

EDITORS: E. O. GOODRICH, S. W. ALVORD. Towanda, Pa., Thursday, August 29, 1878.

REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.

GOVERNOR: GENERAL HENRY M. HOYT, Of Luzerne.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR: HON. CHARLES W. STONE, Of Warren.

SECRETARY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS: HON. AARON K. DUNKEL, Of Philadelphia.

JUDGE OF SUPREME COURT: JUDGE JAMES P. STERRETT, Of Allegheny.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY TICKET.

SHERIFF: PETER J. DEAN, Of South Creek.

PROTHONOTARY: GEORGE W. BLACKMAN, Of Sheshequin.

REGISTER AND RECORDER: A. C. FRISBIE, Of Orwell.

JOHN COUNTY TREASURER: JOHN H. GRANT, Of Troy.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE: STEPHEN D. HARKNESS, Of Springfield.

GEN. HENRY J. MADILL, Of Towanda.

ASA NICHOLS, Of Le Raysville.

JAMES L. HURST, Of Herrick.

DANIEL BRADFORD, Of Columbia.

JAS. M. MARSH, Of Pike.

U. M. PRATT, Of Monroeton.

D. B. WALKER, Of Ulster.

THE CONVENTION.

Although somewhat protracted, the Convention which assembled on Tuesday was a remarkably pleasant assemblage. The friends of the several candidates were earnest, but good-natured, and the best of feeling was maintained throughout.

BWARE.

The Democratic and Greenback leaders are already endeavoring to poison the minds of defeated Republican candidates. It is conceded on all hands that the caucuses and convention were conducted with more than ordinary fairness, and the ticket nominated is certainly unobjectionable to sincere Republicans, and should receive the united and vigorous support of all, and especially of the gentlemen who submitted their names to the convention.

COL. OVERTON.

While the Republican convention had almost innumerable candidates before it for most of the positions to be filled, for Congress there was no opposition, and Col. Overton, Jr., was re-nominated by acclamation. If the action of the convention is endorsed by the conference, as we doubt not it will be, all doubt as to sending a Republican to Congress from the 15th district will be removed.

The Greenbackers would find something that would interest them in a tale prepared by Mr. CAMP, of the New York Clearing House which shows the decrease of the bank capital in the city of New York in the last five years—the very time when banks were the most lenient to the tax-gatherer. The loss of capital is more than twenty millions, and of surplus more than half as much more.

The reason of this is, taxation is so ruinous that capital cannot stand it. A single bank in New York city—and that not one of the largest—paid in taxes last year about \$700 for every day the bank was open. The banking interest finds its sole profit in the circulation of money, and the more active business is, the better the income of the bank. By crippling these institutions we are injuring one of the strongest influences toward the revival of trade.

Good news came from Maine. Many who were inclined to the doctrine of the Greenback fallacy are seeing the error of their ways and returning to their old love, the Republican party. Every day makes more hard money converts, and so it is in Pennsylvania. Ever since Hon. G. A. Gove's sound the key note of the campaign, the hard sense of his argument has made the thoughts of those inclined to wander, to go wool-gathering, and as a result they will return to the Republican party, firmer than ever in their belief that the party is the only one which is sound on the currency question. And it is well to welcome them back to our fold as erring brethren led astray by the sophistries of the National party—a party of fallacy and error.

The Greenbackers in calling their primaries here a "caution," warning the faithful not to support any candidate who was nominated by the Democratic convention.

DEAD ISSUES.

There exists a small class of nominal Republicans, composed of men possessed of considerable learning and not a little literary ability, who are continually finding fault with the masses of the Republican party for continuing to fight what they are pleased to term dead issues. These men say very often, and with immense energy, "O, why have the bloody shirt any longer? The war is over; the rebels have laid down their arms, and the new times have brought new questions, new struggles, and new duties, and to these let us devote our attention." Such is the drift of the criticism of papers like the Philadelphia Times, Springfield Republican, and others of the same kidney, with editors claiming to be Republican, but showing their affection for the party by denouncing its leaders and bolting its nominations whenever mischief can be thereby accomplished.

The objection to dead issues has a specious air, but is utterly unavailing and deceptive. The issues involved are not dead, and they never can die while a great, strong, and aggressive party like the Democratic party lives and thrives upon the wicked principles which were at the bottom of the iniquity that culminated in the rebellion. The issues which are really vital to-day are whether the rights of all the people shall be respected in all parts of the land; whether the amended Constitution shall be administered by the friends of the amendments or by their enemies; whether the party which saved the nation shall be obliged to take seats back of the party which fought to destroy the nation, and whether the principles that sustained the war shall stand or give way to those which made the war a necessity.

In stating the above as the vital issues it is not forgotten that there are questions affecting currency, labor, transportation, and public improvements of great moment; but as the Republican party is much more sound on all these, even in the view of the critics, than is the Democratic party, they one and all are more completely dead as party questions than the others which are complained of as being no longer living.

The Republican party gave the country the greenback and the Democratic party denounced and fought it. The Republican party never pretended that gold was the only constitutional currency, but the Democratic party always so contended.

The Republican party sustained the constitutionality of the legal tender act, and the Democratic party denied it. The Republican party never held that internal improvement were unconstitutional, but the Democrats held it as such.

The Republican party furnished proof of its faith in great public works by building the Pacific Railroad; but the Democratic party in all the long years of its supremacy under JACKSON, VAN BUREN, POLK, PIERCE, TYLER, BUCHANAN, and ASHBY JOHNSON never made the country a present of anything but war and rebellion.

The vital issues between the two parties relate, therefore, to the general ideas underlying the constitutions of the parties. These ideas are very marked in their general scope and significance, and no one need mistake them. The filibustering, unsteady, turbulent, unmanageable, and capricious elements in the country are found by a large majority gravitating toward the Democratic party. It was the predominance of spirits of this class that made the rebellion possible. It was a Democratic rebellion, and the culmination of a long series of causes that were backed up by pistol, bow-knife, and cat-o'-nine-tail methods and customs, human slavery and degradation being the chief cornerstones. For measures favoring education, order, public improvement, elevation of the laborer and the protection of the rights of the lowest and meanest laboring man, all look to the Republican party; for it was, under the banner of that party that we may find the National debt, the shackles of oppression were stricken from the limbs of a whole race, and the principles of equality were applied to the lowly, without distinction of race, color, or other merely factious circumstance or condition.

The facts are facts of record and not to be disputed. In the past the elements of the Democratic party caused it to gravitate to war, disunion, and anarchy. The end sought was wrong; the means were violent. The antagonistic elements of peace, union, order, and public prosperity associated as the Republican party had conquered. There has been no new association of ideas by which the relation of things has been changed. The Democrats have not swapped off their old garments of unrighteousness and taken to clean clothes and godly ways, and notwithstanding their pretensions, they are the same dangerous force that once led us to near the awful brink of destruction. The old antagonisms remain. Both parties retain their original elements, and are governed by their original tendencies, and are managed by their old leaders.

CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS, JULLAN, and a few apostates have joined the Democrats, but they are not leaders, and were not welcomed with half the enthusiasm that ushered in ANDERSON, WEBER, and other notorious characters who tried to sell the Presidency to the highest bidder.

The success of Democracy means, therefore, the success of the elements which compose Democracy, and these are the same as ever, and will yield the same brand of catastrophes if they get but the opportunity.

THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

EVERY DISTRICT REPRESENTED.

The Greatest Enthusiasm and Good Feeling.

The Republican nominating convention met at the Court House on Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Chairman STREETER called the meeting to order, and nominated Dr. O. H. ROCKWELL of Monroeton, for Chairman, and he was unanimously elected. J. P. COBURN of Orwell, and J. S. GRIFPIN of Canton, and D. R. WILLIAMS of Barclay, were elected Secretaries. On calling the roll the following named delegates answered to their names, and took seats in the convention:

- 1. Albany—George Foss, C. C. Crocker. 2. Albany—Royd Wilcox, D. W. Harshberger. 3. Arden—Alfred Ripley, Andrew Swartz. 4. Arden—George Kerrick, E. J. Ayres. 5. Athens—John Hosmer, John Hosmer.

The following resolution was offered as a substitute: WHEREAS, A large number of the Republicans of the county have petitioned for a change in the mode of making nominations, and the Legislature of this State, by its action on the bill for the election of Crawford County System, whereby they may vote directly for the candidate; therefore be it Resolved, That the Chairman of the County Committee is hereby directed to call an early meeting, before the first of May next, a special primary meeting on a day fixed, in the respective districts of the county, at which the qualified Republican electors may vote by ballot, on the question of the adoption of the elective system of making nominations. The vote to be returned to the Chairman of the County Committee, and by him computed and the result declared and published. If in the affirmative, the rules similar to those here appended shall govern the party nominations thereafter to be promulgated by the County Committee.

Both propositions were voted down. On motion of F. WATTS, Esq., Col. E. OVERTON, Jr., was unanimously presented as the candidate for Congress with power to appoint his own conferees.

On motion it was decided to proceed with the nomination of a candidate for Sheriff. The following names were placed before the Convention: EDWARD WALKER, Towanda borough; JOHN F. SATERLE, Monroeton; P. J. DEAN, South Creek; W. F. HORTON, Terry; H. N. FIAT, Troy township; P. P. BURNS, Burlington; KELOAN PARKMAN, Canton.

The ballots stood as follows: Walker, 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100.

No choice having been made at 9 o'clock the Convention adjourned until 9 o'clock A. M., Wednesday morning. At 9 o'clock Wednesday morning the Convention met pursuant to adjournment, and continued balloting for a candidate for Sheriff, with the following result:

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Two names were presented for Prothonotary, and on the first ballot Geo. W. BLACKMAN was nominated over JOHN A. CODDING, by a vote of 67 to 37.

The following gentlemen were nominated Register and Recorder: A. C. FRISBIE, WM. WALDRON, LYMAN BLACKMAN, DR. LEVI MORSE, and C. E. ANDRUS.

Mr. A. C. FRISBIE was nominated on the 8th ballot, as follows: Frisbie, 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100.

On the first ballot, JOHN H. GRANT was nominated for Treasurer over L. W. TOWNER by a vote of 70 to 34.

In the Western District the nomination was made on the first ballot, S. D. HARKNESS received 52 votes; BOURNE, 25; A. S. MANLEY, 20. The nomination of Mr. HARKNESS was made unanimous.

Candidates from the Central District were J. F. MADILL, JAMES FOSTER, H. J. MADILL, S. OVENSHIRE and J. B. M. HINMAN. Gen. MADILL received 74 votes on the 8th ballot, when his nomination was made unanimous.

In the Eastern District the names presented were JOHN BEARDSLEY, ASA NICHOLS, L. P. STALFORD and LEVI WELLS. On the second ballot Mr. NICHOLS received 55 votes, when he was declared unanimously nominated, COMMISSIONERS.

In the Eastern District the nomination of JAMES HURST was made by acclamation. On second ballot, for Commissioner from Western District, DANIEL BRADFORD was selected by a vote of 55, and his nomination was made unanimous. AUDITORS: MR. JAMES MARSH, of Pike, and U. M. PRATT, of Monroeton, were nominated for Auditors by acclamation. CORONER: Mr. D. B. WALKER, of Ulster, was nominated for Coroner by acclamation.

LETTERS FROM HON. E. B. REED.

Mr. REED addressed to the following letter when too late for publication, he therefore gives it a place this week. To the People of Bradford County: As my Legislative term during the last session has been called in question, and the intention of defeating my re-nomination, I deem it my right and duty to explain to you the reasons of my withdrawal from office.

The official acts of men in office are public property, and all citizens have the right to know the motives which actuate them, and also without reference to the motives that impels it, be it for the public good or to gratify revenge, or to avenge personal animosities. In the present case, the motive has been purely to give the people correct information, and to give them an opportunity to record their views on the subject.

The Constitution of Pennsylvania contains wise and just provisions upon the subject of discrimination, and a proper law will be passed which will give industrial interests of the State against unjust and invidious discriminations which at all times receive my support, and hereafter, in the most positive terms, I am in favor of the enactment of a law by which every individual and company just and equal rights respecting the sale of their property, and to publish this purpose I gave my support to the following resolution, passed February 15, 1878, by the Legislature: "Resolved, That in the Senate, that our assent to the proposed amendments to the Constitution of this State, which are proposed to be submitted to the people, shall be contingent upon the passage of a law which shall give to every citizen the right to sell his property on equal terms with the property of any other citizen, and to be free from any unjust and invidious discriminations which at all times receive my support, and 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