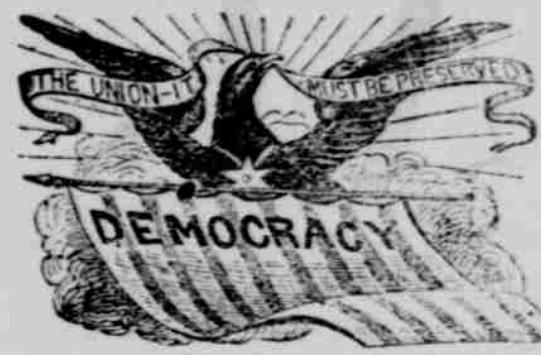


THE DEMOCRAT.



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The Gipe Case.

Judge Stanfield, in a letter to the *South Bend Register*, passes some severe strictures on our remarks in the Gipe case, which we cannot permit to pass unnoticed. The Judge professes to give the facts, and colors the ones he states strongly for his client, and does not give all the facts.

On arraignment, Gipe plead "not guilty." After the appearance of Judge Stanfield as his counsel (the next day) and some three days after, he withdrew it and plead "guilty." He was charged with stealing \$3,612. Fearing too much leniency, and knowing all the facts, the prosecution proved the following before the court. There was Gipe himself—by far the best dressed and best looking man in the court room. That he was above medium in talent, address, and ability, for his age. That he went to Rochester in the spring, to clerk for Dr. Plank. That he was discharged on suspicion of stealing. That he went to Dr. Lemon's (Express Agent here) in May to study medicine and clerk in the office. That Dr. Lemon was nearly bankrupted by the fire here in March (and Gipe knew it,) and was, at the time, erecting a building to try to do business in. That Gipe had been trusted with express matter only to carry from the *house* to the cars. That a sealed package, containing the amount stolen, was received at the office for Lewis Broad, at *Plymouth*, by Dr. L.—placed in Dr. L.'s private safe by Dr. L. himself, and that *no receipt had been taken by the messenger for it*, and Gipe knew it. That Gipe had a key to the safe, and was authorized to attend to Dr. L.'s business. That on the night of the theft, for the first time, he was entrusted with a money package to take to the cars. That Dr. L. carried the package to the *house*. That at 2 o'clock he called Gipe up to go and take a package of some \$100 from the *house* to the cars. That *Gipe had no business in the office*. That he went to the office—took out this \$3,612 package from the safe, leaving some \$500 of other packages that *had been received for*, some \$400 of Dr. L.'s money, and taking the one unreceipted package, left the safe and office open, went to the cars, delivered the \$400 package, put the other in his pocket, threw his book to the watchman, and got on the cars and left. That there was no telegraph here, nor train that left before 11 A. M. that day, giving him some nine hours start on a lightning train. That for days before, he kept a journal of reflections in which he spoke of his opportunities to steal, which was found in his trunk. That he left four different letters for his brother here in as many places, speaking of his premeditation, and giving places both east and west where he would be found. That when taken, he said he thought the thief would be laid on the messenger, who had no receipt, and that he knew it would begar Dr. Lemon and his family. When caught, he had the money in every pocket about him; had broken the package, paid \$6 fare; and the money being in five-dollar bills it was bulky to stow away. He gave up all but \$5; that, he afterwards gave up, after saying he had no more. All the evidence in defense was that those who had seen him a few times for a month or so, and knew nothing of him, and swore that they knew nothing against his character—nor did they know anything for it, for he had not been here long enough to form one, and when his reputation followed him it was one of suspicion, and his first trust here showed him a thief. That was all the character he had. This was all proved and argued upon to the court. Here was the case then: Gipe was shrewd, capable and dishonest, with able and reputable friends here and elsewhere. He premeditated a theft. He chose an opportunity to steal, and intended an innocent man to be punished and ruined for it, and knew that it would begar his employer. He stole the first time he was trusted. He took that package, because it was not receipted for, and left those that might lead to detection. He did it when and where he knew he could have nine hours start, and had no palliating or excusable circumstance to speak for him. A friendless, homeless, houseless, wandering orphan boy, with no one to protect him—with no learning—with no light to guide his erring steps, and driven by his wretchedness to become the tool of the vile, at the same court was sentenced thirty days to jail, fined \$10, besides laying three months for trial before, for stealing an old clock, worth little or nothing, from a school house in the woods; without sense enough to know he could not use it, had no place to take it, or that he would be detected with certainty. Gipe, with all his ability, had well nigh ruined Dr. Lemon—forever damned an innocent messenger, seriously embarrassed Mr. Broad, (who was to pay the money to rail road hands,) disgraced his family, put the Express company and the county to heavy expense, and all on due

premeditation, and with able friends, yet was fined only \$100, and sentenced to the county jail for one year, to waste it in idleness, and come out enfeebled and worthless, with unconvicted criminals for associates and bed fellows—with unrestricting license for evil thought and conversation—with one long year of idleness, and an expense of \$500 to overtaxed men and women to support him thus—for reformation! If this is logic and for reformation, our judgment is sadly at fault. In the State prison he would have been kept busy and silent. If he behaved well he would have been treated well, and have had no evil associates unless he chose to. He could have earned a trifle every week for himself, and have had time to read and reflect for good, had he been so disposed. He could have come out strong with exercise—possessed of a knowledge of useful labor, and reformed if reform is in him, and with some money to start again on, and have paid the expense of his own punishment. Such are our views, and we believe them to be right. One thing that added to the excitement here, was a statement made by Gipe after his conviction. "That he had escaped the penitentiary, but it had cost him a good deal of money to do it." These we know to be the facts, Judge Stanfield to the contrary notwithstanding; and we say now, as we said before, that the sentence was unjust, and will tend to evil and not good.

Monetary Crisis.

Within the last few weeks, bank failures have been chronicled in rapid succession. Banks that have hitherto been regarded as perfectly sound, are closed, for the present at least, and many of them will go into liquidation. Rail road failures are as common as household words. Stocks have fallen unprecedentedly in value, within the last few months. The reports from Europe show that they have a full supply of grain and some to spare. The harvest in the United States has yielded an abundance. The Mechanic's Hall, was the most interesting feature of the exhibition. The Floral Hall was much admired, particularly by the ladies. The number in attendance was supposed to be from 15,000 to 20,000. Lord Napier, the British Minister, graced the assembly by his presence.

Township Trustees are required by the school law—on or before the 20th of September, to take an enumeration of the children within their respective districts, between the ages of five and twenty-one, and the sex to which such children belong—excluding married persons, also to specify to which congressional township they belong and to what school house their parents or guardians desire to send them; and to make report of the same to the county Auditor on or before the first day of October, in each year.

Minutiae had occurred at Callao on board several American ships. They were suppressed by the British frigate Monarch.

ors of the Atlantic Cable Company had determined to renew the trial in October. The reports are believed to be wholly unfounded.

Messrs. C. M. Lampton, G. B. Carr and Cyrus W. Field, had an interview with Sir Chas. Wood, first Lord of the Admiralty, on the 21st ult., to know whether, if the Directors should accept the offer made them for the whole of the cable, the British government would assist them with vessels next summer.

He answered promptly in the affirmative.

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Later From California.

New York, Sept. 3.
The steamship Illinois with the California mail to the 5th, \$1,600,000, arrived at 3 o'clock this morning.

There is little news of interest from California in addition to that received from N. O.

The mining intelligence was very favorable.

The Americans had nominated a ticket for State officers.

The frigate Wabash was at Aspinwall. The sleep-of-war Saratoga had gone to San Juan.

In the department of Lopez Beliz, 15,000 Indians had died of fever, Cocomoco 3,000, and other provinces in proportion.

The previous Peruvian revolution does not appear near an end. Vivanco was at Arequipa with from 1,000 to 1,500 men. The Republican Convention which came off at the same place, on the 13th ult., nominated R. P. Lowe for Governor, and Oran Flavill for Lieut. Gov.

The making of "Kansas a Free State" is a "secondary consideration" with that school of politicians, is it? The making of Kansas a Free State, was declared to be a primary consideration with those who were instrumental in organizing the party, and we are so fossilized as to desire the accomplishment of that end as much now as ever.

IOWA NOMINATIONS.—The Iowa Democratic State convention was held on the 26th of last month, at Iowa City. B. N. Samuels was nominated for Governor, and Col. Gollepsie for Lieutenant Governor. The Republican Convention which came off at the same place, on the 13th ult., nominated R. P. Lowe for Governor, and Oran Flavill for Lieut. Gov.

On motion of C. H. Reeve (on which Messrs. Reeve, J. G. Osborne, and Horace Corbin addressed the meeting) it was Resolved that in as much as D. Vineyard, our present Treasurer was nominated and elected last fall, by a majority that testified his full endorsement by the party as one worthy of their confidence, and in as much as a construction of the law as it now stands may oust him of his office before the expiration of the term for which we chose him, therefore, being fully satisfied with our former action, we unanimously declare him now our choice as our candidate for Treasurer, and will do all we can honorably to elect him.

On motion of B. Brooke, the old central committee was re-appointed.

The proceedings of the Convention were ordered to be published and the Convention adjourned, *sive die*.

JACOB KNOBLOCK, Chair.

W. C. SHIRLEY, *t* Secys.

N. W. PEARSON, *t*

—IRON CITY COLLEGE, PITTSBURG, PA.

—This institution already, we believe, the largest and most popular one in the United States, is hereafter to have at the head of its board of instruction, John C. Smith, A. M., the late popular and efficient professor of Mathematics and accountant, in Fairfield Seminary, Herkimer county, New York.

Willingly, replied the Emperor, "jump in, comrade, for I'm in a hurry."

The soldier was soon seated alongside of the Emperor, and became very loquacious.

"Come, comrade," said he slapping the Emperor on the back, "are you good at guessing?"

"Perhaps I am," said the Emperor, "try me."

"Well then, my boy, conjure up your wits, and tell me what I had for my breakfast?"

"Sour-kraut?"

"Come, none of that, comrade. Try again."

"Perhaps a Westphalia ham," replied the Emperor, who was willing to humor his companion.

"Better than that," said the soldier.

"Sausages from Bologna and Hockheim from the Rhine."

"Better than that. D'y give it up?"

"I do."

"Open your eyes and ears, then," said the soldier, bluntly. "I had a pheasant, by Jove, shot in the Emperor Joe's park! Ha!"

When the soldier's exultation subsided, Joseph said:

"I want to try your skill in guessing, comrade. See if you can name the rank I hold."

"You're a—no, hang it! you're not smart enough for a cornet."

"Buster than that," said the Emperor.

"A Bentenau?"

"Better than that."

"A captain?"

"Better than that."

"A Major?"

"Better than that."

"A general?"

"Better than that."

The soldier was now feebly agitated.

"Pardon me, your Excellency, you are field marshal?"

"Better than that," replied Joseph.

"Lord help me!" cried the soldier, "you're the Emperor!"

He threw himself out of the cabriolet and knelt for pardon in the mud. The circumstances were not forgotten by either; the Emperor often laughed over it, and the soldier received a mark of favor he could not forget.

It is evident unless we do.

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New York, Sept. 7.

The steamship Arago, from Southampton 6th, arrived at an early hour this A. M.

The main features of her news has been published via St. Johns.

The English government has been making large purchases in Bohemia for ship building.

The London *Times* strongly urges the election of Lord John Russell to the peerage.

Parliament would be prorogued on the 23d.

The failures reported at Liverpool, are

Messrs. Buchanan, Brown & Co., producers for \$300,000.

J. H. Hays, commission dealer, amount not stated.

Liverpool papers deny the truth of the reports.

The nomination of General Lersimbi as

Captain General of Cuba, was expected in the Gazette towards the middle of September.

The Halstein diet has appointed a committee to report on the new Constitution, and we further understand that a case of that kind has been taken to the Supreme Court, but its decision will not be made known, in all probability until it will be too late to make arrangements for a winter school.

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A rumor was current at Geneva, that

two steamers under the Neapolitan colors,

coming from Marseilles, had been seized at Naples, several chests of muskets having been found on board, which had been de-

clared to contain sugar.

London money market was easy; consols closed at 90@90 $\frac{1}{2}$, at Market Lane.

Wheat had declined 5s per quarter, sugar advanced 6d@6s, coffee 1@2s higher.

Tea barely mentioned.

The Porte had announced a willingness to resume negotiations on the basis of the arrangement made at Osborne.

The weather in England had been very brilliant, and the harvest would soon be completed.

Breadstuffs dull and declining; flour had

declined 1s; wheat 2d@4d; common quiet;

yellow declined 9d@1s; beef quiet, quotations nominal; bacon steady; lard quiet; tallow steady.

The screw steamship Kangaroo, from Liverpool August 26th, arrived at noon yesterday.

The Indian, from Quebec, arrived on the 26th.

Rumors had gone forth that the direct-

"We have been for a long time in possession of an infallible recipe for making a lady's cheeks red *without paint*. For the especial benefit of that grossly persecuted class of community, we publish it free of charge. Here it is:

Place her at a wash-tub with her sleeves rolled up, and her hands full of dirty clothes. Let her beau suddenly enter, and her cheeks will be a *glowing red* in an instant.

A friend of ours, who has fully tested this recipe, assures us it has never been known to fail. Try it.

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