

THE STATE CANVASS

Meeting of the Union State Convention at Harrisburg.

Major-General John W. Geary Receives the Nomination for Governor on the First Ballot—Address of the Successful Candidate—Speeches by Distinguished Persons—What Major-General Geary Thinks of His Former Campaign in Arms, Etc.

Harrisburg, March 7.—The convention re-assembled at 5 o'clock. It being announced that General Harrisburg was present, he was invited to a seat on the floor of the convention. The following are the officers of the convention:—

President—Hon. John Covode, of Westmoreland county. Vice Presidents—Philip S. Schultz, D. C. Roberts, Robert P. King, and Charles Thompson Jones, of Philadelphia; Dr. S. D. Meredith, Chester; William Minter, Montgomery; A. S. Caldwell, Berks; John M. Fuller, John Henry Armstrong, York; B. H. Jacobs, Bucks; L. A. Dimmock, Wayne; H. Madell, Bradford; Thomas Dixon, Luzerne; Warren Cole, McKean; Charles Snyder, Snyder; Thomas H. Higham, Northumberland; A. J. Jones, Dauphin; M. S. Fry and John McHenry, Lancaster; General L. Todd, Cumberland; E. G. Fainstock, Adams; S. E. Dunning, Berks; G. S. Baker, York; John Irwin, Centre; Thomas McLaughlin, Carbon; Wm. M. Stewart, Indiana; R. K. Ewing, Fayette; H. H. Ewing, Luzerne; George V. Lawrence, Washington; R. Audin Brown, Lawrence; Thomas Lloyd, Venango; S. G. Free, Crawford.

Secretaries—John H. Stewart, Allegheny; James Allison, Philadelphia; Joseph Hill, Erie; A. S. Anderson, Perry; D. L. McLellan, Chester; Lewis Fugh, Luzerne; E. Steining, Armstrong; E. B. Swope, Carbon; John Hall, Washington; Henry Delaney, Philadelphia; J. J. Moore, Lehigh; and Samuel Patterson, Lancaster.

On taking the chair, Mr. Covode returned thanks for the honor conferred upon him, and asked the indulgence of the body, inasmuch as he was not familiar with parliamentary rulings. In the course of his remarks the speaker stated that all the present indications favored the nomination of the gallant soldier, the man around whom the people of Pennsylvania might rally with enthusiasm. Referring to a published letter which had been written by General Geary some years since, and which it was now attempted to use to his detriment, he said that, having lived in that gentleman's neighborhood, he could speak knowledgeably of his sentiments. At all times General Geary had placed himself on the side of liberty and principle. Before he was sent to Kansas, and about that time, he had said to the speaker that his greatest ambition was to brush up the slave demagogue.

The military record of General Geary, as well as his civil services for the country, was a glorious vindication of the sentiments which he had ever professed. He was who whipped Longstreet, and inflicted upon that boasted Rebel leader the first castigation he received. Lookout Mountain attested his courage and skill. In conclusion the speaker warmly commended the courage of General Geary.

Permanent Secretaries were then appointed. Hon. Thomas Cochrane, Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, reported a series as follows, which were adopted:—

Resolved, That this Convention, representing the Union-Republican people of Pennsylvania, who never departed from the republic, and who poured out millions of treasure, and devoted yet more precious blood for the redemption of the country from the attacks of a wicked and causeless rebellion; whose sons fought on every battlefield and suffered in every Southern prison pen of torments and starvation, whose hearts were broken on the soil of our States, where they fell under the folds of the national banner, they renew their pledge of unflinching devotion to the Federal Union, and their determined purpose that it shall be preserved.

Resolved, That the most imperative duty of the present is to gather the legitimate fruits of the war, in order that our Constitution may continue to be the Ruler and Guide of the Nation, and that our institutions be purified, our institutions strengthened, and our national life prolonged.

Resolved, That failure in these grave duties would be scarcely less criminal than would have been an acquiescence in secession and in the treacherous machinations of the conspirators, and would be an insult to every soldier who took arms to save the country.

Resolved, That, filled with admiration at the patriotic devotion and heroic courage with which Andrew Johnson re-erected and denounced the efforts of the Rebels to overthrow the National Government, Pennsylvania rejected to express her entire confidence in his character and principles, and approved of his noble conduct by bestowing her suffrage upon him for the second position in honor and dignity in the country, and by the untimely death of the crime of treason, his firm demands for the punishment of the traitors, and his expressions of thorough sympathy with the Union, secured for him the warmest attachment of the people, who, remembering his great services and sacrifices, while traitors and their sympathizers also denounced his patriotic actions, were disposed to stand firmly by his side, and to lean upon the support of the loyal masses, whose voices formed the foundation of his promotion, and who pledged to him their unswerving support in all measures by which treason shall be stigmatized, loyalty recognized, and the freedom, stability, and purity of the National Union secured.

Resolved, That the work of reorganizing the late insurrectionary States to their proper relations to the Union necessarily devolves upon the law-making power, and that they should be so organized as to imperil one of the dearest rights belonging to our representative form of government, and that we cordially approve of the action of the Union representatives in Congress from Pennsylvania on this subject.

Resolved, That no man who has voluntarily engaged in the late rebellion, or who held office under the Rebel organization, should be allowed to sit in the Congress of the Union, and that the law known as the test oath should not be repealed, but should be enforced against all claimants for seats in Congress.

Resolved, That the national faith is sacredly pledged to the payment of the national debt incurred in the war to save the country, and to suppress Rebellion, and that the people will not suffer their faith to be violated or impaired; but all debts incurred to support the Rebellion were unpaid, void, and of no obligation, and shall never be assumed by the United States, nor shall any State be permitted to pay any evidences of so vile and wicked engagements.

Resolved, That the public faith is not less solemnly pledged to the protection in the enjoyment of all their natural rights, of their persons, property, and domestic relations of the colored population who have been emancipated, that the fiat of the people, under the Providence of God, and who desired liberty by their kindness and fidelity to our soldiers in prison, or wounded seeking escape from their tormentors; by their courage in bearing arms for and fighting the battles of the Union, even as man is more precious than money in every just account, so the honor of the nation is more sacredly engaged to these humble but never treacherous friends, than those who hold the bonds stamped with the broad seal of the United States, that their freedom shall not be a mockery, nor their just hopes of security, education, and elevation in intellectual and moral improvement disappointed, and these facts must be kept inviolate.

Resolved, That protection to all branches of productive industry is the only wise policy in our present national condition; is the true plan of restoration of the losses and ravages of war, of advancing the national property, encouraging the national wealth, and supplying the means of maintaining the public faith with the public, and ultimately wiping out the national debt; that in the provision of national revenue and the laying of duties on importations from foreign nations the object should be to cause the former to press as lightly upon, and the latter to protect as fully as possible our own citizens who are engaged in works of labor, mining, manufacturing, and every other province of home industry, against inequality and unfair competition with foreign capital and policy, which neither contribute to develop the resources of our country, assist to pay our taxes, nor are conceived to maintain our Government, or confirm our national life, struggle, they maliciously and maliciously strive to subvert.

Resolved, That the services, labors, consummate ability, and untiring fidelity in the service of the country, manifested by the Hon. Edwin M. Stanton, as the head of the War Department during the Rebellion, have been of inestimable value to the coun-

try, and entitle him to the warmest commendations of the people.

Resolved, That in this crisis of public affairs, full of painful recollections of his manifold and memorable services on the field of battle, we turn to the example of valour and uncompromising loyalty of Lieutenant-General Grant with a confidence not the less significant and unshaken, because at no period of our great struggle has his proud name been associated with a doubtful patriotism, or used for sinister purposes by the enemies of our common country.

Resolved, That any attempt by foreign nations to establish a monarchical government on the continent is evidence of a design to destroy the republic. In regard for our own safety and for the future security of the republic, we demand that no such attempt should be permitted to succeed.

Resolved, That the Hon. Edgar Cowan, Senator from Pennsylvania, by his course in the Senate in the United States has disappointed the hopes and has forfeited the confidence of those to whom he owes his place, and that he is hereby most earnestly requested to resign.

Resolved, That the State Central Committee be constituted by the appointment of a Chairman by the President of this Convention, in consultation with the Union candidate for Governor, and that the remainder of the said Committee shall consist of one member from each county in the State except the City of Philadelphia, who shall be the members, and the counties of Lancaster, Berks, Dauphin, and Allegheny each two members, to be named by the representative of the Union candidate for Governor in this Convention, and that the association of loyal Pennsylvanians, resident at Washington, shall also be allowed one member, to be appointed by their delegates present.

On motion of O. J. Dickey, of Lancaster, the Convention proceeded to ballot for a candidate for Governor. Mr. Geary having been nominated, declined to be a candidate, and expressed the intention of casting his vote, or that man whose name promised to insure more strength for the Union cause than any other.

The first ballot resulted as follows:—Major-General John W. Geary received 51 votes; William Thompson White, 30 votes; General Harry White, 3 votes.

On motion of Mr. Conell, of Philadelphia, the nomination was made unanimous, amid intense enthusiasm.

On motion, a committee, consisting of R. P. King, George V. Lawrence, and William B. Mann, was appointed to wait upon the successful candidate, and also upon the gentlemen whose names had been mentioned before the Convention, and invite them to address the meeting.

During the absence of the committee, the Convention called upon Hon. Thomas Marshall, of Allegheny, for some remarks. Mr. Marshall endorsed the nomination, and stated that in a conversation he had had with General Geary, that gentleman expressed his endorsement of the course of Thaddeus Stevens. If he stood up in the position he then announced, he would receive such a majority in Allegheny county as would make Heister Clymer wish he had never received a nomination.

Hon. John Cessna was next called upon. He congratulated the Convention and the loyal men of the country upon the result of the deliberations of that body, and he alluded to the importance of the struggle upon which they were about to enter. Those who had predicted division and contention in the Union ranks would soon be undeceived, for Pennsylvania was as much in earnest now as she had been in the war.

Addresses were also delivered by Messrs. A. K. McClure and Galusha A. Gray.

Major-General Geary, the candidate of the Convention, was then introduced by the Committee.

He expressed his appreciation of the high compliment which had been bestowed upon him, and accepted it in the hope that he might be made fully sensible of the great responsibilities which devolved upon him, and that he might be strengthened with a sincere purpose to advance the true principles of the Union, and to save the country from the hands of the traitors, and to maintain the Union, and to uphold the determination to sustain the great principles of equal justice which underlie our republican institutions, and to bear unflinchingly the burden which is upon the platform. He received it also as due to the three hundred and fifty thousand soldiers of the State of Pennsylvania, who had done bravely valiantly for their country and for liberty. He assured the Convention that as far as he possessed the ability, with the aid of intelligent Union men of the State, the coming campaign should be conducted fairly and honorably, and to the legitimate termination and a still grander future.

Hon. Wintham W. Keckum, of Luzerne; General Moorhead, of Allegheny; Colonel Harry White, of Indiana county; Hon. John Scott, and William B. Mann, followed in endorsement of the nomination.

After General Geary had spoken the following despatch was read, amid great excitement and applause:—

Hon. John W. Forney, Harrisburg:—My acquaintance with General Geary is of long standing. I knew him in California, Mexico, and during the Rebellion. It gives me great pleasure to bear testimony to his most excellent character as a military leader and as an honorable man. I know of no officer who has performed as whole duty with more fidelity than General Geary. JOSEPH HOOVER, Major-General Commanding.

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—The Night in Granada was one of the operas that brought the German opera into fashion the first season. 'The Koster here has 'revived' it, and we question if there could be a smoother, more harmonious, more artistic, or more charming performance than that of Koster's 'Gambelle.' She was in magnificent voice; the intensity and soul with which she sings is wearing to the voice, and often causes a slight harshness; but last evening her voice was clear even, and, as ever, most sympathetic, and most admirably schooled. The part is a most arduous one, but her voice was as fresh for the grand culmination of the opera, the trio, as it was at the beginning. 'Mabelle' bore the part in the admirably.

Wilhelm Forster has a baritone voice of neither great power nor extent, but of an agreeable quality. He has an excellent, a clear, good education, and in fact, gives at once the impression that he is an artist. He is a capital actor, though a little affected, but he is very good looking, and the remembrance of this fact continually preoccupies him. The orchestra executed this music, so harmonious, so rich, most admirably. This opera, and the *Magpie Flute*, have been the two most perfectly executed of the season. This evening *Fea Diavolo* will be given. This should be included in the five and finished impressions of this company. 'The Koster is indisposed, and will not play 'Lady Allah.'

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