Erie Weekly Observer,

ERIE, PA.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCT 6, 1855.

DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER,

ARNOLD PLUMER,

Of Venango County.

Democratic County Nominations.

FOR ASSEMBLY,
MURRAY WHALLON, of Erie.

FOR SHERIFF,
JOHN KILLPATRICK, of Millcreek.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.
MYRON HUTCHISON, of Girard.

FOR DIRECTOR OF THE POOR,
ISAAC R. TAYLOR, of Washington.

FOR AUDITOR,
Z. E. PECK, of Harborcreek.

Mr. Grant Declines.

By the following letter from Mr. GRANT, one of our candidates for the Legislature, it will be seen that he declines to run. The reason he assigns is alike creditable to his patriotism and his integrity as a true friend of Erie. For the sake of securing the certain success of his colleague, he is willing to forego his own chance, and thus contribute to the welfare of his city and his party. As an example his course is most salutary, and we hope it will be imitated by those who have less cause than he to embarrass his political friends, and endanger the cause of the city. But the letter speaks for itself:

ERIE, September 30, 1855.

DEAR SIR:—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your note informing me that I had been nominated by the late Democratic County Convention for Representative in the General Assembly of the Commonwealth. I beg leave sir, to tender to you, and through you, to the gentlemen of the Convention and their constituents, my thanks for the honor done me, and shall be always happy to serve the interests of my county and party when a way to do so appears open before me. At this time I judged, from various circumstances, that it was advisable that one of the Democratic nominees for the Legislature should withdraw from the canvass, and this opinion was concurred in by those older and more experienced than myself. I being little learned in the school of politics, and the younger man, thought it proper that I should do so, and I accordingly beg leave most respectfully to decline the nomination so kindly tendered.

Very truly your
Ob't servant,
BENJAMIN GRANT.

B. F. SLOAN, Esq.,
Secretary of the Democratic County Convention.

Mr. King Declines.

Mr King, one of the whig nominees for the Legislature, publishes in the last *Gazette* a letter declining to run for that office. This leaves the field clear for our candidate, a fact Democrats should remember and act accordingly

The County Fair.

We go to press without being able to notice, as its importance demands, the County Fair, which closed last night Next week we hope to make amends. Briefly however, the attendance has been unusually large, particularly Thursday and Friday—and the show of more than ordinary interest. In stock we thought we could see evidence of great improvement. In fruits, we think we never saw so good a show; and in agriculture, and manufactured articles, there was equal evidence of improvement. Fast horses, too were the order of the day—and a better chance to show off their points was never offered.

Mr. Whallon and Know Nothingism.

It having been charged that MURRAY WHALLON, Esq., the Democratic candidate for the Legislature, was a member of the Know Nothing party, a number of our adopted citizens addressed him upon the subject, to which he replied in such a way as will silence, now and forever, this imputation against him. The correspondence we give below:

ERIE, October 4, 1855.

Murray Whallon, Esq.

DEAR SIR:—It having been reported that you are, or have been a member of the secret order, known as Know Nothings, and being unwilling from your past course to give credit to any such rumor, we address you this note for the purpose of ascertaining the truth in regard to the matter. An early and explicit reply is requested.

We are very respectfully,
Your obedient servants,

William Thornton	James Cotter
C. F. Diefenbach	M. Schlandecker
Jacob Koch	Adam Wild
George Diefenbach	John Knapp
Edward Coughlin	Peter Lavery.

ANSWER.

CITY OF ERIE, Oct. 5, 1855.

GENTLEMEN:—In answer to your letter yesterday, I have only time to say briefly that I am not, and never have been a member of the secret order known as "Know Nothings," nor have I the slightest intention of becoming in any manner connected with that or any Association, having in view the advancement of measures imputed to that order. I beg leave further to state, that so far as I am informed, I am utterly and entirely opposed to the position assumed by them, and the measures adopted for carrying out their object. I believe their principles to be contrary to the spirit and letter of our Constitution and in conflict with the views of the founders of the Government, calculated to destroy that confidence which should exist between citizens, to foster a spirit of intolerance, and to perpetuate upon our soil, a large and powerful class, disfranchised and discontented—having no part in the government—to whom representation would be a mockery—and the independence and liberty of which we boast, be a great and perpetual cause of discontent.

I am very respectfully,
Your ob't. and humble servant
MURRAY WHALLON.

To Messrs. Thornton, Cotter, &c.

The Question—The Issue.

The issue next Tuesday is, Finney, Dunn and Ryman, and Railroad dictation, with the New York and Ohio policy; or Power, Whallon and Ball, and the will of the people supreme over monopoly, with a true Pennsylvania policy!—Choose ye between them. There is no dodging this issue. The man who votes against Ball and Whallon votes for the firm of Kelly, Richmond, Walker & Co. The man that votes against Power votes to sustain the gambling speculations of a few Meadville railroad jobbers; he votes also to strike Erie, and build up Meadville; or, at least, such is the issue made by Mr. Finney and his friends in Crawford. Choose ye, then; the issue is made!

Georgia all Right!

The election in Georgia, the Empire State of the South, which took place on the 1st, resulted in the complete overthrow of "Sam." About one-third of the State has been heard from, and Johnson, Democrat, will have some 10,000 majority. The result on Congress is equally as decisive! Why don't you "stand up Sam!"

☞ Blank applications for License under the new Law can be had at this office.

☞ John M. Botts has found one good feature in the Maine Law. He says that in those States where the law has been enacted, the character of the liquor has been decidedly improved.

For Whom shall We Vote?

In a multitude of council there is safety; but with a multitude of candidates in the field, it requires more than ordinary caution, at a time like the present, for honest voters to choose for whom to cast their suffrages The first question every voter should ask, is the candidate honest? Whatever his political principles, an honest man is sure to be respected, and is equally sure to make an efficient and virtuous public servant Having settled this matter in regard to a candidate, the next question of importance is his political position. If he is right in that particular, then the path of duty is plain Let us glance then in a hasty manner at the candidates before us.

CANAL COMMISSIONER

First, we have the Democratic candidate for Canal Commissioner in the person of ARNOLD PLUMER Of his qualifications no man has yet hinted a doubt. As a business man, and as a prudent and sagacious financier, he stands at the very head of the business community in Western Pennsylvania Politically he has always been consistent and reliable; while as a man and a citizen he presents as fair a record as any individual in the State. With such a character, financially, socially and politically, has not the honest voter a reliable guarantee that the public improvements of the State will be managed for the best interests of the public treasury? Opposed to him we have—we hardly know who! There was in the field Passmore Williamson, nominated in a moment of political frenzy, by the odds and ends of all parties;—then there was Jos. Henderson, the candidate of the straight out whigs, the best man, by all odds, except Mr Plumer; then there was Peter Martin, a man unknown to fame, except as the candidate of the Know Nothings. All these, however, have been withdrawn by some political legerdemain, and a man by the name of Nicholson brought out at the eleventh hour, in their stead Setting aside every other consideration, the way this candidate comes before the people smells of trickery We say to every man, then, who has the welfare of the State at heart to vote for ARNOLD PLUMER He is known! His name and qualifications have been open to public criticism for months, while his opponent, whoever he may be, asks to be taken on trust, as you would a dose of patent medicine

STATE SENATOR.

For State Senator, there are two candidates—C. B. POWER and D A FINNEY, both of Crawford county, and both members of the late whig party. At first glance, it may strike Democrats that there is not much to choose between them politically; but the more we think of it, the more we are impressed in favor of Mr POWER Mr Finney is a Know Nothing! Nobody disputes that fact. He is identified, body and soul, with that worst of political heresies which proscribes men on account of birth or religion He meets with others in secret, and with oaths to bind them together, agrees to ostracize his fellow man born upon the banks of the Rhine from all political honors Nay more; he has sworn upon the Book of Books, to proscribe every man, be he native or adopted, who bows to the Virgin or does reverance before the Crucifix For no such man can a Democrat, no matter what the local question that seems to demand it, honestly vote—More than that, he is the candidate of the Railroad interests of Ohio and New York, operating through their agents here, and they in their turn through their *soft dupes* in and about Meadville, in bringing him into the field, he than in Erie county has been openly consulted—indeed, he is urged upon the people of his own county solely upon the ground of hostility to *Erie*! Under such circumstances, to ask a citizen of Erie county to vote for him is to insult him! His competitor, Mr POWER, is the opposite of all this! It is true he is a whig; but he condemns and spurns Know Nothingism Besides this he is a man of irreproachable character, of fair talent, and we are confident will make a Senator who will look to the interests of the whole district As between such a candidate and Mr Finney, we cheerfully and earnestly urge our Democratic friends to vote for Mr POWER!

LEGISLATURE

The candidates for the Legislature are reduced to four—Mr King, whig, and Mr Grant, Democrat, having declined,—thus leaving the field to BALL, whig; WHALLON, Democrat, and Messrs. Ryman and Dunn, Free Soil, but fully committed to the fortunes of the railroad interest With such a state of facts, the voter who has an abiding faith in the principles that all corporations should be the *servants* of the people, instead of their *masters*—that in consideration of the privileges granted, they should seek to promote the public good, instead of private gain—will not be long in choosing for whom to cast his suffrage. There are times when the trammels of party—when the abstract questions of political economy, and the prejudices of sect—ought to yield to the voice of expediency, and the demands of local interests. Just such a crisis is the present. Its causes we need not recapitulate, they are engraved upon the memory of our citizens, and imperatively point the voter, when he makes up his ballot on Tuesday, to the names of WHALLON and BALL, rather than their opponents, *Dunn* and *Ryman*!

FOR SHERIFF

There are four or five candidates in the field. Individually we need not enumerate them, for against the personal honesty and integrity of either we have not a word to say All of them, doubtless, would like to be elected, but as that is impossible the electors of the county will have to choose between them. Gen KILLPATRICK having received the nomination of the Democratic Convention, of course, he is our first and only choice, as he should be that of every other Democrat in the county. Besides considerations of a political character, he is eminently worthy the support of the people, no matter what their predilections. An honest, energetic and active man, he will make an efficient officer We trust he will receive a support his merits entitle him to.

For County Commissioner, Director of the Poor, and Auditor, the candidates selected by the Democratic Convention are equal in all respects to the gentlemen put in nomination by either of the other parties. We therefore most earnestly ask for them the support of the people. To their hands are committed the management, in their various departments, of the finances of the people; and it does seem to us to be a sound policy—particularly in regard to the Commissioners' office—that a mixed board should be elected. To this end we think the candidates at the head of our paper should receive more than a party support.

OHIO.—The election in Ohio takes place on Tuesday next; and we have great hopes being able to chronicle next week a Democratic victory there as well as in Pennsylvania.

Teller in a Pillory.

A communication appeared in the last Girard *Republican*, over the signature of HENRY TELLER, which seems to demand a passing notice at our hands. With the author's personal or private affairs, we have nothing to do; but with his public acts, and his public sayings, we think the public have a right to be posted. When the blind lead the blind, both are apt to fall into the ditch When, therefore, Henry Teller, in the abundance of his patriotism, and the exuberance of his oft-repeated love for the "dear people," attempts a crusade against the best interests of the county,—attempts it too upon a false issue—we see no harm in showing up his consistency. It was for reasons something like these, that we republished, two weeks ago, the proceedings of the meeting at Girard, four years since, at which it was resolved to petition the Legislature to grant that borough the privilege of subscribing to the Sunbury road, and at which *Henry Teller* was a spokesman and otherwise a participant. We repeat that it was with no unkind felings towards *Mr Teller* personally that we republished the proceedings of that meeting, but simply that when next he attempted to bamboozle the "dear tax-payers" into an anti-tax meeting to do the dirty work of a mammoth, anti-Pennsylvania corporation, the "dear tax-payers" might know just how much sincersty their ever-ready *orator* possessed

But Mr. T says he "is not now, never has been, and never shall be, in favor of county and municipal subscriptions to railroads." This is an emphatic denial, but let us see how it places Mr T and Mr. T.'s neighbors. The proceedings of the meeting state that Mr. T. made a speech—and we'd like to see a meeting within ten miles of Girard that he din'nt,) and that the resolution passed "unanimously" Now it is evident if the resolution did'nt pass "unanimously," then the proceedings *lie*, and we leave Mr. T. to settle with his neighbors for *lying* about him If the resolution did pass "unanimously," then by Mr. T's own showing, this redoubtable opponent of municipal subscriptions did up his usual amount of wind work, and then *left*!

"He who fights and runs away
May live to fight another day"

may now be rendered—

"When *Teller* talks and runs away'
There's more *talk* coming some other day'

But seriously, if Mr. *Teller* spoke in opposition to municipal subscriptions at the meeting referred to, how comes it that the fact is not noted in the proceedings? how comes it that he did not vote as he spoke? how comes it that the resolution passed "unanimously" When Mr T. answers these questions, the public will have more light, and can tell better whether to believe his assertion *now*, that he *opposed* the resolution in favor of "municipal subscriptions," at the meeting referred to, or not. We, indeed, do not doubt Mr T's veracity; not at all, but may not a gentleman whose course upon many questions has been as crocked as his, and who has talked so often and to so little purpose, forget sometimes just exactly how he has stood, or the nature of all his *oritory*! Mr T acknowledges that he was as the meeting, and "made a speech"—a piece of information quite unnecessary, we assure him—but claims that he "considered the whole thing a trick—a *farce* got up to protect the Franklin Canal Company's road," &c., &c. As that slap is evidently aimed at his friend Cutler, and not at us, we let it pass, with the single remark that as it proves *one* lie, [illegible] up in Girard to protect *one* road, there is abundant reason for the people to suspect that the men who got up that "farce," were engaged in the same business at the anti-tax demonstration on the 15th ult.

But Mr. T. says he "don't see a dough-face," "a nose of putty," "a violent partizan postmaster," "a Boohoo," or "a foreordained hunker," when he looks in his glass. Waving the question whether any thing of this kind is at issue between Mr T and us, let us examine this claim a little It seem to us that a "dough face" and a "nose of putty" would be just the sort of a person to make a violent speech against a measure, and then sneek out, or refuse to vote the way he spoke It seems to us, also, that a "violent partizan" farmer would make a "violent partizan postmaster," if he could get the chance. Old maids are very apt to denounce husbands as brutes, but there never was one that didn't jump at the first offer like a hungry trout; and there are a great many old maids that wear pantaloons, and scold at public meetings. But Mr. T. says he "don't see a Boohoo," in his glass. We beg his pardon; we think he does! Nor a "foreordained hunker." Perhaps not; but if he looks sharp, he'll discern a "foreordained" *sputterer*! But he don't like our Latin. That is not strange, still he likes it as well as we do his English; to use his own pure *vernacular*, "it torrifies" us! "Mother of Moses, is that" English! So much for *Orator* Puff.

☞ The Crawford *Democrat* says our course on the Senatorial question is narrowed down to a single denunciation of the Democracy of Crawford for their perversity in refusing to play "second fiddle" to a clique in Erie who have done all in their power against the interests of that county We beg our friend's pardon. We don't denounce them for any such thing. We complain of them simply for allowing themselves to be used as "second fiddle" at a dance at which Know Nothingism is the *paid* music, and railroad men the floor managers. In the present state of affairs, the Democracy of the district might just as well have been represented at Harrisburg by Maj VINCENT PHELPS, or some other Crawford county Democrat, as by D. A. Finney or C. B. Power. The men in this county who wish for Finney's election don't go Finney because he is a whig Know Nothing; theirs is not a very exacting political necessity; on the contrary, they are somewhat in the predicament of the old maid in her prayer for a husband, and are ready to exclaim, "Good Lord, any body." With this state of facts, it certainly seems to us, laying aside all county issues, that the course of the *Democrat*, and those who act with it, was any thing else than politic. If Crawford county can elect Mr. Finney upon the issue made, she could as certainly have elected the person we have named upon the same issue. So that if the *Democrat* is "sustained by public opinion on Tuesday next," as it boastingly claims, it will be pretty evident to every impartial observer that the same "public opinion" might have been turned to the advantage of the Democracy of the State had not the *Democrat* played its hand too early in the game. Fully reciprocating the *feeling* evinced in the *Democrat's* leavetaking, we assure it that our "exit" will not take place next Tuesday. We have a "mission" yet to perform; a "work" to do; and it may be that we shall want the *Democrat* to help us. Till then, and only till *then*, "farewell!"

NEW YORK.

Correspon. of the Erie Observer.

NEW YORK, October 2, 1855.

Young Broadway is radiant with beauty and gorgeous with. The bow of female loveliness has a newly from the rural sunsets of the summers gone, the youthful bloom has been heightened the glow of the Promethean sun of the morn and the sea shore, and so brown Octobers, in silken crowds, on the *pave* of Broadthe tempting luxuriousness of a summer's listing.

Young Broadway! who shall say it is not so? The ancient style of the day of New Amsterdam has vanished the old thoroughfares of the Knickerbockers have departed; the Broadway of twenty-five years since has been carted off, and we can now paim that the noble avenue is *finished* and hail it by the name of Young Broadway Its broad *pave* and in its stores are gathered all that is new and freshest of the Old and New World, of nature and art, of beauty, intellect and ability, of fun, frolic and nonsense, of virtue and vice.

We are now Union Square hotel. There's that same impudent young man that affronted the countryman's modesty by holding up his finger to him from the top of an omnibus. He is beckoning to us. "Broadway! right down, sir!" So let have a sixpenny worth of human panorama, under the mellow light of this October afternoon.

Union Square full of tidy Biddies with their charges, the young codfish scions of society. They are out take the air for an hour or two in accordance with the prescription of the fashionable family physician, and Biddy is sent along to see that they not take any *dirt* along with it. The dirt might interfere with the fashionable physician's series.

As we pass along, we find Young Broadway showing his progressiveness and his roguish proclivities in the shape of several tall, narrow, flaunting, showbuildings called "Hotels on the European plan. They remind us of a pretty girl in Broadway all lace and flounces, genteel in appearance but with an uncommon queer wink in her eye We may be it is all right, but we somehow have a liking for the solid old fashioned respectability of the Old City Hotel, now, now, alas, depaed with the rest of the Knickerbockers Its pretty designation though.—"On the European plan!" Europe is ahead sometimes. That's so!

Young Broadway is beginning to affect "lager bier" saloons to rith "Schweiser cheese." That's a very good European plan, seeing that you can't extract a brick out of fifty glasses. The old Seaman's proverb runs thus: "He who drinks beer, thinks bee.'" We might add, "He who drinks brandy, tinks bowie knives." Therefore beer is better than brandy. So here's to the "lager." The world moves.

Now we pass the Metropolitan Theatre, with the big transparency in front, indicating that they show Rache inside. Next door is the Stuyvesant Institute, where they show the shells. Last week it was the scene of the political *coup d'etat*, when the leaders cut loose from the primary elections and the people. It certainly made them more respectable, but the votes! gentlemen, the votes! there's the rub! It is all very well to give a party the impress of respectability, but that's not the thing at the polls, especially if its a rainy day. The whig party was very respectable indeed, but it never had votes sary to success as clerks are in a dry goods house.

Our "solid men" will never do the hard work themselves, and "no money no votes," says the striker It's only the inevitable result of the great preponderance of human nature in the masses. In consequence of this *coup d'etat* the hard shells have split open, and the half shells are now also in the market

The American candidates are troubled with a woful lack of money. Last week they followed the example of the Hards, put on a look of virtuous indignation and attempted the *respectability* dodge. They gave notice that they would pay no money except for printing. Then forming themselves into a "mutual admiration society," each one wrote the others biography. They employed their whole limited capital in buying up a column in each of the Sunday papers and publishing their interesting lives. That is likely to be the only result of the investment, but at least the sweet remembrance of the grist will probably remain on the minds of some unsophisticated voters, and may be useful at some future election. They were all lovely and pleasant in their *lives* and in death they won't be divided.

Now whirls on the stage past the Metropolitan and St. Nicholas, both graceful freaks of Young Broadway's nature. The loungers at the portico of the latter form an important point in a lady's promanade. If she desires to look at, she has so many Apollos to admire in gold chains, moustache, and fancy pants. If she desires to be looked at, she may depend upon the work being carefully done, by each individual of the aforesaid Apollos.

The latest tragedy attempted on the boards of the latter Hotel will probably prove a failure, as Capt. Wright is rapidly recovering from his wounds.

Not far from this point we see a tall white building erecting its six stories to the skies. Pretty well up its front, there are windows, where damask and lace curtains indicate something like a luxurious drawing room. These are the Free Love Halls. In other words twice a week there meet in those rooms a society, composed of all those who believe in the marriage of attraction, not the marriage of the New Testament. That there are many pure, earnest, conscientious believers in this idea, we do not doubt. But with many, the doctrine is carried to the verge of licentiousness. Besides the believers in the theory, others, properly introduced, have been admitted, and the rooms are frequently filled with much of the intellect of the city. It serves the purpose also of an excellent matrimonial exchange, and in many cases the society will no doubt give the lie in practice to its own anti-matrimonial professions.

Sebastopol has fallen! All the world is reading the news. New York, however, has no sensation about it. The English are not elated because the French have won the glory. The French are not in the extremes, because they don't like Napoleon. The Americans don't care a copper about it, or if they do, their sympathies are rather with the Northern Bear. So Sebastopol will soon pass from the stage of the world's interest.

ERIE.

A SUCK IN.—The Buffalo *Courier* says that upon the close of the Baby Show there, and while anxious mothers were waiting for premiums, the manager of the concern could not be found, and that thereupon many pronounced the operation a "suck" game.

Where They Stand!

The position of Messrs Dunn and Ryman, on railroad matters here, is no longer a matter of doubt. They are committed to the interests of those opposing the city, There is no mistake in this. It is shown by the alacrity with which the True *American*, and Girard *Republican*, come to the aid of Finney; it is shown by the concentration of the entire Shanghai forces in the county upon them; and it is shown also by the avowals of their friends in various sections of the county. But if this is not enough, we have it from a reliable correspondent in Wayne, that Mr. Dunn himself placed himself upon the Railroad platform while in that town the present week. The issue then is plain; every man who votes for Dunn and Ryman, votes for the Railroad interest. Are those Republicans who sympathiese with Erie in her struggle against monopoly—and there are many such—ready to be sold like slaves for the personal benefit of their candidates? We can hardly believe it!

☞ The *American* says "Henry Teller, of Girard, pitches into" us "most vigorously through the columns of the last Girard *Republican*." Tis'nt the first time, neighbor. He "pitched into" us in 1852, in the Democratic County Convention. He was then a rampant Buchanan man, and could shout "*Jeems* Buchanan" with as much unction as he can now spout about "dough faces," "putty nose," and "hunker." He did'nt, however, make much by "pitching into" us then, and the result was, he "pitched" *out* of the Democratic party, the best "pitch" he ever made by all odds. By the by, speaking of "pitching," the first time we ever saw this famous *orator* he was "pitching in" for old Dick Johnson for President. Johnson, as every body knows, was a slave holder—a "dealer in human cattle," in *oratorical* parlance—and, if all stories are true, was not over particular in the complexion of his children; well, this same Dick Johnson was our "pitching in" assilant's first choice for President the first time we heard him at his favorite pastime of talking in public meeting. His next was for "*Jeemes* Buchanan," as we said above, but as there is but one step from the sublime to the ridiculous, the next will be for Fred. Douglass, or Joseph Hiss, we suppose.

☞ The following was handed us yesterday morning with a request to publish it. We comply, with the simple remark that coming upon the eve of an important election, it smells to us very much like an electioneering card. There is one name to it—Mr Boyce—that would seem to forbid such an inference; but the other! Well, there is no use talking about the other! Another thing about it that don't impress us as favorable to the honesty of the thing is, how the North East and Erie Railroad Company can subscribe "four hundred thousand dollars" without any authority in its charter to do so!

ERIE, October 3d, 1855.

To the President and Directors of the Erie & North East Railroad Co.

GENTLEMEN:—

The undersigned, Committee of the Directors of the Pittsburg & Erie Railroad Co., have received the Resolution of your Board to subscribe Four Hundred Thousand Dollars to the Stock of the Pittsburg & Erie RR or to build the northern portion of the main line of said Pittsburg & Erie RR., which shall cost at least $400 000

We look upon your proposition as being fair, equitable and just, and, therefore, accept it, as authorized to do by a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Pittsburg and Erie Railroad Company.

Respectfully
THOS. J. POWER, GEO. BOYCE. } Committee.

☞ According to the Buffalo *Courier*, the [illegible] opposite Buffalo, on Friday evening, was numerously attended. Many speeches were made—particularly abusive of the people of the States—and much powder burnt. The people of Canada are more English, or assume to be so, than were the Londoners.

☞ The editor of the N N *Tribune*, speaking of a Massachusetts resolution in favor of the restoration of the Missouri Compromise line, says, "We know no reason why that line should be re established." Nor we either; nor why any body should be deemed "infamous" for voting to repeal it.

☞ A few weeks ago we told the True *American* that before election Passmore Williamson would be withdrawn as a candidate for Canal Commissioner. This prediction it indignantly scouted, using language by no means gentle, or even courteous. Well, our prediction is verified. Passmore, the martyr, the "victim of Judge Kane," is now the victim of a political conspiracy! How does our neighbor like it? Is it the feast he was invited to. But we need not ask—there are a good many chapters he has yet to learn in Pennsylvania politics before he graduates.

MR. EDITOR:—My attention has been directed to an article in the last number of *Our World*, recommending my self in connection with one of the regular whig nominees, as a candidate for the Legislature.

The article alluded to and the ticket published in the same paper, were inserted without my knowledge or consent, and I avail myself of this opportunity of conveying to the public information of the fact that I *am not a candidate*, and will not be a candidate for *that* or any other office at the coming election.

While appreciating most sincerely the kindness, and estimating in its proper light the friendship of those who are thus desirous of testifying in a public manner their feelings of confidence and esteem in making use of my name notwithstanding the action of the Democratic County Convention, at the same time my name being submitted to *that Convention* for nomination, I cannot now with honor to myself consent to be a candidate under the peculiar circumstances of the case.

I have always been a member of the Democratic party, warmly attached to the principles of that party, and cannot while wishing to maintain uniform and consistent adherance to party obligations, yield a willing acquiescence to the desire of my friends on this occasion.

No circumstance whatever, neither the devotion and kind partiality of personal friends, nor the bitter and unrelenting animosity of foes, shall place me in a position of antagonism to the Democratic party. My enemies shall never have the power to say with truth, that I aided in distracting the party, neither shall it be said that I voluntarily assumed the responsibility of defeating the nominees of that party however injudicious the selections may have been, and however much the nomination may have been governed and controlled by personal feelings and considerations to the exclusion of motives of policy and expediency.

Many things were enacted in the Democratic Convention which do not meet my approval, and which the authors and originators of will have cause at some time to regret, but this fact does not present sufficient grounds to absolve me from my obligations, to abide by the decision of the said Convention.

Experience will teach some individuals who participated in the proceedings of that Convention, that feelings of personal friendship or hostility are not the only motives which should govern the actions of members of a representative body, and that policy on all occasions dictates the propriety of surrendering individual predilection to the expressed wish of the whole.

You will confer a favor by the publication of the above in order that the public may understand my position in this canvass and my determination not to be a candidate at the coming election in opposition to the regular nominees.

WILSON LAIRD.

PIANO FORTES.—The great number of Piano Fortes and other instruments being almost daily sold at *MANN'S MUSIC STORE, Sign of the Big Fiddle*, is sure proof that he has the best instruments, at less price than can be bought elsewhere. He has now some fifteen instrument soon to arrive, among which will be splendid carved legs and Pearl Keys, from $500 down to $175, for Rose wood, whole Metalic plate, French grand action. The famous Campana Attachment &c. &c.

☞ Mann is *the* man to buy Pianos &c. of. Go and see him. 29

Erie, Sept. 29, 1855.

☞ The Editor of the "*Country Gentleman*," in his notes of western travel, thus discourses about "Erie:"

"This progressive little city, which has achieved a wonderful notoriety within the past two or three years, rests as quietly on the shores of her beautiful bay, as though Railroads had never been invented, and newspapers never abused her. The coal trade, which is largely carried on, is the chief business of the place and though the inhabitants appear to have given up the idea for the present of outrivaling Buffalo, they are yet energetic and enterprising in support of what they consider their public interests; and their city bids fair to become in time of a size somewhat more proportionate to its late wide-spread reputation. Whatever its public character, we found its citizens privately anything but inhospitable."

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MARRIED.

In this city on the 25th ult. by Rev J E Chapin, Mr ENOS BROWER to Miss SARAH M. SHERWIN, both of this place

Also, in the same place on the 26th ult., by the same, Mr. ISRAEL TABER to Miss ALMIRA COBB, both Erie

On the 24th ult., by Rev J H Rice, Mr. O F CUSHING of Sherman, to Miss L. J DAVIS of Wattsburg.

In Venango Sept 16th by the Rev. D Rowland Mr RILEY WEED and Miss MARY ANN BLORE

DIED.

On the 23d ult., Mrs MARY PURNEY, aged 65 years, 8 months, and 19 days

On the 19th ult., in Albion, GRACE MARIA, daughter of F and J P. Clark, aged 1 year, 11 months and 5 days

In West Millcreek, on the 16th ult. MELVIN MONTGOMERY infant child of John and Eveline Williams, aged 1 year, 5 months and 16 days.

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CAUSES for Trial 5th Monday in October 1855.

Margaret M'Clure	vs John M'Clure	No 82	Feb.	T.	1855
Lewi W Ensign	" John Braden	" 9	Aug.	"	1845
Wm H Mitchell	" Ad. of D Wallace	" 136	"	"	1847
Truman Mallory	" Elihu Newton	" 124	"	"	1850
Thomas Abby	" J W Silverthorn	" 104	Nov	"	1851
A Warner's Adm	" J L Fuller	" 124	"	"	1851
Same	" Same	" 12	Feb	"	1852
F H Wallace	" John Evans, Jr	" 37	Aug	"	1852
Same	" John Gulliford	" 38	"	"	"
R T Sterrett	" T Mehaffey Sur.	" 185	"	"	"
P P Judson	" Edward Jones	" 190	"	"	"
John Steel	" Fuller & Meadow	" 192	"	"	"
Eleanor Boylen	" Richard Sigh	" 14	Nov.	"	"
W B Williams	" Wm Bentley et al	" 27	"	"	"
G Sanford	" King, Lytle & Laird	" 104	"	"	"
William & Wright	" Wilson Laird	" 129	"	"	"
M Messenger et al	" Exe. of D Wallace	" 153	"	"	"
John R Cochran	" J Hearn & Co.	" 65	Feb	"	1852
M Mayer	" M Whallon	" 115	"	"	"
Z L Hough	" N Y Cent. Ins. Co	" 176	"	"	"
E. & Wattsb. P R Co.	vs. G. Sanford	" 177	"	"	"
Beebe & Strong	vs. Michael Sterrett	" 207	"	"	"
P H Oliver	" P K Barton	" 212	"	"	"
J Atwater vs. Wat. & M. Mills P. R. Co.		" 217	"	"	"
Sol. Fields "	Same	" 218	"	"	"
C Miranville	vs. J H Silverthorn	" 46	May	"	"
Fuller & Meadow	vs Dav. Chambers	" 62	"	"	"
Marshall & Vincent	vs. Horace Hall	" 95	"	"	"
John Lyon	vs. James T White	" 128	"	"	"
M Mayer	" John McCann	" 153	"	"	"
Hart Ad. of Trask	vs. Sh. Mut. F. Ins. Co.	" 2	Aug	"	1853
Ex. Jas. Bailey de'd	vs. H Davenport	" 3	"	"	"
Phinney & Co	vs. Laird & Cochran	" 19	"	"	"
Theobald Hirt	" John Reed	" 26	"	"	"
W P Paw	" John Vincent	" 37	"	"	"
J L Sanford	" H G Sessions	" 41	"	"	"
S C Walker et al	" Wm Tanner	" 43	"	"	"
Wm H Campbell	vs. Almira Weeks	" 89	"	"	"
Geo M'Cord et al	" Wm M Caldwell	" 99	"	"	"
Parker F Hardy	" Franklin Culan	" 110	"	"	"
Robert Hill	" Same	" 111	"	"	"
H Gardner	" Jos Cooper et al	" 116	"	"	"
Smith Jackson	" F McCreary	" 118	"	"	"
Nathaniel Ames	" Ezekiel Bishop	" 139	"	"	"
W P Horton	" Jonas Humphrey	" 144	"	"	"
Russell Hewetet al	" M Reynolds et al	" 145	"	"	"
Tho Masters	" W H Brown	" 147	"	"	"
W W Wallace	" F McCreary	" 150	"	"	"
Same	" F & S McCreary	" 151	"	"	"
Liberty Salisbury	" David Sawdy	" 164	"	"	"
Hance Ferguson	" Dr. G H Turner	" 8	Nov	"	"
Adaline Boylan	" Wm. J. Sterrett	" 18	"	"	"
Thomas Master	" Wm H Brown	" 70	"	"	"
Geo Hess	" G. Schlandecker	" 80	"	"	"
use of John Evans	" J. M. Reed	" 87	"	"	"
Ad. of W Crawford	" M B Mills	" 91	"	"	"
Bell, Seiffe & Co	" W. Sherman	" 92	"	"	"
H D Smith	" T B. Vincent	" 110	"	"	"
H Bates	" Jas C Marshall	" 164	"	"	"
George Bonnell	" Chas. Vosburgh	" 171	"	"	"
Simeon Hunt	" E R Newton	" 190	"	"	"
Jas Callen	" J Ferguson et al	" 52	Feb	"	1854
Stockton & Fuller	" Erastus Kellogg	" 92	"	"	"
A V Hamot	" G W Lininger et al	" 120	"	"	"
Isaac Moore	" same et al	" 121	"	"	"