

# The Compiler.

OUR FLAG!



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DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

For Governor,  
**HON. GEO. W. WOODWARD,**  
of LEWISBURG, PA.  
For Speaker of the House,  
**HON. WALTER H. JOWRIE,**  
of ALLEGANY COUNTY.

RETURN OF THE EDITOR.

After another two weeks' "visit" to Port McHenry, the editor of the Compiler returned "home again" yesterday. The military authorities evidently took upon this "farce" as about "played out."

We were well treated—enjoyed good health, and that buoyancy of spirit which must always accompany a consciousness of innocence.

Our last trip, like the first, resulted in nothing. But we made a discovery of some value, and which went far towards comforting us in our imprisonment—and that was, that our first arrest was most likely, and the second most certainly, the result of the base and impudent intrigues of a cold-hearted personal and political enemy—D. McCONAUGHAN. We have in our possession, in black and white, the damning evidence of his guilt.

More anon.

SIGNIFICANT!

It may not be interesting to the friends of justice to be informed that "Captain" McConaughy is now spoken of in military circles as "former volunteer aid" to Gen. Couch!

The Compiler has for the last five weeks been under the management of M. E. DOLZ. He performed his work faithfully and we trust that not one of our patrons has been dissatisfied. Certainly they have lost nothing, so far as the paper is concerned, by our absence.

The attention of the public is directed to a series of splendid photographic views of all the prominent points of interest upon the battle-field of Gettysburg, now in course of preparation by Tyson Brothers, Photographers, of this place. The views are made on plates 8 by 10 inches, and will be ready for exhibition and sale in a short time, when our citizens and others will have an opportunity to judge of their accuracy and elegance.

Geo. P. Kullfleisch has again opened store, at his old stand, on the Public Square. New goods—good goods—and plenty of them—at old prices! Call.

The drafted men of this State are ordered to rendezvous at Pittsburg, Carlisle and Philadelphia. From thence they are taken directly to the army of the Potomac to fill up the old regiments. They seem to be given but little time, after the draft, to prepare for leaving home or consider whether to pay the \$300 commutation.

Thus far, however, the number going into the service seems to be comparatively small, for about one half get off by paying \$300 or furnishing substitutes, and another fourth are exempt on account of physical disability.

The State Treasurer, Mr. McGrath, has completed the arrangements for the payment of the interest on the State debt in coin at the Farmers' Bank, Philadelphia, and also for the redemption of nearly a million of dollars of the principal of the public debt. The principal is payable in legal tender notes. The amount of interest to be paid is over \$350,000.

The firm of A. J. Glassburner & Co., publishers and editors of The Age, has been dissolved by the withdrawal of Francis J. Grund. The paper will be published hereafter by Messrs. A. J. Glassburner and Wm. H. Welsh. The Age is a good paper and ought to be liberally supported.

A disturbance occurred in Columbus, Ohio, on Tuesday last, in consequence of the tearing down by some invalid soldiers of a flag on which were inscribed the names of Vallandigham and Pugh. One soldier was beaten by the crowd assembled, for approving the act, and all the soldiers in the city were arrested and put in the guard-house to prevent further disturbances. The owner of the flag was presented with a new one by the citizens.

It may be christian-like for preachers and church members to call their neighbors "poppers," "traitors," "butter-jugs," "seeds," &c., and to wish they were hung, banished, or otherwise punished, but if so, we confess to having been seriously mistaken in our views of what constituted a real Christian.

A telegram from San Francisco says the American minister and consul, with their families, hastily left Seido, Japan, about the 18th of June, apprehending assassination. They first took refuge on the United States steamer Wyoming, and subsequently removed to Yokohama.

While Mr. A. Hopkins, of Erie County, Pa., was at Gettysburg, attending a wounded brother, his neighbors got together and "put into shock" eight acres of wheat belonging to him.

Removal Business.—The Chambersburg Bank resumed business on Monday week. It has not suffered any loss whatever by the invasion—all its money, notes, bonds, and other valuables, having been removed in good time to places of safety.

Father Mississippi has again opened his shop for trade, having gone into partnership with Gen. Grant.

The old-fashioned talk of "lagging" the rebel has fallen into disuse. The new term used is "gobbling them up."

## WHO IS TO BLAME?

The enemy has invaded the sovereign State of Pennsylvania—farms have been desolated, houses pillaged, growing crops destroyed, horses stolen and indignities heaped. A band of three days' duration has been fought, the enemy has been expelled, and we are released from the alarm and fear of an invading army. To the Army of the Potomac for thwarting the purpose and stopping the onward march of the enemy the people of Pennsylvania are sincerely thankful. But the question arises to whom shall we attach the blame for all we have endured and lost? Not to that army, for they came to the rescue of the State in forced marches and saved the State a greater humiliation and the citizens greater loss. Not to the citizens of this good old Commonwealth, for they responded to the call of the State Executive at the eleventh hour. Not to the State of Pennsylvania, for she has given 300,000 men in answer to the requisitions of the President. Who then is to blame? First, we condemn the enemy, who has been the immediate commission agent; and secondly, we blame those whose duty it was to protect the country from the ravages of the enemy—our commission agents—the administration at Washington. Entrusted by the people with the administration of the government—relying upon their supposed wisdom and the strength which has been granted to and assumed by them—the President and his cabinet have failed in affording the protection needed, and in permitting the State of Pennsylvania to be disgraced by the desolating invasion of the rebel army. It is indeed but a just complaint, and a lamentable truth, that after granting to the "powers that be" all they asked for—men and money, in credit and material, in enduring privations, foregoing the comforts of life, paying high prices for articles of all kinds, heavy taxes, permitting without resistance unconstitutional enactments, obliteration almost of State lines, infringements upon the rights and liberties of the citizen unarranged by law and repugnant to correct republican government, many in this country and in the adjoining countries have lost almost their all, and that through the inability and mismanagement of the rulers over us. They merit our censure and should receive it from an injured and outraged people.

To be loyal to the Government of the United States is the duty of every citizen, and to preserve the Constitution which gives vitality to the Government in all its provisions, is the sworn obligation of the public servants who administer the same. The acts of the political party in power may be treason to the United States Government, and the Government officials, even from the lofty Chief Executive down to the mere lackey or aid, may, in the furtherance of a policy unwisely adopted, give aid and comfort to the enemy in an emergency like the present.

That the proclamation of freedom to the slaves—the enactment of the confiscation bill—the suspension of the writ of *habeas corpus*—the suppression of the press and of speech—division of the State of Virginia—and we were nearly adding every act of the last Congress—were not in conformity with the Constitution, but in gross violation thereof, needs no argument. It is admitted by the friends of the different bills in their speeches. And yet that sacred instrument which makes Presidents, Congress, Supreme Courts, and the whole machinery of government, which is the great organic law of the country, dare scarcely be held up in its sacred form, by its constitutional tripartite, as the guide for our rulers and protection for its friends, without the imputation of disloyalty.

The Union of the States as they were before this cruel war, under the Constitution as it is, with peace restored, laws respected, liberties preserved, press free, speech free, and the whole United States re-united in the bonds of prosperity and happiness, ought to be the fervent prayer of every loyal citizen.

## GOVERNOR CURTIN RE-NOMINATED.

The Abolition State Convention, which assembled on Wednesday at Pittsburg, re-nominated Governor Curtin on the first ballot by a decided vote. This result was long since a foregone conclusion, and was accomplished in spite of the efforts of the Administration "organ" in this city to secure his defeat. The Democracy do not want a weaker opponent than Governor Curtin. His official conduct during his term of office is marked with nothing but impetuosity and complete subservience to the powers at Washington. Never rising to the dignity of a Chief Magistrate of Pennsylvania, he permitted the grossest outrages upon the personal rights of the citizens of the State to be perpetrated without raising his arm in their defense, or listening for one moment to their earnest appeals for protection. His record will furnish ample matter for serious comment, and it will become the duty of a free and fearless press to thoroughly examine all his official acts, and show how utterly faithless he has been to the great Commonwealth over which in an evil hour, he was called to preside. We thank the Abolition Convention for giving us such a candidate.

Phil. Age.

Democracy, who have been entrapped into the Abolition, who by the cry of "no party," what do you think of the "No-party" alias Abolition Convention, held at Pittsburg?—and what of the delegates? Where are the Democratic delegates? Echo answers, "no where." As Senatorial delegate of this district, we see Dr. Dafield, the defeated candidate for Senate, of the Republican party. The Representatives of the counties composing the said district were: For Adams, Edward McPherson, defeated candidate for Congress, now in pay at Washington; (why there were no citizens of the county fit to serve); for Franklin, A. K. McClure, the political trickster; for Fulton, W. W. Sellers—broken of the black school of politics—broken down politicians. No one fresh from the people, free from taint, was selected. No "No-party Union Democrats"—they are laid by. They have served the purposes of their Abolition friends and are now left to pine away—forgotten. We repeat, what do you think of the complexion of the delegates from this Senatorial district?

If it be true that to oppose the National Administration is treason, is it not also treasonable to denounce the Administration of a State? Or, in other words, if Mr. Lincoln's Administration be the Federal Government, is not Gov. Seymour's the Government of New York? We ask the question, because we notice that those persons in New York—like the Tribune, Times, Post and Buffalo Express—which demand the most slavish subservience to the acts of Mr. Lincoln, are the grounds that to oppose Mr. Administration is to oppose the Government, are the foremost in abuse of the Governor and other Democratic officials.

Johnston's men in their own State.—Eric Oberstein.

## THE FOUNDATION OF OUR HOPES.

The political campaign of the present year in Pennsylvania is, beyond all question, the most important that ever enlisted the attention of the people. The history of the past two years and five months clearly proves that Abolition has completely destroyed the high character once possessed by Pennsylvania, and the proud position she occupied under Democratic Administration. Any one who compares the past with the present, will see that the rights of the masses have been totally neglected, and that the assumption of power by the National over the State authorities, and the submission of Harrisburg to Washington, has rendered our State authorities powerless to perform the duties expected of them by the people. It is no excuse to urge that the existing war surrounded the present Executive with difficulties which were unusual. At such a crisis, and under such circumstances, stronger efforts should have been made to steer the ship to a safe harbor than are usually employed in the discharge of official functions. But instead of strength, weakness stood at the helm, and partisan madness, ruled the hour. Pennsylvania was twice invaded by the rebel forces, and each time her borders were defenseless and her people unprotected. She cheerfully furnished over two hundred thousand of her sons to fight in the army of the Republic, and willingly gave a large share of her hard-earned treasure to the sacred cause of the Union. Yet, notwithstanding all her sacrifices, she found no help in her need, no response to her cries of distress, and was compelled to witness her soil overrun by an invading foe, and her good name tarnished by the weakness and imbecility of her rulers.

The people have taken all these things seriously to heart. They feel grievously disappointed in the expectations they formed of the men they placed in power. Many of those who aided most in elevating the present faction to office are now the foremost in determination to tear down the structure they helped to build. The wretched intrigues and disgraceful scheming for office of the various cliques in the Abolition party are viewed with natural distrust by the conservative men in this State—who will no longer be deceived by the miserable "no-party" cry raised by the Abolitionists to delude the masses and give them in office a new lease of power. It will matter but little who may be selected by the Johnsons as their standard-bearer in the coming contest. Whoever he may be, certain defeat awaits him. The representative of the Abolition party, at this time, in Pennsylvania, can never receive a majority of the suffrages of the people, because the principles he will be compelled to advocate will make him odious in the sight of the sovereign masses, who have already borne enough from the misrule and incompetency of the dominant party. In this emergency, the nominees of the Democratic Convention for Governor will rally to his support the true friends of liberty and law in the Commonwealth. In GEORGE W. WOODWARD, they will find all the noble qualities which freemen prize most. He is able, honest and resolute. He has always been a devoted friend of the Union and Constitution. He has raised himself from the ranks of the people to his present position by the force of his own acknowledged ability and untiring energy. With him in the gubernatorial chair, every citizen would be protected in his constitutional rights, and the fair fame of Pennsylvania would be rescued from the obloquy which has been cast upon her by the bad men who are now controlling her destinies. To accomplish this purpose, the Democratic party must take care to thoroughly organize their forces. No fair and honorable means must be left untried to secure the result. There must be no lukewarmness—no faltering in the ranks. The victory is within our reach; and if every Democrat does his duty, his labors will be crowned with a triumph on the second Tuesday of next October that will cheer and gladden the true friends of the Union and the Constitution throughout the country.—Phil. Age.

## THE DAY OF WRATH.

When the loyal ballot boxes thunder in Pennsylvania and Ohio, the least expiring hope of treason will perish.—*Republican*.

True to the letter! Fifty thousand Democratic majority in Pennsylvania, and the same in Ohio, at the coming elections—fifty thousand majority in favor of the Constitution as it is, and the Union as it was, and of their observance and strict enforcement of law and order—fifty thousand majority in favor of the inalienable rights of civil liberty—the rights of individual freedom, personal security and private property—of all the constitutional guarantees to the State and the citizens against executive usurpation, the insoulerence of office, the wild teachings of fanaticism and the terrible rule of anarchy, so constantly invoked by the Jacobin press and orators of the day, "when the loyal ballot-boxes thunder," will crush out, beyond the power of resurrection, "the last expiring hope of treason," wherever it may be found and whatever guise it may assume. When the thunder begins to rumble down the old Alleghenies, and comes rolling down from the Great Lakes, and in from the Delaware and the Ohio, we advise our friends of the *Republican* to "stand firm under." The consuming fire of the people's righteous indignation will fall upon the heads of their deceivers, as did the fire from Heaven upon the altars and images of the heathen divinity; and that day a great voice shall be heard crying, "IF THE LORD BE GOD SERVE HIM; IF YE WOULD SERVE HIM"—*Spirit & Times*.

The loyal League is about "played out" in Ohio, the leaders having found that there is an innate sense of hatred in the breasts of the people against secret political associations. The Cincinnati *Commercial*, a strong Republican paper, but opposed to the League, thus mildly announces the fact: "The Union men in the Northern part of the State have, as a general thing, become convinced that the Union League has accomplished all the mission it ever had in that quarter, so that its dissolution will be perfectly satisfactory—and it is, therefore, passing away."

An official order fixes the total monthly pay of the Provost Marshals, under the enrollment act, at \$129 50, and that of the Surgeon and Commissioner at \$112 83.

The soldiers on the Pacific coast now receive half their pay in coin.

## THE NEXT STEP.

The progress of the government in breaking the military power of the rebellion has been very great during a few weeks past.—The capture of Vicksburg and Port Hudson opens the Mississippi river and cuts off from co-operation with the confederacy the territories west of the river. As the bank has broken the prestige of his army and buried it back to a defensive attitude in Virginia, Bragg retreats before victorious Rosecrans, and Tennessee with its large, loyal and suffering population is liberated. The capture of Charleston, which we are confident will be accomplished by Gilmore, will not only shut up the most important rebel port but enable our army to sever and hold the railroad line of the Atlantic coast. 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