

and Rosa was indeed less ugly. The beauty of her mind seemed transferred to her person, and her gray eyes, small as they were, expressed wonderfully well her internal sensations.

Lord Underwood wedded Rosanna, and became the happiest of men in the possession of the kindest and most loving of women.

Beauty deserts us, but virtue and talents, the faithful companion of our lives, accompany us even to the graves.

THE COLUMBIA DEMOCRAT.

"TRUTH WITHOUT FEAR"



BLOOMSBURG:

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 1839.

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION—1840.

FOR PRESIDENT,

MARTIN VAN BUREN.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT,

RICHARD M. JOHNSON.

AND THE

CONSTITUTIONAL TREASURY.

DELEGATE ELECTION.

The Democratic citizens of Columbia County, friendly to the Administrations of Martin Van Buren and David R. Porter, are requested to meet at the usual places of holding the General Elections within their respective townships and election districts, on

Saturday, the 31st day of August, 1839, between the hours of three and six o'clock in the afternoon, in order to elect two Delegates in each district. (including the new townships that have been and may be formed,) to represent their respective districts in a County Convention of Delegates to meet at the house of Daniel Gross, in Bloomsburg, at 12 o'clock, M. on Monday, the 2d of September, 1839, for the purpose of settling a county ticket, by nominating—One person for Member of the Legislature—One person for Prothonotary and Clerk of the Courts of General Quarter Sessions, Oyer and Terminer, and Orphan's Court—One person for Register of Wills, and Recorder of Deeds—One person for County Commissioner—One person for County Treasurer—And one person County Auditor, to be voted for by the people of Columbia county, at the General Election in October next.

JOHN RHODES,
IRAM DEER,
M. FERNWALD,

Democratic Standing Committee.
August 7, 1839.

WOOD, WOOD.

The printer wants a load of wood, and if some of his friends would furnish him with one, they would oblige him much.

It will be remembered that next Saturday, the 31st inst. is the day for choosing delegates to the county convention, between the hours of 3 and 6 in the afternoon.

We are requested to announce the name of PETER KLINE, of Roaringcreek, as a candidate for REGISTER AND RECORDER.

Mr. Webb,

I wish to present the name of DANIEL SNYDER, as a Candidate for the Legislature. He is too well known throughout the county, as a firm, decided, undeviating Democrat and Anti-Bank man, and as a friend to the farmer and mechanic, to need any eulogy from me, to procure him a handsome support.

FISHINGCREEK.

Mr. Webb,

Please announce through your paper the name of

JACOB EYRELY,

as a suitable person to fill the office of PROTHONOTARY of Columbia county, and oblige a

HEMLOCKER.

Mr. Webb,

Be so good as to bring before the public the name of

THOMAS A. FUNSTON,

of Madison, a Democrat of the old school, as a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Columbia county, and confer a favor on a

VOTER OF BRIERCREEK.

Mr. Webb,

I wish to present to the Electors of Columbia county,

JOHN DIETRICK,

of Montour, as a candidate for COMMISSIONER. As that section of the county is entitled to a Commissioner, and as Mr. Dietrick is a decided friend of 'equal rights,' I have no hesitation in saying that I believe he will receive the support of the Democratic party.

A DEMOCRAT.

Mr. Webb,

As I wish to have an efficient AUDITOR from the upper section of the county, please mention the name of

JAMES DEWITT,

of Greenwood, as a suitable person for that office, and oblige a

MT. PLEASANT DEMOCRAT.

"How has Major Colt destroyed the best interest of the party, and that of the county generally?" asks the Bank Junto. It is well known to every member of the party, and now boasted of by his friends, and urged as a reason why he should be re-elected, that he was brought out by the upper section, and sustained last fall by the whole democratic party of the county. There were several reasons which urged a union upon him. The election of Governor was one in which we were all deeply interested, and all were anxious to procure as large a vote for the democratic candidate, as possible, and also, to defeat the re-election of Mr. Bowman. To bring this about, it was necessary that we should have union and harmony in our ranks with regard to the candidate for the legislature. To effect this, some gentlemen did go to Danville, from this section of the county, to solicit Major Colt to become a candidate, upon conditions that he would pledge himself to be the representative of the whole county, and "serve the best interest of the party, and that of the county generally." He did so pledge himself, and consequently was sustained. How has he fulfilled the pledge? Let us see. The first act of his after election, was to start a project for a bank in Danville, contrary to the known wishes and often expressed opinions of his constituents against the increase of banking capital in the state, and used his utmost exertions to procure the passage of a bill for that purpose, through the legislature. A veto, however, was put upon his acts, by a resolution introduced into the county meeting held in Danville, in December last, and passed by the votes of democrats of the outer townships against the silent votes of the democrats of Mahoning, which was one cause of his violent hostility to the upper section of the county, which he afterwards so conspicuously displayed. Defeated in this, petitions were set on foot to procure the annexation of Point township, from Northumberland county, to this county. In this Major Colt took an interest, as well as the whole Danville Junto. But in this, too, they were foiled, and compelled to back out for the present. A project for a New County out of parts of Luzerne, Lycoming and Columbia, was then started and urged on by the Danville Junto. Petition after petition were poured into the legislature, through Mr. Colt. Active agents from the proposed new county were in Harrisburg urging their claims. Exertion upon exertion were made by them to effect their object. And where was our representative Maj. Colt, who was elected to sustain the interest of the whole county? Did he take any measures to defeat it? No, not even so much as a lisp from him to his constituents upon the subject. Not a word could that portion of the county immediately interested get from him. They became alarmed, and procured thousands of names remonstrating against the proposed division, and forwarded them to Maj. Colt. But whatever became of them is best known to himself; for so far as the remonstrants could ever learn, they "sleep the sleep of death." Was this "sustaining the best interest of the county, or that of the democratic party?"—or was it an abandonment of all other rights and interests to advance the particular interest of Danville? The object is evident.—Procure the annexation to this county of Point township, and the township of Rush would follow of course. Divide Columbia county, by cutting off some of the upper townships, and the removal question is settled forever, and the Courts fastened at Danville. To effect this, the Bank Junto would sacrifice the interest of the county and of the party. They act upon the principle that "the end justifies the means."—They will therefore, stick at nothing, however dishonorable, to obtain their object.

Another act of his intended solely to subvert the interest of Mahoning, is alike discreditable to him as the representative of the whole county. We refer to the fact of his clandestinely procuring the passage of a law authorizing the building of a county poor house, without so much as a single petition having been presented praying for such a law. Thus putting the county to the trouble and expense of either defeating it at the election, or having fastened upon them a curse that would entail upon them an annual expense of some thousands of dollars, besides fastening upon the county an immense debt contracted for the purchase of a farm and the erecting proper buildings. Was this serving the interest of the county, or was it not serving the interest of the township of Mahoning, the expense of whose poor is nearly equal to that of all the rest

of the county put together? And yet the Junto ask, "What has Maj. Colt done to forfeit the confidence of the democratic party?" In short, every act of his while in the legislature, was calculated to advance the interest of Mahoning, no matter however much it might injure other portions of the county, or distract the party; and when spoken to upon the subject, the only satisfaction he would give, was, "I will do as I please, and I care not whether I am elected again or not!" This answer was given when he supposed he was in "full tide of successful experiment,"—when he supposed he should be able to mature all his plans for the aggrandizement of Mahoning, and of those into whose keeping he had thrown himself. But his crest was soon made to fall. His high hopes of enriching a small portion at the expense of the rest, were soon blasted. The indignant voice of his constituents, at such base and treacherous conduct, rung in his ears, and those of his friends, and they found it necessary to sound a retreat—not, however, until they had secured to themselves all the offices of the county within the gift of the Executive and of the Canal Commissioners. A caucus was held in Danville, and there resolved, to abandon for the present, their schemes—elect Maj. Colt again this fall, and then press them to effect. They were abandoned, and a false hearted cry raised against them, to lull the people of the county to sleep. Can they do it? Will the democracy of Columbia county be made subservient to the destruction of their best interest, by lending a hand to re-elect a man who has thus wantonly trifled with their rights. If he has once betrayed them, will he not do it again in defiance of all pledges? Who will trust him? No one.

The Echo says we whined around Major Colt for the appointment of Supervisor.—This is false. We followed no suit of the Echo. We neither whined, cried, nor begged for the office, either to Mr. Colt, or to any other person. We however did ask Mr. Colt for his influence which he pledged himself to give; but when the time came for action, he gave it to another, in consequence of a threat from a gentleman in the lower part of the county that if Kownover was not appointed, he would make him (Colt) a yearling. As for any promises given to Mr. Colt, from gentlemen from this section, upon condition that he would sustain our application we know of none, nor do we believe any were ever given. This story like the rest is base and unfounded. It is true we did go to Danville in January last, in company with several gentlemen from this section of the county, and the influence of the Danville interest was demanded, (not whined nor cried for,) for an appointment in this section. It was promised by some and the word of honor of others given, that they would not interfere in the appointment, but a day or two afterwards a caucus was held at that place by them, in which it was declared, "That as they had then got the power, they would keep it and if any application for an appointment came from the removal interest, it should be kicked out of the window." Accordingly all the promises to assist and pledges not to interfere were alike disregarded, and every exertion used to prevent any appointment being given to any friend of the removal interest. Major Colt, pliantly submitting to their dictation, and subjecting himself to their control, becomes a mere tool in the hands of some three or four unprincipled politicians in Danville. And now they have the impudence and hardihood to taunt us with having brought out and elected Mr. Colt to the legislature, and again ask the same interest to sustain him for a new election. An interest which he has insulted and abused. An interest, which they now acknowledge elected him which has not received the least favor from him, but every individual in it who would not submit to be controlled by the Junto has been treated with contempt, whether at Harrisburg or at home.

Doct. Petrikin declared in the county meeting that Major Colt had not sustained the democratic party by his votes in the legislature; and that he could not justify him in all his acts, and yet he asks in the last Danville Intelligencer, what has Major Colt done to forfeit the confidence of the democratic party? Doct. be so good as to answer that question in your own way. Let us have your own knowledge upon the subject. It would be interesting to the democrats of the county.

We have long been aware that the Bank Junto, in Danville, were *savage* because we introduced a resolution into the county meeting last December, instructing Major Colt to oppose the chartering of a bank in that place; and that they would stick at nothing to be revenged upon our poor heads for the act. But we were not prepared to see them denounce it as a federal measure, and anti-democratic, and openly avow their hostility to the principles embodied in those resolutions. But by an article in the last Intelligencer this appears to be a fact. The public well know the double dealing and two sided course that always characterise their acts.—Denounce to-day men and measures that are opposed to their interest and to-morrow advocating the same men and measures, because they will favor them. This has become so near a second nature that it will occasionally show itself in spite of their attempt to conceal it. Thus in their wrath, they now inadvertently show the cloven foot, and denounce a measure which at that time they pretended to favor. They say that the resolutions passed unanimously, with but one dissenting voice. But what is the true state of the case? When the resolutions were introduced, the Junto were taken by surprise. They collected in squads in different corners of the room to consult what was to be done. In the mean time a large number of democrats present from Cattawissa, Roaring-creek, and other outer townships called for the question. Perceiving by this, that the democracy out of Mahoning were determined upon the passage of the resolutions, they gave up any opposition in despair, and let the vote be taken. Not a solitary individual in Danville, and we have been informed in the township of Mahoning voting for their passage. Indeed, so much opposed were some of the democrats in Danville to the passage, that one democrat (not the one who voted in the negative) declared to us that had he been in the meeting, they never would have passed, as at least two thirds of the meeting had signed the petition for a bank. And another gentleman declared that he was not caught by the resolution, for being aware of the opposition of the county to the charter of a bank, he had refused to sign the petition and prevented several others from doing so—yet notwithstanding, they would now feign make us believe that they are opposed to a bank. It won't do, the veil is thin.

The story that the resolutions were prepared by federalists, and introduced into the meeting at their suggestion is as unequivocally false, as their assertions at the time, that they were prepared by, and introduced at the suggestion of Doct. David Petrikin. We never consulted any man as to the propriety of introducing them, much less did we ask or receive the assistance of any one in preparing them. Our movements and our course are as little controlled by federalists, as they are by the Bank Junto of Danville. They were our own handy work, & the gentlemen who seconded them, done so at our own suggestion, and we defy them to name a federalist in the county, who ever saw them or heard them read, until they were produced in the meeting where they were passed. We go still further, we defy them to produce a single federalist who advised us to pursue the course we did with the resolutions in question.

Major Colt says he is opposed to the increase of Banking Capital in this state.—We wonder how far back he can date his conversion. Whether it took place immediately after his failure last winter, to procure the charter of a bank to be located in Danville—or whether it was at the time it was declared in Danville, that the Bank Junto had paid us off for introducing into the county meeting last December, a resolution instructing him to oppose the chartering of a bank at that place. It may be however, that his conversion has been since the county meeting held here on the 10th inst. as we perceive his recorded conversion is dated on the 12th. Will Maj. Colt inform us? if he will not, perhaps Doct. Petrikin can. We should like to have the Doctor speak out.

Was it democratic to advocate the chartering of a bank in this county?

Was it democratic to sustain the continuation of Thad Stevens' Tape Worm?

Was it democratic to vote against all restrictions upon incorporated companies for private speculations, and to vote for the chartering an innumerable number of new companies throughout the state?

If so, then Major Colt has sustained by his votes four measures that were democratic.

In our last we referred to S. F. Heady, as the author of a communication in the Berwick Sentinel, over the signature of "Looker On." Since then, we have been requested by Mr. Heady to say, that he disavows the authorship, not having seen it until after publication, and from other information connected, we have become satisfied that "Looker On," as well as the other articles in the same paper, were not written in Berwick, but in Danville. We shall not, therefore, take the notice of the Sentinel which we promised in our list, but present our compliments to the Bank Junto in Danville, from whom all orders and communications flow.

CONSISTENCY.

The Danville Intelligencer denounces in no measured terms the last legislature, for granting so many soulless corporations, and even goes so far as to denounce particular men by name, as federalists, because they voted for these corporations, while at the same time they bring forward and urge the nomination by the democratic party, of Major Colt, a man who gave not a vote last winter in opposition to incorporated companies, nor a single vote in favor of resuscitating them. O, consistency, thou art a jewel.

The Bank Junto at Danville, insinuate that we are in favor of a bank because we have published the notice of an application for a Bank signed by two citizens in Berwick.—The notice was sent to us by a democrat of Berwick, who, we have since been informed, has declared, that there was no intention of applying for a charter in pursuance of the notice, but that it was got up, at the request of the Bank Junto in Danville, to make a diversion, in favor of the bank.—They thought by this movement to catch the democracy of the upper townships napping. But in this the Junto have been mistaken, and counted without their host.—They oppose banks from principle, and are not to be caught by every silly scheme that may be started to entrap them.

The Bank Junto reiterate their denial of the Supervisor having made private contract with individuals in Danville for repairing and rebuilding of Canal bridges. We have heretofore publicly charged the Supervisor with having made such contracts, and challenged him to contradict the assertion. He has never done so. We now again repeat that such a contract was made by him, so far as his powers extended, with two or more individuals, of Danville, if his word is to be believed, and we again say to him, deny it if you can. If not true, why hesitate? The story is believed, and will be, unless there is some other evidence more than the mere denial of the Intelligencer, to the contrary. Then clear it up. We want the truth of the matter—nothing more. If we have injured the Supervisor in this respect, we will make all the amend honorable. We see no reason as yet to change our opinion, as we consider the evidence of three or four immediately interested better evidence than one who pretends to be uninterested.

WESTERN ELECTIONS.

Our accounts of the elections in the west are neither vague nor contradictory, but clear and explicit. The democrats have carried all before them. It is now certain that James K. Polk, democrat, is elected Governor, in Tennessee, by a majority of more than 3000 over Cannon, the late whig incumbent—Democratic gain since last election, more than 23000. Six democrats and seven federalists have been elected to Congress—Democratic gain 3—and a democratic majority in the Legislature, which secures the election of two democratic U.S. Senators from that state; Judge White's term expires, and Mr. Foster having pledged himself to resign if the election went against the federalists.

We have gained two members of Congress in Kentucky, certain, if not three, and the State Legislature nearly balanced. In the last Congress we had but one member from Indiana, we now have six out of the seven members.

In Alabama, the democratic candidate for Governor is elected, and a large democratic majority in the Legislature. The delegation in Congress stand the same as before.

In North Carolina last year, the Congress stood 5 democrats to 8 federalists—this year it will stand 8 democrats to 5 whigs. No wonder the whig accounts are vague and contradictory.

Civil suits have been instituted against Mr. Jacob Ridgway. They are under the direction of W. L. Hirst, Esq.