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Real Estate Sales.

VALUABLE PROPERTY AT PRIVATE SALE.—The undersigned will offer at Private Sale, the following Valuable Property, situate near Dry Run, in Fannett township, Franklin county, Pa., viz: A TRACT OF MOUNTAIN LAND, part of the Jacob Rhodes tract, adjoining lands of Jacob Rhodes, Jacob Rhodes, Jr., and others, containing about 50 acres, more or less. Also, a TRACT OF MOUNTAIN LAND, part of the same tract, adjoining lands of Jacob Rhodes, Jr.,

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NOTICE.

Persons having any of the issues of the VALLEY SPIRIT since January last, will oblige us a great favor by sending them to us. We have lost all our files by the late fire and are unable to re-state our accounts until we can complete our files of the paper.

GEN. McCLELLAN'S LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE.

The Union Must be Preserved at all Hazards!

NEW YORK, Sept. 8—The following is the letter of General McCLELLAN accepting the Chicago nomination:

ORANGE, N. J., Sept. 8, 1864. Gentlemen—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter informing me of my nomination by the Democratic National Convention, to fill the place left vacant by the death of the President of the United States.

It is unnecessary for me to say to you that this nomination comes to me unsought.

I am happy to know that when the nomination was made the record of my public life was kept in view.

The effort of long and varied service in the army during war and peace has been to strengthen and make indelible in my mind and heart the love and reverence for the Union, Constitution, law and flag of our country inspired upon me in early youth.

These lessons have thus far guided the course of my life and must continue to do so to its end.

The evidence of more than one Government over the nation which once owned our flag, is incompatible with the peace, the power and the happiness of the people.

The preservation of our Union was the sole avowed object for which the war was commenced, and it should have been conducted in accordance with those principles, which I took occasion to declare when in active service. Thus conducted, the work of reconciliation would have been easy, and we would have reaped the benefits of our many victories on the land and the sea.

The Union was originally formed by the exercise of a spirit of conciliation and compromise, and to restore and preserve it the same spirit must prevail in our councils and in the hearts of the people. The re-establishment of the Union in all its integrity is and must continue to be the indispensable condition in any settlement.

As soon as it is clear, or even probable, that our present adversaries are ready for peace upon the basis of the Union, we should exhibit all the resources of statesmanship practiced by civilized nations and taught by the traditions of the American people, consistent with the honor and interests of the country, to secure such peace, re-establish the Union and guarantee for the future the conditional rights of every State. The Union is the one condition of peace, and we ask no more.

Let me add what I doubt not was although unexpressed, the sentiment of the Convention as it is of the people they represent, that when any one State is willing to return to the Union it should be received at once with a full guarantee of all its constitutional rights. If a frank, earnest and persistent effort to obtain these objects should fail, the responsibility for ulterior consequences will fall upon those who remain in arms against the Union, but the Union must be preserved at all hazards.

I could not look in the face of my gallant comrades of the army and navy, who have survived so many bloody battles, and tell them that their labors and the sacrifice of so many of our slain and wounded brethren had been in vain—that we had abandoned that Union for which we have so often pledged our lives.

A vast majority of our people, whether in the army and navy or at home, would, as I would, hail with unbounded joy the permanent restoration of peace, on the basis of the Union under the Constitution, without the effusion of another drop of blood, but no peace can be permanent which is not based on the Union under the Constitution. I feel sure that I shall meet in the Convention of the United States, and do have hopes of acceptance therefrom, the rule of my conduct and the limitations of executive power, in attempting to restore concord in public expenditure, to establish the supremacy of law, and by the operation of a more vigorous nationality, resume our commanding position among the nations of the earth.

The condition of our finances, the depreciation of the paper money, and the burdens thereby imposed on labor and capital, show the necessity of a return to a sound financial system, while the rights of citizens and the rights of States, and the binding authority of law over the President, the army and the people, are subjects of no less vital importance in war than in peace.

Believing that the views here expressed are those of the Convention and the people you represent, I accept the nomination, realize the weight of the responsibility to be borne, should the people ratify your choice. Conscious of my own weakness, I can only seek fervently the guidance of the Ruler of the Universe and relying on His all powerful aid, do my best to restore Union and peace to a suffering people and to establish and guard the liberties and rights.

I am gentlemen very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,
GEORGE B. McCLELLAN.

Hon. HORATIO SEYMOUR, and others, Committee.

Official Tender of the Nomination to Gen. McClellan.

NEW YORK, September 8.

Major General George B. McClellan:

SIR—The undersigned were appointed a committee by the National Democratic Convention which met at Chicago on the 29th of August, to advise you of your unanimous nomination by that body as the candidate of the Democratic party for President of the United States, and also to present to you a copy of the proceedings and resolutions of the Convention.

It gives us great pleasure to perform this duty, and to act as the representatives of that convention whose deliberations were witnessed by a vast assemblage of citizens who attended and watched its proceedings with intense interest. Be assured that those for whom we speak were animated with the most earnest devoted, and prayerful desire for the salvation of the American Union and the preservation of the Constitution of the United States, and that the accomplishment of these objects was the guiding and inspiring motive in every mind.

And we may be permitted to add that their purpose to maintain that Union is manifested in their selection as their candidate of one whose life has been devoted to its cause, while it is the earnest hope and confident belief that your election will restore to our country *Union, peace, and constitutional liberty.*

We have the honor to be,

Your obedient servants,

HORATIO SEYMOUR, Chairman.
JOHN BIGELOW, of California.
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MR. LINCOLN'S JOKES!

Our readers will remember that some time ago the daily papers announced that Senator Harris, of New York, had retired from the presence of Mr. Lincoln, declaring that he could not endure the vulgarity with which he was addressed. The embassador had just reached the neighborhood of the old stone bridge, where the dead were piled highest when Mr. LINCOLN, suddenly slapping Marshal LAMON upon the knee, exclaimed: "Come, LAMON! give us that song about 'Picayune Butler.' McCLELLAN has never heard it." "Not now, if you please, Marshal," said General McCLELLAN with a shudder. "I would prefer to hear it some other place and time."

Can it be possible that any right thinking person will again vote for a man for the highest office in the gift of the people, so lost to all sense of shame and propriety?

LANCASTER DAILY INTELLIGENCER.

In the worry and confusion incident to the re-establishing of our paper, we have neglected noticing the appearance of a new Democratic daily, under the above title published in the city of Lancaster, by Messrs. Cooper, Sanderson & Co.

The paper is neatly printed, and contains twenty-four columns of reading matter. The well known ability of the editors is a sufficient assurance that it will be a valuable addition to the Democratic press of the State, and a useful medium for the dissemination of correct political principles among the benighted abolitionists of Lancaster county. We wish it abundant success in every respect, having no fears that its editors will follow in the footsteps of the *illustrious* dog who once controlled the columns of the old *Intelligencer*.

BRUISED.

The publication of the "German Reformed Messenger," "Kirchenzeitung," and "Guardian" has been assumed in the city of Philadelphia. Business for the "Messenger" should be sent to Philadelphia; those for the German paper to Chambersburg and for the "Guardian," to Mercersburg as before. Correspondence should be addressed to J. Fisher, & Co. care of J. Pearce, 1 Penna. Square, Philadelphia.

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WUNDERLICH & NEAD,

PRODUCE AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS,

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Groceries, &c.

GROCERIES, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

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LARGE ASSORTMENT OF TOBACCO

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FRESH FISH AND OYSTERS

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FAMILY FLOUR, BUCKWHEAT

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FRUITS, SPICES, &c.

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Boots, Shoes, Leather, &c.

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