

Editorial Correspondence of the Pitts. Gas. THE STATE CONVENTION.

HARRISBURG, Mar. 26.—Morning. Now that the Convention is fairly under way it may be well to look back at some incidents connected with it.

When I got here on Tuesday morning it was evident, from the feeling manifested among those on the ground, that there would be trouble in organizing the Convention, and much danger of discord even after it was organized.

From some nine counties, two sets of delegates appeared, some appointed under the call of the Republican State Committee, some under the call of the members of the legislature, and others in rather a questionable manner. From all these there was danger of trouble, because but few of the delegations were willing to come in jointly, but the great difficulty was in Philadelphia. In that city the Republicans had held a legitimate Convention and elected a full delegation, upon ample notice to the public; but a meeting was got up with great quietness in a hotel dining room, on Friday night last, which was simply an attempt to get a full delegation of delegates to the Legislature.

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On Wednesday morning, in order to avoid confusion in the organization, the members delegates met in caucus, and appointed a committee to wait on the other delegates and propose that the Convention should be called to order by Gen. T. J. Power, of Beaver, who should propose S. B. Chace, of Susquehanna, as temporary Chairman. Happily, this was generally accepted by, and the Convention was so organized.

After the Convention was organized, the question of settling credentials was the first in order. Several propositions were offered and debated of considerable length; finally, the proposition of ex-Senator Cooper was adopted, to authorize the Chair to appoint a committee of nine, to report the names of the contesting delegates, and the facts upon which they claim their seats.

The committee did not get through until after supper. In the meantime, the Convention completed its permanent organization, and adjourned till 7 o'clock on Thursday.

At night, the Committee reported the facts as directed, with a resolution in favor of the admission generally of the Republican delegates. To this Mr. McClure of Franklin, offered an amendment that all claimants be admitted, no matter how they were elected, and that each delegate be permitted to one vote. A warm and interesting debate followed, the main features of which were, an eloquent speech from Judge Kelly, in behalf of the Republican claimants, and slight personal interchange between words between him and ex-Senator Cooper.

Mr. Kelley made a very impressive speech, witty, eloquent and forcible, and his speech showed that in intellectual and oratorical ability he towered not only a head and shoulders above all the Convention, but stood among the foremost men in the State. His return upon Mr. Cooper, provoked by a personal reflection of the latter, was the severest thing I ever heard.

At ten o'clock the vote was taken, and the amendment of Mr. McClure was adopted by an overwhelming vote. At the request of the Philadelphia delegations, the Convention then adjourned, in order to afford them an opportunity of consultation.

During the night this consultation was had, and resulted in a resolution that they would all come into the Convention in the morning, and be guided in their future action by the course of events.

the names of Messrs. Michler, Jordan, M'Comb, Keim and Schantz were followed. The second ballot resulted as follows: David Wilcox received.....90 votes

Whole number of votes 162; necessary to a choice 82. As soon as this decisive vote was announced, the first gentleman to spring to their feet to respond to the nomination were those who had voted for the other candidates.

Mr. Geo. R. White came to the Convention for the purpose of opposing the nomination of Mr. Wilcox, the delegation to which he belonged had been admitted to seats and had a fair hearing. He would support the nomination most cordially and therefore moved that the nomination be declared unanimous.

Mr. Thorn seconded the motion most heartily. Mr. T. J. Coffey had opposed the nomination of Wilcox, but would now give a cordial support. He pledged Indiana county to give 2,500 majority for Wilcox.

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authorized to appoint a State Committee of thirty-three, and a Committee was appointed to inform the candidates of their nomination, and after a number of telling speeches, and after the harmony and united action that had been obtained, the Convention at about dusk adjourned sine die.

This ended one of the most memorable Conventions ever held in Pennsylvania. I heartily trust and sincerely believe that a great party has been consolidated out of elements hitherto at variance, without any sacrifice or compromise of principle, and that the nominees presented will be triumphantly elected.

Arrest of Wagoner. The defaulting cashier of the New Castle Bank was arrested on Wednesday, at the St. Lawrence Hotel, in Philadelphia, by officer Job G. Patterson, of the Mayor's Police, who followed him to that city by way of Brownsville and Baltimore.

Mr. Pearson, one of the directors of the bank, was in Philadelphia, and had endeavored to effect Wagoner's arrest through the police of that city, but they said they were unable to find him. While Mr. Pearson and officer Patterson were conversing in the St. Lawrence Hotel, a man in a South Beaver township, on Saturday next, the 4th instant.

The County Commissioners have appointed Wm. Reed, Esq., of this borough, Haverhill Appraiser, in place of E. H. Agnew, Esq., appointed Clerk to Commissioners.

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State Appointment. The Senate Committee, appointed to district the State have made a report. The ratio of taxes for a Senator is fixed at 17,011, that for Representative at 5,976.

Washington City, March 30.—The outlines of the instructions to Mr. Walker are agreed upon and they proceed on the principle of recognizing the statutes of Kansas as valid. The principal business with which he is charged is as heretofore surmised, to see that the people have a free, independent and uninterrupted expression of opinion, and extraneous the same concerning the affairs of the territory, in carrying out the provisions of the census and registry law, and that for the election of delegates to the constitutional convention.

BEAVER ARGUS. WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1867.

A letter from a friend in Minnesota will appear next week. The Mirror Whig has been enlarged and otherwise greatly improved.

Edward Richards, Esq., of Pittsburgh, has purchased the interest of R. C. Wilson, Esq., in the New Lisbon "Beckey State."

Mr. Pierson, the County Superintendent, desires us to say that a Teacher's meeting will be held at Centre School House, in South Beaver township, on Saturday next, the 4th instant.

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THE GOVERNORSHIP OF KANSAS.

The Hon. R. S. Walker, of Miss., appears, in to be the successor of Gov. Geary. This announcement creates to the wind the illusory hope that has been entertained, that Mr. Buchanan would not accept the resignation of Gov. G., but would insist upon his return, fortified with the aid of the strong arm of the General Government.

Mr. Walker is a keen, sharp sighted and really able individual; a successful financier, and deeply versed in political roguery; the very man among a thousand whom the southern free-traders would select to concoct and carry out their plans and purposes.

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REPORT OF GRAND JURY.

The Grand Inquest of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, now inquiring in and for the body of the County of Beaver, at March Sessions, 1867.

Do report through our Foreman, that as members of said Inquest, we did visit the Academy buildings of the county of Beaver, and found it to be a very dilapidated condition, ready unfit for the accommodation of a school, and as the fund of the Institution would warrant, and the interest and appearance of the building indicates that those who have the control of the school therein, have been, and are remiss; and together with the external appearance, and clearly evinces great neglect on the part of the Trustees in the discharge of their respective duties as officers of said Institution.

Mr. Editor.—I have no desire to protract the unpleasant controversy between Dr. Chandler and myself, especially since it has become so personal in character to him. I know enough about human nature to know that the public are very little interested in the business affairs of the two subscribers.

There are a few things in the Dr.'s last article that I cannot permit to pass without a word of explanation. And as the Dr. pledges himself to write no more, I will be careful to introduce no new subject in my rejoinder.

The Dr. labors to make the impression that my reply to his first article, was uncalled for. This he does, first, by stating that "his article was divested of all personalities, as far as a clear statement of the case would allow, and no man in community could or would have suspected Mr. Murray was the unfortunate practitioner," &c.

As second argument is, that he is not guilty of plagiarism. I have not time to say more on that subject. If he had any objection to my using the substance of his article, he should have said so at the time, and not after the fact.

Now let any man take the sentence as it stands in his own article, and read it carefully, and let him feel the force of the meaning of it, and let him feel the force of the meaning of it, and let him feel the force of the meaning of it.

It is very evident to every observer, that my surgical operation over the river, is the whole cause of the Dr.'s trouble. He has undertaken to attribute the cure to his own constitutional medicine. Yet he has had under the treatment of various physicians for over five years, and still getting worse.

His charge of egotism is one of those stereotyped things introduced by scribblers when they have nothing else to say. A reasonable man could object to no definition of myself against charges brought against me professionally, morally, socially, and religiously. The last instance he gives of my egotism is rather an unfortunate selection. That is this: "It is hard to be hard."

AGRICULTURAL MEETING.

The Board of Managers of the Beaver County Agricultural Society, met at the Sheriff's Office in Beaver, March 27th, '67.

Resolved, That it is expedient for the Society to purchase ground in which to hold their Fair.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to ascertain at what price suitable ground can be purchased, and to report at the next meeting. James Darragh, Hugh Anderson and Smith Cunningham were appointed said committee.

Resolved, That Dr. J. H. Dickinson and James Darragh be a committee to ascertain what aid can be procured, outside of the Society, to make a suitable horse ring.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to pay any premiums awarded at the last Fair, to those entitled to receive them.

Resolved, That a reward of five dollars be given to any person who will give information sufficient to convict the person or persons who has, or have been knocking the boards off the fence round the fair ground; and who have been stealing the boards and lumber out of the enclosure; or of any person or persons who may hereafter be guilty of these offences. The reward to be paid on conviction of said person or persons.

Resolved, That we adjourn to meet on Saturday the 11th of April, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Sheriff's Office.

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