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For President in 1856,
JESSE D. BRIGHT,
Subject to the decision of the Democratic
National Convention.

READ THE LAW.

I WISH to call the attention of the Borrowers of the School Funds of Montgomery County to the following Section of the Law, regulating the loaning of said funds, to wit:

Section 72. "On failure to pay any installment of interest when the same becomes due, the principal sum shall forthwith become due and payable and the note and Mortgage may be proceeded on and collected." The law must be complied with. All borrowers of said funds who are in arrears will consult their own interest due from thence and by so doing relieve us from the disagreeable necessity of enforcing the law.

JAMES GILKEY, A. M. C.

Auditor's Office, Dec. 19, 1855. No. 24-4W

SPECIAL

NOTICE!

All persons who know themselves indebted to the "REVIEW OFFICE" for job-work, advertising and subscription, will make payment between this and the first day of January, 1856. We have made large additions to our office and intend to enlarge the paper, and must have the money. **LET NO MAN FAIL TO PAY UP WITHIN THE TIME SPECIFIED.**

Wm. Gray, Esq., was re-elected Justice of the Peace on last Saturday by a majority of fifty-four, notwithstanding the desperate attempts made by the members of the secret Order to defeat him. It is now proved to a demonstration, that no man who is known to be a member of the K. N. Order need ever hope of aspiring to any office, no matter how humble it may be. The hatred of the honest masses has become so intensified against the dark inquisitorial machinations of its blind devotees and followers, that they are doomed to sure and certain defeat whenever they present themselves before the public as candidates for office. Never, since the days of the Revolution, when hydra-headed Toryism stalked through the land, has a more odious organization ever existed. The same fierce hatred and deadly animosity that burned in the breasts of the American people towards the siders and abettors of British tyranny, is rekindled afresh against the midnight traitors who seek the destruction of the constitution and the overthrow of civil and religious liberty. Surely the day of retribution is upon them.

THE CRANE HOUSE.

Messrs. FAGAN & FISHER, the gentlemanly proprietors of this excellent hotel, gave a splendid Christmas dinner on last Tuesday. The table was not only bountifully supplied with the substantials of life, but relishes innumerable and a desert which would transport Epicurus to his Elysium.

BRING BACK THAT SIGN.

The thieving scoundrel that stole a sign from our office a few nights since will return it immediately. We have the name of the thief, and unless the property is forthwith restored we shall try the virtue of law.

A disastrous fire occurred at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on the 18th. Loss \$20,000.

A fire occurred in Buffalo on Thursday night in the dry goods store of G. A. Vaughn & Co. Loss \$15,000.

The receipts of the American Board of Foreign Missions have been \$8,000 less this year than last, so far.

The name of Van Diemens Land has been changed to "Tasmania."

THE LIQUOR LAW.

In our last paper we notified our readers that the Judges had at last given opinions upon the Liquor Law. We say *opinions* when we would be much more gratified to see the word in the singular. Before saying anything about those opinions or criticizing the action of the Judges, we will once more make a clear statement of the position of the Democratic party upon the question of temperance. That position is to be found in the resolution of a memorable State's convention, which announced that the Democracy admitted intemperance to be a great moral and social evil, for the suppression of which they were in favor of a stringent law, at the same time they were opposed to any law upon the subject containing the principles of search, seizure, confiscation and destruction.—What was thus solemnly resolved, is still, and will ever be, as solemnly maintained. Upon this friend and foe may rely.

The Legislature which followed the passage of the resolution referred to, enacted the law which has been in question. It was a Fusion measure in conception and enactment, and as such will always remain an index of Fusion principles, and a mirror of the bigoted, reckless, and despotic legislation characteristic of their ascendancy.

The law embraces the very features so decidedly opposed by the Democracy.—We will distinctly enumerate them.

Prohibition of manufacture.

Sales by a *salaried county agent.*

A *county grocery stocked by county funds.* Punishment upon a *presumed intention* to violate the law.

Punishment for such *presumed intention* by search of a citizen's premises (dwelling house included), seizure of his property (recognized as such by the law), confiscation and destruction thereof, without assessment or hope of damages, without any proof of guilt,—nay, with an absolute refusal of proof of innocence.

Very justly the law became odious.—For several reasons its execution was impossible; it was too oppressive, and cost too much; county treasuries were threatened with draining, not only to pay costs of prosecution, but even for the dispensation of the benefits it conferred upon citizens; its vindictive clauses were too outrageous to begin with, and then too outrageously abused by perjured bigots and tools of irresponsible leagues. Public opinion ran so high against the abomination that its friends shrank in dismay from its support. The last election literally demolished its last remnant of popularity.—Thus it stands with the people who are the Democracy.

Now let us look to the Judges. Politically they stand, Perkins, Stuart, and Davison, three Democrats; Gookins, one Prohibition-Know-nothing-Fusionist. In point of opinion they stand, Perkins and Davison denying the constitutionality of the whole law; Stuart goes the same length excepting that he allows the validity of that part which restricts the sale for certain special purposes; while Gookins goes the entire figure, and pronounces the act unconstitutional throughout.

Perkins and Davison on one side, and Gookins on the other, are perfectly apoplectic. But Gookins is absolutely without support. A glance at his antecedents will do no harm. Before promotion to the bench he was a rabid politician, especially a rabid Prohibitionist. To such an extent did the latter sentiment carry him that he wrote a book called Tippettoria, a book of puerilities, both justly forgotten and disgracefully witty. Could such a man be expected to decide impartially upon such a law? Of what weight is his opinion?—We soberly think, if the law had established the death penalty for offenders against its provisions, he would still have pronounced it constitutional. The state has abundant reason to thank God that there were not four Gookins' on the bench.

The political effects of this decision in part we think clearly obvious. It goes far to clip that wing of Fusionism familiarly called Prohibition. If there was really a distinct Prohibition party, it is either annihilated, or must radically change its warfare. A prohibitory law is now impossible under the constitution. But judging them by their old fanaticism, it is not to be supposed that they will abandon the crusade. They must have a Maine law, come what will, cost what it may. Hence they will insist upon a modification of the constitution, even upon the incorporation into it of an entire prohibitory law. Failing that, there is left then but one other course; they can move to elect four Judges of the subservient school of Gookins, obligated to sustain the law, re-enacted for the purpose by a legislature of Gookins! Which of these modes will they adopt? Reuben Taylor will probably decide, and then we will show up the folly of the thing more at large. At this time we are at liberty to say, that choose as they will, upon them has been all the responsibility and upon them it will all remain. They are answer-

able to the people for the hideous failure of the past, as they will be for any future agitation and any future Prohibition. "The mill of God grinds slowly, but it grinds to powder," is a Persian maxim. Next to the mill of God is the mill of the people.

The Democracy has now a fair field. They will not pass a prohibitory law, but will pass one, consistent with the constitution, and aimed to strike down every doggerel in the land. They will pass, if we mistake not, a "stringent law," wisely framed to correct, as far as lies in legal session, the evil of intemperance. In doing this, however, the rights of the individual members of the body politic will be religiously regarded. Evils that cannot be cured without engendering greater ones must be let alone; that is a Democratic motto.

For this blow at the Prohibitory party

Montgomery County has reason above all others to be thankful. To her the agitation of Prohibition has been a positive curse.—

Now we will have no more Ballyhynch trials; no more seizure of property, and consequent payment of costs by the County; no more suppression of corn markets; lastly, but not least, no more one-tuned political fiddlers, like big-baby Earl, for Representatives. If, along with these blessings, the County is cursed by grogeries, their opening will in every instance be disconcerted by the Democracy, and secretly encouraged by the Fusionists for their peculiar aims and ends, as was the case with Harley.

John J. Jones, recently convicted of murder at Burlington, Iowa, has been discharged by the Supreme Court, on account of some informality.

THACKERAY ON GEORGE III.—In his lecture on the life and times of George III, delivered in New York, Thackeray used the following beautiful language, touching the closing days of the old King, when sans brain, sans sight, sans sound, sans everything, he ceased to reign:

"O brothers, speaking the same dear mother tongue! O comrades, enemies no more, let us take a mournful hand together, as we stand by this royal corps, and call a truce to battle. Low lie he, cast lower than the poorest dead, he whom millions prayed for in vain. Driven from his throne, buffeted by a rude hand, the darling of his old age called away before him, his Lear hangs over his breathless lips and cries: 'Cordelia, Cordelia, stay a little.' Sound then trumpets, make a mournful march, descend dark curtain on his pageant, his pride, his grief, his awful tragedy."

—We copy this pretty little gem from

the Louisville Journal, in which it appears as original:

MOTHERHOOD.

BY ALICE CAREY.

Bring me willows for my hair,
Wild and dewy from the wood—
God has answered me my prayer—
O my baby, be it good!

Bring me willows bright and wild—
Bind them all about my head;
I am mother of a child—
Joy is born and fear is fled.

This is as if the resold hours,
Riddling all my morning so,
Were blown out to perfect flowers—
Perfect, yet of paler glow.

REUBEN TINK was re-elected Justice of the Peace in Ripley township on last Saturday.

SOLEN TURMAN—This gentleman is a candidate for Lieut. Governor. He occupied a seat in the State Senate in the winter of 1852 and exhibited unmistakable signs of superior legislative abilities. A side from being a sterling and unflinching democrat, he is a brother type, which fact alone commends him more strongly to his brother editors, whom we notice have in every instance favored his claims for the nomination. We have given to Mr. Blair's elaborate letter a careful perusal, and we find in it nothing beyond a rehash of the abolitionism which has distinguished the speeches of the Summers, Hales, Gildings and Seward, ever since the introduction of the Nebraska bill into the Senate. The only force in the letter arises from the fact that its author was the confidential friend of Andrew Jackson—take from it that single virtue and it falls immeasurably below the speeches of Summer, Chase, or Seward. Like all other abolitionists, Mr. Blair seeks to cover his treason to the Union with the mantle of Thomas Jefferson, and like them, too, he does not hesitate to garble and falsify the constitution itself, to give plausibility to his conclusions. No less than four times in his letter he quotes the following words as a part of the constitution: "To make regulations respecting the Territories." The constitution contains no language bearing the interpretation which Mr. Blair gives to those words which he quotes as the words of the constitution. The language of the constitution is this: "The Congress shall have power to dispose of, and to make all needful regulations respecting the territory or other property belonging to the United States." Mark the difference, and see how unscrupulously abolitionists set at naught the very words of the constitution to advance its disunion purposes! Mr. Blair's whole argument hinges upon a false construction of that instrument, and to sustain his false construction he does not hesitate, four times in his letter, to misquote and falsify the language of the constitution. As the whole superstructure rests upon this misquotation and misconstruction of the constitution, it necessarily tumbles down when the foundation is removed.

A MONSTER MORTAR.—Mr. Robert Mallet, of Dublin, Ireland, has succeeded in making a monster mortar, the cylinder of which is formed by a series of flat rings, fitting on one another by flanges and clamped together by strong external bolts. The shell for this mortar is thirty-six inches in diameter, and is charged with half a ton of powder, and the range is expected to be half as far again as that of the thirteen inch shell, heretofore the largest in use.

DEATHS OF THE RAILROAD.—According to a table published in some of the papers, the railroad disasters in the United States and Canada since May 6th, 1853, have resulted in two hundred persons being killed, and two hundred and ninety-five wounded. This is a fearful aggregate, and yet it is believed that it does not include all the accidents of the kind referred to within the period specified.

[From the Washington Union.]
FRANCIS P. BLAIR TURNED BLACK REPUBLICAN.

We have been reluctant to credit the rumor that for several days has represented Francis P. Blair, esq., as a convert to black republicanism. His partiality for Martin Van Buren was known to the country, and hence the possibility that he had so far disengaged his antecedents induced us to be silent as to the rumor referred to until the humiliating fact is made apparent by the publication of his letter to the Republican Association in this city. There was a time when we looked to Mr. Blair as a political teacher in whom we confided, but even then he owed all of his authority as a teacher to the fact that he was himself but the mouthpiece of the great Jackson. When that immortal old democratic hero ceased to give law and principle to Mr. Blair, he ceased to speak the authoritative language of a teacher of democracy. He proved himself unfaithful to democracy when he followed Martin Van Buren into the ranks of free-soilism, and now he has reached the bottom of political infidelity and treachery when he proclaims himself the advocate of the black republicanism of William H. Seward. As a democratic organ, looking alone to the continued triumphs of national democracy, we should be unworthy of our responsible position if we could hesitate for a moment in denouncing the present position of Francis P. Blair as the blackest treason to a party on which he reposed for years with all the upholding power of its great champion, Andrew Jackson, and from which he drew the means of that *otium cum dignitate* which he now enjoys as a rich, retired country gentleman.

Mr. Blair's letter is addressed to "the Corresponding Committee of the Republican Association of Washington City, D. C." and in answer to an invitation to become its presiding officer. He declines the post tendered to him for the present, but how fully he accords in sentiment with the disunion sentiments and objects of the black republicans may be readily inferred from the fact that when his letter was read before the association on the 8th instant the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved: That the thanks of this association be presented to Francis P. Blair, esq., for his able and highly satisfactory letter, showing that the present administration has departed entirely from the Jeffersonian principles relative to the government of the Territories of the United States, and has become but little better than a working model of John C. Calhoun's nullification and disunion doctrines.

Resolved: That a copy of the letter and resolutions be offered to the city papers for publication, and be issued in pamphlet form for general circulation, to strengthen the hands of republicans, to unite all discordant opinions, and induce good men of all parties to use their influence to bring this government back to its original principles of freedom, and to stand upon the issues thereon presented in the next presidential election.

Such is the present political position of the man who enjoyed the confidence of Andrew Jackson, who almost gave law to the democracy whilst the noble old Roman presided over the government, and whom comes forward to stab the party to which he is indebted for all that he is or has.—Well may black republicanism exult in such an accession to its treasonable ranks! And yet the name of Andrew Jackson will be invoked in vain to sanctify such treason as this—his spirit lives after him, and still animates the hearts of the democracy—and with one voice they will rescue the fame of the Old Hero from the attempt to connect his name with that of Francis P. Blair in support of the attempt of Mr. Seward to destroy the confederacy, by arraying the North against the South. Old Hickory himself, were he now living, would scorn the treason which is involved in this warfare upon the Union; and a thousand such traitors as Francis P. Blair may desert to the black standard of disunion, but the ever living democracy will stand by the constitution and perpetuate the Union.

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It will also be recollected that soon after the conclusion of his last tour, the Hudson Bay Company sent out another party to elicit still more facts on this point, and that in pursuance of this design a messenger was sent from their head quarters in Montreal (which messenger passed through this place about fourteen months since) to Governor Simpson at the Selkirk settlement, to make the necessary arrangements for that purpose. Mr. J. D. Stuart was the person selected for this duty. Mr. S. was well calculated for this hazardous undertaking, having lived in the Arctic regions for the last ten or twelve years at one of the most

extreme of the Company's posts, and able to endure any amount of fatigue consequent upon exposure and absence of food.

Mr. Stuart started with four voyageurs and arrived at Slave Lake during the early part of the season, and proceeded up one of the streams that flow into that body of water from a north east direction, till he came to latitude 68 deg., he was completely successful in his efforts. He here learned more fully and particularly of the fate of the lamented explorer than any account yet published gives. The fact that a party of whites some forty in number, came to that region in ships, but which were destroyed, and that they endeavored to proceed on their way in the ship's boats, and that the boats were afterwards destroyed on the rapids of a strait which they were endeavoring to navigate. Mr. Stuart will undertake to demonstrate to any person's satisfaction. It was Mr. S's opinion that the party were making an effort to reach one of the posts of the Hudson Bay Company at the time of the destruction of their boats. Their remains were found in the sand along the coast for several miles, and the drifting sands of each succeeding season were burying them deeper. It had been five years since they had perished, and it was impossible to distinguish the persons of any of the crew.

We need quote no more to show that Mr. Blair has only plagiarized the sentiments of the leading abolitionists, and sought to give them force by his endorsement. We thank him for throwing off all disguise and rallying to the black republican standard. He is deceived if he supposes that Francis P. Blair of 1848, who stood upon the Buffalo platform and aided to defeat the chosen champion of the democracy, General Cass, in the presidential election of that year, and the Francis P. Blair of 1855, who enlists under the banner of William H. Seward in his warfare upon the Union, will be mistaken for the

Old Hickory and did his bidding in the democratic columns to battle and to victory. Jackson had many friends who lived and prospered by the light of his countenance, but who have ceased to enjoy public confidence—Mr. Blair will henceforward find himself in that number. Democracy knows as well how to rebuke traitors as to reward patriots—and Mr. Blair will furnish another illustration of this noble truth.

[From the St. Paul Times of Dec. 12.]
FURTHER PARTICULARS OF THE FATE OF SIR JOHN FRANKLIN.