JUDICIAL, LEGISLATIVE AND COUNTY NOMINATIONS.

Delegates to State Convention Instructed for Gen. Geary.

RESOLUTIONS REPORTED AND ADOPTED.

The delegates to the different Republican Conventions, called by the County Executive Committee, assembled on Tuesday at the designated places, and transacted the business set apart for each, as will appear from the annexed report of the proceedings:

JUDICIAL CONVENTION.

The delegates to the Judicial Convention, called to nominate a candidate for Assistant Law Judge of the District Court, a candidate for Associate Law Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and to elect delegates to the State Convention—two Senatorial and six Representative—assembled at Masonic Hall, Fifth avenue, and were called to order at precisely eleven o'clock, the designated hour, by Hon. Russell Errett, Chairman of the County Executive Committee.

Messrs. B. W. Morgan, E. Cassiday, A. L. Pearson and J. W. Murray were chosen temporary Secretaries.

The credentials of delegates were next in order. The representation was as follows:

Pittsburgh.

First ward—Isaac Cohen, W. B. Hunter.
Second—E. House, R. B. Carnahan.
Third—Jacob F. Slagle, J. H. Miller.
Fourth—C. W. Robb, G. Follansbee.
Fifth—A. W. Smith, A. J. Kemp.
Sixth—Robert Houston, Henry Kratz.
Seventu—A. M. Brown, Charles Jeremy.
Eighth—Jno Wallace J. A. Marshall.
Ninth—F. C. Negley, J. H. McElroy.
Tenth—Jos. French, D. Wilson.
Eleventh—B. J. Kennedy, J. S. Robb.
Twelfth—H. C. Mackrell, J. K. McKelvy.
Thirteenth—John Harrison, E. Cassiday.
Fourteenth—W. C. Moreland, Joseph Jones.
Fifteenth—A. L. Pearson, J. H. Kerr.
Sixteenth—Benjamin Schmidt, James W. Over.
Seventeenth—Z. Wainwright, J. B. Stewart.
Eighteenth—D. Holmes, J. L. Livingstone.
Nineteenth—P. D. Ferchment, E. C. Negley.
Twentieth—C. W. Batchelor, John R. Baum.
Twenty-first—B. W. Morgan, John T. Wilson.
Twenty-second—Jos. Dilworth, R. B. Phillips.
Twenty-third—H. W. Oliver, Jr., A. B. Stevenson.

Allegheny.

First ward—Wm. McKee, W. G. Algeo.
Second—W. H. Alexander, S. Riddle.
Third—(1st precinct)—J. McBrier, R. G. Gray. (2d precinct)—E. A. Faulhaber, F. Altvater.
Fourth—(1st precinct)—John A. Myler, James W. Murray. (2d precinct)—C. W. Shaffer, W. Brown.
Fifth—W. R. Fitzsimmons, S. Bulford.
Sixth—Charles Fugh, M. A. Barnard.
Seventh—G. Weitzch, C. L. Gehring.
Eighth—E. L. Jones, H. O. C. Oehmler.

Boroughs.

Ormsby—W. Ferguson, Geo Fritz.
Monongahela—R. Parry, H. T. O'Kane.
Temperanceville—M. Grier, Theo. Ralph.
West Pittsburgh—J. B. Auth, Lewis Aurin.
Braddocks—S. Dempster, H. Shallenberger.
Birmingham—1st precinct: Will M. Hartsell, Thomas S. Atterbury; 2d precinct: John Adams, Wm. Barr.
East Birmingham—David Chess, J. P. Brown.
Mount Washington—F. A. Dilworth, H. Meyer.
Elizabeth—T. S. Tower, Jas. H. Maffett.
Millvale—Thos. McElroy, Benj. Feltbach.
South Pittsburgh—J. F. McCord, Wm. Sheargold.
Shrigsburg—W. A. Lewis, J. Muntzheimer.
Tarentum—R. D Humell, G. M. Morrison.
Etna—Andrew William, John Heiber.
Sewickley—Milo F. Scott, Dr. W. Woods.
McKeesport—P. D. Marsh, Jno. Wadsworth.
West Elizabeth—John B. Vance, Jas. Hudspeth.
Bellevue—Richard Straw, R. B. McGraw.
Union—J. C. Shaler, Jno. Fetter.

Townships.

Reserve—A. W. Buchanan, C. B. Welty.
Union—J. R. Neeld, Geo. McCormick.
Ohio Twp—W. Ferguson, J. L. Graham.
Sewickley—J. M. Stone, Saml. Neely.
Robinson—1st precinct—Russell Errett, A. G. Negley; 2d precinct—Wm. Glass, Wm. Gibson.
Scott—1st precinct—W. G. Bigham, W. S. Lea; 2d precinct—C. S. Fetterman, F. L. Gamble.
Moon—Wm. J. Snodgrass, D. K. Calhoun.
Kilbuck—R. H. Davis, J. H. Mueller.
Franklin—A. Rosenstein, S. Grotzinger.
Fawn—George Barns, Alex Burns.
East Deer—Jos Henderson, F. M. Edmundson.
Moon—Robert Wilson, Alfred McCabe.
Patton—R. Clugston, R. Thompson.
Penn—G. L. Lee, G. B. Alter.
Penn—Jas. Duff, Chas. Conlif.
Elizabeth—1st precinct—Jos. Scull, Jno. Speer; 2d precinct—Jas. Patterson, J. W. Edmundson; 3d precinct—Thomas Speakman, Asd. Kelly; 4th precinct—M. Hutton, David Kankin.
Lincoln—Levi Edmundson, S. Pollock.
Forward—Jos. Wall, S. G. King.
Baldwin—A. Hays, D. Bennett, Sr.
Ross—1st precinct—John Orbert, W. A. Shinn; 2d precinct—Thomas Towers, D. Hilands.
McCandless—Robt. Wallace, Wm. Peebles.
Upper St. Clair—John Gilliland, W. T. Fife.
North Fayette—Mark Robb, H. E. McBride.
Neville—John H. Hamilton, Geo. Cole.
Shaler—1st precinct—Chas. Theobald, J. P. Dicht; 2d precinct—John Herron, T. W. Shaw.
Fawn—John Martin, John Dickson.
Wilkins—Jno. Shafer, Jno. F. McKelvy.
Versailles—1st precinct: Jno. Penny, Jno. Wyand; 2d precinct: S. S. Brown, B. L. Wood.
Jefferson—Henry Heft, A. W. Foster.
Ohio—Jas. B. Dinf, J. M. Crawford.
Snowden—Isaac King, Thos. Kiddoo.
Pine—Jno. Kelley, Wm. Reynolds.
West Deer—Jno. Fleming, Jno. Carnes.
Indiana—W. W. Shaw, Jacob Hetzvi.
Lower St. Clair—August Haas, Fred Hamp.
South Fayette—Jacob Jordan, James Morgan.
Crescent—Jas. Davis, L. C. McCormick.
McClure—Jacob Franz, R. E. Davis.
Richland—R. B. Dickey, R. H. Allen.
Hampson—Robert Sample, Robert Perkins.
Marshall—James Robinson, David Emery.
Harrison—Nathaniel Miller, Robert Anderson.

On motion of Maj. J. F. Slagle, a committeee was appointed on contested seats from the Tenth ward. Messrs. J. E. McKelvy, Charles Jeremy, Frederick Riddle, J. P. Brown and J. H. McElroy were appointed the committee. Mr. Slagle declined acting as a member of the committee.

While the Committee was deliberating, Mr. R. H. Davis moved that Major A. M. Brown be selected as permanent chairman.

C. W. Robb, Esq., nominated W. C. Moreland, Esq. for Chairman.

Mr. Moreland, in a graceful speech, declined, preferring that entire harmony should prevail in the Convention.

Whereupon Major Brown was unanimously chosen chairman, and having been conducted to the stage by Mr. Moreland, and formally introduced, returned thanks for the honor conferred and made a few eloquent remarks.

F. C. Negley, Esq., moved that two tables be procured and that four Tellers be appointed for each, to superintend the marking for candidates.

Mr. Slagle moved to amend by designating the Secretaries as Tellers. Adopted.

On motion, three tables were ordered to be procured, one for the city delegates, one for those from the boroughs, and another for those from the country districts.

H. C. Mackrell, Esq., moved that J. W. Over be an additional Secretary. Carried.

The following Vice Presidents were selected: G. M. Morrison, John Adams, Birmingham, Joseph Dilworth, J. S. Robb, Russell Errett, J. G. Penny, R. C. Gray and T. W. Shaw.

Hon. Russell Errett moved the appointment of a Joint Committee of three on Resolutions, to meet with similar committees from the Legislative and County Conventions. Carried, and Messrs. Errett, R. B. Carnahan and W. C. Moreland appointed as the Committee.

Mr. Moreland declined serving on the Committee, and Mr. Joseph Dilworth was substituted.

C. W. Robb, Esq., nominated Hon. John M. Kirkpatrick for Assistant Law Judge of the District Court, and moved the nomination be adopted by acclamation. Carried.

W. C. Moreland, Esq., nominated Gen. F. H. Collier for Associate Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, &c.

Capt. C. W. Batchelor named W. B. Negley, Esq., for the same position.

Mr. Moreland moved that the delegates vote *viva voce*. Carried.

The vote proceeded, the delegates responding "Collier" or "Negley," as their names were called.

The voting having been concluded, was about being announced, when Mr. F. C. Negley moved that the nomination of Gen. F. H. Collier be made unanimous.

[This vote stood, Collier, one hundred and eighty-one; Negley, twenty-one.]

The Committee on Contested Seats reported through their Chairman, Mr. J. E. McKelvy, that Joseph French and David Wilson were entitled to seats from the Tenth ward, Pittsburgh.

Mr. F. C. Negley said he was pretty well acquainted with the facts of the case, and believed Dr. H. Manchester and W. H. H. Rutledge were entitled to seats, and made a motion to that effect.

Mr. Slagle thought it at least due to the Committee to receive their report.

The report was received.

Mr. Negley renewed his motion.

C. W. Robb moved as a substitute that the report of the Committee be adopted. Carried.

Nominations for delegates to the State Convention were next in order, and some forty names having been suggested, the Convention, at half past twelve, adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at a quarter past two o'clock, delay having been occasioned in the preparation of printed lists of delegates.

Before the voting commenced, Mr. F. M. Edmundson, moved that the delegates chosen to the State Convention be instructed to vote for Gen. Geary for Governor.

Mr. J. S. Robb opposed the resolution, and hoped it would not be insisted on. While not opposed to Gen. Geary, he desired the delegates to go uninstructed, in order that nothing might be thrown in the way of Judge Williams as a candidate for the Supreme Bench.

Major J. F. Slagle thought the resolution impolitic and hoped it would be withdrawn. He, too, was not unfavorable to Gen. Geary, but did not wish to interfere with Judge Williams's chances.

Capt. C. W. Batchelor opposed the resolution for a like reason. He came to the Convention a Geary man, but believed it best the delegates should go uninstructed.

The resolution was opposed by Hon. Russell Errett, R. H. Davis and others.

General A. L. Pearson warmly advocated the resolution. There was no other candidate for Supreme Court beside Judge Williams, and his nomination was a foregone conclusion. The majority of the counties in the State had instructed for Gen. Geary, and he could see no reason whatever why Allegheny county could not do likewise, and lead the van in his support. He had been a good Governor, was an excellent soldier, and should be re-elected.

Gen. P.'s remarks elicited marked applause.

The question was taken and the resolution carried.

Hon. Russell Errett desired that his name be stricken off the list of those suggested for delegates. Not believing it politic to instruct the delegates as indicated, he desired to be consistent, and therefore hoped his name would be withdrawn.

W. C. Moreland, Esq., for a like reason, desired his name to be withdrawn.

C. W. Robb, Esq., moved that any other gentlemen whose names were on the list have the privilege of withdrawing them. Not entertained.

A resolution was adopted that those receiving the highest number of votes be declared the delegates, the two highest to be Senatorial and the six next highest to be the Representative.

The marking then proceeded and resulted as follows, those marked with a * being the successful candidates:

SENATORIAL.		Richard Perry	32
*A. M. Brown	168	E. Allen	15
*Thos. M. Marshall	148	John Adams	10
REPRESENTATIVE.		August Ammon	6
*Jas. L. Graham	120	S. S. Brown	29
*H. W. Oliver, Jr.	110	A. S. Bell	10
*W. S. Purviance	98	J. F. Brown	15
*S. W. Morgan	93	S. B. Cluley	13
*C. W. Batchelor	91	Isaac Cohen	8
*J. E. McKelvey	75	David Holmes	24
John H. Hampton	29	Charles Jeremy	61
R. B. Carnahan	53	J. G. Lewis	18
H. H. Davis	20	J. G. MacConnell	21
John Gilliland	20	G. R. Riddle	6
Thos. M. Bayne	21	A. Scherer, Jr.	18
H. C. Mackrell	28	B. Singerly	31
F. C. Negley	43	Wm. Scandrett	17

Just before the vote was announced, Hon. Russell Errett, Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, reported and read the following:

1st. That the Republican citizens of Allegheny county recognize, with feelings of just pride, the inauguration of sound political principles, and the already decisive illustration of a national policy of wise statesmanship, of pure integrity, of a capable efficiency, and a patriotic devotion to the highest and truest interests of our once more united people, under the Administration of President Grant. They point with equal satisfaction, to the marked expression of their confidence in the new Chief Magistrate in November last, and to the spotless fidelity with which he has, in his high office, maintained the justice of his title to their regard. They now renew the assurances of their cordial support to his government, in the great domestic work of completing the national pacification, of upholding the national credit, and of developing and protecting the leading national interests, as well as in maintaining abroad the national rights and honor before all the peoples of the world.

2d. That we heartily endorse the Reconstruction policy which has been shaped by Republican Congresses, and which has at last found a faithful Executive, in the head of the present Administration, and we earnestly urge upon the XLIst Congress, the imperative need for such further legislation, in the case of the people of Georgia, as shall systematically perfect the National policy in one harmonious whole, finally healing the last open wound of all those which a causeless rebellion inflicted upon the Republic.

3rd. That we welcome the XVth Article, amendatory of the Federal Constitution, as the just and needful acknowledgment of the *Equality of Men*, as well under human as under Divine laws, in the full possession and unrestricted enjoyment of all natural and political rights, in strict consonance with a truly republican theory of government.

4th. That we recommend to our Senators and Representatives in Congress the abrogation of all the no longer needful restrictions upon the political rights of our chastened and repentant Southern brethren; beholding in this element and wise policy, as we do, an influential step toward the more thorough extinguishment of any still lingering traces of a past unhappy strife.

5th. That we maintain the just claims of every public creditor upon the National Treasury; that we uphold our honorable duty to discharge faithfully the last dollar of the National debt; that we avow our strengthened confidence in its early and convenient liquidation, under the existing legislative provisions therefor; that we demand a strict adherence to that policy of *Economical Retrenchment* which a Republican Government has successfully inaugurated, and that we protest against any pledge of the public faith, for any new form of indebtedness, direct or indirect, whether by way of treaty with foreign powers or of domestic subsidy to corporate or individual enterprise, as being wholly incompatible with a true Republican policy, or with the proper satisfaction of the existing just demands upon the resources of the American people.

6th. *Resolved*, That our thanks are due to the national government, in that it has done much to recognize the just rights of American Labor, and that we urge, upon Congress and the Executive, the still unsatisfied but clear claims of American Industry, for an adequate protection against the competition, in our own markets, of the dense and underpaid populations of Europe, and for the fostering care of a government which should be wisely bent upon the broadest development of every material element in the national prosperity.

7th. *Resolved*, That we testify to the entire satisfaction with which their constituents of Allegheny county have regarded the Congressional course of their Representatives, Hon. James S. Negley and Hon. Darwin E. Phelps; that we recognize their vigilant fidelity to our material and political interests; that we congratulate them upon the success with which they have achieved positions of leading influence in the deliberations of Congress, and that we pledge to them our cordial support in upholding and practically enforcing the principles of a sound public policy.

8th. That we avow the hearty satisfaction with which we have observed the successful administration of the affairs of this Commonwealth by his Excellency John W. Geary, under Republican auspices; that, in the large reduction of the public burthens by the removal of many onerous forms of taxations from the pockets of the people, in the faithful collection of the revenues, in the integrity which has controlled their disbursement in strict accordance with the laws, in the wisdom which has marked our general legislation upon matters of the highest social and public importance, and in the fidelity to high trusts which has been conspicuous in every Executive department of our State Government,—we recognize results not less profitable to the people of Pennsylvania than honorable to the Republican conduct of the public affairs.

9th. That, in behalf of the Republicans of Allegheny county, we present to the Republican State Convention the name of Henry W. Williams, as our unanimous choice for nomination by that body to the Supreme bench of the Commonwealth; that we invite once more their just consideration for those high personal and professional qualifications, which secured to him their approval two years since,—which were excluded from the popular election only by the most flagrant frauds upon the ballot,—and which have since been, and continue to be, illustrated by his judicial experience, and confessed by the consenting testimony of the bench, the bar and the people of Pennsylvania.

10th. That we invoke, from all departments of the State government, a rigidly faithful persistence in that policy of *Unsparing Retrenchment* of all needless expenditures, which is essential to a continued success in the further reduction both of the public obligations and of popular taxation; that we demand from our Senators and Representatives an economy the most strict in all justly avoidable expenditures, not denying the reasonable claims of any rightful dependents upon the charitable regards of the Commonwealth; and that we avow our determination to hold them, and all others, our public servants, to the most searching account, for the constant rectitude and unswerving fidelity of their official conduct.

11th. That the selection of our fellow-citizen, Hon. R. W. Mackey, for the responsible office of State Treasurer, meets the cordial approval of the Republicans of this county. His elevation to this high trust is a deserved tribute to his personal worth and abilities, and a graceful acknowledgment, by our friends throughout the Commonwealth, of the distinguished services of the Republicans of Allegheny county in behalf of their party and principles.

12th. That the Republicans of Allegheny county have neither part nor lot in any vague and indiscriminate impeachment, whether within or outside of their organization, of public servants whose official records stand open to challenge the specific and minute investigation of their constituents, and that we can justly hold no citizen, whether in or out of office, to be guilty of offense against the public interests or the law, until that offense be proved by clear and ample testimony.

13th. That we present the nominees of these Conventions, to our fellow-citizens of Allegheny county, as candidates altogether worthy of their suffrages, pledging ourselves individually, as delegates and as Republican voters, to all legitimate exertions for the election of the ticket this day nominated.

14th. That we do hereby approve of the action of our County Committee, in recommending the modifications this day introduced into the Republican system of effecting nominations for places of public trust, and that we again refer the subject to the Committee, with instructions to consider the propriety of a still further sub-division of the nominating bodies, and with such full powers to that end as according to their judgment may be exercised for the advantage of our political and public interests.

R. B. Carnahan, Esq., stated that the twelfth resolution had not the assent of the majority of the Committee, consisting of himself and Mr. Jos. Dilworth. They had opposed it, for the reason that it cast censure or was an indirect assault upon a newspaper of the county, and they did not think it the business of the Convention either to whitewash public servants or to interfere with newspapers in the exercise of their privilege of criticising the acts of public men. The resolution not having the assent of the majority of the Committee, it was not a proper report, and he did not consider the chairman had any right to introduce it.

Mr. Errett said the report he had made was that of the majority of a Joint Committee of the three Conventions. His motion was for a *Joint* Committee, and the members of such Committee from this Convention met with Committees from the two other Conventions. The resolutions were approved by the majority of the Joint Committee, and he considered he had no more than discharged his duty in reporting them as he had. As regarded the assault or censure upon a certain newspaper, he challenged the gentleman to show where it was. No newspaper was mentioned. The resolution was nothing more nor less than a recognition of the common law principle that every man shall be considered innocent until proved guilty.

Mr. Carnahan disclaimed any desire to impute an improper motive on the part of the Chairman in introducing the resolution. In point of fact, he said, a majority of the Committee had not sanctioned the 12th resolution. A committee of three was appointed by each Convention, but only one from the County Convention had attended the session. But four out of the seven members present approved of that resolution. The gentleman proceeded at some length in condemnation of the resolution, characterizing its introduction as an unwarranted interference with the prerogatives of the press. If newspapers went too far in their criticisms of the conduct of public officers or citizens, the Courts were open for redress. It was no part of the business of the Convention to interfere. It was the right of the press to criticise public officers, and to say whether or not they honestly or fairly represented their constituents.

Mr. Errett said the resolution had been approved by two-thirds of the Joint Committee, and that was sufficient justification for his presenting it. He protested against the gentleman "ringing in" newspapers, when none were mentioned. The resolution was nothing more, he repeated, than the expression of a well-recognized principle, and it was nothing more than proper that the Convention should express its dissent from the wholesale abuse of members of the party who had labored zealously and faithfully in its behalf. Mr. E. continued at some length in favor of the resolution.

C. W. Robb, Esq., was opposed to the resolution, and in high-flown language depicted the evils certain to flow from such trammeling of the press as was proposed. Farewell, he said, to honesty and good government, if it should come to pass that the press should not be at liberty to criticise public servants. He referred to the *Commercial*, and said that paper had done noble service in the cause of Republicanism. He paid a high compliment to Mr. Errett, for his course as Senator, and said no member of the Convention or citizen of the county would link his name with corruption in any respect, nor would any one else do so in this community.

Mr. Errett—It has been done by the paper you speak of.

A delegate, *sotto voce*—Yes, Major, but it took it all back.

Mr. Joseph Dilworth, of the Committee, made a few remarks, begging the Convention not to approve of the resolution, because the Committee had not, and because to do so might injure the *Commercial*, which was a very influential paper.

Isaac Cohen, Esq., who had been waiting his turn for a speech, now obtained his opportunity. He endorsed all that had been said concerning ex-Senator Errett, whom he held in the highest esteem, endorsed all that had been said by Mr. Carnahan about the rights of the press, but he deprecated the personal character of the discussion, and asked what the Republicans of Allegheny county, in Convention assembled, had to do with these matters, at this time. He would be loth, indeed; to assist in stabbing so valuable a paper as the *Commercial* had been, and sincerely hoped the resolution would be struck out of the report of the Committee. He apostrophized the freedom of the press, and concluded his remarks by demolishing Napoleon III. for his interference with that glorious right.

Mr. Errett begged the indulgence of the Convention for a word. He asked the opposing gentlemen to point out in what way the resolution proposed to interfere with the liberty of the press. The right of newspapers to criticise the action of public servants was not denied. He had been too long connected with the press to favor interference with its liberty, and when that was proposed he would be found amongst those clamoring the loudest against such innovation.

Maj. Slagle thought the resolution had been entirely misapprehended. It was intended as nothing more than a disapproval of the onslaught made upon the delegation from this county in the last Legislature. With one exception, (who would be nameless) he believed the men sent from this county to Harrisburg, last winter, were honest, and had faithfully discharged their trust. In this belief he thought the resolution not an improper one.

H. C. Mackrell, Esq., favored the resolution, and saw no justification for the "lugging in" of the newspaper question in this discussion. But since the newspapers had been referred to, the *Commercial* particularly, he said it would be time enough for that paper to talk of corruption when it had cleared its own skirts. It might talk of corruption in the Republican party, but its right to do so, by a Copperhead editor, he denied. [Hisses.] Don't do that, gentlemen, we heard enough of that kind of argument during the late war.

Mr. Carnahan said since it had come to this, he might be permitted to say the resolution in question was written by the editor of the GAZETTE.

Maj. Brown, Chairman of the Convention, called the gentleman to order. The resolution was reported by the Committee, and must be regarded as their production.

Here the discussion ended.

Mr. Carnahan's motion, previously made, that the report of the Committee, with the exception of resolution twelfth, be accepted, was carried.

The report as accepted was then adopted, and the Convention adjourned.

Note.—The eleventh resolution, relative to the State Treasurer, was not reported in the Judicial Convention, but adopted in both the others.

LEGISLATIVE CONVENTION.

CALLED TO ORDER.

The Legislative Convention delegates met in City Hall at eleven o'clock, and were called to order by Dr. A. H. Gross, who read a letter from Hon. Russell Errett, stating that he could not be present as Chairman of the Convention, according to the usual custom, and requesting him (Dr. Gross,) to act as Chairman until a permanent organization was affected.

PERMANENT OFFICERS ELECTED.

On motion of Joseph A. Butler, Esq., Dr. Gross was elected permanent Chairman of the Convention. Upon taking the Chair the gentleman briefly returned thanks for the unsolicited honor, and urged upon the delegates, in the discharge of their important duty, to apply the Jefferson test of honesty to all candidates presented for their support.

The next thing in order was the election of a Vice President, for which position Mr. Hugh McNeil was unanimously chosen.

Messrs. B. B. Coursin, Jos. A. Butler, W. B. Rodgers, Ralph Richardson, O. D. Levis, and Henry S. Baum, were then elected permanent secretaries.

Mr. Joseph Hartman now moved that a committee of five on credentials be appointed. Carried, and Messrs. Joseph Hartman, R. N. McClaren, John W. Riddell, R. C. Elliott, and Dr. J. H. Robinson, appointed by the Chair.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. David Kirk moved that a committee of three be appointed to confer with similar committees from the Judicial and County Conventions, in reference to the preparation of resolutions. Carried, and Messrs. Thomas Steel, Jas. A. Taylor, and Dr. J. H. Roberts, appointed.

Dr. Roberts declined and Mr. John E. Parke was substituted.

The Secretaries then proceeded to call the roll by districts, and the delegates presented their credentials as follows:

Pittsburgh.

First ward—R. C. Elliott, Ed. Kincaid.
Second—Thomas Steel, John Paul.
Third—David Sims, Louis Dull.
Fourth—Joseph Dickson, J. W. D. Trail.
Fifth—James Fleming, W. J. Wrights.
Sixth—Henry Lotzell, G. Conn.
Seventh—J. A. Butler, Thos. Roberts.
Eighth—Jos. Hartman, Geo. Booth.
Ninth—James Scott, Ralph J. Richardson.
Tenth—Chas. Ferguson, David Brubacker.
Eleventh—R. W. Oliver, Jr., J. M. Sleeth.
Twelfth—Wm. Welsh, Wm. Clark.
Thirteenth—E. Arburs, H. Dickson.
Fourteenth—F. M. Mager, R. an Jones.
Fifteenth—J. J. Wainwright, Dr. J. Robinson.
Sixteenth—S. H. Smith, James Atkinson.
Seventeenth—J. W. Riddell, H. Wightman.
Eighteenth—David Kirk, John McMasters.
Nineteenth—W. H. Morris, A. McWilliams.
Twentieth—A. H. Gross, E. M. McClarran.
Twenty-first—Richard Thompson, H. S. Lum.
Twenty-second—Wm. Irwin, L. Fleming.
Twenty-third—J. B. Farmer, Wm. Cowan.

Allegheny.

First ward—John Morrow, John Ross.
Second—W. K. Price, J. D. Sprague.
Third—1st precinct: David Hastings, John Holmes; 2d precinct: Peter Bolster, William Wettcich.
Fourth—1st precinct: Hugh McNeill, William B. Rogers; 2d precinct: Louis Moul, D. M. Muller.
Fifth—J. E. Parke, Christ. Hoch.
Sixth—James Barclay, John Speer.
Seventh—Julius Sharnke, B. Reuter.
Eighth—George Moul, B. Betz.

Boroughs.

Ormsby—J. Larimer, J. J. Ross.
East Birmingham—Jenkins Jones, Henry Chess.
Birmingham—1st precinct: D. C. Ripley, Wm. Doyle; 2d precinct: David Morgan, Samuel Barr.
South Pittsburgh—Dr. J. H. Roberts, H. Moorhead.
Monongahela—James Shears, G. W. Jope.
West Pittsburgh—H. S. Hemlup, W. Reems.
Temperanceville—P. Weaver, T. C. Dorrington.
Mount Washington—C. Kocimeier, J. Burford.
Braddocks—E. J. Allen, C. C. Fawcett.
Elizabeth—J. O'Neill, J. C. Boyd.
Millvale—J. J. Williams, A. A. Johnston.
Sewickley—B. C. Christy, J. W. F. White.
McKeesport—Jas. H. Berry, Wm. E. Harrison.
Braddsburg—J. A. Taylor, Charles Thomas.
Etna—Richard Jones, Peter Klingensmith.
Bellevue—J. S. Ferguson, Wm. Roseburg.
Tarentum—Henry Thompson, W. H. Humes.

Townships.

Reserve—Wm. Peters, Wm. Shoemaker.
Chartiers—Ralph Bradley, Jos. B. Lawson.
Union—Wm. Carwright, James Nimick.
Ross—1st precinct, J. Stephenson, Wm. Ford; 2d precinct, J. E. Wilson, J. F. Oliver.
Millvale—J. H. Fisher, Wm. Oliver.
Kilbuck—Minas Tindle, J. W. Robinson.
Finley—J. W. Hood, S. Byers.
Franklin—Philip Newhart, Alex. Rosenstein.
Marshall—David Robinson, Thos. Robinson.
Moon—W. H. Kenny, J. F. Torrence.
Patton—Thos. McMasters, W. N. Haymaker.
North Fayette—Samuel Dickson.
South Fayette—Jas. McElroy, Levi Gregg.
Ross—1st precinct, Jas. Sanderson, Andrew Brettnauer; 2d precinct, W. W. Bradley, W. A. Egnatten.
Sewickley—P. Marion Love, Jos. H. Dickson.
Versailles—1st precinct, B. B. Coursin, J. Hill; 2d precinct, A. J. Shank, D. H. Lynch.
Penn—J. L. Slatter, J. W. Donk.
Robinson—1st precinct, Isaac Ross, Isaac Walker; 2d precinct, Wm. Hill, Jr. Samuel Anderson.
Elizabeth—1st precinct, Sam Scott, Matthew Wilson; Buena Vista precinct, Charles S. Lucas, M. A. Bravo; Greenock precinct, John K. Graham, James Arthurs; Mount Vernon precinct, Wm. Douglass, Samuel Rankin.
Crescent—Isaac G. Wynn, Wm. McClelland.
Plum—W. W. Geier, H. W. Hasting.
Wilkins—John R. McFarland, Geo. Harrison.
McClure—John Forster, James Shipman.
Shaler—1st precinct: Wm. Seibert, Wm. Sample, Jr.; 2d precinct: Harmer DeHaven, John Miller.
McCandless—Wm. Grubbs, F. Nuhn.
Lower St. Clair—Charles Wilhelm, Thos. Smith.
Neville—W. H. Bragden, F. H. Anderson.
East Deer—Hugh Woods, John Kennedy.
Snowden—Philip Simmons, Wm. Wilson.
West Deer—H. K. Hamilton, Wm. F. Magill.
Baldwin—1st precinct: J. L. Hillman, Matthew West; Jr; 2d precinct: Joseph McGibbery, J. Sleeth.
Pine—John G Connor, Thomas Graham.
Indiana—John Federkell, Josiah Scott.
Aleppo—David Duff, Campbell Graff.
Hamilton—O A Osborn, Samuel Wallace.
Fawn—James Lee, James Kennedy.
Jefferson—John O'Neill, Benj Gilmore.
Lincoln—John B Kelly, A C Edmunson.
Forward—Harvey Applegate, Jos W Allen.
Harrison—J H W Wadsworth, A B White.
Richland—A Harper, J S Crawford.
Marshall—David Robinson, Thos Robinson.

THE NOMINATIONS.

Col. E. J. Allen moved that the Convention proceed to make nominations for Senate and Assembly. Carried.

Messrs. George H. Anderson, Thomas Howard, George Wilson and Samuel B. Cluley were then nominated, when the nominations for Senate closed.

Nominations for Assembly were next proceeded with, when the following were named:

Senate.—Messrs. George H. Anderson, Sam'l B. Cluley, Thomas Howard, George Wilson.

Assembly.—Messrs. J. W. Ballantine, A. M. Barr, Wm. N. Burchfield, Samuel Chadwick, John W. Curry, J. V. Donaldson, Wm. Espy, Samuel Glass, George H. Holtzman, Miles S. Humphreys, Capt. Samuel Kerr, John H. Kerr, David Kirk, James Lacy, Alex. Millar, of McKeesport, James G. Marshal, Col. George F. Morgan, of Pittsburgh, George Moul, Gilbert N. McMasters, Vincent Miller, R. B. Parkinson, Wm. Peters, Jno. E. Shaffer, D. L. Smith, James Taylor, Minas Tindle, Joseph Walton, D. N. White, W. J. White, Eb. Williams, Jr., A. G. Williams.

A RECESS.

A delegate moved that the Secretaries be instructed to have the names of the candidates printed in alphabetical order, the Convention in the meantime taking a recess until two P. M.

The motion was amended, directing the names to be printed as they occurred on the Secretaries' lists and the Convention to adjourn until half past one o'clock.

After considerable discussion and some confusion, the motion was further amended and carried, requiring the names to be printed alphabetically and the Convention took a recess until half past one o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Re-assembled at the appointed hour.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS REPORT.

Mr. Joseph Hartman, from the Committee on Credentials, presented the following report:

GENTLEMEN: The Committee on Credentials respectfully report that Messrs. Friday and McCreary, of the Tenth ward, having been voted for at the regular place of holding elections, and having received a majority of all the votes cast, are entitled to seats in this Convention. Also, that Louis Straub, of the Fourth ward, Allegheny, is entitled to a seat instead of Louis Moul.

Mr. Ferguson made a motion for the reading of all the papers handed to the Committee in the contested cases.

Mr. John W. Riddell objected. He thought the Committee was the proper authority to decide upon the matter. If one side was heard by the Convention, then the other in fairness should be similarly treated, and time would be thus uselessly consumed.

A point of order was raised by a delegate that the vote was upon the adoption of the report, and not upon a consideration of who was entitled to the seat.

The Chair decided the point well taken, when the question was put, resulting in the adoption of the report by a large majority.

CHANGE IN DELEGATES.

The Chairman read a communication from John Anderson, delegate from Robinson township, asking that Isaac Walton be substituted in his place and entitled to a seat in the Convention.

On motion, the communication was received and the change agreed to.

A motion was made that the election be next proceeded with by marking delegates, to vote at the same time for Senate and Assembly candidates. Carried.

The list of the nominees was read over, when the name of James McBriar, of Allegheny, was withdrawn as a candidate for Assembly.

The delegates from the cities then, as their names were called, stepped forward and recorded their vote at a table on the right, while those from the boroughs and townships voted on the left. This arrangement was made to facilitate the business and prevent confusion.

LETTER OF WITHDRAWAL.

While the voting was in progress, the chairman stated he had just received a communication from Hon. George Wilson, which, if it was the pleasure of the Convention would be read.

Mr. Oliver.—Mr. President I object to having the paper read. It's out of order during the progress of the ballot. Such a practice has never been heard of before.

A number of delegates at this juncture crowded around the platform and insisted upon not having the paper read.

Mr. Oliver—Mr. Chairman, I move to lay the paper on the table.

Chairman—Well gentlemen, it's always the privilege of a Convention to decide upon its own business. I'll put the motion and you can decide this case.

The motion was accordingly put by the Chair, and decided in the negative by an almost unanimous vote.

On motion the paper was then read as follows:

PITTSBURGH, June 1, 1869.

To the Members of the Legislative Convention:

GENTLEMEN: From misrepresentations and unprecedented personal warfare waged upon me, so that many good citizens who were my supporters heretofore, are now in doubt as to their duty in the premises, I decline to submit my name as a candidate for State Senator.

At the same time I pledge my individual support to the Republican party and its nominees, as heretofore.

Respectfully,
GEORGE WILSON.

The communication was accepted and the name of Mr. Wilson thought to be accordingly withdrawn.

WHAT CAME AFTER.

A Delegate—Now, Mr. President, since this withdrawal has been accepted, what is to be done with the votes which have already been cast in favor of Mr. Wilson?

The Chairman—The Convention has decided the matter, and there can be no further discussion upon it.

The balloting then went on, but it was evident from the commotion and excited conversation among a number of the delegates that the result was not satisfactory.

A few minutes after, Mr. Wilson made his appearance outside the temporary railing separating the delegates from the spectators, and was quickly surrounded by the disaffected parties, when an animated discussion ensued, in which "forgery," "never authorized it," &c., were clearly distinguishable.

Col. Allen now rose and said (excitedly): Mr. President, I have just learned that the communication just read is a forgery. Mr. Wilson is here himself, and will explain. I think if corruption has entered this Convention we ought to know it.

Chairman—The communication was handed to me by a delegate and I supposed it was all right.

Mr. Riddell—I move that Mr. Wilson be allowed to speak.

A Delegate—Speeches are out of order in this place. We don't want any explanations or speeches.

(Several voices—"Wilson, Wilson, let him go on.")

Mr. Riddell pressed his motion which was put and decided in the affirmative by a large majority vote.

MR. WILSON'S REMARKS.

Mr. Wilson then came forward to the platform and spoke as follows:

"Mr. President and gentlemen of the Convention: That I dictated that communication I do not deny. But that it was handed in here at the present time with my consent I most emphatically deny. I never intended it to be presented until a certain time. I never intended and did not consent to have it presented on this ballot or at this stage of the proceedings, and the person who handed it in did so without authority from me. I do not recognize the action and still consider myself a candidate. (Applause.) That's all the explanation I have to make."

Mr. Wilson now retired amid much excitement.

WHO OFFERED IT?

Col. Allen—Mr. President, who offered the letter?

Chairman—A delegate named Magee I believe.

Col. Allen—In whose interest?

Chairman—I don't know.

The excitement gradually subsided, when the voting was resumed and moved harmoniously until the close of the ballot.

THE RESOLUTIONS.

While the Secretaries were counting the ballot the Chairman read the report of the Committee on Resolutions.

[The resolutions were the same as introduced in the Judicial Convention, the Twelfth being omitted by the Committee.]

Mr. R. C. Elliott moved to amend by striking out the Eighth.

The amendment was almost unanimously voted down.

The resolutions, as read, were then enthusiastically adopted.

FIRST BALLOT.

The result of the first ballot was announced as follows: