

# THE DEMOCRAT.

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## DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For President,  
**GEN. W. S. HANCOCK**  
of Pennsylvania.

For Vice President,  
**BEN. W. H. ENGLISH**  
of Indiana.

GARFIELD favors the Empire.

GARFIELD favors Chinese immigration.

The Republic is trembling in the balance.

If you want an Empire vote for GARFIELD.

GARFIELD is opposed to the protection of American labor.

A band of crusaders called on GARFIELD last Wednesday.

GARFIELD sold his honor and betrayed his country for money.

A vote for GARFIELD is a vote endorsing the rape of the presidency.

A vote for GARFIELD is a vote endorsing the Credit Mobilier swindle.

To our journalistic friends who have published and sent their congratulations because of the Democracy's splendid victory in this county we herewith return our thanks. Even Bro. Weamer, of the Auburn *Republican*, congratulates us, for which we are more than pleased to return thanks.

Mr. R. S. PETERSON, and all other Republicans of Decatur and Adams County who are educated and intelligent men, are thoroughly disgusted with the way TROUT has managed the Republican organ. They are not a bit backward about saying that the *Journal's* editorial effusions are disgusting, imbecile and insane. Mr. TROUT has never penned an article for his sheet that did his party any good. On the contrary, they invariably did the party harm. No matter on what subject he writes he shows lack of information, as his productions are nothing but incongruities and meaningless generalities. And yet, as his late partner said, he will spoil an entire sheet of paper in writing a six-line paragraph. But, notwithstanding all that, Mr. TROUT is unable to write intelligently on the most comprehensive questions before the people. And he always will be unable so to do, as he is too narrow between the eyes to advance beyond a certain point. He assumes, in his capacity of a journalist, to instruct and inform the public, but, as a very worthy member of Mr. TROUT's political party said to us the other day, he (TROUT) is incompetent for a position of that kind. Mr. TROUT's qualifications for receiving are pre-eminently great, but his qualifications for giving are sadly at fault. He appears to have no idea, no conception, of what is reasonably required of him as the editor of a party organ. His mind seems to be dull and inactive. He will labor for hours with pencil and paper, the result of which will be the production of only a harmless squib, such as "HANCOCK is a vulgar word;" or "WILLIAMS, of THE DEMOCRAT, has no brains;" or that "WILLIAMS wears eye-glasses," or some other fool thing that an ordinary newspaper man could write ten thousand of in that many minutes. These are facts, facts that are patent to every reader of the *Journal*, and as Mr. TROUT, through his own imbecility, established those facts, THE DEMOCRAT will not waste any more space in attempting to convince a male that he is not handsome.

For several weeks Mr. S. G. HASTINGS, principle teacher of the Decatur public schools, has, THE DEMOCRAT is credibly informed, been endeavoring to instill in the young minds of his pupils that his particular ideas of politics are correct ones, and that if they would start right in the world they must think as he does and vote as he does. Mr. HASTINGS tells his pupils that Gen. HANCOCK is a corrupt and bad man, and that Gen. GARFIELD is a good, true, pure, Christian man, every way worthy the votes of the American people. In this manner Mr. HASTINGS conducts himself as teacher of our public schools. Now, THE DEMOCRAT assumes that the strongest Republican partisan in Decatur decidedly prefers that Mr. HASTINGS attend strictly to the duties of teacher, for which both Democrats and Republicans pay him. Furthermore, Mr. HASTINGS has no more right or authority to discuss politics in the Decatur public schools than the most obscure citizen of Adams county has to enter the school room and dictate to Mr. HANCOCK as to what class he shall call him to receive instruction. And again, Mr. HASTINGS is the last man on earth that should for a moment presume to instruct his pupils, or anyone else for that matter, in politics. Because, in that as well as everything else he is notoriously known as the most unreasonable fanatic in our midst. And as an example of his unreasonableness we need only to call his attention to the fact that during

the last institute he told the young people there assemble that every slaveholder was a Democrat. THE DEMOCRAT will not insult Mr. HASTINGS' intelligence by saying that he believed what he asserted to be true; it will only say that he knowingly lied. This paper is prone to believe that Mr. HASTINGS is too well informed to believe any such stuff as that. A large element of the slaveholders were very radical Whigs, and Mr. HASTINGS is the first man to THE DEMOCRAT's knowledge that has proclaimed otherwise. The better way for Mr. HASTINGS to do, if he must make political stamp speeches, is to resign his position as teacher of our schools and then run no person will find fault. He can then run his political machine to suit himself.

The campaign of 1880 is now about closed. When the next number of this paper goes to type the American people will have decided a question the importance of which is far greater than the masses are prone to suspect. The issues of '76, when the colonists, imbued with the belief that liberty was as sacred to one man as to another, defied the oppressive kingly power, were of no greater importance than are the issues of to-day to the posterity of those few tried and true strikers for human liberty. If THE DEMOCRAT reads the signs of the times correctly and it flatters itself that it does, it believes the only question to be decided next Tuesday is, shall the Republic be maintained, or shall the constitutional right of free speech and free ballot be destroyed? THE DEMOCRAT believes that just as sure as JAMES A. GARFIELD is elected president of these United States just so sure will Gen. U. S. GRANT be the candidate of the Republican or Imperialist party in 1884. Mr. GARFIELD has bargained himself to the Imperialists! In the event of his success next Tuesday the entire power of his administration is to be used in behalf of Gen. GRANT. For foreigners, you who left your native soil for freedom, the issue is before you. You came here that you might enjoy the blessings of what you were taught to believe was a happy Republic, but if Gen. GARFIELD is elected next Tuesday the peasants of downtrodden Ireland are as happy and as free as will be the Imperial power to humanity of America. The programme is already mapped out. Let no American Freeman be deceived. You have it in your power to on next Tuesday crush Imperialism in America. Will you do it? Fathers, you whose sands of life have about run out, will you vote on next Tuesday to subject your children and your children's children to the power of freemen's sleepless enemy? You who are only waiting for a voice from the spirit land to call you to your final home owe it to your posterity to bequeath to them the blessings of freedom. You have it in your power to perpetuate constitutional liberty. Will you do it? The eyes of a rising generation are resting upon you! Only last week did an Imperialist of New York city, when in processions, hurrumph for "Gen. GRANT as our next King!"

Fathers, has it come to this! Is the land for which the brave heroes of '76 fought, bled and died to be no longer the "land of the free and the home of the brave?" Did DEKALB, PULASKI, WARREN, GAGE and thousands of others go down into the valley of death in vain? Are the principles for which these heroes fought to be crushed under the advancing footsteps of Imperialism? Elect JAMES A. GARFIELD and freedom will no longer be the crowning boast of Americans. For years the Democratic press has warned the people, but they are led astray by false issues. Elect JAMES A. GARFIELD and your conquerors will turn and laugh at your stupidity. There is yet time to save the Republic. Will the people do it? Or will they on next Tuesday go to the polls with their eyes closed and vote for GARFIELD and kingly power? Young men, first voters, let us rally and preserve the Union! Let us return a verdict that will say to the world that our forefathers died not in vain! The question is before us. The eyes of all Europe are upon us. We can never be a happy Republic from the Imperialists. The people do it is to vote for WISCONSIN'S Secy. W. H. HANCOCK, the man who shed his blood to preserve the freedom that the Imperialists are bent on destroying.

With our readers who have followed us all through this long and tiresome

campaign we now leave the case. We leave it in yours and God's holy keeping. We have told you nothing but what we believe from our heart of hearts to be true. We have stated the case for you to decide in plain language. We have endeavored to treat the opposition fairly and justly. If the jury, now composed of American electors, renders a decision in favor of the Empire we have nothing more to say. The Empire it will be!

Gen. L. W. WALLACE failed to meet the expectations of his friends at the court house last evening. He flaunted the ensanguined garment, that in former days proved so useful to his party, with a readiness that clearly demonstrated his learning in that school. Prof. HASTINGS and Dr. SCHROEDER were the only ones who were carried into rapturous applause over the old gentleman's extravagant assertions. When he said that the Republican party and a *very few* Democrats put down the rebellion Prof. HASTINGS was so elated and tickled that he cast his usual dignity to the four winds and shouted himself hoarse. This same WALLACE was a Democrat so long that party favored him with office, but his supplies were cut off he "flop-ped" and has since assumed the role of a pet-house politician. But it is just such men as LEW WALLACE who are eminently qualified to lead the people off on false issues.

The *Reaction Has Come.*  
(New York Sun)

At the headquarters of the Democratic State Committee yesterday the greatest activity prevailed. The amount of correspondence received and answered was larger than in any other one day since the opening of the campaign. The committee find it a most difficult task to supply the demands for speakers from all parts of the State, such is the enthusiasm and zeal of the Democracy. Gen. Daniel E. Sickles and the Hon. Montgomery Blair will speak in Amsterdam on Monday next, in Ilion on Wednesday in Homer on Thursday, and in Syracuse on Friday. Gen. McClellan speaks in Albany on Thursday, Rochester on Friday, and in Buffalo on Saturday. The Hon. Abram S. Hewitt speaks at a ratification meeting in Rochester on Monday evening.

Among the visitors at the committee rooms during the day were Horatio Seymour, ex-Gov. Robinson, ex-Senator Jones, of Greene county, and Congressman Lonsberry, of Ulster. In a conversation with a gentleman at the rooms of the State Committee, Gov. Seymour said that he thought that a reaction had set in; that even the manufacturers themselves, who in the last fifteen years had received protection to the amount of twenty four hundred millions of dollars, would not be willing now to be placed in the position of rich Leggers by passing around their hats to burden, as it were, their employees and the country for their own special benefit. It was unfair and an injury, and they would themselves refuse to take the position sought to be assigned to them by the Republican party. In his own locality the Republican manufacturers of wealth had joined with the Democrats and received Gen. McClellan. They had said that their operatives should not be degraded by being required to vote for anything which would not promote their own views and principles.

The Hon. Octavius Cleveland, member of the National Democratic Committee, for New Jersey, called at the committee's headquarters yesterday. He said of the canvass in New Jersey: "The Republican State Committee of New Jersey have made a most determined effort to secure the vote of the mechanics and laborers by false statements about the tariff, circulating pamphlets, and even posters of considerable size, in the workshops where the proprietors are Republicans, declaring that in the event of Hancock's election, wages would be very materially reduced, and that many industries would cease altogether. These statements were at first believed by the workmen, but they have taken a sober second thought, and a reaction has set in so that what was ten days ago really a fight among the workingmen in regard to their wages has ended in an enthusiasm for Hancock that we could not ourselves have possibly worked up. It will be impossible now, no matter how much money is expended, for the Republican party to secure the State. The money being expended at this time in New Jersey in the interest of the Republican candidate for Governor and of the general ticket is something marvellous. Nothing of the kind was ever attempted before within my recollection; but I believe that many of the wisest Republican leaders are really satisfied that they cannot carry the State, and they are advising the National Committee to confine its efforts to the State of New York as being the only hope of the party. We have been very fortunate in New York in our Congress nominations and shall gain one or two members. We have appreciated the importance of carrying our State Legislature, and the State nominations have been United States. We insure us the election almost as important as a general ticket itself."

With our readers who have followed us all through this long and tiresome

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Decatur Ind., Sept. 9, 1880. 4w

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