DEMOCRAT.

"TRUTH WITHOUT FEAR"

BLOOMSBURG:

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 1843.

FOR PRESIDENT,

JAMES BUCHANAN.

(Subject to the decision of a National Convention.)

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY MEETING.

The Democratic Electors of Columbia county are requested to meet in County Meeting, on

Saturday the 19th day of August

next, at 1 o'clock P. M. in Bloomsburg, at the house of Charles Doebler, for the purpose of electing a delegate to the Convention to be held at Harrisburg, on the 5th of September next, to nominate candidates for Canal Commissioners—and appoint Conferees to select a Senatorial delegate, for this senatorial district.

STEPHEN BALDY.
DANIEL FORNWALD,
CHARLES F. MANN,
CHARLES KAHLER,
JAMES C. SPROUL.

Democratic Standing Committee.

July 31, 1843.

HARVEST HOME

AT ORANGEVILLE, Col. Co.

A Harvest Home will be held at the house of I. C. Johnson, in Orangeville, on Saturday the 26th day of August, inst.—The following committee of arrangements has been appointed:

Orange—E. G. Rickets, E. Lazarus, Daniel Fornwald, Jesse Coleman, Peter Hayman, John B. Edgar.
Cattawiesa—O. D. Lieb.
Hemlock—J. McReynolds.
Brier Creek—L. L. Tate.
Greenwood—G. W. Morris.
Jackson—Iram Derr.
Fishing Creek—John Lazarus.
Sugarloaf—Ezekiel Cole.
Madison—Thomas Funston.
Derry—Neal M'Cay.
Benton—C. F. Mann.
Roaring Creek—Col. M, R. Hower.
Bloom—L. B. Rupert.
Montour—John Dieterich.
Limestone—John S. Folmer.
Valley—John Moss.
Liberty—Hugh McElwrath.
Mahoning—Charles Conner.

The following gentlemen were appointed a committee of invitation, L. B. Rupert, E. G. Rickets, E. Lazarus, J. McReynolds.

A general invitation is given to the citizens of this and the adjoining counties to attend. A number of distinguished gentlemen from other counties are expected to be present, and several addresses may be expected.

August 8, 1843.

We are requested by the friends of Removal generally, to announce DANIEL SNYDER, as a candidate for re-election to the Assembly at the October election. And we are gratified in being able to say that Mr. Snyder, has consented to this use of his name; provided the Removal convention should sanction it.

Aug 19—1842.

TEMPERANCE MASS MEETING.

We are requested to mention that a Temperance Mass meeting will be held in the grove near the school house; on the land of Daniel Smith, near New Columbia, in this county; on the 31st day of August, inst; commencing at 10 o'clock, in the forenoon. A general invitation is given to speakers, and all others to attend.

In another column will be found the proceedings of a removal meeting, held at Rhoisburg. These proceedings breathe the right spirit, union and harmony for the sake of the question. Let the same spirit characterize the friends of Removal every where and the Danville faction will find, that their money, the potency of which they have heretofore boasted so much of, in enabling them to prevent justice being done to the county, will not avail them much longer.

The Real Estate left by the late Jacob Ridgway in the City and County of Philadelphia; is assessed at the sum of $877,-993.

HARVEST HOME CELEBRATION, *AT ORANEGEVILLE.*

Notwithstanding the sneers of the Anti masonic editor of the Danville Intelligencer is likely to be a good affair, and will attended. Numbers from different section, of this county, as well as from the adjoining counties, and several gentlemen from abroad, have signified their intention of being present. Our worthy host, Mr. Johnson is making arrangements to accomodate all who may come, and all who are acquainted with his method of doing business, need no assurances from us, and to others we will say their best expectation will be realized. Come than, one and all, and mingle your congratulations for the bounteous harvest that has just been gather into your granaries.

The water was again let into the the North-branch canal on the 9th inst. and yet loaded boats can not yet float, for the want of water, the supervisor not being able to bill the canal; in consequence of the miserable piece of patch. work repairs above the guard lock, at Nanticoke; to effect which was the *pretended* object of letting out the water. We under stand that these repairs have cost the state several thousand dollars, while they are more than useless, in consequence of the ignorance displayed by the supervisor in their construction. There is a secret history about this job at Nanticoke' that we may here after take an opportunity to explain, which will not be very creditable to the Canal Commissioners, the supervisor, and some others that we have in our minds eye.

HARVEST HOME.

A Harvest Home will be held at Orangeville, Columbia county, at the house of I. C. Johnson, on Saturday the 27th inst.—We understand it is got up for the purpose of soft soaping the self-styled Col. Tate & Co. We wonder if the Col. will be there, dressed in soldiers clothes!—*Danville Int.*

When we first cast our eyes on the above paragraph we were led to believe that the old editor of the Intelligencer, was at home in person, but when it occurred to us that he was a ubiquous being, and might possibly have the power of infusing into another his contemptible meanness of disposition to disparage every thing that eminated from the upper portion of the county, or that was not countenanced by the Danville faction, we came to the conclusion that he was probably in body still at Harrisburg, but speaking in Danville through his amiable *antimasonic organ*, J. Jones. Such being the fact, it accounts for the appearance of the above ill-natured paragraph in the Intelligencer, so well calculated to show off the rancorous feelings engendered in the breasts of the whole Danville faction against the friends of Removal, and any village located within the interest.

Specie never was so plenty in Boston as at the present time. For several years past the average amount of specie in the vaults of the Banks has been about three and a half millions—now it is said they have nearly eight millions. Money can be had on good securities for 3½ per cent.

A vessel of 1250 tons, called the Queen of the West, and said to be the largest merchantman ever built in this country, was launched at New York on Saturday last. She is pronounced a splendid specimen of of naval architecture. The Yorkers generally do up their work about right.

Oliver Cromwell was born on the 3d of September on that day fought his three great battles of Marston Moor; Worcester and Dunbar, and on that day died!'

STATUE OF WASHINGTON.

It is stated in the New York Express that a pedestal composed of two blocks of beautifully hammered Quincy granite, the base one weighing fifteen tons and the die twenty three tons, has recently been forwarded from Boston to Washington, upon which is to be placed Greenough's Statue of Washington. On the die part is tastefully wrought the following appropriate sentiment:—'First in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen.'

Wheat is selling at Pittsburg, at one dollar twenty-five cents per bushel.

Notice has been given that a charter will be asked for a new bank at Schuylkill Haven, at the next Legislature. Capitol $200,000.

ROHERSBURG REMOVAL MEETING.

A large and respectable meeting of the citizens of Greenwood and Fishing Creek townships, convened at the house of George W. Abbott, in Rohersburg, on Friday evening, the 11th day of August, 1843, agreeably to public notice. The meeting was called to order by appointing, *Jonathan Lemon*, President—*William Mather* and *Richard Haycock*, Vice Presidents, and *George W. Abbott* and *John Parks* Secretaries. The object of the meeting having been stated, it was *Resolved*, to appoint a committee of six to draft a preamble and resolutions expressive of the sense of the meeting. Whereupon the chair appointed the following gentlemen to that committee—John Staley, Charles W. Fortner, Nicholas Kindt, Isaac R. Kline, William Edgar and James Dewitt, who, having retired a short time, returned and reported the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted.

Whereas—The time has come when the voters of this county are called upon to make nominations for candidates to fill the different offices of this county, and whereas, party politics have given place to a more important question as it relates to this county, even the removal of the connty seat from Danville to a more central position, we therefore, citizens of Greenwood and Fishing Creek townships, adopt this plan to set forth our views as regards the removal party in general. First; we believe that neither of the four townships lying npon the head waters of Fishing Creek, has had the honor of giving a Sheriff to the county of Columbia, for which reason we claim, in the present canvass, the privilege of having a candidate chosen from one of these four townships, and hereby recommend Iram Derr, of Jackson township as the man of our choice he being a removal man.

Secondly, we assert, that as we have heretofore urged and sustained the removal cause in this county, we still stand firm in the same good cause.

Therefore Resolved—That we view any attempt made to distract the minds of the removal party from their main object, by party politics, as being detrimental to the best interests of a large majority of the voters of this county.

Resolved—That we recommend the formation of a removal ticket independent of political consideration, but at the same time giving each political party a share of the candidates in the ticket thus formed.

Resolved—That as our enemy is a subtle one, we recommend a union of action, as there is a union of interest in the removal cause.

Resolved—That Daniel Snyder, our Representative in the State Legislature for the three last sessions, has stood firm and unwavering, and honestly maintained the best interest of his constituents, for which he merits our warmest approbation, and we hereby recommend him as the man of our choice for member of the next Legislaure from this county.

Resolved—That as Bloom has had the Treasurer and member of the Legislature for the last three years, she cannot reasonably expect the sheriff this year, altho' she has two candidates in the field.

Resolved—That notwithstanding we have set forth our claims, we are pledged to support the whole removal ticket when fairly formed.

Resolved—That a committee of three be appointed to watch the movements of the Danville faction, to report—to call meetings and take every honest measure to support the removal cause.

On motion it was *Resolved*—That John Staley, Jonas Hayman and Charles W. Fortner be that committee.

Resolved—That the proceedings of this meeting be signed by the officers and published in the Columbia Democrat, Bloomsburg Register and Columbia Enquirer, and all other papers friendly to the removal cause.

JONATHAN LEMON; President.
WILLIAM MATHER, RICHARD HAYCOCK, } *Vice Prest's.*
George W. Abbott, John Parks, } *Secretaries.*

Committee of Vigilance
JOHN STALEY,
JONAS HAYMAN,
CHAS. W. FORTNER.

IMPORTANT—IF TRUE.

The Courier de Lyons states that water pipes of thick glass, covered with a coating of bitumen joints, are being manufactured at River de Gler. These pipes will' it is asserted, bear higher degree of pressure than those of cast iron, and are 30 per cent, cheaper. Should this sort of pipes come into use, it will affect the increased demand for the metal for iron ships.

Mr. Alanson M. Clark, of Swanton, Vermont, announces in the St. Albana Republican that he has sheared from a full blood merino buck, the growth of one year lacking four days, thirteen pounds and ten ounces of good clean wool; also from a full blood merino ewe, which has a lamb 8½ pounds.

A HALE OLD MAN.

The English papers chronicle the fact of a man aged eighty five, who walked 48 in twelve hours, including stoppages: This is a lesson for some of our effeminate young men.

FOR THE COLUMBIA DEMOCRAT.

Mr. Editor:—Having been called a few weeks ago, a considerable distance up the North branch of the Susquehanna, and never before having been through the northern part of the state; I was agreeably disappointed as regards the country and its inhabitants. The scenery along that noble stream which as it winds its course around the hills with their lofty precipices on one side and the fertile valies, interspersed with villages and cultivated farms on the other, form a most beautiful landscape. After leaving Northumberland, the first town is Danville, the seat of justice for Columbia county; a pleasant little town; situate on the bank of the river, contains some handsome dwellings, Court House, several Foundries, three or four houses for public worship, an Academy, female seminary &c.

Its location however is far from being a good one, as regards the public business of the county, being only the width of the river from Northumberland county, and but a few miles distant from the seat of justice for that county. I am informed that it was fixed upon as the seat of justice through the management of some two or three individuals who owned considerable property within its boundaries; and contrary to the wishes of a large majority of the residents of the county

On the east side of the river and eight miles above Danville is Cattawissa, a small but apparently thriving place; and four miles above that on the west side is Bloomsburg, about one mile from the river, and not far from the junction of Fishing creek with the North Branch. This creek runs a few hundred yards west of the town; and is a noble stream, with plenty of water power for iron works or factories of any kind, and would be a desirable situation for capatilists to embark in the manufacturing businnss, especially that of iron, as there are inexhaustible mines of ore throughout that whole region.

The town of Bloomsburg I would say contains something upwards of one hundred dwellings, four houses for public worship, an Academy, several dry goods and grocery stores, three hotels, one of which is a spacious three story building and kept by Mr. Charles Doebler, a gentleman well qualified for the business, and provided with all the good things which tend to the comfort of his guests. His table is furnished with the delicacies of the season, and the weary traveller may here find a comfortable resting place, and will always find mine host of the "Bloomsburg House" at home ready to wait upon any person who calls, *loafers excepted.*

The situation of Bloomsburg is pleasant being on the south side of a gentle rise of ground, descending gradually to the North Branch Canal, and from thence to the river and being nearly in the centre of the county would appear to render it the most proper place for the seat of justice. It appears that the citizens of the county have kept a continued opposition to its present location, and bill after bill, by one or the other branches of the Legislature have been passed at different times, for its removal; but have all heretofore failed, it is said by the unfair representations and sympathetic appeals of the citizens of Danville, to the members of the legislature. During the last session a bill for the removal passed the lower house by a large majority, and was defeated in the senate by the opposition of the senator from the county; under the *very specious pretext* of a division of the county, in which *Quiotic* measures the anti removals united, as the only means of saving them from defeat.

The removal men I find are again in the field and intend selecting a representative in order to make it a test question; and thereby shew beyond a doubt, that a large majority of the inhabitants are decidedly in favor of removal. The removal of the seat of justice to a more central part is a matter of which the people of Columbia county may justly demand as a *right*, to which they are entitled, and which ought to be granted them by any legislative body acting for the general benefit of the people. I should suppose one glance of the eye; on the map of the county; would convince any candid man that the public buildings of the county are now, and always have been in the wrong place; and the sooner they are removed, the sooner an act of justice will be done to the people. If it was wrong to have them placed at Danville' at first, no subsequent act could make it right for their continuance.

VIATOR.

PERILS OF TRAVEL.

During twenty five years of steamboat navigation, on the Western waters, from 1816 to 1841, two hundred and twenty eight accidents have occurred, causing the loss of 1700 lives! Of these accidents, 99 were explosions and collapses; 28 by fire; 25 by shipwreck, from gales, collisions, &c, 32 from snags and sawyers, and 24 from different and unknown causes.

GEN. JACKSON'S FINE.

The Mississippi Legislature has passed resolution s pronouncing the sentence of Judge Hall, imposing the fine on General Jackson, unjust and illegal—and instructing their Representatives and Senators in Congress to urge the passage of a law for refunding it, with interest.

They measure milk by the bushel in Mississippi. A letter published in an agricultural paper says, that at a recent cattle show in that State, a cow was exhibited which gave one bushel and two quarts of milk per day.

COLUMBIA COUNTY BIBLE SOCIETY.

At a meeting of the citizens of Columbia county, interested in the Bible cause, in the Lecture Room of the Presbyterian Church, at Danville on Monday the 7th day of August, 1843.

The Rev. Mr. EYER was called to the chair and *E. W. Conkling* appointed Secretary.

The meeting being opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hand; the Rev. J. W. Dale, general agent of the Pennsylvania Bible Society stated the object of the meeting, and after making some interesting statements in regard to the progress of the Penna' Society, in supplying every destitute family in the State with a copy of the Holy Scriptures; presented the following plan of a Constitution for a Columbia County Bible Society, which was unanimously adopted:

CONSTITUTION.

Art 1st This Society shall be called the Columbia county Bible Society, auxiliary to the Pennsylvania Bible Society

Art 2nd It shall be the object of this Society to distribute the sacred Scriptures without note or comment, in Columbia co. and to aid the Penna' Bible Society with its surplus funds

Art 3d Any person may become a member of this Society, by paying into its Treasury *any* sum; and every member of an auxiliary Society shall be a member, and entitled to all the privileges of the County Bible Society

Art 5th The officers of this Society shall be a President, three Vice Presinents, a Treasurer, a corresponding and recording Secretary, and — Manages, together with one manager from each auxiliary Society. They shall meet at least once in three months, make by laws for their own government and fill vacancies in their own number Five shall be a quorum to transact business

Art 5th The annual meeting of the Society shall be held on the last Monday of December, when the proceedings of the year shall be reported and officers for the ensuing year chosen

Art 6th No alteration shall be made in this Constitution except at an annual meeting, by a majority of members present

The following gentlemen were unanimously elected officers of this Society

President—Rev Mr. EYER
Vice Presidents—*Jesse Bowman, Wm. McKelvy, Alex. Montgomery*
Treasurer—*M C Grier*
Corresponding Secretary—*G D Leib*
Recording Sec'y—*E W Conkling*
Managers—Rev Mr Halliday, Rev Mr Swartz, Rev Mr Bahl, J C Grier, Wm Jennison

Some remarks being made in reference to the destitution in Columbia county, it was unanimously

Resolved—That from the fact already developed, we are led to suppose that from 400 to 500 families in this County, have no Bible and to supply the destitution $300 will be needed, therefore

Resolved—That we will adopt immediate measures to raise the necessary funds for purchasing the Bibles necessary for distribution

On Motion adjourned
E. W. CONKLING, *Secy.*

Life in New Orleans—A flatboatman, in buying a bowie knife from a pedlar on the Levee, yesterday, exposed the contents of his purse, which were a large lot of pure Mexican 'castings' A parcel of fellows, who are ever prowling about, seeking whom they may fleece, having seen it, laid their plans instantly and at once to submit him to process of abstracting, which were, to accost him, nay, embrace him; as a recognized friend, and while one clapsed him in transports of friendly recognition, the others were to deprive him of his *change* It appears they had strong constitutional scruples against one man possessing the *purse* and the sword—or the bowie knife which; as an offensive instrument is the same, or a great deal more so.' Accordingly, one of the gang rushed up to him and accosting him with a 'What! my eyes! eh—it is'nt—I'm blest but is though! Why how are Bill? —grasping him round the body and the arms at the same time; as a bear would grasp its adversary. The other members of the gang lost no time in disencumbering him of his specie; but before they succeeded; his companion *in arms* contrived to loosen his arms; and then he drew his arms: the bowie knife with which he saved his silver, and literally fought his way on board his flatboat; when he said.—A feller gets acquainted in New Orleans with the meanest flung fellers in all creation.

The Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, according to the 24th Annual Report, have 325 missionaries employed, and of these 250 are engaged in the home field, this side of the Rocky Mountains. Of these 20 are among the Germans, 40 among the Indians, 55 among the slaves of the South, and about 135 'in the destitute portions of the regular work.' The 'foreign fields' are Oregon, Texas, Liberia and Buenos Ayres. In Oregon, 7 clerical & 11 lay missionaris are employed. The laymen are teachers, physicians farmers and mechanics. In Liberia there are 27 missionaries, none of whom are laymen. The residue of the missionaries are in Texas, with the exception of one minister, who is stationed at Buenos Ayres.