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The Republican State Convention assembled in Harrisburg yesterday, and was organized by electing Russell Errett (Grant), temporary chairman over Geo. V. Lawrence (Blaine), by a vote of 159 to 92. This vote fairly represented the strength of the two candidates, and no others were named. Mr. Errett, on taking the chair, made a short speech, advising harmony, and invoked the greatest of all virtues, charity of judgment among the delegates. Without transacting any other business, the Convention at 1:20 took a recess of one hour.

At 3 o'clock the Convention again assembled. A resolution for the appointment of a committee to report delegates to the Chicago Convention was offered by Hon. John Cessna. Mr. Stewart, of Franklin county, offered a substitute, providing that the delegates from the several congressional districts should name the delegates to be sent to Chicago, which was lost by a vote of 150 in favor of the original resolution, to 100 for the substitute. The resolution adopted instructed the committee in making their report to include the names of such delegates as had already been named by the congressional districts.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the delegates elected to the Republican National Convention from this State are hereby instructed to support General U. S. Grant, and to vote as a unit on all questions that may come before the convention.

The Blaine men proposed the following substitute:

Resolved, That while we pledge ourselves to support the Republican party, we see no good reason for abandoning the position taken by the party in our own and other States in 1876 of opposition to a third Presidential term; and we hereby endorse and reaffirm the resolutions passed by our State Convention, held at this city in 1876, upon this question.

After a full discussion the original resolution, instructing for Grant was adopted, on a call of the yeas and nays, 133 to 113.

Hon A. G. Olmstead, of Potter county, was elected permanent Chairman.

Senator Lemon was nominated for Auditor General, receiving 158 votes to 93 for J. A. M. Passmore.

The following gentlemen were nominated as delegates at large to the Chicago convention: Hon. M. S. Quay, Jas. McManes, Linn Bartholemew, and Chris L. Magee.

Presidential electors at large—E. B. Benson, and H. W. Oliver.

Hon. Henry Greene was unanimously nominated for Supreme Judge.

O. D. Kinney was nominated to the Chicago Convention from this district.

The Census.

Careful preparations are being made, says the Binghamton Republican, to have the coming census the most comprehensive that has yet been taken. The study of the different methods employed has developed much information in regard to the work, which is of great value to the English Government in the census of the British Islands, which is to be taken next year. The London Times compliments the probable accuracy of the system already adopted in this country.

Some remarkable changes will be noted in comparison with the first census of the United States, which was taken in 1790, and which showed a population of less than 4,000,000 inhabitants. Virginia then ranked first, with a population of about 754,000. New York was fifth in rank.

The second census was taken in 1800.

At that date New York occupied the third place, showing an increase of about 250,000. At the third census in 1810, New York ranked second, but in 1820 gained the first place, while Virginia, which had heretofore ranked first, fell back to the tenth, in number of inhabitants. The general census in 1870 showed a total population of 38,560,000.

In time the work of enumeration will be a gigantic undertaking, and, allowing the ratio of increase during the past ten years to have been 35 per cent. at the present time the census should show a total population of 52,000,000 inhabitants, while in 1900, if the present ratio of increase continues, the country will contain over ninety millions of people.

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