

HARRISBURG, ~~February~~ March 17. 1828

SIR:—

In order to sustain the present Administration of the United States, a *private* association has been formed at Harrisburg, and the members have selected you as their *confidential* correspondent in the county of *Leizem*

Two objects are within the view of this association:—First. That of communicating and receiving the most accurate political information. Second.—That of proposing honorable and proper means of conveying intelligence to their fellow citizens, guarding them against deception, exciting them to activity in support of the present Administration of the country.

Under the first object, on their part, they can now only express to you their belief of the steady extension of their opinions in most or all parts of the State, and their strong hopes that the major part of the citizens will be united with them before the day of the next election. They will give you information more in detail as soon as they have returns from the counties. They will also cause printed communications, tracts, &c. to be sent to you occasionally free of expense, to be distributed according to your judgment. From you they ask. How many and what election districts are in your county? What is the number of their votes and the numerical strength of parties in each? Has there been recently any ostensible changes of political opinion? What is the amount of your German vote and what is its present bias? What in your opinion is the present aggregate of the vote of each party in your county, and what can you reasonably expect it to be at the next election? What are the political opinions of your military corps; and also of your Young Men? Are there now any active political associations in your county.

Under the second object, they will state generally, that organization, in some form appears to promise the most certain advantages. Active and influential committees in the different townships of a county, have it in their power to distribute printed and other information, to spread opinion, and to make arrangements to bring votes to the polls. Where the young men can be induced to make a collateral movement, and appoint their committees in the different districts, their never-fading zeal enables them to become essentially serviceable. Indeed a well devised organization, judiciously directed, appears to be entitled to great reliance, and is almost irresistible.—The association will also be pleased to hear your suggestions under this head, together with such information connected with the above object, as you shall be enabled from time to time to communicate.

The plan of this small and select number of persons has been formed under the belief that the members can act with more promptitude and effect than in the more numerous and unwieldy form which characterises such proceedings. But it is not their desire to excite the jealous observation of any class of men, more especially of our political friends. *This has determined them to act under full confidence .repose! in each other,*

By order of the association.

Gov. Mester

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P. S. Please direct your communications to

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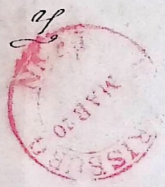
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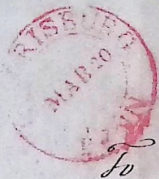


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