

## THE PLYMOUTH DEMOCRAT.

A. C. THOMPSON, Editor.

PLYMOUTH, INDIANA:

THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 2.

### Democratic Nominations.

FOR PRESIDENT,  
**STEPHEN A. DOUGLAS**  
OF ILLINOIS.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT,  
**HERSCHELL V. JOHNSON**,  
OF GEORGIA.

### STATE TICKET.

FOR GOVERNOR,  
**THOMAS A. HENDRICKS**, of Shelby.

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR,  
**DAVID TURPIE**, of White.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE,  
**WILLIAM H. SCHLATER**, of Wayne.

FOR AUDITOR OF STATE,  
**JOSEPH RISTINE**, of Vigo.

FOR TREASURER OF STATE,  
**NATH'L F. CUNNINGHAM**, of Vigo.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL,  
**OSCAR B. BORD**, of Decatur.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,  
**SAMUEL L. RUGG**, of Allen.

FOR CLERK SUPREME COURT,  
**CORNELIUS O'BRIEN**, of Dearborn.

FOR REPORTER SUPREME COURT,  
**M. C. KERR**, of Floyd.

FOR CONGRESS, 9TH DISTRICT,  
**CHARLES W. CATHCART**, of LaPorte.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE OF STARKE AND MARSHALL COUNTIES,  
**M. A. O. PACKARD**.

FOR PROSECUTOR 9TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,  
**J. E. McCARTHY**, of Fulton.

FOR JUDGE COMMON PLEAS COURT,  
**DANIEL NOYES**, of La Porte.

FOR COMMON PLEAS PROSECUTOR,  
**R. L. FARNWORTH**, of St. Joseph.

### COUNTY TICKET.

FOR TREASURER,  
**JOHN M. SHOEMAKER**.

FOR SHERIFF,  
**HENRY M. LOGAN**.

FOR COUNTY SURVEYOR,  
**J. M. KLINGER**.

FOR CORONER,  
**STEPHEN SHARPE**.

### Public Speaking

For the benefit of our Starke county readers in particular, we say to them that we are assured that Mr. Packard will meet his opponent, Mr. John C. Jones, at Knox, on Saturday next, for the purpose of discussing the political issues of the day with him.

Owing to the short notice and other arrangements being made beforehand, Mr. Packard had to forego the pleasure of meeting Mr. Jones at the other places he is posted, in the Republican, to speak.

### The Conspiracy.

It is useless for the opponents of Douglas—the Lincolnites and the Breckinridge bolters—to try to disguise the fact that they have conspired to defeat Mr. Douglas, for everything published by the organs of these factions, and all the speeches made by the leaders of these factions, go to prove that they have formed a conspiracy, and that they are at an understanding as to the game that is to be played. The Breckinridge organ recently started at Indianapolis, the *Old Line Guard*, is now the Republican text-book, and is quoted from more extensively than any of the most ably conducted opposition journals. The sentiments contained in its editorials are endorsed to a great extent by the Editors of the North. They praise Breckinridge, and in return Breckinridge's friends applaud 'Old Abe,' and so the work goes on. The bolters say that Douglas is not the *regular* nominee of the party, and the Republicans are after them, and say they give Democratic authority for it, and then quote from the *Old Line Guard*. These disorganizers have the impudence to compare Douglas to Van Buren, as though he was the bolter, and say that in four years he will be politically as dead as Van Buren has been since he bolted the nomination of Cass and Butler; and they claim that Breckinridge is the *regular* nominee of the party, when he is really the candidate of a lot of bogus delegates and a squad of bolters, fanatics and avowed disunionists. They say they left the party because they could not support the principles contained in the Charleston Platform. This is simply untrue, and their actions prove it. If they bolted on account of principle, why did they stay in the convention AFTER THE PLAT-FORM WAS ADOPTED and vote for the men of their choice FIFTY-SEVEN times? when they found they could not get those they wanted, or rather, could not DEFEAT Douglas, then they manifested their love of principle by BOLTING!—All the principle they had at heart was the same principle that the Republican party has been acting upon for some years past, namely—opposition to Douglas; and when they found they could not defeat him in the convention, for the purpose of carrying out their principle, they bolted, made a nomination, formed a coalition with the Republican party, and the members of the new firm of Greely, Yancey & Co. are now in full operation, striving to carry out their great principles—opposition to the candidate of the people for the Presidency—Stephen A. Douglas. Democrats beware of them and the disorganizing documents they are now circulating. They would sooner see the Union dissolved than Douglas elected President of these United States.

We are glad to say that the Administration Breckinridge Democrats in this county, do not desire to have an electoral ticket run in this State for Breckinridge and Lane, and they say very truly, as there is no hope of giving the State to Breckinridge, if there is a Breckinridge ticket gotten up in this State, then the matter will be fairly understood and acted upon. We entertain the hope and belief that those who differ with the great majority of the Democratic party will not permit themselves to be controlled by disappointed aspirants who are evidently trying to destroy the very party that has given them the positions they now hold, merely because the entire party will not do their bidding.

**BRENNAN POLE.**—The Democrats of German Tp. will raise a pole at Bremen, on Saturday, the 11th day of August, which will be one week from Saturday next. Mr. Packard has agreed to be present and address the Democracy. A very large turn out is expected, and the Democrats in that vicinity are making calculations on having a fine time. All that is necessary to insure this is a good attendance. The speaking will be of a character that it will both interest and instruct. Come out.

### County Expenses. Again.

In his issue of last week, the editor of the Republican argued all over and on all sides of the county expenditures and the duties of the Board of County Commissioners, in regard to the poor. The first thing he takes up is the Poor Expense. We quote a few sentences on this point from his pen, and we wish our readers to pay particular attention to the argument contained in them. The italics are our own:

"In order to make the case out as bad as possible he attempts to make the Republican Commissioners responsible for the increase in the amount expended for taking care of the poor. *Everybody understands that the Commissioners had very little if any control over this matter.* The bills for keeping the poor were certified to by the township trustees, and the Commissioners were compelled to allow them."

He goes on to excuse the Township Trustees and the Commissioners for the increase of the expenditures, and then adds:

"We would not, however, be understood as advocating a reckless and indiscriminate course on the part of public officers in this respect. We think it their duty to look to the interest of the taxpayers as well as the comfort and happiness of the poor. We therefore desire that the action of the Commissioners in endeavoring to control the expenses in this particular, notwithstanding the petulant and unfounded complaints of ye affidavit editor. We shall not stop to argue the legality of their action in the premises with the editor. His opinion about legal points, like our own, is not worth much. The Commissioners examined the law and came to the conclusion that they had authority to do as they did. If they erred, it was an error of the head, not of the heart. *But* we will make it all right at the end of two years by improving the poor farm with the money they intended to make the Democratic ex-officers disgorge, which they pocketed in the shape of illegal fees."

Here he commands the course of the Commissioners for taking entire control of the poor, forgetting that he stated in the first quotation we made from him, (what is true) that everybody knew they had little or nothing to do with the taking care of the poor. We leave our readers to contrast these two paragraphs. The logical old gentleman *does not think they erred* when they unlawfully took charge of the poor, but says, "everybody understands the Commissioners had very little if any control over this matter." He says they will make it all right by making the Democratic ex-officers disgorge. He does not say a word about the amount that Fuller has already failed to account for. Should he keep on as he has commenced, according to his "exhibit," the county will be swindled out of between four and five thousand dollars. The thousand or more that Fuller has failed to account for, would go far toward building a Poor House, when the poor of the county could be taken care of much cheaper and better than they now are. But, they never say one word about making the Republican officers disgorge, and in the case of Packard and Corbaley they have shown themselves to be base and corrupt partial, making Packard pay up immediately, and letting Corbaley, who was Packard's predecessor in the Clerk's office, go without paying what was due from him when Packard went into office, because he (Corbaley) is a brother Republican, and they *were afraid to push him*, fearing that it might break him up."

We must say that we have but little faith in the honesty of men that will let politics control them in this manner. For some time we hoped, for their own reputation and the good of those concerned, that they would make some arrangement about this matter, but if they have the public not been informed of it, and the editor of the Republican said he would not be slow in making the master known.

Next he speaks of the Auditor's fees, and said that we knew that Mr. McDonald entered one of his allowances for \$50 on the journals \$50. We did know that such was the case, as we only had Fuller's word or say so for it. Though it may be so. He then goes on to speak of the extra labor Mr. Fuller had to perform. We suppose he has reference to *filling the Read Receipts*. This, we understand, was not thought to be legal, and Fuller told them that, as he was not entitled to anything for filling them, he would be contented with *half* what he had brought in his bill for.

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### Starke County Correspondence.

Knox, July 30, 1860.

Mr. THOMPSON—Dear Sir: Permit me to occupy a small space in your paper to notice an editorial which appeared in the last week's Republican.

Mattingly must be very hard up for editorial matter, or he certainly would never stoop to the low contemptible practice of attacking private citizens who are entire strangers to him, (and forever wish to be,) and who lives in a different county from himself. I do not profess to be a politician, neither am I a candidate for any office. I have all I can do to attend to my own business, and let other people's alone; and I only claim the right of enjoying my own opinions in regard to religious and political matters which are granted to me by the Constitution of my country.

The article referred to in the Republican is entirely all false, and a false coloring put to the whole of it. He says I am figuring to get an individual nominated for Clerk in Starke county who is incompetent to fill the office, with the understanding that if elected I should fill the office for him, at least he says he was informed that such was the case. I will just state to Mattingly that the above charge is a lie—that he nor no other man ever heard me say anything that expressed or implied such an idea; and I shall believe Mattingly the author of said lie until he trots out his informant. If we men in Knox that are capable of manufacturing such a lie, and especially on a private citizen that has but little to do with politics, we wish to have them pointed out. The course they are pursuing is most cowardly, mean and despicable. Why do they hide behind the editor and get him to publish their lies and falsehoods as editorials? If there are any such, it is because they know they are manufacturing lies, and they know they could get no person here to believe them and they would receive the condemnation they so justly deserve. I will say further, that I have never entered into such an arrangement with any man that is now, has been, or ever will be a candidate for the office of Clerk or any other office in Starke county this fall; and I defy any man to prove to the contrary. How convenient to suppose that I could get the people of Starke county to elect a man to the office of Clerk or any other office that was so incompetent, that we venture to say, that were his matters all straightened up, and all Mr. Fuller's liabilities liquidated, he would be worth at least twice as much as the old lazy hypocrite who calls him "indolent" and "worthless." Where Thompson is now, Fuller's remarks will have a contrary effect to what he desires.

Mr. Fuller has misrepresent in relation to the Thompson mortgage. He quibbles beautifully; misquotes, &c., but it won't do. He now has the mortgage in his possession, and Mr. McDonald only took Fuller's word for it when he spoke of his not accepting it. He merely said in substance that he did not expect Mr. Fuller would accept it, and gave as his reason for thinking so that he and Thompson were both Democrats. We predict that on account of their being Democrats Mr. Fuller will not do what has agreed to do. We shall "accept" the mortgage—but that "did take it." Will Mr. Fuller deny this assertion?

The Auditor's remarks in relation to W. D. Thompson are most contemptible, as well as false, as is every particular. Instead of being an "indolent" man, he has been a hard working farmer. He started in the world without anything, and we venture to say, that were his matters all straightened up, and all Mr. Fuller's liabilities liquidated, he would be worth at least twice as much as the old lazy hypocrite who calls him "indolent" and "worthless." Where Thompson is now, Fuller's remarks will have a contrary effect to what he desires.

It will be news to Thompson's friends to learn from Auditor Fuller that he is "indolent" and "worthless." We suppose this will be recollected.

From Iowa  
FORT DES MOINES, July 28, '60  
A. C. THOMPSON, Esq., ED. DEMOCRAT:

Dear Sir—I have received the Democrat regularly since my arrival here, and its contents have been read with avidity. I am glad to learn that the Democrats of Marshall county are awake to a sense of their duty, and particularly those who were induced to vote for the present office holders of the county.

There is a great excitement in 'Hawkeye' at this time. Douglas stock has an upward tendency. I learned the other day of sixty accessions for the Little Giant in Marion county. There is great unanimity of sentiment in favor of him in this section of the country. Breckinridge stock is not in the market here. Railes in good demand from *old-salt* sellers.

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The illegal fees he charges Mr. McDonald with allowing, he (McDonald) is no more to blame for than the most remote or disinterested person in the county.