

PEOPLES' STATE COMMITTEE.

The members of the Peoples' State Central Committee will meet at the Continental Hotel in the city of Philadelphia, on Thursday, April 18, 1862, at three o'clock, p. m., to determine upon the time and place for holding a State Convention to nominate candidates for Auditor General and Surveyor General, and to transact such other business as may be presented for consideration.

Adjournment of the Legislature.—The Legislature of this State adjourns sine die, on Friday. Among the last acts were the final passage of the appropriation and appropriation bills. The Senate refused to concur in the House bill repealing the repeal of the tonnage tax.

Later from Europe.—We have again later news from Europe. England still continues excited over the naval revolution, and it is proposed to stop all work on fortifications or naval vessels, and to apply the money to building iron-plate vessels.

The Hon. Theodore Tilton, who died on Saturday last at his residence in New Brunswick, N. J., aged 75 years. He was the Whig candidate for the Vice Presidency on the ticket with Henry Clay in 1844.

Humiliating.—The rebel commander at "No. 10" was placed in a very humiliating position, being compelled to take his choice between receiving a paroling kick from Uncle Sam's Foot, or to surrender at discretion.

John Bell, a plank in whose platform used to be "the enforcement of the laws," is urging the Southern churches to give their bells to be cast into cannon.

Shew of a Good Ox.—You should stand before him, and be sure to have a fine hazel eye, large nostrils, broad at above and above the eyes, rather slim horns, set straight out before him, straight in the knees, broad full, black straight, and wide hips.

Entrenched Positions.—It is a little remarkable that the Rebels have never succeeded in deriving any particular advantage from the great entrenched positions which they have been so fond of holding.

The Anniversary of Fort Sumter.

We cannot allow the 12th of April, to pass away, says the Philadelphia North American, without indulging in a few reflections upon the state of affairs now existing on that day in the year 1862, as compared with that which existed on the same day in the year 1861.

What a condition of excitement were we in then! How completely calm we are now! With what difficulty did we then realize the fact of there being a rebellion in our happy country! Who among us can forget the shout of indignation and the cry for vengeance that rang out throughout the indignant north when the inexcusable (things of meretricious boldness) of a half starved, exhausted band of seventy men for thirty-six hours arrived?

What transitions of despondency and hope, of anger and joy, have we gone through since the memorable 12th of April, 1861.—Big Bethel, Bull Run and Ball's Bluff, a sad alliteration, have since been entirely scored off, and more than repaid by Mill Spring, Pea Ridge and Pittsburg Landing; the loss of Lyon and Baker has been compensated by the death of Albert S. Johnston and the disabling of Beauregard.

There are yet other things for which we may thank it, and they are not small ones. It has supplied us with a new stock of ideas, opened our eyes to the real merits of the political parties who, two years since, were prominent at Washington, and relieved us from the unpleasant necessity of listening to the ever recurring speeches of noisy partisan demagogues.

Doctrines and Objects of the Republican Party.—So much is said by Democratic printers in misrepresentation of the doctrines and objects of the Republican party, that we deem it a duty, from time to time, to re-iterate them in our columns by such authorities as may be within our reach.

It is not meant by this to decry entrenched camps within compass, and great when an active army moves as a pivot, delivering or avoiding battle according to circumstances. The objection applies only to those extensive covering lines by which the army is enabled to encircle themselves inferior in strength and courage to their enemies.

OUR COUNTRY.

Oh, great American people—favored of all pillars of the liberty—temple of mankind—remember you have a country to preserve and cherish in the unity and fellowship to that abode. Man since Adam, has abused all his battling against his interests, temporal and eternal. See it in the disobeying of the laws given upon Mount Sinai.

The New Apportionment.—The following are the Congressional districts under the new apportionment: I. Second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh wards in the city of Philadelphia.

An Appeal for Bells.—The ordinance bureau of the Confederate States solicits the use of such bells as can be spared during the war, for the purpose of providing light artillery for the public defense.

Why the Monitor did not pursue the Merrimac.—Since the success of the Monitor in her encounter with the Merrimac, on the 9th of March, many persons have expressed their astonishment that the "cheese box" did not pursue the retreating Merrimac and sink her before she arrived at Norfolk.

The channel of the Elizabeth river was staked out with piles so that a clear channel of from seventy to ninety feet only was left by which Norfolk could be approached. Just beyond the mouth of the river the Germantown was moored, with springs upon her cable and ready for instant movement.

WAR NEWS.

We have a very bad report from New Mexico, through rebel sources, to the effect that Col. Canby has unconditionally surrendered the fort and his command to the Texans.

Confirmation of the News by Southern Officers.—The surrender of Fort Pulaski, on the 22nd inst., the Savannah Republican of the 12th inst., announces the unconditional surrender of Fort Pulaski upon the preceding day.

Occupation of Huntsville, Alabama.—General Mitchell in Possession of Fifteen Locomotives and Two Hundred Prisoners. The following dispatch has been received by the Secretary of War:

WAR BULLETIN.—DEATH OF BEAUREGARD REPORTED.—DISPATCH FROM GEN. MILROY. To the Hon. Edwin M. Stanton, Secretary of War.—We learn from Jackson's camp, this morning, that Gen. Beauregard is dead.

FROM NEW MEXICO.—Another Fight with the Rebels.—The Enemy Routed.—The Rebel Supply Train Captured and Burned. Union Loss 3 Officers and 20 Privates Killed and 40 to 50 Wounded.

FROM NEW ALABAMA.

General Mitchell following up his achievement on the Charleston and Memphis Railroad.—Advantage to Decatur on the West and Stevenson Junction on the East.—The Enemy retreat without firing a shot.

FROM THE MOUNTAIN DEPARTMENT.—General Milroy's Official Dispatch.—Skirmish and Flight of the Rebels. To the Hon. Edwin M. Stanton, Secretary of War.

THE GREAT TENNESSEE BATTLE.—FURTHER PARTICULARS.—St. Louis, April 12.—Major McDonald, of the Eighth Mass. regt., arrived in St. Louis, direct from Pittsburg Landing.

THE ATTACK ON FORT FILLON.—COMMODORE FOOT'S FLEET SHIFTLING THE FORT.—THE NORTH RAILS IN OPERATION. GEN. POPE'S COMMAND ON THE ARKANSAS SIDE OF THE RIVER.

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Abolition of Slavery in the District of Columbia.

The President has signed the bill for the abolition of slavery in the District, and has drawn up a special message on the subject, which was sent to Congress to-day.

SAVE YOUR GRAPES.—The following precaution carefully observed, will prevent the ravages of those insects, which at this season of the year are so destructive to the grapes; in whitewashing grape trellises and houses, mix with the whitewash, flour of sulphur, in quantity so as not to affect the crop.

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Down and County Matters.

PUBLIC SALE.—On Tuesday, the 29th of April next, Mr. H. A. Sturgeon, in consequence of his intention to remove from this place, will offer a large quantity of Personal Property, comprising his entire household furniture.

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