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By a gentleman, who passed through Harrisburg a few days ago, we learn that the anti-fœderal conference had met, and appointed Blair M'Clenachan chairman of their meeting, and George Bryan and Charles Pettit, with some others, a committee to bring in a *string* of amendments to the new constitution—that they were much disappointed in meeting no deputies from several of the most respectable counties in the state¹—and that of the deputies who were there, many of them were so hampered with moderate instructions, that they could do nothing with them—that the whole squad of Malecontents was dull and dissatisfied, as there appeared to be no chance of kindling a civil war in the United States—and that the opinion of all the considerate men in the neighbourhood of Harrisburg was, that the persons met would be much better employed in mending *themselves*, than in trying to mend a government which was framed by the wisest and best men in America.

1. Northampton, Montgomery, York, Westmoreland, and Luzerne counties were not represented.

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