

THE PRESIDENCY—JUDGE McLEAN.

We perceive that the Boston "Free Press," Philadelphia "Sun," Lancaster "Examiner," and one or two other Antimasonic papers, are either directly or indirectly attempting to discourage the nomination of Judge McLEAN for the Presidency. They certainly are taking the most effectual means in their power to lessen his popularity, whether designedly or not. They affect to be ignorant of his Antimasonry. He is not publicly pledged, say they. And do they seriously expect, or wish, Judge McLEAN, situated as he is, on the Bench of the Supreme Court, to come out and publish a philippic against Masonry? To enter the arena as a political gladiator? If they are ignorant of his opposition to Secret Societies, it is because they have not taken the pains to ascertain it in the only way which it would become him to communicate it. The "Examiner" says, "his opinions, on most of the points deemed important, are not known to the people." The Editor here refers to his views of the Protecting Policy, Internal Improvement, the Judiciary, and the United States Bank. Before we took the early stand which we did in favor of Judge McLEAN, we were satisfied, from authority which we could not doubt, that his views on those subjects were in direct opposition to those of the present administration. That he unhesitatingly condemns the whole course of the Van Buren policy. And for ourselves, we ask for no sounder national principles than the reverse of those which have been developed by the Jackson and Van Buren messages and acts. We ask, what good can these doubting publications effect? Do they expect Judge McLEAN to notice and answer them through a public newspaper? Do they expect him, on such suggestions, to publish his political creed, and volunteer his opinions to the people, and thereby exhibit the overwearing anxiety of a political aspirant? If they expect such things of him, they have mistaken his character. If they desire it, it seems to us that they widely err as to what ought to be desired of an honorable man. We believe, that our Antimasonic friends may be fully assured that the Baltimore Convention will have satisfactory evidence of the orthodoxy of Mr. McLEAN's principles on all national points. We have no doubt that he will be put in nomination by that Convention. And the fear and anxiety of the adherents of the present degraded administration, show that his power is known and dreaded. Their great object now is to continue Clay in the field, as they have nothing to fear from him. But he certainly must perceive that longer perseverance will be useless to himself, and ruinous to his friends and country. We profess not to be in his councils, but we think we hazard little in predicting, that HENRY CLAY will not be a candidate at the next Presidential election. And that the contest will be between ANDREW JACKSON, backed by Van Buren, and JOHN McLEAN, aided by the united strength of the opponents of the present corrupt administration and ruinous policy of the National Government.

THE TICKET.—As far as we can learn, the ticket styled by the Antimasonic Convention, is deemed an excellent one. We do not mean that every individual on it, is personally popular with every voter of the party. What prominent man is there, who is not personally disliked by some? But we should all recollect, that, in supporting a ticket, we are not voting for men, but for principles. And that every vote which we give against the ticket, from personal motives, is a direct aid yielded to principles which we abhor. The set-off ticket, we doubt not, will receive every genuine Antimasonic vote, and be elected by an overwhelming majority. Unanimity, at this time, is more especially requisite, as we are to elect a Senator this fall in conjunction with York county. And if we act with undivided energy, we shall succeed over the infidelity and blasphemy of the Lodge.

We regret to learn, that our respected fellow-citizen, JOHN DICKSON, Esq. has determined to offer himself as a candidate for the next Legislature. We do not regret it on account of his character and qualifications; both of which place him on a high station in society; but because we believe it will tend to distract and weaken the party to which he is conscientiously attached, &c. of which he was an early and efficient member, and continues to be the pride and ornament. We know that such is not his object; but that he believes, that the step which he has taken will aid rather than injure our cause. We know him well enough to believe, that his patriotism would forego all personal views; would stifle the whisperings of ambition, and allay his private griefs, if he believed their indulgence would mar the prospects of the sacred cause in which we are jointly engaged. We think he errs in judgment, notwithstanding the parity of his intentions. Who does not thus sometimes err? Hence the propriety of submitting to the decision of the majority. Perhaps the respectable gentleman is opposed to the Delegate System, and takes this method of manifesting his opposition. There may be some propriety in this offering his name for a short time, and then withdrawing until the next annual election, that the people may be early apprised of his intention. Such we suspect, will be his course. We are sure he does not think seriously of opposing the delegate nominations, as we understand he attended the delegate meeting, and took part in their election. He thus sanctioned that mode of setting the ticket, until their selections were known. He cannot now with honor oppose it—and we know he will do no dishonorable act. If he were now to oppose it, some might be uncharitably enough to suppose (erroneously, we admit,) that he is ambitious, and that he is not so much displeased with the manner of nominating, as with the fact of who was nominated.

Viewing it in this light, we feel confident that Mr. Dickson will withdraw his name, for the present, and not persevere in injuring the party, and destroying his own future prospects.

BILLY BOYD and PETER LITTLE have summoned the followers of the "handmaid" to settle a County ticket. They invite all parties who uphold Free Masonry to join them. They call it Democracy!

ha! ha! ha! Great Grand Kings, and Royal Princes, DEMOCRATS! Whew!

QUERY.—Do the Masonic Turnpike Company make it a condition, that their Gate-keepers shall act as Secretaries to the Masonic Meetings?

A SERIOUS QUESTION, OR TWO.—We wish not to wound the feelings of any one, but we desire our friends and neighbors to ask themselves these questions:—

Who is the most morally culpable; who if worse, the Libeller, who prints for gain, or those who for love of scandal, sustains and countenances him?

Who is the most reprehensible, the Editor, or those who buy, pay for, and thereby circulate his libels?

These are questions which moral men will weigh and decent men will heed.

BALTIMORE MARKET.—There is scarcely any variation in the prices of country produce since our last. Howard street flour is a shade higher than last week, the wagon price being \$5 54. An increased demand would, in the present limited supply, cause a further advance. In wheat and other grains there is no material change; rye is worth a few cents more than at our last.

The CASKET for September has been received. It contains a variety of highly interesting matter, and a beautiful steel engraving of the "Shipwreck off Fort Rouge, Calais," besides other embellishments. The contents will be published next week.

DANIEL M. SMYSER, Esq. was admitted, at the last court, to practise Law in the several Courts of Adams county.

The communication from A. G. MILLER, Esq. shall be attended to next week.

We shall insert next week a portion of the Borough Accounts. They are unavoidably crowded out this week.

We call the attention of the public to the Lottery Advertisements in our paper, from time to time, of Mr. JOHN CLARK, Baltimore.

UNITED STATES CONVENTION.

We respectfully invite the attention of our friends, the delegates elect of the U. S. Convention, to the following extracts from a letter, to the Editor of the Danville (Va.) North Star, of Aug. 11.

"I have no confidence in the masonic leaders; but there are yet, I do hope, honest men among them. And it is very desirable that such should be separated from the Society, and that none should be left under masonic power, but her genuine vassals."

"Your fall elections are coming on, and you must all be awake, and in motion. Information should be sent into those sections, where masonic darkness broods. Newspapers, addresses, pamphlets should be scattered on every hand."

"Next month you will, I suppose, by the leave of Providence, go on to Baltimore. I see McLEAN and RUSH are already nominated for President and Vice President. I like the nomination well. I doubt whether a better can be made. But the Convention can better decide when they come together, and I pray that they may have wisdom given from above. Let them 'in all their ways acknowledge God, and he will direct their paths.'" Your business must be highly important, and the nation must be deeply interested in the results. If you can act with harmony, and place before the nation proper men, I do hope the people will support them. "Measures and not men," must be the Motto of all who wish to save our country from masonry and misrule.

"Jackson's prospects are at an end, I think. Even the combined efforts of masonry cannot save him. Clay is highly obnoxious to the Jackson party, and they will not unite in him. And it seems a desperate measure to run him again against Jackson. And if the foolish experiment is made it must end in disappointment. The friends of the American system ought then to give up the vain hope of electing Mr. Clay, and unite on some other man, who will support the same system. Such a man is Mr. McLEAN. And let all the friends of the American system unite on him, and his election will be sure."

"You will need much wisdom to direct you what measures to pursue to spread information through the States, and to produce concerted action. Antimasons like Poles, must not shrink from conflict, nor be discouraged, if overpowered by numbers. They must not give up the ship."

From the Newark (New Jersey) Monitor.

JUDGE McLEAN.—Our esteemed friend of the Philadelphia Sun may be assured that we have a better opinion of antimasonry, than to think its fate "depends upon its sustaining the man who is most popular with the people." This is the very reverse of our opinion. We are also political anti-masons, and would do nothing to injure the cause, but only to hasten its triumph. Add this is our reason for preferring John McLEAN. We think it proper, previous to the meeting of the National Convention, for all editors to express their views, without committing themselves to any man. Until then we say, "John McLEAN is our man."

PHILADELPHIA, September 3. FOREIGN NEWS.—By the packet ship George Canning, at New York, late dates have been received, but they furnish but little news of importance.

The Reform Bill was still the prevailing topic of discussion in the House of Commons. It is warmly contested by the Tory opposition, but the majority in favor of the Bill

will be triumphant. On one of the incidental questions, the majority who voted with ministers was 244.

The coronation of the King and Queen of England, has been fixed for Sept. 8. In France, doubts are entertained whether there will be a majority for ministers.

Leopold, has been inaugurated King of Belgium. His progress through France, was marked by much popular enthusiasm.

The Cholera Morbus is making sad havoc in Petersburg. At the last advices, its ravages were extending daily, and with fearful mortality. On the 4th July, 223 new cases were reported.

From POLAND there is nothing conclusive. [Courier.]

ANTI-MASONIC COUNTY CONVENTION

A meeting of the Anti-Masonic Republicans from the different townships of Adams county, was held at the Court-house in the borough of Gettysburg, on Monday the 29th August, 1831—at which, the following gentlemen appeared as Delegates:

- Borough of Gettysburg, David Ecker, Hugh Donwiddie, Cumberland township, Robert McCreary, George Guinn, Mountjoy township, Robert Young, John Wilson, Mountpleasant township, John Lilly, James Brinkerhoff, Tyrone township, Baltzer Snyder, William Sadler, Germany township, Isaac Krebs, John Topper, Hamiltonban township, William C. Rhea, John Mickle, Jr., Berwick township, Dr. M. D. G. Pfeiffer, Peter Diehl, Jr., Straban township, Isaac Monfort, Garret Brinkerhoff, Huntingdon township, Lewis Christ, John Sadler, Menallen township, John Lahmon, William Rex, Conewago township, Nicholas Ginter, William Albright, Franklin township, James Ewing, Adam S. E. Duncan, Reading township, Dr. Samuel M. Tudor, William Jones, Hamilton township, Daniel Wolf, [The other delegate elected could not attend.] Latimore township, John Ziegler, Jacob Griest, Liberty township, Jas. Cunningham, Esq., John McKesson.

The Delegates, having taken their seats, proceeded to organize the Convention, by appointing JAMES CUNNINGHAM, Esq. President, and Dr. MICHAEL D. G. PFEIFFER and JOHN McKESSON Secretaries—after which, upon the first balloting, they settled the following

ANTI-MASONIC REPUBLICAN TICKET.

- ASSEMBLY, Andrew Marshall, Jacob Casatt, COMMISSIONER, John L. Gubernator, AUDITOR, John McKesson, DIRECTOR OF THE POOR, James A. Thompson.

[It was the wish of Mr. McSHERRY not to be a candidate for re-election.]

After the Ticket was formed, the Convention proceeded to appoint Conferees to meet other Conferees from York county, at Hanover, for the purpose of electing a suitable person to represent Adams and York in the Senate of Pennsylvania—whereupon James McSherry, Esq. John L. Gubernator, Esq. and John Lilly, were appointed for Adams co.

The meeting having transacted the business for which it met, the following resolution was unanimously adopted—

Resolved, That the above proceedings be signed by the President and Secretaries and requested to be published in all the papers of the Borough.

JAMES CUNNINGHAM, Pres't. MICHAEL D. G. PFEIFFER, Secretaries. JOHN McKESSON.

§786 "A Peep behind the Curtain," from the United States Telegraph, on the 2d page.

ODD & EVEN SYSTEM.

Maryland State Lottery, No. 7, FOR 1831.

To be drawn in Baltimore on THURSDAY, the 20th instant.

HIGHEST PRIZE, 6,000 DOLLARS!

Table with 3 columns: Prize amount, Quantity, and Odds. Includes prizes of \$6,000, \$2,000, \$1,000, \$500, \$300, \$200, and \$100.

MODE OF DRAWING.

The Numbers will be put into one wheel as usual—and in the other will be put the Prizes above the denomination of \$200, and the drawing to progress in the usual manner. The 10,000 numbers of \$200 will be awarded to the Odd or Even Numbers of the Lottery, (as the case may be), dependent on the drawing of the Capital Prize of Six Thousand Dollars—that is to say, if the \$6,000 prize should come out to an Odd Number, then every Odd Number in the Scheme will be entitled to a Prize of \$200; if the \$6,000 dollar prize should come out to an Even Number, then all the Even Numbers in the Scheme will be each entitled to a prize of \$200.

Half Tickets, One Dollar—Quarters 50 cts.

TO BE HAD AT CLARK'S,

Offices, N. W. corner of Baltimore and Calvert, N. W. corner of Baltimore and Gay, N. E. corner of Baltimore and Charles-sts. [Where the highest prize in the recent State Lotteries has been often sold than any other offices.] Orders, either by mail (postpaid) or private conveyance, enclosing the cash for prizes, will meet the same prompt and punctual attention, as if of personal application. Address by JOHN CLARK, Lottery Vendor, Baltimore, September 6, 1831.

DIED, On Saturday week last, JOHN WALKER, son of Mr. Henry G. Dill, of this borough, aged 5 months.

TEMPERANCE MEETING.

An adjourned meeting of the Fairfield Temperance Society will be held at the Church of the Rev. Wm. Paxton in this County, on Saturday the 10th day of September next, at 2 o'clock P. M. at which the friends of temperance are respectfully invited to attend.

JOHN McKESSON, Secretary.

ASSEMBLY CANDIDATE.

At the solicitation of many of my friends I have been induced to offer myself as a Candidate for the Assembly at the ensuing Election.—If the Public think proper to support me for the above office, it shall be thankfully received by their humble servant.

JOHN DICKSON, te—22

RAIL ROAD MEETING.

The Citizens of Adams County are requested to meet at the Court-house in the Borough of Gettysburg, On Saturday next, the 10th instant, at 2 o'clock P. M. to inquire into the expediency of petitioning the next Legislature to incorporate a Company, for the purpose of making a Rail Road, from Gettysburg to the Maryland line, to meet the Rail Road about to be made from Baltimore to the head waters of the Monocacy.

Sept. 6. MANY CITIZENS.

THADDEUS STEVENS AND DANIEL M. SMYSER, Attorneys & Counsellors at Law,

HAVING entered into partnership, tender their professional services to the public. They may at all times be consulted at the office of the former, in South Baltimore street, three doors from the Centre Square, where one of them will always be in attendance.

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HATS! HATS!

The subscriber takes this opportunity of informing his friends & the public in general, THAT HE HAS COMMENCED THE HATTING BUSINESS,

In Carlisle street, a few doors from Mr. Wm. McClelland's Hotel,

Where he intends to carry on pretty extensively. He assures those who may patronize him, that his work will be done as well, and on as reasonable terms, as at any other establishment. He hopes by strict attention to business, and good work, to please the public and receive a liberal patronage.

WILLIAM W. PAXTON, September 6, 1831. 4w—22

NOTICE.

ALL persons having claims against the estate of DAVID BYERS, deceased, are requested to present them, properly authenticated for settlement—and those indebted, are also requested to call and discharge the same without delay.

JACOB HERRATOR, Ex'rs. GEORGE BYERS, September 6, 1831. 4t—22

PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, in and by an Act of the General Assembly of this State, entitled "An Act to regulate the General Elections of this Commonwealth," enacted on the fifteenth day of February, 1798, it is enjoined on me to give Public Notice of such Election to be held, and to enumerate in such Notice what Officers are to be elected; I, WILLIAM S. COBURN, Sheriff of the County of Adams, do therefore hereby make known, and give this PUBLIC NOTICE to the Electors of the said County of Adams, that a

General Election

will be held in the said County, on the Second Tuesday in October next, (the 11th day,) at the several Districts, composed of the following Townships, viz:

In the First District, composed of the borough of Gettysburg, and the township of Cumberland, at the Court-house in Gettysburg.

In the Second District, composed of the township of Germany, at the house now occupied by Mr. Bishop, in the town of Petersburg, in the township of Germany.

In the Third District, composed of the township of Berwick, and that part of the township of Mountpleasant, lying east and north of a public road leading from the farm formerly occupied by George Lashells, to Dellone's Mill, at the house of Francis Hildt, in the town of Oxford.

In the Fourth District, composed of the townships of Huntingdon and Latimore, at the house of Thomas Reed, in the town of Petersburg, in the township of Huntingdon.

In the Fifth District, composed of the townships of Hamiltonban and Liberty, at the house of Col. James Reid, in Millers-town.

In the Sixth District, composed of the township of Hamilton, at the house of John Picking, in the town of Berlin.

In the Seventh District, com-

posed of the township of Menallen, at the house of W. & F. Hapke, in said township. In the Eighth District, composed of the township of Straban, at the house now occupied by John Godfrey, in Hunters-town.

In the Ninth District, composed of the township of Franklin, at the house formerly occupied by Christian Bochee, in said township.

In the Tenth District, composed of the township of Conowago, at the house of Adam Oaster, in McSherrys-town.

In the Eleventh District, composed of the township of Tyrone, at the house of John Harman, in Heidersburg, in said township.

In the Twelfth District, composed of the township of Mountjoy, at the house now occupied by John Norbeck, in said township.

In the Thirteenth District, composed of that part of the township of Mountpleasant, lying west and south of a public road leading from Mr. Dellone's Mill, to the farm formerly occupied by George Lashells, on the York and Gettysburg turnpike road; at the house now occupied by Samuel Swope, in Bountoughtown.

In the Fourteenth District, composed of the township of Reading, at the public school-house in the town of Hampton.

AT WHICH TIME AND PLACES WILL BE ELECTED,

One Member of the Senate of Pennsylvania, to represent the District composed of the counties of Adams and York;

Two Representatives in the State Legislature, for the County of Adams;

One County Commissioner;

One Auditor of Public Accounts, and

One Director of the Poor, and House of Employment of the County of Adams;

And in and by the said Act, it is directed that the INSPECTORS of the said General Election shall be chosen by ballot, on the Friday next, preceding the first Tuesday in October next,

Being the 30th September inst., and the Election for such Inspectors shall be held in such places in each township, ward or district, as is appointed by law for that purpose, by the respective Constables, (who are required to give at least one week's notice of such Election,) assisted by two qualified citizens, chosen by such citizens, qualified to vote, as shall then be present.

And it is also in and by the said Act required, that the Agent and Inspectors be at the places of their Districts, on the day of the General Election aforesaid, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to do and perform the several duties required and enjoined on them in and by the same Act.

And it is further directed in and by the Act of the General Assembly of this State aforesaid, passed the 17th day of March, one thousand eight hundred and six, aforesaid, that one of the JUDGES of each of the different Districts as aforesaid, who shall have the charge of the certificate of the number of votes which shall have been given for each candidate for the different offices then and there voted for at their respective districts, shall meet on the third day after the election, which will be on Friday the 14th day of October aforesaid, at the Court-house, in the Borough of Gettysburg, and there to make a fair statement and certificate of the number of votes which shall have been given at the different districts in the County of Adams, for any person or persons for the different offices aforesaid, &c.

And by a law passed April 2d, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one, it is made the duty of the Sheriff to give public notice of the provisions of said law.

The following are extracts:

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the several qualified electors who shall vote at any general or special Election within this Commonwealth, shall give to the inspectors of such election, separate tickets for each station or office voted for, which tickets shall contain no more than the proper number of names; but no ticket shall be rejected by the judges of the election in counting off the votes, should the same contain fewer names than the proper number, those for Sheriffs and Coroners excepted.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That it shall be the duty of the Sheriff or Coroner, as the case may be, of each and every County within this Commonwealth, to give Public Notice, at the same time, and in the same manner, and under the same penalty, that he is now required to give notice of any General or Special Election—that any person who shall hold any office or appointment of profit or trust under the government of the United States, whether a commissioned officer or otherwise, a subordinate officer or agent, who is or shall be employed under the Legislative, Executive, or Judiciary Departments of the United States, and also that every Member of Congress is by law incapable of holding or exercising at the same time the office or appointment of Judge, Inspector, or Clerk of any Election within the State.

Given under my hand, at Gettysburg, this 6th day of September, in the year of our Lord, 1831.

WM. S. COBURN, Sheriff.