

# The Lancaster Gazette.

Monday Evening, Jan 5, 1852

From the St. Louis Spectre of the West  
The Way she Turned Blue.

The most bigoted and unreasonable party man I ever met with was Jack D., now a prosperous and influential attorney in S. County, in this State.

At the hour of which I am writing, he was a red hot democrat, and his chief pleasure seemed to consist in making the fact as notorious as possible to the world. His friends and acquaintances who knew him well, and whom he had repeatedly "victimized," with consent pronounced Jack a bore, and his politics a nuisance; but with a stranger the thing was essentially different. Seized by the brat, at the moment of introduction, Jack would astonish him by a rapid rehearsal of the articles of his political creed—branch out into the inextricable rhapsody on the manifest destiny of the great progressive party; and if the victim was unusually passive, wind up by an eloquent eulogy on the great "I did," as the living embodiment of his peculiar opinions, and in consequence, the greatest man of the age.—Such was Jack D., at the time of our story, acknowledged on every side as a firm and incorruptible democrat. But, alas, let us, however, not anticipate—but to our story:

One unlucky day, Jack met at the house of a friend, a young lady of great personal beauty & accomplishments, & attracted by her loveliness, and captivated by her intelligence, he became assiduous in his attentions. For a while his principles, and without enquiring what might be the political preferences of his "lady love," imprudently proposed, was accepted and they were married.

The wedding was over, the guests had departed, and the happy pair had retired to their chamber, and were snuggled up in bed, when Jack in the course of a quiet conversation with his wife, unwittingly alluded to his favorite subject by casually speaking of himself, as being a democrat.

"What!" exclaimed she, turning sharply and suddenly towards him, "are you a democrat?"

"Yes, madam," replied Jack—delighted with the idea of having a patient listener to his long restrained oratory. "Yes, madam, I am a democrat; a real Jeffersonian democrat, attached to the principles of the great progressive party; a regular out-and-out, double dyed and twist ed in the wool."

"Just double and twist yourself out of this bed, then!" interrupted his wife. "I am a whig; I am, and I will never sleep with a man professing the abominable doctrines you do."

Jack was speechless from absolute abasement. That the very wife of his bosom should prove a traitor was horrible—he must be jesting. He remonstrated—in vain—tried persuasion—twice useless—stately—"was no go." She was in sober earnest, and the only alternative left him was a prompt denunciation of his heresy, or a separate bed in another room. Jack did not hesitate. To share the great and established doctrine of his party, to renounce his allegiance to that faith that had become identified with his very being, to surrender those glorious principles which had grown with his growth, and strengthened with his strength—to the mere whim and caprice of a woman, was utterly ridiculous and absurd, and he threw himself from the bed and prepared to quit the room.

As he was leaving the door, his wife screamed out to him, "I say, my dear, when you recent your heresy and repeat your past errors, just knock at my door and perhaps I will let you in."

This door was violently slammed, and Jack proceeded wretchedly in quest of another apartment.

A sense of insulted dignity and the firm conviction that he was a martyr in the "right cause" strengthened his pride, and he resolved to hold out until he forced his wife into a capitulation.

In the morning she met him as if nothing had happened; but whenever Jack ventured in allude to the rupture of the night previous, there was a "laughing devil" in her eye, which bespoke her power and extinguished hope. A second time he returned to his lonely couch, and a second time he called upon his pride to support him in the struggle which he now found was going desperate. He vented curses, "not loud but deep," on the waywardness and caprice of the sex in general, and of his own wife in particular—wondered how much longer she would hold out—whether she suffered as acutely as he did, and tried hard to deduce himself into the belief that she loved him too much to prolong the estrangement and would come to him with morning—perhaps that very night and soon for reconciliation—but then came the recollection of that inflexible countenance of that unshaven will, and of the laugh and implying eye—and he felt convinced that he was hoping against hope, and dismally he turned to the wall for oblivion from the wretchedness of his own thoughts.

The second day was a repetition of the first; no allusion was made to the forbidden subject, on either side. There was a look of quiet happiness and cheerfulness about his wife, that puzzled Jack sorely, and he felt that signs of forcing her into a surrender, must be abandoned.

A third night he was alone with his thoughts. His reflections were more serious and composed than on the night previous. What they were, of course were known only to himself, but they seemed to result in something decided, for about midnight three distinct taps were made at his wife's door. No answer—and the signal was repeated in a louder tone; still all was silent, and a third time the door shook with violent out-tacks from this outsider.

"Who's there?" cried the voice of the wife, as if just aroused from deep sleep. "It's me, and perhaps a little the best, which you ever did see."

The resolution in his opinions was radical and permanent. He removed to another county, became popular, offered himself a candidate on the whig ticket for the legislature, and was elected; and for several years represented his adopted county, as a firm and decided whig.

John Howard, Esq., (Whig,) has been re-elected Mayor of Dayton.

**The Puzzled Drovers.—The Wheeler Argus** tells the following anecdote:

A gentleman who has been driving horses for the last twenty years or more from the west to our eastern market, came into town with a drove of fine horses. He drove his animals to the livery stable, and on counting them missed one of the number. He counted again, found he was the loser, and rode hastily down to the boat, but no intelligence could be obtained there of the lost horse. He rode back to the stable, offered a reward for the missing beast, and almost gave up in despair of recovering it. But he soon dismounted the horse he was riding—counted again—and lo! the number was correct. He declares he will never look for a lost critter again until he takes a circumspective view of the one under his saddle.

**FROZEN TO DEATH.—A man by the name of LUCKRONE, was found dead on Sunday last in a field about a mile north of this place. From his appearance he had been lying there for eight or ten days. We learn he was of intemperate habits, and it is supposed he was in town and became intoxicated, and in attempting to go home, was overcome by the cold and perished. An empty pint flask was found in his pocket, which seems to strengthen this supposition. Liquor no doubt was the true cause of his death.—Somerset Post, 25th ult.**

**1852 ALMANAC FOR 1852.** 1852 for sale by the gross or dozen.

Ornamental and of different kinds, at the Rock Store.

Also a good assortment of SCHOOL BOOKS and Miscellaneous Books, as well as an excellent quality of WRITING PAPER and other Stationery.

Lancaster, October 9, 1851.

**CARRIAGES, BUGGIES, WAGONS, FELLOWS.**—The undersigned respectfully inform the public at large, that they have purchased in large quantities of various kinds, and of different kinds, at the Rock Store.

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**CABINETS, DRAWERS, TRUNKS, &c.**—The undersigned respectfully inform the public at large, that they have purchased in large quantities of various kinds, and of different kinds, at the Rock Store.

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**CABINET SHOP—REMOVAL.**

D. C. FISHER, respectfully informs his old friends,

and the public generally, that he has removed his Cabinet Shop from Columbus to the old stand formerly occupied by George L. Eckert, on Broadway, four doors south of the market-house, where he will remain till the new stand is ready.

He has a full stock of all kinds of articles in his shop, and will be pleased to supply any article required.

Particular care has been taken in the selection of material and every article taken to visit the market.

It is the intention of the proprietor to supply the men and boys of this country with the most improved articles, each fall and spring, and they are respectively invited to call and take a look at our establishment.

All persons wishing to purchase are invited to call and examine for themselves.

Lancaster, April 10, 1851.

**QUEENSBURY.**—A fine assortment now unpacking at WISE'S.

Lancaster, Nov. 8, 1850.

**WINDOW GLASS.**—50 half boxes 8 by 10 and 8 half boxes 10 by 12, McCaffrey's superior Window Glass for sale by OTTO K. KRAMER.

Lancaster, May 29, 1851.

**OTTO K. KRAMER.**—Cass. paid for broken Glass.

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**THE TELEGRAPH LINE.**

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