

THE AGITATOR.

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A THIRD PARTY.

The Warren County Ledger, formerly an unscrupulously partisan Buchanan sheet, but now attached to fortunes of the Forney Democracy of this State, sees in the failure of the slave hunters to take back Daniel Webster to slavery a very large impediment to the general health of the Union; it sees in the late failure to enforce the Fugitive Slave Law in Philadelphia, the premonitory symptoms of that sickness by which the American Eagle (who stands with one foot on the Free, and the other on the Slave States and thus holds them together), must ultimately hang down his head and with moulting feathers incontinently droop and die.

With an acumen for which we had heretofore not given it credit, the Ledger finds the secret of the slave Daniel's liberation, although fully and fairly proved to have been a slave, in the force of public opinion. From effect to cause, it goes back to find the secret of this force, so potent in its power as to have overthrown or made useless a law, upon which it has believed for the last nine years, the safety of our glorious Union depended. It finds this public opinion in constant creation in the "nigger songs" of our streets. It sees in poor "Nelly Gray" who was "taken away," an inlet to the sympathies of the popular heart; and in the line where it says "the white man had bound her in his chain," the Ledger sees an inlet to the popular disgust. It beholds the creation of this fatal public opinion in the Anti-Slavery literature of the day, as if there ever was a pure literature which in its very spirit was not anti-slavery. But these things are only secondary in the Ledger's view. The real cause of this public opinion which could quietly sneer down the Fugitive Slave Law and make it a dead letter on our Statute Books, is to be found in the action of the political parties of the day. With this asseveration in effect, the Ledger prepares us for another which will surprise the Democracy of Tioga County not a little; not because it is something new to them, but because it is spoken with a boldness only equal to its truth so far as the Democracy is concerned. It says: "The Republican party which proclaims itself anti-slavery arrays itself against a Democratic party which is decidedly pro-slavery. Northern men of extreme views control and lead the Republican party, while ultra Southern men control and direct the machinery of the Democratic party."

It was only a few days ago that the Washington Union came down very severely upon Mr. Brown of Mississippi for saying in a public speech in New York that the object of acquiring Cuba was to extend Slavery and nothing else. The Democrats of Tioga will probably agree with the Union, that however true these family secrets are, they ought not to be proclaimed aloud in the streets, and, of course, they will be severe on the Ledger accordingly. It is our present purpose to correct an error into which it has fallen with regard to the position and aims of the Republican party, not because we have any hopes of making its editor see his error as we see it, but because it is a part of the premises from which he reasons himself and his readers into a belief in the mournful conclusions hinted at above.

The Republican party never did, does not now, and never will "make war upon the Constitutional rights of their Southern brethren." Not a word can be found in a Republican platform ever adopted by a meeting or Convention of Republicans, which indicates such a thing, and the Ledger very well knows this. In the conflict of interests now going on in this Republic between Slave labor on the one hand, and Free labor on the other, the Republican party has chosen sides with the latter. The party grew out of this conflict, instead of its having originated it. Upon this point do the pro-slavery Democratic leaders always seek to deceive their more ignorant followers. They tried, with but little success in 1856 to identify the Republican with the Abolition party, and they still play at the same game. Thus, the Ledger affects to see nothing on its right hand but disunion through Abolitionism, and on its left nothing but disunion through pro-slavery fanaticism. Truly it is in a deplorable dilemma. What can it do? The American Bird must totter and fall soon, if a "great change" does not take place. But the Ledger proposes a remedy for the country's evils in a Great Third Party.

What kind of a party do you think is proposed? A party which will be "eminently conservative in its motives and actions"—"a great Democratic party, such as it was in the days of Jefferson"—"where men who love their country can associate for their country's good"—a party "within whose folds the conservative men of all parties may carry out their patriotic desires." That is the kind of a party the Warren Ledger is now looking for. There must be no nigger songs sung by its members. Nelly Gray's sable lover must not be commemorated. Anti-slavery literature must not be read or tolerated because this would spoil the conservatism!

A few words more with the Warren Ledger and we will close this article. Your Great Third Party can never exist. It is impossible. Why? We will tell you why, not in the language of William H. Seward, for that would be abolitionism in your eyes, but in the language of one of your own professed leaders, JOHN HICKMAN. In a speech made at the Forney Convention at Harrisburg the other day, he enunciated the following doctrine—a doctrine which originated not with him, nor with Seward nor with Lincoln of Illinois who said it before

him, but with JEFFERSON himself whose principles the Ledger professes to understand. "When you can harmonize light and darkness, integrity and corruption, the patriotic devotion of the private citizen to the principles of our government, with a tyranny worse than that of the middle ages, it will be time enough to cry 'peace.'" Let this truth be made prominent—that there is an eternal antagonism between freedom and slavery. The constitution of the human mind and human heart makes it inevitable; and the one or the other must eventually gain the ascendancy. The struggle between them, but just begun, is now going on in our midst, and he is but a superficial observer who does not discover it."

There is no escape from it. There can be no third party. The floating elements of the late Democratic party, must swim into the vortex of one of these antagonisms. Those who love Freedom and its attendant blessings will become Republicans, while those who love Slavery and its blessings must become Shamocrats.

THE LATE ELECTIONS. Connecticut.

The Connecticut election was held Monday, 2nd inst., and the Republicans carried the State by a handsome majority—electing the whole State Ticket, the entire Congressional Delegation, and a large majority of the Legislature. Well done.

Michigan.

An election was held in this State for Chief Justice of the Supreme Court on the 5th, and the returns indicate the election of the Republican candidate by twelve thousand majority.

Rhode Island.

The election in Rhode Island was held on the 6th, and resulted in the election of the opposition candidates, for Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, and a majority of the Legislature.

Wisconsin.

The returns of the election in this state on the 7th, indicate the success of Byron Paine, the Republican candidate for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, by a majority properly exceeding 5,000 votes.

Illinois.

The election held in this state for Judges and Clerks of Supreme Court, resulted in success of the entire Republican ticket by an average majority of 2,000 votes.

St. Louis.

The municipal election held in St. Louis on the 4th inst., resulted in the election of a Republican Mayor by 2500 majority, the whole city Ticket, and a large majority of the Council.

Portland, Me.

On the 5th inst., a Republican Mayor, and a large majority of Republican Aldermen and Councilmen, were elected in Portland, Me.

Cleveland Ohio.

A Republican Mayor and the entire Republican Ticket was elected in Cleveland on the 4th inst.

Cincinnati.

The whole opposition Ticket was elected in this city, by an average majority of 1000 votes, on the 4th inst.

Louisville.

This city also elected the opposition candidate for Mayor, and a majority of opposition city councilmen on the 4th inst.—Keokuk, Schenectady, and Galena are to be added to the list of Republican triumphs in cities, last week. On the other hand, that full-fed Navy Yard, Brooklyn, has gone "Democratic"—a victory of the Navy Yard and other Government employes which is isolated, and Brooklyn is very appropriately termed by a Locofoco exchange to be "one green spot."

For further particulars in regard to Brooklyn Elections, see "Report of the committee to investigate frauds in the Navy Department" submitted to the last Congress.

We are satisfied with the above list. It must tickle "J. B." and his friends.

State Legislature

The State Legislature adjourned sine die, last Friday noon. Its history is not marked with any measure of importance to the people at large, although a vast amount of special legislation was got through with. The only measure of importance to the people of the State and of particular importance to the people of the Northern part of it, namely, the Free Banking Law, was defeated. It did not fail through want of energy on the part of Mr. WILLISTON the able Representative from this county. On the contrary, it elicited his earnest attention throughout, and he was the acknowledged champion of this measure in the House; but it failed because it was asked for by the people as against monopolists, and because the people and their Representatives in the lower part of the State, are not prepared for a reform of this kind. But even though it has failed, much has been done towards its passage at some subsequent session not far in the distance. The speeches of Mr. WILLISTON and other gentlemen who know the superiority of this system of Banking over all other systems, cannot fail to have their effect upon the public mind.

Mr. Williston has acquitted himself well, and Tioga County has reason to be proud of her Representative. If any fraud was to be discovered and exposed; if the wrong was to be denounced or the right to be vindicated and upheld; if corrupt legislation was suspected he was always on hand, feared by the base, and honored by the upright. We trust that the experience which he has acquired as a legislator, will not be lost to the people, the best policy being, in our view, to keep good servants if we can, after they have proved themselves faithful to the trust reposed in them.

Mr. MANN, the member from the other part of the district, although he has been a silent member he has been nevertheless a working one. In every question in any way affecting our local interests he has given our more immediate representative his hearty cooperation and support.

The Legislature of New York has passed a Registry Law, to prevent at all future elections the polling of illegal votes. This is a move in the right direction.

"Forney's Convention"

Assembled at Harrisburg on the 13th inst., and was said to have been a brilliant affair. This county was represented by John W. Ryan of Lawrenceville, and the name of H. Sherwood Esq., of this Borough was among the Vice Presidents, although that gentleman was not there. Resolutions were passed endorsing Gov. Packer, and denouncing Buchanan and his administration measures in the strongest terms. Speeches were made by John C. Knox, John Hickman and others. Mr. Hickman's speech is considered a splendid effort, full of eloquence and logic. He took strong Seward grounds on the Slavery question as will be seen by an extract given in another part of this paper. The Convention adjourned without making any nominations, but not without repudiating the Loco Foco ticket hoisted by the Buchaners on the 16th of March.

We expected a letter from our well known correspondent, Jas. O. Rourke Esq., which unhappily failed us. We shall give the Convention and its sentiments a more extended notice next week.

The Sickles Trial.

The lawyers in the Sickles trial are still engaged in arguing the case before a jury. They are not engaged in arguing the question of guilt, but whether the adulterous intercourse which Sickles had discovered between Key and Mrs. S. justified him in killing Key, or if it did not justify him, to what extent, if any, it diminishes his criminality.

We do not know when the trial will be brought to a close or guess at its result. We hope to be able in our next issue to give the verdict of the jury, if the jury should agree upon a verdict, which is rather doubtful.

A friend sends us the following hint to farmers, on the subject of grafting potatoes, which is taken from the Inverness (Scotland) Courier. It is hardly necessary to say that "cups" and "regents" are the names of varieties known in that Country. As the time for planting approaches our farmers might, at least, try the experiment. The last four words of the extract below ought to be a sufficient inducement.

"Four years ago, Mr. Anderson the spirited Tenant of Meikle Tarry, Eastern Loos, having read an article in the Newspapers, on the In-grafting of potatoes, tried the experiment on a few seeds, in his garden, consisting of "Cups" and "Regents;" the process was as follows:—He scooped out all the eyes of a "Regent," and inserted the eye of a "Cup" in each of the vacant places, taking care that the insertion fitted the two parts adhere, binding them together with a string before laying them in the ground. The string (any string will do), must not cover or blind the inserted eye. The experiment succeeded admirably. The progeny of such ingraftment is a red and white potato, and an acre which he planted with such, this year, has yielded to Mr. Anderson the extraordinary returns of thirty two bolls, entirely free from disease."

Republican State Convention.

The citizens of Philadelphia and of the several counties of this Commonwealth attached to the People's party, and all others who are opposed to the unwise and extravagant measures of the National Administration, are requested to send delegates, equal in number to their representation in the General Assembly, to a Convention to be held at HARRISBURG on WEDNESDAY THE 27th OF JUNE, 1859, to nominate candidates for Auditor General and Surveyor General, to be voted for at the General Election in next October. HENRY M. FULLER, Wm. B. MANN, Secy., Chairman.

FROM THE PEOPLE.

The Old Grave Yard.

The communication in your issue of the 14th calls for some notice, and in the absence of an able hand we will venture to suggest some thoughts and facts in relation to the subject; and let us premise that the judgment of a stranger who enters a village for the first time, and the estimate placed by such person upon the society into which he has entered, is very much influenced by the condition of the village burying ground; and this influence will be greater or less as the person upon whom it operates is possessed of more or less refinement of taste. It must be conceded that no other one thing so surely tests the state of society as do the evidences of respect for the memory of the departed.

Assuming the correctness of these premises we will state a few facts showing our past and present condition in this regard.

And first let us say that all our sympathies are in favor of the old burying ground. Parents, and friends near and dear to our hearts rest there; memories "pleasant yet mournful to the soul" there cluster, and yet other considerations compel us to favor the new cemetery; they are these:

In an early day the old lot which contains some half acre of ground was donated for burial purposes. Of the causes which led to its selection we are not aware. It is so located as to be incapable of expansion except on one side, and there but for a short distance, and into low, wet ground; it is out of sight from any part of the village or from the principal highways; it is so near the Academy that some years ago during the prevalence of an epidemic disease in our then sparse community, the effluvia arising from the graves was offensive to the inmates of the school; moreover the plan of the ground so far as it has any was the old checker-board plan connected with and controlled by that ancient superstition which requires that the dead should always be interred with their feet to the east, which in this case compelled the violation of all taste in the arrangement of lots or graves.—Furthermore, at some seasons the ground is so wet that bailing has been necessary in order to decent burial—heartstrings have vibrated in anguish to the plash of the coffin as the loved and lost descended to a watery grave, in strange and painful contradiction of the minister's proclamation, "earth to earth, dust to dust." Lastly, the surface of the old ground, though not quite level is entirely monotonous and so incapable of satisfactory improvement that no attempt at it has been made.

In view of these facts a charter was obtained for a cemetery company, for the purpose of establishing a cemetery such as would be under the protection of law, and would be capable of

accommodating the wants of the community present and prospective, in all that pertains to a cemetery in an intelligent age.

The Trustees appointed by the law proceeded to view the old ground and found it impracticable for the reasons given above. The lands in the neighborhood were then faithfully examined, and weeks spent in the service by the trustees aided by public spirited citizens; every place in the vicinity was canvassed. The locality of the new cemetery was the last to which attention was called, and was so obviously the best that it was adopted instantly and unanimously; ten acres of land were here purchased of Mr. Wilson, who generously offered it at a very low price for the purposes contemplated.

An experienced engineer was employed who proceeded to lay out the ground into burial lots, carriage drives, walks, lawns, &c., in a manner which must make it when completed, an honor to the enterprise and taste of our citizens through all coming time. A large number of the lots have been sold to citizens of the village and country around, who are desirous to possess a secure place of sepulture for themselves and families. Many persons have been interred in those lots, upon which the good taste of the owners is already displaying itself, in those improvements which make the resting places of the dead a place of pleasant and profitable resort to the living.

These are some of the facts connected with the subject; more might be stated, but we stop here; we could not consistently say less, we have no desire to say more, as we cannot respect either the head or the heart of him who would wish to raise a controversy upon such a subject.

The Wellsboro and Tioga Road.

EDITOR OF THE AGITATOR; Dear Sir; Having during the last three months noticed a number of communications against the above road, I am inclined to believe that you will not refuse to give room also to a few remarks of mine on the same subject.

In my opinion, the real question is not between the people of the county and the present owners or owner of the road, but between the tax-payers and the lumber dealers of Middlebury. By an expenditure of over \$30,000 of our money a plank road was built which greatly enhanced the value of the property of said dealers by facilitating the transportation of their lumber; but they wanted to profit still more; they gave such a low price to teamsters, that the latter to make it pay had to put on such extra heavy loads that the plank was cut through in a very short time and the company had to fail. They have since acted a similar part towards the new gravel road, sending the same heavy loads over it on very rainy days when the new road was soft.

The same policy would prevail against a county road, and the same results would follow, with this difference, that in the latter case the tax-payers would have to foot the bill and the supervisors would have to stand the suits brought against them by the very men whose acts would make a good road impossible. Would we feel more satisfied then—particularly Middlebury who would have 10 miles of such road to keep in order? Would it not be more just all round for the teamsters to insist on a paying price from the lumber dealers, who cannot do without them and who can well afford it?

It seems to me that a kindly feeling between the teamsters and the owners of the road, would go far towards the removal of all difficulties, and secure us from impending and greatly increased road taxes, if the teamsters have to pay toll, they are entitled to receive that much more on every load. I have been told that since the gates are up they have had to submit to a reduction of twenty-five cents per thousand feet. Does not this look as if they were not fairly dealt with by the lumbermen? The remedy is in their own hands, why do they not use it? United we stand, divided we fall.

April 12, 1859. Respectfully, FAIR PLAY.

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

On the 13th inst., at Lawrenceville, Tioga Co., Pa., by the Rev. Sidney Mills, WILLIAM GREEN, M. D., and Mrs. KATE B. MILLS, daughter of the officiating clergyman.

At the residence of the bride's father, April 14th by Rev. J. J. Turtan, Mr. JOHN DAVIS and Miss PERMELIA D. LARRISON, eldest daughter of Wm. Larrison Esq., all of Clymer, Tioga Co., Pa.

D-I-E-D

On the 25th of March, at Onondaga, La. Crose Co., Wis., of consumption, Mrs. EMELINE A. WRIGHT, wife of S. G. Wright, (formerly of Tioga Co., Pa.) aged 28 years, 10 months and 23 days.

"Blessed are they who sleep in Jesus." In Lawrenceville, April 13th, (of bronchitis), terminating in quick consumption) SMITH STEVENS, aged 48 years. (The subject of the above notice, so suddenly removed from our midst, was a native of Orange Co., N. Y. In early life he resided in this village and had become identified with all its interests. The community deeply sympathize with the bereaved family, knowing that humanity in its highest or humblest form ever found in him a friend, for he was emphatically every man's friend. The wronged and afflicted ever found in him a ready and faithful champion. Not wishing to disguise his follies we would say, honesty was a trait proverbial in his character; and believing "an honest man's the noblest work of God," his own hands, while we humbly leave the result with Infinite Power. Cov'.

Get a Stamp Machine!

The undersigned respectfully beg leave to inform the farmers of Tioga County that they are the agents for this county for

Washington Hall's Patent Stamp Puller. This machine can be easily worked by three men, so as to take out from thirty to sixty stamps a day without the aid of a team. Farm or Township Rights will be sold to any person upon application. For further particulars apply to the undersigned by letter or in person. GEER & McALLISTER. April 21, 1859. 41. 22

NEW MILLINERY STORE, AT MANSFIELD, PA.

MRS. ELLIOTT takes this opportunity to inform the ladies of Covington, Mansfield and vicinity, that she has just received from New York, a large and fashionable assortment of

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NEW STOVE AND TIN SHOP!

Where you can buy Stoves, Tin, and Japanned Ware for one-half the usual prices. Large No. 8 Elevated Oven Cook Stove and Trimmings for \$15.00. All kinds of Tin and Hardware in proportion for Ready Pay. It will pay any one who wants anything in this line to call and see our prices before purchasing elsewhere. Recollect the place—two doors south of Farr's Hotel, or opposite Roy's Drug Store, CALL AND SEE! April 21, 1859. 1.

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DOMESTICS, Shirtings, Sheatings, DOMESTICS, Bleached Goods, DOMESTICS, Denims, Tickings, DOMESTICS, Stripes, Prints, DOMESTICS, Summer Suits, DOMESTICS, Jacquard Drapery, DOMESTICS, Lancaster Ginghams, DOMESTICS, Cambrics, DOMESTICS, Blue Drills, DOMESTICS, Cotton Yarn, DOMESTICS, Batts.

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WOOLEN GOODS, French Cloths, Black, French Cloths, Colored, French Duckings, Black, French Cassimeres, Sattinets, all prices, Sheep's Grease, Kentucky Jeans, Farmer's & Mechanic's Co. simers.

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A very desirable stock. Teas from 25 upward. The best qualities of Flour constantly on hand. H A R D W A R E.

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