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NEW STOVE AND TIN SHOP.

ON MAIN STREET, (NEARLY OPPOSITE MILLER'S STORE,) BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THE undersigned has just fitted up, and opened, his new

STOVE AND TIN SHOP,

in this place, where he is prepared to make up new TIN WARE of all kinds in his line, and do repairing, with neatness and dispatch, upon the most reasonable terms. He also keeps on hand STOVES of various patterns and styles, which he will sell upon terms to suit purchasers.

Give him a call. He is a good mechanic, and deserving of the public patronage.

JACOB METZ.

Bloomsburg, Sept. 9, 1866.—1y.

PLASTER FOR SALE.

The undersigned is about fitting up a

PLASTER MILL

at the PENN FURNACE MILLS, and will offer to the public ONE HUNDRED TONS BEST

Novia Scotia White Plaster,

prepared ready for use in quantities to suit purchasers, at any time from the first of March next.

J. S. McKINCH.

Catawissa, Jan. 23, 1867.

BOOT AND SHOE SHOP.

OSCAR P. GIRTON,

Respectfully informs the public that he is now prepared to manufacture all kinds of

BOOTS AND SHOES,

at the LOWEST Possible Prices;

at short notice and in the very best and latest styles. Mr. Girton, (as is well-known in Bloomsburg,) has had many years of successful experience with a reputation for good work, integrity and honorable dealing unsurpassed.

☞ Place of business on South East Corner of Main and Iron streets, over J. K. Girton's Store. Bloomsburg, Oct. 10, 1866.—2m.

FORKS HOTEL,

GEO. W. MAUGER, Proprietor.

The above well-known hotel has recently undergone radical changes in its internal arrangements, and its proprietor announces to his former custom and the travelling public that his accommodations for the comfort of his guests are second to none in the country. His table will always be found supplied, not only with substantial food, but with all the delicacies of the season. His wine and liquors (except that popular beverage known as *"Mc Henry"*) are purchased direct from the importing houses, are entirely pure, and free from all poisonous drugs. He is thankful for a liberal patronage in the past, and will continue to deserve it in the future.

GEORGE W. MAUGER.

June 13, 1866.—tf.

MACHINE AND REPAIR SHOP.

THE undersigned would most respectfully announce to the public generally, that he is prepared to execute all kinds of MACHINERY, at JOSEPH SHARPLESS' FOUNDRY, in Bloomsburg, where he can always be found ready to do all kinds of repairing, including Threshing Machines and in short, all kinds of Farming Utensils. ALSO, TURNING AND FITTING UP OF CASTING AND MACHINERY, done on short notice, in a good workmanlike manner, upon the most reasonable terms.

His long experience in the business as foreman in the shop of Lewis & Maus of this place, for over nine years, warrants him in saying that he can give entire satisfaction to all who may favor him with their work.

GEORGE HASSERT.

Bloomsburg, Nov. 21, 1866.

FALLON HOUSE.

THE subscriber having purchased the "Fallon House," in

LOCK HAVEN, Pa.,

property of E. W. Bigony, Esq., would say to the friends of the House, his acquaintances, and the public generally, that he intends to keep a HOTEL, with the accommodations and comforts of a House, and humbly solicits their patronage.

J. DITTENKIRK,
Late of the Madison House, Philadelphia.

Lock Haven, Dec. 26, 1866

MISS LIZZIE PETERMAN,

Would announce to the ladies of Bloomsburg and the public generally, that she has just received from the eastern cities her

Spring and Summer

Stock of

MILLINERY GOODS,

consisting of all articles usually found in first class Millinery stores. Her goods are of the best quality and among the most handsome and cheapest in the market. Call and examine them for yourselves.

Nobody should purchase elsewhere before examining Miss Peterman's stock of goods. Bonnets made to order, on the shortest notice, or repaired.

Store on Main street, 3d door below the store of Mendenhall & Rupert.

Bloomsburg, May 2, 1866.—tf.

NEW TOBACCO STORE.

H. H. HUNSBERGER,

Main Street, below the "American House."

BLOOMSBURG, PA.,

Where he keeps on hand, and furnishes to the home and country trade, at Philadelphia (lowest) prices.

FINE CUT AND PLUG TOBACCOS,

DOMESTIC AND IMPORTED CIGARS all kinds of

SMOKING TOBACCO,

Snuffs, Meerschaum and Briar Wood Pipes, and all articles pertaining to his trade.

☞ Those small retail dealers in cigars and chewing tobaccos, would do well to give him a call, instead of sending to the cities for every article they needer purchasing of these country peddlars.

November 21, 1866.—3m.

DRUGS, DRUGS, DRUGS.

Pure Medicines, at John R. Moyer's Drug Store corner of Main and Market Streets. A good assortment of

PURE DRUGS,

Medicines, Paints, Oils and Varnishes, always on hand, and will be sold cheaper than at any other Drug Store in town.

QUALITY GUARANTEED.

Prescriptions carefully compounded at Moyer's Drug Store.

Ayers and Jaynes Medicines sold at Moyer's Drug Store.

Wishart's Tar Cordial, Baker's Cod Liver Oil, Winslow's Soothing Syrup, sold at Moyer's Drug Store.

For any reliable patent medicines, call at Moyer's Drug Store.

Leather of all kinds, wholesale and retail, at J. R. Moyer's Drug Store, Bloomsburg, Pa.

May 2, 1866.—tf.

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THE DEMOCRATIC STATE JUDICIAL CONVENTION.

Hon. George Sharswood of Philadelphia Nominated.

Speech of Hon. William A. Wallace.

THE PLATFORM FOR THE CAMPAIGN

HARRISBURG, June 11.

In compliance with a resolution adopted by the Democratic State Committee, at a meeting held in Harrisburg on the 29th of January last, the regular Convention of the party for nominating a candidate for the Supreme Bench assembled in the Chamber of the House of Representatives, and at 12 o'clock M., was called to order by the Chairman of the Democratic State Committee, Hon. William A. Wallace.

By direction of the Chairman the Clerk proceeded to call the list of delegates, when the following gentlemen answered to their names:

DELEGATES TO THE DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION JUNE 11, 1867.

First District, Philadelphia, Charles W. Brooke.
Second District, Philadelphia, Anthony J. Lechler.
Third District, Philadelphia, Samuel G. King.
Fourth District, Philadelphia, A. D. Boileau.
Fifth District, B. M. Boyer.
Sixth District, O. P. James.
Seventh District, Judge G. W. Stine.
Eighth District, Dr. R. B. Rhoades.
Ninth District—F. W. Hughes.
Tenth District, Peter Gilbert.
Eleventh District, Evan Holben.
Twelfth District, G. B. Nicholson.
Thirteenth District, B. D. Hamlin.
Fourteenth District—Philip Hilbish.
Fifteenth District, Wm. H. Jacoby.
Sixteenth District, L. C. Shirk.
Seventeenth District, William P. Brinton, Henry Eckert.
Eighteenth District, Hon. J. S. Black.
Nineteenth District, J. McDowell Sharpe.
Twentieth District, Amos Smith.
Twenty-first District, A. P. Wilson, A. S. Landis.
Twenty-second District, A. P. Woodruff.
Twenty third District, W. T. Alexander.
Twenty-fourth District, C. E. Boyle.
Twenty-fifth District, James P. Barr, Dr. James Kerr.
Twenty-sixth District, William Hopkins.
Twenty-seventh District, Jacob Zeigler.
Twenty-eighth District, James Buchanan, Jr.
Twenty-ninth District, Pierson Church.

REPRESENTATIVE DELEGATES.

Philadelphia, Chas. D. James, Albert R. Schofield, Robert E. Randall, Richard Vaux, George Moore, N. H. Sharpless, Wm. H. Souder, Daniel M. Fox, Chas. Thomas, Edmund Keyser, Daniel J. Barr, J. Myers, Thomas W. Greenbank, Joseph Mountain, Thomas J. Roberts, Samuel Sutton, Edward R. Worrell, Jesse F. Vogdes.
Adams, Wm. M'Sherry.
Allegheny, J. C. Buffum, John A. Strain, John O'Connor, Wm. H. Moore, John P. Heisel, and William H. Reel.
Berks, James M'Carty, John S. Shroeder, Richmond L. Jones.
Bradford and Sullivan, George D. Jackson, and H. B. M'Kean.
Bucks, H. Monhimer, L. S. Barder.
Blair, Dr. J. M. Gimmel.
Cambria, H. D. Woodruff
Carbon and Monroe, C. S. Deitrick.
Centre, S. T. Shugart.
Clarion and Jefferson, W. W. Barr.
Clearfield, Forest and Elk, T. J. M'Cullough.
Clinton, Cameron and M'Kean, A. J. Quigley
Chester, E. W. Sharp, Benjamin Holman, J. B. Baker.
Crawford, G. W. Hecker, and B. S. M'Callister.
Columbia and Montour, Paul Leidy.
Cumberland, C. E. M'Laughlin.
Dauphin, R. A. Lamberton, S. P. Auchmuty.
Delaware, Dr. J. L. Forward.
Erie, Benjamin Whitman, J. Ross Thompson.
Fayette, W. H. Playford.
Greene, W. T. H. Pauley.
Huntingdon, Juniatta and Mifflin, T. M. Utley, Jerome Hetrick.
Indiana and Westmoreland, Wm. M. Given, H. B. Laird, James B. Sansom.
Lancaster, H. T. Shultz, George Young, Jr., Dr. Samuel Welchans, Dr. Henry Reimsnyder.
Lebanon, John S. Bossler,
Lehigh, J. D. Stiles, Edwin Albright.
Lycoming, Union and Snyder, Dr. Hugh Montgomery, Levi Sterner and Major J Cummings.
Luzerne, Michael Reah, A. A. Chase, J. B. Stark.
Mercer, Lawrence and Butler, E. Harnit.
Montgomery, A. D. Markley, A. Rambo.
Northampton, C. Glauntz, C. M. Knauss.
Northumberland, J. R. Hilbush.
Perry and Franklin, Charles J. T. McIntire, D. K. Wunderlich.
Schuylkill, Conrad Graber, John Horn and William K. Gallagher.
Somerset, Fulton and Bedford, H. Findley, John G. Hartley.
Susquehanna and Wyoming, William M. Piatt and John Blanding.
Tioga and Potter, H. A. Guernsey.
Venango and Warren, J. S. M'Calmont, —— Snowden.
Washington and Beaver, William Swann, A. Manchester, J. H. O'Dell.
Wayne and Pike, C. F Eldred.
York, S. N. Bailey and Adam J. Glossbrenner.

Hon. William A. Wallace, Chairman of the State Central Committee, called the Convention at twelve o'clock. He spoke as follows:

Two years since you called me to the head of your organization. I accepted as a duty that which I had not sought as an honor, and I bring you now no memories of battles won or of victories gained, but those of forces marshaled, of contests waged, of principles defended.

The Republic has just passed through a war of gigantic proportions. Our political foes had weilded the physical, financial and moral power of the whole. The soil of every battle-field had been reddened with the blood of members of our organization, sealing with their life their devotion to the Union, yet obloquy, falsehood and persecution were unsparingly hurled upon us because we had principles and boldly proclaimed them, and when the historian shall trace with impartial pen the events of those years, he will record that we were vilified, persecuted and defeated because we supported the principles of free government and defended the great cardinal doctrines of the Federal Constitution.

Peace came. Possessed of a vast military and naval establishment, controlling the expenditure of hundreds of millions annually, with an inquisitorial revenue system numbering its thousands and permeating every section of the land, with the absolute control of every branch of the civil service, and the powerful aid of organized capital in the hands of men who had reaped wealth in the bloody harvest just passed, our enemy believed and hoped that their grasp of power was to be perpetual, and that we were dead and buried beyond the hope of resurrection. The events of the past two years have undeceived them, and they now recognize the fact that the party they hoped was gone forever, is organized, equipped, and ready to grasp from their unsteady hand the sceptre of dominion.

The basis of our unity, the germ of our perpetuity, is the principle of self preservation. Our instincts teach us to be immortal as a party. Individual liberty is the priceless gem around which the Constitution created the casket we love. Governments are made for men, not men for governments. Men made the States. The States and men made the Union. Both are essential to us. The government is one of limited powers: limited that it may not trample upon our rights; limited that it may enable us to enjoy individual liberty.

To these principles we have ever been true, and so long as we have faith in them, courage in their maintenance and hope for our country, we have within us the element of success.

The past is gone, the great present is with us. As practical men we may mould its relatives to shape the events of the future, and aid in regaining the highway to national prosperity.

In advancing the material progress of our great Commonwealth, in developing her immense resources, in fostering her industrial interests and in placing her in the vanguard of the family of States, we shall find a career worthy of the most exalted ambition.

In resuming my place in the ranks of your army, I may be permitted to return to you my sincere thanks for the uniform courtesy and kindness with which you have treated me.

On motion of Mr. Boileau, the Hon. D. M. Fox was made temporary Chairman of the Convention.

The following named gentlemen were appointed Secretaries, temporarily:

Benjamin L. Foster, J. C. Brown, E. H. Worrell, and John C. Barr.

Mr. Jones offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That, so far as applicable, the rules of the House of Representatives of this State shall be the rules of this Convention.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to nominate candidates for permanent President, when the following named gentlemen were announced:

Charles E. Boyle, of Fayette; John S. McCalmont, of Venango; Hon. Jeremiah S. Black, of York, and William Hopkins, of Washington.

The names of J. S. McCalmont and William Hopkins were subsequently withdrawn.

At this point of the proceedings, Judge Black arose, and protested against the use of his name for any such position, and while he would undertake to discharge the functions of a presiding officer in court, he disclaimed all fitness for presiding over the deliberations of a parlimentary body, with the rules of which, he frankly confessed, he was entirely unfamiliar and declared his preference for his young friend from Fayette, (Mr. Boyle,) who had evinced his ability as a parliamentarian in a short legislative career, and hoped the Convention would place him in the chair.

On proceeding to a ballot, Charles E. Boyle received 74 votes, Jeremiah S. Black received 44 votes.

Mr. Boyle on taking the chair, made a brilliant and stirring speech.

COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATIONS.

Hon. James P. Barr, moved that a committee on organization be appointed, and the following gentlemen were selected by their respective delegations:

First District, Charles W. Brooke.
Second District, Charles Thomas.
Third District, Samuel G. King.
Fourth District, Thomas J. Roberts.
Fifth District, Dennis B. Kelley, A. D. Markley.
Sixth District, O. P. James.
Seventh District, Edwin Albright.
Eighth District, R. P. Rhoades.
Ninth District, Conrad Graber.
Tenth District, Peter Gilbert.
Eleventh District, John Blanding.
Twelfth District, G. B. Nicholson.
Thirteenth District, A. J. Quigley.
Fourteenth District, Philip Hilbish.
Fifteenth District, J. R. Hilbush.
Sixteenth District, L. C. Shirk.
Seventeenth District, H. I. Shultz, Wm. P. Brinton.
Eighteenth District, Samuel M. Bailey.
Nineteenth District, Hon. Wm. McSherry.
Twentieth District, John G. Hartley.
Twenty-first District, Charles McIntire, Gen. A. P. Wilson.
Twenty-second District, J. B. Sansom.
Twenty-third District, I. J. McCulloch.
Twenty-fourth District, Wm. M. Given.
Twenty-fifth District, John A. Strain and John O'Conner.
Twenty-sixth District, H. Manchester.
Twenty-seventh District, E. Harnit.
Twenty eighth District, James Buchanan, Jr.
Twenty-ninth District, G. W. Hecker.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS:

Hon. Francis W. Hughes, of Schuylkill, moved that a committee of one be appointed from each Senatorial District to draft resolutions expressive of the views of the Convention: The following gentlemen were named:

First District, Hon. Richard Vaux.
Second District, Anthony J. Lechler.
Third District, Thomas W. Greenbank.
Fourth District, Jesse T. Vogdes.
Fifth District, B. M. Boyer.
Sixth District, L. L. Bodder.
Seventh District, Hon. Geo. W. Stein.
Eighth District, Richmond L. Jones.
Ninth District, Hon. Francis W. Hughes.
Tenth District, Peter Gilbert.
Eleventh District, William M. Piatt.
Twelfth District, A. A. Chase.
Thirteenth District, Byron D. Hamlin.
Fourteenth District, Major Jack Cummings.
Fifteenth District, Hon. Paul Leidy.
Sixteenth District, R. A. Lamberton, Esq.
Seventeenth District' Dr. Samuel Welchauns, George Young, Jr.
Eighteenth District, Hon. Jeremiah S. Black.
Nineteenth District, J. McDowell Sharpe.
Twentieth District, Hon. Amos S. Smith.
Twenty-first District, T. M. Utley, A. S. Landis.
Twenty-second District, Captain H. D. Woodruff.
Twenty-third District, T. J. McCulloch.
Twenty-fourth District, Wm. H. Playford.
Twenty fifth District, Hon. James P. Barr, James Kerr.
Twenty-sixth District, J. H. Odell.
Twenty-seventh District, Captain Jacob Zeigler.
Twenty-eighth District, James Buchanan, Jr.
Twenty-ninth District, J. Ross Thomson.

The Convention, at half-past one, adjourned until 3 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention met at 3 o'clock, and was called to order by the Chairman, Hon. Charles E. Boyle, of Fayette.

Mr. Samuel G. King, of Philadelphia, Chairman of the Committee on Organization, made the following report, which was unanimously adopted.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

First District, Robert E. Randall.
Second District, William A. Souder.
Third District, Daniel M. Fox.
Fourth District, A. D. Boileau.
Fifth District, Abel Rambo.
Sixth District, L. S. Rodder.
Seventh District, Charles Glanz.
Eighth District, John S. Schroeder.
Ninth District, William H. Gallagher.
Tenth District, C. S. Dietrick.
Eleventh District, William M. Piatt.
Twelfth District, Michael Reap.
Thirteenth District, H. A. Guernsey.
Fourteenth District Dr. Hugh Montgomery.
Fifteenth District, J. R. Hilbush.
Sixteenth District S. P. Auchmutz.
Seventeenth District, Henry Eckert, Dr. H. Reimsnyder.
Eighteenth District, Charles E McLaughlin.
Nineteenth District, D. K. Wunderlich.
Twentieth District, H. Findlay.
Twenty-first District, Dr. J. W. Grimmill, S. T. Shugart.
Twenty-second District, H. D. Woodruff.
Twenty-third District, W. W. Barr.
Twenty-fourth District, H. P Laird.
Twenty-fifth District, W. D. Moore, J. C. Buffum.
Twenty-sixth District, William Swan.
Twenty-seventh District, Jacob Zeigler.
Twenty-eighth District, J. S. McCalmont.
Twenty-ninth District, B. S. McAllister.

SECRETARIES.

John W. Brown, Dauphin County.
Benjamin L. Foster, Dauphin County.
E. R. Worrell, Philadelphia County.
A. Schofield, Philadelphia County.
John C. Barr, Allegheny County.
David S. Koon, Luzerne County.
John Horn, Schuylkill County.
C. M. Knouss, Northampton County.
J. B. Odell, Beaver County.
H. T. Shultz, Lancaster County.
James McCarty, Berks County.
Henry McKean, Bradford County.
Charles J. T. McIntire, Perry County.
Benjamin F. Whitman, Erie County.
John C. Smith, Montgomery County.
J. P. Heisel, Allegheny County.
W. H. Reel, Allegheny County.
John S. Bassler, Lebanon County.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

Folyard E. Degan, *of Philadelphia.*

NOMINATIONS.

The Convention on motion of W. W. Barr, of Clarion, then proceeded to nominate candidates for Judge of the Supreme Court. The following named gentlemen were placed in nomination:

John D. Stiles nominated Judge John W. Maynard.

J. B. Stark nominated Judge James Ryon.

Mr. Wilson nominated Judge Ames H. Graham.

Mr. Thomas W Greenbank nominated Judge George Sharswood.

Mr. E. W. Moore nominated Walter B. Lowrie.

A. J. Glossbrenner nominated Judge Robert J. Fisher.

W. W. Barr nominated Judge Gaylord Church.

Mr. Witman nominated Judge Benjamin Grant.

Mr. Church nominated Judge George W. Woodward.

Judge McCalmont nominated Henry D. Foster.

The names of Judge Woodward and H. D. Foster were withdrawn.

The Committee on Resolutions not being ready to report, a motion to proceed to balloting for Supreme Judge prevailed, and resulted as follows.

FIRST BALLOT.

Sharswood,	50	Lowrie,	16
Maynard,	14	Elwell,	7
Fisher,	9	Church,	3
Ryon,	14	Graham,	8
Pershing,	2	Grant,	2

SECOND BALLOT.

Maynard	15	Fisher,	9
Sharswood,	85	Ryon,	11

The nomination was hailed with a wild outburst of enthusiasm, and was made unanimous.

Mr. Wallace was unanimously re-elected Chairman of the State Central Committee. The following gentlemen were selected as members of the

STATE CENTRAL COMMITTE.

First District, No selection.
Second District, Adam B. Walter.
Third District, Hon. Samuel J. Randall.
Fourth District, Albert R. Schofield.
Fifth District, A. D. Markley, Nimrod Strickland, Jr.
Sixth District, O. P. James.
Seventh District, C. M. Knauss.
Eighth District, James McCarty.
Ninth District, George D. B. Keim.
Tenth District, Peter Gilbert.
Eleventh District, Joseph L. Merriman.
Twelfth District, David R. Randall.
Thirteenth District, G. O. Diese.
Fourteenth District, Major Jack Cummings.
Fifteenth District, John A. Funston.
Sixteenth District, David Mitchell.
Seventeenth District, W. P. Brinton, Robt. Crane.
Eighteenth District, William M. Penrose.
Nineteenth District, Henry J. Stahle.
Twentieth District, John O. Gemmell.
Twenty-first District, General O. P. Wilson, Joseph Swartz.
Twenty-second District, J. M. Thompson.
Twenty-third District, Thomas J. McCullough.
Twenty-fourth District, W. T. H. Pauley.
Twenty-fifth District, James P. Barr, Wm. D. Moore.
Twenty-sixth District, Freeman Brady, Jr.
Twenty-seventh District, David S. Morris.
Twenty-eighth District, Robert M. De France.
Twenty-ninth District, Pierson Church.

Mr. Francis W. Hughes offered the following resolution:

That the term of Hon. W. A. Wallace, Chairman of the State Central Committee, and that of the Committee, be extended to January, 1869.

Adopted by a vote of 51 to 45.

A resolution was passed, unanimously tendering the thanks of the Convention to Mr. C. E. Boyle for the able manner in which he had presided over its deliberations.

Several resolutions of an unimportant character were disposed of, when Mr. Boyer, Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions made a report, which was adopted amidst a storm of applause.

RESOLUTIONS.

Hon. B. M. Boyer, of Montgomery County, from the Committee on Resolutions reported the following platform:

We the delegates of the Democratic party of Pennsylvania in general State Convention assembled, for the nomination of a candidate for Judge of the Supreme Court, profoundly grateful to the Supreme Ruler of the Universe for the return of peace to our beloved country, but deeply anxious on account of the trials and delays which impede the complete restoration and reunion of all the States, and appreciating the dangers which still threaten the safety of our political institutions, and the future peace, liberty and prosperity of the people,

Resolved, That we steadfastly adhere to the principles of civil government established by the founders of the Union, and in the present conflict of legislative usurpation with constitutional law, we esteem a wise, upright, and fearless judiciary the great bulwark *of public liberty and individual right.*

That the Union of the States is perpetual, and the Federal government supreme within its Constitutional limits.

That representation in the Congress of the United States and in the Electoral College is a right, fundamental and indestructible in its nature, and abiding in every State, being a duty as well as a right pertaining to the people of every State, and essential to our republican system of government. Its denial is the destruction of the government itself.

Each State having, under the Constitution, the exclusive right to prescribe the qualifications of its own electors, we proclaim as a usurpation and an outrage the establishment of negro suffrage in any of the States by the coercive excercise of Federal power, and we shall resist to the last resort the threatened measures of the leaders of the Republican party to interfere by acts of Congress with the regulation of the elective franchise in the State of Pennsylvania.

We are opposed to any amendment of the Constitution of the State giving to negroes the right of suffrage.

That the failure of the tariff bill in the last session of the late Congress, more than three fourths of whose members belonged to the Republican party, is an illustration of their infidelity to their pledges and their neglect of their profession in relation to the great industrial and financial interests of the country.

That the radical majority in Congress, and those who sustain them, have overthrown the Constitution, dismembered the Federal Union, and subverted our republican form of government by a long series of usurpations, among which are the following: The denial of the right of the States of the Union to representation in Congress; the treatment of ten States as subjugated provinces, and governing them by military force in lieu of peace; the enactment of laws denying indemnity for arrest and false imprisonment made without authority of law; the resistance of the authority of civil tribunals, and their overthrow by the substitution of millitary commissions for the trial of undefined offences; their efforts to destroy the Executive and Judicial departments of the government by threatened impeachment, to control executive action, and a projected remodeling of the Supreme Court of the United States, to force obedience to the venal mandates of Congress; the ejectment from their seats in the Federal Senate and House of Representatives of members duly and legally chosen: the purpose of confiscation, avowed by the Republican leaders, in violation of the declaration of rights and other guarantees of Federal and State constitutions, tending, as it does, to destroy all protection to private property, advancing them far on the highroad to repudiation.

That a strict conformity, both by Federal and State government, to all powers, restrictions, and guarantees, as contained in the constitution of the United States; a rigid and wisy economy in the administration of public affairs, and the election of capable, honest and patriotic men to office, are measures absolutely necessary to restore public confidence, avert national bankruptcy, and to insure the perpetuity of our free institutions.

That the late Republican Legislature of this State has distinguished itself for the number of its unwise and unconstitutional onactments. Some of these laws have already been judicially determined to be unconstitutional; others are unwise, inexpedient, oppressive and fanatical, and the members who sustained them should be condemned by the people at the polls.

That power and success of the Democratic party greatly depend on the character and efficiency of its newspaper press, and that to give due force to its usefulness, this Convention earnestly request that in every county all the members of the Democratic party should make vigerous efforts to increas its circulation by giving it their individual patronage and support.

That the Democracy of Pennsylvania by their representatives now assembled, hereby tender acknowledgment and thanks to George W. Woodward in his retirement from the position of Chief Justice of this Commonwealth, for the pure and faithful manner in which he discharged the duties of that exhalted position.

That the candidate we this day present to the people of Pennsylvania for a place on the Supreme Bench of the State, is, in all respects, worthy of the confidence and support of all who are in favor of an enlightened, faithful and impartial administration of the laws.

COMMITTEE TO WAIT UPON JUDGE SHARSWOOD.

The following were appointed to wait upon Judge Sharswood and inform him of his nomination: Hon. Richard Vaux, Philadelphia, Chairman; R. A. Lamberton, Daupbin; W. D. Moore, Allegheny; Robert E. Randall, Philadelphia; John D. Stiles, Lehigh; Dr. Hugh Montgomery, Lycoming; Dr. A. D. Markley, Montgomery; A. D. Boileau, Philadelphia; Charles H. McIntire, Perry; Pierson Church, Crawford; William M. Piatt, Wyoming.

The Convention at half-past seven o'clock adjourned *sine die.*

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FIRESIDE STORIES.

BY J. EDGAR LAKE.

A few months ago, on a cold raw day in January, I entered the private office of the firm of which I am a member, and found my partners in earnest consultation over the contents of a letter received by the morning mail. The letter contained the unwelcome intelligence that one of our agents, in a manufacturing town in New Hampshire, had proved recreant to his trust, and absconded with a considerable sum of money belonging to the firm. It was immediately decided that one of us must visit the scene to regulate matters, and take immediate steps for the apprehension of the thief. Having at one time in my life been a member of the secret police, and gained a good reputation in that capacity, my partners flatteringly remarked that I was just the person to "work up" the case.

The next morning I started for L——, the scene of the robbery. In one week's time the thief had been captured, nearly all the stolen money recovered, and in the best of spirits I made preparations to start for home tho following morning. When morning came the sky looked threatning, and the weather prophets predicted an unusually severe snow-storm. But having a good horse and warm robes I determined to start. About ten o'clock it commenced snowing and blowing in earnest; at four the roads were impassible, and I was forced to seek shelter at a wayside inn. Upon entering the bar-room I found seated around a blazing wood fire three other storm bound travelers. Room was cheerfully made for me, and the conversation became general until mine host called us to partake of a bountiful supper. When we were again seated round the fire one of our number proposed that each in turn should relate some personal adventure. The proposition meeting with favor, the eldest of our little group was requested to commence. He was a noble looking man of some fifty years, and his story I give as nearly as possible.

"The incident which I am about to relate occurred many years ago, but 'tis as fresh in my memoay as though it was but yesterday. And to convince you of the truth of my story, look at my arm," and bareing the member he showed us several deep, ugly scars. "I was a youth of twenty when these were made, and I'll tell you how it happened. My father was formerly a merchant in B——, when I was about ten years old he became unfortunate in business, and lost nearly all his property; he had speculated in land considerably, and at the time of his reverses owned a tract of land in this State. Tired of the world, he removed his family to the then almost unbroken forest. Game, large and small, was plenty, and having a natural inclination I soon became an expert hunter for a boy. I would take my rifle, and, accompanied by my dog Brave a noble fellow, make long excursions through the surrounding country. Some ten miles from our cabin there was a small settlement, and thither I went occasionally. One afternoon it was in October, I took my rifle, and whistling for Brave, started for the settlement. The bears were unusually plenty that fall, and that afternoon my mother warned me to get home before night. On reaching the settlement I found a number of persons congregated round the 'store,' and becoming interested in the conversation, time passed away faster than I was aware of. It was nearly sunset when I started for home, and it bid fair for a dark night, though there was a moon. I had gone about four miles, when the dog, who was a few steps in advance, suddenly stopped and gave vent to low, deep growl. I stepped quickly forward, and saw directly in front of me an enormous she bear and two cubs. I knew she would be a dangerous customer, and drew back with the intention of leaving her unmolested. But she had seen me and with an angry growl gave chase. I confess my limbs trembled, for a moment, and then every nerve seemed of iron. Hastily ordering the dog behind me, and loosening my knife—and bowse—in my belt, I cocked my rifle and waited for her bearship to come nearer. Finding I did not run, the bear halted when within about fifteen yards of me, and raised herself upon her hind legs. This gave me an excellent opportunity, and taking a quick, sure aim, I fired. The bullet found her heart and she fell over dead. 'The cubs, Brave," I said, in a moment he had dispatched them. The darkness was falling fast, and leaving my game where it fell, I pushed on for home.

"After going perhaps a mile and a half, Brave, who led the way, came to a halt, and then with another growl retreated to my side. Putting my hand upon him, I could feel him tremble, and I trembled also, for I knew there was but one animal he feared, and that the panther. Naturally I am no coward, but to be miles from any human habitation, surrounded by darkness, and know a panther is watching and perhaps preparing to spring upon you, is sufficient to test ones nerves and courage. I knew it was no use to retreat so speaking encourageingly to Brave, I took my knife in my teeth, and cocking my trusty rifle, I cautiously advansed. I had taken but a few steps, when from a tree a few yards in advance I saw the creature's glaring eyes fixed upon me. At that moment the moon passed from under a cloud, and I could see the panther crouch to spring.—Quickly raising my rifle, and taking the best aim I could, I exclaimed, 'Take him Brave,' and fired. Scarcely had the report of my rifle rang through the forest when I was hauled to the ground and felt the creature's teeth in my arm. Before I could use my knife, Brave fastened his teeth in its throat. I sprang to my feet to assist the dog, but no help was needed, the panther was badly wounded by my shot, and the dog finished him. Poor Brave, he was sadly torn by the creatures claws, my own wounds were severe. Loading my rifle as best I could, I started on again. I reached home but to open the door and fall fainting into the room. It was weeks before I went out again, but Brave and I took many a tramp afterwards, and saw some hard service. Poor Brave! when he died I buried him with all the honors *of war, and dropped upon his grave a* tearful tribute to the noble brute, who more than once saved my life.

Such, gentlemen, is my story."

Bill Simpson's Legal Experience.

Many years ago the Legislature of Tennessee passed an act to organize the county of McNairy, alias Snake. At that time the country embraced in the limits of Snake was occupied by a set of back-woodsmen, totally unacquainted with courts, jails, &c. The county assembled at the appointed site for the purpose of cutting logs, making boards, &c., to build a court house and jail. The only theme of daily conversation, when the men were assembled, was the court &c. None of them had ever seen a court in session, as yet developed. Each one would give what his idea was of court, &c. None however, were entirely satisfactory, until Bill Simpson was called on to give his ideas. He said he knew all about a court, that he had had a law-suit in North Carolina. One of his neighbor's hogs kept coming when he fed his hogs, until it got fat. One morning he got so mad that he shot the hog. He thought it would not do to throw it away, so he cleaned and salted it. Shortly after his neighbor and a man come to his house, examined the smokehouse, and took him to town and put him in a little office. About thee months after that his man came and *took him to a large room.* A large man sat upon a high bench—a man was sitting at a desk—about a dozen fine dressed men sat in a place that was paled around. The man put him in a pen that was just behind them. He then called in twelve men, they took their seats in a box in front of the fine dressed men. The man that was writing gave the twelve men a book, and said something about Bill Simpson and the State. Then one of them fine men read something about Bill Simpson and the hog, and he and another of the fine dressed men had the biggest quarrel you ever heard. I thought they didn't. It was Bill Simpson and the hog, and the hog and Bill Simpson, and sometimes Mr. Simpson, but very seldom. After they quit quarrelling, the big man talked awhile to the twelve men, and they went out and stayed a short time, and came back and said something to the men at the desk. Then the man at the bench said something to the man that put me in the office, and he took me out and tied me to a tree, and commenced cowhiding me with a cowhide, and it made me so mad that I shook all the persimmons of the tree.

The "Blockhead" Party.

The appropriateness of the name given to the Republican party, by its distinguished leader, Hon. Horace Greeley, ought not to be disregarded by the Democrats However much we have differed from Mr. *Greeley upon politics, his astuteness in* reading the peculiar characteristics of individuals and parties, we have never questioned. Doubtless, his estimate of the Republicans, as a party, has been long entertained. Their fanatical absurdities and monstrous crimes, could not have failed to excite his indignation frequently during the past few years; but his partizan proclivities have stifled the expression of his true sentiments. It only needed an occasion, when his spirit should be chafed by applications of the proscriptive lash to his own shoulders, to induce a *public* declaration of his *private* opinion. "You are a set of blockheads!" says H. G. We agree with Mr. Greeley, fully; and inasmuch as the great leader of the party—not us—has christined it, we adopt the name. The Republican party no longer exists. Henceforth, our political battles are to be waged with the "BLOCKHEAD" PARTY!

☞ Why does a railway clerk cut a hole in your ticket? To let you pass through.