The battle which David Wilmot is making, almost single-handed, in Pennsylvania should enlist for him the sympathy of all generous hearts. Mr. Wilmot is apparently no great favorite among the managing politicians of any party, and has little assistance in the canvass of the State. Had he been able to secure the attendance on his appointments of his antagonist, Gen. William F. Packer, he would have needed no other help; but the backers of the Pro-Slavery candidate rigorously refused to let him speak to the same audiences with Wilmot. They dare not let their blind followers see how completely they have deserted the cherished principles of Pennsylvania in subserviency to the behests of the Slave Power. Their own declarations, from which their lips are hardly yet cold, that under no circumstances would they consent to a further diffusion of Slavery, are abundantly on record; yet they coldly turn their backs on every profession, and sordidly "crook the pregnant hinges of the knee" where "thrift may follow fawning." Pennsylvania in 1819-20 stood almost unanimous against the Extension of Slavery, and James Buchanan personally and unqualifiedly approved that stand. In 1847, Pennsylvania pronounced unanimously through her then strongly Democratic delegation in Congress, in favor of the same principle embodied in the "Wilmot Proviso," and Adam Ritter, the founder and lifelong editor of the Reading "Adler," the "Dutch Bible" of Berks County, united in that vote. Now Ritter is dead, and that same Adler is making its readers believe that to act as Ritter voted ten years ago is to favor Abolition, incendiarism and disunion. This could not effectually be done if the Free Soil side of the question were fairly before the whole people; but there are more than One Hundred Thousand Voters in Pennsylvania who never hear that side. If Judge Wilmot is beaten, it will be by the vote of this vast body whom our arguments never reach. If there had been a paper printed or generally circulated in Pennsylvania which gave full and fair accounts of this latest struggle on the one hand to extend, on the other to restrict, the power of Slavery, including the doings in Kansas throughout the last three years, we are confident that Wilmot's majority next month would be very large. The People of that State are mainly honest but deceived; they need only to know the truth and they will heed it. Let every Free State man among them appoint himself a Committee of enlightenment, and be active in that capacity henceforth till the Election. A few thousand copies of Dr. Gihon's account of Gov. Geary's experiences in Kansas lent from neighbor to neighbor, could not fail to exert a salutary influence. Republicans of Pensylvania! on your soil the great battle of '56 was fought and lost. You can recover it in '57. Resolve that no effort shall be spared this auspicious consumation.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

TOBACCO IN CHEMUNG COUNTY.—Many of our readers, we presume, are not aware of the extent to which the tobacco crop is planted in this county. In the town of Big Flats we learn there are about eleven hundred acres planted with tobacco. The town of Chemung has also a very large amount of land in tobacco. In fact, we believe, there is no town in the county which has not a considerable amount of the weed in prospect.—It is a very tender crop to raise in this section, but when it succeeds well it is extremely profitable. We understand that the prospects for this year are entirely satisfactory to those interested.—*Elmira Advertiser.*

We have in our sanctum an admirable Photograph likeness of HON. DAVID WILMOT, the "dangerous" Republican nominee for Governor who caused Packer to beat such a precipitate retreat. When we look at the honest, resolute features of our gallant standard bearer, we do not much wonder that Packer incontinently sought safety behind the State Committee. A glance from the steady eye of WILMOT would well nigh wither a "doughface" like Packer, and cause him to drink away *out of sight.—Erie Constitution.*

-M-A-R-R-I-E-D-

In Troy, Madison Co., Illinois, Aug. 23, Mr. HENRY BADN, and AUGUSTA, daughter of E. P. Deane of Delmar.

In Roseburg on the 17th inst., by John James Esq. AMES C. HAKES and ELMIRA E. HUTCHINS both of Covington Township.

-D-I-E-D-

In Westfield, Sept. 3, EDGAR, infant son of Margaret and Allen King.

In Wellsboro, on Sunday the 20th inst., MARIA SPENCER aged 88 years.

On the 15th inst., in East Charleston, NANCY, consort of William Adams, in the 80th year of her age.

She was born and lived more than three-fourths of her life in Ireland; came to this country, and to the place where she died, eighteen years ago, when the whole of that region was a wilderness. For sixty-five years she and her husband have trodden the path of life together, doing faithfully and religiously the work assigned them for this world. They were members of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, but living remote from any communion of like faith in this country, they have enjoyed but few church privileges here. Her husband left lonely, but expects to follow her soon, leaving four of their six children to mourn their departure, fulfil their profession and follow them to the grave. COM

DR. MORRON will lecture in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday next at 10½ A. M. Subject, *Evidences of Design in the Works of Creation.* This will take the place of the usual morning service.

To Farmers and Sportsmen.

THE highest CASH prices will be paid for POULTRY, VENISON and all kinds of WILD GAME, at the

WELLSBORO MEAT MARKET.

Customers can rely upon finding at this Market, the best qualities of meat always on hand.

Shop in the north end of the Wellsboro Hotel.

Wellsboro' Sept. 24, 1857., (tf.)

NOTICE is hereby given, that an application has been made to the Court of Common Pleas of Tioga County, by Geo. Foster, R. V. Vanhoesen, J. Terry and others, for the Incorporation of the First Baptist Church and Society of Union township, which will be granted at the next Term of Court, if no sufficient objection be made thereto.

J. F. DONALDSON, Proth'y.

Wellsboro' Sept. 24, 1857.

Corning Book Store.

THE Subscribers have removed to the large and elegantly fitted up brick store—four doors east of Concert Block, Corning—and will keep on hand a large assortment of New Books, among which are

RELIGIOUS STANDARD WORKS,
HISTORICAL BOOKS,
TALES OF FICTION,
POETICAL WORKS,
SCHOOL BOOKS,
SHEET MUSIC,

Blanks, Stationery and Wall Paper, N. Y. Daily and Weekly papers, all the Magazines at Publishers prices. All for sale cheap.

Corning, Sept. 24, '57. ROBINSON & CO.

LETTERS of Administration having been granted to the undersigned on the estate of Jeremiah Fulkerson late of Liberty dec'd., all persons indebted to the same, will make immediate payment, and those having demands against the same will present them to WM. FULKERSON. JNO. SEBRING. } Admr's

Liberty, Sept. 24, '57. 6t.

DISSOLUTION.—The co-partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned under the style of Bowen & Bullards is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The books and accounts remain in the hands of Jno. R. Bowen & M. Bullard by whom the business will be conducted hereafter.

Wellsboro, Sept. 24. J. R. BOWEN, M. BULLARD, O BULLARD

To Let.

THE new and commodious Cottage and Garden on Pearl St., first door above William Bache's office, formerly occupied by A. Foley. Rent $75 a year. Enquire of

Sept. 17, 1857. CHARLES GRIERSON.

LETTERS of Administration having been granted to the undersigned on the estate of James Bryant, late of Middlebury, dec'd., all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them for settlement to

Tioga, Sept. 17, 1857. 6t* T. L. BALDWIN, *Admr.*

LETTERS of Administration having been granted to the undersigned upon the estate of Peter Backer, late of Rutland, dec'd., all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them for settlement to

Rutland, Sept. 17, 1857, 6t* LOUISA BACKER, *Adm'x.*

STRAYED from the premises of the Subscriber, on or about the 23d of August, a RED YEARLING HEIFER, with a white star in her forehead, and a white stripe on her flank.—Any person returning the said heifer to me or giving information where she may be found, will be liberally rewarded.

Charleston, Sept. 17, '57. DAVID MORRIS.

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION having been granted to the undersigned on the estate of Chester Patrick late of Chatham, dec'd, all persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them for settlement to

Chatham, Sept 10, 57. MOSES PATRICK. *Adm'r.*

I HAVE ENGAGED a first class City workman who may be found at all reasonable hours at my Book and Jewelry Store, ready, and competent to undertake and skilfully perform WATCH REPAIRING & CLEANING, and all kinds of work usually done by Jewelers. All work done promptly and well. Wellsboro, Sept. 10. ABRAM YOUNG.

Post Office Notice.

Mails close at the Wellsboro' Post Office as follows:

Eastern mail, via Tioga, daily at 10¼ o'clock a. m.

Eastern and Southern, via Mansfield and Troy, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 7½ o'clock a. m.

Eastern and Southern, via Covington and Troy, Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7½ o'clock a. m.

Southern, via Jersey Shore, Tuesday and Friday at 1½ o'clock p. m.

Western, via Coudersport, Tuesday and Friday at 1½ o'clock p. m.

Mails arrive as follows:

Northern &c., via Tioga, daily, by 1 o'clock, p. m.

Eastern &c., via Troy and Mansfield, by 6 o'clock p. m., same days of leaving.

Eastern &c., via Troy and Covington, by 7 p. m., same days of leaving.

Southern, via Jersey Shore, Tuesday & Friday, by 12 m.

Western, via Coudersport, Tuesday and Friday, by 12 m.

Sept. 17, 1857. I. D. RICHARDS, P. M.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Letters of Administration having been granted to the undersigned on the estate of James A. Smith, late of Gaines township, dec'd., all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and all having claims against the same, will present them for settlement. J. S. WATROUS, *Adm'r.* L. M. SMITH, *Adm'x.*

Gaines, Aug. 27, 1857.

THE IMPROVED PATENT

ASPHALTIC ROOFING FELT,

A CHEAP, DURABLE, AND PERFECTLY WATERPROOF

ROOFING.

Price Three Cents per Square Foot.

Samples and instructions may be had on application to EDMISTON, BROS.

No. 3, Bowling Green, New York.

Or to I. D. RICHARDS, Ag't., Wellsboro Pa.

Sept. 3, 1857.

PROCLAMATION:

GENERAL ELECTION

WHEREAS, by an act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act to regulate the General Elections of this Commonwealth," enacted on the second day of July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine, it is enjoined on me to give public notice of such election to be held, and enumerate in such notice what officers are to be elected: Therefore, I, JOHN MATHERS, High Sheriff of the County of Tioga, do hereby make known and give this public notice to the Electors of said county of Tioga, that a General Election will be held throughout the County on the Second Tuesday of October next, which will be the 13th day of srid month, at the several districts within the County aforesaid, namely:

ELECTION DISTRICTS.

1st. Delmar, at the Court House.
2d. Tioga, at the house of J. Goodrich.
3d. Deerfield, at the house of Wm. A. Faulkner.
4th Elkland, at the Rathbone School House.
5th Covington, at the house of E. W. Derow.
6th Sullivan, at the house of J. B. Strong.
7th Jackson, at the house of James Miller.
8th Lawrence, at the house of C. Slosson.
9th Middlebury, at the Holliday School House.
10th Shippen, at the Big Meadow School House.
11th Liberty, at the house of J. H. Woodruff.
12th Westfield, at the house of A. L. S. Leach,
13th Richmond, at the house of O. H. Phelps.
14th Rutland, at the house of R. Rose.
15th Brookfield at the house of John Joseph.
16th Union, at the house of Eli McNitt.
17th Farmington, at the house of P. Mowrey.
18th Charleston, at Dartt Settlement School House.
19th Morris, at the house of W. C. Babb.
20th Chatham, at the house of R. Humphrey.
21st Gaines, at the house of H Vermilyea,
22d Wellsboro at the Court House.
23d Bloss, at the Union School House.
24th Lawrenceville, at the house of O. Slosson.
25th Clymer, at the house of C. P. Douglass.
26th Elkland Boro, at the house of L. Culver.
27th Covington Boro, at the house of E. W. Derow.
28th Knoxville, at the house of E. H. Comstock.
29th Ward, at the house of A. Kniffin.
30th Elk, at the house of Daniel Smith.
31st Osceola, at the house of ——— ———
32d Mansfield, at the house of ——— ———

At which time and places are to be elected the following State and County officers:

One person for Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

One person for Canal Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Two persons for Judges of the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Two persons to represent the Counties of Tioga and Potter in the General Assembly.

One person for Prothonatary for Tioga County.
One person for Treasurer for Tioga County.
One person for Register for Tioga County.
One person for Commissioner for Tioga County.
One person for Auditor for Tioga County.

It is further directed that the meeting of the return Judges at the Court House in Wellsboro' to make out the general returns shall be on the first Friday succeeding the general election, which will be the 16th day of October.

I also hereby make known and give notice, as in and by the Act of Assembly of this Commonwealth, entitled "An act prescribing the time and manner of submitting to the people for their ratification or rejection the proposed amendments to the Constitution," approved May 12th, A. D., 1857., I am directed that, for the purpose of ascertaining the sense of the citizens of this Commonwealth in regard to the adoption or rejection of said amendments or either of them, an election will be held in each of the townships, wards and districts in said County, on said second Tuesday of October 1857, for the purpose of deciding upon the adoption or rejection of said amendments or any of them; which said election shall be held at the places and opened and closed at the time at and which the General Elections of this Commonwealth are held, opened and closed; and it shall be the duty of the Judges, Inspectors and Clerks of each of the said townships, wards and districts, to receive the said election tickets either written or printed, from citizens duly qualified to vote for Members of the General Assembly, and to deposit them in a box or boxes to be for that purpose provided by the proper officers; which tickets shall be respectively labeled on the outside, "First Amendment," "Second Amendment," "Third amendment," and "Fourth Amendment," and those who are favorable to said Amendments, or any of them, may express their desire by voting each as many separate written or printed ballots or tickets, containing on the inside thereof the words, "For the amendment" and those who are opposed to such amendments, or any of them, may express their opposition by voting each as many separate written or printed ballots or tickets containing on the inside thereof the words "Against the Amendment;" and also that the election on the said proposed amendments shall in all respects be conducted as the General Elections of this Commonwealth are now conducted; and it shall be the duty of the return judges of the said County and the respective districts thereof, first having carefully ascertained the number of votes given for or against each of said amendments in the manner aforesaid, to make out duplicate returns thereof, expressed in words at length and not in figures only, one of which returns so made shall be lodged in the Prothonotarys Office of the Court of Common Pleas of said County, and the other sealed and directed to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and by one of said Judges deposited forthwith in the most convenient Postoffice.

And in and by said act, I am further directed to give notice that every person, except Justices of the Peace, who shall hold any office or appointment of profit or trust under the Government of the United States or of this State, or of any city or incorporated district, whether a commissioned officer or otherwise, a subordinate officer or agent who is or shall be employed under the legislative, executive or judiciary department of this State, or of any incorporated district, and also that every member of Congress, and of the select and common council of any city, commissioners of any incorporated district, is by law incapable of holding or exercising at the same time the office or appointment of judge, inspector or clerk of any election of this Commonwealth, and that no inspector, judge or any other officer of any such election shall be eligible to any office then to be voted for.

For instructions in regard to the organization of election boards etc., see Act of Assembly of 24 July, 1839; pamphlet laws, page 219; likewise contained in a practical digest of the election laws of this Commonwealth, furnished at every place of holding general elections, page 86, etc.,

Given under my hand at Wellsboro' this 10th day of September, A. D. 1857. JOHN MATHERS *Sheriff.*

OPPOSITION TO HIGH PRICES.

NO MONOPOLIES:

DOWN WITH COMBINATIONS.

An Open Field for Competition.

KANSAS has had her share of the Glory, Fun, Confusion &c., and I am happy to state that she is about quieting herself and yielding the palm to the little village of Tioga.

About the first of November last I commenced selling Goods in Tioga, am still selling. For a little time past there has been quite an effort on the part of some to establish a standard price for goods particularly on leading articles the very articles of which the poor man uses the most. A few days since I made up my mind to change my prices on

FLOUR & MEAL,

as I thought I had a right to. I therefore had a very modest handbill printed informing the people of what I intended doing in the future. No sooner had the fact become known that I had reduced the price, than one man selling the same kind of Goods, says: "Its a lie! Can't be the same article! I know it ain't good!" Another, interested in keeping up old fogy prices, presents the documents to show that from the prices he pays in Buffalo for Flour, Meal &c., of course ETZ'S article at the low price can not be as good as ours at our high prices. *Great discovery! Sensible reasoning! Humbug conclusion!*

How long since did they find out that my articles were not top-top? Why, just the moment my price did not agree with theirs. Our only answer to their unkind remarks toward us, is, that our flour was very nice until we changed the price. Did that change the quality? when it is the self same article we have sold since last April. Hundreds can bear me witness that it is as nice as any article they ever used.

It has never been our practice nor never will be to say aught of the quality of our neighbor's goods. But we do say that our "extra superfine" and "superfine" flour is as good as any flour manufactured or sold in Tioga County. You citizens that buy don't longer believe the humbug yarn that you must pay from 50 to 75 per cent for goods, especially if you get trusted a few months. No wonder every plank in the Wellsboro' and Tioga Plank Road has received a thousand curses from the merchants of Tioga village, because it has driven trade from us, they say. The curses will grow louder and deeper both from buyer and seller until Goods are sold at a reasonable cash profit. Since we commenced we have tried to meet the wants of the public, and we flatter ourselves that our large cash sales are good evidence that our effort has not been a failure, but has been appreciated by a generous and candid public. We shall continue selling Goods in the corner store of A. C. & J. S. Bush, directly opposite of Baldwin, Lowell & Co., where we shall be pleased to show our Goods and give our prices. We shall buy a large stock of all kinds of Goods in New York this fall, and shall hope by pursuing a straight forward course to merit the favor of enough of the people of Tioga county to sell them and get our pay. We shall try and have the quality and price satisfactory. Call and see before purchasing.

LIST OF PRICES.

Ontario & Niagara Flour Extra Superfine $7 75
Parma Custom Mills Superfine.....6 00
Corn Meal.....2 25

Tioga, August 2d, '57. CHARLES O. ETZ.

PHILAD'A ADVERTISEMENTS,

-FROM-

JOHN A. RIDDLE.

At Merchants Hotel, North Fourth St., Philadelphia.

To the Merchants of the West and North West.

PHILADELPHIA MARKET being easily accessible, your attention is called to it, as possessing facilities and advantages, worthy of your consideration.

Among its advantages may be enumerated its location, having shorter lines of communication to the interior, its proximity to the Iron and Anthracite Coal districts of Pennsylvania, the large and varied extent of its manufactures, being far in advance of any other city in the United States, the moderate expenses necessary for carrying on business, &c.

The market possesses unrivalled advantages for the sale of many kinds of produce, such as Flour, Wheat, Barley, Wool, Butter, Cheese, &c., while the charges made upon sales and attendant expenses, are more moderate than neighboring seaboard markets.

HAMMAN, SNYDER, & CO., Wholesale Dealers in Foreign and Domestic DRY GOODS, No. 420 Market Street, above 4th.

WOOD, BACON & CO., Importers and Wholesale Dealers in Foreign and Domestic DRY GOODS and CLOTHING, No. 309 Market st., above Third.

BUNN, RAIGUEL & CO., Importers of BRITISH GOODS, and Jobbers of Fancy and Staple SILK GOODS, EMBROIDERIES &c., No. 37 N. Third street.

UMBRELLAS & PARASOLS.—Wm. H. Richardson, No. 418 Market street, manufactures first class UMBRELLAS expressly for retailers. Every article warranted.

HAAS & TAYLOR Importers and Cash Jobbers, No. 305 Market street, Hosiery, Gloves, Shirts and Drawers, Gum Belts, Shirt Bosoms, White Goods, Embroideries, Laces, Suspenders, Threads, Combs, &c.,

LINCOLN, WOOD & NICHOLS, Successors of THOS. WHITE & CO., Manufacturers and Importers of Straw Goods, Silk Bonnets, Bonnet Frames, French Flowers and Millinery Goods, No. 45 South 2d street.

T. MORRIS, PEROT & CO., Importers and Wholesale Dealers in DRUGS, CHEMICALS, PAINTS, OILS, GLASS, DYE STUFFS, &c., No. 621 Market, and 612 St. James sts.

KEYSTONE STATE SAPONIFIER or CONCENTRATED LYE for making Soap. Manufactured by the Penn. Salt Co., Tarentum, Allegheny county, Penn. Represented by LEWIS, JAMES & CO., Philadelphia.

J. S. & E. L. PEROT, General Produce Commission Merchants, No. 36 North Wharves. Refer to Philadelphia merchants generally. All consignments or orders will receive our prompt and personal attention.

PARRISH & BRADSHAW, WALL & WINDOW PAPER Warehouse, N. E. Corner 3d & Arch-sts.

GEO. W. PLUMLY, Manufacturer of every description of PAPER BOXES, 213 N. Fourth Street.

CAUFFMAN & CHEW, Importers of CHINA, GLASS & QUEEN'S WARE, No. 21, N. 4th st.

J. MILES & SON, Wholesale Boot & Shoe Manufacturer, No. 49, South 4th street.

SAM'L. H. BIBICHAUS, Importer and Wholesale Dealer in Foreign and Domestic HARDWARE, No. 253 North 3d street, below Vine.

N. & G. TAYTOR, Importer and Wholesale Dealers in Tin Plate, Copper, Sheet Iron, &c., 303 & 305 Branch street.

WM. ROWLAND & CO., No. 62 Beach st., manufacture all kinds of Mill, Cross Cut, Pit and Tenon SAWS—warranted of superior quality. All orders executed with punctuality and despatch.

E. HALL OGDEN, Philadelphia Malleable Iron Works, corner of 9th and Jefferson streets; Warehouse 307 Arch st., above Third, manufacturer of General and Saddlery Hardware, and Malleable and Fine Grey Iron Castings.

MANCHESTER SCALES, Hay, Counter, Coal, Warehouse, Wheelbarrow, Rolling Mill, Railroad Scales of improved patterns and superior qualities, *warranted* superior in quality and finish to any other scales made. Warehouse, No. 23 N. 6th Street, Geo. W. Colby, Agent.

GREEN'S KEYSTONE HEATER & RANGE.—The Heater has no equal in this country—is all cast iron, and will create 30 per cent more heated air with the same amount of fuel, than my other furnace in use.—The Range has two ovens that bake uniformly at the same time. These inventions have no equal in the market.—Rights for sale for all sections of the Union. M. Green, No. 23 N. 6th St.

GILLESPIE, ZELLER & CO., Wholesale Grocers and Commission Merchants, N. E. corner 6th and Market Streets.

C. J. FREELAND WITH KLINE & CARROL, Importers of Wines, Brandies, Gins, &c., No. 304 North 3d street. [Sept. 17, 3m.]

Executor's Notice.

LETTERS TESTEMENTARY having been granted to the undersigned, executor of the last will and testament of SAMUEL REXFORD, dec'd., all persons having claims against the estate will present them duly authenticated, and those indebted to the estate will pay to the subscriber at Elmira N. Y., or to H. W. Williams at Wellsboro.

N. P. FASSETT, *Ex'r.*

Wellsboro Sept., 3, 1857. (6t.)

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Gentlemen Instructors in Piano, Music, Painting and Modern Languages. Address the Rev. Alonzo Flack, A. M Principal. [August 20, 2 mos.]

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION having been granted to the Subscriber on the estate of Ephriam Thomas, late of Lawrence, dec'd., all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them for settlement to

Wellsboro Sept 10, 1857. WM HARTSON, *Adm.*

RESOLUTION,

PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH.—*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met.* That the following amendments are proposed to the constitution of the commonwealth, in accordance with the provisions of the tenth article thereof.

FIRST AMENDMENT.

There shall be an additional article to said constitution to be designated as article eleven, as follows:—

ARTICLE XI.

OF PUBLIC DEBTS.

SECTION 1. The state may contract debts, to supply casual deficits or failures in revenues, or to meet expenses not otherwise provided for; but the aggregate amount of such debts direct and contingent, whether contracted by virtue of one or more acts of the general assembly, or at different periods of time, shall never exceed seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and the money arising from the creation of such debts, shall be applied to the purpose for which it was obtained, or to repay the debts so contracted, and to no other purpose whatever.

SEC. 2. In addition to the above limited power the state may contract debts to repel invasion, suppress insurrection, defend the state in war, or to redeem the present outstanding indebtedness of the state; but the money arising from the contracting of such debts, shall be applied to the purpose for which it was raised, or to repay such debts, and to no other purpose whatever.

SECTION 3. Except the debts above specified, in sections one and two of this article, no debt whatever shall be created by, or on behalf of the state.

SECTION 4. To provide for the payment of the present debt, and any additional debt contracted as aforesaid, the legislature shall, at its first session, after the adoption of this amendment, create a sinking fund, which shall be sufficient to pay the accruing interest on such debt, and annually to reduce the principal thereof by a sum not less than two hundred and fifty thousand dollars; which sinking fund shall consist of the net annual income of the public works, from time to time owned by the state, or the proceeds of the sale of the same, or any part thereof, and of the income or proceeds of sale of stocks owned by the state, together with other funds, or resources, that may be designated by law.—The said sinking fund may be increased, from time to time, by assigning to it any part of the taxes, or other revenues of the state, not required for the ordinary and current expenses of government, and unless in case of war, invasion or insurrection, no part of the said sinking fund shall be used or applied otherwise than in extinguishment of the public debt, until the amount of such debt is reduced below the sum of five millions of dollars.

SECTION 5. The credit of the commonwealth shall not in any manner, or event, be pledged, or loaned to, any individual, company, corporation or association; nor shall the commonwealth hereafter become a joint owner, or stockholder, in any company, association, or corporation.

SECTION 6. The commonwealth shall not assume the debt, or any part thereof, of any county, city, borough or township or of any corporation or association; unless such debt shall have been contracted to enable the state to repel invasion, suppress domestic insurrection, defend itself in time of war, or to assist the state in the discharge of any portion of its present indebtedness.

SECTION 7. The legislature shall not authorize any county city, borough, township, or incorporated district, by virtue of a vote of its citizens, or otherwise, to become a stockholder in any company, association or corporation; or to obtain money for, or loan its credit to, any corporation, association, institution or party.

SECOND AMENDMENT.

There shall be an additional article to said constitution, to be designated as article XII, as follows:

ARTICLE XII.

OF NEW COUNTIES.

No county shall be divided by a line cutting off over one tenth of its population, (either to form a new county or otherwise,) without the express assent of such county, by a vote of the electors thereof; nor shall any new county be established containing less than four hundred square miles.

THIRD AMENDMENT.

From section two of the first article of the constitution, strike out the words, "of the city of Philadelphia, and of each county respectively;" from section five, same article strike out the words, "of Philadelphia and of the several counties; from section seven, same article, strike out the words, "neither the city of Philadelphia nor any," and insert in lieu thereof the words, "and no;" and strike out "section four, same article," and in lieu thereof insert the following:

"SECTION 4. In the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, and in every seventh year thereafter, representatives to the number of one hundred, shall be apportioned and distributed equally, throughout the state, by districts, in proportion to the number of taxable inhabitants in the several parts thereof; except that any county containing at least three thousand five hundred taxables, may be allowed a separate representation; but no more than three counties shall be joined, and no county shall be divided, in the formation of a district. Any city containing a sufficient number of taxables to entitle it to at least two representatives, shall have a separate representation assigned it, and shall be divided into convenient districts of contiguous territory, of equal taxable population as near as may be, each of which districts shall elect one representative."

At the end of section seven, same article, insert these words, "the city of Philadelphia shall be divided into single senatorial, districts, of contiguous territory as nearly equal in taxable population as possible; but no ward shall be divided in the formation thereof."

The legislature, at its first session, after the adoption of this amendment, shall divide the city of Philadelphia into senatorial and representative districts, in the manner above provided; such districts to remain unchanged until the apportionment in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

FOURTH AMENDMENT.

There shall be an additional section to the first article of said constitution, which shall be numbered and read as follows:

SECTION 26. The legislature shall have the power to alter, revoke, or annul, any charter of incorporation hereafter conferred by, or under, any special, or general law, whenever in their opinion it may be injurious to the citizens of the commonwealth; in such manner however, that no injustice shall be done to the corporators.

IN SENATE, March 27, 1857.

Resolved, That this resolution pass. On the first amendment, yeas 24, nays 7; on the second amendment, yeas 23, nays 8; on the third amendment, yeas 24, nays 4; on the fourth amendment, yeas 23, nays 4.

[Extract from the Journal.]

GEO. W. HAMERSLEY, *Clerk.*

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 29, 1857.

Resolved, That this resolution pass. On the first amendment, yeas 78, nays 12; on the second amendment, yeas 57, nays 34; on the third amendment, yeas 72, nays 22; on the fourth amendment, yeas 83, nays 7.

[Extract from the Journal.]

JACOB ZIEGLER, *Clerk.*

Filed in Secretary's office, May 2, 1857.

A. G. CURTIN, *Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Harrisburg, June 22, 1857.

Pennsylvania, ss.

I do certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original "Resolution proposing amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth," with the vote in each branch of the Legislature upon the final passage thereof as appears from the originals on file in this office.

[L. S.] In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the Secretary's Office, the day and year above written.

A. G. CURTIN, *Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

IN SENATE, March 27, 1857,

The resolution proposing amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth being under consideration,

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the first amendment?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follow, viz:

YEAS—Messrs Brewer, Browne, Coffey, Ely, Evans, Fetter, Flenniken, Fraser, Ingram, Jordad, Killinger, Knox, Laubach, Lewis, Myer, Scofield, Sellers, Shuman, Steele, Straub, Welsh, Wilkins, Wright and Taggart, *Speaker*—24.

NAYS—Messrs Crabb, Cresswell, Finney, Gregg, Harris, Penrose and Souther—7.

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the second amendment?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follow, viz:

YEAS—Messrs Brewer, Browne, Cresswell, Ely, Evans, Fetter, Finney, Flenniken, Ingram, Jordan, Knox, Laubach, Lewis, Myer, Sellers, Shuman, Souther, Steele, Straub, Wilkins, Welsh, Wright and Taggart, *Speaker*—23.

NAYS—Messrs Coffey, Crabb, Frazer, Gregg, Harris, Killinger, Penrose and Scofield—8.

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the third amendment?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the constitution, and were as follow, viz:

YEAS—Messrs Brewer, Browne, Crabb, Cresswell, Ely, Evans, Flenniken, Frazer, Ingram, Jordan, Killinger, Knox, Laubach, Lewis, Myer, Scofield, Sellers, Shuman, Souther, Steele, Straub, Welsh, Wilkins and Wright—24.

NAYS—Messrs Coffey, Gregg, Harris and Penrose—4.

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the fourth amendment?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follow, viz:

YEAS—Messrs Brewer, Browne, Coffey, Cresswell, Ely, Evans, Flenniken, Frazer, Ingram, Killinger, Knox, Laubach, Lewis, Myer, Scofield, Sellers, Shuman, Souther, Steele, Straub, Welsh, Wilkins and Wright—23.

NAYS—Messrs Crabb, Finney, Jordan and Penrose—4.

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 29, 1857.

The resolution proposing amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth being under consideration,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the first amendment?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the constitution, and were as follow, viz:

YEAS—Messrs Anderson, Arthur, Backhouse, Ball, Beck, Bishop, Bower, Brown, Calhoun, Campbell, Chase, Cleaver, Crawford, Dickey, Ent, Eyster, Fausold, Foster, Gibboney, Gildea, Hamel, Harper, Heins, Hiestand, Hill, Hillegas, Hoffman, (Berks,) Imbrie, Innes, Jacobs, Jenkins, Johns, Johnson, Kauffman, Kerr, Knight, Leisenring, Longaker, Lovett, Manear, Maugle, M'Calmont, M'Ilvain, Moorhead, Mumma, Musselman, Nichols, Nicholson, Nunemacher, Pearson, Peters, Petrikin, Pownall, Purcell, Ramsey, (Philadelphia,) Ramsey, (York,) Reamer, Reed, Roberts, Rupp, Shaw, Sloan, Smith, Cambria,) Smith, (Centre,) Stevenson, Tolan, Vail, Vanvoorhis, Vickers, Voeghley, Walter, Westbrook, Wharton, Williston, Witherow Wright, Zimmerman and Getz, *Speaker*—78.

NAYS—Messrs Backus, Benson, Dock, Hamilton, Hancock, Hine, Hoffman, (Lebanon,) Lebo, Struthers, Thorn, Warner and Wintrode—12.

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the second amendment?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follow, viz:

YEAS—Messrs Anderson, Backhouse, Ball, Bock, Bower, Calhoun, Campbell, Carty, Ent, Fausold, Foster, Gildea, Hamel, Harper, Heins, Hiestand, Hillegas, Hoffman, (Berks,) Housekeeper, Imbrie, Innes, Jenkins, Johns, Johnson, Kauffman, Knight, Leisenring, Longaker, Lovett, Manear, Maugle, M'Ilvain, Moorhead, Musselman, Nichols; Nicholson, Nunemacher, Pearson, Peters, Petrikin, Pownall, Purcell, Ramsey, (Philadelphia,) Ramsey, (York,) Reamor, Roberts, Rupp, Shaw, Sloan, Tolan, Vail, Voeghley, Walter, Westbrook, Wharton, Zimmerman and Getz, *Speaker*—57

NAYS—Messrs Arthur, Augustine, Backus, Benson, Bishop Brown, Chase, Cleaver, Crawford, Eyster, Gibboney, Hamilton, Hancock, Hill, Hine, Hoffman, (Lebanon,) Jacobs, Kerr, Lebo, M'Calmont, Mumma, Reed, Smith, (Cambria,) Smith, (Centre,) Stevenson, Struthers, Thorn, Vanvoorhis, Vickers, Wagonseller, Warner, Witherow and Wright—24.

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the third amendment?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution, and were as follow, viz:

YEAS—Messrs Anderson, Backhouse, Ball, Beck, Benson, Bower, Brown, Calhoun, Campbell, Chase, Cleaver, Crawford, Dickey, Ent, Eyster, Fausold, Foster, Gibboney, Hamel, Harper, Heins, Hiestand, Hill, Hillegas, Hoffman, (Berks,) Hoffman, (Lebanon.) Housekeeper. Imbrie, Innes, Jacobs, Johns, Johnson, Kauffman, Kerr, Lebo. Longaker, Lovett, Manear, Maugle, M'Calmont, Moorhead, Mumma, Musselman, Nichols, Nicholson, Nunemacher, Pearson, Peters, Petrikin, Pownall, Purcell, Ramsey, (York.) Reamer, Reed, Rupp, Shaw, Sloan. Smith, (Cambria.) Smith, (Centre,) Stevenson, Tolan, Vail, Vanvoorhis, Vickers, Voeghley, Wagonseller. Westbrook, Williston, Witherow, Wright, Zimmerman and Getz, *Speaker*—72.

NAYS—Messrs Arthur. Augustino. Backus, Bishop, Carty, Dock, Gildea, Hamilton, Hancock, Hine, Jenkins, Knight, Leisenring, M'Ilvain. Ramsey. (Philadelphia.) Roberts, Struthers, Thorn, Walter, Warner, Wharton and Wintrode—22.

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the fourth amendment?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the constitution, and were as follow, viz:

YEAS—Messrs Anderson, Arthur, Backhouse, Backus, Ball, Beck, Benson, Bishop, Carty, Chase, Cleaver, Crawford, Dickey, Ent, Eyster, Fausold, Foster, Gibboney, Gildea, Hamel, Harper, Heins, Hiestand, Hill, Hillegas, Hoffman, (Berks,) Hoffman, (Lebanon,) Housekeeper, Imbrie, Innes, Jacobs, Jenkins, Johns, Johnson, Kauffman, Kerr, Lebo, Leisenring, Longaker, Lovett, Manear Maugle, M'Calmont, M