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MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIPS.
There will be a grand rally of the National Democracy of Wayne, Coal and Ripley Townships on Saturday the

29th OF SEPTEMBER.

Daniel W. Voorhees and other eminent speakers will be in attendance and address the meeting—The young National Democrats of Crawfordsville will present the "THIRTY-ONE YOUNG LADIES" of Wayne with a

BEAUTIFUL SILK BANNER.

The meeting will be held in Wayne near the residence of John S. Gray, who will have every thing arranged in appropriate order for the occasion. Turn out every man, woman and child.

GRAND BARBECUE!

The National Democracy of Montgomery county will give a grand Barbecue on Saturday

October 6th.

to which the entire Democracy of the eighth congressional District are invited. The arrangements for speakers &c., will be published in a few days. Democratic papers in the District are requested to publish this notice.

REMEMBER!

That Gov. Willard vilified the clergy in all his speeches.

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That Gov. Willard, proclaimed that the Methodist Church would divide the Union if it was entrusted to her care.—*Journal.*

REMEMBER!

That these charges are unmitigated lies.

REMEMBER!

That the Abolition Know Nothing Order nominates **Negroes** for high and important offices.

REMEMBER!

That the Abolition Know Nothing leaders of the county are resorting to the basest means to carry the election.

FALSE RUSE!

So desperately are the Thugs driven to the will, that they hesitate not to stoop to the meanest resorts to accomplish their low purposes. Having used every exertion in their power to get up a respectable meeting at their call of "the people in council" and every effort being likely to fail and fail signally, they have resorted to the lowest and most contemptible trickery their distempered fancy could invent, that they might thus be able to arouse in the hearts of their oath bound dupes the lowest passions to relieve them somewhat of their smarting chagrin and disappointment. And how have they done this! by writing an anonymous letter to the Atica Brass Band instructing them not to come here hoping by such means to bring an accusation against the old line party which might operate in their favor. But this wort work gentlemen, we know too much of your habits to be thus imposed upon and more than this the people are too familiar with you to be trampled down by any such clever foot. Confine your tricks to your conclaves where they belong, they won't work in any attempt to impose upon and mislead the members of the Democratic party, they are freemen, they think for themselves and arrive at their own conclusions. So pick your fift and try again gentlemen.

[For the Review.

UNION TOWNSHIP, Sept. 25th, 1855.
Mr. BOWEN:—I feel it to be my solemn duty to address you a letter on the great absorbing question of Know Nothingism in Montgomery county.

You have had various reports, which you have regarded only as flying reports, touching the organization, the progress, and the present strength and hopes of this party, which plans in secret, and which works in the night time. What I will have to say to you, is no speculation—no uncertain guessing—no mere conjecture. I will state what I, of my own certain knowledge do know to be true, what I have seen with my own eyes, and what I have heard with my own ears. I am impelled to this course by a sense of duty. I will speak the truth, and leave the results to my God and my country. It is true sir, that the writer of this letter has been a Know Nothing, or rather a member of the order formerly denominated "the Order of the Star Spangled Banner," now called the American party. I was regularly initiated in this county—I am familiar with all the oaths that are administered, can recite them with facility, and there is not a Know Nothing in any of the councils hereabouts, that does not know this to be true; I have acted in concert with them almost ever since they have had an existence here, and it shall be my purpose in this letter to tell you something of what I know of the history of this dangerous and threatening order.

Know Nothingism first began its operations in Montgomery county while the Hon. Henry W. Ellsworth was here canvassing for the cause of Temperance. The organization was styled "the Chris. Miller Council,"—W. S. Galey was chosen its presiding officer, and A. K. Wilson the vice presiding officer. These gentlemen officiated permanently, the other offices were filled alternately by the other members, as they were needed. A. P. Watson was the incumbent of the Secretary's chair at the time of my initiation, and Major Calfee was afterwards chosen. Mr. Watson, I understand, has forsaken the order, and God speed the day when thousands will follow in his footsteps. O. W. Corey and Jerry Jewett for the most part have occupied the post of sentinels. O. S. McNeil, at the time of my initiation, filled the place of Notary secret, corresponding with the office of Notary Public in out door matters. Mr. McNeil's duty was to administer the oaths, and he executed his duty well, for the obligations of the order were thrust upon us so

ends being accomplished by such means, my mind began to grow calm in its reflections, and I thought at once if the Christian religion, the religion of my fathers, was to be perpetuated by such vile resorts, and the aid and support of such vile men, then the virtues of that religion itself were questionable. But I could not forsake my faith, it is pure, it is steadfast, founded upon a rock eternal and unchangeable it cannot swerve, it cannot vary. Men may endeavor to prostrate it, this was attempted a good many hundred years ago, but still it is the same, it continues to teach the same noble precepts, and the same flaming sword which guarded Eden's gates, is still outstretched in its defense. Then I could not get my consent to abandon my religion, and as the question then stood in my mind, how they will set up, I know how their revolts and their curses in a black stream like the breath of Satan will be poured out upon my head, but it matters nothing with me, I have duty to perform and I have courage to execute it faithfully. Threats have already been made, but I spurn their threats and spit upon their promises to do me evil. What I have said they dare not controvert, they cannot controvert. In the first place what is their object? Really it is to ride into power, ostensibly, to build up the protestant religion. Now sir, who are the men that seek to do this? Are the majority of them God-fearing men? Men who really love the church of Christ?—Men who have long been known to foster its interests and its influences? Men who have expended their money and their energies in helping on foreign and domestic missionary enterprises? The facts in the case, facts which are known and familiar to every man in this county, stubbornly and truthfully with a full, round, honest voice, answer no, no, no! The leaders of the party, the front and foremost of their ranks, have no thoughts of religion. They spend their Sabbath days in angry street discussions and bar-room quarrels. And what they are unable to do by fair and open means, they essay to accomplish by foul means. They lie publicly and they lie privately. They carry their hate and their discord as far as they can into the social circle. Him that has been unfortunate they would trample upon, and him they dare not confront in open field, they fire at in ambush. There is no language, there are no epithets, that express the deep dye of their infamy. Like the viper, they crawl, and coil and hiss in the grass, the accursed of God, and under the heel of all good, honest, high souled men. They seeking to advance the cause of religion. They seeking to protect the bright and glowing church of our Savior! In social life slandering their neighbors, on the appointed holy day of God pouring out their mad cursings upon the rostrum. At the polls on election days with their madness swelled by their savage war whoops, and with their butcher knives in hand dripping with the blood of those they have stabbed and murdered, they serving the cause of Christ and the holy religion! I regret to say it, but I believe what I say, they would level Calvary for a place on which to celebrate their feasts, and how to shavings the blood-stained cross itself with which to kindle the fires of their hate, their malice and their furious, godless determination to overrun and trample down anything and everything that resists their progress. Now sir, I think I have done my duty. If what I have done is wrong it is an error in my judgment and I will be accountable to my God. I hold the Know Nothing party to be dangerous to social peace, dangerous to the welfare of the church of Christ, and subversive of the Constitution of the United States, and entertaining sentiments like these, I could only regard myself as untrue to my own character and untrue to my country if I did not boldly and publicly declare it. Then what I have written I have written, and I sincerely hope that every candid man in Montgomery county, will carefully and seriously ponder upon the interesting facts which I have thus presented.

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ANOTHER DIRTY THUG TRICK.
The Know Nothings, in and about Darlington, being unable to seduce Mr. Hoover, the late Post Master into their den, concluded to petition the Postmaster General for his removal, and have a man of their own order, put in his place. Accordingly a secret petition was gotten up, and sent on, but the P. M. General, wrote to some friends here on the subject, and as Mr. Hoover did not suit the Thugs, they recommended a Democrat, who received the appointment and has taken charge of the office.

Then, sir, can you be surprised that I have left such a debasing and corrupt organization? But I ask, I want no assurances from any man or set of men that I am right. My judgment and my conscience are the lights which lead me to do the act which I am now performing. I only wish my voice was as a trumpet in the mountain tops, that everywhere, North and South, my words could be heard as I say, now and forever, farewell to Know Nothingism!—And I have not only thought it right to renounce this party, but I have also deemed it to be my duty, a duty which I owe to my country and the cause of religion, to expose the operations of a set of men, many of whom I know are the most ungodly of the godless, who desire and aim, under the

cover and disguise of the most shocking hypocrisy, to advance their selfish purposes by deceiving, as they deceived me, the unsuspecting and the well meaning. Without regard for truth, without regard for themselves, setting at naught every moral principle which makes man respectable and trustworthy, they cheated me, they lied to me, and by means and pretences that are disgraceful to the most deeply sunken of the abandoned, they took me into their conclave and there they imposed obligations upon me, which I regard to be the very essence of treason and which if I kept would be enough to blacken my character with disgrace forever. But here the thing shall end so far as I am concerned, my mind is made up, my will is bent; I know what a howl they will set up, I know how their revolts and their curses in a black stream like the breath of Satan will be poured out upon my head, but it matters nothing with me, I have duty to perform and I have courage to execute it faithfully. Threats have already been made, but I spurn their threats and spit upon their promises to do me evil. What I have said they dare not controvert, they cannot controvert. In the first place what is their object? Really it is to ride into power, ostensibly, to build up the protestant religion. Now sir, who are the men that seek to do this? Are the majority of them God-fearing men? Men who really love the church of Christ?—Men who have long been known to foster its interests and its influences? Men who have expended their money and their energies in helping on foreign and domestic missionary enterprises? The facts in the case, facts which are known and familiar to every man in this county, stubbornly and truthfully with a full, round, honest voice, answer no, no, no! The leaders of the party, the front and foremost of their ranks, have no thoughts of religion. They spend their Sabbath days in angry street discussions and bar-room quarrels. And what they are unable to do by fair and open means, they essay to accomplish by foul means. They lie publicly and they lie privately. They carry their hate and their discord as far as they can into the social circle. Him that has been unfortunate they would trample upon, and him they dare not confront in open field, they fire at in ambush. There is no language, there are no epithets, that express the deep dye of their infamy. Like the viper, they crawl, and coil and hiss in the grass, the accursed of God, and under the heel of all good, honest, high souled men. They seeking to advance the cause of religion. They seeking to protect the bright and glowing church of our Savior! In social life slandering their neighbors, on the appointed holy day of God pouring out their mad cursings upon the rostrum. At the polls on election days with their madness swelled by their savage war whoops, and with their butcher knives in hand dripping with the blood of those they have stabbed and murdered, they serving the cause of Christ and the holy religion! I regret to say it, but I believe what I say, they would level Calvary for a place on which to celebrate their feasts, and how to shavings the blood-stained cross itself with which to kindle the fires of their hate, their malice and their furious, godless determination to overrun and trample down anything and everything that resists their progress. Now sir, I think I have done my duty. If what I have done is wrong it is an error in my judgment and I will be accountable to my God. I hold the Know Nothing party to be dangerous to social peace, dangerous to the welfare of the church of Christ, and subversive of the Constitution of the United States, and entertaining sentiments like these, I could only regard myself as untrue to my own character and untrue to my country if I did not boldly and publicly declare it. Then what I have written I have written, and I sincerely hope that every candid man in Montgomery county, will carefully and seriously ponder upon the interesting facts which I have thus presented.

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The Democracy were satisfied with Mr. Hoover, although he is an old line whig, but the Thugs were defeated in their attempt to get possession of the P. O. at Darlington. But the *dirtyest* part of the whole business is that the K. N.'s tried to charge their dirty work on the Democrats, who were entirely innocent of the whole matter.

"Wilson excited—'Who did she come boys? She deafened me ten miles off, beats the Democratic gun to death.' Corey surprised. 'Take your breath Jim old Hickory.'

THE LIQUOR LAW—JUDGE BRYANT'S DECISION.

Judge Bryant, delivering his opinion in the case of the State vs. Snyder and Sidel, further remarks that he thought Sec. 15 of the act in conflict with Sec. 13, Art. 1, of the constitution. The constitution provides that, in criminal prosecutions, the accused shall have certain rights, viz: the right to a public trial, by an impartial jury; to be heard by himself and counsel; to demand the nature and cause of his accusation, and to have a copy thereof; and to meet the witnesses face to face. There is no doubt, he said, but that the proceeding under Sec. 15 of the act is at least in the nature of a criminal prosecution, and if so, it is within the meaning of the constitution. It must be obvious that, if the law allows the visitation of a penalty upon a defendant, without giving him an opportunity to avail himself, upon the trial, of any or all the above mentioned rights, it must be pronounced unconstitutional.

The offence under Sec. 15 of the act is the *owning and keeping liquor, with an intent to sell it in violation of law*; the penalty for the offence is the *confiscation and destruction of the liquor so owned or kept*. In view of the exercise of the above rights on trial, it is important to inquire into the defendant's notice of the charge, seizure, and time and place of trial. This is prescribed in Sec. 15. The summons, which is defendant's notice, shall be served by reading, or by LEAVING A COPY at defendant's place of residence, IF HE RESIDE IN THE COUNTY, and by POSTING A COPY on the premises where the seizure took place; BUT IF DEFENDANT'S NAME BE UNKNOWN, the justice shall issue a NOTICE ONLY OF THE SEIZURE TO ALL CONCERNED, a copy of which shall be posted up on the premises where the seizure happened, not less than three nor more than twenty days before the trial.

It must be apparent, said Judge Bryant, that there may arise two cases in which defendant may be visited with the penalty, while totally ignorant of the accusation. The first where, though residing in the county, he is absent from home; in this case, the leaving a copy at his residence, and posting another in the place of seizure, is a sufficient service of summons under the law. It matters not that defendant has not seen the copy thus left; the justice may nevertheless proceed to confiscate his property. Under such circumstances, how is it possible for defendant to avail himself of his rights on trial? He has had no opportunity for a public trial, by an impartial jury, or to be heard by himself or counsel, or to have a copy of the accusation or to meet his witnesses face to face. The notice under the law, in such cases, is purely CONSTRUCTIVE, while the constitution clearly intends ACTUAL NOTICE. But this failure of opportunity for defendant to exercise his rights is still more apparent in the second class of cases, viz: WHERE THE PERSON OWNING OR KEEPING THE LIQUOR SEIZED IS UNKNOWN TO JUSTICE. In such cases it is all the same if he lives in New York, or Florida; if his liquor is seized here, all the notice the law requires to be given him is the posting a copy on the premises where the seizure occurred. It is no answer to this to say that, as the owner is unknown, therefore he is not a defendant; the liquor in all cases will have an owner; and as the intent goes against him, it is an accusation certainly to be followed with the infliction of the penalty. The OWNERSHIP and the INTENT pertain to the PERSON not the PROPERTY in the prosecution. The proceeding is AGAINST the owner for the destruction of his property, so that known or unknown the owner is the defendant. Neither is it an answer to say that such cases are not likely to occur; it is sufficient that they MAY occur.—The object of the constitution is to SECURE, not ENDANGER men in the enjoyment of their rights whether of property or trial. Judge Bryant thought this objection to the law was clearly maintainable.

The Judge also remarked that the spirit of the act, as developed in the penalties set out in Sections 13 and 15 was in conflict with Sec. 13, Art. 1, of the constitution, which prescribes that "the PENAL CODE shall be founded on the principles of reformation, and not of vindictive justice." Those penalties do not stop at the destruction of the property, but they extend to the person of the defendant. For offending against Sec. 13, a man may be fined one hundred dollars, for every offense after the first conviction he shall be imprisoned UNTIL THE FINE AND COSTS ARE REPLEVIED. The Judge thought it only necessary to ask a humane man, what proportion existed here between the offense and the penalty? Say a poor, moneyless, friendless fellow was convicted for five violations against the Section; the total of the fines would probably be four hundred dollars; at all events, he would be compelled to lie four MONTHS in prison, as part of his punishment; and after they had expired, it might be years before some merciful soul would visit him in his confinement to restore him to liberty by the PAYMENT OF HIS FINES. This was justice of the most vindictive character, considering that

JUDGE BRYANT'S DECISION.
The Lafayette *Courier* renews its fire against Judge Bryant, and persists in saying, that the decision was rendered to give aid and comfort to the old line party. Ellis says that he does not object to the unjustice of the decision, but to the fact that a Circuit Judge should take the unauthorized liberty of deciding upon the constitutionality of a law. We feel sympathy for a community that has in its midst an ass for an editor. How could Judge Bryant, upon the motion to dismiss the case upon the unconstitutionality of the law, avoid deciding? It is his duty, and he would be guilty of grave misconduct if he refused. Ask any intelligent lawyer about the matter, and show him the senseless article in the *Courier* and he will laugh at its absurdity. The opinion is reported by Mr. Wallace, not Mr. McDonald.

The city of Portland, Maine, of which Neal Dow is Mayor, and which was the scene of the disgraceful liquor riot, gave Wells, the Democratic candidate for Governor, 156 majority over Morrill. Dow was elected Mayor by a large majority. His condemnation is complete.