he Erie Weekly Observer.

ERIE, PA., SATURDAY, MAR. 14, 1863.

CONSTABLE.

We are requested to announce to the public that KITTLEBERGER will be a candidate for Constable in Erie Ward. mr14w2.

MAYOR OBSERVER:

Please announce that JAMES C. GRAHAM will be candidate for Road Commissioner of Millcreek township at the coming Spring election.

MANY CITIZENS.

# RATIFICATION MEETING!

## The Union and Constitution!

RALLY! RALLY! RALLY!

A meeting of the Conservative citizens of Erie will be held in Rosenberg's Hall, opposite Brown's Hotel, *Saturday Evening, March 14th*, to ratify the Democratic City, Ward and District nominations.

Speeches will be made by WM. A. GALBRAITH, Esq., Judge MARSHAN, Col. BENJ. GRANT, WILSON LAIRD, Esq., and others.

Let the Democracy of Erie turn out, and prove by their presence that neither threats, abuse nor falsehood can deter them from declaring and defending their principles.

PUBLIC SALE BILLS,

in English and German, printed at this office as reasonable terms as they can be had at any other establishment

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FIRST-RATE CHANCE.

We have for sale at this office a $25 Warrant on the Iron City College, at Pittsburg, which we will sell for $20. The school is one of the very best in the country. To a young man wishing to attend a commercial school, this is an excellent opportunity.

ELECTION TICKETS.

Persons wanting election tickets printed, will find us prepared to do them as promptly, and on as reasonable terms, as any other office in the city. We have arrangements by which we can supply as many tickets as are needed, to persons ordering them, at from an hour to two hour's notice.

SEND IN THE RETURNS.

We trust our friends in the different townships will not fail to send us in complete returns of the elections to be held next week — heretofore this has been too much neglected. If no one else will attend to the matter, may it not depend on the Democratic Inspector in each township to do it?

ELECTRITON.—Another exhibition of this peculiar science will be given by Prof. Frazer and daughter, in Park Hall, on Monday evening next. They certainly do some pretty wonderful things.

WORDS FOR THE HOUR.—Influence is not government. Let us have a Government by which our lives, liberties and properties will be secured, or let us know the worst at once — we are ready for decision. Let the reins of government be braced and held with a steady hand, and every violation be reprehended.—*Washington*.

CANAL OFFICERS.—The following are the officers of the canal company, for the ensuing year:

President—Chas M Reed.
Secretary—A H Caughey.
Treasurer—D. McAllaster
Superintendent—Wm. W Reed.
Directors—James C Marshall, John Hearn, Jr. Rawle, D. McAllaster, P Metcalf, A

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS.—A Republican caucus was held in the club-room of that party on Wednesday evening, to consult in regard to the nomination of candidates for city offices. The whole matter was managed with such secrecy that hardly half-a-dozen persons outside of the "ring" knew anything about it. It is understood that the caucus was adjourned to Tuesday evening next, by which time, we suppose, the politicians will have a ticket ready to put in the field. The scheme undoubtedly is, to obtain a mixture of Democrats and Republicans, and then call it a union ticket, though none take part in its formation but Republicans. We do not believe that any honest Democrat can be found in this city, who has so little regard for his principles, as to accept of a nomination thus made and oppose the regular candidates of his party.

In contrast to the secret nature of this Republican caucus, how proud should Democrats be of the course of their own party. On our side everything was done openly and publicly. The call for a city meeting was published in the papers, the meeting itself was free to all, its proceedings were printed, the places for holding the caucuses were public, as also the city convention, and every opportunity has been given the people to express their choice. We see that matters were conducted fairly. Democrats are never afraid to let their acts be open to the scrutiny of the community.

MR. LOWRY IN FAVOR OF MORE NEGROES COMING INTO PENNSYLVANIA.—In the State Senate, on Friday last, Mr Lowry, "from the Committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred a number of petitions asking the passage of a law to prevent the emigration of negroes and mulattoes into this State, submitted a long report adverse to the prayer of the petitioners. The report says that it was necessary for the government to suppress this rebellion, to gain the sympathy of the slaves by proclaiming their freedom, and at the same time depriving the rebels of their labor. Without some aid the rebels are lost, and in their extremity they have had recourse to their allies and sympathizers in the North. These petitions for the exclusion of negroes from the State, and the petitions for a national convention are part of a system to work the disturbing purpose of treason by arousing the prejudices of the people. There was no cause to fear the influx of negroes in this State. They would prefer remaining in the South if their liberty is secured, and this State should enact no law to thwart the policy of the government. For these and other reasons the Committee reported against the prayer of the petitioners. The Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject. Mr White offered a resolution to print 5,000 copies in English and 1,000 in German of the report. Agreed to—yeas 19, nays 13."

If Mr Lowry, and the Republican majority in the State Senate, had deliberately resolved to make themselves as odious as possible to the people, they could have taken no more certain course than the one above mentioned. In this section, where the negroes are few in number, and generally well behaved, the effects of this measure will not be so deeply felt; but in the Southern portions of the State, where they are flooded with the filthy and lazy runaways from Maryland and Virginia, it will rouse an intense spirit of indignation. We have not the least doubt that if a vote were taken, three fourths of the people in the State would be found to oppose the course adopted by Mr. Lowry and his brother Kinkyheads on the Committee.

## BRIEF PARAGRAPHS.

"Beckie, you owe me a kiss; do you know it?" "Well, Sammie, present your *bill*."

A recent order of Gen. Hooker pays a very high compliment to the 111th regiment, for its efficiency.

One of our bachelor cotemporaries says "There are no weddings in Heaven." How does he know?

Rev Dr Forrester's lecture on Sunday evening next, will be on the subject of "Pertulean." These lectures are very interesting.

The lecture announced to be delivered by Anson G Chester, Esq., last Friday evening, was postponed on account of sickness in his family.

Gen F J. Herron, who visited this city a few weeks ago, has been promoted to a Major Generalship. He is only twenty six years of age.

An interesting letter from our soldier correspondent in Kentucky, will be found in another column. He is a well known young gentleman from this city.

Col Wm Patton, of this city, has taken another contract on the Phila. & Erie R. R., of five miles in length, below Ridgway, Elk county.

Col Jack Casement, says the Conneaut *Reporter*, recently paid his friends in Painesville a short visit. He had a slight attack of typhoid fever.

Lieut. Jouett, late of the Michigan, has been ordered to report to Com. Farragut, at New Orleans. He will give a good account of himself, we predict.

The copper shoe-tips, now so extensively used for children's shoes, are manufactured at Lewiston, Maine. Three million pair of tips are turned out annually at the factory.

The supper to be given on the anniversary of St. Patrick's Day, in Brown's Hotel, promises to be well attended. The committee have been quite successful in selling tickets.

We welcome the return of Adjutant Hart and Quartermaster Payne, of the 145th regiment, to their homes in this city, on a brief furlough. They are good soldiers and clever men.

If you want anything in the grocery line, call on Jas. A. Bliss, at the corner of State and Eighth Sts. He has a fine stock of goods, sells at low profits, and treats his customers with politeness.

Would you eat healthful dinners? Eat slowly. Would you eat social dinners? Eat slowly. Would you eat relishable dinners? Eat slowly. Please suffer a short word of exhortation—eat slowly.

The Harrisburg *Telegraph* does not like the *Observer's* standard of "loyalty." We are very glad to learn it. We know of no calamity on earth that we would not rather suffer than to be endorsed in any way by the *Telegraph*.

The Phila. & Erie R. R. Company's telegraph line, it is expected, will be completed to Warren, during the present week. The delay in putting up the wires has been owing to the difficulty in getting poles.

Rev Mr. Blackburn will deliver an essay upon Individuality, before the Young Men's Christian Association, at their rooms, next Monday evening. All interested are invited to attend.

Master John E. Greer, of North East, son of Judge Greer, has been appointed to a cadetship at West Point. A similar appointment was offered to James I. Williams, of this city, but declined.

A brief session of Court was held this week, commencing on Monday afternoon, and ending on Tuesday. The business was of a nature not generally interesting to the public. The Court which was to have been held next week has been postponed.

Lieut W. W. Lyon, of the United States Regulars, wounded at the battle of Gainesville, has been detailed to recruit for the regular infantry service, and will shortly open an office for that purpose in this city.—*Pittsburg Post.*

The Reed House is now under the joint control of Mr. Guild, and Mr. J. L Cook, of Waterford, two of the best hotel managers in the country. Mr. Guild occupies the flattering position of being the only man who has been able to make the Reed House pay, for a number of years.

We regret to see that our lately deceased (politically, we mean,) Member of Congress, Mr. Babbitt, was one of the majority in the House of Representatives, who voted in favor of the notorious "third Mileage." The memory of that outrageous act will stick to its supporters down to their dying day.

A good cup of coffee in the morning is a luxury that most can appreciate, and a trial of Mile's Samo, Java and other coffees, put up in neat pound packages, will do much to overcome the fault often found in the flavor and quality of this delicious beverage.

We regret to learn that the Treasury of the Ladies' Aid Society of this city is "nearly empty." An entertainment for its benefit is proposed, and we heartily "second the motion." This Association, has done so much good since the opening of the war, that our citizens should take pride in encouraging anything for its advantage.

The hotel kept by Robert Leslie, in Waterford, was destroyed by fire, early on Monday morning last, together with a portion of its contents. The fire is supposed to have caught from a stove pipe. The house of John Wood, close by, was for a while, in great danger, but, with considerable exertion, was saved. We sympathize with both of these gentlemen in their misfortunes.

Information has been received in regard to the heretofore uncertain fate of Lieut. Chas. H. Riblet, of the 145th regiment. He was wounded in the lungs, in the forenoon, at the battle of Fredericksburg, and taken to one of the hospitals, where he died in the afternoon. He was a son of Mr. George Riblet's, and a young man of good qualities, and considerable promise.

We take pleasure in announcing a slight improvement in the *Gazette's* manners. For a while past it has been as fierce as a fish woman, in calling the friends of the Constitution and Union "copperheads," "butternuts," "traitors," sympathizers," &c., but this week it actually speaks of our party friends several times as Democrats. If it will only persevere now, we shall begin to have hopes that it may ultimately regain its once enviable reputation for respectability.

The *Gazette* publishes an extract from a letter which it says, was written by a private in an Illinois regiment, speaking in terms of severe reproach of the course of the Northern Democrats. It also says it has another letter, from a member of the 85d regiment, expressing the same sentiments. We know nothing of the origin of these documents, but we will venture to assert that we can produce half-a-dozen letters from privates in the army, criticising the course of the Administration, and applauding the Democrats, to every one that the *Gazette* will present on the other side. Will it accept the challenge? It has for so long a time, been claiming that the army is Republican, that we are anxious to push it to a test.

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*Cancer* contains a long communication from E. T. Foote, giving the history of many of the Post offices in Western New York and Northern Pennsylvania. The following particulars have a local interest:

"Burgettstown Post-Office, Pa., was established at the present village of North East, May 10th, 1812, and Andrew Stevenson, Esq., appointed Post-Master. This was the first and only Post Office on the Buffalo and Erie post road, between the State Line and Erie, for many years.

"Mr. Richard Williams, an inn-keeper and pioneer settler of the present town of Portland, from Sangerfield, N. Y., but a native of East Hartford, Conn., was a sub-contractor under Gray for carrying the mail from Buffalo to Erie, on horseback, and his son, Abner Williams, performed most of the services until Com. Perry's fleet sailed from Erie to attack the British fleet on Lake Erie, when young Williams volunteered on board the Lawrence and was killed in the action on the 10th of September, 1813. A younger brother subsequently carried the mail for some years. Mrs. Richard Williams occasionally rode the mail horse between Buffalo and Erie, when her husband and sons were hurried on the farm.

"In 1814 Richard Williams became contractor for carrying the mail from Buffalo to Erie via Mayville, on horseback, once a week, for a compensation of $650, from Jan. 1, 1815, to Jan. 1, 1818.

POSTMASTER CLAPP.—If we are correctly informed, this patriotic and eminent personage will shortly resign the Postmastership of this city, with its quiet little salary of $5,000 a year, and enlist, as a private, in the Army of the Potomac. In taking this patriotic step, he is but carrying out the pledges he made to the People, last summer, in a famous War Speech, which he made in front of the Churches. We chronicle the contemplated action of our venerable cotemporary with great pleasure, as it emphatically sets at rest all insinuations against his unselfish loyalty. Only think of it! Postmaster Clapp as a private in the Army of the Potomac! Forward march! Young men of Buffalo! Imitate the noble example of your esteemed (?) Postmaster! Some people are patriotic. Some ain't. Postmaster Clapp is.—*Buffalo Post.*

GENERAL FREMONT.—Since the day when Gen. Fremont was relieved from duty in Virginia, he has been without a command, tho' he is known to be desirous of active service.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

The *Tribune* has the hardihood to put forth this statement in the face of the fact that Fremont was "relieved" from duty *at his own written request, while his command was in the face of the enemy*. That may be evidence of a "desire for active service," but people generally will fail to see it.—*Rochester Union.*

TELEGRAPHING.—Our proximity to the outer world is just becoming apparent by the completion before the end of another week of a line of telegraph from this place to Erie. This place will be no more forgotten. The people outside shall know the mysteries and miseries of antiquated Warren.—*Mail.*

REVIVALS.—Extensive revivals of religion have been going on for some time in the Methodist and Presbyterian churches of North East. The revival in the Methodist church of this city has also been quite successful, some twenty members having been added to the congregation last Sabbath.

COUNTERFEITS.—It is stated that at no time for many years has so much counterfeit money been afloat as now, and probably at no time have the bad bills been so well executed and likely to deceive. Unusual caution in receiving paper should therefore be exercised.

THE KINKYHEAD'S SOLILOQUY.

Fe, fi, fo, fum,
I smell the blood of a Democrat man,
Be he alive, or be he dead,
I'm equally bound to have his head.

PRIZE POETRY.

Let Chieftains boast of deeds in war,
And Minstrels tune their sweet guitar,
Inferior theme my heart it fills—
In praise of HERRICK's matchless Pills.

Their cures are found in every land—
'Mid Russia's snows—and Afric's sand
Their wondrous works—the papers fill,
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Does disease afflict you? do not doubt
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Put up with English, Spanish, German and French directions. Price 25 cents per box. *Sugar coated.* See advertisement on third page. For sale by all druggists in Erie. jan28'63y1.

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