

FOR PRESIDENT,
JAMES BUCHANAN
Subject to the decision of a National Convention.
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The Canal Commissioners and the Transporters.

We commence to-day the publication of the reply of the Canal Commissioners to the Writ of Mandamus caused to be issued by a number of transporters who desire to drive individual competition from the public improvements, by breaking up the Truck system. The great success of the public works during the present season, is mainly owing to the new mode of doing business on them which has been introduced by the present Board of Commissioners, and the people now feel assured that with prudent management they will yet be the means of liquidating a large portion of the State debt.

The document of the Commissioners that we now refer to, gives a full history of the Truck system; points out its advantages, not only to the Treasury of the State, but to the public at large, and clearly refutes every charge of favoritism made by their accusers. The fact is established by figures, beyond the power of cavil or contradiction, that instead of the section boats being transported over the Rail Road at lower rates than are charged on the old lines, the favoritism appears to be on the other side. By referring to the statement it will be seen that the State has charged the section boats \$940,26 more than it did the old lines for the same amount of service. Yet in the face of this, and other facts equally strong, the transporters have the folly to gravely charge the Commissioners with permitting the section boats to pass over the Rail Roads at a lower rate of toll than is charged the old lines.

The fact is, these transporters know that the section boats receive no favors that are not granted to all others engaged in the forwarding business, but the introduction of individual enterprise has curtailed the immense profits that they made in former seasons, when they held the public work as a vast monopoly in their own hands, and by illegal combination were enabled to drive off all competition, and at length essayed to bid defiance to the laws and to the State in carrying out the objects of their conspiracy. They desire a restoration of the old system, when they would have the public works under their control, but before this can be accomplished, they must drive off the section boats and break up the Truck system, and restore their old combinations. This is the grand object of all their complaints, and nothing short of this will satisfy them.

This Mandamus movement, will we suppose, be the last attempt of these men to seize the public works, and with its dismissal by the Court, we confidently expect it will be dismissed, they will abandon all further efforts to break up a system which has already resulted so advantageously to the State, and which is approved by every honest man who gives the matter a moment's consideration.

On Monday we will publish the conclusion of the Commissioners' reply.

The editor of the Gazette announces that he has recovered from his late indisposition; but we regret to find that although the medicine he was obliged to take may have purified his physical system, his mind remains as vile as ever. It is natural to suppose that sickness would have chastened his disposition, and have deterred him, for a short time at least, from his usual course of reckless falsehood and vulgar abuse. But the Deacon appears to be incorrigible; and although he wades through it, feeds on it, and gorges himself to repletion, and considering his late sickness, we should not wonder if he would have a relapse from such inordinate indulgence.

Our exposure of the base trick by which he attempted to injure the Repeal cause in this country, by coupling it with the Abolition question, has roused his wrath, and he has set us to a column of abuse, couched in the elegant language peculiar to fellows who have been caught in a dishonorable act, and who, by uttering vehement denunciations upon others, hope to divert public scrutiny from themselves.

He calls on us to point to the page, the column, the paragraph, in which he revealed the countrymen of O'Connell; and in the very next paragraph that follows this bold call, he admits that a short time since, he published an article against them and their signers generally, of so gross a nature, that he had to apologize for it the next day. Is there any further proof wanted than the fellow's own admission? He acknowledges that he was forced to apologize for abusing Irishmen and other foreigners, and yet the

blunders as he on us—probably very thing he admits.

Further proof than this we think is not wanted to substantiate all we have said about his feelings towards the countrymen of O'Connell, and it is publications such as the one he had to 'apologize' for, that has won for him the scorn, not only of the adopted citizens, but of every liberal minded man in the community.

The Gazette says that "some years ago" one of the editors of this paper was an advocate of the doctrine of "Native Americanism," which went to debar all foreigners, Irishmen as well as others, from the rights of American citizens. We defy the editor of the Gazette to show that either of the editors of this paper ever advocated any doctrine relative to the suffrage of foreigners, adverse to those held by the Democratic party, to which they have always belonged, and with which they have always acted. We defy him to show that either of us ever sought to 'debar' Irishmen or others from the rights of American citizens. We have been the publishers of papers in this city for eight years past, and we challenge the Gazette to point out a single line of our writing that can be tortured into an attack upon the rights of our adopted citizens. We know the basis of the Gazette's charge, and may just as well allude to it in this place, and put it at rest forever.

Many years ago, one of the editors attended a Democratic festival, at which toasts were drunk in praise of the Poles, Germans, and other foreigners who had fought in the revolution. He, no doubt, erroneously, took up the notion that some slight was intended to the Americans who had participated in that glorious war, and drew up a toast in their honor, which read substantially thus:

"The Native Americans who fought in the Revolution. Equal to the best and the bravest who shared in that glorious struggle."

Now here is the origin of the charge, that he was willing to debar Irishmen and others from the rights of American citizens. The meaning of the toast was misapprehended and its intention perverted by individuals who, we are confident, are now convinced of the injustice they did us in this business, and in the discussion which grew out of it. If he is asked why such an unobjectionable sentiment could be construed into an attack on foreigners, we will explain by stating that they were rendered feelingly alive to all such matters, by the base and malignant persecution then being against them, in which the Gazette bore a conspicuous part.

Another Strike.—The Weavers in Baltimore have struck for an advance of wages. It appears from their statement that at the present prices they cannot earn more than \$2 per week, and all they ask is an addition of 37 cents which is surely but slender recompense for a week's labor. They have held a public meeting, and to the number of about 70, embracing all in the city, have refused to work at the old prices.

The Squibs Debating Society will debate on the following, submitted by the Question Committee:—Are stockings pulled over the feet—or are feet pushed into stockings.—Rich Star.

By last evening's mail we learn that the Society have unanimously decided that they are.

The British papers mention the case of a religious fanatic, who, having escaped from the asylum, climbed to the top of a tree, intending, as he said, to go straight to heaven. He jumped down, was but little hurt, and recovered the use of his senses!

Things in New York.

We find the following in the N. Y. Correspondence of the Phila. Mercury of the 29th ult.

"The examination of the 'Scotch merrymen' has been further postponed to next Wednesday week, instead of next Saturday. It is thought she will not go back. The Drama droops woefully at all our establishments except Niblo's. Burton and Miss Ayres have engaged there; Burton makes his last appearance to-night. Suicides are so common that you will scarcely think them news. Another one occurred yesterday. John Patullo, a wine merchant, shot himself through the head. He was a Scotchman, in good business and no cause is assigned for the deed. A day or two before he attempted to hang himself with a handkerchief but was prevented. He was a single man aged 35.

There was a large Repeal meeting at Washington Hall last night—a liberal contribution was made, and the utmost harmony prevailed, notwithstanding one of the papers attempted to bring about a disagreement.

The business at the stock board, to-day was pretty fair. State Sixes improved 1/4; State Fives 1/4; Ohio Sixes 1/4; Indiana 1/4; Kentucky 1/4; Illinois 1/4; Ohio Sevens sold at 105; Ohio Trust 3/4; Harlem 3/4; Stonington 1/4. There is rather a better demand for bills to day, and Sterling is steady at \$3 a \$3. Yesterday was the time appointed for the opening of the Government Loan. It is supposed that bids have been made for at least \$14,000,000 at par to 1 per cent premium."

Later from Trinidad.

Dates considerably later have been received at New York.—On the 1st inst., a schooner of very suspicious appearance was seen to be becalmed in the Gulf of Paria for three days; boats were sent to board her and ascertain whence she came. The commander would not allow any boats whatever to board her. The men who went alongside heard noises which appeared to come from the hold, and led them to believe that there were slaves confined there. Upon that supposition two boats full of armed men were sent to ascertain if their suspicions were correct. When they approached the ship, a small breeze sprung up and she got under weigh and escaped. Not, however, without losing part of her cargo, as two of the slaves escaped by jumping overboard. Nothing could be ascertained from them except that there were a great number more on board. A cutter has been sent in pursuit of her.

All was very quiet on the island, and nothing of any interest had occurred there lately. The inhabitants generally were in good health; indeed this has been the healthiest season known for ten years.—Business was not very brisk, and money very scarce.

Great Storm in Rochester.—Destruction of the Miller Tent.—The Rochester Post of Saturday says:—One of the heaviest storms we remember to have seen, occurred this day about 11 o'clock A. M. The rain poured down with force and impetuosity that baffles description, and seemed one dense mass of water dashing from the heavens, to the earth. The impetuosity directed by the Millwrights has sufficed for its effects. The Rev Mr. Himes was engaged in exhortation to not less than 500 persons, when the force of the wind and rain broke some of the fasts, and a scene of indescribable confusion ensued. The ladies, about 70 in number, were seated without bonnets when the ropes gave way, and bonnets, ladies, children, men, water, mud and wind were mixed up in a most fearful confusion. Luckily, we hear there was no serious accident, though some of the ladies are severely bruised.

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