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### Democratic Ticket.

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### was also adopted : Resolved, That the President of this Convention be requested to confer with the Chairman of the Democratic State Central

Committee with reference to the time and place of holding said meetings. The Convention then adjourned. EMOCRATIC EDITORIAL CONVEN-TION.

Agreeably to the resolution passed at the meeting of the 16th inst., the Democratic Editorial Convention will meet at the Merchant's Hotel, in Philadelphia, on Tuesday the 11th of August next, at 3 o'clock, P. M. GEO. SANDERSON, Presi lent. LANCASTER, July 21, 1863.

Notice.

The State Central Committee are requested to meet at the Merchant's Hotel in the City of Philadelphia on Tuesday the 11th of August next, at 4 o'clock, P. M.

CHAS. J. BIDDLE, Chairman. PHILADELPHIA, July 18 1863.

### Degeneracy of our Government.

Our Government, which was once thought to be strong and the model of human wisdom and perfection, is fast degenerating into a kind of vascillating despotism, or no government at all. The framers of the Constitution, jealous of executive power, very wisely made the Government to consist of three branches, the Congress, the Judiciary and the Ex ecutive: but alas for the profligacy of the Republican party, the Supreme Court has been set at defiance, and to-day we have self-conceited upstarts, unauthorized and who know no more about law than a "mooly" cow does about a proposition in Euclid, defining and deciding upon the acts of Congress. We have referred to the unconstitutionality of the conscription act, but what is still worse the courts are not allowed to decide upon it, the opinions of Provost Marshal Fry being conclusive. The law in itself is bad enough, but to have its meaning twisted and so construed as to suit the morbid fancies of this Ad-

ministration, is more than serfs will sub-

to do with them. The apathy with which

THE LANGUAGE OF SIXTY-EIGHT MEM-

BERS OF CONGRESS.-The following choice

extract from the celebrated Helper book,

was endorsed by the votes of sixty-eight

Abolition members of Congress! Is it

any wonder that our Government and our

liberties are gone, when our sworn public

servants have violated their oaths and be-

"Freemen of the North we earnestly

invite you to organize yourselves as one

man under the banners of liberty, and aid

us in the extinction of slavery. We think

it will be an easy matter, independent of

the negroes, who in nine cases out of ten

would be delighted to 'cut their masters

throats. We are determined to abolish

slavery at all hazards, in defiance of all

opposition of whatever nature. Of this

the South may take due notice and govern

es Lawyer Magehan requests us to

This seems to us a singular theft, as

we cannot see what use the opinions of

would be to any one, unless he were an

attorney : but of course lawyers won't

steal. (?) It is however most likely, that

and mistook Blackstone, for another

volume of dissimilar shape, usually kept

that great comentator on the English law

themselves accordingly.' "

of the work.

trayed the confidence of the people ?

of liberty.

Jeffersonian, offered the following, which THE CROPS-The wheat and rye crops, which are now being harvested, look well. The oats crop is most favorable and from present appearances, promises and abundant yield. The prospects of a corn crop are not quite so flattering; however if the weather prove favorable, there may yet be a tolerable yield. The potato crop promises fair to reward the labors of the husbandman. We observe in traveling through the

County, that there is a considerable amount of flax being raised. This, of course, will be profitable, and owing to the increasing price of cotton goods, its demand will increase. Farmers thould tion of our nature susidiary to the success that which would be treason in Berks is occasion of the war and the draft-the therefore, secure as large amount of seed of that character. The radical element simply an "irregular proceeding" in negro-should, from the unreasoning as possible, as the increased demand will cause it to be scarce.

KILLED .- A youth named Michael Hughes, from Wilmore, who was engaged in hauling or loading bark near Portage Station, perished in a tornado which passed up in the direction of Cresson on last Friday. Seeing the approaching storm, he and the teamster who was with him. sought shelter under the projecting end of

a bark pile. The falling trees frightened the mules and the driver sprang forth to secure them, when a tree with a terrible crash, fell across the end of the bark pile, crushing and killing the above named lad. So horribly was he mangled, that in pulling off his boots, one of his legs came

with it. 27 If, out of three columns of editorials in last week's Alleghanian, the word

"copperhead," every time it occurs, be subtracted, it will leave a little less than three-quarters of a column ! The editor of that paper, that he may save expense, is about getting printed blanks, on which to have his editorials written, with the three-quarters of an inch, so that his does a blank summons ; thus saving ink nd extra writing.

The Radical Element.

says the Cleveland Plain Dealer) deserves the credit of being consistently mischievous. If the energy, zeal and perseverance with which it wars upon the institutions of the country, as they we established by our a copy of the enrolment. fathers, were directed to laudable ends, it would challenge our highest admiration. Great vices, when blended persistent zeal

to mitigate our abhorrence, in the involuntary homage we render to the qualities which make them potent. Milton has touched this chord in his picture of Satan Charles De Moor, has made this disposiin this country is not without its claims Bradford .- Patriot and Umon. to this gloomy respect. Its brain never

wearies in its evil work. Its heart never softens. Its hand never forgets its baleful cunning. The object of all this direful labor of intellect and physical force is as vast as the prosecution is tireless. It is no less than the revolution of our entire political system, the breaking down of all the distinctions between the races, and the erection of a centralized government over the States and people.

To effect these great changes it has operated upon the mind of the country in a thousand potent ways, culminating at last in this gigantic war.

This was the first step. The next link in the chain is the abolition of slavery in the South, and the institution of a large standing army.

The negroes are to " hold the balance of power," and by their votes keep the radicals in possession of the government. Upon one pretext or another, the States are to be stripped of the rights which they reserved to themselves in the formation of this government, and as a corollary, the immunities, which the people defined for their protection in the amendments to the Constitution-not inaptly termed "A Bill of Rights," are also to be gradually stricken down. Over this wreck of the system which our wise and good ancestors word copperhead printed at a distance of deemed almost perfect, the "strong government" of the radicals is to rise with deputy can fill them up, as a constable its vast enginery of physical force. We defy any unprejudiced man to study the career of these people, from the time wh

hended that this robbery will cause a sus- | the more desperate preparations to The radical element in this country pension of the draft in the district for the draft were not at all called into some weeks, as a vast amount of labor last week. We hope, sincerely, th must be performed before the papers can opportunity will occur to test w again be made ready for drafting. Most this forboding immpression is conof the enrolling officers failed to preserve not It is the part of wisdom

ford, which gave President Lincoln a ma- desperate as those whose cry is the jority of the thousand votes, is the last will die in the streets of New and high courage, have something in them quarter in which we should expect to see among the smouldering ruins resistance to the draft inaugurated. Are homes, rather than be dragged as the Abs. getting shaky in the faith? die in hospitals or on battle-fields, and Can't they stand a little draft? If these their wills. outrages had been committed in Berks The violence manifested towards unrepentant and undaunted in the burning county or New York city, what a howl unhappy negroes is very deplorable. marl, and Schiller, in his portrait of against the "Copperheads" would go up in a crowd thus maddened, it was not from the Abolition camp! As it is, altogether surprising that the misrable

> Executive Power-Eternal Vigilance Necessary to Guard Against its Encroachments.

> Since the establishment of governments other than patriarchal among men, the greatest danger to liberty has been found in the encroachments of Executive authority. In the language of America's greatest statesman, the contest for ages has been to rescue liberty from the grasp

of Executive power. On the long list of the Champions of human freedom there is not one name dimmed by the reproach of advocating the extension of Executive authority. On the contrary, the uniform and steady purpose of all such champions has been to limit and retain it. Through all the history of the contest for liberty, Executive power has been regarded as the lion that must be caged. So far from being the object of enlightened popular trust-so far from being considered the natural protection of popular right-it has been dreaded as the great object of danger.

Our security is our watchfulness of Executive power. It was the constitution of this department which was infinitely the most difficult part in the great work of erecting our Government. To give to the Executive such power as should make it useful, and yet not dangerous-efficient, independent, strong, and yet prevent it from sweeping away everything by its military and civil power, by the influence of patronage and favor-this, indeed, was

of prudence not to provoke The intensely "loyal" county of Brad- mense population, so exasperated

meet with an outburst of misplaced wrat Here, as elsewhere, the innocent suffere and most of the guilty escaped. Inoffer sive negroes, who have lived here for years, and who have no sympathy with Abolitionism, but have denounced it as a curse to their race, were among the sufferers-while Beecher was in Europe-Greeley stowed away in an attic among bundles of old clothes, and Cheevern where.

We cannot close this brief reference to events every way lamentable, without anmadverting on the cruel loss of innocen lives at the hands of some of the Units States so-called 'Regulars.' The firingr and left on an unarmed crowd, and int peaceable houses, by the raw compufrom Fort Layfayette, under the incor tent charge of Licutenant Wood has h described to us as brutal beyond desc tion." Women and children fell ber a fire that ought never to have been i livered, or else reserved for armed ass ants. This was in the Thicteenth Way in the neighborhood of St. Mary's Church

In another part of the city, in Twenty-second Ward, two pencenblet abiding men, while standing in their or loors, were shot dead, by another h of military. We refer to Patrick Garage and Peter Quin. We speak of this knowing of the circumstances. We have bad pitiful accounts, in other quarters, some of the military firing into window whence no assault had been made on any one. These instances of miscondad a fact that some of those military did not knew how to lamie th shooting irons they were carried W have heard nothing of the kind allege against any of our uniformed State militi Let us hope that these scales may new be re-cnacted again in this cuy.

### Democratic State Central Committee.

tution, the sooner we fall back upon first The following is the State Central Committee as appointed by Hon. FINDLAY principles and preserve our State govern-PATTERSON, of Washington county, who, ments the better. as President of the late Democratic Conven-It is "rule or ruin" with this Admintion, was authorized by a resolution of the istration. Its members seem to be imbody to announce the Committee. It conpressed with the idea that they are the sists of a Chairman, and Representatives of sole judges of all matters of national conthe several Senatorial Districts into which cern and that neither Congress, the Suthe State is divided : preme Court nor the people have any thing

HON. CHARLES J. BIDDLE, Chairman. Districts. 1st Theodore Cayler, Robert J. Hemp-

the people witness these usurpations, will Lill, John Fullecton, Jr., Isaac yet result in the most terrible violations Leech, Philadelphia.

John D. Evans. Chester county.

Wm. H. Witte, Montgomery county 3d

Wm. T Rogers, Bucks county. 4th

Thos. Heckman, Northampton co'ty 5th

6th Hiester Clymer, Berks county.

William Randall, Schuvikill county 7th

Asa Packer, Carbon county Sth

Michael Mylert, Sullivan county. 9th

10th Stephen S. Winchester, I uzerne co'ty

11th Mortimer F. Elliot, Tioga county.

12th John H Humes, Lycoming county.

13th Wm. Elliot, Northumberland county

14th Sam'l Hepburn, Cumberland county, 15th Wm. M. Brisbin, Lebanon county.

- 16th George Sanderson, James Patterson,
- Lancaster county.

17th John F. Spangler, York county, 18th Henry Smith, Fulton county,

19th J Simpson Africa, Huntingdon co.

20th William Bigler, Clearfield county.

21st Hugh Weir, Indiana county.

Thomas B. Searight, Fayette county. 224

23d W. T. H. Pausey, Greene county, 24th George W. Cass, James P. Barr, Als

legheny county.

25th James G. Campbell, Butler county.

26th David S. Motris, Lawrence county.

27th Thes. W. Grayson, Crawford county. 28th Kennedy L. Blood, Jefferson county.

## State Editorial Convention.

LANCASTER, Pa., July 16, 1863. . The Democratic E literial Convention met, state, for the benefit of the knave who according to the call of the President, in the stole his first volume of Blackstone, that the room of the Demccratic Central Club of Lancaster City at 2 o'clock, P. M. The thief, on application, can have the balance

Convention was called to order by the President, and, on motion of J. M. LAHRD, Esq., of the Greensburg Argus, J. ALEX. FULTON, Esq., of the Kittaning Mentor, was appoint ed Secretary.

A. E. LEWIS, Faq., of the Philadelphia Evening Journal, offered the following resolution which was adopted .

Resolved, That the Democratic editors of the person who committed the theft, was the State of Pennsylvania be recommended in "pursuit of pleasure under difficulties," to meet in counsel upon the same day, and at the same place with the first meeting of the Democratic State Central Committee.

Col. Jon's Hougson, of the West Chester in the Colonel's library. (?).

mit to. It is about time this Adminis-

tration should be made to know, that to tor Among the many improvements of the Judiciary alone belongs the interpretaour Borough Fathers, the "steady pump" tion of the laws. One day we have an in the West Ward, supplied from a "order" from this man Fry, defining neighboring spring of pure water, is the certain clauses of this act, and the next most commendable. - It is not only a benewe have the order revoked and the deci- fit to the many neighbors in the vicinity sion construed to suit the exigencies of but a public convenience to all; and some purpose accidentally overlooked. If may yet be the means of saving the town, the people are unable to make those who in case of fire. are entrusted with the affairs of govern-

CF The conscription for this county is ment, know that they are only servants, now about to come off, and it would be subject to the same laws and the Constiwell for farmers to hurry and secure the harvest of their crops before they or their sons are forced from their homes; as hands will be extremely scarce.

> So far, we cannot learn anything about the draft, as to what time it will take place or what the quota will be. If, however, there is any fairness about it at all, the officers will notify the public when and where the lottery will take place, so that those interested may witness the operation.

PREPARE FOR WINTER .- The season for canning and preserving fruits has now commenced, and a little excrtion and economy in families will enable them to provide many luxuries against the barren and frigid season of winter.

Self-sealing tin cans adapted to this purpose are for sale at the Hardware store of Mr. G. HUNTLEY, at the low rate of \$1,50 per dozen. Ye who have not pre- above all these outward and visible types. served fruits in this way, with all their observe their almost frenzied attachment original flavor, try it.

will pay for woolen rags, old or new, three cents per pound, in merchandize at our store on Main street. Persons wishing to avail themselves of this chance will do well to bring their rags in soon. We have now on hands a complete assortment of all kinds of goods ; such as calicoes, delaines, silks, muslins, cloths, ready made clothing, hats, caps, boots it has already done, dissolve companionshoes, groceries &c., &c.

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-DANIEL WEBSTER.

a small faction they began to interfere with the local institutions of the slave States, through all their efforts in press, school-room, public discussion, literature, and even the pulpit, to make the different sections of the country hate each other, down to the time of this war, when they have steadily assailed the plain rights of white men, and clamored for sweeping violations of all law, without admitting that our statement of their policy and de-

signs is true in letter and in spirit. Consider their ceaseless efforts to make Abraham Lincoln forget his pledges and turn the army which had enlisted to save the Union into an engine for the establishment of a negro republic in the largest half of the country.

Consider their violent appeals for a Dictatorship throughout this entire strug-

Recollect Sumner's proposition to abolish State lines, and Thad. Stevens' threat that "there should never be a Union again with slavery.'

Consider their tireless hate of M'Clellan, because he is the type of the law abiding sentiment of the people.

Mark their furious antipathy to Gov. Seymour for the same reason. Mark their rage in Missouri, at the

emancipation act passed in that State, because it is gradual Observe their dangerous appeals to the soldiers to make themselves the dispensers

of offices in the country. Recollect their cries for "Committees of Safety" and a spy system, and their hypocritical denunciation of secret societies, while they were banded together in leagues calling themselves "Loyal" and ostrucising persons not members, and even to the abstract idea of force as the true lever of government, and distrust of the THREE CENTS PAID FOR RAGS .- We people as a safe guide of action, and it is utterly impossible to escape the conclusions which we have suggested.

Let the people be careful that the schemes of this very destructive element be thwarted. There is in the Republican party a conservative feeling which will side with the Democracy in such a struggle. It shrinks from the ruin of so many valuable interests to promote the narrow ideas of a feverish fanaticism. It will, as ship with its terrible associate, when the extremity of evil is proposed. There are hundreds of public men in the ranks of that party who will not sacrifice this grand country to appease a set of wild anarchists, crazed with vicious dogmas.

In this hope, and in the coherence of the Democracy, we rely for the safety of our nation.

DRAFT SUSPENDED IN THE BRADFORD DISTRICT .- We learn that on the night of the 18th instant some person or persons unknown, by means of a ladder, entered er "I intend, for one, to regard and the back window of the office of the provost marshal of Bradford county, in the tent, the Constitution of the United town of Troy, and stole therefrom all the States, which I have sworn to support in books, papers, vouchers, blanks &c., appertaining and belonging to the draft in that Congressional district. It is appre-

difficult. They who had the work to do saw this difficulty, and we see it.

If we should maintain our sysem, we shall act wisely, by preserving every restraint, every guarantee, the Constitution has provided-when we and those who come after us, have done all we can do, and all they can do, it will be well for us and them, if the Executive, by the power of patronage and party, shall not prove an overmatch for all other branches of the Government. We will not aquiesce in the reversal of all just ideas of Govern-

ment. We will not degrade the character of popular representation. We will doah was assuming the offensive, and, in not blindly confide when all experience deed, had again crossed the Potomer admonishes to be jealous. We will not but these rumors are not confirmed by a trust Executive power, vested in a single magistrate, to keep the vigils of liberty. to the best information, is holding Ma Encroachment must be resisted at every tinsburg and Winchester with at least step. Whether the consequence be prejudicial or not, if there be an illegal ex- sion of the Virginia side of the Pote ercise of power it must be resisted in as far down as Harper's Ferry, thus keep the proper manner. We are not to wait ing the Blue Ridge, the Sheamadoda a till great mischief comes, till the Govern- the Potomac between himself and Us ment is overthrown, or liberty itself put Meade. The purpose of Gen. Lee in extreme jeopardy. We would be un- maintaining his position is variously

triot and Union. The Disturbances in New York. (From the N. Y. Freeman's Journal.)

Deplorable events occurred in this city ceived touching the situation of the two last week. Many exaggerations have armies: been published in the daily papers, and REPORTED ADVANCE OF LEE still more misrepresentations as to who were the actors in the various scenes. The crowd of laboring men that gathered on Monday, the 13th, expressed no farther intention than to seize the entire enrolling and drafting apparatus, at the different stations, take them into the street and burn them, and thrash any who, officially or officiously, meddled with them. Their intended tumult had this extent, and no more. But it is the misfortunate of all such tumults that they depart from their first purposes, and that, in their progress, the innocent are more likely to suffer than the guilty. We are informed by cool and

who sacked and destroyed the negro or- movement had been made, it would en phan asylum, were not of the class that tainly be known here. So far from Ger turned out to resist the draft. They were Lee having been reinforced, it is believ "fancy dressed men" with a rabble of that a large portion of his army has a half-grown boys of the kind that are ready been sent South. always on hand for mischief in New York. A large part of the crowd deplored what was done, but being unorganized, they their imperfect means of communication were not able to interfere. A large portion of the laboring men who at first turn-

ed out from exasperation at the draft, when they saw robbery and arson inaugurated, withdrew in disgust ; and another Morgan crossed the Muskingum, yester large portion remained in crowds, not day, he was attacked by the militin under taking part in the riotous proceedings, but Col. Hall, with two pieces of artillery from an impression that the draft was not Fifteen rebels were killed and several suspended throughout the city-and from wounded. His progress was checked idle curiosity. The outrages on private twice by Col. Hall, but he finally escaped property that were perpetrated, were the via Cumberland, Guernsey county, which work-not of the poor men who left work place he left last night. At seven o'clock to put a stop to the draft, but, almost ex- this morning, he crossed the Central Ohio clusively, of the gangs of thieves that in- Railroad at Campbell's, but was so closely fest this city, and others in league with pursued by Gen. Shackleford that he had them, who hurried hither from other not time to do any damage beyond burn cities.

The impression prevails, in quarters the Railroad track.

### Reported Movements of the Rebel Army-Gen. Lee Again on the Offensive.

There have been rumors in circulati said to have their origin in deters for army officers in Washington, that if rebel army in the Valley of the Shenn latest disputches. Gen. Lee, accoul considerable force, and indeed has perworthy sons of our fathers, were we so to terpreted, and, indeed, is held by some t regard questions affecting freedom .- Pa- be a necessity, since the movements Gen. Meade, as is alledged, have redered his retirement upon Richmond matter of the nimost difficulty and do ger. We subjoin the latest disputches re-

> HARRISBURG, July 24 .- No information whatever has been received here to confirm the rumored advance of Lo across the Potomac.

THE REBEL ARMY IN VIRGINIA NEW YORK, July 24 .- A special d patch from Washington says: "It has been definitely ascertained that Lee army is at Winchester, and has made " general advance down the valley."

MOVEMENTS OF GEN. LEE.

BALTIMORE, July 24 .- The tumor Gen. Lee's return into Maryland is tirely unfounded. Trains ran over rega and dispassionate eye-witnesses that those larly to Harper's Ferry, and if any sod

This has been made necessary from the scarcity of supplies in the Valley 50 with Richmond.

#### The Retreat of Morgan.

CINCINNATI, July, 24 .- Shortly all ing the depot and tearing up a portion "

w "The Wheeler & Wilson Sewing DED-In Clearfield township, on 26th inst., JOHN A. McCONNELL, aged about

