

Letter of the Rev. John Chambers.

Massachusetts. During a recent visit to the Bedford Springs, I was called upon by some of the most ardent friends of the temperance cause in the State, and invited to address the people of Bedford on the importance of inducing every friend of humanity to vote for a prohibitory liquor law at the ensuing election.

I did say that Governor Bigler was a good Democrat to resist the will of the people, and that I had every confidence in his desire to do any reasonable and proper thing to arrest the vice of intemperance.

I felt more at liberty to say what I did of Gov. Bigler, because I believed an attempt had been made to prostitute the sacred name of the people against his re-election.

There are in my own church, and in every other church in this land, of the good and honest, and as good men as ever breathed the air of freedom—men, who to the letter obey the Constitution and laws of the country.

It is said by the Pittsburgh Post, upon what it believes to be good authority, that at the convention of the Know Nothings, at Philadelphia, the other day, they quarreled among themselves, and drew and slashed knives bravely.

SEBASTIAN DEATH.—Jesu. A Italian laborer on the railroad, employed just below the city, on Tuesday last, while in apparent health, was taken out of the world by a sudden stroke.

ERIC, PA. SATURDAY MORNING, AUG. 26, 1854. DEMOCRATIC STATE NOMINATIONS. FOR GOVERNOR, WILLIAM BIGLER, Of Clearfield County. JUDGE OF SUPREME COURT, JEREMIAH S. BLACK, Of Somerset County. FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER, HENRY S. MOTT, Of Pike County.

The Democratic Address. We give upon the outside of this week's paper the Address, No. 1, of the Democratic State Committee. This paper is devoted exclusively to a discussion of the issue presented to the people by the aims and objects of that secret organization, called "Know Nothings."

Its Legitimate Fruits.

We are opposed to giving newspaper notoriety to every political fight that occurs, because we believe its tendency is bad. There are occasions, however, when such occurrences "point a moral, and adorn a tale."

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