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FOR PRESIDENT IN 1852,
GENERAL JOSEPH LANE,

OF INDIANA.

Subject to the decision of a Democratic National Convention.

A "VOICE" FROM OLD VIGO.—In another column will be found the proceedings of the Democratic County Convention, held at the Court House on Saturday last, for the purpose of selecting delegates to attend the Democratic State Convention to assemble at Indianapolis on the 24th of February next. We are happy to say, that, in spite of the inclemency of the weather, there was quite a respectable number in attendance, and the meeting was characterized by the greatest unanimity of feeling. The resolutions adopted in regard to the Compromise Measures of the last Congress, reflects the undivided sentiment of the Democracy of Old Vigo, and evinced, that upon this great subject of national agitation, they are right. The resolutions endorsing the administration of our present popular executive, Gov. Wright, and recommending him for re-nomination, will be read with enthusiasm by the friends of our esteemed Governor, throughout the State. In regard to the resolution endorsing the course of the Terre-Haute Journal and recommending it to the support and patronage of the Democracy of the 7th Congressional district, modesty requires we should say nothing. We shall use every effort in our power to merit the tribute which our friends have thought proper to bestow upon us.

MECHANIC'S HISTORICAL SOCIETY.—The third lecture of the series was delivered on Monday evening last, by Hon. R. W. Thompson, on the all absorbing and interesting subject of "Hungary and Kossuth." The subject was treated with that masterly ability for which the lectures are distinguished, and an exceedingly large and respectable audience was in attendance upon the occasion. The address, although upwards of two hours in length, was listened to with the most profound attention and elicited repeated bursts of applause. We were pleased with the broad, bold, and patriotic stand, which the honorable gentleman took in regard to Kossuth and his mission to America. Unless this lecture should be submitted for publication we will refer to it again.

HOLIDAY FESTIVITIES.—The holidays have passed quietly, but rather pleasantly by. There was quite a succession of festivities during the greater part of last week which we neglected to notice. The Christian Aid Society connected with St. Stephen's Church, held two magnificent festivals on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings before Christmas, both of which were well attended and the net proceeds of the two evenings amounted, we are informed, to upwards of \$250. The "Social Union" connected with the Universalist Church, held a brilliant carnival on Christmas night. Near two hundred were in attendance upon the occasion. The New Year's Bell, last night, was one of the most brilliant affairs of the season. A large and fashionable company participated in the exercises of the evening.

"And all went merry as a marriage bell."

The thanks of the company present are most certainly due the polite and gentlemanly Managers for their efficient attention to the arrangements of the evening.

The splendid new Corinthian Hall, of E. W. Smith's, in Phoenix Row, was the scene of the greater portion of the holiday festivities.

WE see the names of R. W. THOMSON and CHAUNCEY ROSE, of our city, favorably spoken of in connection with the next Whig nomination for Governor. We see also mentioned the names of George G. Dunn of Lawrence, Abner T. Ellis of Knox, Judge Elliott of Henry, Solomon Meredith of Wayne, and others. It has become pretty generally conceded that in the Democratic Convention Gov. Wright will have no regular opponent for the nomination.

SOLON TURNER, the talented and efficient Senator from Fountain county, long and favorably known as the editor of the "People's Friend," has been absenting in our city during the past week.

HON. THOS. H. BENTON passed through our town, last Sunday, on his way to Washington City. Quite a number of our citizens of all parties paid their greetings to the veteran statesman. The object of his present visit to Washington, is the settlement of some business in relation to the estate of his son-in-law, Col. Fremont.

WE learn from the telegraphic dispatches to the Louisville papers, that Kossuth was received at Philadelphia on the 24th inst., with a great deal of enthusiasm.

The loss of the Congressional Library is now estimated at \$200,000. Many rare books, which can never be replaced, were burned.

JUDGE HOLMAN, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, has reported against establishing the office of Attorney General in accordance with the Governor's recommendation. He says in his report that it will cost less to employ counsel when the State needs the services of such. The report was concurred in.

WE notice in the State Sentinel of the 22d, that Mr. Austin H. Brown, of that paper, was annexed on the 17th by the Rev. C. W. Ruter, to Miss Margaret E. Russell, daughter of Col. A. W. Russell.

A call has been made for a Hungarian and Kossuth meeting at the Court House, on tomorrow evening. Let all attend, as something interesting will engage the attention of the meeting.

It is generally known that J. E. Thompson was lately elected U. S. Senator in Kentucky, over such men as Crittenden and Dixon. A Kentucky Whig says the contest reminds him of the stanzas:

"The lion and the unicorn
Were fighting for the crown,
Over many a little dog
Have knoced them all down."

Legislative Summary.

CARRIER'S ADDRESS TO THE PATRONS OF THE TERRE-HAUTE JOURNAL.

January 1st, 1852.

Another year has gone. Another wrinkle is added to thy brow, Old Father Time. Thy records have grown bulky. Quite a sprinkling of folly, of treachery and of crime, have, in the last twelve months been added to them: And much impaired their usefulness, I fear, To those who curious would now read them; And scan what on their pages must appear.

But lessons have been taught us, and if kindly We listen to the admonitions of the past, We need not rush upon the future blindly.

Nor on delusive hopes our fortunes cast.

The paths of duty will be marked more plainly.

Life's battle will more easily be won.

And all will learn that self-reliance mainly Secures the pow'r, which great deeds are done.

'Tis meet for us to pause for contemplation.

Of past events, some moments of the year Just dawning, and to note it deviation.

From right, 'tis made the right less clear.

And happy those, who find in retrospection, Approval of their conscience and no guile Upon their hearts; to whom a calm inspection

Of all their acts, will bring content the while.

What strange admixture of joy and sadness,

Does Men's make, when briefly she recalls To mind, success and hope, or grief and sadness,

And every trouble which poor man befalls.

We feel at times as if obliterated.

Of all, we better than this renewed health.

Of unlike dishes—deprivation.

And cold comfort, thus mingled at a dash.

But out the wreck of hopes that we have cherished,

We may secure a moiety to show.

The fondness we have borne them. Though all perished,

We can't forget the object of our care.

Though withered are the flowers, which fond affection

Has strewn upon our paths, we may revive Some tender buds. Though kindness meet rejection,

The heart which prompts it may such acts subserve.

The last year has offered us no small addition.

And increase to our knowledge. Skill and Art Have lately had their wondrous exhibition,

In which our people played conspicuous part; And all nations of the Earth, and fairly

Won applause from those whose interest betrays A dislike to us, and from lips which rarely Give ut'rance to expression in our praise.

How sad 'twill ever be to tell the story

Of those, our countrymen, who urg'd by hate

Of Tyranny, and Wrong, and thirst for glory,

And sympathy for freedom met the fate

Of pirates, and of felons e'er the tardy

Expression of our Nation could embrace.

Within it's sympathy, such brave and hardy

Manhood, and try to save it from disgrace.

Even now we hear the shouts of welcome given

To one, who comes a hero, to our land,

Whom Tyranny, and Cossack aid, driv'd,

An exile from his home. To him the hand

Of friendship is extended, where oppression

Has never marked the haughty despot's trend

And where the voices of millions give expression,

To words that fill the hearts of Kings with dread.

Hungary and Kossuth! May those words ever

Be words of noble import, and excite

The sympathies of freemen, till endeavor

Shall yet be made to triumph for the right.

What though in France the cause of freedom languish,

And liberty be crushed, shall we not feel

For those who come to us with hearts of anguish

And make for aid an eloquent appeal?

Farewell Old Year! It may be, thy success

Shall reap the heavy harvest thou hast sown.

Throughout the Earth, and smite the stern oppressor,

Who's set upon his giddy throne.

Our memory will oft delight to travel

Amid thy ample records, and replace

Familiar scenes and faces, and unravel

Mysterious threads, and our wand'ring traces.

Patrons and Friends, for whom I have indited,

Lines which but rudely into verse are thrown,

May never prospects which you have be bright.

And never, friends, your cause down.

May hopes, new formed, attain their consummation,

And fond affection ever prove sincere

And everything give happy indication

Of peace and plenty, and a glad New Year.

Indianapolis Correspondence of Journal

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 30th, 1851.

MR. EDITOR.—

No business of consequence has been transacted by the Legislature for a week past. The adjournment over Christmas was a reasonable movement, for nothing of moment is ever done in legislation during the holidays.

It will be a great improvement to change the time for the sessions to commence until after the first of January.

There has been a good deal of backwardness manifested in relation to the organization of a system of general banking. Mr. Hudson to-day introduced a resolution, providing for a bill to establish banking on the basis of stock securities, reciting at considerable length the provisions to be embraced.

Quite an interesting debate sprung up, in relation to the details of the system, in which

Messrs. Spencer, Hudson, Owen, King and others participated; when the resolution was laid on the table and ordered to be printed. I judge from the expression of the speakers to-day, as well as from other observation, that the Legislature will this winter provide for the organization of free banks.

As I have but little to communicate, it is fitting that my letter should be correspondingly short.

WABASH.

—There has been a rise of several feet in the Wabash, since our last issue and still rising. It may therefore be confidently anticipated, that steam boats will be enabled to ascend in a very short time.

A telegraphic dispatch from Cincinnati reports that the Ohio has risen, to be navigable for boats of average size, and a probability of a further rise. This will be gratifying intelligence to many.

We have received a copy of the Speech of Hon. Jas. M. HANNA, our talented and energetic State Senator, upon the 13th article of the New Constitution, (the negro exclusion clause,) which we will lay before our readers in our next issue.

JUDGE GUINN, of the United States Supreme Court has been spoken of in connection with the Presidency.

—"The Land We Live In" says, that in the late elections, Mississippi merely mistook her Foe for her friend.

McKaskill, the Nova Scotia giant, measured with Jim Porter, of Portland, Ky.—the tallest man in the west—the other night in Louisville.

George D. Prentiss, of Louisville, Ky., is spoken of as being the most available man for U. S. Senator, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Hon. Henry Clay.

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DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION.

Pursuant to previous notice, a meeting of the Democracy of Vigo county was held at the Court House, on Saturday the 27th of December, 1851. On motion Dr. EZRA READ was called to the chair, and WM. E. MCLEAN appointed Secretary. The President, on taking the chair, briefly explained the object of the meeting, after which, on motion of Mr. OLEY, a committee of nine was appointed to draft a series of resolutions to submit to the consideration of the meeting; whereupon the chair appointed the following gentlemen to constitute said committee: Messrs. OLEY, Patterson, Fairbanks, Cookerly, Cornwell, Gannon, Lewis, Cusick and Crews. On motion of Mr. Patterson, a committee of five was appointed for the purpose of selecting delegates to represent Vigo county in the next Democratic State Convention, to be held at Indianapolis, February 24th, 1852. The Chair appointed Messrs. Judge WEDDING, of Harrison township, Thos. Wells, of Nevins Township, Jacob Juniper, of Sugar Creek Township, David Sasseen, of Outer Creek Township, and Andrew A. Stephenson, of Honey Creek Township, said committee.

The committee appointed for the purpose of drafting a series of resolutions expressive of the sentiment of the meeting, presented the following which were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we view the Compromise Measures, passed at the last session of Congress, a reasonable and fair adjustment of the exciting issues dividing the North and the South; and that we hold all persons who are in favor of further agitation, as enemies to the welfare and perpetuity of our Great Union.

Resolved, That in the choice of a Candidate for the Presidency, although we cherish a preference for Indiana's favorite Son, GEN. JOSEPH LANE, who, both in civil and military stations has signalized his devotion to the best interests of his Country, we do not forget that men secondary to principles; and we will cordially unite in the support of that man, who in the judgment of a National Convention, shall be esteemed, best fitted to give practical success to our principles.

Resolved, That we extend to Louis Kossuth, Governor of Hungary, and his compatriots in exile, a hearty welcome to our shores; and express the deepest sympathy for the success of the Hungarian cause.

Resolved, That we have full confidence in the integrity and ability of our present Governor, and that we ratify and approve of all the leading measures of his Administration.

Resolved, That the Democracy of Vigo approve of the course of the "Terre-Haute Journal," and take pleasure in recommending it, to the favorable consideration and patronage of our Democratic friends throughout the 7th Congressional District.

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