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To the People of the U. States.

The People of the United States, without regard to past political differences or divisions, who are opposed to the repeal of the Missouri Compromise, to the policy of the present Administration, to the extension of slavery into the Territories, in favor of the admission of Kansas as a Free State, and of restoring the action of the Federal Government to the principles of Washington and Jefferson, are invited by the National Committee, appointed by the Pittsburgh Convention of the 22d of February, 1856, to send from each State three Delegates from each Congressional District, and six Delegates at large, to meet in Philadelphia, on the seventeenth day of June next, for the purpose of recommending candidates to be supported for offices of President and Vice President of the United States.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

- E. D. Morgan, N. York; Fran. P. Blair, Mar.; J. M. Nile, Connecticut; D. Wilcox, Penn'a.; A. P. Stone, Ohio; W. M. Chase, R. I.; J. Z. Goodrich, Mass.; Geo. Rye, Virginia; A. R. Halliwell, Maine; C. S. Leland, Illinois; C. Dickey, Michigan; G. G. Fogg, N. H.; Cor. Cole, California; A. J. Stevens, Iowa; L. Brainerd, Vermont; Wm. Spooner, Indiana; C. K. Paulson, N. J.; J. G. Fee, Kentucky; E. D. Williams, Del.; J. Redpath, Missouri; J. Washburn, March 26, 1856.

Our Platform and Principles.

We do declare to the people of these United States the objects for which we contend in political action, are: 1st. That we demand and shall attempt to secure the repeal of all laws which allow the introduction of slavery into Territories once consecrated to freedom; and will resist by every constitutional means the existence of slavery in any of the Territories of the United States.

2d. We will support by every lawful means our brethren in Kansas in their constitutional and manly resistance to the usurped authority of their lawless invaders, and will give the full weight of our political power in favor of immediate admission of Kansas to the Union as a free, sovereign and independent State.

3d. Believing that the present National Administration has shown itself to be weak and faithless, and that its continuance in power is identified with the progress of the slave power, to national supremacy, and with the exclusion of freedom from its territories and with increasing civil discord—it is a leading purpose of the "Journal" to oppose and overthrow it.

THE CONVENTION.

The Convention of American Republicans on Saturday, elected Wm. E. McMurtrie and Wm. Brewster delegates to meet similar ones at Blair and Cambria Counties, to elect delegates to attend the Convention in Philadelphia on the 17th of the present month.

To Dodge or not to Dodge.

A. W. Benedict was elected a delegate to represent this county in the American State Council, which met at Harrisburg last month. When the resolutions of ex-Governor William F. Johnston were offered, he had not the manhood to vote for or against them, but like the man who wished to be popular and carry water on both shoulders, he dodged the question. Such men are unfit to represent any organization, any party, or any set of principles.

President Pierce.

"If there is to be armed resistance to the laws of the country, and the CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OF THE SOUTH, it might as well occur at this time, and in Kansas, as elsewhere." This is said to have been the exceedingly sagacious and kind-hearted remark of the President of the United States, upon the receipt of the recent startling intelligence from Kansas. A dispassionate hearer would have found it very difficult to discover any connection between the observation and the events. What are the incidents reported?

Linda.

We have received a splendid copy of this best work of Mrs. Hentz. Copies of this work will be sent to any part of the United States, free of postage, on sending to the publisher, T. B. Peterson, 102 Chesnut St., Phila., one dollar.

The City Architect.

We have received the second number of this excellent work, from DeWitt & Davenport, 160 & 162 Nassau St., N. Y. This number presents designs for houses on a cheap scale, and the work is gotten up by a master hand. 50 cts. per copy.

Our townsman Major Campbell.

Our townsman Major Campbell, and family, started on a tour to Niagara, and through the Western States, on Monday. He will be absent some weeks.

Several communications are crowded for want of room.

MUST THESE THINGS BE?

Who after reading an account of the brutal and cowardly attack of Brooks of S. Carolina, upon that noble statesman and patriot Charles Sumner, but must blush for the honor of his country, and naturally enquire—must this be so? Must our legislative halls be disgraced by ruffian bullies from the kennels of blackguardism? No event within our recollection has created a feeling of mingled disgust and rage so intense, so like frenzy, as the assault upon the distinguished senator from Massachusetts by the mad Brooks of South Carolina.

As remarks a cotemporary, the provocation was so slight—merely a few sharp, fair, polished oratorical sentences. The scene of the assault so august. The circumstances so atrocious in every particular. Two men—nay two brutes, armed and prepared, upon one man, unarmed, unprepared and entangled. The character of the senator assailed—incomparably the finest orator alive, an honor to the country he serves, an ornament to the Age in which he lives. The insignificance of the vulgar hearted brutes who perpetrated the crime. The magnificent person thus violated. All these, and other considerations, have combined to inflame the people of the North in a degree unexampled.

And yet the slave-democracy approves the conduct of these monsters. The Democracy both North and South applaud the cowardly act. Oh! Shame! Shame!—Mist you, will you Northern Democrat, permit the prejudices of party to usurp the better feelings of the heart? Can you sanction the monstrous acts of your leaders? For, the leaders of your party in Congress, from doating old Mr. Cass, down to the murderer Herbert, and the assassin Brooks, all, are prostituting your organization. Butler, who is one of your leaders on the floor of the Senate Chamber, "approved of the conduct of his gallant nephew, and assumed upon himself all the responsibility." Toombs also remarked that the conduct of Mr. Brooks met his approval. But when will this end? We answer in conclusion, not until the North shall have done away with dogs for Senators; spaniels who lick the hands of their Southern masters, the more they are beaten. We allude to such as Douglas, Cass, Toucey, and slavery propagandists generally, who disgrace the North, dishonor the free soil of their nativity, and make us a reproach to the country.

It cheers and warms our heart to mark the conduct of such men as Wade of Ohio, Wilson of Massachusetts, Hale of New Hampshire, and a few others, who dare speak their minds in the Senate of United States, regardless of the Southern assassin's knife. We give the remarks of Mr. Wade. He said in reference to the inhuman attack on Mr. Sumner, after Butler and other Democratic leaders had signified their approval of the bloody act, it was impossible for him to sit still and hear such principles avowed as had been on this occasion. As to the facts in reference to the assault, he knew nothing about them and had nothing to say on that point. He was there in a pretty lean minority, not more than one-fifth of the Senate enjoining opinions similar to his; but when he heard it stated upon that floor that an assassin-like, cowardly attack had been made upon a man unarmed and having no power to defend himself, and that he had been stricken down and almost murdered, and then heard a Senator avow that he approved such conduct, it becomes a matter of some interest and some importance to all the members of the body, and the minority especially. A brave man could not defend himself against such attacks as this, he might be overpowered by numbers; "but overpowered or not, live or die, (said he,) I will vindicate the rights of liberty of debate and the freedom of discussion, so long as I live. If the principle avowed here is to prevail, let us come armed for the combat. Although you are four to one, I am here to meet you! A man can die in no better cause than in vindicating the rights of debate upon this floor. If these principles are to be approved by the majority, and become a part and parcel of the law of Congress let it be understood."

When a gentleman felt unwell in the morning after a champagne supper on the evening previous; if his coffee were muddy or if his steak were overdone if the waiter looked as if he were not mindful of the fact that he was waiting upon a gentleman, the latter might quietly shoot or stab him, walk to the magistrate's office, pay his fine, and go home again in peace and comfort. He might do the same under other circumstances to mechanics and farmers, and in fact to all people except those in his own rank. For we have rank in America. It is only when one gentleman kills another that it is worth while ascertaining whether it be murder or not!

Note.—The common impression that the widows and orphans of those who are not gentlemen, suffer as acutely as the widows and orphans of those who are, is a mistake. Their sufferings in losing a father, husband, or brother, are comparatively trifling! The murdered Kerrigan leaves a widow and two children—but what of that. He was only a servant.

We commend the following article, from Life Illustrated, to our readers: Impending civil war in Kansas—threatened war with England—the rule of violence established at the national capital—the most brilliant of living orators brutally beaten in the Senate chamber—an administration composed of an imbecile chief and a secretary who plumes himself chiefly upon his dispatches—filibusterism rampant, officially recognized, holding mass-meetings, openly raising money and enlisting men—the party which has all the political talent and most of the political principle left to us, still far from power—the most virtuous, orderly, and decorous of nations represented by ruffians and blackguards—the people indignant, embittered, exasperated, and helpless—despots everywhere exulting—the liberal party through out the world puzzled and dismayed, beginning to think that, after all, Democracy may be a Mistake—parties so curiously disarranged that the people may be prevented from saying in unmistakable language what they think, and what they want—all parties dallying with the harlot Availing, still repeating the fatal maxim, "Measures not Men," when all the evil has come from putting a puppet where a

MAN was wanted. Such are some of the aspects of the times. Whose fault is it? Yours, sir, who think it the genteel thing "to take no part in politics," and neither by voice nor vote come to the help of the Right! And yours, sir, who go it blind for the PARTY, consenting to be one of a Drove!

A Good Sermon.—We had the sincere pleasure of listening to an eloquent sermon on last Sabbath, in the Seceder Church, from Rev. Samuel Reed, a native of this county, and recently graduated at one of our Theological Colleges. It was a noble effort; and delivered in a clear and forcible manner. Mr. Reed promises fair to become an eminent laborer in the vineyard of the Lord, and an honor and ornament to his noble calling. We believe Mr. Reed was ordained in Philadelphia, last month.

BEAT THIS.—We were shown a stalk of rhubarb on Saturday last, from the farm of our fellow-citizen Gen. John McComb, which we believe to be a "leete" ahead of anything about. The leaf measured 32 1/2 inches in breadth, 27 inches in length. The stem was 5 1/2 inches in circumference, 18 1/2 inches long. The entire length of the leaf was 3 feet 9 1/2 inches. We intend to brag of that, until we hear of a larger.

Pennsylvania Delegates.

Ex Governor Johnston of Allegheny co. and Gen. John Williamson of Huntingdon county, have been appointed delegates at large for the State of Pennsylvania, to the American Convention which is to assemble in the City of New York, on the 12th of the present month, for the purpose of nominating candidates for President and Vice President.

Pencil Notes.

- Plenty as Blackberries.—Office hunters. Fun in Washington.—Killing Irish waiters. We had some delightful showers last week. White tiles are becoming decidedly fashionable. The peaches in the West have all been killed by the frost. The President has dismissed Crampton, the British Minister. Fisher and McMurtrie have had their store-building spoiled. It is thought that Buchanan will be the Locofoco nominee for President. We were honored with a visit from two very fair ladies yesterday. Call again girls. In Luzerne county the Court granted 107 liquor licenses—27 more than under the old law. Mrs. Cox, the mother of the two children lately lost in Bedford county, it is said has died of grief. The new building of Franklin and Marshall College, at Lancaster, Pa., was dedicated on the 19th inst. Good Advice.—When you go to drown yourself, always pull off your clothes—they may fit your wife's second husband. Governor Reeder has escaped from Kansas. He was at the last accounts addressing a large meeting at Chicago. Scene in the street—Obliging Celt to swell, (who has dropped a valuable breast-pin.) "Is it a cinch yer lookin' after, sir?" Served him right.—The individual who wanted to ride with the "wooly heads" on the Pa. Railroad, was and kicked out of the cars. Somerset, Pa., narrowly escaped burning last week. Some dozen houses were burned down before the fire was extinguished. Wm. McIntire, residing in Black Log, Valley, Juniata Co., committed suicide last Wednesday, by shooting himself with a pistol. The commander of the United States troops now at Lawrence, Kansas, is a cousin of Senator Sumner. It is Col. Edwin V. Sumner. Jonathan (to Master Crampton).—Now go home to your mother. If I'd packed you off some time ago, I shouldn't have had all this bother. De Quincy somewhere tells an anecdote of a man who, on being threatened with an assault by eighteen tailors, cried out, "Come on, both of you!" The Presbyterian congregation of this borough increased the salary of the pastor, Rev. O. O. McLean, at a meeting held on Wednesday last, \$300. The election of a United States Senator from California has been defeated, the Legislature, which adjourned April 21st, refusing to go into joint ballot. "Both of you, master and minion, seek to hunt me as proper quarry for your sport."—A. Benedict. The game's too small, entirely. A Well Fed People.—There are to be nine hundred and thirty-four hotels, and two hundred and thirty-one eating houses, in the city of Philadelphia, under the new liquor law. An Apology.—Reader, we believe we owe you an apology, for noticing the obscure lackey who attacks us in the two papers of this borough. We must hereafter, show upon what he bases his claims for office. "Before that God whose religion you profess, whose church you pollute, I charge you with breaking the ninth commandment."—Bombastus Benedict. "Thou fool; first pluck the beam out of thine own eye, then shalt thou see clearly to take the mote out of thy brother's eye."—Savior. A Marriage.—Since A. W. Benedict has assumed control of the Locofoco organ of the county, and is a doper of dirty drabs for Lewis, and as he works the douse-pated things of the "American" under his big toe, we see clearly the "drift" of the doctrine. Americans can you quite with the Locofoco party?

The Latest News

Dead—Gen. Wm. Ayres of Harrisburg. A meeting of the citizens of Columbia, S. C., has expressed approval of the outrage perpetrated upon Senator Sumner. The American State Council of Vermont has adopted resolutions in favor of union with the Republicans, and denouncing the Brooks outrage. Mr. Sumner has released and is dangerously ill, brain fever having set in. Visitors are denied admission to him. His physicians have held a consultation. A rumor is telegraphed from Washington that Brooks, of South Carolina, has challenged Senator Wilson, of Massachusetts, and that the latter has accepted the challenge. We have later intelligence from Salt Lake to the effect that the people of Utah had held a Convention, and a committee had reported a Constitution for the "State of Deseret."

Indignation Meetings in regard to the outrage in Washington, are being held all over Massachusetts. Men of all parties participate in them, and the State seems to be thoroughly aroused. In the Cove and on Cedar Point, the city of Sandusky, Ohio, thousands of the common Mud tortoise have lately been washed ashore dead, so that the beach is covered with them, and still they come. In the House bills were introduced providing for the cession of lands to States and territories, and to repeal the act to establish the Court of Claims. A bill was passed granting 1,000,000 of acres of land to Louisiana for railroads. Preston S. Brooks, of South Carolina, sent a challenge to Senator Wilson, yesterday morning, on account of language used by the latter in debate. Wilson replied, that he was no duelist. He would use what language he saw proper, and if assailed would know how to defend himself. The Republicans of California have elected delegates to Philadelphia Convention. The Indian war continues in Oregon and Washington Territories. The details of the recent accident on the Panama Railroad show that 21 were killed and 47 wounded. Four more deaths had occurred. By advices from Washington we learn that the President has at last dismissed the British Minister and sent letters to the British Consuls at Cincinnati, New York and Philadelphia, dismissing them and revoking their exequaturs. The President will send a message to Congress on the subject. An anti-Fillmore American State Convention assembled in Albany, N. Y., on Thursday. The Convention that nominated Fillmore and Donelson was denounced as prostituted to slavery. Strong anti-slavery resolutions were adopted, and delegates elected to the National Convention to meet in New York on the 12th of June. A hall-storm of great severity visited Johnston, N. Y., on Saturday last at two o'clock in the afternoon. The wind prostrated almost every thing in its course. Some of the hail stones were like frozen balls of snow, while others were pieces of pure transparent ice as large as butternuts. In the village about thirty thousand panes of glass were broken. Shingles and bricks were blown off, and the trees were nearly stripped of their foliage. The execution of Peter Mattocks, convicted of the murder of Elizabeth Gilbert, took place within the walls of the county prison of Philadelphia, on Friday morning last. The Daily Times publishes an extended account of the scene at the scaffold, from which we learn that he denied the commission of the crime to the last. From 1500 to 2000 persons were within the wall the time of the execution, and some 5000 on the outside anxiously expecting to be admitted. We have further news from Kansas. The Congressional Committee continued its sessions at Leavenworth, but the members seem to have been busy during the recent riots. Oliver, of Missouri, had been requested by the other members of the Congressional Committee to use his influence to prevent outrages at Lawrence, but had neglected to do so. The mob shot an Indian near Lawrence, in mere wantonness, and the Delaware threatened vengeance for the outrage. The Steamship Africa, from Liverpool, with dates to Saturday, the 17th inst, arrived at New York on Friday the 30th. An English journal in the government interest explains Lord Clarendon's letter respecting the two thousand rifles offered to Costa Rica, by saying that the British Government have quantities of old muskets for sale and will be glad to meet with other customers besides the Costa Ricans. The Central American question was producing no excitement. In the U. S. Senate, yesterday, Mr. Pearce, Chairman of the Committee appointed to investigate the circumstances of the recent assault upon Mr. Sumner, submitted a report to the effect that, although the assault was a violation of the privileges of the Senate, that body had no jurisdiction in the case, and could do nothing more than make a complaint to the House. The resolution attached to the report, providing for submitting this formal complaint was adopted; Mr. Toombs alone voting "no." The President's veto message in regard to the improvement of the mouth of the Mississippi river, was considered up to hour of the adjournment. Some additional news from Kansas has been received by the way of St. Louis. It is stated that after the burning of the Herald of Freedom office, at Lawrence, Sheriff Jones dismissed his posse, and the men immediately commenced plundering the stores. All the houses of free State men were pillaged, and a large amount of property destroyed. Buford, Stringfellow and Atchison were conspicuous on the occasion. Gov. Shannon has called upon the U. S. troops to sustain him, and the Missourians were returning home. A number of unprovoked and wanton outrages upon the free State men are reported, several resulting in murder. The Post Office at Lawrence had been broken open and pillaged.

Terrible Tragedy in Kansas—Later from Lawrence. St. Louis, May 30. A letter to the Republican, from Independence, dated the 23rd, says that eight pro-slavery settlers, of Potawatamie creek, were killed by a party of Free State men. The report says the deed was committed by an organized band, who were determined to wreck their vengeance upon the opponents of their views. The other settlers on the creek had asked Gov. Shannon for aid to protect themselves and their property. All was quiet at Lawrence, Leocompton, and Franklin. U. States troops are stationed at each place. Dr. Root and Mr. Mitchell, of New Haven were murdered by a posse ten miles from Lawrence.

Ohio Republican Convention.

COLUMBUS, May 30. The Republican State Convention met here yesterday. Messrs. Spooner, Paul, Stone, Denison, Spaulding and Eckley, were elected delegates to the Philadelphia Republican Convention. The three first named are Chase men and the others favorable to Fremont. Resolutions were adopted condemning the Summer assault, advocating the immediate admission of Kansas with the Topeka Constitution, and declaring that Congress has the power to prohibit slavery in the Territories. A vote of thanks was passed to Senator Hale for his recent course in the Summer affair, and to L. D. Campbell for his resolutions, offered in the House, relative to the same.

Rhode Island Senator.

Newport, May 30. The anti-Administration members of the Legislature have held a caucus for the purpose of selecting a candidate for U. S. Senator.—An informal ballot was had, when a vote stood:—James F. Simmons, 39; Theo. A. Jencks, 15; casting 19. The caucus refused to go into a formal ballot, and adjourned over till this evening.

Aid for Kansas.

Boston, May 30. In the House of Representatives, to-day, Mr. Hale offered a resolution appropriating \$10,000 to people of Kansas, represented in the Topeka Convention, in maintaining their rights, and appointing agents to disburse the same. Bound to Skin.—A gas company has been formed in each of the towns of Hollidaysburg, Blair county, Pa., and contracts have been made for the erection of gas works, laying of pipe, &c. In Johnstown, the cost will be \$10,000, and the work will be completed by the first of October. In Hollidaysburg the cost is to be \$30,000, and the job to be finished by the first of September next.

Kennedy's Review.—Kennedy & Bro., Pittsburg.

This Counterfeit Detector has been received for June. It is the very best. PHILADELPHIA MARKETS. The Flour market continues unsettled and dull, but there is rather more inquiry for export at the late decline; sales to-day include 1000 bbls. straight brands at \$6.12, 700 barrels better brands at \$6.25, 200 bbls. mixed brands at \$6, and 1000 bbls. Brandyside at \$5. At the close of "Change holders generally were five sellers at \$6.12 per bbl. for standard shipping brands. Transactions for home use to a moderate extent are making within the range of \$6.25 to \$6.50 for fair to good retailing brands, and \$5.15 to \$5.70 per bbl. for extras, as in quality. Grain—Very little demand for wheat, and prices have fallen off 6c. per bushel. Red sold at 150c, and white at 170 to 175c. Rye 72c to 80c. Corn 53c for yellow. Oats, 33c.

Married.

On the 1st inst, by Rev. C. Rightmyer, Dr. John Hudson, of Three Springs, to Miss Hattie, daughter of Dr. Baird, of Cassville, Huntingdon County. On the 22d ult, by Rev. Bergstresser, David Clarkson, Esq., to Miss Kate Walsh, all of Cassville, this county.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

R. BAIRD, M. D. J. HUDSON, M. D. MEDICAL. DRS. BAIRD & HUDSON, CASSVILLE, PA. Having entered into partnership, will be pleased to attend to any business of their profession. REFERENCES: J. B. LUDEN, M. D., Huntingdon. C. BOWER, M. D., Newton Hamilton. J. A. SHADE, M. D., Shade Gap. J. E. WINTRODE, M. D., Marklesburg. June 4, 1856.—td.

[Estate of Robert Speer, dec'd.]

ORPHANS' COURT SALE. By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Huntingdon county, there will be exposed to public sale in Cassville, on Saturday the 28th day of June next, the one undivided half of a tract of Coal Land situate on Broad Top, Huntingdon County, 55 ACRES, more or less, known as the Rhode's Tract. Terms—One-third of the purchase money to be paid on confirmation of sale at the August Court following, and the remainder in two equal annual payments, with interest, secured on the property in the usual manner. D. CLARKSON, Trustee. June 4, 1856.—td.

[Estate of Alexander Westbrock, Dec'd.]

AUDITOR'S NOTICE. THE undersigned Auditor appointed by the Court of Common Pleas of Huntingdon County, to distribute the funds in the hands of Wm. Christy and Thomas McLox, Administrators of Alex. Westbrock, late of Porter tp, dec'd, hereby gives notice that he has appointed Tuesday the 1st day of July next, at the Commissioners' Office in the Borough of Huntingdon, for the purpose of fulfilling the duties of his appointment, when and where all persons having claims against said fund are required to present the same or be barred from coming in upon said fund. A. B. CREWIT, Auditor. June 4, 1856.—td.

PILES! PILES! PILES!

Are you suffering with the PILES, inwardly or outwardly? If so, use Dr. Duprie's Celebrated Remedy. Warranted to cure in all cases. The above is the only remedy that has ever cured effectually. City retailers and testimonials given. If you have the Piles inwardly, ask for a box of Dr. D's Pills—only 50 cents. If you have the Piles outwardly, ask for a box of Dr. D's Ointment—only 50 cents. For sale by JOHN REAR, Huntingdon, Pa. June 4, '56.