

far more rapidly than it has ever done, that it will continue to preserve a strict and intimate union of all its parts—that it will maintain the principles of its government in all their purity and vigor, and thus go on to flourish, till the end of time, the terror of tyrants, and the hope, the solace, the guide, and the asylum of the oppressed. Let us hope that this day will continue to be celebrated by millions, beneath the folds of the star spangled banner not only throughout the states now embraced in our Union, but throughout many more hereafter to be formed on the shores of the Oregon and the Western Ocean, so long as the summits of Alleghany shall mingle with the heavens, or the waters of the Susquehanna sweep onward to the ocean. Oh, how pleasing is it to look forward even to the close of this century, when a dense population shall swarm in these valleys and overspread these mountains, and contemplate the thousands who shall religiously celebrate this festival here along the shores of your beautiful and romantic river, then covered with large and flourishing fields, and adorned with highly cultivated towns! And how joyful and elevating is it to look forward, in imagination, and contemplate many scores of millions assembling then for its celebration over the whole extent of so vast a territory as is comprised between the Bay of Fundy and the gulph of Florida, the Atlantic and Pacific oceans.

THE COLUMBIA DEMOCRAT.



BLOOMSBURG :

SATURDAY, JULY 21, 1838.

**DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION
FOR GOVERNOR:
GEN. DAVID R. PORTER.
(OF HUNTINGDON COUNTY.)**

We have placed on our last page an oration by Doct. T. W. Miner, of Wilkesbarre. We offer no other apology for occupying a page of our paper with that able and lucid exposition of the principles and measures of the democratic party, than its merits. It needs no other—and we feel well assured that it will be read with a great deal of interest and profit.

We also publish the eloquent oration of Mr. Tobey, delivered in this village on the 4th inst. for which reason we think our readers will readily excuse us for not giving them the usual variety in to days paper.

The Governor's Proclamation.

The Governor has issued his proclamation directing the banks to resume specie payments by the 13th of August. We presume that the banks are willing to comply, as they have already made arrangements to resume on the first of that month. The Governor soon after the suspension ordered the banks to obey the laws, but they would not mind him, and now, he shows spunk, and required them to perform what they had resolved to do. This reminds us of the man who boasted of having a dog that would always obey his commands, and to prove it, he directed him to lay down. But the dog, instead of doing so, left the room. "Go out doors, then," says the man, "you shall mind any how."

COMMUNICATIONS.

Mr. Webb,
Will you mention the name of ISAIAH SOLOMON, of this township, as a suitable person to represent Columbia County in the next Legislature. He is too well known to the democracy of this county to require any recommendation.

BRIER CREEK.

Mr. Editor,
Please to announce the name of DANIEL GROSS, of Bloomsburg, as a suitable person to represent this county in the next Legislature. He is a sound democrat, and if nominated, will receive a strong support from

MADISON.

Mr. Editor,
We wish to see the name of WILLIAM S. DAVIS, of Derry, brought forward as a candidate for Treasurer of Columbia County. He is a sterling democrat, well qualified, and if elected, will faithfully perform the duties of the office.

MANY VOTERS.

Mr. Webb,
Be so good as to bring before the public the name of WILLIAM COLE, of Sugar Loaf, as a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Columbia County, to be supported at the approaching election.

GREENWOOD.

GOOD NEWS.

Resumption of Specie Payments by the Philadelphia Banks.

THE FIRST FRUITS.

We learn that at a meeting of the PHILADELPHIA BANKS held on Thursday evening, a resolution was adopted (Ayes 10—Nays 4) RECOMMENDING THAT THE BANKS OF THIS CITY AND COUNTY, RESUME SPECIE PAYMENTS ON THE FIRST OF AUGUST ENSUING, or in little more than three weeks from the present time! So much for the defeat of the sub-treasury scheme.

Five days after the above notice was published to the world by the papers in the service of the banks, says the Norristown Democrat, to wit, on the 10th of July 1838, a proclamation appears, by Joseph Ritner, requiring the banks to do that which they had resolved to do five days before. The attempt thus to gull the people is too plain too absurd and too contemptible to produce the effect for which it is intended. Gov. Ritner binds the people, through the war-chartered privileges to British Lords and Nobles, sits quietly in the chair of state and witnesses the violations of the laws for more than a year, permits the hand of oppression to be laid upon the people and link after link added to the chain of their sufferings by the very bank aristocracy he created and when the people's oppressors are unable longer to find means to perpetuate their outrages against the community and resolve to desist and return to the obedience of the laws, then it is, and not before, that Joseph Ritner acknowledges that the Constitution enjoins upon the Governor to take care that the laws be faithfully executed. How degraded art thou, O! Pennsylvania, such a Governor.

Awful catastrophe.—On Thursday morning, about six o'clock, a keg of powder exploded in a dwelling house in Norwegian street, Pottsville, the effects of which were frightful beyond description. Five persons were dreadfully burnt, three of whom have since died, and the recovery of the remaining persons is considered doubtful. Two or three others were also burnt, but not dangerously. We learn from the Miner's Journal, that the explosion occurred in the following manner: one of the men went into the middle of the room to fill his flask with powder from the keg. While in the act of doing this, another was lighting his pipe with an ignited stick and approached to converse—a spark flew off into the powder, and the whole exploded. The front of the house was thrown out several inches, so that it became necessary to prop it. A man standing in the door way, was thrown out against the piling. The deceased are a hired girl, an old man and a boy, who died after suffering the most excruciating agonies.

The sight of the sufferers was heart rending—their blackened faces, lacerated bodies, and piercing cries of distress, were harrowing to the feelings of the beholder.

The names of the principal sufferers are as follows:—John Descal and his son, Michael Quinn, Michael Ryan, Margaret Sheffer, and Eleanor Orescal.

One of the others is since dead.—*Phila. Gaz.*

The total value of gold taken from all the mines in the United States, for the last ten years, exceeds thirty millions of dollars.

Interesting from Florida.

A slip from the office of the Charleston Mercury, furnished the following information from Florida, received by way of St Augustine:—

"On the 27th inst. a detachment of U. States Dragoons, about 30 in number, under Captain Beal, scouting in the neighborhood of San Felasco, near Newnansville, discovered an Indian trail, which was followed up, and while in the pursuit, were suddenly attacked by a gang of Indians estimated at about 80. Capt. Walker, of Alachua county, acting as guide, was in the advance and was mortally wounded, and died in a few minutes. The fire was kept up for some minutes with spirits on both sides. Six of the dragoons were wounded.—They succeeded in driving the Indians a short distance into a hammock, where the force of the troops was too small to follow them. Two Indians were found killed; the dragoons retreated in good order, bringing with them the body of Capt. Walker. While retreating, the Indians came out of the hammock and commenced firing, but at a long distance off. Capt Dade, of the dragoons, with his company, had gone towards the Okfenokee Swamp, which was the reason no more force could be procured.

Capt. Walker was, we learn, much esteemed by all who knew him, and his loss is greatly to be regretted. He has left a widow and several small children. Here is another widow and more orphans added to the list of Indian butcheries. We offer her our most heartfelt sympathies for her bereavement; and commend her to the father of the fatherless, for support and consolation under this afflictive dispensation."

The brig Patsy B. Blount, arrived at New York from Omoa and Balize, 1st of June, via Nassau, New Providence. The revolution in Central America continued in the interior. The revolutionary party, consisting of about 600 men, were headed by a young and ignorant mulatto, named Parera, who with his party were committing depredations of all kinds, and several travellers had been robbed and murdered by

them. One day last week, Mr. Doyle of Pine Grove, left Gettysburg on a visit to Emmitsburg, with his wife and two small children in a gig. On the road, the wheel passed over a stump, by which they were all precipitated from the gig—and their youngest child, aged three months, was so much injured as to cause its death in a few minutes.

We Know Him.—How mortifying it was to the Riterites, to see upwards of a hundred of the citizens of Huntingdon County attending the Democratic Convention at Harrisburg wearing the badge "We know him." What a refutation it was to their slanders of Gen'l PORTER—If the Anties had any shame they would cease their slander.—*Perry County Democrat.*

As a canal boat was about to pass under a bridge, the captain gave the usual warning of "look out," when a little Frenchman who was in the cabin obeyed the orders by popping his head out of the window, which received a severe thump by coming in contact with a pillar of the bridge. He drew it back in a great pet and exclaimed, "dese tam Americans say look out when they means look in."

What hope is there for David R. Porter? Thus enquires the Lancaster Examiner. None whatever! All his hopes are now merged in certainty.—*York Gazette.*

Anti-Bed-Bug.—A late European paper informs us that a few drops of sweet nitre will effectually banish bed-bugs. In some of our hotels and steam boats, then sweet nitre will make night sweeter.

The number of bank directors and bank officers in the United States, outnumbers the standing army about three to one.

The Columbus (Georgia) Sentinel states that the Rail Road and Banking Company have effected a loan of \$300,000 in New York at seven per cent.

Three buildings were blown down at Gallipolis, Ohio, by a hurricane, on the 25th ult. Several persons were in one of them, but escaped without any serious injury.

Steamboat Disaster.—The New Orleans Bulletin states that the new steamer Constellation, from New Orleans, for Nashville, with a full cargo, struck a snag on the night of the 25th of June, near island No. 64, and immediately sunk to her main deck. The principal part of her cargo had been put on shore in a damaged state, and hopes were entertained of raising the boat.

The death of a child was caused in New York, by giving it arsenic, sent by the apothecary instead of magnesia.

A Band of Veterans.—At Providence, (Rhode Island), 29 revolutionary veterans partook of the public dinner—the youngest 68 years of age, and the oldest 91.

The thermometer at New Orleans on the 27th ult. stood at 103 in the shade.

Who Pays?—It is a well known fact that about 500 free tickets were given out at Philadelphia, for passage up and down the rail road, and as many free tickets to the Harrisburg dinner. The fare up and down on the rail-road is ten Dollars, the dinner not less than one Dollar. For 500 tickets the amount would be five thousand five hundred Dollars! Who pays we ask? Who is it in Philadelphia that thus lavishes away such an extraordinary sum of money to keep up a sinking cause? Let every man answer for himself, & if he should happen to guess the UNITED STATES BANK, we rather think he won't be far out of the way.—*Easton Sentinel.*

The Parades.—The parades of two parties on the 4th were highly gratifying to the Democracy of Pennsylvania. The free and independent yeomanry of the State outnumbered the paid and hired troops of Gov. Ritner more than two to one. No banner or other device was necessary to designate the respective parties. The numbers and the proud independent bearing of the democratic freemen, contrasted finely with the slim ranks and the conscience stricken deportment of the Riterites who assembled upon the promise of a free passage and a free dinner.—*Id.*

Wisconsin and Fox Rivers are to be united by a canal 503 rods in length, in width 50 feet at the bottom and 70 at top 7 feet in depth. Contracts were to have been let out at Greenbay on the 4th inst. by Daniel Whitney, Esq. President of the Company.

Horrible Outrage.—A negro man was brought to prison on Saturday last, charged with committing a rape on the person of a white girl aged about 13 years, and afterwards endeavoring to murder her. The screams of the unfortunate girl brought a man to her assistance, who promptly secured the infamous wretch.—*Elkton (Md) Times.*

The Norwalk (Conn.) Gazette of Wednesday says,—"Mr. James Dav, of this town, aged 19 years hung himself on the 26th ult. We learn that he had been in a very unhappy state of mind for some time, and that he had previously made two unsuccessful attempts to take his own life.

Thomas McManus, of Albany, got intoxicated on the 4th, went home and beat his wife, and told her that he would go and drown himself, which he effected by jumping off the dock at the foot of Lydius street.

Mr. Felix Grundy is now Attorney-General of the United States, his nomination having been confirmed by the Senate.

The St. Louis paper of a late date says—"Another fatal accident has occurred in our city from intemperance. A man named Owen Gallagher, a saddler by trade, had been indulging himself freely with liquor on Sunday, and in the evening went up to the top of a house to sleep: in the morning he was found lying on the pavement in a state of insensibility, and expired in a few minutes."

The quantity of Flour inspected in the city of Richmond, Virginia, for the year ending June 30th, was 155,023 barrels.

On Wednesday, June 27th, Mrs. Johnson, lady of Jonathan R. Johnson, at New Canaan, Conn., was delivered of three boys—all doing well.

The fifteen prisoners for high treason discharged from the Montreal jail, were it appears all under age.

Cost of a Watch.—During the war of 1796, a sailor went into a watch maker's in the city, and handing out a small French watch to the ingenious artist, demanded how much the repair would come to. The watchmaker looking at it, said it would cost him more in repairs than the original purchase.

"Oh if that's all, I don't mind that," replied the sailor; "I will even give double the original cost, for I have a generation for the watch."

What may you have given for it?" inquired the watchmaker. "Why," said Jack twitching his trowsers, "I gave a French fellow a knock on the head for it, and if you'll repair it, I'll give you two."

BLOOMSBURG ARTILLERY.

The Members of this Company are requested to meet at the house of C. Doeber, in Bloomsburg, on Saturday, the 28th inst. at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, in Uniform, for Company drill: All who are desirous of joining the company are requested to attend, as arrangements will then be made for its organization.

Bloomsburg, July 21.

BLOOMSBURG HOUSE.

CHARLES DOEBLER,

Having leased the above establishment, situated in the village of Bloomsburg, Columbia County, and having thoroughly repaired the House and Stables, is now ready to accommodate the travelling community in a manner that will satisfy their expectations. His BAR and LARDER will always be supplied with the best that can be procured in the country; and he flatters himself he shall be enabled to administer to the comfort and convenience of all who may call on him.

SEGAR MANUFACTORY.

He has also established a manufactory for making Segars, Cut Tobacco and Snuff, and will supply Merchants and Tavern Keepers with any quantity of Segars from the common to the best of Spanish Leaf, Cut Tobacco and Snuff, upon as reasonable terms as they can be procured in the State. Bloomsburg, July, 21st 1838.

**Dr. H. SMITH,
SURGEON DENTIST.**

Inform the Ladies and Gentlemen of Catawissa and vicinity, that from and after the 24th inst. he may be consulted professionally, at that place for a few days. He will be located at the public house of S. A. Brady. Bloomsburg, July 21st, 1838.

Mr. Webb—You are authorized to say through the columns of your paper, that the difference between us is settled, that we are sorry that we ever let our names come before the public, as we were drawn into a news paper discussion through the deception and misrepresentation of an evil designing person, and as soon as we had facts brought forward, it cast a very different light upon the matter, and we have concluded to live as friends again, as we have done for many years.
G. BOMBOY,
LUDWICK LIGHT,
Bloomsburg, July 14, 1838.

NEW ARRIVAL

JUST received a new supply of Fresh Mackerel, Good assortment of Calicoes, Palm Leaf Hats, Bale of Carolina Moss, Spring Steel and Waggon Tire, Saddlery, &c. and for sale by WM. McKELVY & Co. Bloomsburg, July 14.

CASH UP!

ALL those indebted for POSTAGE in the Bloomsburg office are earnestly requested and solemnly warned to pay up their dues before the first of July.—Those who neglect this notice may look out for breakers ahead, and may never expect to be trusted again. BERNARD RUPERT, P. M. Bloomsburg Post Office, 7 June 12th, 1838.

BRICK! BRICK!

B F a good quality, by 10—100—1000—or 10000—fresh burnt, and lying near the Canal—For sale by HENRY WELLS. Bloomsburg, June 2, 1838.

LEIDY'S MEDICINES

FOR SALE BY D. S. TOBIAS, Agent. Bloomsburg, June 23, 1838.

BRANDETH'S PILLS,

For Sale by D. S. TOBIAS, Agent.