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FULTON FERRY ACCIDENT.—ANY PASSENGERS who were eye witnesses of the drowning accident at the Fulton ferry on Monday last, will confer a particular favor on the subscriber by leaving their name and address with him.
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IRISH AID SOCIETY.—THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF this association commenced their humane labors on Tuesday last. The following gentlemen compose the committee viz.:—Michael Cox, Patrick McIlray, James Sanders, Michae Peppard, Wm. P. Powers and James Mulligan. Upon that occasion several new members were admitted to the association, and donations were received from the following gentlemen:—Messrs. Allen, of the New York and Erie Railroad Company, $20; Silas C. Herring, second donation, $35; B. P. Purdy, $25; Patrick McElroy, $10; Peter Managhan, $10; Timothy Daly, $10; Richard B. Connally, $25; Michael Cox, $10; Michael Tracy, $10; John Chambers, Fourteenth ward, $10; Anthony De Giro, $25; Charles Devlin, contractor, $20; Wm. S. Duke, Governor of Almshouse, $10; J. H. Cowdry, $10; Joseph Lynch, contractor, $10; Daniel Gilmartin, $10; James Gallagher, $5; John Egan, $5; Geo. W. Brown, $5; Mathew Green, $5—total $270. Besides the above, a number of smaller sums were given by various gentlemen as first donations, which will be enumerated in our next report. The above statement shows a satisfactory increase in the funds of the association, and displays an accession of generous and respectable donors which is pleasing to contemplate. By those means the action of the association is enlarged, and numbers of families now destitute and a burthen to our citizens, will be removed to a part of the country where their labor is needed and will be solidly appreciated. It is sincerely hoped that the press will give its support to this truly benevolent and useful movement, by which the country at large will be ultimately benefitted. We now call upon all classes who take the interests of the country to heart to come forward with their mite, be it ever so small, and assist in alleviating misery and peopling the glorious West, whose virgin soil teems with fertility, ready to give up its golden treasures to the first efforts of industry.
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NOTICE TO THE BONDHOLDERS OF THE PHENIX Mining and Manufacturing Company of Virginia.—Those bondholders who do not accept of the proposed arrangement on or before the 10th day of September next, will then have to depend entirely upon the security they may have under the supposed mortgage, as the present proposition will not be continued or renewed after that date. For full particulars apply at 13 Broadway, between 9 and 12 o'clock.
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THE MEMBERS OF LAFAYETTE LODGE NO. 64, F. & A. M., are earnestly requested to be punctual in attendance at the regular meeting, to be held this (Friday) evening, at the Masonic Temple, corner Broome and Crosby streets. Business of importance will be brought before the lodge. By order. W. IRVING ADAMS, Secretary.

WE UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS A LARGE NUMber of our military and target companies visiting Newark, N. J., this season for target practice; amongst the rest the police department of the city of Brooklyn, who visit that place on the 26th inst., they all dine at Military Hall. This is the best place in the State for companies, their being ample accomodations for any number from one to five hundred.

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MOSES F. ODELL, ESQ.:—Dear sir: The undersigned United States Weighers, in view of the public announcement that you have resigned the arduous and responsible position of Assistant Collector at this port, deem this the proper occasion and take the liberty of expressing the high admiration and esteem in which you are held by us, as an honorable man and an excellent public officer.
We have witnessed with much satisfaction, the prompt, fearless, and independent manner in which you have discharged the duties of your late office, and congratulate you upon the enviable reputation you have established in the minds of all just and fair minded men, (who are at all familiar with the laborious, complicated and oftentimes vexatious nature of the services you have been required to perform,) as an efficient public officer and an intelligent, energetic, and trustworthy business man.
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Wishing you the success which we know you do and will continue to deserve, in your new business enterprise, and all the happiness and prosperity life can afford, we subscribe our names and remain your friends, &c., truly,
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NEW YORK, Sept. 5, 1855.
TO THE U. S. WEIGHERS:—Gentlemen: I am in receipt of your kind letter of the 1st inst., commending my official services in the position I have recently vacated. You also express warmly your feelings of interest in my future welfare.
You all having from your experience, together with your good judgment, a just estimate of what is required at the hands of a public officer, affords my pleasure in receiving your communication. I do not deem it a thing of little worth to have the good wishes of so worthy an association as the Board of U. S. Weighers.
Let me assure you that your unqualified endorsement of my official life, covering as it does a period of over eleven years, is highly prized. It is enhanced in the fact that some of you have held place longer than myself, hence my all of service is known to you; others of your number knew me in my boyhood days, and others again, when, in my earlier manhood, we met in other scenes and associations. Some of you I first met in the incidents pertaining to and growing out of our respective positions in the revenue department of this district—we met as strangers; it is pleasant to know that we separate officially as friends.
I can only add, to be weighed in the balances of so excellent a corps of officers, and in the scales of your good judgment not found wanting, is better than houses and lands, and will I am sure, in after life, afford me more satisfaction.
You will each of you please accept my sincere and hearty good wishes for your future prosperity and happiness. In office or out, I trust you and "yours" will ever have the benignant smiles of a kind Providence to attend you through life. Believe me to be, yours sincely, M. F. ODELL.
To D. G. Lobdell, James Campbell, E. A. Kimball, and others, U. S. Weighers of District of New York.

ANTONIO.—YOUR BROTHERS WILL CALL FOR YOU in East Twenty-third street, as before on Saturday morning, Sept. 8, a little after ten o'clock. They wish very much to see you again. Do not disappoint them.

INFORMATION WANTED—OF JOHN GREADY, BY HIS sister Catherine Gready; any information of him will be thankfully received at 149 Elizabeth street. When last heard of he was in Chicago. Chicago papers please copy.

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THE LIQUOR QUESTION.

THE LIQUOR DEALERS' CENTRAL CONVENTION will meet on Thursday evening, at 8 o'clock, at National Hall, 31 Canal street. Members are particularly requested to be in attendance for the transaction of important business. By order, P. W. LYNES, President.
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RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

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DENTISTRY.

A CARD.—I AM INFORMED, BY HAVING RETURNED some of my circulars, that several persons have been charged for delivery, which is an imposition—having paid the person, I gave them to deliver. Monday following he informs me that he delivered all but fifty, which he put into the general Post office, prepaying them, but which to my great regret I find to be not the case. I beg therefore to be excused by all who had to pay the postage.
D. STEINBERG, Dentist, 636 Broadway.

POLITICAL INTELLIGENCE.

Meeting of the Hard Shell State Committee.

Pursuant to notice, the Hard Shell State Central Committee met yesterday, at the Astor House, at 12 M., to nominate a candidate for State Engineer, in place of George Cole, of Buffalo, who refused to be run on the hard shell democratic ticket. The session of the committee was one of no little interest to city politicians, who supposed that some resolutions would be passed or a disposition shown to soften down, and perhaps nominate the soft candidate for that office. But, contrary to al expectation, no public expression of opinion was had, and the candidate who received the nomination is an old and active adamantine.

The committee met at 12 M., Samuel Fowler, of Orange, occupying the chair, and John Y. Savage, of New York, assisted by Louis M. Glover, also of New York, officiated as secretaries. On calling the roll it was discovered tha nineteen members of the committee out of the twenty-four, constituting that body, were present.

After the organization, the purposes of the meeting were briefly explained by the chairman, after which some informal conversation was had as to the proper course to pursue. About half past one o'clock the convention adjourned to take a drink and think over the matter.

After the recess they re-assembled at half past three o'clock, and unanimously nominated John D. Fay, of Monroe county, as the hard candidate for State Engineer. When the nomination was announced it gave great satisfaction to the outside lobby. Mr. Fay was the hard candidate for State Engineer in 1853, and made a good run, and would have been elected but for one unfortunate circumstance—namely, he did not receive votes enough. John S. Clerke, on the whig ticket, was the successful candidate. Mr. Fay was also the hard candidate in 1849, but was withdrawn before the election came off. At present he is a Division Engineer on the canals, and is a very competent officer.

The hard shells have taken fresh courage since the meeting of the Soft State Convention, whose anti-slavery platform they think will disgust a great many and induce them to return to the fold of the hards again. In order to thoroughly organize the State, a motion was made and carried to appoint a committee of two persons from each Assembly district who would act as a corresponding and organizing committee, to bring all the hard forces into the field. After the transaction of some pursly private business the committee adjourned.

Among the outsiders in attendance were J. F. Nafew, of Albany; Josiah Sunderland, Fred. Follet, Gen. Aaron Ward, Dr. Burr of Broome county, John Peirson of Troy, T. C. Aitkens of Kings county, Judge Cohen of Queen's, Daniel Wager of Utica, and Hon. Thos. J. Munday of New York.

City Politics.

HARD SHELL GENERAL COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the General Committee of the hard shells of New York was held last evening, at 663 Broadway. There was a pretty full attendance of the members, while of "outsiders" there was but a small number present. There were a few, however, who watched with great eagerness for the least symptom of a "fusion" feeling in the Committee.

Horace F. Clark occupied the chair, and John Y. Savage, Jr., and John W. Boyce officiated as secretaries. The appointment of the last named gentleman to the vacancy occasioned by the absence of one of the regular secretaries, Mr. Peter B. Sweeny, was greeted with smiles of approbation by the few outsiders aforesaid, and they soon after took their leave. The Committee proceeded with their business, unattended by a lobby.

On motion of ERASTUS W. GLOVER, it was

Resolved, That a committee of seven be appointed by the Chair to prepare a call for primary elections in the several wards, to elect delegates to the various nominating conventions, and report to this committee next Tuesday evening.

The Chair appointed as such committee:—Messrs. E. W. Glover, W. D. Parsons, John W. Boyce, George F. Alden, A. McCarthy, Robert McIntyre, and Joseph M. Marsh.

The following gentlemen were then appointed a committee to report resolutions for the consideration of the Committee:—John B. Baskin, Thomas J. Barr, —— Blake, E. F. Bouton, and —— Stuart. The Committee then took a recess of fifteen minutes.

Upon re-assembling, Mr. HASKIN, from the Committee on Resolutions, reported the following, which were read and loudly applauded:—

Resolved, That the National Democratic General Committee of the city and county of New York hereby endorse and approve the address adopted at the State Convention of the national democracy, held at Syracuse on the 23d of August, 1855, and the following resolutions also adopted at such convention, as containing the purest and most honest enunciation of the platform and principles of the national democratic party of this State, and of the Union:—

Resolved, That the national democratic party of New York hereby re assert their adherence and devotion to the principles of the national democracy, and of the constitution; that they adhere to and sustain in theory and practice the resolutions of the Democratic National Conventions of 1848 and 1852, as containing the cardinal principles of the democratic party of the Union. They re-adopt them with hearty good will, believing that time and experience have demonstrated their purity and soundness, and the necessity for a strict adherence thereto.

Resolved, That the lessons of the fathers of democracy teach frugality and economy in the administration of public affairs, and that we adhere to them as enduring articles of democratic faith.

Resolved, That we insist, as an article of our creed, upon the well established democratic doctrine of State rights, of a strict construction of the constitution, and the principle of non-intervention upon all domestic State questions—and that the peace and quiet of the country demand that it should be left to the people of the Territories, as pertains to the people of the States, to determine for themselves all local questions, including the subject of slavery, to the end that a subject so disturbing in its nature and influence may be wholly excluded from the action of the government of the Union; and that, in furtherance of these principles, we give our unqualified adherence to the Kansas-Nebraska bill, and oppose any effort to re-establish the Missouri prohibition.

Resolved, That the national democracy is opposed to all secret political societies, and that the first principles of a free government demand open and unrestricted discussion in all matters of public concern; that the guarantees of freedom of religious faith and worship contained in our State and federal constitutions be at the foundation of our national liberty and prosperity; that any attempt to abridge the privileges now granted to aliens, of becoming citizens and owners of the soil among us, or to affect the rights of adopted citizens to a full and equal participation in governmental affairs, as defined by the constitution, ought to be resisted as antagonistical to the genius of republican institutions, and that we, as democrats, recognize as evidence of fidelity or merit no distinction of birth or religious creed, believing it is the mission of the democracy to proclaim and maintain the great doctrines of civil and religious liberty, and to uphold and enforce the constitution in its sublime principles of justice and equality.

Resolved, That we regard the Prohibitory Liquor act, passed by the Legislature of this State at its last session, as not only a violation of the constitution, but also as subversive of personal liberty and the rights of private property; and that its repeal is, in our opinion, imperatively demanded.

Resolved, That all who agree in principle upon the leading questions of the day should act together, regardless of minor considerations—that we cordially invite all who agree with us in the doctrines here enunciated, regardless of former associations, to unite with us in engrafting them upon the policy of the country; but it is upon principle alone that we invite a union. We denounce all coalitions of those holding hostile sentiments, as unprincipled and demoralizing.

Resolved, That this committee heartily respond to and ratify the nominations made at such State Convention; that we recognize in each and every of our candidates sound and reliable national democrats, of tried experience, capacity and integrity, neither or whom belonged to the Van Buren and Adams free soil abolition party of 1848, or supported that political heresy, the "Wilmot Proviso," (as the most of the candidates on the administration State ticket did,) and we commend our principles and candidates to the enlightened support of the democracy of the county and State.

Resolved, That we deplore the present friendless condition of the federal administration in this State, inasmuch as, at its late State Convention, the official conduct of only two of the Cabinet (Guthrie and Marcy) in their financial and foreign policy was approved; while its only important legislative act involving and embodying national democratic principles—the Kansas-Nebraska act—was condemned and repudiated, and the "corner stone" of "Wilmot Proviso" resolution of 1847 adopted, "with great unanimity of feeling," upon the motion and under the lead of Messrs. Bowen and with the acquiescence of its old friend and supporter, Surveyor John Cochrane.

Resolved, That we appeal to all true national men who have been seduced into an unholy coalition with abolitionists, free soilers and time servers, to return to the regular national democratic organization while there is yet time, and be prepared to unite and rejoice in the future triumphs of the democracy of the Union.

They were adopted without debate, and without a dissenting voice.

A proposition to appoint a committee to reorganize the party in those wards where no organization exists, was, after extended conversation adopted, and Messrs. Wm. A. Turnure, G. E. Glover, E. B. Alden, E. B. Hart, and another whose name could not be ascertained, were appointed such committee.

Thomas J. Barr was appointed to a vacancy in the Finance Committee.

Mr. Andrew McCarthy, of the Seventh ward, announced to the committee the death of one of their colleagues, Mr. F. McGraw, of the Third ward, and after a brief eulogy of the deceased, moved the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Democratic General Committee of the city and county of New York, learn with feelings of deep regret the sudden death of their late colleague, Wm. F. McGraw, of the Third ward, and express their deep sympathy with his family and friends at his removal from a sphere of extended usefulness, as a man and a fellow citizen.

The resolution was unanimously adopted, and the committee adjourned to next Thursday evening.

As the members of the committee ushered from the hall leading to the committe room, a rough and tumble fight, between two fast men lounging about the entrance of a saloon near by, came off for their edification. Some appeared to enjoy the scene vastly, while others rushed forward to separate the combatants, which was effected with wonderful facility. Everything soon assumed its usual quiet aspect.

SOFT SHELL GENERAL COMMITTEE.

Lorenzo B. Shepard offered a long set of resolutions embracing the following points:

The Soft General Committee (Old Men's) met last night in Tammany Hall—Robert Kelly in the chair, and James L. Benedict and Alfred Chancellor acting as secretaries.

There was a large lobby in attendance, and considerable interest manifested in the proceedings, as it was understood the time for holding the primary elections would be determated, and resolutions offered in reference to the soft State platform. Among the outsiders were several prominent county and city office seekers, together with a number of smaller ward politicians. The committee itself was very full, all the prominent "soft" Custom House people being present. After the minutes were read,

1. Endorsing the candidates nominated at Syracuse, warmly.
2. Approving of the platform, so far as it relates to State politics.
3. Lauding the administration and its policy.
4. Warmly opposing Prince John's amendment to the platform, prohibiting the introduction of slavery into the Territories, and
5. Endorsing the Nebraska bill fully.

John Cochrane, Conrad Swackhamer, George Plisser and Thomas Reese, urged the adoption of the resolutions at great length, after which they were passed with very little opposition, though it is well known that no less than twenty of the members of this committee who were present, had voted for Van Buren in 1848, and nearly all of them are known to be in favor of free soil principles; nor yet so powerful is Cochrane and the Custom House that John has but to wave his hand and the committee follow it passively.

After the passage of the resolutions a motion was made and carried that the committee adjourn to the 27th inst., when a call for a primary election for County, City and Judicial Conventions will be issued.

It is understood that a grand mass meeting will be held at Tammany Hall on the 29th inst., to endorse the state nominations, at which it is said Gov. Seymour will be present.

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY.

Free soil republican clubs are now being rapidly organized in every ward of the city. As a general thing their members are composed of whigs who evidently design to use the organization for their own partisan purposes. In several of the districts two and three sets of delegates to Syracuse have been elected, each claiming to be regular, and there will be some confusion when the Republican State Convention meets as to who are the real delegates. However, it does not make much difference who are admitted, for most of the delegations are self-elected, bogus affairs. In the Third ward there are three sets of delegates claiming to be elected, two of these were nominated at Patton's Hotel, on Wednesday evening, known respectively as the Henderson and Costa parties. The only claim the former has over the latter is, that they were treated to champagne after the nomination, while the latter had to content themselves with brandy and water. This certainly establishes the regularity of the ticket.

REPUBLICAN GENERAL COMMITTEE.

The central committee of the republican party met last night at 455 Broome street, and determined to organize a city committee similar to the whig and democratic committees. They will meet on Saturday night at the same place to perfect their arrangements.

EIGHTH WARD REPUBLICANS.

A preliminary meeting of the republicans of the Eighth ward was held last night at the Mercer House, I. H. Peel presiding, when it was determined to adjourn to this evening at eight o'clock, to perfect their arrangements.

WHIG ASSEMBLY NOMINATIONS.

First Assembly District.—The Whig Assembly Convention of the First district (First and Second wards) was held last evening at Atlantic Garden, Thomas Cindy presiding, and James E. Carter acting as secretary. Peter B. Van Houtten, of the First ward, was nominated for Assembly. No delegate at large was nominated.

Second Assembly District.—The District Convention met at Patten's Hotel last evening, Owen W. Brennan presiding, and Charles B. Foote acting as secretary. No delegate at large was chosen.

H. N. Sherwood, of the Third ward, nominated D. C. Henderson, of the Third ward, for Assembly.

Mr. George W. Williams, of the Sixth ward, nominated Robert B. Coleman, of the Third ward, and claimed the nomination as being due the Sixth ward. Mr. Coleman was nominated.

Messrs. H. N. Sherwood and George W. Williams were appointed a committee to notify Mr. Coleman of his nomination. Mr. Coleman is the present Assemblyman from the district.

The Tenth District Whig Assembly Convention, composed of delegates from the Twelfth, Nineteenth and Twenty-second wards, met last evening, at George B. Over's, corner of Third avenue and Eighty sixth street, and on the third ballot nominated John M. Reed as their candidate.

The Whig Convention for the Fourteenth Assembly district (Sixteenth and Twentieth wards) met last evening at the Utah House, corner of Twenty-fifth street and Eighth avenue, and organized by the appointment of Isaac Dayton as chairman, and John B. Grideley as secretary. The convention then proceeded to ballot for a delegate at large, there being five from each ward, and the first ballot resulted as follows:—

Francis B. Curry.....6
Wm. H. Bull.....4

Mr. Curry appeared and took his seat, when the convention adjourned, to meet at the same place on the 2d of October.

Delegates from the two wards composing the same Assembly district met at the same time and place, for the purpose of electing a delegate to represent the district in the approaching Whig State Convention. An organization was effected by calling Samuel Delamater to the chair, and appointing James Milwood secretary. At a late hour, balloting was going forward for a delegate at large, with little prospect of any agreement.

THE SIXTEENTH ASSEMBLY CONVENTION.

This convention met at Thompson's, in the Fourth avenue, to elect an Assemblyman to represent the Sixteenth district. Several ballotings were had, but the convention could not agree upon a man, there being a tie between the two who received most votes. Mr. Stephenson and W. P. Earle are the individuals who so equally divided the convention. The election was postponed to some future period.

WORKINGMEN'S PROVISIONAL COMMITTEE.

This committee met at the Cooper House last evening, and organized by the election of William Arbuthnot as president, and William West for secretary.

A committee was appointed to report to the next meeting the names of members of standing committees. The committee consists of S. W. Jaques, E. W. Morgan and J. J. Bradshaw. On motion, the Chairman and Secretary were added. It was resolved to fill the vacancies in the committee at the next meeting.

The members of the Executive Committee were instructed to organize their ward committees and to report progress at the next meeting.

The Secretary was authorized to prepare a list of all the candidates for office, so far as put in nomination or that may be nominated, to meet on Tuesday evening.

Adjourned at 8 o'clock.

NOT A KNOW NOTHING.

Henry D. Johnson, who was announced as a candidate for City Inspector in yesterday's HERALD, is not a Know Nothing, as therein stated, but a *soft shell* administration democrat.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Please rectify a mistake in naming Jacob S. Moore for Comptroller. He is not a candidate for that office. Respectfully, JACOB S. MOORE.
September 6, 1855.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

In your paper of this morning, I find my name in the list of aspirants for the democratic nomination for Coroner. I beg leave to say that I am not knocking at that door for admission. DR. FREDERICK W. PERRY.
SEPT. 6, 1855.

Colored Convention at Troy.

This Convention met at Troy on the 4th inst. The following is the call:—

The undersigned, regarding the present as a favorable time for pressing the claims of the colored citizens of this State upon the consideration of our State government, with a view to the removal of the odious and invidious disabilities imposed therein, and to gain equal political rights, take the liberty to invite their colored fellow-citizens to assemble, in State Convention, in the city of Troy, on the first Tuesday of September, 1855. There is a sacred obligation resting upon the colored citizens of this State to give the ear of our Legislature no rest till every legal and political disability, with all its depressing and degrading tendencies, shall be swept from the Empire State. The undersigned express the hope that measures will be early taken to have every part of the State represented in the Convention.

Wm. Rich, of Troy, President (Fred. Douglass declining the honor); Rev. Mr. Ruse, of Hudson; J. W. Longen, of Syracuse; Francis Thompson, of Schenectady; Stephen Myers, of Albany; Wm. J. Hodges, of Williamsburg, Vice Presidents; and Geo. W. Lavery, of New York; Peter W. Ray, of Williamsburg; J. W. Duffin, of Geneva; John Harrison, of Troy, Secretaries.

Messrs. Douglass and