was, that his wife, a beautiful quadroon, was obliged to submit to the sensual caprices of her master."

We defy any one to devise or give currency to a more "sectional" and exciting item than the above. Here is a poor, ignorant, helpless black man, whom the law deprives of every dollar of his earnings, every rag of clothes on his back, of his own children, of everything but his wife; and his master improves on the law's iniquity and takes her also, leaving to the wretched negro but that last resource of the wronged and impotent—Death. And of this resource he, whether for good or evil, avails himself. What was Hamlet's tragedy, or Othello's, to this nameless negro's?

Bear in mind that it is not the fact of "Man's inhumanity to Man" that invests this case with its most horrible aspects—for men have been tyrants and lechers these thousands of years; they are so to day in New York or New England as well as in Mississippi. It is the laws complicity with the criminal—the protection and shield which it throws over his most iniquitous acts—that renders the affair so appalling. In New England, Mr. Logan Harbor would, under the circumstances, have been dealt with as a ravisher and adulterer; in Mississippi, he is but "doing what he likes with his own," and thus enforcing obedience to the Southside exposition of the text, "Servants, obey your masters." Hence the pained surprise wherewith all thorough conservatives will have read the above paragraph in the columns of the Express.—N. Y. Tribune.

The following amende humoros we clip from the Columbia Spy:

It is with feelings of most profound regret that we find ourselves compelled to offer an apology for an unfortunate typographical error in our last week's paper. By some unaccountable oversight we made the "Large Mammoth Baby," then exhibiting to thousands of our admiring citizens, twenty, instead of "ten months of age" and we hereby proclaim, to all whom it may concern, that the child is, for aught we know to the contrary, only ten months old. In fact, it is large enough to be a great curiosity even at the advanced age which we unintentionally announced.