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☞The proceedings of the Convention, which we publish in our columns to-day, were reported by C. W. Cottom, Esq., and our readers and the delegates will thank him for the faithfulness and accuracy with which he has discharged the arduous task.

The Democratic State Convention and its Nominations.

The State Convention which assembled at the Capitol on Tuesday was one of the largest deliberative assemblies ever convened in Indiana, and one whose acts will, we have no doubt, be productive of the most beneficial results to the Democracy of our noble State.

The Convention was composed of the bone and sinew of the party—men in whom the people have been wont to repose confidence, and who have never proved themselves unworthy of the confidence thus reposed.—Each delegate felt that he had an important duty to perform, and he set about to discharge that duty with a full sense of the responsibility resting upon him.

We must refer our readers to the proceedings to be found elsewhere in our columns for full details of the action of the Convention, and confine ourselves to a brief notice of the gentlemen who have been chosen as the standard bearers of the Democracy of Indiana in the important canvass now about to open.

ASHBEL P. WILLARD was nominated for Governor by a late majority, and the unanimity and the enthusiasm with which the nomination was received is a sufficient indication of the place he holds in the hearts of the people. His eloquent voice has often been heard in every portion of the State in defense of the principles and measures of the Democratic party, and we predict that before the second Tuesday of October he will give his friends reason to be proud of their chief. Knowing him intimately and thoroughly, in all the relations of life, as we think we do, we can assure the Democracy of Indiana that no trust reposed in him will be violated—no confidence betrayed.

It is due to the Hon. John L. Robinson to say that his magnanimity in withdrawing from the contest for the Gubernatorial nomition, in connection with which his name had been warmly urged by many friends in various portions of the State, is worthy of all praise, and proves that he values the union and harmony of the Democratic party of more importance than the gratification of any personal ambition.

Col. JOHN C. WALKER, the nominee for Lieutenant Governor, is a name familiar to the Democracy of Indiana. He has served as a member of the State Legislature, was for a considerable period editor of the Laporte Republican Times, and more recently of the State Sentinel, in all which capacities he proved himself equal to the task set before him.—He is admirably qualified by his talents and his experience for the duties of the office for which he has been nominated. The Democrats of Indiana, and the *Fusionists*, too, will hear from him before the ides of October.

DANIEL McCLURE, of Morgan, for Secretary of State, is a name not so familiar as the two preceding, but those who know him best are his most ardent friends. He made a bold and manly fight as a candidate for the State Senate in 1854, and although then beaten down by the hosts of Know Nothingism and Abolitionism, he contributed much towards exposing the evil tendencies of these isms. His qualifications are of the highest order.

Gen. JOHN W. DODD, of Grant, the nominee for Auditor of State, is a sound Democrat, a gentleman of untiring energy, and of fine business qualifications. The Democracy will extend to him a cordial support.

AQUILLA JONES, of Bartholomew, the candidate for Treasurer of State, is a gentleman well known in Central Indiana. He has served faithfully and ably as a member of the Legislature, has long been an active and influential Democrat in his county, and in all the relations of life has sustained an unblemished reputation for integrity and high moral worth.

Of Prof. LARRABEE, the nominee for Superintendent of Public Instruction, it is scarcely necessary for us to speak. He has before held the office to which he has been nominated, and discharged its duties with fidelity. No officer ever labored with more assiduity than did Prof. L., and his nomination, at this time, shows the estimation in which he is held by the Democracy.

The nomination of JOSEPH E. McDONALD, for Attorney General, will give general satisfaction to the Democracy of the State. Mr. McD. is a lawyer of ability and standing, and will, if elected, discharge the duties of the office to which he is nominated in a satisfactory manner.

GORDON TANNER, the nominee for Reporter of the Decisions of the Supreme Court, is a young gentleman highly esteemed by all who have the pleasure of his acquaintance. He is of good Democratic stock, and will make a faithful officer.

WM. B. BEACH, for Clerk of the Supreme Court, is the present incumbent, and has faithfully discharged the duties of his office. He is a pleasing speaker, and will do good service in behalf of correct principles.

For the names of the nominees for Electors and Delegates to the National Convention, we must refer to the regular proceedings. We can only say that they are gentlemen of ability and worth, and will faithfully discharge the trust reposed in them.

The Democracy of Indiana have now their ticket before them. Of course every one could not have his *first* choice; that was impossible in the nature of things. But we have a ticket combining much strength and popularity—a ticket in which the people cannot fail to have confidence.

The gentlemen who were unsuccessful candidates for nominations will no doubt, as good Democrats, cheerfully submit to the will of the majority. There were many among them whom we value highly as personal friends, and for whose election it would have given us pleasure to labor. The Democracy will at some future time remember and reward them.

☞It has been the general practice of the British House of Commons, for the opposition party, in coming into power, to re-elect the Speaker, notwithstanding his politicl opinions. He does not, however, appoint the Committees. Yet the office is one of great dignity, and is generally filled by an experienced and impartial man. The present Speaker, Mr. Shaw Lefevre, has filled the office from the year 1830. He has within that period been re-elected three times without opposition.

[From the Daily Sentinel, of Tuesday, January 8.]

The Convention and its Responsibilities.

The day—the glorious Eighth of January—to which the Democracy of Indiana have looked forward with so much interest, has at length arrived, and with it have come up to the Capital, the people and their delegates from the most remote counties of the State. The fact that so large a representation of the Democracy of the State is present at this severe and inclement season of the year, is a sufficient indication of the interest felt in the deliberations of the Convention and the importance attached to its results.

So far as we are enabled to judge from conversations with the delegates and candidates in the city, we believe a general if not universal determination exists to allay all those angry feelings and jealousies which are necessarily engendered on such occasions, and to give a general and enthusiastic support to the nominees.

Upon the deliberations of this Convention, depends, in a great measure, the success or the defeat of the Democratic party of Indiana at the next State and Presidential elections.—The motto of every delegate should be, "Every thing for the cause: nothing for men." In the eye of every true Democrat, men are but the embodiment of principles, and where no principle is at issue, the names of men should not be permitted to be used to produce distraction in our ranks or to endanger the success of our cause.

We appeal to the members of the convention by every consideration of duty and of patriotism, to throw aside, on this occasion, every feeling of local jealousy, and to unite upon the men who will most likely represent the true sentiments of the Democratic party upon the great issues of the day. Men of tried integrity should be put forth for the offices; men who have never faltered as Democrats, either in sunshine or in storm. None other can command that fervent and enthusiastic support which gives the prestige of success.

If, unfortunately, matters of personal rivalry between distinguished members of our party should be introduced into the convention by over zealous friends, we hope the great body of the delegates will act with that calmness and discretion which is necessary to preserve intact our organization. Let equal and exact justice be dealt out to all, but let not mere *personal* rivalries, if such there be, interfere with the harmony of the Convention's deliberations.

The responsibilities which rest upon the members of the Convention and of the Democratic party at large, are of the most important character. Indiana stands, as it were, on the dividing line between the North and the South. Her northern border is connected by bands of iron with the great States of the Northeast, while the southern half has intimate social and business relations, by means of the glorious river which flows along its borders to the Mississippi, with the South and Southwest. She has greater interests at stake in the perpetuity of the Union than any other State. How shall she wield her influence in the State and National Councils? Shall it be in favor of the National Democratic or the Black Republican Know Nothing Abolition party—for these three latter terms are synonomous?

The Democratic party being the only National party now in existence, the responsibilities which rest upon its members are great and important. They have no moral *right* to pursue a course which shall jeopardize the success of the party in the great struggle which is to come off next Fall. It is their *duty*—a high and imperative duty—of which they cannot divest themselves, to adopt that policy which shall most certainly concentrate on its candidates the conservative and Union-loving portion of our people. If, by any injudicious course, they shall drive from the support of the Democratic ticket a sufficient number of votes to defeat it, let them not hold themselves guiltless in the sight of the country, for they will be held to a fearful responsibility.

But it does not become us to lecture or advise the members of the convention. They know their duty to their country, to their party, and to themselves too well to permit any extraneous matters to disturb their harmony or jeopardize the success of those principles which they in common with every true Democrat hold dear. The delegates have come up with a determination to discharge faithfully the trust reposed in them by their constituents, the rank and file of the Democracy. We are confident that the result of to-day's deliberations will be the giving to the people of Indiana a ticket which, as it will be conveyed to-night on the wings of the lightning to the extreme borders of the State, will awaken an echo in every Democrat's bosom, and urge us on to a triumphant victory, the shouts of which shall reverberate like the thunders among the hills and valleys of the South, and spread with the velocity of the fires which sometimes sweep over the noble prairies of the North.

How they Vote for Speaker.

Some of the telegraphic and other published reports give an erroneous impression of the method of voting for Speaker, by speaking of it as "balloting." The process is this. A Deputy Clerk rises and slowly and distinctly pronounces the full name of each member—"Mr. William Aiken," "Mr Charles J. Albright," repeating it three times if there is no response; and so on in alphabetical order through the two hundred and thirty-four. As his name is called, the member answers aloud "Banks," or "Richardson," or whoever he votes for. If he has any explanation or remark to make in reference to his vote, he makes it, at the same time. After the roll has been gone through with, those who were absent or did not vote when their names were called (there are always ten or a dozen such) rise and request their votes to be recorded, which is accordingly done. A second Deputy has kept tally on a printed list, which he now passes over to the one who called the roll. He reads, "Those who voted for Mr. Richardson are Messrs. ———," &c., &c., and so on with reference to the others. This recapitulation occupies seven or eight minutes; calling the roll about twenty. A last opportunity is now afforded for any absentee to record his vote. Finally a third Deputy who has been counting up, hands the result in figures to the Clerk, which he announces, "Banks 103; Richardson 67; Fuller 54," &c., &c.

☞On the 3d inst., Gov. Gardner's Message was delivered to the Massachusetts Legislature. He recommends twenty-one years' residence of foreign-born citizens, and ability to read and write, before they are allowed to vote; deprecates the passage of the Personal Liberty act by the last Legislature, and urges its speedy repeal; suggests a reduction of the number of members of the popular branch of the Legislature, and denounces lobbying legislation. The message is thoroughly Native American in its tone.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

The delegates heretofore appointed by the various counties to attend the State Convention to be held at Indianapolis on the 8th of January, assembled in this city yesterday. The number in attendance was very large, and the proceedings were characterized by the utmost harmony and good feeling.

The Convention was temporarily organized by the appointment of Judge James G. Read, of Clarke, President, and C. B. Bentley, of Franklin, and James H. Vawter, of Jennings, Secretaries.

The Secretary then proceeded to call the names of the delegates from the various counties when the following counties answered:

Adams.—S. S. Mickle, L. Studabaker, O. T. Hart.

Allen.—William Rockhill, James W. Borden, F. P. Randall, P. Kiser, Herman Nierman, E. F. Colerick, Charles E. Sturgis, P. Hoagland, I. D G. Nelson, Wm. Carson, A. Metzger.

Bartholomew.—T. G. Lee, Thos. G. Ferry, Z. Tannehill, C. Blessing, John Adams, Z. Bush, Thos. Essex, Jno. P. Blum, Smith Jones, D. Cody, F. P. Smith, G. G. Gabbert, W. McEwen, N. T. Hauser, Geo. W. Palmer, H. T. Hinman, A. E. S. Long, Sam. Stuckey, N. S. Bryant, C. Leegar, W. F. Pidgeon.

Benton.—E. Littler.

Blackford.—William Hinghinbaugh, A. J. Neff.

Boone—James M. Workman, Noah Chilwood, George Scott, Reuben Scott, Jesse Benson, Col. Wm. C. Kise, F. Downing, A. H. Sheppard, A. J. Boone, Henry Lucas, L. Hauser, George Shoemaker, Thomas P. Miller.

Brown—J. S. Hester, S. Manville, W. N. Mason, W. Taggart, A. Anderson J. Arwine, J. M. Kinney.

Carroll.—James H. Stewart, C. Wilson, James Odell, Adam Clyde, Joseph Sims.

Cass—D. Dillman, John M. Ferril, R. V. Florey, G. N. Fitch, S. L. McFadin, Sam'l A. Hall.

Clarke—J. G. Read, Dr. Athon, W. Davis, Nat Carl, A. Coombs, H. Coombs, T. J. Howard, D. W Miller, N. Matthews, Lewis F. Coombs, W. Hulse, Col. H. Ferguson, M. Weir.

Clay.—John N. McNamar, John J. Payton.

Clinton.—They are J. Barner, McClelland, Crothers, Blake, Cottom, Gentry, and others.

Crawford.—B. Gregory, D. Summers, H. Jenkins.

Daviess.—G G. Barton, M. Riley.

Dearborn.—Josephus Clark, G. W. Lane, E. A. Conger, Dr. Gutch, B. Burlingham, J. Crozier, John S. Conger, C. O'Brien, F. Riddle, E. T. Crosby, A. L. Goble, John W. Henry, John Swartz, John Anderigg, A. Bookwalter, R. D. Slater, John Boyd, John Heimburger, Warren Tebbs, E. Glardon, D. R. L. Morgan, John Lewis, N. C. Durham, O. F. Roberts, Saml. J. Jones. W. S. Holman.

Decatur.—James Gervin, O. B. Hord, D. Moss, W. N. Lowe, J. Hitterbrand, John Foley, D. Hooten.

DeKalb.—Miles Waterman, James Blake, R. J. Dawson.

Delaware.—James H. Swaar, G. W. Edgerly, Samuel Orr, Rev. Wm. McCormack, J. S. Buckles, B. K. Elliott, C. E. Shipley.

Elkhart.—C. W. Seeley, A. Heatte, James E Winegar, Henry Pearce, James T. Maxfield, T. G. Davis, C. Schrock.

Fayette.—Saml. Heron, James C. Rea, John Reed, J. V. Lindsey, Alexander Heron, George Miller, Alex. Cockefair, Thos. Price, Joseph Cole, Thomas Hinkson.

Floyd.—B. Gwin, H. D. Kent, P. M. Kent, J. B. Norman, J. B. Graff.

Fountain.—John W. Clark, Isaac C. Hole, John McManony, Levy Adler, Saml. H. Davidson, Geo, Glasscock, Dr. P. Myer, John Stephenson, H. Reynolds, W. Drullinger.

Fulton—B. Lawhead, William Sturgess, James Foley.

Franklin.—D. D. Jones, C. B. Bently, A. B. Line, W. A. J. Glidewell, J. H. Elliot, A. R. McCleery, W. J. Flood, Geo. Berry.

Gibson.—Wm. P. Hall, Geo. B. Graff.

Grant.—John W. Dodd, John Brownlee, R. H. Lenfesty, James W. Brown, James F. Hall, O. H. P. Curry, D. P. Cubberly, J. H. Jones, D. McCormick.

Greene.—A. Humphreys, Mr. Blordsok, L. B Conway, E. Buskirk, Dr. Conley, and W. Mack.

Hamilton.—George Wiseman, John T. Burns, D. Moss, Wm. Garver.

Harrison.—B. P. Douglass, S. K. Wolfe, G. W. Denbo, Lewis Jordan, Isaac Clipp, John Smith.

Hendricks.—Edward Clark, John Pierson, Davis Matlock, William Bowman, James, Russell, Moses Kern, William W. Matlock, J. M. Gregg, J. A. Heyton, R. H. West.

Henry.—E. Johnson, D. Mowrer, Jesse Ice, J. Veach, S. D. Woods, W. D. Wicken.

Howard.—Richard D. Markland, Isaac Ploughe.

Huntington.—Samuel E Satterthwait, William Norton, Jas. R. Sack.

Jackson.—John F. Carr, Samuel P. Mooney, Henry C. Dannettell, Jerreniah S. Tanner, Dr. J. T. Shields, S. W. Holmes.

Jasper.—Jacob Merkle, Anderson Vandeker.

Jay—Robert Huey, Ira Denney.

Jennings.—J. D. New, D. C. Jones, Crumer Jones, John L. Spann, James H. Vawter, T. Riley.

Johnson.—Judge F. Hardin, J. W. Kightly, J. Harmon, J. McClellan, W. H. Barnett, D. Rickets, E. Mooney, J. O. W. Garret, R Jennings, Henry Fox, Capt. John Slater.

Knox.—Jas. D. Williams, Jas. Dick, R. N. Carman, A. L Cornoyer. John Westfal, D. Elliott, John C. Heberd, H. K. Wise, H. S. Cawthorn, John B. Patterson, James A. McClaugherty.

Lagrange—John Cromer, J. Wait, Robert Parrott.

Laporte.—C. W. Cathcart, S. Bursom, W. Bowes, Daniel Fry, Aquilla Rogers, James Forrester.

Lawrence.—A. J. Hostetter, Dr. B. Newland, John Ferguson, T. L. Carlton, J. Parks, Robert Newland, Nathan Medewood, Rice Brown, A. Malott, J. Foster.

Madison.—A. Jackson, Jos. Preden, W. M. Noland, J. M. Dickson, R. Lafre, and S. N. Stilwell.

Marion—Alex. F. Morrison, Kilby Ferguson, William Elliott, Henry Vandegrift, Austin H. Brown, Demas L. McFarland, Jeremiah Billings, S. Vanlaningham, P. Canine, Henry Brady, James P. Drake, David Huff, and Joseph Klingensmith.

Marshall—William M. Patterson and Thomas J. Patterson.

Martin—R. Clements, J. D. Calmin, and R. Stephens.

Miami.—Dr. Hinton, John A. Graham, E. N. Banks, R. F. Donaldson, Daniel Landis, E. Umrickhouse, N. O. Ross, —— Parks, and —— Dickey.

Monroe.—W. C. Tarkington, Elias Abel, R. W. Akin, James Hughes, Hugh Martin, S. H. Buskirk, David Sheets, Benj. Wolfe, L. C. Stinson, M. McPhetridge, A. B. Carlton, Alex. McClelland, and Y. Worley.

Montgomery—J. E. McDonald, M. D. Manson, R. H. Creg, Swan Brookshire, J. Brooks, Jesse McCalister, Thomas Wallis, I. Allen, Frank Sidener, and W. L. May.

Morgan.—P. M. Parks, Wm. Williams James Jackson, J. L. Knox, A. B. Conditt, A. M. Delevan; and as contingent delegates, W. Alexander, Dr. Carter, R. Griffith, B. Burrows, T. L. Perry, C. Whetzel, J. D. Newton, Daniel Smith, F. Landers, H. Stout, J. Slaughter, E. Paddock, J. C. Henderson, W. Killian, J. J. Johnson, and Jonathan Williams.

Noble.—James McConnell.

Ohio—A. C. Pepper, H. E. Dodd, and J. R. Ross.

Orange—John Frazer, W. F. Sherrod, D. F. Huffstetter, Dr. Lingle, and J. B. Buskirk

Owen.—J. I. Alexander, Wm. M. Franklin, S. S. Braum, B. Meek, Jas. Meek, and George Dithmore.

Parke.—Austin W. Puett, John G. Davis, Solomon B. Garrigus, Mr. Antrim.

Perry—L. A Smith.

Posey.—Turner Nelson, Horatio C. Cooper,

Pulaski.—Ira B. Brown, Samuel Good.

Putnam.—H. McGilt, John D. Sindair, Alford Gloozbrook, W. L. McDennis, John Tyner, Clinton Walls, Jacob Hodshire, William Brown, Jacob Etter A. Bowen, Thomas Stiwlwell James Galaspie.

Putnam.—Gen. W. D. Allen, James S. Gordon, A. Johnson, E. R. Kercheval, Jacob McGuire, Lewis H. Sands, William Turk, John S. Allen, Nelson Wood, Michael J. Lynch, George Ricketts, Anderson Gordon, John Cowgill, Wm. H. Shields, Daniel A. Farley, Patrick Haney, Moses T. Bridges, Samuel Gardner, Andrew J. Smedly, James G. Edwards, Azariah Gordon, Henry Secrest, Solon Turman, Lloyd Glazebrook, Wm. H. Thornburg, John Trakes, Richard N. Bradley, D. E. Williamson, John Meur, Wm. C. Larrabee, C. W. Lunch, F. Dooman, D. R. Eckels.

Randolph—B. McClelland, N. P. Heaston, John Neff, Jr., Richard Jobes, A. Forkner.

Ripley.—Dr. Fisk, T. W. Sunman, John Sunman, Isaiah W. Robinson, Jesse L. Holman, Luther Shook.

Rush.—B. Burns, Sam Addison, A. Deter W. Brown, Geo. Hibben, Sam McBride, J. Reeves, Wm. Barlow, C. Robinson, Judge Logan, W. S. Hall, R. Spencer, and Wills Buzan, J. J. Inlove, Col. Posey.

Scott—S. S. Crowe, P. H. Jewett, Dr. T. M. Sullivan, Dr. D. McClure, John Vest. W. C. Montgomery.

Shelby.—M M. Ray, J. D. Lacy, W. C. E. Wanee, J. Vernon, Wm. Major, Francis Amos, Wm. Cotton, G. Wilson.

Spencer.—W. C. Moreau, W. B. Richardson. Wm. Mattingly.

Starke.—S. O. Whitson, Chas S. Tibbits.

Steuben.—Madison Marsh, G. W. McConnell.

St. Joseph—A. G. Deavitt, Dr. Pearse, A. A. Whitlock, S. McChord, S. Lister.

Sullivan.—H. K. Wilson, M. Griggs, F. L. Neff, D. Case.

Switzerland.—Thos. Armstrong, G. H. Kyle, H. McMakin, R. Aldridge.

Tippecanoe.—Wm. Buck, L. DeVault, A. L. Patterson, John Pettit, J. J. Bingham, J. Hilt, A. W. Gordon, Dr. Isler, S. W. Telford, L. B. Stockton, John Lilly, H. S. McCollum.

Tipton.—Dr. A. M. Vickerey, J. Parker.

Union.—Eli Pigman, Osbuth, J. F. Gardner.

Vanderburgh.—James Lockhart, John Law, M. J. Bray, C. K. Drew, J. S. Gavitt, J. P. Dunn, J. B. Evans, J. Hutchinson, John Farrel, Ben. Stinson.

Vermillion.—Daniel Hilligos, Jos. Moore, S. G. Malone, Dr. J. Newton, William P. Thompson, Jas. McCullough.

Vigo.—C. Y. Patterson, G. F. Cookerly, W. E. McLean, E. Read, A. A. Hammond, J. Hough, Jas. Ferguson, Dr. Stout, B. H. Cornwall, John Hess, Wm. Mullen, James. M. Hanna.

Wabash.—William Steele, Jr., George E. Gordon, Oliver P. Murphy, James Wilson, and Lew. Sheets.

Warrick.—J. W. B. Moore, Wm. F. Parrett, A. Johnson, C. M. Williams, Thos. F. Bethel, Jno. Flary.

Washington.—Jas. A. Cravens, R. Schoonover, J. L. Menaugh, D. C. Shanks, Valentine Baker, W. C. DePauw, Wm. Thompson, Elijah Newland, and J. W. McMahan.

Wayne—L. B. Morrison, John C. Lutz, W. S. Watt, J. H. Moormann, Jas. Elder, Isaac N. Beard, Jas. Russell, Jacob Brooks, Eleazer Malone, Nathan Raymond, Lafe Develin, and James Endsley.

Wells.—John Wandall.

White.—A. P. Willard, D. Turpie, J. J. Gwin, and B. Reynolds.

On motion of Hon. G. N. Fitch, the following gentlemen, consisting of one from each Congressional District, were appointed to report permanent officers for the Convention: Messrs. Hutchinson, Kent, Pidgeon, Hibben, Elder, May, Humphreys, Manson, Graham, Hoagland, and Slack.

On motion of Judge borden, of Allen, the following resolution was presented to the Convention:

Resolved, That the delegates from each Congressional district confer together and report the names of one elector and contingent from each Congressional district; also two delegates from each district to the National Convention; and a committee of two from each district to report the names of two electors and contingents and four delegates from the State at large.

The resolution was laid upon the table.

Mr. Cookerly, of Vigo, announced the withdrawal of Hon. Solon Turman, of Putnam, from the canvass for Lieut. Governor, and Hon. Lloyd Glazebrook, of Putnam, from the canvass for Secretary of State.

The Committee appointed to report permanent officers for the Convention, made the following report:

Mr. President—The Committee appointed for the purpose of reporting the names of permanent officers for the organization of this Convention, respectfully present the following names.

For President,

Hon. JOHN L. ROBINSON, of Rush.

Vice Presidents.

1st Dist.—JOHN LAW, of Vanderburgh.
2d Dist.—Col. SCHOONOVER, of Washington.
3d Dist.—Gen. JOHN L. SPANN, of Jennings.
4th Dist.—JAMES B. FOLEY, of Decatur.
5th Dist.—JAMES OSBORN, of Union.
6th Dist.—Genl. MILROY, of Hancock.
7th Dist.—JOHN ALLEN, of Putnam.
8th Dist.—JAMES H. STEWART, of Carroll.
9th Dist.—BENJ. HENTON, of Miami.
10th Dist.—R. J. DAWSON, of De Kalb.
11th Dist.—Genl. ANDREW JACKSON, of Madison.

Secretaries.

1st Dist.—Mr. Stephens, of Martin.
2d Dist.—Samuel S. Crowe, of Scott.
3d Dist.—James H. Vawter, of Jennings.
4th Dist.—C. O'Brien, of Dearborn.
5th Dist.—Smith Woods, of Henry.
6th Dist.—John Kightly, of Johnson.
7th Dist.—Murray Briggs, of Sullivan.
8th Dist.—A. J. Boone, of Boone.
9th Dist.—W. R. Bowes, of Laporte.
10th Dist.—Albert Heath, of Elkhart.
11th Dist. Wm. Norton, of Huntington.

C. B. Bentley, of Franklin.
J. B. Norman, of Floyd.

On motion of Mr. Lyon, of Franklin, a Committee of two was appointed to conduct Mr. Robinson to the Chair. The President appointed Judge Borden, of Allen, and Col. Lyon, of Franklin, said committee.

Mr. Robinson upon taking the Chair, was greeted with three cheers by the assembled multitude. He then proceeded to address the Convention as follows:

Gentlemen of the Convention:—

It has been so recently that I have changed my relation to this Convention, that it cannot be expected that I am prepared with such an address as the occasion requires. I think I can say enough, however, to indicate in some small degree the high appreciation of the honor you have conferred upon me, and tender to you my profound acknowledgements for it.

Before I go further, however, let me say that I apprehend it has been known to many of the delegates present, that for a month past my name has been used in connection with the nomination for Governor. I consented to that use of it with no personal desire on my part, but only at the earnest solicitation of Democratic friends, who insisted that it would promote the harmony and interest of the party; and while the delegates have been assembling for the past four days, I have used some of the usual and ordinary means which candidates may employ to secure that nomination.

The contest grew animated, and among some of our friends, warm—though I trust little or no ill-blood has been engendered.

The friends who at first solicited the use of my name, at length came to the conclusion that whatever might be the result, under all the circumstances it were better to withdraw it. I consented to that withdrawal readily, cheerfully, and cordially, as it met my views and wishes on the subject. I decline a canvass for the nomination without a single regret, or the slightest feeling of mortification or chagrin. Indeed I feel flattered, greatly flattered, at the manifestation unexpectedly received all over the State in my favor. I have received testimonials of friendship which shall be remembered through life, and with rare exceptions, which I can forget and forgive, generous and magnanimous treatment from those who preferred others.

In this Convention allow me to add, however, that I make this declension without any collusion or understanding with either of the honorable gentlemen whose names are still before the Convention. I was a candidate in good faith—and for my own nomination, without the desire to prejudice or aid either of them by being such candidate. I leave the field without any unkind feelings to either of them, or their friends.

At any time a State Convention to nominate a State Ticket, involves great responsibility, and is justly looked upon with great importance. It is so at this juncture—without a parallel in this State. In 1854, one of those political hurricanes which at long intervals, by a union of folly, fanaticism, and faction, sweep over the country, swept out of power the Democrats in many of the States. It did so partially in this State; it has thrown a majority of two to one against the Democrats in the U. S. House of Representatives.

I have not time to review the evils which have already overtaken the country in consequence of the triumph of those factions. It is well; it is most fortunate for the country that the character of our other institutions prevented them from getting the other branches and departments of the government when they got the House of Representatives. What a spectacle they exhibit to the country! Utterly unable, with their overwhelming majority, to unite so as to take the initiatory steps of legislation by the election of a presiding officer! Even our Fusion delegation from Indiana do not unite!

What would they do with the multifarious affairs of this great nation if they had them under their control? How long would the government last in their hands?

But I congratulate you, gentlemen, upon the change upon our political horizon. The storm has passed and the clouds are rapidly disappearing. The year '55 has shown a far different result in the elections than the year '54. In our own State—indeed, in all the States where elections have been held, the Democracy have either triumphed or gained largely upon their opponents. So, I have no doubt, will it be in Indiana, and throughout the Union, in 1856.

A glorious victory awaits us in both. In Indiana the result cannot be different. But I will not delay you now by making a political speech.

Again I tender you my sincere and heartfelt acknowledgments for the honor you have done me. I am ready, with your co-operation, to proceed with the business of the Convention.

Mr. Robinson took his seat amid the most rapturous applause.

On motion the resolution of Judge Borden, of Allen, in reference to the appointment of Electors and delegates to the National Convention, was taken from the table and adopted.

On motion of Judge Hughes, of Monroe, the following committee on resolutions was appointed:

1st District—James Lockhart.
2d—Malinda Graves.
3d—James Hughes.
4th—Geo. Berry.
5th—Samuel Heron.
6th—Alexander F. Morrison.
7th—James Hanna.
8th—Geo. Telford.
9th—Orpheus Everts.
10th—R. J. Dawson.
11th—James R. Slack.

On motion of Hon. S. H. Buskirk, of Monroe, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That all votes in this convention shall be taken by committees; that each county shall vote as a unit, and that a majority of the delegates shall determine the vote, and that the ratio of representation shall be the same as that adopted by the State Convention in May, 1854, viz: one Delegate for each 200 Democratic votes, and one Delegate for every fraction over 100, no county having less than two Delegates.

On motion, the Convention then took a recess until half past one o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention again assembled at half past one o'clock, and was called to order by the President.

The following reports were then submitted:

First District.

Elector—William F. Parrott, of Warrick.
Contingent—Wm. C. Mareau, of Spencer.
Delegates to National Convention—Turner Nelson, of Posey; John C. Heberd, of Knox.
Contingents—Wm. B Richardson, of Spencer; James Dick, of Knox.

Second District.

District Elector—Simeon K. Wolfe, of Harrison.
Contingent Elector:—Ballard Smith, of Perry.
Delegates to National Convention—P. M. Kent, of Floyd, and David Huffstetter, of Orange.
Contingent Delegates—P. H. Jewett, of Scott, and Houston Miller, of Crawford.

Third District.

District Elector—Samuel W. Short, of Lawrence.
Contingent Elector—Jeptha D. New, of Jennings.
Delegates to National Convention—W. A. Aiken, of Monroe; and Samuel P. Mooney of Jackson.
Contingent Delegates—Thomas Armstrong and James H. Vawter.

Fourth District.

District Elector—D. Jones, of Franklin.
Contingent—James Gavin, of Decatur.
Delegates to the National Convention—C. O'Brien, of Dearborn; A. Davison, of Decatur.
Contingents—Dr. J. B. Fisk, of Ripley; W. Tebbs, of Dearborn.

Fifth District.

For Elector—Edmund Johnson, Esq., of Henry.
Contingent Elector——— Gardner.
Delegates to National Convention—James Elder, of Wayne, and James Osborn, of Union.
Contingent Delegates—Daniel Mowrer, of Henry, and Samuel Herron, of Fayette.

Sixth District.

District Elector—Martin M. Ray, of Shelby.
Contingent Elector—Capt. John Slater, of Johnson.
Delegates to Democratic National Convention—Alexander Morrison, of Marion; and Judge L. Hardin, of Johnson.
Contingent Delegates—George W. Brown, of Shelby, and James M. Gregg, of Hendricks.

Seventh District.

District Elector—James M. Hanna, of Vigo.
Contingent Elector—Andrew Humphreys, of Green.
Delegates to National Convention:—Hon. G. F. Cookerly, of Vigo; Hon. William M. Franklin, of Owen.
Contingent Delegates—Joseph Moore, of Vermillion; Murray Briggs, of Sullivan.

Eighth District.

District Elector—Dr. James S. McCleland, of Clinton.
Contingent Elector—Dr. James M. Workman, of Boone.
Delegates to National Convention—S. W. Telford, of Tippecanoe; Mahlon D. Manson, of Montgomery.
Alternate Delegates—Dr. James H. Stewart, of Carroll; Noah T. Catterlin, of Clinton.

Ninth District.

District Elector—Orpheus Everts, of Laporte.
Contingent Elector—David Turpie, of White.
Delegate to National Convention—A. A. Whitlock, of St. Joseph, N. O. Ross, of, Miami.
Contingent Delegate—E. E. Campbell, of Porter; John M. Ferrell, of Cass.

Tenth District.

For Elector— F. P. Randall of Allen.
Contingent Elector—Chas. W. Seeley of Elkhart.
Delegates—G. W. McConnell of Steuben; J. W. Borden, of Allen.
Contingent Delegates—R. J. Dawson of Elkhart; F. Henny, of Lagrange.

Eleventh District.

District Elector—S. S. Mickle, of Adams
Contingent Elector—John Brownlee, of Grant.
For Delegates to National Convention—J. R. Slack, of Huntington, T. Ryans, of Madison.
For Contingent Delegates—D. P. Cubberly, of Grant; R. D. Markland, of Howard.

For the State at Large.

After the nomination of officers, Mr. Tarkington, Chairman of the Committee appointed to select Electors for the State at large, and Delegates and Contingent Delegates to the National Convention, made the following report:

The Commitee appointed to select Electors, Contingent Electors, Delegates, and Contingent Delegates for the State at large, have selected Graham N. Fitch, of Cass County, and Alvin P. Hovey, of Posey County, as Senatorial Electors. Samuel H. Buskirk, of Monroe County, and Lafayette Develin, of Wayne County, as Contingent Electors; William Rockhill, of Allen County, Joseph Chapman, of Jefferson County, and Jno. Pettit, of Tippecanoe County, and Jno. L. Robinson, of Rush County, as Senatorial Delegates to the National Convention.

John G. Davis, of Parke County, G. L. Sites, of Allen County, Allen May, of Marion County, as Contingent Senatorial Delegates to the National Convention.

On motion of Col. Lyon, of Franklin, the Convention then proceeded to ballot for candidate for the various offices to be filled at the next October election. The following is the result of the ballotings:

For Governor.

Ashbel P. Willard,	367
John W. Davis,	45

For Lieutenant Governor.

Col. John C. Walker,	293
Robert Lowry,	161

Secretary of State.

Nathaniel McClure	248
John B. Hall,	111
Charles Raymond,	105

Auditor of State.

Gen. John W. Dodd,	284
Col. A. P. Richardson,	108

Treasurer of State.

Aquilla Jones,	248
N. F. Cunningham,	149
Dr. E. Newland,	65

[NOTE.—We only give the vote, in the above statement had upon the last ballot, for each officer. Several gentlemen were voted for, both for Treasurer and Auditor. For Governor, Hon. Geo. W. Carr, of Lawrence received five votes. The contest for Lieutenant Governor was between Judge Lowry, and Col. Walker. R. S. Hicks, of Spencer, A. J. Boone, of Boone, and J. Bingham, of Tippecanoe, were voted for for Auditor; N. J. Jackson, and Wm. Patterson, for Treasurer; B. F. Mullen, and Loyd Glazebrook, for Secretary of State.]

After the balloting for Treasurer of State, Judge Borden of Allen, offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of one from each Congressional District, be appointed to nominate a State Central Committee.

Previous to the President's announcement of said Committee, the Convention took a recess till 7 o'clock, P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Convention met at 7½ o'clock, pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Telford, the Convention immediately proceeded to ballot for the following officers, with the following result:

Attorney General.

Joseph E. McDonald	277
James Morrison	179

Superintendent Public Instruction.

W. C. Larrabee	333
John W. Spencer	123

Clerk of the Supreme Court.

Wm. B. Beach	379
John O. Ross	76

Reporter of Supreme Court.

Gordon Tanner	267
James B. Merriwether	201

The Convention then declared the following gentlemen their unanimous choice for the various offices to be filled.

Governor—ASHBEL P. WILLARD.
Lieut. Governor—Col. J. C. WALKER.
Secretary of State—DANIEL McCLURE.
Auditor of State—Gen. J. W. DODD.
Treasurer of State—AQUILLA JONES.
Attorney General—JOSEPH E. McDONALD.
Superintendent of Public Instruction—WM. C. LARRABEE.
Clerk of the Supreme Court—WM. B. BEACH.
Reporter of the Decisions of the Supreme Court—GORDON TANNER.

The Committee on Resolutions, through their Chairman, Judge Hughes, made the following report:

WHEREAS, The time is near at hand when the people of Indiana will be called upon to indicate by an expression at the ballot box the measures and policy which they approve, and wish to be executed in the administration of their government:

Resolved, That the Democratic party of the State, here in convention assembled, in conformity with established usage, and with a firm reliance on the virtue and intelligence of the people, submit the following declaration of principles.

1—We approve the principles of the compromise measures of 1850, and their application as embodied in the Kansas Nebraska bill, and will faithfully maintain them.