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At a regular meeting of the National Council of the American Party, begun and held at Philadelphia, on the 5th of June, A. D. 1855, the following was adopted as the Platform and Principles of the Organiza-

1.-The acknowledgment of that Almighty Being who rules over the Universe, -who presides over the councils of nations. -who conducts the affairs of men, and who, in every step by which we have advanced to the character of an independent nation, has distinguished us by some token of providential agency.

II.—The cultivation and development of a sentiment of profoundly intense American feeling; of passionate attachment to our country, its history and its institutions; of admiration for the purer days of our national existence; of veneration for the heroism that precipitated our Revolution; and of emulation of the virtue, wisdom and patriotism that framed our constitution, and first successfully applied its provisions.

III.—The maintenance of the Union of these United States as the paramount political good; or, to use the languarge of Washington, "the primary object of patriotic desire."

1st. Opposition to all attempts to weaken or subvert it.

2d. Uncompromising antagonism to every principle of policy that endangers it. 3d. The advocacy of an equitable adustment of all political differences which

threaten its integrity or perpetuity. 4th. The suppression of all tendencies to political division, founded on "geographical discriminations, or on the belief that there is a real difference of interests and views" between the various sections

5th. The full recognition of the rights of the several States, as expressed and reserved in the Constitution; and a careful avoidance, by the General Government, of all interference with their rights, by legislative or executive action.

· IV.—Obedience to the Constitution of these United States, as the supreme law of the land, sacredly obligatory upon all its parts and members; and steadfast resistance to the spirit of innovation upon its principles, however specious the pretexts. Avowing that in all doubtful or disputed points it may only be legally ascertained and expounded by the judicial power of the United States.

And, as a corollary to the above :

1. A habit of reverential obediece to the laws, whether National, or Municipal, until they are either repealed or declared unconstitutional by the proper authority.

2. A tender and sacred regard for those acts of statesmanship which are to be connature of compacts and agreements; and faith." so, to be considered a fixed and settled national policy.

or hatred of oppression, seeks an assylum in the United States, a friendly reception and protection. But unqualifiedly condemn-

Naturalization Laws.

oreigners not naturalized to vote. The repeal, without retroactive operation, ordinate councils. of all acts of Congress making grants of land to unnaturalized foreigners, and allowing them to vote in the Territories.

VII.—Hostility to the corrupt means by which the leaders of party have hitherto orced upon us our rulers and our political reeds.

Implacable enmity against the prevalent litical independence.

Disgust for the wild hunt after office which characterizes the age.

These on the one hand. On the other: limitation of the practice of the purer days of the Republic; and admiration of the maxim that "office should seek the man, and not man the office," and of the rule, that the just mode of ascertaining fitness for office is the capability, the faithfulness, and the honesty of the incumbent or can-

cy and corrupting tendencies of the Roman Catholic Church in our country, by the advancement to all political stations executhose only who do not hold civil allegiance, night last. Here is what the Albany Evedirectly or indirectly, to any foreign power, ning Journal says: whether civil or ecclesiastical, and who are Americans by birth, education, and trainin-ONLY SHALL GOVERN AMERICA."

The protection of all citizens in the legal and proper exercise of their civil and religious rights and privileges; the maintenance of the right of every man to the full, unrestrained and peaceful enjoyment of his own religious opinions and worship, and a jealous resistance of all attempts by any sect, denomination or church, to obtain an ascendeney over any other in the State, by means of any special privileges or exemption, by any political combination of its members, Court orders charged 25 per cent higher than the | or by a division of their civil allegiance with above rates. Orders for divorce of husband and any foreign power, potentate, or ecclesias-

IX.—The reformation of the character of our National Legislature, by elevating to that dignified and responsible position men the back "close." Otherwise they will be put up of higher qualifications, purer morals, and more unselfish patriotism.

> X.—The restriction of executive patronage, especially in the matter of appointments to office, so far as it may be permitted by the Constitution, and consistent with the public good.

XI.—The education of the youth of our country in schools provided by the State: which schools shall be common to all, without distinction of creed or party, and free from any influence or direction of a denominational or partizan character.

2nd, inasmuch as Christianity, by the Constitutions of nearly all the States; by the decisions of the most eminent judicial authorities; and by the consent of the people of America, is considered an element of our political system; and, as the Holy Bible is at once the source of Christianity and the depository and fountain of all civil and religious freedom, we oppose every attempt to exclude it from the schools thus established in the States.

XII.—The American party, having arisen upon the ruins and in despite of the opposition of the Whig and Democratic parties, cannot be in any manner responsible for the obnoxious acts of violated pledges of either. And the systematic agitation of boat their are 800 ! the slavery question by those parties, having elevated sectional hostility into a posiour institution into peril, it has, therefore, become the imperative duty of the American party to interpose for the purpose of ting luxuries we refrain from speaking. giving peace to the country and perpetuity to the Union. And, as experience has shown it impossible to reconcile opinions so extreme as those which separate the quarter deck." disputants; and, as there can be no disionor in submitting to the laws, the National Council has deemed it the best guarantee of common justice and of future peace, to abide by and maintain the existing laws upon the subject of slavery, as a final and conclusive settlement of that subject in

spirit and in substance. And regarding it the highest duty to avow their opinions, upon a subject so important, in distinct and unequivocal terms, it is hereby declared, as the sense of this National Council, that Congress possesses no power, unde the Constitution, to legislate upon the subject of slavery in the States, where it does or may exist, or to exclude any State from admission into the Union because its constitution does or does not recognise the institution of slavery as a part of its social system; and expressly pretermitting any expression of opinion upon the power in Congress to establish or prohibit slavery in any Territory, it is the sense of the National Council that Congress ought not to legislate upon the subject of slavery within the Territories of the United States, and that any interference by Congress with slavery as it exists in the District of Columbia, would be a violation of the spirit and intention of the compact by which the tradistinguished from acts of ordinary leg- State of Maryland ceded the District to the islation, by the fact of their being of the United States, and a breach of the national

XIII.—The policy of the Governmen of the United States, in its relations with V.—A radical revision and modification foreign governments, is to exact justice from of the laws regulating immigration, and the the strongest, and do justice to the weaksettlement of immigrants. Offering to the etst; restraining, by all the power of the honest immigrant who, from love of liberty government, all its citizens from interference with the internal concerns of nations

with whom we are at peace. XIV.—This National Council declares ing the transmission to our shores of felons that all the principles of the Order shall be henceforward everywhere openly avowed; VI .- The essential modification of the and that each member shall be at liberty to make known the existence of the Order, he would be in deadly peril from her coun-The repeal by the Legislatures of the re- and the fact that he himself is a member, spective States, of all State laws allowing and it recommends that there be no conceelment of the places of meeting of sub-

E. B. BARTLETT, of Kentucky, President of National Council. C. D. DESHLER, of New Jesury, Corresponding Secretay.

JAMES M. STEPHENS, of Maryland, Recording Secretary.

Orange Superior Court, was in session demoralizing system of rewards for political last week, Judge Caldwell presiding, timony of the Irish women alone would be subserviency, and of punishments for po- No business of much importance was transacted, Thomas Webb, Esq. was appointed Clerk and Master in Equity, in place of O. F. Long, reseigned.—Hillsboro Recorder.

> THE OCEAN BANNER is a new paper substituted for the Halcyon, at Beaufort. It is published and edited by Mr. Stephen D. Pool, Mr. J. Cameron, being corresponding editor. It is a promising journal, of the American Par- Simply with wild and preposterous assertions ty. - Weekly Post.

The latest wonder in steamboat architecture-the New World-made its first trip tive, legislative, judicial, or diplomatic-of from New York to Albany on Thursday

"The New World is the last and highing-thus fulfilling the maxim: "AMERICANS est triumph of steamboat Architecture. The long expected three-decker came to our dock this morning, and is the theme and admiration by all who have examined her. Her distinguishing peculiarity is a second upper cabin, a third story to the ordinary Hudson River floating Hotel; and so well proportioned is it, and so light, so artistically related to the vast bulk of the vessel, bly necessary to induce even respectable that there is no effect of top heaviness produced, and no sense of insecurity or unfitness suggested. Like all other improvements in Steamboat building made by Mr. Newton, this last one was as successful, as it was bold.

"The Steamer New World should have for New Yorkers-what it will undoubtly have for European travellers on the Hudson-all the interest of a public institution of the Empire State. She is magnificent in her proportions, her appointments, her capacity, strength and speed. No passenger vessel in the world is comparable to her. She has a length of 370 feet, 48 feet of beam (80 over all,) and 102 feet depth. Her engine has a cylender 76 inches in diameter, with a stroke of 15 feet. Her wheels are 46 feet with a face of 11 feet, with room to bed and board in voluptuous style 1,000 people, she can carry on her ample decks 250 tons of freight. In good running order she can bring upon their ways of pleasure or business the passengers who throng her several stories at the rate of fiventy miles an hour! With this great speed, those who read by her chandeliers will not experience interruption from the ratling of the glass drops, so firmly is she put together. Enormous as is her bulk and rapid her movement the New World draws but 54 feet of water.

"We are embarrassed to choose a starting point for the detail of her excellencies and capacities. But as sleep holds as high consequences now, as when Sancho Panza invoked blessings on the man who invented it, we will begin with the berths. Of those in state rooms there are 550. There are 100 open berths. Altogether through the

There are thirty-two family rooms in this well named New World, each containing 3 tive element of political power, and brought or more berths. There are 4 large clubrooms and one most elegant and roomy bridal cabin, of whose appointments and invi-

> Two large dressing-rooms with all conveniences have been provided for the ladiesone upon the main deck and one upon the

> > From the Louisville Journal.

One of the best known and most respect able citizens of Jefferson county informs us that while some of the houses were burning in the lower part of the city, he stood in the yard of a house near by. An American woman, an Irish woman of middle age and an Irish girl about eighteen or nineteen years old, were very near him. The Irish girl stood in silence, but was evidently fierce and excited. The American woman made a remark to the effect that the Irish were in fault and had better go away. The Irish girl, unable to restrain herself longer, said fiercely, oh if we had the help that was promised us, we would have whaled them. Our informant rebuked her for the remark, and the elder Irish woman said to her, the gentleman is right; our countrymen have brought this upon themselves, and the only pity is, that the inocent have to suffer with the guilty. From this, it is evident that the determination and preperation of the Irish to bring on a fight and shed the blood of the Americans, were so open and noti- ling America? rious as to be known even to the Irish women and the Irish girls. And it appears too, foreign enemy? that they were promised help, even more help than they obtained, and that they were known to the females. But who made the promises! For what reason were they not kept? Will these questions ever be answered except at the bar Eternal? Now look at the revelations made by the

Irish females. Here was an Irish girl who proclaimed that her countrymen had been promised an amount of help that would have enabled them to vanquish the Ameri-Dr. Yandell's Irish girl begged him on the eye of the election not to go in the lower part of the city, that he would be in danger there, that she knew more than he did, and more than she dared to tell. Mr. Simrell's Irish girl implored him not to go into that part of the city, assuring him that trymen. Three other Irish women gave tion of fire arms by their countrymen for the day of the election, and also as to the actual use of them in the work of murder. Still to the avowed intention of the Irish to assassinate the members of the American procession on Saturday night before the election, an intention which they relinquished only procession was comprised .- Thus the tesabundantly sufficient in itself to make out the case; but, in adition to that, we have the depositions of police officers, of Irishmen and Dutchmen who confess to having participated in the bloody doings, and of thirty-five or forty respectable Americans, admire him." who swear that more than twenty Americans were shot and wounded by the Germans and Irish, before any violence was offered to the foreigners.

And how has all this overwhelming testimony been met by the Sag Nicht editors ! put forth upon anonymous authority, the day, (in the Whig Convention,) outdid op.

LEXINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 1855. VIII.—Resistance to the aggressive poli- The Most Magnitteent Steamer in the World, authority of an unknown fool or knave that himself even in the way of gesticulation, chose to invent a falsehood. The Sag denunciation, abuse, and transcendental Nicht editors have boasted what they could and would prove, but they have proved nothing. They have not even given the form of proof. Not only have they not published affidavits-they have not even given statements with names to them. The editor of the Democrat, staggered by the clear, conclusive, and numerous affidavits admire. Sneering at the mention of in the Journal, sought to break the force of Southern rights as proposed to be assertthe demonstration by proclaiming that he ed and vindicated by Southern union, he was in possession of an abundance of authentic testimony, and that he should soon publish an authenticated account of the whole affair. He saw, he felt, he knew, that a promise of this kind was indispensi-Sag Nichts to suspend their opinions, but to this day his promise remains unfulfilled Nearly a month has elapsed, and yet the off repeated promise, by which he attempted to hold public sentiment in obeyance, is the Slavery question, then indeed may not kept. The promised and threatened we despair of uniting together as one history is unpublished; the promised and threatened testimony is not forthcoming.-That testimony cannot be had. Let any testimony at war with the affidavits we have given be published, and it will be met promptly, if necessary, and a mass of sworn evidence that will overwhelm it and over whelm with it some personages who perhaps flatter themselves that they are safe.'

From the Wilmington Herald.

New York, Sept. 15, 1855. Mr. Editor: Though under hard press for the mail, I cannot refrain from noticing your remarks on the subject of "Good Flour," in your Herald of the 13th. You are quite right about the edvantage of uniorm good packages, and with the favor in which North Carolina Flour is already held here, it is not impossible or unreasonable to ticle came forward in uniform and hand- friends to these articles. - Ex. some barrels—like the Northern Flour.

The increase in trade in breadstuffs, from the South gives more consequence to the subject than it ever before had, and the more you can attract the attention of your people to the very matter you have alluded to, the sooner and the more will they be proffited by it. Having often heard, complaints of the bad quality, unevenness and uggliness of North Carolina flour bbls. hence our expressions of strong desire to get the article in proper packages. I think the matter worthy of your oft repeated men- rous to the Church, must be abolishtion. There is room for great improvement

and it ought to be made. Your great staple, Spirits Turpentine, is up, here,-47 paid or offered, and 48 and 50 asked, till the people can't understand the movements in your town-reported by telegraph—at 45 for all in market. The trade here are amazed. This market has advanced gradually, and is now firm at 48 a 50, but no sales are reported of any quantity o-

Turpentine is scarce and firm, but quiet at \$3\ a 3\ . Rosin—Comon, \$150 a \$155 dom. -dull, because of high freights to Europe and difficulty of shipping at any rate.

Cotton dull at 102 for middling, which is about the grade of N. O. lots. Corn 86 a 87. Mess Pork \$221 and market rules high Flour \$83 a 9 for N. C.

N. E. Wind and threatening rain, but quite healthy. If I had time I would write you a letter, but I have not-so you must excuse me, and permit me to remain Yours, &c.

# SAG NICHT CATECHISM.

During the Revolutionary war, who were the anti-Americans? Who traitously favored the foreigners?

THE TORIES. Who were opposed to Americans ru-THE TORIES.

Who afforded "aid and comfort" to a THE TORIES. Who preferred foreigners to native Americans? THE TORIES.

Who opposed the native Americans in their struggle for Independence? THE TORIES.

Who does the same now! Who?

The Americans are now struggling for INDEPENDENCE of FOREIGN IN-FLUENCE and of FOREIGN SU-PREMACY? and again we ask who opposed them ?-WHO?

Will any one give an answer? Charlotte Whig.

# HOW CONSISTENT!

The last "Standard" publishes (with gaeat exultation; no doubt,) an account their affidavits as to the extensive prepera- of a speech made by the Hon. John Kerr, at Oxford, last week, in opposition to the American party. Mr. K. is justly another Irish woman gave her affidavit as spoken of as "an orator by nature, among be against him in behalf of the church. the noblest and most powerful," and commended in the most extravagant and high flown terms from his devotion to on account of the vast numbers of which the Southern rights, &c. Says the "Standard's" correspondent, among other things:

"His very expression, and powerful, vet graceful, action, speak in a manner that none but nature's noblest sons can right, equal, and no one with a soul can fail to

But what said the "Standard" of Mr. Kerr, in former days, -in 1850, for ex- op. ample? We quote from that paper of June 19, 1850:

eloquence. He had pillars, stars and suns -rainbows, cataracts, and whirlwinds-alligators, volcanoes and waterspouts-so mixed up and so dashed together, that we scarcely knew whether to laugh or to cry, to be amazed or to ernment and strike at its foundations. went off and came back, time and again, in rapsodies on the union; and from first to last, as he touched upon Slavery and dwelt upon it, he delivered such a speech as would have been greeted with shouts of applause, as an approved Union effort, by the masses of Vermont and Massachusetts. If Mr. Kerr be the representative of North Carolina Whigism on people to demand our rights at the hands of our Northern assailants."

#### The Great Principles and Laws of the Papal Church.

From the canon law of the Roman Church we extract the following dogmas and doctrines. They have been sanctioned by the decrees of Councils, the bulls of Popes, and the teachings of the "Holy Fathers," and they are acknowledged by every good Catholic, no matter under what government he may live.

Most of these dogmas are inconsistent democracy and republicanism, and if allowed to domineer in a free country. will soon check the growth of untram- be should entertain. He was a native Amermeled opinions and undermine the foun- | ican by birth and in principle; this was the anticipate that a difference of fifty cents to dations of republicanism. We ask the a dollar perbbl. would be gained if the ar- asspecial attention of our Southern

1. All men are subjected to the Pope according to divine right.

2. The Pope judges all, but is, judged 3. Whatever the Pope orders dare not be contradicted.

4. The canons are equal in authority he would think with Pierce and Pope Pius to holy writ.

5. The laws of princes are subordinate to the ecclesiastical. 6. The rights of usage which are inju-

7. Dissimulation is useful and proper at certain occasions.

8. Whatever has been yielded by necessity, or for the sake of momentary advantage, ceases to be valid as soon as the necessity ceases.

LAWS AGAINST THE RIGHTS OF A SECULAR PRINCE.

1. Royalty is subordinate to the Pope-2. It becomes the Pope to give Royal

3. The Pope can dispose princes. 4. Heretical princes are deprived of

their lands. 5. Even if heretical princes become Catholics, they are condemned to con-

tinual survilage. 6. The same punishment falls on

Catholics who favor heretics. 7. The Pope dispenses the subjects of such as are obedient to him from their

allegiance. 8. Princes dare not use their power

out according to the will of the Pope. 9. The cleargy can defend themselves

with the spiritual sword against the sec-10. No prince is permitted to judge

of the acts of the Pope. 11. The churches are not subject to princes.

12. Cursed are those who tax ecclesiastics without permission of the

13. Those are excommunicated who prevent getting of a Papal decision on ecclesiastica! matters.

14. The placard of a Prince is inval-15. Secular princes cannot dispose of

church property. 16. The possession of church property without permission of the Pope is inval

17. Church property is unlawfully possessed by heretics. 18. Covenants with heretics are for

bidden 19. Treaties with heretics on ecclesi-

astical affairs are invalid. 20. A ecclesiastic who swears not to act against somebody, may nevertheless 21. An oath which contradicts the canonical right and liberty of the church

is invalid. 22. Every one shall be allowed to appeal to the Pope. 23. An ecclesiastic deposed by the

Bishop dare not to take refuge with a 24. The Pope can decide beyond the

25. The Pope can acquit those who have been condemned by others.

26. All princes must obey the Bish 27. Those are cursed who imprison

Bishop. 28. Before the decision of the Pope "Mr. Kerr, who spoke first on Tues- no tribunal may pronounce upon a Bish-

29, Expelled Bishops from their place of banishment proceed against their secular prosecutors.

P After the avowal of such sentiments as the above, who would not oppose the spread of popery? Those principles are antagonistic to this free Gov-

### PETTY PROSCRIPTION.

We called attention last week to the proscriptive character of the anti-American party and the present administration especially. Since then we have been informed of a petty case which occurred in our neighboring town of Charlottee, a short time ago, that equals President Pierce's assaults upon the hod-carriers in Washington city.

It appears that an old man, who has been serving in the capacity of "Watchman" at the Mint, for fifteen years, under different administrations, lately incurred the hot displeasure of the "power that be;" and immediately the decree, "off with his head' went forth. No sooner said than donethe decree was skillfully and expeditiously executed. The poor "Watchman" was laconically notified that his service would be dispensed with.

We understand he had always been attentive to his duties and faithfully discharged every trust confided to him.

Not a word of complaint was whispered against him, no charge of deriliction of duty, nor was his integrity, in the slightest degree, impeached. Why then was he removed-aye, that's the question? Simply because he kept the key of his own thoughts and was unwilling to allow Pierce, Forney and John Hughes, through their agents, to dictate to him what se "head and front of his offending." We learn he did not even vote at the election; but the very idea that a man holding the high position of "Watchman," (ye gods and little fishes, what a mark,) in the U.S. Branch Mint, at Charlotte, should have the independence and audacity to think that "Americans should rule America," could not be brooked by the Pierce dynasty.

What right had he to think at all, unless the ninth! What? allow a "Watchman" to think! The idea is rediculous-no such absurd privilege is permitted by the present tyranical administration. A Watchman think indeed! As well talk of a Russian

serf enjoying such a privilege. But seriously, if this is not a perfect burlesque upon proscription and the counterfeit presentment of the exercise of power, we do

not know what is. It reminds one of shooting a sparrow with Paxhain gan or

"Ocean into tempest tost.

To waft a feather or drown a fly." But the opportunity is small and the material scarce in this State, for exhibiting the power of the administration and elucidating its cardinal principles, "to the victors be-

long the spoils," " no freedom of thought in government officials." Something, however, had to be done, in the way of proscription, as a warning to the refractory: some victim had to be sacrificed and none could be found but a poor watchman. Sentence was passed ;- and the government officials, as valiantly as the

"wrathful dove or most magnanimous mouse," pounced upon him. Thank Heaven! Executive patronage is

### small in North Darolinar-C. Gazette. GREAT DISTRUCTION OF WHEAT.

Yesteray morning a portion of the floor in the fifth story of the large new brick lumber houses adjoining the mill of Messers Haxall and Brother, which was heavily laden with wheat, gave way, and falling with great force on the fourth floor burst through it, and then through the third, second and first, the weight accumulating as the mass descended, until reaching the main water wheel, which was also crushed, and hundreds of bushels of the grain poured directly into the river. Fortunately, no lives were lost by this terrible accident, though there were a large number of men at work in the lumber house at the time, one of whom was in the fifth story and barely made his escape. The accident occurred at the west end of the building where the span of the girders were about twenty-five feet, and were the largest amount of wheat has been deposited by the elevators. When we reached the scene, some half an hour after the break down, the wheat was then pouring in one solid stream into the river. What the loss of the Messers Haxall will be, it is now impossible to estimate, but those gentlemen who are most likely to form correct opinions on the subject, do not, think that it can fall short of \$10,000 and many incline to the opinion that it will reach \$20,000. As soon as the head water in the canal could be drawn off laborers were set to work recovering the wheat from the river, which, though yet damaged may be used for some purposes. Richmond Dispatch.

We may forgive ignorance, but not presumption. He who has nothing to say should say nothing.

LISPING.—Conversing one day with a fashionable and pretty belle, the facetious Mr. Spriggs observed that "ladies who lisped wished to be kissed." The young lady had before spoken unaffectedly, but now replied. "Tho I've heard thay."

The apple crop in the Northern and Western States is very abundant.