

THE SENTINEL.

ROCKVILLE, MD.

FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 1860.

Nomination of Hon. Jas. A. Pearce.

The caucus of the Democratic members of the Legislature, to nominate a candidate for United States Senator, was held on Tuesday night last.

Messrs. Pearce, Long, Grason, Stewart, Groome, and Humphreys, were placed in nomination.

Mr. Pearce, on the first ballot, received 33 votes, and was declared the unanimous choice of the caucus.

As a nomination by the Democratic caucus, says a contemporary, may be considered as tantamount to an election, the return of Mr. Pearce to the United States Senate may now be regarded as a sure thing. We are equally sure that we express the general sentiment of this community when we say, that we are glad it is so. Mr. Pearce has deserved well of the State, and there was no reason to be given why he should be cast overboard to make room for a new man. The only objection that we have heard urged against his re-election, viz., the length of time that he has already served, was, in our eyes, an argument in his favor. He has been tried, and not found wanting. His soundness upon all the great questions of the day, and his devotion to the interests of Maryland, and of the country, cannot be questioned.

In point of ability, Mr. Pearce may claim to rank among the foremost of our public men. Why he should be set aside, then, would have been hard question to answer, and we are glad that the Legislature has been spared the necessity of assigning a reason for so unwise a step. Nor will the gratification with which the news of Mr. Pearce's re-nomination has been received here, be confined to this county or State. It will be shared extensively throughout the country, and be everywhere accepted as an earnest of the loyalty and conservatism of our people, who have known how fittingly to reward the eminent public services of all able and faithful Servitors.

Electors.—The municipal election, which took place in Frederick on Monday last, resulted in favor of the Democrats.

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The grandson of Mr. Wm. S. Milligan, attempted to eat up, when Mr. Clancy fired upon him, and Mr. Clancy died.

Mr. Witcher is seventy years old, and is a well known citizen. He was formerly President of the Danville Bank.

Hon. Mr. Keeler's Bazaar.—On Friday last, Mr. Keeler, the member of Congress from South Carolina, gave a dinner starting that an elder brother of his, a physician, residing at Atlanta, Georgia, was murdered.

The dinner was at the time of his brother's death, when he had just left for the State convention, and G. M. Elbridge, John B. Rowan, George P. Fulton and Andrew Orr, delegates to the Southern Slaveholding States—probably Maryland or Virginia. There is a report that Pilatka was marked down on John Brown's map with a red cross, indicating that it embraced the elements of insurrection.

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Kansas in Slavery.—Governor Dodge has released his 100,000 slaves in the Territory of Kansas. The Legislature has taken up the bill, and passed over the veto.

Painter to the House.—The election of Ex-Lt. Gov. Ford, of Ohio, as printer to the United States House of Representives, was on Wednesday last declared null and void. It appears that on Monday he obtained apparently just the necessary number of votes, but on Tuesday it was discovered that the name of Mr. Ruffin, of North Carolina, who voted for Mr. Glassburner, had been accidentally omitted from the count. This mistake was corrected on Wednesday, the vote of Mr. Ruffin counted, and an election consequently defeated. Another unsuccessful ballot was taken, and the election then postponed. Mr. Ford, under the impression that he was actually elected on Monday, took the oath of office, it is stated, on Tuesday, and entered upon his duties.

Pennsylvania Democratic Convention.—The Pennsylvania Democratic Convention met in Reading on Wednesday last, and was organized by the election of W. H. Welsh, Esq., of York, President. The vote stood, Welsh 81, Cunningham, of Beaver county, 41. The Welsh vote is regarded as representing the strength of President Buchanan in the convention.

For Charters.—Gov. Philip F. Thomas and J. M. Quinn, Esq., have been appointed delegates to the Charles City convention from Baltimore city. The convention which appointed them adopted resolutions endorsing the administration.

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MARYLAND AFFAIRS.—We glean the following from our State exchanges:

The dwelling house of Mr. Richardson, at Galena in the upper part of Kent county, took fire last Friday night and was entirely consumed. Loss not reported. Cause accidental.

A young man named George Whicker, residing in the upper part of Harford county, a house-carpenter by trade, and much respected in his neighborhood, committed suicide a few nights since by hanging himself to a bed post at his home. No cause has been assigned for the act. The particulars can not be learned.

The Circuit Court for Frederick county is now in session. The Frederick Herald says: "On Wednesday, upon the affidavit of Messrs. Baughman and Norris, editors of the Citizen, who were sued by H. W. Hoffman, for libel, their case was removed to Washington county to be tried in March next."

On Saturday last Constable Thomas Corbett, of the Clearspring District, Washington co., in attempting to make a levy under a writ of fieri facias, was shot in the head by the party owning the property, and severely wounded. The party fled, and is still at large. On Friday last, a negro owned by Mr. Benjamin Long, was cut with a knife near Downsville, in the south county, resulting in his death the next day.

The Uniontown Press informs us that the house of Mr. Jose Babykin, near Uniontown, caught fire on Friday last from a stove pipe passing through the roof. It was, however, extinguished after doing considerable damage. We learn that, also, one day last week, while Rev. Mr. Ward was preaching a funeral sermon, the Sam's Creek Church caught fire, but by the timely discovery of the fire, it was extinguished before any serious injury was done.

On Thursday evening of last week, a large meeting was held at Cumberland, Md., and resolutions adopted declaring that the Hon. Henry Winter Davis deserves the condemnation of the people of Maryland, and of the whole South, for his desertion of it, in the trying struggle between the enemies of the Union, and those loyal to the Union under the constitution; and that in his vote for speaker and president of the House of Representatives, he has judiciously identified himself with the black奴party."

Resolutions were also adopted condemning the course of the members of the Maryland Legislature who voted to endorse Mr. Davis for his erstwhile colleague.

Speeches were made by David Broder-

son, T. J. Jackson, and Robert Bruce, Esq.

At a meeting of the Democratic Convention of Allegany county, on Saturday last, at Cumberland, the following demands of that party were adopted: 1. That the State of Maryland should desire to continue to hold a position where State policy might dictate the injury of the revenue of the canal to advance the interest of the great railroads of the State."

Would that our Legislature could

act as the Attorney General of Virginia is strongly inclined, the false position in which the present course of policy has placed the State of Maryland. He says, "it is consistent with good faith and creditors," etc., "that Maryland, to advance its local interest, ought to give up a portion of a controlling power, should be managed by commissioners, or by a committee of tax collectors, in the event of its being unable to pay its debts."

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