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The Preservation of the Constitution, The Restoration of the Union, And the Supremacy of the Laws.

Democratic State Ticket.

FOR GOVERNOR, GEORGE W. WOODWARD, OF LUZERNE.

FOR JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT, WALTER H. LOWRIE, OF ALLEGHENY.

ELECTION ON TUESDAY, OCT. 13th, 1863.

THE INVASION.

Rebel Occupancy of Carlisle.

BOMBARDMENT OF THE TOWN.

INCIDENTS, &c.

[We are under obligations to S. K. Donnell, Esq., for the following report of the doings of the Rebels in this place, which has been furnished by him for the press of this place.]

The ten days just past have been the most eventful and interesting in the history of our Valley. An immense rebel army has marched through our midst, wasting our substance, devastating our fields, robbing our granaries and warehouses, searching our dwellings, and visiting on us many other calamities of war. For the purpose of giving a connected and intelligent account of the events, it will be necessary to revert back to the time of the occupation of Harrisburg.

THE FIRST ALERT.

Last Monday three weeks intelligence was received from Harrisburg, that the Rebels had advanced to the town of York, and the advance into Carlisle was expected. The arrival on Tuesday morning of the train of Government wagons, and the fact that the Rebels had increased the excitement, but very little apprehension was felt for this portion of the Valley, most of the community believing that it was a mere raid, such as had been made by Stuart last fall. Measures of precaution, however, were taken by our merchants and tradesmen, who immediately commenced packing their goods, and a number of them fled to the Eastern cities. After the rebels had visited Chambersburg, and again evacuated that town, confidence was restored, and all was much as usual, but with some exceptions, brought back their goods. This quiet was not destined to be of long duration. The goods were not yet on the shelves when intelligence was received that the rebel army was advancing. Chambersburg was re-occupied, and the advance was threatening Shippensburg. To those not widely blind, it was evident that there was no longer a mere raid, but on the contrary, the threats so often made by the Southern papers were to assume reality, and the State of Pennsylvania was to be invaded by the rebels.

THE MILITARY DEPARTURE.

The New York regiments were removed from their camps, and took positions, the 5th on the Wall, the 7th on the Hill, and the 71st on the turnpike, about two miles east of town. At this point a barricade was erected across the road, slight defenses thrown up, and the Rebels were ordered, and as soon as this was understood the militia of our town commenced organizing. Companies were formed, and Capt. John Martin, John S. Low, A. Brady, Martin Sharp, David Black, and Robert B. Smiley. On Wednesday morning the company of six hundred men, and the company of five hundred men, were composed of the best elements of the town, and among the members were several gentlemen of the first rank of age and position. The company of five hundred men were composed of the best elements of the town, and among the members were several gentlemen of the first rank of age and position. The company of five hundred men were composed of the best elements of the town, and among the members were several gentlemen of the first rank of age and position.

CAPT. ROBEY'S DEPARTURE.

Capt. Robey, who had under him about two hundred of the New York 2nd Cavalry, departed for Harrisburg on Tuesday night. He was accompanied by the 1st and 2nd regiments of the New York Cavalry, and at evening reported the enemy within about four miles of Carlisle. This officer by the boldness and energy of his movements, his sagacity, and his ability, has won an enviable reputation, and merits high reward for his services.

THE RETREAT.

About nine o'clock at night, Gen. Kolpe received information that the enemy were within two miles of his command in overwhelming force. He considered that it would be folly to offer resistance, and issued an order directing the troops to fall back. The New Yorkers received their order and all the militia, with the exception of the 1st and 2nd regiments of the New York Cavalry, were ordered to fall back. The New Yorkers received their order and all the militia, with the exception of the 1st and 2nd regiments of the New York Cavalry, were ordered to fall back.

THE REBELS.

The information that the rebels were upon us, seriously affected the nerves of some of our citizens. Many of our prominent ones, and many not so prominent, concluded to leave town, and conveyances of all kinds were in great demand. Some were

to procure vehicles, started on foot for Harrisburg, and others for the same purpose. The confusion and excitement caused, which we will not attempt to describe. A number of citizens from the upper end of the county, had stopped in an open field with their stock, and they were soon hurrying on their way, throwing the roads, greatly increasing the confusion and alarm.

A DAY OF QUIET.

The residents of our town retired to bed on Thursday night under the full conviction that the rebels would occupy the town before morning. But day dawned and the old town was more than usually quiet. Citizens not each other with a smile and talked about the big scare. Scouts arriving at the town asserted positively that there was not a rebel horse or man in the town. There was a large all-ship, and the militia discussed the propriety of remaining on duty. Friday passed one of the most cheerful days. On Saturday morning at an early hour the rebel force was again said to be within a few miles of the town, but it was very difficult to find any one willing to believe the report. There had been too many "scares," and the people were absolutely exhausted with rumors and reports. A degree of uncertainty had settled down on them and they were unwilling to listen and give credence to this "cry of wolf," when it was reality. The morning home, passing through the town, the truth of the rumors and the people could scarcely believe their senses when it was definitely settled that the rebels were within a quarter of a mile of town. Capt. Robey's cavalry corps, which had been ordered to the town, and the fact. The feeling of alarm which had seized on the entire community the night previous was no where to be found. There was a feeling of confidence and indifference, and a resigned courage that was more than virtue prevailing everywhere. If it was necessary that the town should be sacrificed, there was no interest in being killed to make the offering. If it was essential that this beautiful valley should be offered up to destruction, so as to save the Army of the Potomac, or give its commander time to mass his forces, it would have been offered. This was a manly courage exhibited by citizens which will ever reflect credit upon them.

THE STRANGE OF THE REBELS.

When the rebels entered the town, several citizens proceeded out to meet them, among whom was Col. Wm. M. Penrose, and Robert Allison, Assistant Surgeon. In response to questions asked by Gen. Jenkins, commander of the forces, Col. Penrose stated that there was no force in the town, and that no resistance would be made consequently it would be useless to charge through the streets, which could only have the effect of seriously alarming the women and children. Gen. Jenkins said he had no disposition to do so, and would much prefer to enter the town as quietly as possible. Accordingly about eleven o'clock on Saturday morning, the rebel advance entered the town from the west end of the street, their horses were at a walk, and their arms were slung over their shoulders. They were about four hundred in number, mounted infantry, and every man carried a gun in a position to use it on the instant, with his hand on the hammer. They passed down Main street to the junction of the Trindle Spring and Hillburg roads, then turned to the right and proceeded to the Garrison. The remainder dismounted for a few minutes, when they again took their saddles, returned to the town, and stopped in the public square.

THE PLUNDERERS.

There can be no doubt that there were some persons in our midst who acted as pilots, and pointed out where goods and property were scattered. It would have been utterly impossible for the rebels to have so easily and so thoroughly plundered the town, unless they received information from some of our own citizens. The squad would have directly taken possession of the goods, and the demand that they should be produced. Some few persons, are known, it is said, who have been in a position to use their influence to prevent the rebels from plundering the town, and an outraged public will certainly hold them to a strict accountability. They were worse than the rebels.

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About ten o'clock on Monday morning our citizens felt much relieved when they learned that an order had been issued for the capture of the rebels, and that the private who were in town hurried to their camp and it was very evident that some powerful influence was operating on the command and that they were to be sent to Harrisburg had been cut off, and our community was in total ignorance in regard to events transpiring anywhere except in our own town. The rebels were felt by all, and the most anxious solicitude manifested to learn what was transpiring on the north side of the mountain. There were a thousand and a half men, and they were being themselves with good food. Their horses were picketed along the pavements facing equally well with their masters. The rebels were ordered to the north side of the mountain, and the question in every one's mind was "how long will they remain?"

JOHNSON'S DIVISION.

Johnson's Division of Ewell's Corps, had camped near Plainfield, on Saturday. On Monday about noon they received marching orders, and they proceeded to the town. They marched to a point above Stony Brook, where they camped, and on Tuesday morning they resumed their march, and proceeded to the town. They were ordered to the north side of the mountain, and the question in every one's mind was "how long will they remain?"

REBELS' DIVISION LEAVE.

About three o'clock on Tuesday morning the Rebels' Division commenced to move, and a continuous stream of wagons, and a train of about eight o'clock the main army had departed. It took the Harrisburg pike, and proceeded to the north side of the mountain. The Rebels' Division commenced to move, and a continuous stream of wagons, and a train of about eight o'clock the main army had departed.

CITIZENS' PLEASER THE POST.

After Ewell had gone hundreds of persons hurried to the Garrison, to see the condition of the town. Among the number were many of our prominent citizens, and men. These latter immediately went to plundering. The Rebels had not disturbed anything and their friends did not consider anything sacred, and despoiled and ravaged the premises. The blank leaves in the books were torn out, and the papers generally scattered in every direction. Blankets, and apparel of every kind were carried away. Furniture was destroyed. The place was in a more desolate condition than it has ever been before.

THE SLAUGHTER FIELD.

The rebels captured during their course down the valley several hundred head of cattle, which they brought with them, and pastured in a grain field adjoining the post. Some of the citizens who were there, to feed themselves, and they were ordered to the north side of the mountain, and the question in every one's mind was "how long will they remain?"

GEN. EWELL'S HEAD-QUARTERS.

Gen. Ewell passed through the town to the Carlisle barracks where he established his headquarters, occupying the dwelling used by Butler, Mitty and one or two other officers. Soon after fixing his headquarters he dispatched one of his aides to town with a demand on the authorities for supplies, medicines, amputating instruments, &c. This demand was ridiculous in its character. Among the many articles was one for 1000 barrels of flour, when there were

calton with Harrisburg. The Rebel picked through both the Hicks and the Trindle Spring roads, although none of them were near Carlisle. About two o'clock P. M. however, a cavalry force, over four hundred in number, made their appearance on the Hillburg road, and soon after entered the town. They were under command of a Col. Cochran, and it very soon became evident that the rebels were not only in the hills, but they were in the town. The rebels were in the town, and they were in the town.

THE CONDITION OF THE TOWN ON SATURDAY MORNING.

Before dark on Saturday the entire command, which consisted of Rhodes' Division of Ewell's Corps, had passed through the town, and had camped in the hills. The Rebels were in the town, and they were in the town. The Rebels were in the town, and they were in the town.

GEN. EWELL SENDS HIS CARD.

On Saturday evening Gen. Ewell sent his card, with a note, to several families, assuring them that the strictest discipline would be maintained in his command, and that no act of outrage or violence would be committed. His assurances were fully realized, and while his conduct was not perfect, the rebels felt satisfied that they would be protected.

SUNDAY MORNING—THE SEARCHES.

The authorities having failed to meet the requisitions, on Sunday morning squads of soldiers, each carrying a search-warrant, and armed with cut-throats, entered the town, and commenced the search. All the stores and warehouses were visited, and such articles as were needed by the rebels were taken. A few minutes of search in the public square was filled with citizens, all anxious to learn news. But there was none. Capt. Robey had been in front of the enemy all the time, and he had seen the Rebels' Division. The Rebels were in the town, and they were in the town.

ANOTHER ALARM.

About three o'clock in the afternoon news was brought to town that the rebels were advancing on the Harrisburg pike from Paperstown. The soldiers did not appear to be in any hurry, and they were in the town. The Rebels were in the town, and they were in the town.

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It was terrible, fearful, horrid and more devilish than at first. The streets at that time were crowded with those who were fleeing from the scene. But the dastard who committed the deed was not only lost to the world, but he was lost to the world. The rebels were in the town, and they were in the town.

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Notwithstanding the humiliation and disgrace our people have suffered from the rebel raid, it may yet, perhaps, in the providence of God, turn out to be a lesson to us that may serve a good purpose. It has convinced us all that we have an immense task before us, and one that must be met, let the sacrifice be what it may. Our army should be increased in numbers at once, and if three millions of men be required to put down the rebellion, in the name of humanity let them be mustered in. The wealth of the entire North should be carefully assessed, and one half of the whole amount placed in the U. S. treasury for the support of the army. Let bickerings cease, let hard names be discarded, and a good feeling encouraged by all. The welfare of our threatened country must now occupy our thoughts and command our efforts. For one we feel like giving up, cheerfully, one-half of all we are worth in the world, if by so doing we can save our nation and put down the rebels in arms. It is time to stop boasting about the "loyalty" of this or that man. We must now have something more than empty professions—we must have men and money. Every man who is physically able should rush to arms, and those who cannot bear arms to give of their means. This war can be successfully ended in three to six months, if all men unite in one grand effort. Men of the North—be up and doing, or you may find yourselves "subjugated," instead of the rebels of the South. Up, every man and woman, and swear in your hearts that our cause must triumph, cost what it may. Up, freemen up! N. B.—After the above had been put in type we received glorious news from our noble army near Gettysburg, and the future appears full of hope. We believe the rebel army that ventured into our State will be entirely destroyed. If this hope prevails the back-bone of the rebellion is broken, and a peace, with a whole Union, is not far distant. Still, let us not be over-optimistic, but go vigorously in enlisting men, that we may be ready for any emergency.

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DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

NOMINATION OF HON. GEO. W. WOODWARD, FOR GOVERNOR;

AND HON. WALTER H. LOWRIE, FOR SUPREME JUDGE.

The Democratic State Convention of Pennsylvania met in the Hall of the House of Representatives at Harrisburg, on Wednesday, June 17, 1863, at 10 o'clock, A. M., and was called to order by FRANCIS W. HUGHES, Esq., Chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee. GEORGE W. NERBONER, of Philadelphia; and DR. BRUCE PETRIKIN, of Huntington, were nominated for temporary Chairmen; and, after some discussion of points of order, a vote was taken, which resulted as follows: George W. Woodward, 75 Dr. Bruce Petrikin, 70 Dr. Nerboner was therefore declared elected temporary Chairman of the Convention; and, on taking his seat, made a brief address of thanks. Messrs. John C. Barr and William H. Butler were appointed temporary Secretaries. The printed list of Delegates was then called over, after the disposal of several cases of contested seats. [The names of the Delegates we omit. Judge Hepburn was the Representative, and Dr. Crawford of Juniata, the Senatorial delegate from this district.] Mr. Hagenman, of Berks, offered the following resolution: Resolved, That a committee of one from each Senatorial district shall be appointed by the Chairman to report officers for the permanent organization of this Convention. Hon. Isaac E. Hiest moved to amend by making the number of the committee equal to the number of Senators. The amendment was accepted. Mr. Petrikin moved that the President be elected by the direct vote of the Convention, but after some discussion, the amendment was withdrawn. Mr. C. L. Lamberton renewed it in the shape of the following resolution, as a substitute for Mr. Hagenman's: Resolved, That this Convention do now proceed to the election of a permanent President, and that the delegates from each Senatorial district designate one person to select the other officers for the permanent organization of the Convention, and one person for the Committee on Resolutions. The question was discussed by Messrs. Lamberton, Sanson, Johnson, Kameyer, Plummer, Plett, Nason, and others; when finally Mr. Lamberton withdrew his amendment, and the original resolution was adopted, with a modification referring the selection of the members of the Committee to the Delegates from each Senatorial District. After a recess of ten minutes, the Committee on Permanent Organization was announced—Hepburn member for this District. A motion for the appointment of a Committee on Resolutions was made by Mr. Hiest, of Lancaster; and briefly discussed; when the Convention adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at 2 o'clock, P. M. The Committee on Permanent Organization, through their Chairman, Hon. Arnold Plummer, reported the following list of officers: President: FINLEY PATTERSON, of Washington county. Vice Presidents: Alexander Diamond, Jacob S. York, A. Brunner, Dr. O. P. James, B. P. Keller, James E. Baker, William J. Crans, A. W. Kaufman, P. P. Dewees, Jacob Leisinger, P. Arnold, D. S. Cooper, Gen. J. Blanning, Richard McGrann, John A. Heller, Henry A. Wills, William Weigman, John White, John P. Hoover, A. Z. Duncan, Dr. G. B. Mitchell, Dr. A. Dickinson, Charles D. Manly, Dr. G. S. Hill, W. W. Moore, E. A. McCullough, John George, David Tibball, Jonathan S. Green, C. I. Lehman, Jonathan Garratt, C. R. Early. Secretaries: F. M. Hutchinson, of Allegheny, Charles Leverett Wolf, of Philadelphia, J. Simpson Africa, of Huntington, William Weigman, of Luzerne, W. C. Stein, of Adams, J. C. Barr, of Allegheny, Dr. S. M. Hill, of Luzerne. Messengers—Owen Laughlin, Donkeyeepers—Leaughin Lieber, John O'Conner. The nominations were unanimously ratified. Mr. Patterson was conducted to the chair by Mr. Galbraith and Judge Hepburn, and on taking his seat, said: "Gentlemen of the Convention: My heart overflows with gratitude for this mark of your partiality. To be selected to preside over the deliberations of the Democratic State of Pennsylvania, is truly an honor; and for it I feel grateful. Follow delegates; never, never, since the organization of our glorious old Commonwealth, have the actions of any deliberative body been looked for with more anxious solicitude than those of this Convention. To select a standard bearer for the Democracy at any time is an important work; but now, when the whole civilized world is looking to the success and prosperity of the Democratic party to restore our oppressed and bleeding country to its ancient and happy state, it is truly a work of vast importance; and I trust we shall engage in it as it becomes the representatives of a great and worthy people; for, as you are all aware that harmony, order and dignity are essentially necessary, on the part of a deliberative body, to give weight and character to its proceedings. I trust and hope, then, that we will discharge the important trust confided to us with an eye single to the salvation and prosperity of the Democratic party, which is truly the honor of our country; and that, with such harmony and unanimity of action that will convince the whole people that we are determined to save the country. Let our motto be 'Principles, not party.' Let the Star Spangled Banner, in all its purity and fullness, be our anthem; and let our motto be 'Union, liberty and victory; glorious victory, will crown our labors. I again thank you for your kind-ness.' Mr. F. W. Hughes offered the following resolution, which was adopted: Resolved, That a Committee on Resolutions shall be selected in the same manner as the Committee on Resolutions, and that all resolutions proposed to the Convention shall be referred to that committee.

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