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Ho. Jeremiah M. Weston

Will commence his canvass of Franklin County next Saturday at Andersonville, as our readers are already advised, and next week he will speak at Mixerville, Mt. Carmel, Whitecomb, Fairfield, Bloomington, Metamora and New Trenton. He will meet with a hearty reception at all of the above places.

Reid vs. Julian.

Our first page this week is taken up with the majority report of the Committee on Elections in the above case. It will be seen that Mr. Julian was fairly elected, as we have always contended. This report, therefore, settles all further controversy in regard to Mr. Julian being entitled to his present seat in Congress—he being undoubtedly the choice of the people in this District, whether the South poll of Richmond be counted or not.

The Election.

We hope every Republican in Franklin County will see the necessity of attending the coming election. All who stay at home or refuse to vote for Judge Wilson, give half a vote to Mr. Gooding—a man, probably, that not a single voter in the District wishes to see elected to Congress, if it were not for his party prejudices.

Judge Wilson is a gentleman in every acceptance of that word—a man of ability—man upon whom you may always rely with the utmost confidence, both in politics and the ordinary transactions of life. On the contrary, Mr. Gooding has a character for vacillation in politics as changeable as the winds. No man can tell in which party he may be found six months from the present time.

Judge Wilson, though firm and steadfast in his political principles, is never violent or abusive towards his opponents. Whilst Mr. Gooding is violent, changeable and abusive, even to his own party. He declared in this County, in 1861, that the Democrats ought all to be hung. Whether he thinks so just now, no one can tell, if he does not, there is no certainty but what he will wish it some time during the next six months. We rather think he will.

For the credit of the State, for the credit of the District, and for the credit of mankind, we hope no Republican will assist in placing Mr. Gooding in Congress; and all who refuse to vote will certainly be so far responsible for his election, and must share in the disgrace of placing a man in Congress who has lost all claims to the confidence of any living man, Democrat or Republican.

The State Fair.

To be held next week, commencing Oct. 3d, will be a success beyond doubt, and the grandest exhibition ever held in the State, judging from the universal interest being manifested by the stock men in this part of the State. Considering the present bountiful season, what better arrangement could well be conceived than to meet at the State Fair and show our thankfulness for the blessings of this earth, and have a grand *Harvest Festival* as in the olden time? If there is any better valley than this in the State, let it be proven by a display of the products. Then, and not until then, will we "acknowledge the corn."

The State Fair is emphatically the People's Fair, controlled by representatives from each agricultural society in the State. Any objectional features should be duly reported at the annual meeting in January.

Dirty Work.

We desire to say to the Republicans of Rush County that Dr. Smith, formerly a citizen of Laurel in this County, is strongly suspected of taking his partisans from this County into Rush to vote for him. We further say to our friends there to beware of this Dr. He was nothing but a good rebel sympathizer during the war, went into it at one time to save his bacon, but, like others of his clan, left his boys to take care of themselves in less than three months. This same Dr. Smith, to get some of his place out of the 6th, advised the use of croton oil to make sores, for proof of this, ask Dr. Jno. L. Woods of Greensburg.

Other men's names are known who are helping in this dirty work.

Democrats are raising a howl over the appropriation of land to the Pacific Railroad, and the endorsement of the bonds by the Government issued to that road. If they will look at their platform in 1860, and at the Congressional proceedings up to the passage of the act, they will find that their party was in favor of the measure. Is this one of the "bygones" they do not like to look at?

If some intelligent Democratic farmer would furnish the Editor of the *Democrat* with the amount in dollars and cents paid by him as tariff duties on nails, sheeting, spikes, carpets, salt, pepper, &c., for the last year, and then tell how much County tax he is to pay for this year, he would show his party where their money goes.

A dispatch from China received at London, through Russia, states that the Chinese are preparing for war. Farther outrages have been committed on missions.

The County Fair.

In our last issue we only referred to the Franklin County Fair as being in progress, with good prospects of success. We are able to state that it was a great success. The weather was favorable, the exhibition excellent, and the crowd during the last two days immense. It is not too much to say that this last was the best, and in every way the most successful of any Fair ever held in the County. The gross receipts were about \$1,800.

It paid financially, for there was money enough to pay off all financial obligations. It paid socially, for everybody got to see his old friends and to make some new and valuable acquaintances. It paid morally, for everybody was kept in the best of humor during the whole time, and the best qualities of the heart were fully exercised. It paid picnically, for a richer picnic scene is nowhere beheld than on and around the Fair ground about noon of every day. Long live the County Fair with its present good management.

The show of articles on exhibition was above an average. The remark that we have never had as good a show of horses was very general. The cattle exhibited were not quite up to some former exhibitions. Sheep were good, though not numerous. Hogs were in fair supply and of excellent quality. The vegetable shed was well filled, and gives assurance that we will have plenty of "sals" for the season.

The ladies maintained their reputation for doing better than the men in their various departments. If they had sheds to properly display their articles, the ladies of this County could make a State Fair just by themselves. We do not even mention individual articles in this department. Individually they were splendid; altogether they were splendid. But why must the women's articles be piled one on the other three or four deep, year after year, and that, too, in sheds where everybody has to stop out of the sun, and for rest? Very few who visited the Fair knew the extent and beauty of the exhibition in this department, and that because it could not be known—sheds so crowded, and articles so piled one on another. Let us suggest to the Board of Directors that they appoint a committee of twelve ladies to devise ways and means for a fairer display of articles in their department. It will then be done.

The balloon ascension on the afternoon of the last day was in every respect a success. It drew a good crowd, and went up promptly on time. At the time of ascent there was almost a calm, so that after ascending about one-fourth or one-third of a mile, taking up Prof. Hayden in his basket, it bore a very little eastward and descended not more than one-half mile from the ground, landing the Prof. safely on the river shore below high water mark as he would have known if the river had been "on a high."

Let us have many just such Fairs. **Keep it Before the People.**

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Apr. 1, 1869	8,723.99		
May 1, 1869	13,247.89		
June 1, 1869	28,529.61		

Total \$141,095.62 \$171,938.67

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Tax pr. 1/11	9.41		17.63

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