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DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

For Clerk,
NEWTON R. PACKARD.
For Commissioners,
3d Dist.—WILLIAM HUGHES.
2d Dist.—STEPHEN A. FRANCIS.

Terrible Rail Road Accident near South Bend!

Fifty Lives Lost & Sixty Wounded!

[From the LaPorte Daily Union.]

The sad intelligence was brought to us this morning that a terrible rail road accident had occurred between South Bend and Mishawaka last night. The principal Editor, accompanied by Holmes, from this office, and other citizens, went to the scene of the disaster by the first train going east.

SOUTH BEND, June 28.

A little before midnight the night express from Chicago to Toledo, when between South Bend and Mishawaka, passing over an embankment spanning a ravine, at the base of which was a culvert, the embankment suddenly gave way and the whole train was precipitated into the ravine, which was filled with a perfect torrent of water. The engine was literally buried in the opposite side of the ravine in quicksand and mud, and the tender, baggage and express cars and two second-class cars were shattered almost into kindling wood, and piled on the top of the engine. Two first-class passenger cars followed and were torn to pieces and carried down the stream, while the sleeping car, although making the leap with the rest, was less injured. The stream is naturally but a rivulet, but was swollen by the extraordinary rains of the previous afternoon and evening. Flood wood probably checked the culvert, converting the embankment into a dam, and the great weight of water with the concussion of the crossing train, caused the sad catastrophe. About 150 persons were on the train; of these, 30 have been taken from the ruins dead; and 50 or 60 more are wounded or escaped hurt. The rest not heard from. As many of the dead were drowned in the ravine, it is feared that others not heard from have lost their lives in the same manner.

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Citizens of South Bend and Mishawaka turned out en masse to assist the wounded and search for the dead.

One lady was carried down the stream towards the river, but lodged in a tree top and heard several float by, crying for help.

Engineer had been running over the bridge, from LaPorte East very carefully, but supposed the embankment safe. The train was not running faster than 10 or 12 miles an hour. The train going west had passed over the embankment safely at 8 p.m.

The United States Express had over \$30,000 in their safe, which was broken to pieces by the collision, but the agent there has found most of it in the ruins. One of the through mail bags was found near the river, two hundred yards from the wreck. Whether others are lost cannot yet be told. The ravine is about 25 feet deep and 75 to 100 feet wide.

The night was very dark, and a curve in the road just before the embankment was reached. Osgood, Conductor, was but little injured.

The Republican Convention, last Saturday, was pretty well attended. The nominations were: for Clerk, H. R. Pershing; for Commissioners—2d District, Isaac Boley; 3d, I. N. Morris. The business of the convention was conducted without any regard to Parliamentary rules; and at some stages of the proceedings, it was impossible to tell what motion was before the house, or what movers were trying to get at. We need give but one instance to show the manner in which business was transacted: A motion was made for the delegates to retire to the shady side of the court house; an amendment was offered, that those who were not delegates leave the house; another amendment was offered, that the delegates confer with each other, either in or out of the room, which was adopted, leaving the original motion and one amendment, both duly seconded and neither withdrawn—buried in the rubbish without any action on them! An informal ballot was taken, which, of course, had no effect on the nomination. The delegates voted according to their instructions, with the following result: Pershing, 42; Bailey, 18; Beeman, 14; Shirley, 12; Corbaley, 7; Thayer, 1. On the formal ballot, which was really the first ballot of the convention, Pershing received 56—14 more than he was entitled to; Shirley, 32—20 more than he was entitled to; Bailey, 9—9 less than he was entitled to; Beeman and Corbaley received none of the votes instructed for them. This method of casting instructed votes according to the wish of the delegates, may be satisfactory to Republicans, and may be their manner of doing business in conventions and official capacities, but we are sure that it would not be tolerated by the Democracy.

In regard to the candidates who have

become the standard bearers in the present campaign, we shall have something to say between this and election day. But we will preface what we may say hereafter, by saying that they are not superior to other men of their time. If we apply the spur to them pretty freely, we hope they will bear it patiently, and like men, otherwise we may double the dose, at disagreeable short intervals.

News of the Week.

The State Sentinel says the location of the new Penitentiary north, has come to a dead lock. The Commissioners, as they claim, in the exercise of their best judgment, uninfluenced by personal interest, after a careful review of all favorable sites, located the penitentiary at Ft Wayne, and so the building of prison for the present is put at rest. We think the prison will be located at Indianapolis.

The Republicans of Laporte county have nominated Luther Mann for Recorder.

Extensive preparations are being made for a grand Celebration of the 4th of July, at Lafayette. Among the speakers to be present are Gov Willard and Tom Corwin.

It is said that German merchants of New York are in possession of private advices which render it certain that Prussia and all Germany will immediately join Austria in her struggle with France.

A destructive fire occurred at Milwaukee, Wis., on the 22d instant, destroying Young's Block adjoining the Custom House. Loss estimated at \$100,000 on the buildings.

Kossuth, at the close of his speech at Glasgow, said:

"I bid you farewell. May a bountiful Providence pour its blessings on each and all of you, on your city, and on your country at large; that strong by the enjoyment of the first gift of Heaven—liberty—the star of Britannia may shine from the canopy of nations with undiminished luster."

The Boston Traveler, noticing the appointment of Douglas delegates to the Charlestown Convention, from Vermont, says:

"The indications from Maine are that Douglas delegates will be sent from that State, and we should not be surprised if he obtained the votes of all the delegates from the New England States."

The laying of the corner stone of the Catholic Cathedral at Ft. Wayne, Sunday week ago; Arch Bishop Purcell, of Cincinnati, and several other Bishops and Clergy were present.

The Post Master General discontinued the following post offices in Indiana during the present month:

Celestia, Marshall Co; Easter, Orange Co; Holmesville, LaPorte Co; Aurora, Lawrence Co; Spring Mill, Lawrence Co; Haverborough, Warrick Co; Davison, Jasper Co, Blanton, Green Co; Menden, Madison Co.

The New York Times of the 23d contains a note to the editor from Kossuth, dated London, June 9th, together with an address to the Hungarian exiles residing in the United States, in which he warns his fellow-countrymen, that it is not yet time for them to move or attempt to take part in the war.

The President has issued a proclamation for the sale of public lands in Iowa, commencing at Ft. Dodge on the 26th of September, and at Sioux City on the 3d of October. They are in the north-western part of Iowa, at the head of the Des Moines river and its tributaries.

In 1854 the total value of real estate in Indiana was returned at \$176,894,961. The late assessment makes it \$18,430,965

Increase.....\$141,535,984 This increase of real estate is to be attributed largely to our railroad system directly and indirectly.

The total taxables of the State are put down as follows:

Real Estate.....\$348,430,865

Personal Property.....\$141,037,977

Total taxables.....\$489,468,845

The Washington States of the 17th instant says that Hon Robert Dale Owen, is about to return to Indiana, after an absence of years, during five of which he was Minister near the Neapolitan government, where, we are assured, he will exert himself, as in bygone times, in behalf of Democratic principles.

To carry a single mail through from St. Louis to San Francisco, Cal, requires the use of 166 stations, 164 changes, 91 drivers; and 716 horses. The total number of horses required on the route is about 1,800.

The Peru Republican says the Small Pox has broken out in Miami county, and has spread to several families.

The LaPorte Board of Commissioners issued thirty-eight licenses to retail spirituous liquors.

After next Monday thirty-three stars must be on the national flag. This is in accordance with the act of Congress passed April, 1848, which declares that on the admission of every new State one star shall be added, and that such addition shall take place on the 4th of July next succeeding its admission.

The Logansport papers state that John A. Graham, of the Peru Sentinel, is appointed Governor of Kansas. Another newspaper writer says he thinks this is true from the fact that he received a private letter from him a few days since, written on gilt-edged paper!

Valuation of Real Estate.

The following table shows the value of real estate in Marshall County, by Townships. The total includes rail road and town property and improvements.

Townships	Acres	Improv's	Acres	Total.
LaPorte	21,466	\$2,522,598	12,37	\$6,958,206
Case	258,579	2,293,455	10,18	3,555,193
Miami	231,761	2,675,224	12,20	3,113,986
St. Joseph	255,473	3,000,465	11,74	3,065,095
Porter	255,579	2,059,847	7,39	3,162,855
Marshall	266,26	2,249,727	8,47	2,776,728
White	312,75	2,249,771	7,19	2,848,935
Benton	260,997	1,480,413	5,50	1,463,443
Fulton	278,726	1,563,143	5,61	2,666,812
Baker	250,570	910,685	2,03	981,534
Pulaski	18,879	507,982	2,61	694,098
Stark	18	507,982	2,61	694,098
Jasper	643,494	2,222,079	3,44	2,297,497

Total.....\$6,958,206

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