was brought up in Kentucky, but having nowhere to stay, I concluded to "start off." I pulled up my stakes," and had all my earthly treasures in a pocket handkerchief, which was labelled "this is the house that Jack built." [Cheers and laughter.] I got to Tennessee in time to take part in the contest of Gen. Jackson's first election. I don't exactly want that to come out, because you see it fixes my age, and I may want to marry again. [A laugh.] I was one of two men in the county who voted against old Jackson, and I stood alone till the State was revolutionized in 1835, and thank God I have taken a part in every struggle we have had since then; and these same fellows that voted for Jackson have seen the error of their ways, and they are the same chaps that said me to Congress, in place of a better, to represent that learning district itself, I don't see how it is that I could have got better, do you? [Immense cheering & laughter, and cries of "no, no, no." I think they have made a pretty respectable show of their good sense, which is a compliment to themselves, and not to me. [Cheers and laughter.]

Well, gentlemen, I will be with you for at least two months yet; and all you have to do is to get up a little bubble, and I will come and talk to you. [Cheers.] I have nothing else to do. I am a Scot man, from the crown of my head to the sole of my foot. I am not anything else but a Scot man now. Write that down in a book and publish and preserve it for your children and mine. In the Convention, there was competition as between Fillmore and Webster and Scott; but as between General, Captain, or Lieutenant Pierce and General Scott, there was no room for greeting. [Cheers and "Scott forever."] I thank you ladies and gentlemen, for the polite attention you have given me. I just came in as small change to fill up the crevices between the big guns. [The immense gathering seemed to rise and stand and long and continued applause.]

Who Oppose Gen. Scott!

It is a common remark, that you may know a man by his friends. You can tell something about him by the people who are his enemies. Gen. Scott has various opponents.

Rev. Mr. Brownlow opposes him because he caused the churches and religious services of the Catholics in Mexico to be respected by his soldiers. And all supporters of the Religious Test in New Hampshire, and sectarian bigots every where, follow the lead of Rev. Mr. Brownlow.

The *London Times* opposes him because "Gen. Pierce will be a valuable practical man to fill the office of Secretary of War, for which Ireland has been ruined and America seriously injured. Russell, and capitalists and land-holders in England follow the lead of the *London Times*.

Messrs. Toombs and Stephens oppose him because "he gives no other guarantee for the policy of his administration than the known Democratic party," and because they have looked through them, and can find nothing that indicates any leaning towards their views. And the Secession Secessionists follow the lead of Messrs. Toombs and Stephens.

The Philadelphia Sun opposes him because "he is disposed to grant too many privileges to foreigners." And all Nativists everywhere follow the lead of *The Philadelphia Sun*.

The Mexicans and Canadian annexationists hate him because they think he is one "of a million" man."

The South Carolina and Frontier and contents oppose him, because they think he is too much of a Peace man.

The Sauge and Sawyers and Shoals and Breakers in the Rivers and Harbors oppose him, because they know that if he is elected they will have to work.

Locofoco office holders, here and there, oppose him for the same reason.

And the greater part of the Locofoco party follow their lead, simply because they are Locofocos, without knowing why or wherefore.—*Albany Journal.*

Bile—Shoo.

PIERCE CANNON POET PAPER.—The London (British) *Times* will be published as a Pierce Campaign paper until the election in November. Hurry up your subscriptions!

A Whig paper calls Frank Pierce "Jupiter Tonans." It may be "Jupiter Tonans," but he will never be Jupiter Plwius. He may thunder, but he'll never reign.—*Baltimore Sun.*

The Boston *Post* speaks of General Pierce as "the old Democratic War-Horse." He has one attribute of the Scriptural warhorse at all events—

"He smelleth the battle *afar off!*"

Franklin says:

"The editor of the *Southern Democrat* says that he has been "trying to count the Whig lies started during the canvass." We apprehend that all the lies the fellow counts will be needed in the contest."

The Whig party and General Scott have been admirably compelled to face the music.—*Alleghany Banner.*

And the enemy too, and it was done without *fainting!*

While in the army he was above the reach of censure.—Watt. *Union on Pierce.*

He kept out the reach of everything (except fainting) likely to do him an injury.

How looks the Democratic ranks.—*Argus.*

British on the right wing, Loco-Foco in the centre, and anti-American all over.

Gen. Scott can never obtain the support of the Native American party.—*Phil. Sun.*

And the British Tory press also oppose him.

Gen. Pierce's response to the Father of Rivers: "What your country wants is men."

Gen. Scott's lamentable weakness as a civilian, has left the opposing leaders but a single alternative for the campaign.

—*Staunton Gazette.*

"We presume that it was Gen. Pierce's "chosen noble sentiment" as a soldier that caused him to *faint* on the field of battle.—*Boston Atlas.*

GOOD.—*The Wisconsin* published a few days ago a song called a "Hurrah for Pierce and King," to the air of "Life on the Ocean Wave."

The Chicago *Journal* thereupon remarks:

We think it would be more appropriate with an air from the north west, entitled, "*Death on the Inland sea.*"

FAR NOBLE PRETENSE.—"Pierce was a true friend of Fillow."—*Ohio Sentinel.*

Pierce took counsel of his pillow at Churubusco.

Great honors have ever been considered due to the men who fells the field.—*Ex.*

Then what honors can be great enough for the Democratic equinoxe who *fell* in divers battles?

The following sparring took place, the other day, in a South-side county:

Democrat. "Scott is a Sam-Nol" man.

Whig. And what is Pierce? A *fumble-bug*, I presume."

[Ex. Om.]

"To the Postmaster of Virginia." is the address he a letter in the dead-letter office.

THE STAR AND BANNER.

GETTYSBURG.

Friday Evening, August 13, 1852.

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FOR VICE PRESIDENT,
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FOR SUPREME JUDGE,
JOSEPH BUFFINGTON.

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WHIG COUNTY TICKET.

ASSEMBLY.

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AUDITOR.
John Bell, (of Straban.)
DIRECTOR OF POOR.
Peter Smith, (of Mountpleasant.)

☞Our acknowledgments are due to Messrs. Cooper and Seward, of the Senate, for valuable favors.

☞We are indebted to Mr. KELLER Kent for a copy of a new and very excellent engraving of Pennsylvania College, executed by Mr. WILLIAM GILLESPIE, of Baltimore. The engraving is designed for framing, and it is a very convenient size for that purpose. Price 25 cts.

The Congressional Nomination.

☞By reference to the proceedings of the Whig Congressional Conference to-day's paper, it will be seen that SAMUEL L. RUSSELL, Esq., of Bedford, has been nominated as the Whig Candidate for Congress in the district. This result was accomplished on the 50th ballot, and the nomination was subsequently *unanimously* confirmed by the Conference. We have room for comment this week. It will be noticed that for *five* ballots, Col. PAXTON ran "neck and neck" with his successful rival—Adams and Juniata voting for Paxton, and Bedford nearly injured. Russell and Franklin for Robinson. On either of these ballots, he could have been nominated with the assistance of the Franklin Conferees; and it may be a matter of regret therefore that he did not on their way clear to throw their votes for Col. Paxton after it must have become evident that their candidate would not be nominated. *Regrets*, however, in cases like this are useless.

As to the nominee, Mr. RUSSELL, who is a gentlemen every way worthy the confidence and support of the Whigs of the entire district, we feel fully warranted in saying that he will be warmly, cordially, and unitedly supported by the Whigs of Adams, and have no doubt that he will be triumphantly elected. He is a tried Whig, a true gentleman, and possessed of abilities such as to give him standing and influence in any Legislative body. As regards Col. PAXTON, to those who know the man, we need hardly tender the assurance that he will be found as usual foremost in the support of the nominee of the party. At the hands of no man will Mr. Russell receive a more sincere, earnest, and effective support than from Col. Paxton and his immediate friends.

Capital Curiosity.

☞We are indebted to a friend for a copy of the second annual Catalogue of Capital University, located at Columbus, Ohio, of which Rev. Dr. REYNOLDS, formerly of this place, is President. The Institution is represented to be in very prosperous circumstances. The total number of students in attendance during this year, is 114. Under the direction of its talented and energetic President, Capital University must ere long occupy a prominent place among the literary Institutions of our country.

Mass Meeting at Harrisburg.

The Whigs of Pennsylvania are respectfully to assemble in mass meeting at Harrisburg, on FRIDAY the 20th of August, being the anniversary of the battle of Churubusco, in which the American Army, 9000 strong, with WINFIELD SCOTT at their head, defeated 20,000 Mexicans. The meeting is called by the Whig State Central Committee, and promises to be a great affair. We quote from the call:

"*From Lancaster, Allegheny, Philadelphia, Chester, Delaware, and Bucks*—in fact from counties where the Whig banner always flicks in triumph—let the glad voices of men accustomed to victory be heard! From the far North and East, where the Whig fires burn dimly, let the brave watches come, and reanimate their hearts at the enthusiasm of their more fortunate brethren!—LET PENNSYLVANIA'S VOICE BE HEARD speaking in thunder for her CHOSEN CANDIDATE, and her cherished principles."

The meeting will no doubt be an immense one. We hope to see the "Young Guard" fully represented.

☞The National Free Soil Convention assembled in Pittsburg on Wednesday.—The attendance was very large. The Convention adjourned after organization, until Thursday, without making a nomination. CHASE, of Ohio, it is supposed will be the nominee.

☞JOSEPH R. INGERSOLL, of Philadelphia has been nominated to the Senate as Minister of St. James. Mr. LAWRENCE has been recalled at his own request.

☞We neglected to announce at the proper time, that Mr. JOSEPH BAILY, of Cumberland township, had been appointed to fill the vacancy in the Board of Directors of the Poor, occasioned by the death of Nicholas Bushey, Esq. The appointment was made by the remaining Directors in whom the power rests by act of assembly.

The Religious Test.

—Gen. Pierce was President of the Convention, called in 1850, for the revision of the constitution. The late *Locofoco Democrat* made a speech which we published a year ago.

Gen. Pierce left the chair and supported the resolution of Judge Woodbury, as elsewhere published by way of advertisement, a long account of the proceedings of the New Hampshire Convention.

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In this speech Gen. Pierce spoke of the question as settled, and attempted to excuse the action of their "forefathers," which had been denounced as bigoted and illiberal. We defy any body to show from the official records, that Gen. Pierce, during the sitting of the Convention, or at any other time, announced himself opposed to the Catholic Emancipation.

On the contrary, in view of the many opportunities presented to him of defining his position in reference to this matter, and his studied silence upon all these occasions, we cannot see how, in the minds of unprejudiced men, he can be regarded as entertaining illiberal sentiments upon the subject, and unless he shall be able to show to the satisfaction of the people that he was at that time an enemy to the rights of Catholic citizens, he will be justly regarded as the author of the religious test" which was incorporated in the Constitution of New Hampshire, by the Convention of which he was a member.

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Scott's Religion and New Hampshire Locofocism.

☞Scott, a few years ago, described his religion as follows:

"Scott PROFESSES to be an Irish lord, both by birth and conviction. I shall never consent to a party or State religion. Religion is too sacred to be mingled up with affairs. It should be kept at least entirely between each individual and his God, except in the vanyel cases and gentle permission, at its families, churches, and other occasions of voluntary attendance (after years of discretion) or reciprocal consent."

In those most creditable sentiments, Scott differs widely in opinion from the Locofocos of New Hampshire, who, notwithstanding all efforts to repeal, still continue in their Constitution most odious and intolerant provisions. They can be found in part second of the Constitution and say as follows:

"Of members of the House of Representatives, it provides:

"Every member of the House of Representatives shall be chosen by ballot; and for two years at least next preceding his election, shall have been an inhabitant of this State; shall have an estate within the district which he may be chosen to represent, of the value of *one hundred pounds*, and shall have been an inhabitant of the town, parish, or place he may be chosen to represent, shall BE OF THE PROTESTANT RELIGION, and *seized of a hundred pounds*, free estate, of the value of *one hundred pounds*, free from the Grist, and all other taxes, the age of twenty-one years, and who shall not have been an inhabitant of this State for seven years, immediately preceding his election, and at the time thereof he shall be an inhabitant of the district for which he shall be chosen.

This also contains a *religious and property test*.

Of members of the council, it says:

"There shall be annually elected by ballot, five councillors for salary of the Governor for the time being, from the persons qualified for Governor, &c., and the qualifications for Councillors SHALL BE THE SAME AS FOR SENATORS.

This also requires a *religious and property qualification!*

Of the Governor, it requires:

"He shall not be eligible to this office, unless, at the time of his election, he shall have been an inhabitant of this State seven years next preceding his election and unless he shall be seized in his own right of lands or tenements of the value of three hundred pounds, one half of which shall consist of a freehold within the State, and shall be of the religious profession of Protestant."

Of Senators, it says:

"Every person who is elected a Senator, as aforesaid, shall be seized in his own right of a freehold of the value of two hundred pounds within the district for which he may be chosen, and shall be an inhabitant of the district he shall be chosen to represent, and BE OF THE PROTESTANT RELIGION."

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The Game of Brag.

☞The *Compiler* undertakes to pronounce the formidable array of changes in favor of Gen. Scott, presented in our last number, "grossly fictitious," and endeavors to prove it by misrepresentation, which we cannot but believe to be wilful. For instance—in our article of last week we mentioned the names of some 7 or 8 Locofoco Free Soil papers which are strenuously opposing the election of General Pierce—distinctly stating that they were Free Soil papers. We did not (as the Compiler would have its readers believe) say or intimate that they had supported Gen. Cass in 1848. Our object, in alluding to the course of these papers, was to show how false are the assertions which the opposition papers, ever since the endorsement of their candidate by the Van Buren factions, are continually ringing in the ears of the party, to the effect that there never was as much unanimity in favor of their candidate as at present—that the *entire party* were united in support of Pierce and King.—That this is false and erroneous by producing the list alluded to.

In reference to the list of distinguished men, represented by us as advocating the election of Gen. Scott, we challenge the Compiler to point out a single case of cheap, that did not oppose Gen. Taylor in 1848.

As to the list of *changes* furnished by the *Compiler*, in its last issue, we have only to say that, with one or two exceptions, they are entirely unworthy of fame, and may or may not be *genuine*.

A few of the names are familiar to us. Let us examine them:

Kenneth Rayner, heretofore a distinguished Whig member of Congress from North Carolina, a man known throughout the Union, refused to vote for Gen. Taylor in 1848, but has since been elected to the Legislature of his native State, by a Whig majority of 1,500!

Hon. Robert Strange, late Senator in Congress from the same district, was elected by a majority of 1,500 votes, and is now a candidate for re-election.

Hon. Thomas H. Benton, formerly a Senator in Congress from Missouri, has been elected to Congress from the district in which he resides.

Hon. Robert Rantoul, Representative in Congress from the second district of Massachusetts, died very suddenly in Washington City, on Saturday night last.

Another Scratch.

SEARSHOT ORTHOGRAPHY.—Roger Giles must have been the schoolmaster of Webster's Commissioner.

The following is a *verbatim et literatim* copy of a circular recently issued by Roger, which the reader will perceive, is written in that unpretending style of orthography which is so characteristic of the report. He makes, among others, the following points:

1. Reply to various opinions expressed by others, I said in substance that the southern Whigs, in their opposition to Gen. Scott, had been slim logicians. That the question of the Slavery quesin or were less obnoxious than those heretofore expressed by Filmore and Webster, and I would sooner trust him on that subject than either of those gentlemen. That if there were any merit in the "compromise" Which I did not admit, Scott should be preferred by them, because he had freely avowed for it before Fillmore or anybody was known.

2. A Whig gentlemen present having remark that the opposition-ists was that Scott would be defeated by several odd politicians of Baltimore and united and said: You mistake the character of the Whig party, which is always conservative. Always accustomed to command, Gen. Scott prides himself especially upon the influence which he exercises over the rank and file of the army. He will be content led by no man, not even by the whole Whig party, as he will be by Gen. Scott. He will be content led by no man, not even by the whole Whig party, as he will be by Gen. Scott.

3. That his Mexican campaign, from the first Gun at Vera Cruz to the fall of the Capitol, was one of the most brilliant and successful in the history of modern warfare. That his military genius was confirmed by some illustrious, about which I would not now speak—but that when the battle of Churubusco was fought, and the victory was to be decided, Scott was on the field, and that he faithfully detail and successfully will perform all the duty of a military fame, not only in America but abroad.

Such testimony, from a source so distinguished, requires little comment.

☞The editor of the Independent *Democrat*, a democratic Free Soil paper, printed at Concord, New Hampshire, where Gen. Pierce resides, says in regard to the Whig nomince for the Presidency, was recently reported by a friend of Gen. Scott, in one of the New Orleans papers. He was a very high endorsement, as to the score of fitness and of firmness, and coming from a political opponent, of course attracted some attention. The subject was brought to the notice of Gen. Quitman, who has promptly, and in a very manly his own signature, endorsed the correctness of the report. He makes, among others, the following points:

"Scott is the only candidate who can unite the whole Democratic party voted "in favor of the Compromise measures." We direct the attention of the reader to the following table, and particularly to the vote in the counties of Carroll and Belknap:

Votes of the several Counties in New Hampshire, for and against the Compromise, on the odious Religious Test from the Constitution:

	For abolishing Test.	Against abolishing Test.
Rockingham	1774	1876
Strafford	764	852
Belknap	923	1037
Carroll	2.7	1101
Merrimack	1162	2455
Hillsboro	1457	1200
Cheshire	1322	716
Sullivan	1231	660
Grafton	1317	1758
Coos	539	317
	9.666	11.012

Observe the counties that voted most heavily against abolishing the test, and compare the vote of the same counties in the following table:

In 1848, the several counties in the State voted on the Presidential question as follows:

	Taylor	Cass
Belknap	610	1763
Carroll	759	1535
Cheshire	1861	2078
Coos	330	1202
Grafton	1927	4060
Hillsboro	2799	4773
Merrimack	1948	4918
Rockingham	3710	3972
Strafford	1606	1913
Sullivan	1176	1866
Total	14.781	27.160

Hanover Railroad.

☞The Hanover Branch Railroad was opened within one mile and a half of that place on the 4th inst. Two trains are running daily—leaving Hanover at 7 A. M., and 2 P. M., and reaching Gettysburg at 10 A. M. and 7½ P. M. Returning, leave Baltimore at the same hours. This arrangements will enable a person to Gettysburg, starting from here at 8 o'clock, A. M. to reach Hanover in time for the morning train. He may go thence to the city, remain 5 hours, return to Hanover by 7½, and reach Gettysburg by 10 P. M.—all in one day. So much for having railroad 14 miles off. How convenient it would be to be in immediate connection.

The Graham Standers.

"The *Star* clings to the Graham slanders with a fidelome for such matters peculiar to our downeast Locofocism. We do not see, pronounce it a base fabrication, getter up to defeat Mr. Scott. If Mr. Graham is the Democratic candidate for Canal Commissioner, does any man in his senses believe that the public would have been favored with any such pretended exposures?"—*Gettysburg Compiler.*

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But not only has such a denial *not been made*, but the authenticity of the letter has been admitted in an article in the Democratic Union, published at Uniontown, and edited by Mr. Searight's son.—The article is intended as a defence of Gen. Pierce against the imputation of cowardice to which the letter referred, but it will be observed actually *admits* the letter to be genuine. Here it is:

"As to the letter Mr. Searight addressed to Mr. Kyes in 1840, Mr. Graham should remember that it was a private letter, and that which he has not have done with the living as regulating a safety of nerves and with a view to the future. Mr. Searight, Mr. Graham considered, was a silent grave would have forbidden—written to Mr. Kyes in the belief that it would never be seen by any other person than the one to whom it was addressed."

Such is the admission. The letter was written by Searight to Keyes; that it was a private letter, and that it was written in the belief that it would never be seen by any other person than the one to whom it was addressed." The article denies that Searight was guilty of any fraud or forgery in the matter, but admits that *the letter is a genuine Searight's production.*

The practical question now is, whether the statements in the Searight are incontrovertible, and the letter proves him to be the cowardly, illiberal scoundrel he was represented to be.

We now put it to all men of candor.—Are you ready to elevate such a man to the Chief Magistracy of the Union? Are you sure in which he will be guided to resist, on the one hand, the encroachments of the South, and on the other, the fanaticism of the North? Whoever can find it in his conscience to vote for him after the exposure of his character, will find it impossible to assign a reason for so doing which has not the qualifications to discharge it duties.

Democratic Defalcations.

J. Glancy Jones on Thursday last offered an amendment to the civil and diplomatic bill, which provides that

"Hereafter the allowances now to the Tariff of 1842 as to the net cash duties of imported articles or which may be selected by the Secretary of the Treasury, shall be made to the importer at the time of the article, including the duties, insurance, freight, and all other charges actually paid, (this would, in general add about fifteen per cents to the duties levied under that act."

The Democratic party did not relish it out of order, and his decision was sustained by a Locofoco House. Two Penna. Locos, Ross and McLanahan, were among the enemies of the measure. Last fall's promises appear to have been regarded the memories of Locofoco politicians.

LOTTERY CIRCULARS.—Almost every month a number of circulars are despatched from some gambling concern in Baltimore to many of our citizens. Is there no remedy to prevent this impudence and fraud? We have those letters receive these circulars, to put them in a post envelope and return them to their proper owners.—Possibly by this method the evil will cure itself.

☞We have not as yet been able to lay our hands upon the letter to Mr. Reed, purporting to be written by Gen. Scott in 1841. We assure our neighbor of the *Compiler*, however, that the letter will appear "before the next election."—Next week we hope to be able to give it. It is a little strange that a document to which the *Compiler* attaches so much importance, is not current among our Locofoco exchanges. The evidences of forgery are so palpable, that, we presume, none but the most reckless are willing to make use of it.

☞The news of the late tremendous rally of voting men at Lundy's Lane, strikes terror into the hearts of the whilom "unterrified." No wonder. Men naturally cowardice in their tastes and habits, to the character of their gods and heroes.—Humbly imitating their great exemplar, the Democracy *faint* in the morning of the battle.

☞We understand an attempt was recently made to fire the residence of Richard McAllister of Harrisburg. Who made the attempt is unknown, but such conduct cannot be too severely condemned.—McAllister is unquestionably a tyrannical and inhuman man, but all citizens, no matter how bad, have the right to the inviolate enjoyment of their property.—A good end is seldom gained by appeals to violence.

EXECUTED.—Matthias Skupinski, convicted of the murder of the lad Lehmke, was executed in Philadelphia, on Friday last.

☞Henry Clay, before he died, said he was satisfied with Scott's nomination, and spoke in the highest terms of him as a man, a soldier and a Whig.

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So? In the face of the strong and conclusive evidence of the authenticity of the Searight letter, published in our last, the Compiler, boldly and recklessly pronounces it a "base fabrication." Why, in the absence of any authentic denial, by Mr. Searight or his friends, the testim ny of Graham himself would be amply sufficient to establish the truth of the charge. Had it been a forgery, he would doubtless have long ago said so. His silence under the circumstances is a strong feature against him.

But not only has such a denial *not been made*, but the authenticity of the letter has been admitted in an article in the Democratic Union, published at Uniontown, and edited by Mr. Searight's son.—The article is intended as a defence of Gen. Pierce against the imputation of cowardice to which the letter referred, but it will be observed actually *admits* the letter to be genuine. Here it is:

"As to the letter Mr. Searight addressed to Mr. Kyes in 1840, Mr. Graham should remember that it was a private letter, and that which he has not have done with the living as regulating a safety of nerves and with a view to the future. Mr. Searight, Mr. Graham considered, was a silent grave would have forbidden—written to Mr. Kyes in the belief that it would never be seen by any other person than the one to whom it was addressed."

Such is the admission. The letter was written by Searight to Keyes; that it was a private letter, and that it was written in the belief that it would never be seen by any other person than the one to whom it was addressed." The article denies that Searight was guilty of any fraud or forgery in the matter, but admits that *the letter is a genuine Searight's production.*

The practical question now is, whether the statements in the Searight are incontrovertible, and the letter proves him to be the cowardly, illiberal scoundrel he was represented to be.

We now put it to all men of candor.—Are you ready to elevate such a man to the Chief Magistracy of the Union? Are you sure in which he will be guided to resist, on the one hand, the encroachments of the South, and on the other, the fanaticism of the North? Whoever can find it in his conscience to vote for him after the exposure of his character, will find it impossible to assign a reason for so doing which has not the qualifications to discharge it duties.

Democratic Defalcations.

J. Glancy Jones on Thursday last offered an amendment to the civil and diplomatic bill, which provides that

"Hereafter the allowances now to the Tariff of 1842 as to the net cash duties of imported articles or which may be selected by the Secretary of the Treasury, shall be made to the importer at the time of the article, including the duties, insurance, freight, and all other charges actually paid, (this would, in general add about fifteen per cents to the duties levied under that act."

The Democratic party did not relish it out of order, and his decision was sustained by a Locofoco House. Two Penna. Locos, Ross and McLanahan, were among the enemies of the measure. Last fall's promises appear to have been regarded the memories of Locofoco politicians.

LOTTERY CIRCULARS.—Almost every month a number of circulars are despatched from some gambling concern in Baltimore to many of our citizens. Is there no remedy to prevent this impudence and fraud? We have those letters receive these circulars, to put them in a post envelope and return them to their proper owners.—Possibly by this method the evil will cure itself.

☞We have not as yet been able to lay our hands upon the letter to Mr. Reed, purporting to be written by Gen. Scott in 1841. We assure our neighbor of the *Compiler*, however, that the letter will appear "before the next election."—Next week we hope to be able to give it. It is a little strange that a document to which the *Compiler* attaches so much importance, is not current among our Locofoco exchanges. The evidences of forgery are so palpable, that, we presume, none but the most reckless are willing to make use of it.

☞The news of the late tremendous rally of voting men at Lundy's Lane, strikes terror into the hearts of the whilom "unterrified." No wonder. Men naturally cowardice in their tastes and habits, to the character of their gods and heroes.—Humbly imitating their great exemplar, the Democracy *faint* in the morning of the battle.

☞We understand an attempt was recently made to fire the residence of Richard McAllister of Harrisburg. Who made the attempt is unknown, but such conduct cannot be too severely condemned.—McAllister is unquestionably a tyrannical and inhuman man, but all citizens, no matter how bad, have the right to the inviolate enjoyment of their property.—A good end is seldom gained by appeals to violence.

EXECUTED.—Matthias Skupinski, convicted of the murder of the lad Lehmke, was executed in Philadelphia, on Friday last.

☞Henry Clay, before he died, said he was satisfied with Scott's nomination, and spoke in the highest terms of him as a man, a soldier and a Whig.

Another Scratch.

SEARSHOT ORTHOGRAPHY.—Roger Giles must have been the schoolmaster of Webster's Commissioner.

The following is a circular recently issued by Roger, which the reader will perceive, is written in that unpretending style of orthography which is so characteristic of the report. He makes, among others, the following points:

1. Reply to various opinions expressed by others, I said in substance that the southern Whigs, in their opposition to Gen. Scott, had been slim logicians. That the question of the Slavery quesin or were less obnoxious than those heretofore expressed by Filmore and Webster, and I would sooner trust him on that subject than either of those gentlemen. That if there were any merit in the "compromise" Which I did not admit, Scott should be preferred by them, because he had freely avowed for it before Fillmore or anybody was known.

2. A Whig gentlemen present having remark that the opposition-ists was that Scott would be defeated by several odd politicians of Baltimore and united and said: You mistake the character of the Whig party, which is always conservative. Always accustomed to command, Gen. Scott prides himself especially upon the influence which he exercises over the rank and file of the army. He will be content led by no man, not even by the whole Whig party, as he will be by Gen. Scott. He will be content led by no man, not even by the whole Whig party, as he will be by Gen. Scott.

3. That his Mexican campaign, from the first Gun at Vera Cruz to the fall of the Capitol, was one of the most brilliant and successful in the history of modern warfare. That his military genius was confirmed by some illustrious, about which I would not now speak—but that when the battle of Churubusco was fought, and the victory was to be decided, Scott was on the field, and that he faithfully detail and successfully will perform all the duty of a military fame, not only in America but abroad.

Such testimony, from a source so distinguished, requires little comment.

☞The editor of the Independent *Democrat*, a democratic Free Soil paper, printed at Concord, New Hampshire, where Gen. Pierce resides, says in regard to the Whig nomince for the Presidency, was recently reported by a friend of Gen. Scott, in one of the New Orleans papers. He was a very high endorsement, as to the score of fitness and of firmness, and coming from a political opponent, of course attracted some attention. The subject was brought to the notice of Gen. Quitman, who has promptly, and in a very manly his own signature, endorsed the correctness of the report. He makes, among others, the following points:

"Scott is the only candidate who can unite the whole Democratic party voted "in favor of the Compromise measures." We direct the attention of the reader to the following table, and particularly to the vote in the counties of Carroll and Belknap:

Votes of the several Counties in New Hampshire, for and against the Compromise, on the odious Religious Test from the Constitution:

	For abolishing Test.	Against abolishing Test.
Rockingham	1774	1876
Strafford	764	852
Belknap	923	1037
Carroll	2.7	1101
Merrimack	1162	2455
Hillsboro	1457	1200
Cheshire	1322	716
Sullivan	1231	660
Grafton	1317	1758
Coos	539	317
	9.666	11.012

Observe the counties that voted most heavily against abolishing the test, and compare the vote of the same counties in the following table:

In 1848, the several counties in the State voted on the Presidential question as follows:

	Taylor	Cass
Belknap	610	1763
Carroll	759	1535
Cheshire	1861	2078
Coos	330	1202
Grafton	1927	4060
Hillsboro	2799	4773
Merrimack	1948	4918
Rockingham	3710	3972
Strafford	1606	1913
Sullivan	1176	1866
Total	14.781	27.160

Hanover Railroad.

☞The Hanover Branch Railroad was opened within one mile and a half of that place on the 4th inst. Two trains are running daily—leaving Hanover at 7 A. M., and 2 P. M., and reaching Gettysburg at 10 A. M. and 7½ P. M. Returning, leave Baltimore at the same hours. This arrangements will enable a person to Gettysburg, starting from here at 8 o'clock, A. M. to reach Hanover in time for the morning train. He may go thence to the city, remain 5 hours, return to Hanover by 7½, and reach Gettysburg by 10 P. M.—all in one day. So much for having railroad 14 miles off. How convenient it would be to be in immediate connection.

Whig Congressional Conference.

In pursuance of a call issued for the purpose, Conferees from the several Counties in the 17th Congressional District, met in Chambersburg, on Tuesday, August 10th, to nominate a Whig Candidate for Congress. The following named gentlemen presented their credentials and took their seats:—

Adams—D. A. Buehler, Dr. H. W. Kauffman, Wm. R. Sadler.

Franklin—D. O. Gehr, John Bradley, Dr. J. K. Davidson.

Bedford—Daniel Washabaugh, Dr. C. N. Hickok, Thomas Keefer.

Fulton—John H. Filler, James G. Lyon, Roland Austin.

Juniata—Gen. Wm. Bell, Joseph Pomroy, J. D. Shearer.

The Conference was organized by the election of Dr. J. Davidson, as President and J. H. Filler, Esq., as Secretary.

Mr. Filler moved that the Conference vote viva voce. Acceed to.

Mr. Buehler nominated Col. J. D. Paxton, of Adams.

Mr. Washabaugh nominated Samuel L. Russell, of Bedford.

Dr. Hickey nominated David F. Robinson, of Franklin.

Mr. Filler nominated Dr. S. E. Dellaby, of Fulton.

Mr. Shearer nominated James M. Sellers, of Juniata.

Mr. Pomroy offered the following resolution, which, after some discussion, was adopted:—

Resolved, That, the Conferees representing the Counties composing the 17th Congressional District, do hereby agree, as the sense of this Conference, that each County in the District should have the Candidate for Congress from the same Congressional term and no more, till every County in said District shall have had a candidate.

The Conferees then proceeded to ballot with the following result, the votes being given viva voce:

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