

STAR OF THE NORTH.

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DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS. FOR PRESIDENT, JAMES BUCHANAN, OF PENNSYLVANIA. FOR VICE PRESIDENT, JOHN C. BRECKENRIDGE, OF KENTUCKY.

THE TIME OF THE EVIL. The late disgraceful conduct of Sumner and Brooks, at Washington, illustrates most sorrowfully how the character of American statesmen has fallen since the best days of Clay, Calhoun, Buchanan, Wright and Webster.

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THE VICE PRESIDENT.

Of the Democratic candidate for the Vice Presidency, the Cincinnati Commercial gives the following personal description, in its sketches of the delegates:

"Near the Eastern aisle, and within a few seats of the front—on the western side of the aisle—sits John C. Breckenridge, the impetuous of Democracy, an ebullient orator, who won a high position in the Congress, and declined to be a candidate for reelection. He is a tall and gracefully formed young man, with delicate features, and would be singularly handsome if his profile line were more prominent. Looking at him sideways, his forehead, nose and chin are nearly in a straight line. But his eye beams with intelligence, his nose is handsome in outline, and the habitual compression of his lips indicate a resolute will. On the whole, there is a poetic glimmer about him. And that there is something of this in his character, the fact that he has purchased an island in Lake Superior for a summer home, would indicate. His manner in speaking is proud, defiant, and full of passion, tempered by educated discretion."

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CINCINNATI CONVENTION.

CINCINNATI, June 3.—The Convention was called to order at half past ten o'clock, when the Hon. John L. Dawson, of Pennsylvania, from the Committee to select officers for a permanent organization, reported the following:

President. JOHN E. WARD, of Georgia. Vice Presidents. Jonathan Smith, Mr. R. Chapman, Ala. L. Woodbury, N. H. W. S. Balfour, Miss. J. P. Kidder, Vt. A. Montier, La. H. H. Child, Mass. J. W. Beldon, Ohio. P. W. Gardner, R. I. M. E. Crowfoot, Mich. J. G. Pratt, Conn. Levy Tylar, Ky. J. L. Darcy, N. J. Wm. Kookhill, Ind. J. N. Hammond, Pa. J. A. Matteson, Ill. Ed. Hammond, Md. J. S. Roane, Ark. W. S. Rapp, Del. D. D. Berry, Mo. Thos. C. Lyon, Tenn. S. R. Mallory, Fla. R. K. Banks, Va. M. Ward, Texas. B. Brown, N. C. H. L. Walling, Iowa. B. Wilson, S. C. N. Dewey, Wis. J. W. Lewis, Ga. J. H. Hill, Cal.

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Mr. Phelps, of Missouri, said the case of the New York delegates had not been settled, and he opposed considering the matter until it was. The previous question was then sustained, and Mr. Brecken called for a vote by States, which was agreed to, and the vote taken on the report of the Committee on the resolutions as submitted, except the last five. The vote was unanimous—New York not being taken—yeas 261, nays none.

Col. Stevenson, of Kentucky, was to make a report on the Committee on Credentials. The Committee had not agreed, but representing the majority as he did, he was ready to read the same if the Convention was pleased to hear it.

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On the fourth ballot the only change, except the regular New York change, was in Kentucky, where Buchanan and Pierce gained 1 each, and Douglas lost 2. On the fifth ballot Buchanan gained 1, and Pierce lost 1 in Massachusetts; Buchanan lost 1 1/2 in Kentucky.

On the sixth ballot Tennessee changed 12 votes from Pierce to Buchanan. In Kentucky Buchanan gained 2, Pierce 1, and Douglas lost 3.

On the seventh ballot Tennessee turned from Buchanan to Douglas, 12 votes, and Arkansas changed her four votes from Pierce to Douglas. Buchanan gained 1 in Massachusetts. Georgia changed 7 votes from Pierce to Douglas; 3 for Buchanan; the Pierce folks looking down, Douglas' friends gaining 4, and Buchanan's confident.

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On the eleventh ballot Maryland gave her entire vote to Buchanan.

President called the Convention to order. The Hall was not full when the balloting commenced. When Maine was called the delegation cast her vote 7 for Buchanan, 1 for Pierce.

When New Hampshire was called, Mr. Hibbard said the delegation had thus far cast her vote for the statesman representing the present administration, but had now determined to cast her vote for the choice of Illinois, Stephen A. Douglas. [Applause.]—North Carolina led in the same track, and was followed by South Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida and Texas.

Tennessee cast her 12 votes for Buchanan. Pierce ran down to 3 votes, and Cass to 4 votes. The New York Sofas also went over to Douglas.

The following is a detailed statement of the first ballot by the States:

Table with columns: STATES, Buchanan, Pierce, Douglas, Cass. Rows include Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Ohio, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas, Michigan, Florida, Texas, Wisconsin, California.

The half votes were rejected by the Chair. The name of Mr. Pierce had been previously withdrawn.

On the sixteenth ballot Maine concentrated her vote on Buchanan; Ohio also gave him 2 more. Kentucky cast all her votes for Douglas, having previously given him but 7. The half votes were rejected by the Chair, the point having been raised in consequence of Ohio having cast a half vote for Cass.

After the announcement of the result, Mr. Preston, of Ky., said he had stood firmly by Mr. Douglas to this point, but he felt confident, since the Convention demanded the nomination of James Buchanan—(great disorder and cries of "No," "no," "no.")—he felt confident that the friends of Mr. Douglas would best consult his wishes by consenting at once and cheerfully to the wishes of the Convention.

Mr. Richardson, of Ill., said that without advising any gentleman to what was his duty to his constituents, he felt he had a duty to perform to his constituents and the State he represents.

On the thirteenth ballot Rhode Island broke from Pierce, casting 2 votes for Buchanan and 2 for Pierce.

she would now be quite as exact in casting her entire number for Buchanan. He pledged the State for the favorite son of Pennsylvania.

Col. Richardson of Illinois said that every member of the Convention has endorsed the political course of Mr. Douglas, which was what every man might be proud of. He could assure the Convention that while the choice of Illinois was of course her favorite son she yet yielded to no State in appreciation of the political character of Buchanan.

Mr. Inge, of California, pledged the largest comparative majority in the Union, for the nominee of the Convention, particularly if the choice of Arkansas for Vice President should be satisfied. Their candidate is Gen. Quitman, of Mississippi.

Mr. Inge was here interrupted, but having received permission proceeded, commenting ably and eloquently on the importance and necessity for such a communication. He thanked the Convention for its kindness in hearing those who had come so far, who had braved the malaria of the tropics and the dangers of the ocean to meet their Democratic brethren here. He believed that Mr. Buchanan did not concur in the opposition to the exercise of all constitutional power to secure an easy postal communication between the two oceans. They cast four votes for James Buchanan.

John L. Dawson in a happy speech expressed the thanks of Pennsylvania, for the honor done her through these endorsements of her favorite son. After he had taken his seat he rose again, and said that in reviewing the claims of the candidates he had forgotten to mention the name of Franklin Pierce. [Laughter and cheers.] He then declared his approval of the course of the Administration, which would receive from the people on his retirement, "well done, good and faithful servant."

The vote was then announced, being 296 for Buchanan. [Immense cheering,] which did not cease until three tremendous huzzas had been given for the nominee; three equally as enthusiastic, for Douglas, and three quite moderate in tone, for Pierce.

A motion to nominate candidates for Vice President, and then adjourn until 2 o'clock, P. M., was lost.

Col. Black, of Pennsylvania, having the floor, returned thanks for the unanimous vote which had been cast for James Buchanan. His remarks, pledging Pennsylvania to a constant devotion to the Union, were well received. He desired to say to the Convention, in order to put them right on one point, as he had been identified with the matrimonial question here, that although Mr. Buchanan had not in his own person fulfilled that duty which would doubtless be satisfactory from the time he had arrived at a marrying age he had been wedded to the Constitution of the country, and in Pennsylvania they did not permit bigamy.

A resolution endorsing the present Administration was then introduced by Mr. Hallett, of Massachusetts, Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions.

The question being put, some nays responded, but the President declared the vote unanimous in the affirmative.

Col. Louis, of La., named the Hon. John C. Breckenridge, of Kentucky.

Mr. Breckenridge returned thanks to Louisiana for the honor conferred upon him, but was one of those who believed that promotion should follow seniority. Besides he was already a candidate for another post, and in the canvass should advocate the candidate of this Convention and its noble States-rights platform. He withdrew his name.

Mr. Riefman, of Alabama, nominated the son, Benjamin Fitzpatrick, of Alabama. Mr. Brook, of Tennessee, nominated Aaron Brown, of Tennessee.

Delegates from South Carolina, nominated James A. Sisson, of Virginia. Mr. Sisson returned thanks for the honor done him, withdrew his name.

Mr. Avery, of North Carolina, then presented the name of the Hon. James C. Dobbin, of North Carolina. Mr. Underwood, of Ga., nominated H. V. Johnson, of Georgia.

The roll being called, Vermont cast a plural vote for Breckenridge, of Kentucky, New York being called 18 votes were announced by Mr. Judson for Quitman, Judge Beardsley cast 17 Hard votes for Senator Bayard, of Delaware, Illinois voted for Quitman.

California announced her vote for Aaron V. Brown. The ballot resulted as follows:

Table with columns: Candidate, Votes. Rows include Breckenridge (55), Fitzpatrick (11), Quitman (33), Brown (29), Boyd (33), H. M. Johnson (31), Bayard (31), Rusk (2), Dobbin (13), Trusen Polk, of Mo. (5).

After the ballot was announced Delaware withdrew the name of Senator Bayard. A delegate from Connecticut begged to say that if the delegate south of Mason & Dixon's line could agree on a candidate, Connecticut would go for her candidate, if not, he had the name of a distinguished son, Isaac Toucey, to propose.