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SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 1863.

National Convention of the States.

The following is the report of the minority of the Committee on Federal Relations of the Senate of Pennsylvania, made by Messrs. CLYMER and LAMBERTON, on the 6th inst., recommending the calling of a Convention of the States, with a view to a settlement of our National difficulties:

MINORITY REPORT.

The undersigned, a minority of the Committee on Federal Relations of the Pennsylvania Senate, to which sundry petitions of citizens of this Commonwealth were referred, praying that steps may be taken to secure a convention of the United States, dissenting from the report of the majority of said committee, make the following report:

The petitions referred to the committee are numerously signed, and relate to a subject of high importance. In the opinion of the undersigned, they are entitled to fair treatment and respectful consideration; and there is no ground for imputing improper motives to any of those who have proposed or signed them. They propose a course of action perfectly conformed to the Constitution—one, in fact, expressly provided for by that instrument—and were doubtless inspired by an earnest, sincere desire for the peace, reunion and prosperity of the United States.

The undersigned cannot discern the insuperable difficulties opposed to the holding of a convention within a reasonable time, supposed to exist by the majority of the *Committee*. The statement made by them that amendments cannot be adopted before the latter part of the year 1865, would seem to be quite unfounded. Congress can, itself, propose amendments by a two-thirds vote, and upon application made by two-thirds of the States, is required to call a convention for the purpose of framing them. Two-thirds of both Houses of Congress, or a convention convened at the instance of the Legislatures of two-thirds of the States, can, at any time, submit any proposition of amendment to the States, which, upon ratification by three-fourths of them, will become a part of the Constitution. In the Legislature of any State desirous of obtaining amendments, two courses of action are open. First, by memorial to Congress, or by resolutions of instruction, and request to the Senators and Representatives of the State, in favor of the exercise by Congress of its power to submit amendments; and, second, by making a formal application to Congress to call a Convention.

In this State, the Legislature being now in session, either course of action may be taken at once, and all delay avoided so far as she is concerned, and doubtless such action taken here would have large influence in other States. Already Kentucky has demanded a convention, and action looking to the same end has been had in other States. If Pennsylvania should now raise her voice for a convention, it would give impetus to the movement, and probably secure its success.

The majority of the Committee allude to the fact that in some of the States the regular sessions of the Legislature are *biennial*, from which they infer that there would be great delay in their acting upon this subject. But in any case where a *biennial* session falls within the present year, the objection fails, and where the fact is otherwise, the Governor of the State can convene the Legislature. Besides, the States so circumstanced are few in number.

It may be further remarked, that in all the States the Legislatures can be convened by the Governors, and that in most of them, they meet in regular session within the current year.

It is manifest, therefore, that the majority of the Committee have fallen into error in stating the time necessary to procure amendments to the Constitution under the article of that instrument which provides for them. Neither the Constitution of the United States, nor those of the States, prevent the formation of amendments within a reasonable time.

It is true that the Governors and Legislatures of many States, may be opposed to the proposition of a convention, and by reason thereof, it may be delayed or defeated. But we have here a question not of possibility or power, but of inclination or will in official and public bodies, which it is the very object of the petitioners to incline to their own views, and as two-thirds of the State legislatures can command a convention the petitioners may be hopeful of attaining their object and stand justified in pursuing it.

The Constitution was framed by a convention, and provides for its own amendment through the same agency. The true question, therefore, raised by the petitioners is, ought such body to be convened? The majority of the committee answer this question by denying the propriety or necessity of amendments. They seem satisfied to resolve the whole subject of our national existence and the future relations of the States into a mere question of force, and to reject all the instrumentalities for securing the system established by our fathers. It follows, that if their own remedy for division should be found insufficient, the Union is to remain broken and separate, and probably hostile powers are to be established upon the ruins of the republic. But such result would be intolerable, and every honorable means for preventing it should be resorted to.

Were a convention now held, the following States, heretofore classed as Southern, would be represented therein, to wit: Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Missouri. These, added to the eighteen Northern, Western and Pacific States, would make twenty-four, or more than two-thirds of the whole number of the States, including the seceded ones. It is possible also that Louisiana and other existing States South, not named above, would soon participate in the proceeding, as would certainly any new State admitted into the Union in the West. (Colorado or Nevada, for instance, an act preparatory to the admission of which, came near being passed at the last session of Congress.) At all events, if success should attend the Federal arms in South Carolina, Arkansas and Texas, during the coming months of the present year, the Union sentiment of those States would be developed and organized by the pendency of this measure of a convention, and their strength would probably be won to our cause. And doubtless over the whole field of the struggle the measure would strengthen the cause of the Union and weaken the cause of those opposed to its reconstruction.

A convention would afford an opportunity to the Conservative and true Union men of the country (who are in a great majority) to take direct action upon our public affairs and secure them from the hands of extreme and violent interests; to stop the effusion of blood and the accumulation of debt; to re-establish the Union firmly upon the consent of the States composing it; and "to provide safe-guards against future convulsions and wars."

[Signed,] HIESTER CLYMER,
C. L. LAMBERTON.

The committee submit the following preamble and resolutions for adoption:

Whereas, Angry sectional controversy, long indulged, has culminated in the assumed secession of a number of the States of the Union, and in a civil war which has already raged for nearly two years with unsurpassed violence and carnage, wasting the lives and substance of the people of both sections, and filling the land with misery and lamentations;

And whereas, a continuance of a Union of all the States is indispensable to the peace and welfare of the people, as well as to the attainment of a great nationality;

And whereas, it is believed that ordinary measures of legislation may prove insufficient to remove the primary causes of the present strife, or to adjust the complications that have arisen therefrom;

And whereas, the fifth article of the Constitution of the United States, provides that "the Congress, whenever two-thirds of both houses shall deem i necessary, shall propose amendments to the Constitution, or, on the application of the Legislatures of two-thirds of the States, shall call a convention for proposing amendments, which, in either case, shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of this Constitution when ratified by the Legislatures of three fourths of the States, or by conventions in three fourths thereof, as the one or the other mode of ratification may be proposed by Congress."

Be it therefore

Resolved, That the Congress of the United States be, and hereby is petitioned, to make provision for calling a Convention of States, as authorized by the fifth article of the Constitution of the United States; the object of which Convention shall be to inquire into the causes of the present afflictions of the nation, and if any just ground of complaint is found to exist, to so amend the Constitution as to remove such causes; securing thereby a more perfect Union of the States, a better understanding of the relations which the States bear to the Federal Government, "establishing justice, ensuring domestic tranquility," and doing such other things not inconsistent with the spirit and genius of the present form of government, as may be deemed necessary "to promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity."

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to forward copies of the foregoing resolution to the President of the United States, to the President of the Senate of the United States, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, and to each of the Governors of the several States claiming to be in the Union.

ORPHANS' COURT SALE.

PURSUANT TO AN ORDER OF THE ORPHANS' COURT of Berks county, will be sold at public vendue, on Saturday, the 18th day of April, A. D., 1863, at the public house of Feather & Reifsnyder, (Keystone) in the city of Reading, said county: All those certain HOUSES, one two-story Brick, and one one-story Frame House and lot of ground, situate on the North-West corner of Chestnut street and Carpenter alley, between Third and Fourth streets, in the City of Reading, containing in front 20½ feet, and in depth 110 feet, more or less, with the privilege of using the wall on the west side, in the erection of a building, free from charge. The said Brick House being in good repairs, and the yard paved with flags—hydrant in the yard. Late the property of *Samuel Briner*, deceased.

Sale to commence at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, when due attendance will be given, and the terms of sale made known by

DANIEL J. WERNER, MARKS B. SCULL, } Executors.

By order of the Court.—DANIEL HAHN, Clerk.
March 28, 1863-4t

BRIDGE LETTING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT THE County Commissioners will be in attendance at their office in Reading, from April 6th to April 25th, for the purpose of letting the Penn Street, Lancaster and Poplar Neck Bridges.

All those who fail to avail themselves of this opportunity, will positively be excluded from making a contract for the year 1863.

PAUL WENRICH, GEORGE K. LORAH, HENRY R. HAWMAN, } Commissioners.
Commissioners' Office, March 28, 1863-4t

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT THE ACCOUNT of Andrew Kurr and David B. Lerch, Committee of Jacob King, a Lunatic, has been filed in the Prothonotary's office of Berks county, and that the same will be allowed and confirmed, on Monday, the 4th day of May, 1863, unless cause be shown to the contrary.

March 28—4t] A. W. KAUFFMAN, Prothonotary.

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TAKE NOTICE!—THE SUBSCRIBER INforms the residents of Reading and the neighborhood, that he is prepared to undertake and attend punctually to all kinds of Garden-Work, such as planting Grape Vines, Fruit Trees, &c., and pruning, trimming, grafting, budding, &c. Orders left at Mr. Haller's, Seventh street, near the Railroad Depot; Mr. Aug. Kirmse's Shoe-Store, Chestnut street, opposite Lauer's Brewery; Mr. Adam Ott's, corner of Seventh and Walnut street; Frederick Eberth's, Walnut street, below Tenth; or at his residence, Buttonwood street, second door below Tenth, will be promptly answered.

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JACOB C. SCHOENER,
OFFICE in Court Street, next door above Alderman Choener. [Feb 28

APPEAL DAYS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT THE Appeal Days for the several Wards, Boroughs and Townships, in the County of Berks, for the year 1863, will be held in the Commissioners' Office, at Reading, as follows:

Bethel,	April 13	Alsace,	April 20
Upper Tulpehoccon,	do 13	Muhlenberg,	do 20
Tulpehoccon,	do 13	Ontelaunee,	do 20
Bern Upper,	do 13	Maidencreek,	do 20
Centre,	do 14	Perry,	do 21
Bernville,	do 14	Rockland,	do 21
Penn,	do 14	Longswamp,	do 21
Jefferson,	do 14	Pike,	do 21
Heidelberg, North	do 15	Hereford,	do 22
Heidelberg, Lower	do 15	District,	do 22
Heidelberg,	do 15	Washington,	do 22
Marion,	do 15	Colebrookdale,	do 22
Hamburg,	do 16	Oley,	do 23
Windsor,	do 16	Earl,	do 23
Albany,	do 16	Douglass,	do 23
Greenwich,	do 16	Amity,	do 23
Ruscombmanor,	do 17	Union,	do 24
Richmond,	do 17	Robeson,	do 24
Kutztown,	do 17	Caernarvon,	do 24
Maxatawny,	do 17	Brecknock,	do 25
Womelsdorf,	do 18	Bern,	do 25
Spring,	do 18	Exeter,	do 25
Cumru,	do 18	Reading,	do 27

The Assessors of the several Wards, Boroughs and Townships above named, are requested to call at the Commissioners' Office and receive their precepts, transcripts, &c.

PAUL WENRICH, GEORGE K. LORAH, HENRY R. HAWMAN, } Commissioners.
Commissioners' Office, Reading, March 28, 1863-4t

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Unexpired Temporary Premiums,	190,584 05	
Less for the portion of time expired on polices over one year,	19,058 40	
		$171,525 65
Surplus,		924,766 11
Total,		$2,392,116 39

Statement of the Assets of the Company, January 1, 1863.

First Mortgages, amply secured,	$1,993,931 46
Real Estate, (present value $138,322 47) cost	123,979 77
Temporary Loans, on ample Collateral Securities	84,625 77
Stocks, (present value $95,375 16) cost	84,901 50
Notes and bills receivable,	1,549 50
Cash,	75,312 03
	$2,369,291 03
Advance in Value of Real Estate over cost,	9,351 70
Advance in Value of Stocks over cost,	13,473 66
Total,	$2,392,116 39

The only Profits from Premiums which this Company can divide by law, are from *Risks which have been determined.*

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Which in the unmarried female is a constant recurring disease, and through neglect the seeds of more grave and dangerous maladies are the result; and as month after month passes without an effort being made to assist nature, the suppression becomes chronic, the patient gradually looses her appetite, the bowels are constipated, night sweats come on, and *consumption* finally ends her career.

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This disease depends upon an inflammation of mucous lining of the vagina and womb. It is in all cases accompanied by severe pain in the back, across the bowels and through the hips. A teaspoonful of the medicine may be taken three times a day, with an injection of a tablespoonful of the medicine, mixed with a half-pint of soft water morning and evening.

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Irritate and drench the kidneys, and by constant use soon lead to chronic degeneration and confirmed disease.

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BOSTON CORNERS, N. Y., Dec. 27, 1861.

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My wife, who was attacked with pain in the shoulders, whole length of the back, and in her limbs, with *Palpitation of the Heart*, attended with *Falling of the Womb, Dysmenorrhœa*, and *Irritation of the Bladder*. I called a physician, who attended her about three months, when he left her worse than he found her. I then employed one of the best physicians I could find, who attended her for about nine months, and while she was under his care she did not suffer quite so much pain; he finally gave her up and said: "*her case was incurable.*" For, said he, "*she has such a combination of complaints, that medicine given for one operates against some other of her difficulties.*" About this time, she commenced the use of Constitution Water, and to our utter astonishment, almost the first dose seemed to have the desired effect, and she kept on improving rapidly under its treatment, and now superintends entirely her domestic affairs. She has not taken any of the Constitution Water for about four weeks, and we are happy to say it has produced a permanent cure.

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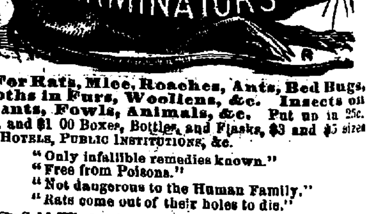

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