

COMMUNICATIONS.

For the Potter Journal.

In a Quandary.

Will you allow me, Mr. Editor, the use of your columns to address such of my fellow citizens as may fairly be concluded, from the present state of political parties, to be in a quandary.

For twelve years past we have uniformly sustained the policy of non-intervention in the Territories; and we have as uniformly seen our efforts to banish the exciting topic from our discussions and issues rendered nugatory, by the conviction of the northern mind that the South was endeavoring to commit a great wrong by extending it to our Territories, and the determination of the South to exceed it, in defiance of the repeated pledges of Democratic Conventions and resolutions of Democratic Congresses.

Another party which had its origin in 1848, based on the doctrine of the Willnot Proviso, has, with uniform consistency, demanded the intervention of Congress for freedom in the Territories. Of the acts and doings growing out of this difference of opinion, I need not speak, they being fresh in the minds of every one.

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Principles, not Men. "Don't trust the powerful, because men are weak and changeable, even the best of them; but principles are certain and everlasting. Be no man's man, but devote thyself to truth and thy fatherland."

These words contain a great truth, and are a golden rule which could have leveled the path for the best reforms in the Union if they had been fairly considered.

with my dog—and above all things I would not work with him. "I would not have a slave to till my ground" nor a negro though a freeman. Conversing with a great many working men and farmers, members of the Republican party, I have not yet found one whose sentiments differed from the foregoing.

E. O. AUSTIN. SYLVANIA, July 20th, 1860.

A Word to Parents and Students.

Mr. Editor:—Failure to commence school with the term is often considered of little moment. "It will do you no harm to stay a few days" said a father to his son, the day of opening school in one of our public institutions.

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that is, broken and defected; because they were blind enough to follow their principles and forget their principles. Manifest has been the affection for this or that great advocate of Republican principles at the Chicago convention—especially for the Senator from New York, who enjoys the sincerest affection from all admirers, and whose nomination would have caused a great enthusiasm in all free States; but it was absolutely necessary to choose a man who could insure the triumph of our great principles in the pending election.

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FOR PRESIDENT. ABRAHAM LINCOLN, OF ILLINOIS. FOR VICE-PRESIDENT. HANNIBAL HAMLIN, OF MAINE. PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS. SENATORIAL, JAMES POLLOCK, THOMAS M. HOWE, REPRESENTATIVE. DIST. 1. Edward G. Knight, 14. Ulysses Mercur. 2. Robert P. King, 15. George Bressler. 3. Henry Buann, 16. A. B. Sharp. 4. Robert M. Foust, 17. Daniel O'Gahr. 5. Nathan Hills, 18. Samuel Calvin. 6. John M. Broomall, 19. Edgar Cowan. 7. James W. Foster, 20. Wm. McCannan. 8. Levi B. Smith, 21. J. M. Kirkpatrick. 9. Francis W. Christ, 22. James Kerr. 10. David Mumma, Jr., 23. Richard P. Roberts. 11. David Taggart, 24. Henry Souther. 12. Thomas R. Hull, 25. John Grier. 13. F. B. Penningman.

FOR GOVERNOR. ANDREW G. CURTIN, OF CENTRE COUNTY. FOR CONGRESS. HON. JAMES T. HALE, OF CENTRE COUNTY.

We give up a large share of our paper this week to communications. While we like to accommodate letters from the people as much as possible, we would ask our friends to be as brief and explicit in their letters as possible—particularly such as are mere complimentary notices, or expressive of mere individual political opinions.

The Clinton Democrat sports the names of Douglas and Johnson, but goes in for the fusion electoral ticket. This is a characteristic position for Dieffly, who never refuses to "be pig and puppy both" whenever he can't help himself.

The County Committee having addressed the Hon. John Hickman, inviting him to speak here on Tuesday of Court week, have received a reply from him in which he says, "I regret that I am compelled to decline it. At present I have no voice upon which I can rely. If it were otherwise I would try to be with you at your meeting. I drew so much upon my strength last winter, that I am now almost an invalid!"

Douglas is stumping Massachusetts in his own behalf. He has just finished stumping Connecticut. He does his stumping on the involuntary principle. He is serenaded, of course has to return thanks, and demagogue-like, he cannot resist the excellent opportunity to explain his position, wherewith he entertains the crowd with from one to two hours of "popular sovereignty" and "the regular nomination." The road from Boston to Chicago is a long one, and he will have a chance to stomp a good deal before he gets around.

Warren county need have no fears for her interests at Harrisburg the coming winter, and the nominee has well earned his position by his unflinching devotion to her interests as an editor. The wonder-creating denizens of the Titusville oil region have at last gone beyond their depth, and are now agape with wonder themselves.

The objection of the Lock Haven Watchman to the informal re-nomination of Judge Hale is fully explained in its next issue, by a card from an "Old Line Whig" recommending L. A. Mackey, of Lock Haven, as a candidate for Congress. We are perfectly willing that Clinton county shall present any name she may desire—she invariably has one—and we are also perfectly willing that a formal conference shall be held to accommodate that presentation—provided that gentleman and his friends will defray the expense thus (we think) unnecessarily and unavailingly incurred; and provided further, that the "Old Line Whig" will first assure us that his nominee is a Republican and not a "fossil fog."

A True Man.—A Degenerate College. GEORGE A. COFFEE, Esq., of Philadelphia, delivered an address before the Alumni of Dickinson College at its last commencement.

THE FOWLER COMMITTEE, in New York, has collected over \$60,000 toward reimbursing the government for Mr. Fowler's deficiency. The Tribune is informed that numbers of the persons to whom Mr. F., in his palmy days, lent large sums of money, without taking any memorandum or written acknowledgment, have generously come forward and paid into the hands of the committee the entire amounts due.

IN WASHINGTON CITY, D. C., application was recently made by the Republican Association for permission to raise a liberty pole in that city. The Mayor consented, as did also the Commissioner of Public Buildings, at first, but after nine days' delay in an examination of the laws, Dr. Blake has discovered that it is unlawful to erect liberty poles in that district; and therefore the permit is withdrawn. Queer country this when a liberty pole can't stand in the capital of the republic!

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As resting upon the consent of the governed, and securing all the inalienable rights of men. The corner-stone of our Republic is rock-based upon these, and the ocean-washed sands of American democracy blaze with the words, forever new, "All men are created equal; they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights; among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. To secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed."

Public opinion built the tower of Babel, wandered from the foot of Sinai to worship Aaron's golden calf, swelled the rebellion of Abalton, ostracized Aristides, poisoned Socrates and crucified Jesus. It hurried away the chivalry of the middle ages to the Crusades, restored the Stuarts to England and the Bourbons to France. It assassinated the pensionary De Witt, guillotined the Girondins, excited the Lord Gordon riots, hung the Saint Augustine's church, defeated the Henry Clay whom it now canonizes, acquitted Daniel E. Sickles, and maintains the vast circulation of The New York Herald.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS ITEMS. On the 8th inst., Cassius M. Clay, at the invitation of the Central Republican Club, addressed some two thousand of the citizens of Louisville from the Court House steps, delivering the first Republican speech that was ever made in the open air in that city.

WESLEY HANN, the fat man of German valley, Morris co., N. J., was buried on the 27th June. He was a middle-aged man, and weighed about 600 pounds. It took 910 feet of lumber to make his coffin. He leaves a wife weighing about 500 lbs., and of very large size.

OFFICIAL returns from the Oregon election give Shiel, the Democratic candidate for Congress, 70 majority over Logan, the Republican candidate. In the Legislature, the Republicans and Anti-Leocompton Democrats have a majority on joint ballot, thus ensuring the defeat of Joe Lane as U. S. Senator.

THE present predicament of the "Democracy" says the Oswego Times, reminds one of the answer once given to a traveler. He had arrived at a point where his road "forked." The reply to his question as to which road he had better take was, "It don't make a bit of difference. Take whichever you please, and before you get half-way through, you'll be sorry you didn't take the other."

PARSON BROWNLOW says that the Rev. Dr. Daily, recently deposed from the Presidency of Bloomington College, Indiana, and at the same time expelled from the Methodist Church for drunkenness and adultery, has been nominated for Congress by the Democrats of the Madison District of Tennessee. Whether it is by the Douglas or the Breckinridge Democrats, Brownlow doesn't say.

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lies, 1 tri-weekly; 8 Republican, (2 lies and 6 weeklies); in Michigan, 2 Democratic and 2 Republican; in Ohio, 10; in New York and Pennsylvania, majority are Republican.—Pittsburg Courier.

Mr. Chase:—During a recent visit to Ulysses I met the Principal of the Academy and learned some things in regard to the past history of the institution and present prospects which I would be glad to communicate. Though scarcely a year since the school opened, yet its success has been truly flattering. It has already sent out a number of teachers, some of whom are now engaged in its vicinity. One of its students is engaged in the ministry, another is at the West Point Military Academy, while others expect to represent it in the first colleges of the country. So far from merely giving instructions in the common branches, I find that during the year it had also included Latin, Greek and German; Algebra, Geometry and Surveying; Book-Keeping, Rhetoric and Physiology. The institution is now prepared to give instruction in every branch taught in our higher Seminaries, Music excepted, and the Trustees desire to make it thorough and practical. Of the 110 different students who have enjoyed its privileges, all but one have taken reading as a study, and more than half have studied Geography, thus showing one great design of the school is to prepare its pupils for teachers. Its terms are arranged to accommodate this purpose. The Fall term opens about the time the Summer schools close and closes before the Winter schools commence. Thus nearly all the teachers of the county can attend at least one term in a year.

The Superintendent of Tioga county will be present throughout the entire institute, and our experienced educators will take part in the exercises. The unexpected success of the past year has led the friends of the institution to furnish many things which though at first desired were thought to be unattainable. They are preparing paper the building above and below; to put on a coat of black-wall where it can be used as a black-board, to procure more apparatus and furniture, and to greatly to the Library of Reference. During the past year it has exceeded all institutions in this respect; having many of the more important reference books. Its friends intend to make the building model in all that pertains to the health, comfort, or happiness of the student. While many institutions endeavor to make the students physically comfortable, too few attempt to cultivate the taste, combining refinement with convenience. The institution thus far has been patronized not only by the youth of its own neighborhood for which it was principally intended, but I learn that students from different counties in New York, as well as in Pennsylvania have already attended the school. Nearly all the students in attendance through the year have been young men and women, many of whom purpose coming the next year as I understand. This was hardly expected though very gratifying. Their parents seem wisely to conclude that the advantages of several terms in succession will be much greater than the aggregate advantage of the separate terms.

Winter term commencing about the first of December and ending the beginning of March affords an opportunity for the who desire to enter the "sugar-bush" early in the Spring. I will here speak of the "Printing Office," in which I spent a few moments while there. A Printing Press in Ulysses was somewhat unexpected to me. It seems to work finely. The Principal thinks he can make it useful to the school by printing outlines of studies, order of exercises, regulations, &c., &c. But most important of all, monthly reports of attendance will answer the purpose of catalogues, as each report will contain the names and attendance of the pupils. This will be a strong incentive to the student to promptness, punctuality and regularity, as each month the patron will receive these reports and draw from them much information with regard to the school and the scholars. Thus the pupil and patron will take a deeper interest in the prosperity of the school. The Principal endeavors to encourage the scholars by having frequent visits from others. Occasionally they are favored with an address. Among those who have thus favored them already, whose remarks are said to be very appropriate and useful, are the Rev. D. Nuttall of Hornellsville, a warm friend of education, and the Rev. Wm. Homer, editor of the Independent. Wednesday afternoon are devoted to exercises in composition and declamation; followed by Geographical and Arithmetical games, lectures, experiments, or some general exercises. Students of course will naturally be much interested in all such exercises. Each sex has also established a Literary Society which is advantageous. Wednesday evening prayer meetings which are well attended by members of the school also calls my attention, as its influence has seemed to prove very beneficial as well as cheering to the patrons who wish to exert a moral and Christian influence. Respectfully yours, B. M. LYMAN.