

States, lying southwest, as well as that lying northwest, of the Ohio River, those States had not the forecast, had not the judgement to surrender the temporary conveniences and advantages of Slavery, and to elect, as your ancestors chose for you, the great system of free labor. They chose Slavery, and they have to drag out for some years yet, not long, not so long as some of you will live, but still so long that they will be a drag and a weight upon your movements, instead of lending assistance—they have got to drag out to the end, their system of slave labor.—You have, therefore, as you see, the whole responsibility. It depends upon you.—You have no reliance upon the Atlantic States of the East, North, or South. You have the opposition of the Southern States on either sides of the Alleghany mountains; but still the power is with you. You are situated where all powers have ever been, that have controlled the destiny of the nation to which they belonged. You are in the land which produces the wheat and the corn, the cereal grains—the land that is covered with the oak, and where they say the slave cannot live. They are in the land that produces cotton and sugar, and the tropical fruits—in the land where they say the white man cannot labor, in the land where the negro slave to provide him with food and raiment. [Laughter.] They do, indeed, command the mouths of the rivers; but what is that worth, except as they derive perpetual re-ignition, from the hardy sons of the North, that reside around the sources of those mighty rivers? [Applause]

I am sure that in this I am speaking only words of truth and experience. The Northwest is by no means so small as you may think it. I speak thus to you because I feel that I am, and during all my mature life have been one of you. Altho' of New York, I am still a citizen of the Northwest. [“Good!”] The Northwest extends eastward to the base of the Alleghany Mountains, and does not all of Western New York lie westward of the Alleghany Mountains? [“Good!”] Whence comes all the inspiration of free soil, which spreads itself with such cheering voices over all these plains?—Why, from New York, westward of the Alleghany Mountains. The people before me—who are you but New York men, while you are men of the Northwest? It is an old proverb that men change the skies, but not their minds, when they emigrate; but you have changed neither skies nor mind. [Applause.] I might call the roll of Western New York, and I doubt not that when I came to Herkimer County I should have a response, I certainly have had responses here from Cayuga and Genesee—[A voice “Eric,”] and from Erie; [a voice, “Auburn,”] and from Auburn; [a voice, “Seneca,”] and from Seneca; [a voice, “Yates,”] and from Yates; [a voice, “Loud Laughter.”] Bless my soul! I have been laboring under a delusion all the time. I thought I was out here, midway between the Mississippi and the lakes, and I find I am standing on the steps in the center park at home. [A voice, “Right at home.”] Another voice, “and old Ontario.” And old Ontario we will not forget old Ontario, nor old Oswego, nor Oneida.

Fellow Citizens, I will add but one word more, this is not the business of this day alone. It is not the business of this year alone. It is not the business of the Northwest alone. It is the interest, the destiny of human society on the continent. You are to make this whole continent, from North to South, from East to West, a land of freedom and a land of happiness. [Applause.]

There is no power on Earth now existing, no Empire now existing, or as yet established, that is to equal or can equal in duration the future of the United States. It is not for yourselves alone, you have the next possible interest in it. It is indeed for these children of yours Old John Adams, when at the close of the Revolutionary War he sat down and counted up the losses and sacrifices that he had endured and made, rejoiced in the establishment of the independence which had been the great object of his life, and said, “I have gained nothing. I should have been even more comfortable perhaps and more quiet, had we remained under the British dominion; but for my children, and for their children, I have labored with me, I feel that we have done a work which entitles us to rejoice, and calls upon us by our success to render thanks to Almighty God.”

COL. PHILIP S. WHITE, one of the speakers at the meeting in Philadelphia, on Friday a week, recited the following characteristic incident:—
“It was objected that if Lincoln was elected no Southern man would take office. A friend of Mr. Lincoln said, ‘I fear you will be greatly troubled with the South.’ ‘Yes,’ replied Mr. Lincoln, ‘I fear I shall.’ ‘Of course,’ said his friend, ‘on account of their opposition to you.’ ‘Why,’ replied Mr. Lincoln, ‘look at this pile of letters before me. I shall have trouble. They are all from the South, and are applications for office in case I should be elected.’ So much for Mr. Lincoln’s trouble with the South.”

SCANTON, Pa., September 21.—A fire damp explosion occurred to-day in Bowley’s mine at the upper end of Pittston. Six men were in the mine, all of whom got out except John Howard, jr., who, it is feared, is suffocated. The scene is one of wild excitement, the pump being broken and the shaft filling with water.

Conferee Meeting.

The Conferees of the People’s Party, for the 15th Congressional District, met at Lock Haven, in the Club Room, on Tuesday, the 11th inst., at 10 o’clock A. M., and organized by choosing Judge Harvey, President, and Col. William Shortridge, Secretary, after which the following delegates presented their credentials and were admitted:

Centre County—John Irwin, Col. J. Irvin Gregg, and Col. William Shortridge.
Clinton County—Judge Harvey, Col. John Calvert, and George Hopson.
Lycoming County—Hon. Lindsay Mahaffey, Geo. W. Youngman, Esq., E. D. Trump, Esq., Mifflin County—Geo. W. South, and Col. John Hamilton.

Hon. James T. Hale was re-nominated for Congress by acclamation. [Applause.] George W. Youngman, Esq., Col. J. Irvin Gregg and Col. John Hamilton, having been appointed a committee on resolutions, reported the following, which were adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the distinguished services of our worthy Representative in Congress, Hon. James T. Hale, entitles him to the gratitude of the people of the State of Pennsylvania. His position on the Tariff question so ably maintained, proves him to be true to his constituents; their interests, their resources and their labor.

Resolved, That the people of this Congressional District have unbounded confidence in the honesty of Judge Hale, and are ready and willing to elect him to the high and honorable position in which he has distinguished himself as a man and Representative.

On motion of John Irwin:—
Resolved, That we recommend, (in order that there may be no misunderstanding as to time and place,) to the Conferee meeting of the People’s Party, for the 15th Congressional District to put in nomination a candidate for Congress in the year 1862, that they meet at Williamsport, on the 2d Tuesday of September, at 3 o’clock, P. M.

Judge Harvey, G. W. Youngman, Esq., and Col. J. I. Gregg were appointed a committee to inform Judge Hale of his nomination.

Adjourned sine die.

The Potter Journal.

COUDERSPORT, PA.,
Thursday Morning, Sept. 27, 1860.
T. S. CHASE, EDITOR AND PUBLISHER.

Republican Ticket—1860.

FOR PRESIDENT,
ABRAHAM LINCOLN,
OF ILLINOIS.
FOR VICE-PRESIDENT,
HANNIBAL HAMLIN,
OF MAINE.
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS,
Senatorial, } JAMES POLLOCK,
} THOMAS M. HOWE,
Representative.

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

COUNTY TICKET.
For Assembly,
LEWIS MANN.
For Prothonotary,
HENRY J. OLMSTED.
For Register and Recorder,
DAN BAKER.
For County Treasurer,
WOOLSEY BURTIS.
For Coroner,
DR. WILLIAM H. TURNER.
For County Commissioner,
MARTIN D. BRIGGS.
For County Auditor,
LUCIEN BIRD.

The partial illness of the editor will excuse any defects in the mechanical execution of the JOURNAL this week, though we see nothing special to complain of.

The County Committee have directed the tickets to be printed with the name of LEWIS MANN, for Assembly. The object being to enable voters in this county to rebuke the unfair action of Tioga County with regard to appointing six conferees. Voters can exercise their own judgment in the matter. As no arrangements have been made with us or the county committee for tickets for the other candidates, we presume they expect to distribute them themselves.

We have received a copy of the McKean Miner, a new Republican paper just started in Smethport in place of the Citizen—and it fills the place of the latter and a good deal more, as a Republican paper. It has real spirit and talks right to the point. Allen & Stebbins are the Proprietors. It is printed on the type and press recently used for the Bradford Miner, which has of course

been suspended. Mr. George Allen is the editor we believe, and is a brother of Prof. F. A. Allen, the founder of the Citizen. The Miner is neatly printed, ably edited, and will do a noble work for Lincoln in all respects.

Senator Mason, of Virginia, visited New Castle, Pa., last week on private business. He was not mobbed, nor tarred and feathered, nor suspected of tampering with the hands in the rolling mills—nor dragged before a justice of the peace and convicted (on assumption) of being a disunionist—nor shipped out of the town and State as a felonious assailer of Northern rights. No, northern property and northern systems need no such means to sustain them—they flourish best when untrammelled by embargo laws—in fact Freedom to do right is what gives them vitality and strength. We wonder if Senator Mason will go home feeling less surprised at the evidences of the prosperity he saw at New Castle, than angry at the want of personal attention to his F. F. V. claims which the citizens of that place no doubt convinced.

Declination of Mr. Nelson.

COUDERSPORT, Sept. 24, 1860.
At a meeting of the County Committee, it was agreed that DAN BAKER, be the candidate for Register and Recorder, in place of Lyman Nelson, withdrawn.

A. C. TAGGART,
Chairman of Co. Com.
Mr. Nelson’s letter of resignation is as follows:

A. C. TAGGART, Esq., Chairman of the Republican Co. Com.
The Republicans at the recent County Convention, by their kind partiality, put me in nomination for the office of Register and Recorder, without my solicitation. Circumstances have since transpired, which induce me to respectfully decline to be a candidate for said office. Hoping success to the ticket, please accept my declination and place some one on the ticket, suitable to discharge the duties of said office. LYMAN NELSON.
Sept. 25, 1860.

Woolsey Burtis.

our candidate for County Treasurer, is in every way a trustworthy man. He has been a resident of this county twenty-four years, and has acted with the Republican party since 1836, inclusive. He holds a high moral position among his neighbors. Harrison will give him 100 majority—Hector, 90 majority—and all the large towns will sustain him with full votes and undivided majorities. The large towns nominated him, and they will elect him by a large majority over any opponent they may trot out. Spencer, do you hear that?

It is Not So.

that Woolsey Burtis threatened that if he was not nominated by the Convention he would be an independent candidate. We have talked with Esquire Chesebro and others who are said to have been present at the time the assertion is charged; and they say he made no such assertion. He refused to make any personal pledges, and referred inquirers as to his position, to the delegation from Harrison, in whose hands he left the whole matter, with the express understanding that he and they were to abide by the decision of the Convention. The reason we made the inquiries in this matter was because a prominent Republican had asserted it to us, and we believed justice to all concerned required a frank and explicit exposition of the facts, whatever they might be. We believe we have now stated them.

H. J. Olmsted.

is the best Prothonotary and Clerk of Courts this county has ever had from any party. He is well acquainted with the duties of the office, and is willing to perform them faithfully. His long experience in the office has made him familiar with all the business transacted in the Courts for a number of years. No newly elected man could go into the office, and acquire a knowledge of its ordinary routine of business in less than one year at least. The People very wisely expressed their desire to retain the efficient services of Mr. Olmsted by re-nominating him in the Convention—and they will, with equal wisdom, emphatically endorse that nomination at the polls a week from next Tuesday. The office is now seeking him—not he the office.

Only One Week.

from next Tuesday is the day for the State Election—and everything depends on that. It is the duty of every freeman to spend that day, or at least a part of it, for the benefit of his country, and himself. No man’s vote can be compelled, but duty to himself and his neighbors, as well as the just pride he feels in the individual sovereignty conferred upon him by the constitution, ought to make him a willing and free voter.

Curtin and Hale.

are both eminently deserving of the support of every Republican in this Congressional district; Curtin for Governor, and Hale, our own true and tried Hale—for Congress. They are true men—true friends of Freedom—their opponents are committed to the cause of Slavery—choose ye between them.

Mass Meeting at Ulysses.

Let every body who can, attend the meeting at Lewisville next Tuesday, Oct. 3d. It is to be addressed by two of the best stump speakers in the State of New York—the Hon. A. S. Diven, of Elmira, and the Hon. H. B. Stanton, of Seneca Falls. Democrats in particular, who are straining their consciences to maintain their party fealty, are requested to be present and hear the truth told by its earnest and eloquent advocates.

Get the Votes Out.

Let every earnest Republican in the county consider himself a committee of one to see that his neighbor goes to the polls. If you have a team and there is a friend of Freedom living near you who is sick or otherwise disabled for getting to the polls, it is your political and moral duty to assist him to get there. Every township Club should meet a few days before election and make arrangements to get every Republican vote to the polls—it is one of the chief objects of clubs to secure votes, and many cannot be secured in any other way. A small contribution by each member of the club will be sufficient to hire a team and driver.—See to this Republicans.

Local Issues.

and county dissentions should not prevent any honest Republican from giving his earnest and hearty support to the State and Congressional nominations—neither should any reasonable man attempt to excuse himself from going to the polls on such a plea. Every vote is needed for Freedom next Tuesday, full as much as it will be the 6th of November—for if Foster is elected Governor, the discordant elements of the so-called democracy in this State will at once unite on the Presidential canvass and carry the election of President into the House as they desire. A full vote by the Republicans in every township will insure the State. Money is their means and object—Principles ours. Which should prevail?

Ulysses—Sharon—Harrison.

The late census shows that Ulysses, which by many was supposed to be the most populous township in the county, is third on the list—Harrison being at the head, and Sharon second. How then do we account for the fact that Ulysses has for many years past, at every General Election, pulled the most votes? and especially of Republican votes. How is it friends—was the census rightly taken? Suppose we leave the question to the determination of the voters at the election on the 9th of October next. Republicans of Sharon and Harrison, will you allow yourselves to be out-done this time? Will you not demonstrate your numerical superiority at the polls on the second Tuesday in October next? We are informed and believe that Ulysses will do her whole duty. Will Sharon and Harrison do less? We look for three hundred and fifty majority for Col. Curtin and Judge Hale in those three townships alone, and our friends can raise that majority if they determine to do so.

Now for Election and Fair.

Court week with the political meeting and the Circus have come and gone—now for the Election and then the Fair. They are both very important to the people of this County and State, but as the election comes first, it is of the first importance. Let that be thoroughly attended to, and if you have any spare time in the meantime devote that to getting ready for the Fair. Republicans of Potter, you are expected to give Curtin and Hale each from 700 to 800 majority—indeed the North Tier are looking for “Little Potter” to not only maintain but excel her past reputation. Will you not do it? A large corruption fund is being used in and around Philadelphia by the Democrats, and as in 1856, they collect this money from the merchants of New York. This will be used to its fullest extent, and amount to some \$400,000. The free votes of the Northern and Western counties must overcome the influence of that money in the cities.

Button-Holes.

are very convenient now-a-days. We notice that a couple of independent candidates, during the past week or so, have been tugging button-holes considerably; but a great many of their tear out, thereby permitting the “much abused” independents to go away with hanging heads.

Martin D. Briggs.

of Bingham is our candidate for County Commissioner. He is an active, enterprising and honest man, and will do well for the interests of the county. It is said that a mean mob makes the best County Commissioner; but a good man, if qualified, can get along just as well, and better. There is always meanness enough in a board of county officers to overcome any deficiency in the way of goodness. Mart. will do justice as far as his power extends as Commissioner, and not be mean about it either. Vote for the whole ticket.

Who is He for?

Yes, who is Fleming for? Is he Breckenridge or Douglas? The Douglas men say every candidate for the Governor down must show his hand, or suffer defeat. Dare Fleming—the unknown and uncommitted democratic candidate for Congress in this district—show his hand? No! They selected him for a candidate because he had no popular reputation; and therefore had no record to test his political conduct by. His opponent, Judge Hale, has a good record at Washington. He has served you faithfully thus far, and will do it, if he lives, another two years from next 4th of March. Let Fleming show his hand if he dare?

The Democratic County Ticket.

The Democratic Caucus met at the Court House on Thursday evening last, and the following ticket was concocted. Prothonotary, Wm. B. Graves (independent); County Treasurer, D. W. Spencer; Register and Recorder, David Hall; County Commissioner, James H. Jones. Mr. Graves resides in Clara, and at this very time holds the office of County Auditor by virtue of a Republican nomination. He was re-elected to that office in 1858, and has yet one year to serve. He is very much out of health with a bronchial affection, and is very poor by reason of his long continued sickness.—This he puts forward in support of his claims for election to the office he desires. His poverty nor his ill-health is a crime; but while we grant that Mr. Graves is in other respects competent for the duties of the office, we regard his physical condition as an insuperable objection. The duties of the Prothonotary are of the most arduous and unavoidable kind, and require the services of a man in full health. We have such a man in the office now—he has been tried by the people and found fully competent for the place; and as an acknowledgement of his competency and deserving the Republican convention re-nominated him by a handsome majority over all competitors—Mr. Graves among the rest, whose friends in particular made a large effort for him. These friends—some of them his most staunch friends, and good Republicans withal—now have the satisfaction of seeing him in opposition to the nominee of that convention—and conniving with democrats to defeat that nominee. He has enlisted in his behalf, to electioneer for him, Mr. Nelson Clark, who made so desperate a precedent for Mr. Graves two years ago, and who, when he found he was defeated, declared he was henceforth a Democrat. “Birds of a feather,” &c., you know, Mr. Graves. [Since the above was in type, we learn that Mr. Graves’ name was not mentioned in the caucus at all; he is therefore an independent candidate.—Editor.]

Mr. Spencer resides in Coudersport, and therefore democrats cannot vote for him consistently. He was a candidate before the Republican county convention, and had some 21 votes on the first ballot, but failed to get the nomination because he could not command any of the delegations from the voting towns. Failing to get the nomination, he got angry over the matter and fell to calling almost everybody hard names; and sought sympathy in the breasts of the hunker leaders, who finally took compassion on him Thursday night, and gave him a place on their ticket, for Treasurer. His vote will perhaps reach the regular pole of the party who have taken him in charge—no Republicans, we believe, are expected to vote for a regular democratic nominee. David Hall also resides in Coudersport; and all we can say of him is that he is Dave Hall. He feels real bad over the withdrawal of Mr. Nelson, for he says he had him licked out, and it was real mean to put a new man up for him to defeat. He says he will make a handle of it, however. Dave is a regular democrat; though we believe he does not know whether to vote for Douglas, Breckenridge, Bell, Houston, Taney, or Gerrit Smith, either or all of whom are, we believe, considered worthy of democratic votes. The democrats hereabouts are about as fond of Dave as the Republicans are.

THE PRINCE OF WALES.

crossed from Canada into the United States on Thursday evening. He was met at Windsor by the Governor of Michigan, the Mayor of Detroit, and other officials, and conveyed across the river to Detroit. The steamboat was gaily decorated, and there was a long line of vessels of all sorts in the river, the riggings of which were hung with variegated lamps, banners, emblems, and mottoes. As the vessel bearing the royal party passed these, it was greeted with showers of fire-works, salutes, and shouts of welcome. At the landing there were 30,000 people to greet the Prince. Indeed, the crowd was so great that it was impossible for the escort, composed of firemen with lighted torches, and the city military, to move. It was finally found necessary to convey the Prince to his hotel in a close carriage, unrecognized, when the procession followed. Yesterday morning at an early hour, the citizens of Detroit were astir and soon filled the streets surrounding the Russell House, where the Prince had passed the night. And when he came out to take a barouche for the purpose of riding about the city, it was found impossible to move, so large and dense was the crowd. After much delay a passage was cleared, and the Prince and suite rode through several of the principal streets, followed by the enthusiastic citizens. They then drove to the depot and took their departure for Chicago amid the firing of a salute and other demonstrations. At Chicago, the same scene was enacted. This reception throws into the shade all the demonstrations in Canada, so far as real enthusiasm is concerned; and, occurring on the borders of the States, must have surprised the Prince. He may well ask, What must I expect in the interior?—N. Y. Tribune, 22d.

Jas. H. Jones, is also a regular, and resides in Bingham. He has been trying to get nominated for office ever since we have been in the county and for some years before; and this is all we know of him. He will run with Spencer.

Foster’s Platform.

As Henry D. Foster refuses to tell whether he is for Douglas or Breckinridge for President, it is necessary, to ascertain his standing, to advert to the position of the Convention which nominated him; and whose views he endorsed. The Reading Convention passed the following:

Resolved, That we regard the DOMESTIC and foreign policy of President Buchanan as entirely PATRIOTIC, PURE, conservative and JUST; and we look upon the SUCCESS which has crowned his labors as the best and proudest vindication of the PROPRIETY and WISDOM of his Administration.

It will be remembered that neither the Douglas nor the Breckinridge Convention would encumber itself with the odium of Buchanan’s Administration. Yet Foster’s Convention did eagerly assume that load, and endorsed all Buchanan’s vile and foolish acts—Let contemptuous not excepted!

Mr. Buchanan, then, is the ONLY man, with whom Foster stands identified before the People. Foster and his friends sustain the whole policy of Buchanan as “eminently wise and just.” Then let it be everywhere proclaimed that Foster is not a Douglas man—IS NOT A Breckinridge man—BUT IS BUCHANAN’S CANDIDATE! As such, he is entitled only to the votes of the friends of Buchanan.

HARRISBURG, Saturday, Sept. 22, 1860.

The Douglas State Executive Committee publish a card, stating that as much has been recently published on the subject of alleged propositions for fusion in Pennsylvania, the public are informed that the question of fusion has at no time been entertained by that Committee.

STUMPING for the Presidency, don’t pay. Van Buren tried it in 1840, and was badly beaten. Gen. Scott next attempted it in ’52, with no better result. Douglas, Breckinridge, Lane & Co., will find it equally unprofitable in 1860. Old Abe is at home taking his ease, and laughing at them all.

MAINE—the smallest Republican majority in any of the six Congress Districts is over 1,000, while the highest (Morris’) is 5,296. The Senate consists of thirty-one members, elected in thirteen Districts, yet the Republicans have every one. To the House, 128 Republicans, and 23 Democrats are chosen—a Republican gain. Waldo County used to be the Democratic stronghold, and the Democratic candidate for Governor lives there in and formerly represented it in Congress; now it gives Washburn about 1,200 majority over him, and chooses all Republicans (11) to the House—two of them gains from last year. Never before was so clean a sweep of the State made by any party.—Tribune.

THIRTY THOUSAND REPUBLICANS IN COUNCIL.—On Wednesday last the grandest political demonstration ever seen in the east, took place at Lancaster. The people poured into Lancaster from every direction, till the crowd exceeded 30,000, and over 6000 were brought by railroad alone. The meeting was organized by the appointment of Hon. Thaddeus Stevens, President, and a great number of Vice Presidents from all the surrounding counties. Mr. Stevens, on taking the chair, made an eloquent speech, after which powerful addresses were made by Col. Curtin, Morton McMichael, Galusha Grow, Carl Schurz, and others. In the evening a torchlight procession on the grandest scale was made, and the whole affair passed off without accident of any kind.

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