

COMMUNICATIONS.

For the Columbia Democrat. THE TARIFF.

For several years after the close of the last war, the Tariff was among the most exciting subjects which claimed the attention of Congress.

As this law is soon (1842) to expire by limitation, and a revision of the Tariff may then be expected, we already witness the efforts of the same men extending themselves in favor of the same increase of duties, which on former occasions they have so tenaciously urged.

Whatever the rate of duties may be, it is a known fact that the consumer of the article on which a duty is payable eventually pays the duty.

To illustrate the subject a little further, we will instance the article of woollen goods. It is, I believe a conceded, at any rate it is a demonstrable fact, that a yard of Broad Cloth which usually sells in this country for six dollars, is actually made, including expense of material, labor, wear and tear of machinery &c. &c. for something less than two dollars and fifty cents.

It is a tax of seven dollars upon him who buys a coat worth nominally six dollars per yard, paid very directly into the pockets of the Manufacturer.

Though the writer of this, is certainly as friendly as any other man, to the Manufactures of our own country, and to a full development of all our immense resources, yet he does not believe that they are to be called at once into existence by one of Mr. Clay's panie speeches, or that General Harrison can fix her permanency by a flourish of his sword.

The subject we have thus briefly touched upon, is certainly one, which has claims upon the most serious consideration of every citizen. A high Tariff of duties, and an unrestrained indulgence of our countrymen, in inordinate speculation, naturally produces a bloated Treasury, which is certainly not among the least evils which can befall a representative government.

Ponder upon these things, my Countrymen, for with you the decision rests.

CHEVES.

Mr. Wren.—It certainly is a source of unending amusement, to witness the continuous changes of modern Whiggery.—The Protean shapes which it assumes before the people, excite at the same time sensations of risibility and disgust.

Hence it is, that so discordant are the materials of which that party is composed, that nothing like stability of principle, can, in any emergency, attach to it.

ligious people to rejoice in the success of our country's arms." Abolitionists, who are scattering the seeds of disunion in every section of the Union, Bank Directors, Agents and Attorneys, whose Crossed wealth has been accumulated from the toils of those whom they now doom to offices of the meanest drudgery, toil and oppression, and the whole posse of professed Aristocrats, who are to be found in less, or greater numbers in every City and manufacturing district in the U. States.

Suppose we were to elect a President, whose pliant disposition, would call about him a Cabinet composed of such heterogeneous and discordant materials. To what port of profit, or haven of safety could they possibly direct the ship of state? The very idea that such may ever be the situation of that country we love, which contributes so largely to our happiness, and the advancement of those principles which alone can dignify and embellish human nature, is full of startling dangers.

Such an Executive, so surrounded could not in any possible contingency, administer the Government in accordance with those principles of freedom and equality on which it is based.

DAVID PETRIKIN. Mr. Wren.—I this day saw a very abusive circular, issued by Doct. Petrikin, in which he arrogates to himself the character of teacher, ruler and dictator of the democratic party in this county.

Sentimental.—A whig paper says Tippecanoe cradlers are becoming fashionable among whig ladies (married or single the editors sayeth not).

Hushaby baby, Daddy's a whig. Before he comes home, Hard cider he'll swig. Should he get tipsy, Together we'll fall, Down will come daddly Tip, cradle and all.

Congress. And although David R. Porter received 1528 majority the Doctor received but 656, and this is his popularity. And I say now he cannot get 500 for any office in the county. He is esteemed as a persecuting enemy, who will strike at the bosom of his best friend if they cross his ambitious seeking for office.

A DEMOCRAT.

AMERICAN IRON.

A writer in the National Gazette estimates the present consumption of iron in this country at three hundred thousand tons, and the average annual expenditure of each member of the community therefor, at two dollars sixty-five cents.

"FAITH WITHOUT FEAR"



BLOOMSBURG:

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 1840.

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION—1840. For President, MARTIN VAN BUREN. For Vice President, RICHARD M. JOHNSON.

ELECTORAL TICKET.

Table listing names of candidates for various offices, including Senators, Representatives, and Electors.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION.

Delegate Election.

THE Democratic citizens of Columbia county who are friendly to the State Administration, and advocates for the re-election of Martin Van Buren and R. M. Johnson, as President and Vice President of the United States, are requested to meet at the usual places of holding the General Elections within their respective townships and election districts, on

Saturday, the 20th day of August, 1840, between the hours of three and six o'clock in the afternoon, in order to elect TWO Democratic Delegates in each Election District, to represent their respective districts in a County Convention of Delegates, to meet at the house of Enoch Howell in Bloomsburg, at 12 o'clock, M. on Monday, the 31st day of August, 1840, for the purpose of settling a ticket, to be supported by the party at the ensuing Election, by nominating

- One Person for State Senator
One Person for Member of the Legislature.
One Person for Sheriff.
One Person for Coroner.
One Person for Commissioner.
One Person for Treasurer.
One Person for Auditor;

and for the purpose of appointing Conferees, to meet the Conferees of Luzerne and Schuylkill counties, in relation to the nomination of candidates for Congress and Senator, to be supported by the Democratic Republicans of the Congressional and Senatorial Districts.

SAMUEL CREASY, SAMUEL KISNER, SAMUEL B. WILSON, ISAAC KLINE, OWEN D. LEIB.

Standing Committee.

August 16, 1840.

The great western Baer was in this place on Tuesday evening last, and oh, what a "rioting and a rumpus" there was among the whigs. His speech was anything and every thing but such an one as we should have expected from the renown with which the whigs have covered him.

A FRANK ADMISSION.

The Boston Courier, a violent Harrison paper, refers to the charge of the democratic presses against Gen. Harrison, that he wore a BLACK COCKADE during the reign of Terror in 1800 in the following independent manner:

The Van Buren papers are charging Gen. Harrison with having worn a black cockade during the reign of the elder Adams and parade the testimony of a Mr. Fowler of Kentucky, in support of the imputation. Well, suppose Gen. Harrison did. He could not have worn a MORE HONORABLE BADGE, OR SUPPORTED A PURER ADMINISTRATION!"

How far more honorable this language of the Courier, expressing its true opinions without concealment, than the low disgusting efforts of the majority of the federal presses in denying that which they know to be true, and virtually permitting that to become odious which they secretly admire and approve.

What is this lute for? Guess.