



Huntingdon, Tuesday, September 7, 1847.

WHIG NOMINATIONS.

FOR GOVERNOR:
GEN. JAMES IRVIN,
OF CENTRE COUNTY.

FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER:
JOSEPH W. PATTON,
OF CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Whig County Ticket.
ASSEMBLY:
DAVID BLAIR, of Huntingdon.
SHERIFF:
JOHN G. STEWART, of Huntingdon.
TREASURER:
ISAAC NEFF, of West.
COMMISSIONER:
JOSHUA GREENLAND, of Cass.
AUDITOR:
JAMES GILLAM, of Barree.

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GEN. IRVIN.

On our fourth page will be found a letter from an honest Laboring man, now in Ohio, and who was formerly in the employ of Gen. Irvin. It is addressed to the Mercer Whig. We invite the attention of all, and especially, the Laboring portion of the community, to it. The only object of the writer in question, would appear to be to do justice to one who had treated him kindly while in his employ; and his testimony should therefore have more weight with all honest inquirers after truth, than all that can be said by heated politicians and reckless Party editors. The author of the letter is known to some now engaged at Iron works in this county. Read it, Laboring men, and then hand it to your neighbor.

The efforts that have been making by the Gwin faction here, to array the Antimasons of the county against one of their candidates, has aroused a strong feeling of indignation among them in every section of the county. We have received a number of communications from old members of the party, speaking out their sentiments on the subject, which we will publish next week.

Our Prospects.

From all parts of the State we have the most reliable intelligence of the certain election of Gen. IRVIN. A letter now before us from a prominent and intelligent citizen of the Northern part of the State says: "If the Whigs turn out and poll their full vote, JAMES IRVIN will be the next Governor of Pennsylvania, by a very large majority." Whigs of Old Huntingdon! do you want a stronger incentive to action than this—the certain election of your own favorite son? Let every one then, act as though the result depended on his own individual exertions and vote, and the victory over the office-holders is certain.

Voters of Huntingdon County!

Remember that Shunk considers all in favor of one term croakers and office hunters. Remember, too, that every vote polled for him or the Locofoco County Ticket, will be construed into an approval of the measures of James K. Polk, including the British Tariff of 1846 and the Mexican War, with its cost of thousands of valuable lives and MILLIONS upon MILLIONS of money. The Locofoco County meeting held in this borough a short time since, declared its approval of all the measures of Polk's administration, and especially in regard to the war, and your votes will either ratify or condemn the proceedings.

SENATORIAL CONFERENCE.—The Senatorial Conference, to nominate a Whig candidate for Senator in this district, will meet at Hollidaysburg, on Friday next, 10th inst.

In 1844, the Locofocos slandered the Whig candidate for Sheriff through the columns of the "Independent Whig." Now, they use the "Huntingdon Messenger," a professed neutral paper, for the same purpose. They failed to accomplish their purpose then, and the people understand them too well now, to be deceived by anything got up by the traitor Legislator or any of his tools.

Can any of our Locofoco exchanges tell us why Francis R. Shunk was dismissed from the office of Secretary of State by David R. Porter?

The Country Districts.

From every part of the County we hear the cheering cry among the Whigs, "All is well!" Although in some districts our friends were somewhat disappointed at the result of the labors of the County Convention, yet they think that if they would allow a slight disappointment to induce them to waver or in any manner desert their organization, it would only result in advantage to Locofocoism, and injury to the Whig party in the County; and they have, therefore, determined to go in heartily to the support of IRVIN, PATTON, and the whole Whig County Ticket.

We made a hurried visit to the upper end of the County during the past week, and had the pleasure of taking by the hand a great many of our Whig friends, in that section of the County; and found them all in good spirits, and perfectly united. The efforts of the Locofocos here to produce jealousy and disunion in the Whig ranks are well understood in the country. In the townships of Warriorsmark and Franklin, where the Locofocos have been boasting that Mr. Crownover, the Locofoco nominee for Sheriff, would make such terrible inroads upon the Whig vote, on account of alleged disaffection among them, we found the Whigs thoroughly united, and confident of the success of Gen. Irvin and the whole Whig Ticket.

The Whig vote of Franklin twp. this fall will be something similar to their Corn Crop—tremendous!—And if the Locofocos are calculating upon any of the noble-hearted Whigs of either Franklin or Warriorsmark townships voting for Matthew Crownover, or any other Locofoco candidate, they are doomed to bitter disappointment. They are Whigs in the true sense of the term, and go for "Principles—not Men." Had the efforts of the Legislative Candidate for whom Mr. Crownover voted and elected two years ago, been fully successful, the noble townships above mentioned, together with the whole of Morris, would not now be within the bounds of Old Huntingdon County! And we have no doubt that after the returns from those townships are received, Mr. C. will feel a fresh regret that his friend Gwin failed in his effort to make *Tussey's Mountain* the boundary line.

From the lower end, too, we have the most encouraging news. The friends of Irvin are firm, united, and confident, and will move in solid column for the whole County Ticket. And all that is now wanting is the proper arrangements to bring out the full Whig vote. We hope this will not be neglected in any of the districts. The Locofocos are actively but secretly at work, preparing for the contest. Let the Whigs prepare to meet them face to face, and Ticket to Ticket.

NOT NOMINATED.

It is said by some respectable democrats, that the Locofoco candidate for the Legislature did not receive a majority of all the votes cast in the Convention; and that Col. R. F. Haslett is reported as having received only 11 votes, when in fact he received 13. It would appear from the balloting that there were 43 votes in the Convention, while only 40 are reported as having voted for the Legislative candidate. We append the report of the balloting:

For Assembly,	
Dr. Jacob M. Gemmill	had 20 votes,
Col. Robert F. Haslett	" 11 "
John K. Metz	" 5 "
William M'Nitt,	" 4 "
For Sheriff,	
Matthew Crownover	had 23 votes,
John Wray,	" 16 "
Samuel Miller,	" 4 "
For Commissioner,	
Robert Speer,	had 26 votes,
A. P. Owens	" 6 "
James Forrest	" 10 "
For Treasurer,	
David Black	had 21 votes,
Capt. James Bell	" 21 "
For Auditor,	
Isaac Cook,	had 25 votes,
Jacob Kough	" 18 "

It will be seen from the above that for Sheriff and Auditor 43 votes were cast; for Commissioner and Treasurer 42, and for Assembly only 40; of which number as reported in the Globe, it will be seen, Dr. Gemmill only receives one-half—not a majority! And under what new rule of Progressive Democracy the Doctor was proclaimed duly nominated, we are at a loss to determine! We know nothing more in regard to this matter, than that there is a suspicion among some of the democrats, that Col. Haslett received two more votes than the report gives him, and that unfairness was resorted to by the Gwin faction to make up the entire Ticket from among their own clique. Who can explain!

THE APPROACHING ELECTION.

The Whigs of Pennsylvania, says the Village Record, have never presented a more undivided front than at this moment. Wherever we turn the most gratifying prospect is seen. All the counties are working with consummate tact and judgment, preparatory to the great effort in October. Gen. IRVIN is the man of the people—intelligent, honest, and unostentatious. A better man was never put forward for the votes of a free people. The utmost confidence may be reposed in him. During a long life he has never faltered for a moment in the straight-forward discharge of duty.—He is eminently qualified for the duties of the office to which we would elevate him. His integrity is above suspicion. Well may the Whig party rally with confidence upon Irvin.

We again call upon the Whigs in the various townships in this county to exercise the utmost vigilance. We have work before us which demands unceasing application for its faithful discharge. The recent elections afford unmistakable indication of the tone and temper of the people. A revolution quite as overwhelming as that of 1840 is on the eve of an outbreak; nay, it has already begun, and each mails heralds its progress. The people are arising in their strength, and all that is needed to insure certain and glorious triumph, is proper direction to the popular will. We must be firm, united and determined.

Whigs of Huntingdon county! by your love for cherished principles, we call upon you not to lose sight of the great interests which are staked upon the approaching all-important election. Political thralldom has crippled our energies already too long. Reform must be had. A bold man is needed at the helm of State. Then stand up bravely in support of Irvin. Do not weary of well doing, until the glad shout shall ascend to the Heavens—"Pennsylvania is redeemed."

Whigs, Listen to the Enemy!

The Huntingdon Globe of last week contains the following appeal to the Locofoco party of Huntingdon county: "Be vigilant, then, Democrats of Old Huntingdon,—organize—spend a little time, and use your utmost influence for the success of a good and just cause. You have a good ticket before you,—carefully selected by a Convention of Delegates of your own choosing,—which you may truly proud of. Use your utmost exertions for its success. Vote it from beginning to end—STRIKE OFF NOT A MAN. Do this, and we will have the proud satisfaction of sending forth to our democratic brethren abroad the glad tidings, that good Old Huntingdon has thrown off the shackles of Federalism—that she stands redeemed and regenerated. Let your watchword be, 'we will not only TRY, but are determined to DO.'"

We commend the above, from the organ of the Locofoco party of Huntingdon county, to the attention of every good Whig; and especially to those (if there be any such) who have harbored for a moment the idea of cutting his Ticket. While the *practical Messenger*, under the control of Locofocos in this Borough, is laboring hard to induce Whigs to fly from their organization, the regular organ of the party, the *Globe*, cries out: "Democrats, stick to the Ticket—STRIKE OFF NOT A MAN!" And as an inducement to do so, the *Globe* assures its readers that they will have the satisfaction of proclaiming a *Locofoco triumph* in "good Old Huntingdon!"

Whigs! Friends of Irvin! Shall this be so! Will you give Locofocoism an opportunity to cry out Victory! in this sterling Whig County! We have mistaken your character, and your love for Whig principles if you do. Stand up for your organization, then, and vote the Whig Ticket—THE WHOLE TICKET, and NOTHING BUT THE TICKET. In the language of the *Globe*, "vote it from beginning to end—strike off NOT A MAN!" If this be done by every opponent of Locofocoism, "we will have the proud satisfaction of sending forth to our democratic (Whig) brethren abroad the glad tidings that good Old Huntingdon" is *unconquered and UNCONQUERABLE*.

What say you, then, Whigs of Old Huntingdon? Will you falter and be defeated—or stand firm and be VICTORIOUS! We await your answer at the ballot boxes.

Bishop O'Connor officiated in the Roman Catholic Chapel in this place on yesterday. At the close of the exercises we regret to learn that Mrs. Sissler, a resident of Alexandria, was severely injured by the falling of some plastering from the ceiling.

THE COUNTY TICKET.

Communication.
Mr. CLARK:—The Messenger, of your town, I accidentally met with this morning. It contains a Communication dated "Union Township," &c., on the subject of the Sheriff's election. If the writer was a resident of Union Township, or I thought the electors of that section of the county were the least dissatisfied about the election of an *Odd-Fellow* to that office, I could if not much mistaken, convince them that there is nothing in the *Odd-Fellow* Association that can, or does, interfere with their *Anti-masonic* feelings or prejudices; but, when I inform you that the writer is a *Loco Foco* Lawyer of Huntingdon, who is, in his deception actuated by mercenary motives, it is not necessary to address the *Anti-masonic* electors of that sterling township.

The office of Sheriff, since the division of the county, is not an object to any man. The officer, however, has, in a political point of view, some influence—he has control of the Jail and certain public printing. The election of *Matthew Crownover* would produce a change in this respect. The printing would be taken from the Whig Journal and given to the *Messenger*—the writer referred to would be his counsel, and the *Antimasons*, as a consequence, about as much respected, after the election, as the *Guerrillas* are by the "Yankees" in Mexico.

While advertizing to the unreasonable prejudice which the writer in question, attempts to raise against the Whig candidate for Sheriff, on account of his being a member of a Charitable and Social Association, it will not be amiss to extend my views on the subject of the approaching election, a little further.

At no election, within my recollection, has the two great parties of the country defined their principles, or policy of sustaining the Administration of the Government, so plain, as they have on the present occasion. The Whigs go for, and will sustain the candidates who are known to be in favor of protecting the manufacturing and agricultural interests of the country. The Locos are in favor of *Free Trade*—of protecting the manufacturers of England in preference to our own, provided their goods can be got a little cheaper. To the Agriculturalist, or Farmer, they hold out the idea that the British will buy our surplus produce, or take it in exchange for their goods. This, however, is a consummate piece of deception. The late *famine and distress* in Europe, it is true, had the effect of producing a rise in price and demand for our breadstuffs; but, will that cause ever return again! *Providence* has blessed, at this time, all Europe with a bountiful harvest; and had not our own crops, this season, failed to some extent, our surplus might have rotted in our granaries, for want of a market.

In the selection of candidates, both parties, I perceive, have been particularly careful in adhering to the "right stripe"—the Whigs, in addition to the adoption of Gen. Irvin for Governor and Joseph W. Patton for Canal Commissioner, have nominated David Blair, Esq., for Assembly—John G. Stewart, for Sheriff, and Isaac Neff for County Treasurer—these men are well known to be Protectionists; while the Locos have in the nomination of Dr. Gemmill for Assembly, and Matthew Crownover for Sheriff, taken two of the most thorough-going *Free Trade* men that has ever been in this community. Gov. Shunk being a *free trade* man, of course heads the Ticket. It is but fair to admit that these gentlemen all stand fair in their private characters, and the election, as it ought, should turn on their avowed principles. The Whigs, on the one hand, for general Protection of our interests; and the Locos for *Free Trade*, &c. The Whigs of the County have, therefore, the subject fairly before them. If they are friendly to Whig principles, they will lay aside all personal feeling, and vote for the Whig ticket as agreed upon at their Delegate Convention.

To the Farmers, it is of the utmost importance to sustain the policy of the Whigs.—If the Locos are suffered to introduce and continue *Free Trade* doctrine, it will be death to their interests. The manufacturers of our own Country will be unable to compete with the *Pauper* labor of England, consequently they must stop—the operators will be converted into *Farmers*, who, instead of consumers become, at once, *producers*, and aid in the total destruction of our home market. A FARMER.

Noble Sentiment.

The following patriotic sentiment is extracted from Gen. PATTON's letter to the Hon. Mr. GRAVES. It is a sentiment worthy the head and heart of its distinguished author, and deserves to be printed in letters of gold:

"Although myself A WHIG, yet if I had the power to make a President of the United States, and if I knew who, in the high office of President, would administer the government in the greatest purity and do most towards restoring it to what it was in the earlier days of the Republic, I would make that man President, no matter to what party he might nominally belong."

WILLIAM F. JOHNSTON, Esq. has been nominated as the Whig candidate for Senator in the District composed of Armstrong, Cambria, Clearfield and Indiana counties.

Centre County.

The Whigs of Centre county, the home of Gen. IRVIN, held a County Meeting in Bellefonte on the 25th ult., which is represented as having been unusually well attended. The Whig, in speaking of the meeting says:—"The Whig Meeting on Wednesday evening, was one of the most convincing evidences that the friends and neighbors of Gen. IRVIN feel, and are determined to manifest, by their action on the 2d Tuesday of October, a deep and anxious interest in his election. Although no measures beyond the ordinary notice in the paper, had been taken to secure a large assemblage, the meeting was the largest held in the county since the exciting campaign of 1844, and manifested a degree of enthusiasm, affording the highest and most encouraging prospects in the county.—The proceedings of the meeting were characterized by unanimity and harmony, and the able and interesting speeches of Messrs. HALE and POTTER were received with the liveliest demonstrations of approbation.

We have repeatedly assured our friends elsewhere, that Gen. IRVIN would receive more votes in this county than have ever heretofore been given to a Whig candidate, and the information obtained during the past week has had a tendency to confirm the opinion thus expressed.

BEDFORD COUNTY.

A very large and enthusiastic Whig mass meeting was held at Bedford on the 23d ult. The following county ticket was placed in nomination, and resolutions adopted responsive to the nominations of IRVIN and PATTON by the State Convention, and nominating Gen. ZACHARY TAYLOR for the Presidency:

Assembly—David Rowland, John Metzger.
Commissioner—Thomas Speer.
Treasurer—Wm. T. Chapman.
Auditor—Peter A. Hillegas.

Among other strong and conclusive reasons for opposing the election of F. R. Shunk, we find among the proceedings the following:

"Because, We regard the Anti-Democratic Veto Prerogative as especially dangerous in the hands of a weak man surrounded by designing counsellors. By its exercise for reasons the most puerile, Francis R. Shunk has vetoed the spirit of enterprise in almost every section of the State.

Bedford county, neglected as she always has been by Legislation, was, by the Veto of the Huntingdon and Broad Top Mountain Railroad and Coal Company, denied the privilege of unfolding and converting to useful purposes the vast mineral resources of that region.

"Because, We are opposed to the reelection of this old office-holder for the above, among a host of other good and sufficient reasons. And also, Because, We consider Thirty-five years in office, on full pay, a full share for any one office seeker.

The Whigs of Centre county have nominated the following Ticket:

Assembly—WILLIAM ALLISON; Treasurer—J. K. SHOEMAKER; Commissioner—FREDERICK BURKERT; Auditor—SAMUEL H. STOVER.

We are happy to see the name of our friend of the "Whig" on the above Ticket. Mr. Shoemaker is a good Whig, and if elected will make an excellent officer. He has our best wishes for his success.

Death of Silas Wright.

The death of this distinguished politician was received in New York and Philadelphia on Saturday morning last, and created a profound sensation, if we are to judge of the public feeling from the newspapers. He died of apoplexy on Friday last at his residence in St. Lawrence county, New York—aged 52. Mr. Wright was an able and a distinguished man as well as politician. He had been in public life for the last thirty years, and had filled many stations of honor and respectability, with great credit and to the satisfaction of his constituents.

A Word to Whigs in Whig Counties.

The Pennsylvania Telegraph says:—"The Locofocos are arousing their party by unusual efforts in their strong Counties. Old Berks led off with a great gathering at Reading on Saturday the 28th ult., at which were present Gen. Shunk and Secretary Miller, Tory Ingersoll, Longstreth, and other great guns of the party, advocates of *Free Trade* and the British Tariff of 1846. Should not the Whigs too take the hint, and arouse their strong counties thoroughly, and be prepared to have every vote at the polls. There is no time for delay. Action, action is necessary and important; and every one should act as if his exertions were to decide the result.

Flour is still on the decline. What has become of the Tariff of 1846!

Joseph W. Patton:

Notwithstanding their loud professions of love for poor men, the Locofoco papers now teem with appeals to their readers to vote against Mr. Patton, because he at one time had the *misfortune* to fail in business. These *Locofoco* editors are hard to please. Gen. Irvin says, should be defeated because he has prospered in business and become rich, and Mr. Patton should meet the same fate because he was unfortunate in business and became poor.

In regard to the charges against Mr. Patton, the editor of the Hollidaysburg Register, who is familiar with his character and history, remarks:

"In early life he became one of a firm who embarked in the manufacturing business. A great depression in the business world, and a revulsion in the monetary affairs of the country immediately ensuing, the firm became embarrassed, and finally failed. But mark ye, no man will say it failed full-handed. No such thought was ever entertained; or if ever it must have speedily given way before the convincing proofs of Mr. Patton's integrity and honesty. HE FAITHFULLY GAVE UP TO THE PAYMENT OF THE CLAIMS AGAINST THE FIRM, ALL HE WAS WORTH, AND LEFT HIMSELF POOR—poor in all but virtuous principle and energy and nobleness of character. Nor did he stop at this; he went resolutely and energetically to work, adopting the most rigid economy and untiring industry, to realise the means fully to discharge the obligations of the co-partnership. Nobly has he held on in this high resolve, and steadily has the amount of indebtedness been diminishing before his efforts. Faithfully has all the means he could command (above an humble living,) been devoted to this end.

"And now, we ask the reader, if Mr. Patton's misfortune, (or crime as the Locofocos would have it called,) does not furnish the evidence of his HIGH INTEGRITY and UNTAINTED HONESTY, rather than the reverse? We ask if clearer and more unquestionable evidence can be advanced in any manner of a man's honesty and integrity, or there can be a prouder spectacle in the moral world, than that of the discharged insolvent, with the high purpose of fulfilling the demands of justice and sustaining his moral standing among his fellow men, applying himself faithfully to the payment of the obligations from which he had been released!—We know of none—we ask no better—and we challenge the slanderers of Mr. Patton to name one.

"Voters of Pennsylvania! beware of the unprincipled attacks of the Shunk presses and pimps upon IRVIN and PATTON—they are honest and worthy men, deserving your support; and let your determination to stand by them remain unshaken. So shall the right prevail; and our affairs be administered wisely and well."

SHUNK ELECTIONEERING.

We observe that Gov. SHUNK left Harrisburg on Thursday last on a trip to Reading, accompanied by his "guide, philosopher and friend," JESSE MILLER, and E. W. HUTTER, an emissary from the State Department at Washington. It seems that there is a good deal of kicking in Old Berks this season—she does not wear the party yoke so submissively as usual, and that famous Five Thousand Locofoco majority is likely to be whittled down materially. The people of that County have not forgotten that after their favorite and lamented MUEHLBERG was nominated three years ago, SHUNK and his friends established a paper at Harrisburg which opposed his election with great virulence.—The Governor, having heard of the trouble in Berks, has gone over to see whether he cannot settle it, taking JESSE along of course—for what could he do without JESSE!—and intending to tell the good German Farmers some of his old stories about "Die Trappe," and give them a palaver in their own tongue. The Administration at Washington have also furnished an emissary in the person of a hired Clerk under Mr. BUCHANAN—OBE HUTTER, formerly notorious as a slandering Locofoco Editor at Harrisburg, and remarkable only for impudence and ingratitude—always ready to engage in any dirty work, and afterwards to betray his accomplices for a consideration—and he is to tell the honest people of Berks County what is Democracy, and how they must vote! The presumption of these mercenary officials is intolerable, and ought to be rebuked. It is to be hoped that the Berks County folks will teach them a lesson; and send SHUNK and his companions home with "their fingers in their mouths and fleas in their ears."—York Republican.

The Riot trials in Carlisle have resulted in the conviction of twelve colored persons, and the acquittal of Professor McClintock, and about 20 others. The trials occupied the Court about a week and excited a deep interest. Able counsel were engaged on both sides; the ablest of whom were Wm. M. Meredith, Esq., of Philadelphia, on the part of the defence, and Frederick Watts, Esq., of Carlisle, for the prosecution.—The jury went out on Saturday morning and their verdict was returned on yesterday morning.