

THE DEMOCRAT.



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PLYMOUTH, IND.
Thursday Morning, April 23rd, 1857.

Convention.

The Democrats of Plymouth are requested to meet at the Court-house,

NEXT FRIDAY EVENING,
at SIX O'CLOCK, for the purpose of nominating Corporation Officers.

A general attendance is requested.
April 23, '57.

Marshall County Agricultural Society.

We have received the list of Premiums offered by the Marshall County Agricultural Society, which, although in type, we are compelled, by the crowded state of our columns, to defer until next week.

The Society is yet in its infancy, having been organized in 1855. Two annual Fairs have been held, and although small in comparison to those held in some of the older Counties, yet we are not without hope that, before many more years, we will be able to form one which will be a credit to the skill and industry of our enterprising citizens.

If the friends of Agriculture, &c., were to take hold in earnest, and exert themselves a little, in order to ascertain the best varieties of Grains, Fruits, Vegetables, &c., &c., and the kind of ground best adapted to their production, and the proper time to sow and plant,—and write out their observations, it could not fail to be of mutual benefit.

All are dependent on the cultivators of the soil, and any new discovery, or improvement, benefits all classes. The Farming community has strong inducements to make their farms as productive as possible. Never has there been a time within our remembrance, that the Laborer received better wages than now; everything that the Farmer has to sell, commands a living price. Let one and all bring up something to the Fair, and by examining the different articles on exhibition, and exchanging views with each other, all will be mutually benefited.

More "Fusion."

Commerce, ye Darkies, Ah!

The Chicago Times of the 16th inst., published the proceedings of a meeting held there last week, by the NEGROES of that city. THEY!! pronounce the decision of the Supreme Court in the Dred Scott case, unconstitutional!!

We congratulate the Herald man on his alliance with the Chicago negroes.—The latter don't appear to be very particular in the company they keep. Between the negroes in Chicago and their new ally, the editor of the Huntington Herald, down on the Wabash, what will become of the U. S. Supreme Court? How wretched they will feel when they hear that the Herald man at Huntington differs from them in opinion. Break the sad news to them as gently as possible!

We are glad to see that the *Republican* like "Phoenix," is out of the ashes.

Notwithstanding Mr. Mattingly's office was badly injured by the late fire, he was able to get out a half sheet last week, and will in a short time resume the publication of the Republican regularly. He has labored faithfully for the republican cause, since he purchased the Press; and now that he has been unfortunate, his party should immediately step forward and lend a helping hand. Although we occasionally have a newspaper tilt; yet we hope to see the Republican free from embarrassment. It speaks volumes for the liberality and intelligence of our people, that they support two papers, which, in point of mechanical execution would lose nothing by a comparison with any papers in the State. Some neighboring Counties have only one paper, and from editorial duns we occasionally see in them, we should think they received a meagre support. The only way in which we can account for two papers being sustained in this County, is that they are filled with interesting reading matter. Make a paper reliable and interesting and it will receive a liberal support.

Great Men will Differ.

"Stranger, and stranger still the wonder grew,
That one small head could carry all he knew."

The editor of the Huntington Herald, having made himself a public laughing stock, by attempting to make his readers believe that HIS opinion on the Constitution and the laws was far superior to that of the U. S. Supreme Court, is very sensitive when ever his ridiculous attempt is alluded to. We referred to it last week, and that learned expounder of the Constitution, the Herald man!! replies in a very angry manner. "Wounded pigeons will flutter."

True, "we should not talk of a raps to a man whose father had been hung," but really the attempt of such a man as the

editor of the Herald to set up his opinion on Constitutional questions as superior to that of the highest legal Tribunal in the land, was so utterly ridiculous, that we thought we'd "just make a note of it."

It is hardly worth while "to favor such a fellow" with any attention. We only do so to show the length to which upstart ignorance has led this "hair-brained partisan" and to "Answer a fool according to his folly."

Foreign News.

ARRIVAL OF THE ARABIA.

New York, April 16.

The following is an abstract of the intelligence brought by the Arabia, just arrived from Liverpool.

The difficulty between Austria and Sardinia is widening.

Arrests continue to be made of conspirators against Napoleon.

Madrid reports say that the Spanish forces will, under every circumstance, occupy a portion of Mexican territory for the protection of Spanish subjects.

Austria has issued a new circular against Sardinia.

France and England strongly remonstrate with both Sardinia and Austria, and urge them to keep the peace.

Persia announces her determination to maintain her policy respecting the Danish duchies, and has ordered her coast defences to be strengthened.

Russia is concentrating her forces at Anapa against the Circassians.

The Chinese details confirm previous telegraphic reports, that the Emperor had ordered Yeh to make peace upon any terms, but the news is not positive.

The American ship Highflyer was wrecked at Formosa. The crew were murdered and the ship burned.

Arrival of the Tennessee.

New York, April 16.

The steamship Tennessee arrived this morning from Aspinwall.

On the evening of April 4th, she landed her passengers and left for San Juan the same evening.

Col. Lockridge advanced to Castillo March 13th, with 400 men on board the steamers J. N. Scott and Rescue. He found the enemy, who were 500 strong, had fortified Nelson's Hill, two hundred and fifty yards in the rear of the castle, with strong breastworks, ditches and several guns. He retreated without making an attack, and destroyed all the fortifications below, having abandoned all hope of the river. He disbanded the battalion of recruits, and subsequently formed a new one from those who were willing to go to Walker via Panama.

The boiler of the steamer J. N. Scott exploded near Serapipi during the retreat, killing and wounding about 50 officers and men. These were immediately sent to Puerto Arenas in the Rescue.

The Tennessee brought away all the wounded who were able to be removed.

Col. Lockridge still remains upon the river with his forces, and is well supplied with provisions.

Got Tired of Freedom.

Some three years since, Hon. E. W. Kennedy of this vicinity, unmanumitted 25 or 30 of his slaves, provided them each with a liberal outfit, and sent them to Liberia. One of them, a man of thirty-five or forty years of age, named Syrus, who had been a faithful servant, was unwilling to leave a kind master and a comfortable home here for the sake of an untried freedom in a strange country; and would consent to go to Liberia only on the condition that if he wanted to return he should be permitted to do so. This proviso having been granted him, Syrus went with his companions to Africa, remained in that country a year or two, thoroughly tested this thing they call freedom, satisfied himself that it isn't what it is cracked up to be, got sick and disgusted with the whole concern, gathered up his traps, and started back home and to voluntary servitude.

A gentleman engaged in the wool business, says that the raising of that article would pay better in Northern Alabama, than the culture of cotton, and that land can be obtained there for 12 1/2 cents per acre.

Ole Bull, the greatest violinist in the land, has three violins, valued at \$3,000.

Which is the most inquisitive letter of the alphabet? Y.

New York, it is said, has more to be proud of, and more to be ashamed of—than any other city in the world.

The Milwaukee and Mississippi railroad now completed to the Mississippi river.

Stephen P. Hardenbrook, a policeman in New York city, was killed on the night of the 13th inst. by a burglar whom he attempted to arrest as he was breaking into a house.

The steamer J. N. Scott, in the service of Gen. Walker, exploded recently. Sixty lives were lost.

Senator Slidell declines the mission to France.

A lot of 51 feet front, in Wall street, New York, sold last week for \$5,200 per foot front—marking in the aggregate—\$26,000.

Col. Kinney, the noted filibuster, is raising a company in California for the purpose of attacking Guaymas.

Mr. John Mulligan, of Orange Co., N. Y., writes to the Patent Office that he has raised a new kind of potato, from the ball, which produces two crops in one season.

Ingraham, convicted of the murder of his wife at Rock Island, has been sentenced to be hung on the 5th of May next.

Hon. W. W. Drummond, late U. S. Judge for Utah Territory, has resigned his office.

The Sugar making season has been so favorable in Vermont, that is thought enough has been made there for home consumption, with some to spare.

John M. Talbot has been appointed Postmaster at Indianapolis, in place of W. W. Wick, whose commission has expired.

The cars on the Michigan Southern road ran off the track near Calumet, last week. Mrs. Stillwell, of New Jersey, and her grand-child, about a year old, were killed, and a number of others injured. The accident was caused by the breaking of an axle.

Edward Hawkins, who killed the sheriff and a constable of Estill county, Kentucky, was arrested and taken back. The jail was broken open by the mob, who conveyed him to the spot of the murder, and there hung him.

A negro in Louisville, Ky., recently drew \$15,000 in a lottery. He forthwith purchased the freedom of himself and family. The remainder of the prize has been invested for his benefit.

Nibbles of News.

"Lively and gossipping,
Strewed with the treasures of a talkative world,
And with a spice of Mirth, too."

Preparations are making to send 1000 men from Charleston, S. C., to the aid of Walker.

The Emperor of France has six American horses in his stables, and "brags high" on the speed of his Yankee trotters.

It is rumored that W. M. Corry, of Cincinnati, has been appointed Governor of Utah.

The Journeyman carpenters of Pittsburgh are on a strike for higher wages.—They demand an increase of seventeen per cent.

The Kentucky papers, generally, speak of the fruit crop in that region as having been killed by the late frosts.

The products of China have greatly increased in price since the war commenced.

Fire crackers have "riz." Bad news for the boys.

Young physicians sometimes find it hard to get into business; but they will succeed if they only have patients.

There is now quite a scarcity of provisions in some parts of Nebraska. The new emigrants have taken an extra supply, and realized handsome profits.

The Philadelphia chessplayers have beaten the New Yorkers in a game of chess that has been going on for a year.

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The mill erected at Rome, N. Y., for the manufacture of paper from bass wood, has been closed, and the plan abandoned as impracticable.

An expedition left Boston, last week, with the intention of raising the sunken fleet at Sebastopol.

Five hundred Waldenses will soon arrive at New York, preparatory to settling in Kansas.

Rat skins now command ready sale in Paris. They are used to make the thumbs of the best gloves, the elasticity and closeness of their texture rendering them preferable to kid.

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