

THE DEMOCRAT.



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The Black Republican Faction,

Partaking of the spirit that led their party to hope for the "rule or ruin" of our country when they refused to vote supplies for our suffering army in Mexico—and refused, in Congress, to vote the necessary appropriations to sustain the Government, that party who concocted the traitorous scheme of the Hartford Convention, have earned for themselves, by their reckless "dog-in-the-manger" policy in defeating the Appropriation bill, a degree of infamy which the people will most righteously award them.

Political capital seems to be the sole end and aim of each movement of the Republicans. In none is it more manifest, than in their action last winter. Their factious course in defeating the Appropriation Bill, has led to most deplorable results. The Benevolent Institutions of the State have been closed, and the unfortunate inmates, having been bereft by black republicanism of the support to which they are entitled, are now torn from comfortable homes provided by the State, and have become tenants of the Poor House. And all this comes of the factious spirit of black republicanism, that stalked abroad in our Legislature last winter, blighting everything that it touched, and rendering every effort that the Democracy put forth to pass the Appropriation Bill powerless, because these black republicans had the majority, and were laying plots to advance their political schemes, instead of laboring for the good of the people.

The scene at the Blind Asylum, when the scholars were informed that the Institution was to be closed, and that they were not to be scattered among the different Poor-houses of the State, was very affecting. Many burst into tears at the thought of leaving those to whom they were so strongly attached, and all bitterly regretting to leave their comfortable home, and bidding farewell—perhaps forever—to their old associates, and those who had so kindly cared for them.

We learn that a day or two after it was announced to the pupils of the Blind Asylum that it must be closed, one of them attempted to commit suicide by cutting his throat. When asked his reason for so doing, he said he "had no friends, and would rather die than go to the Poor-house."

The black republicans, staggering under the crushing blow that the PEOPLE, in their wisdom, dealt to their wild schemes to assume the National control of our country, like drowning men, catch even at straws," as they are sinking. In the vain attempt to make political capital instead of trying to advance the honor and interests of the State, their time, last winter, was spent in concocting their factious schemes.

But all this will avail them nothing—The development of their schemes brings them only condemnation, and each succeeding year proves those to be drifting still farther from the confidence of the People.

Kansas!

We have watched the course of events, that ill-fated country for the last year with no little solicitude, until within the last month or two we were of the opinion that it would certainly form a Constitution prohibiting slavery, but the late news compels us to arrive at a different conclusion. The leading men of the republican party acknowledge that the Free State men have a decided majority; were they what they pretend to be, (in favor of freedom,) Kansas would never ask for admission into the Union as a Slave State. The programme laid down by the great lights of the party, is, for the Free State men to stand aloof entirely—have nothing to do with any election that may be held to elect Delegates to form a Constitution; unless we are very much mistaken, that is the course which the Free State party will pursue when the election of Delegates takes place. As they have a decided majority and could elect Free State men for Delegates, were they disposed to do so. They will not do it, simply because the leaders of the party think that if Kansas should be admitted as a Free State, there would be no show for them in 1860. They have argued for the last twelve months that Kansas would be a Slave State, and it seems that they are determined to bring about that result if possible; the most superficial observer cannot fail to see that it would be disastrous to the republican cause for Kansas to be admitted as a free State. Since Gov. Geary's resignation, the republican editors have been very active in giving publicity to some remarks which appeared in the Missouri Democrat, (Republican,) which purports to give the substance of a conversation held between the Governor and a correspondent of the Democrat in reference to Kansas af-

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Paupers.

The expense of keeping the paupers of this county, for the last year, will be but little short of a thousand dollars.

The question naturally arises, what is the cause of so much pauperism? We have but four permanent paupers; the others have been provided for by the county, some for a few weeks, others for several months.

The building of the rail roads to this point necessarily brought a large number of persons into our county, who had not formerly resided here, and the larger portion of them were lovers of the "ardent;" consequently, when cold weather commenced last fall, and the work on the roads being measurably suspended, they soon spent the little pittance they had saved during the summer and fall for whisky, which could be obtained for the money without any difficulty. Many of them, when they were taken sick, had no means left to provide the necessities of life, nor to employ a physician; hence the Overseers of the poor had to take charge of them, or let them suffer and die for the lack of attention. We think we are not exaggerating when we say that "free whisky" has caused four-fifths of the pauper expense of this county within the last year.

We exceedingly regret that the last Legislature failed to pass a temperance law. There never was a time within our remembrance, that such a law was more needed, and there never was a more favorable time than the present, to get such a law enacted without having it mixed up with politics. It was not made a question in the late elections; all parties expected such a law and demanded it, but we were doomed to disappointment. Two years longer we are to be cursed with these sinks of iniquity, (liquor shops,) unless an extra session of the Legislature should be called; and if it should be, we have no assurance that anything will be done to check the evils of intemperance, which are so fearfully on the increase. Such a bill as passed the lower House last winter, would put a stop to so much drunkenness, and thereby curtail the pauper expenses in all those counties through which rail roads pass, at least two-thirds. We are of the opinion that there is not a liquor dealer in town (had that bill passed,) but would have complied with the law in stancer.

Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne & Chicago R. R.

It is perfectly astonishing to see the crowds of passengers which are daily conveyed over this road. It is estimated that there are from five to six hundred going west each day on an average. Two trains run each way daily, and one freight. There is an immense quantity of freight passing over the road; quite a portion of it is marked for points in Iowa and Wisconsin. When the road is completed to Chicago—which will be the first of January next—we can see no good reason why it will not be one of the very best paying roads in the west. It runs in connection with the Pennsylvania Central, and is much the shortest route from Chicago to New York, and when completed, will undoubtedly be the great thoroughfare from east to west.

A despatch from Washington, of the 9th inst. says: "Gov. Geary returned here this morning to close his official business with the Government. He has stated to his friends that he will not be drawn into a newspaper controversy, being satisfied that while he was Governor, he honestly, and to the best of his ability, discharged his duties. He also says he will not be responsible for publications of reported conversations, many of which are contradictory; but is willing to be judged by his official acts and statements, which by himself were committed to paper.

We regret to learn that the Sentinel Office, in Indianapolis, was, last week, the scene of a most-terrible catastrophe—by which one man lost his life, and five others were injured. The accident was caused by the explosion of a new boiler connected with the Steam press used in the office. A boy, named George Homan, was killed. Mr. Randall, the foreman of the News Room, was badly hurt, as was a boy named Fred. Mulbarger; also Frank Schuyler, Jacob Lex, and a son of Mr. Doughty, one of the proprietors.

We see it stated that the reason why the fourth of March was chosen for the inauguration of the President of the United States, was because the fourth of March in every year, commencing from the first inauguration, cannot come on a Sunday for at least three hundred or more years.

The newspaper forms were destroyed, and a large amount of type and material ruined.

The account from which we gather the above, says: that "the proprietors will

proceed without delay to get to work again. The loss cannot be accurately estimated now, but it will be between eight and twelve thousand dollars."

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We are inclined to the opinion that those Republican Senators who controlled the majority, would be pleased to have an opportunity to atone, in some small degree at least, for the ruin they have brought to the State; hence their anxiety for an extra session.

Our friend B. Burns has published his valedictory, as Editor of the Rushville Jacksonian.

As we expected; the K. N. and Republicans, fused at the late election in Cincinnati and Indianapolis and were successful.

The Emancipation ticket succeeded in St. Louis.

Abner Dillon was sentenced to the Penitentiary for life, at the March term of the Miami Circuit Court for the murder of his wife.

Connecticut Election.

Special Dispatch to the New York News. New Haven, April 8.

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It is said that kind mothers at the East give their children chlorform before whipping them.

Ex-Gov. Bigler has been appointed Minister to China.

Some of the merchants of New York intend presenting Gov. Marcy with a service of plate, for his regard for their interests while Secretary of State.

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The New Haven Register says: "We can well afford to rejoice over the election in Connecticut, for the staunch democrats have achieved a splendid victory in the election of two out of the four members of Congress, and reducing the seven or eight thousand majority given to Fremont, leaving that party to succeed now by barely one thousand! The black republicans, having borrowed a little strength from the know-nothings, have saved themselves just by the skin of their teeth. Another such victory will prove their annihilation.

Dr. J. W. Barnes, we learn, is now engaged in teaching the art of Greek Oil Painting. His Specimens are really beautiful, and show them to be the work of a master-hand. The same demand and desire to please his patrons while proprietor of the "American House," in this place, will, we doubt not, yield him a liberal patronage in his new vocation.

Foreign News.

Halifax, April 9. The steamship Niagara arrived here this afternoon.

England continued in election ferment. Few members returned, but appearances favor Palmerston.

The Government of Spain contemplates having a submarine telegraph between Cuba and the United States.

The first division of the fleet to invade Mexico will be to leave about the 20th of March for Cuba.

Messrs. Richardson & Co., and others, report bustle generally dull.

A dispatch states that Austria had become convinced that Piedmont was seeking an insurrectionary movement, which, if successful, would be the destruction of Austrian dominion in Italy.

The Government of Japan has consented to open three of her ports to the vessels of France, England, Russia and the United States.

The Emperor of China has given orders to confine the British.

Kansas.

The New York Journal of Commerce, of March 17th, says: A telegraphic despatch from St. Louis describes the closing action of the Free State Convention, which has just been held at Topeka, as follows:

"Finally, they are inflexibly determined to abide by the principles of squatter sovereignty as enunciated in the Kansas-Nebraska bill."

Really, we cannot fathom either the politics or the policies of these men, or of the party which upholds them. As nearly as we can comprehend it, it is about as follows:

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Nibbles of News.

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Pine lumber sells at \$130 per thousand in Council Bluffs.

STATE OF INDIANA, MARSHALL COUNTY.

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