

The Danville Intelligencer says that "Doct. Petrikin never yet failed to get a regular democratic nomination when he was a candidate for office." This is a candid confession truly, for the Intelligencer to make, and one that we did not expect from it, when we remember that in almost every instance when the Doctor has been a candidate for an office he has been bitterly opposed by that paper, and defeated in consequence of such opposition. Surely the democracy of the editor must be of "easy virtue," and "easily bent," if he can be thus induced to acknowledge his own vacillating course, for the last ten years, and his readiness to oppose the regular nomination of the party, when it becomes necessary to sustain a particular friend. What say you democrats of Columbia, to such an unblushing avowal of dereliction of duty towards you. If he has once gone astray for interest, will he not again do so whenever it may suit his purpose.

The Danville Intelligencer complains that we do not publish all the resolutions that he can manufacture, to create an influence in favor of Doctor Petrikin. Why should we? If the Doctor is as popular as the Intelligencer represents, we can see no use in filling our columns weekly, with all the fulsome adulations of him, that can be invented, and brought forth from every nook and corner in the county, where two or three can be gathered together. We do not believe in such popularity. But we are not surprised at the anxiety expressed for their publication. They are too costly to be smothered under a bushel. Ten dollars a sett is too much to pay without an extensive circulation.

It being court week, we have passed a few days at Danville, and have been highly gratified at the strong expression manifested by our democratic brethren from various parts of the county, in favor of Gen. Porter, and from what we could learn we are well satisfied that our majority over Ritter in this county will be as great as it was in 1835.

FOR THE COLUMBIA DEMOCRAT.  
**Mr. Webb,**  
We learn, by the Danville Intelligencer, that there is but one person before the people as a candidate for Congress, from this Congressional district. Believing that at the last election, JOHN McREYNOLDS, Esq, was cheated and defrauded out of his election, and that the voice of the democracy of Columbia county, as expressed in their primary meetings, was wholly disregarded by his opponent and supporters; and that, if fair play had been used, he would have been elected at that time, we ask of you, at the earnest request of a large number of your democratic friends in the county, to urge his claims upon the democratic party for a nomination, by the Delegate Convention, as a candidate for Congress.

**SUGARLOAF.**  
**Mr. Editor,**  
I have been much disappointed in not seeing the name of JOHN McREYNOLDS, Esq, announced for nomination, by the Democratic County Convention, as a candidate for Congress, from this Congressional district. Two years ago, Mr. McReynolds had a majority of the regular delegates instructed in his favor, but by the fraudulent and bullying management of his opponents, he was cheated out of his election, and it is the decided wish of a large majority of the democratic party of the district, that he should again come before the people that they may do him that justice, which the chicanery and trickery of his opponents in this county, prevented their doing him before.

**A DEMOCRAT.**  
**Mr. Webb,**  
Knowing you to be a friend and supporter of regular nominations, and a decided advocate for union and harmony in the democratic party, I claim, at your hands, the advocacy of the nomination of JOHN McREYNOLDS, Esq, as a candidate for Congress, from this Congressional district, and the urging upon the convention, the necessity of giving his claims a fair consideration, as the only means of securing harmony in our ranks, and of preventing the opposers of regular nominations from creating that discord and division in our party so much to be deprecated by every true and sincere friend to its future welfare and prosperity.

Dr. Petrikin was elected two years since, contrary to the express wishes of the primary meetings, and of a majority of the de-

legates assembled in county convention, and it appears to be his determination, if we may judge from the course his friends are pursuing, to "run the heat" whether the democracy of the county wish him to or no. If this determination is carried into effect, I feel confident that the democracy of Columbia county will place their seal of condemnation on all who may be associated in this work of disorganization.

**A DEMOCRAT OF LIMESTONE.**  
FOR THE COLUMBIA DEMOCRAT.

**Declaration of Independence.**

When in the course of political events it seems meet for a constituency, to withdraw their support from a public servant, who has once enjoyed their confidence, received their support, and is again soliciting their suffrages, a direct regard to the opinions of others requires, that the reasons for such withdrawal should be candidly and unequivocally expressed; that all men may have equal evidence on which to base opinions respecting the correctness of the secession. Such reasons, we are aware, should not be light and trivial; but substantial in their nature, and consequential in their import.

We hold it to be a political truth, that in a representative democracy, like the government of the United States, all servants elected by the people to places of trust and honor, are to represent, to the fullest extent in their power, the interest of the great body of their constituency, without stooping to consult the feelings of selfish popularity, private pique, or jaundiced animosity. He who basely bends his mind to the adoption of feelings, as the governing principles of any part of his official acts, would possess, in our opinion, as little of the principles of Roman virtue as of genuine American democracy; and though he might possess the talents and the ambition of a Cæsar, should in justice, and in all cases, meet the rebuking spirit of a more republican Brutus.— Though, for a short hour, whilst sailing under so discolored a flag, he may arrogantly fancy that his frail bark, "carries Cæsar and his fortunes," a chill may, nevertheless, come over him, and he be induced to cry, like Cæsar, the Tyber, "give me a drink like a sick boy."

Among a population so intelligent as that of the 15th Congressional District of Pennsylvania, nothing can be more arrogant, or betray a more misplaced confidence in self, than for a Representative to attempt to wield proscriptive weapons, or assume for a moment, the character of Dictator. Though the prominence of his official station may suggest the expediency of the creation of particular posts, places or offices for the convenience of the public, yet justice would seem to indicate that his response should always be made, not on the principle of submission to the weaker passions of human nature, but with a strict regard to the best interests of the community, or of the individuals in view. A different course is not only a betrayal of private interests, but a gross abuse of public confidence.— What claims, it may be inquired, can such a public servant have upon the future confidence of the people? Can he, with propriety plead that he has been betrayed into error by deceptions practised upon his credulity? We ask in reply, in whom has he confided? To the latter inquiries, no further reply can either be required or expected, than that the people, intelligent and honest as they are, expect a correspondence of qualities on the part of those who attempt to represent their interests.

Is this, then, the issue between the people and their present Representative in Congress? On facts the electors of the district are to give their verdict on the second Tuesday in October next. And facts, in all the stubbornness of their nature, stand thus between the people and him who should have been their faithful and undeviating Representative. Doctor Petrikin was elected by the democracy of the district.— But since, the broad folds of his like christian charity, have been made to "cover a multitude of sins." Facts clearly show, that, have his prepossessions called for a sacrifice, Democracy has been required to furnish the victim. Public interest and private inconvenience, have both been made alike to bend to irascibility of feeling when whetted to excitement, by the promptings of unchastened Dictators. Mail facilities and Post Office accommodations, have furnished a principal theatre for the display of his official influence, and his political integrity. Will the gentleman wish to base his claims to that fame which after ages alone can bestow; upon his fluctuations of

opinion; or upon the low intrigues which have either been practised upon him, or he must have practised upon others in the discharge of the collateral duties of his station? Then may those who live in after ages, read appropriately under the *Hic jacet* of David Petrikin, an epitaph of import something like the following:—

"Facilis decessus Averni—sed revocari,  
"Hoc labor; Hoc opus est."  
Among the charges which are most prominent against his official career, we will at present content ourselves with a reference to the influence he has exerted on the Post-Office Department, in the discontinuance of long established, and the creation of new, offices; and upon the removal of old, and the appointment of new Post-Masters.— To support these charges, Colesville; Skinner's Eddy; Carbondale, Columbus, Nanticoke, Shiekshiny, &c. &c. &c. to the end of the chapter, may speak, and their testimony will be loud and condemning. Was Cole, Koons, Sturdevant or Thompson displaced on authenticated charges? And what were the grounds upon which Pierson was rejected? Have the public interests been better promoted by the changes that have been made? These are grave inquiries, which our Representative is expected not only gravely but satisfactorily to answer, or we hold ourselves absolved from all political allegiance to him or to his future interests, and shall unhesitatingly claim and fearlessly exercise, the unquestionable right of independent electors. On him, and on his fortunes, the certain consequences must rest.

Can it be pretended that the interests of democracy required the displacement of Mr. Cole? or are we required so far to relinquish our better judgments, as to believe that an uniform and uncompromising Anti-mason can better subserve the interests of our party, or our country, than the stern unbending Democracy of Mr. Koons has done? We can anticipate the nature of the reply, which interested prejudice would make—but at this hour, we can assure all, who may be disposed to palm such excuses upon the people, that they will prove wholly unavailing. The people are awake to their own rights, and determined to sustain them. Democracy is based upon principles, as true as are the laws of Nature, and the people, when correctly informed, are as true in sustaining those principles as nature is in sustaining her own laws.

**ELEVEN HUNDRED DEMOCRATS.**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING.**  
At an adjourned meeting of the Democratic Committee of Correspondence, of Columbia county, at the house of John Rhodes, Esq, in Danville, Monday, the 20th of August, 1838, Abraham Young, Esq, of Sugarloaf, was called to the chair, Daniel Gross, of Bloomsburg, and Levi L. Tate, of Brier Creek, were appointed Secretaries.

On motion of Wm. S. Davis, Esq, the names of Levi L. Tate, and H. Webb, Esqrs, were added to the list of the Committee.

On motion of Levi L. Tate, the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

**Resolved**—That we approve of the recommendation of the Democratic Central Committee, of holding two Conventions, the one at Reading, and the other at Pittsburg, on the 10th of September next, and that this meeting proceed to appoint Delegates to the Reading Convention.— Whereupon the following gentlemen were appointed:—

- Catawissa**—Wm. Hughs, Michael Fornwalt, Reuben Knittle, Solomon Helwig, John Nuss, jr, Thomas Knorr, Samuel Shuman, Michael Mensch, Peter Bodine, Daniel Vaughns, jr.
- Roaringcreek**—Col. Michael Hower, G. G. De Peuy, Aaron Hower, Samuel Irwin, Jacob Hower, jr, Anthony Dingle, Jacob Yeager, George Fedderman, jr, Daniel Leibi, Henry Rhoads.
- Paxton District**—Joel Biddenbender, Charles Micheal, Joseph Lear, John Shuman, jr.
- Greenwood**—E. G. Rickets, John McHenry, Wm. Robbins.
- Monteur**—Elias Dietrick, David Clark, John Boyer.
- Hemlock**—Peter Appleman, Robert More, jr, Adam Straub.
- Bloomsburg**—Leonard Rupert Wm. Petriken, E. Armstrong.
- Orangeville**—M. S. Mears, A. W. Kline, Samuel Ricker.
- Derry**—Doct. Wm. A. McCormick, Maj. N. McCoy, John Meyer.
- Brier Creek**—S. F. Headly, E. O. Jack-

son, John F. Wilson, George Kelchner, John Knorr.

- Mifflin**—John Keller, jr, Samuel Creasy, Henry Kostenbader, John W. Stiles.
- Mahoning**—Philip Maus, Rush Petrikin, B. K. Rhodes, Samuel Wilson, Mordan Jackson, Wesley R. Gearhart.
- Madison**—Jeremiah Welliver, Jacob Swisher, Joseph R. Pegg.
- Mount Pleasant**—Wm. J. Ikler, Philip Kessler, George Omans.
- Sugarloaf**—Wm. E. Roberts, John Davis, Samuel Hess, T. W. Young.
- Limestone**—John Fulmer, John Fulton, John Shearer.

**Liberty**—Andrew Billmyer, jr, Martin Billmyer, jr, John McWilliams.

**Fishingcreek**—Benjamin Morris, Daniel Stoker, Abraham Kline.

On motion of H. Webb, it was **Resolved**, That a Committee of five be appointed to prepare an address to the freemen of Columbia county upon the subject of the coming Governors Election—when the chair appointed the following named gentlemen V. Best, John Cooper, H. Webb, Levi L. Tate, and Stephen Baldy.

**Resolved**—That the proceeding of this meeting be signed by the officers, and published in all the Democratic papers in county.

**ABRAHAM YOUNG, President.**  
**DANIEL GROSS, } Secretaries.**  
**LEVI L. TATE, }**

**From Mexico.**—We learn from the Merchants' Transcript, that the U. S. sloop of war Ontario, Breese, commandant, arrived off the S. W. Pass on the 2d inst., having sailed from Tampico on the 20th ult., Vera Cruz on the 23d, and Matamoros on the 28th. By her we received a letter from our attentive correspondent at Matamoros, in which we are informed that Mexico was tranquil. Orders had been received at Matamoros to prevent vessels from landing cargoes on the coast. The port of Soto Marina was opened, and three American vessels had arrived, two from New Orleans, valuable cargoes. Gen. Ureña, the assassin of Iba Bahia, has at last been defeated; he has been betrayed, and his strong hold, Mazatlan, given up for the sum of \$10,000, in consequence of which, he has been obliged to take to the mountains with the few troops he has left. There is no probability of the Mexican Government acceding to the demands of the French, and the blockade is carried on with great rigour, particularly towards American vessels.

**Freemen be on your guard.**—We learn, from Harrisburg, that papers and pamphlets are being prepared by the Ritner officeholders, to circulate throughout the State, containing the most outrageous calumnies against David R. Porter. Let every man be upon his guard. Beware of the slanderers. Nothing will be left undone to deceive the people. Already they are circulating a report that David R. Porter will be withdrawn, &c. Look out for them. Upon the coming election depends the question whether the Bank Aristocracy or the people shall govern.

**Dreadful Accident.**—A man named George Charlington, a butcher, was on Saturday driving a cart along Market Street, Fell's point; the horse becoming restive, he was thrown out, and his foot having caught in the reins, he was dragged to a considerable distance, with his head and body trailing upon the stones. Before the horse could be stopped, he was so dreadfully mangled that his head being much bruised, and several of his ribs broken *Baltimore Sun*.

**OBITUARY.**

**DIED**—In this village, on Tuesday the 21st inst. *Ary Ann B.* aged 1 year and 24 days, daughter of Mr. C. B. Fisher.

In this village, on Saturday last, *Hiram*, aged 13 months 8 days, son of Mr. Thomas Willits.

In Fishing Creek township on Thursday August 16th *Eliza Ann*, daughter of Jacob S. Evans, aged 10 months and 16 days.

**Delegate Meeting.**

The Democratic Electors of Columbia County, will meet at their respective places of holding the General Election, on **SATURDAY**, the first day of September ensuing, between the hours of 3 and 6 o'clock in the afternoon, and elect **TWO DELEGATES**, in each election district, to meet at the house of **Daniel Gross**, in Bloomsburg, on Monday, the 3d day of September, to form a Ticket to be supported by the Democratic party at the ensuing General Election.

**HUGH McELRATH, } Standing**  
**WM. J. IKELER, } Commit-**  
**SEBASTIAN HOWER, } tee.**  
July 30, 1838.

**ALL KINDS OF**  
**JOB WORK**  
Executed at this Office.

**Military Notice.**

The members of the Independent Troop, are notified to meet at the Hotel of Robert Haughebut, at McDowells Mill, on Saturday, the 15th of September, at 10 o'clock, A. M. with arms accoutrements, as the law directs, for parade and drill.  
**M. McDOWELLS, Capt.**  
N. B. It is expected that in addition to the Troop, the Briercreek Rifle Company, and the Bloomsburg Infantry and Artillery, will meet at the above time and place.

**Bloomsburg Rangers.**

You are hereby Commanded to meet at the house of John McReynolds, in Hemlock township, on Saturday, the 15th of September next, at 10 o'clock, A. M. lawfully equip for drill and exercise.  
N. B. An Appeal will be held for the fourth July, by order of the Captain.  
**DANIEL ROAT, O. S.**

**SAPONACEOUS COMPOUND**

**FOR SHAVING.** This Compound has given satisfaction to thousand who have used it, and have found it better than any other shaving soap ever offered to the public. For sale at  
**Tobias' Drug Store, Bloomsburg**

**Gentlemen and Ladies, Look Here.**

**ROSE Tooth Paste and Compound Chlorine** Tooth Wash, for cleaning and preserving the Teeth and Gums and Cleansing the mouth, for sale at  
**TOBIAS' Health Emporium.**

**Ladies and Gentlemen please read this.**  
**ODORIFEROUS Persian Scent Bag**, for laying in Drawers Wardrobes, Trunks &c. communicating its pleasant perfume to the linens, laces, &c. and keeping away the moth. For sale at  
**Tobias' Warehouse in Bloomsburg.**

**Take Notice.**

**PERSONS** interested in the navigation of the Susquehanna river, are hereby informed, that in consequence of the erection of a Dam and Sluice in the river at Columbia, the rafting channel near that town will remain closed until the 1st of October, unless the progress of the work should justify an earlier opening of the sluice, in which case due notice will be given.  
**EDWARD F. GAY,**  
Chief Engineer Susquehanna Canal.  
August 4, 1838.

Keystone and Intelligencer, Harrisburg; Miltonian, Milton; Gazette, Williamsport; Advocate, Wilkesbarre; Intelligencer, Danville; Democrat, Bloomsburg; and Aurora Borealis, Towanda, publish the above three times, send one paper to and charge this office.

**NEW GOODS.**

**THE LATEST ARRIVAL.**  
**JUST** received, and for sale at the **ARCADE**, in Bloomsburg, a fresh supply of  
**MOLASSES, SUGAR, RICE, BAND IRON, BAR IRON, SPRING STEEL, CAROLINA MOSS, &c. &c.**  
Inquire at the store of  
**RUPERT & BARTON.**  
August 11, 1838.

**A FRESH SUPPLY OF**  
**EVANS' Camomile Pills.** Brandeth's Pills, Leidy's Pills. For sale by  
**D. S. TOBIAS, Bloomsburg.**

**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 13.

**BRICK! BRICK!**

**OF** 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.

**CREDITORS TAKE NOTICE!**

That I have applied to the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the county of Columbia, for the benefit of the Insolvent Laws of this Commonwealth, and that they have appointed the third Monday of August next, (being the 20th day of the month,) for hearing me and my creditors at the court house in Danville; at which time at place you can attend if you think proper.  
**MILTON HALE.**  
Danville, Aug. 4, 1838.

**Don't Suffer too much!—Here is Remedy!**

**File Ointment.**  
**IT** almost immediately removes the pains and allays the inflammation, and by attending to the ill directions, the sufferer will be speedily relieved from the unpleasant affection. Call at  
**Tobias' Health Emporium, Bloomsburg.**

**TO PARENTS.**

**CARMINATIVE OR INFANT DROPS.**  
**THIS** valuable Medicine is a certain cure for young children, in cholice, convulsions, restlessness, griping, disordered bowels, green stools, sour vomitings, &c. For sale at  
**Tobias' Health Emporium, Bloomsburg.**

**Dr. Weaver's Worm Tea and Salve.**

**THE** action of this Medicine is not only to expel Worms, but by its tonic powers, to prevent a return of them, by removing the weak state of the digestive organs on which their production mainly depends. For sale by  
**D. S. TOBIAS,**  
Health Emporium, Bloomsburg.

**ROSE OINTMENT.**

**A** certain cure for letters, ringworms, pimples on the face, and other cutaneous eruptions.— Ask for  
**Tobias' Health Emporium, Bloomsburg.**