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COL. WOLFORD'S SPEECH AT LEXINGTON, KY.

HIS CONDEMNATION OF PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S POLICY.

KENTUCKY SHOULD RESIST THE ENLISTMENT OF NEGROES.

The President Denounced as a Usurper and a Tyrant.

Governor Bramlette Called Upon to Protect Kentucky in Her Constitutional Rights.

(From the Lexington Observer and Reporter.)

Those of our citizens who failed to hear the speech of this distinguished Kentucky soldier, at the Melodion in this city, on Thursday, have lost an opportunity which can never be regained. The time, the occasion, the circumstances and the man, all conspired to render it one of the most significant and important efforts that the present terrible crisis of the nation's history has called forth.

The occasion was the presentation to him of a splendid sword, sash, pistols and spurs, suitable to his rank, by a portion of our fellow-citizens; but instead of his being a common-places acknowledgment of such a compliment, it proved to be one of the highest efforts of a patriot fully imbued with that devotion to his country which patriotism alone engenders.

He spoke with all the earnestness, warmth and animation of a man who felt strong in the consciousness of the truth of what he uttered, and was prepared to stand by what he said regardless of personal consequences. He spoke as one not making a party harangue to catch the popular applause, but who felt that his country was in the midst of a terrible ordeal, and that it required all the wisdom and patriotism of her best citizens to carry her safely through the perils which environ her.

In the notice of this intended presentation, we stated that "no officer in the United States army had more justly entitled himself to a complimentary token of respect and gratitude from the loyal people of the State than Col. Frank Wolford, because not one had proved himself more prompt, dashing, brave and gallant." If such was our opinion in regard to the officers for whom this compliment was designed one week ago, our admiration has been immeasurably increased for the man by reason of this noble effort in behalf of constitutional freedom.

By his speech here on Thursday he has entitled himself to the lasting gratitude of every man in Kentucky who desires to see the Union and the Constitution preserved, and the rights of the citizen upheld and maintained against the assaults of those on the one hand, who are seeking to destroy them by armed rebellion, and on the other, of those who are seeking to crush them under the iron heel of military power.

Col. Wolford closed his speech by stating that he was aware that there were always in every public assembly now a days "pimps and informers," who made it their business to report to the fountain of power and patronage what was said in opposition to them. He called upon them to report what he said faithfully, and among other things they might inform Mr. Lincoln, if he desired to know what he had in the army whom he considered his minions thought of his official course, that "their opinion was that he was a tyrant and a usurper," who was seeking by overruling all constitutional barriers and limitations, to trample upon the liberties of his country.

But we shall follow Col. Wolford no further, and will conclude this very imperfect notice of his address by remarking that it was one of the boldest and most manly speeches that has ever been made to our people. It is needless to add that it was received with the most rapturous applause by the large audience assembled on the occasion.

The people of Kentucky to resist it as a violation of their guaranteed rights. If they were overpowered by force in their refusal to obey this order, then he advised them to appeal to the law for protection, and he was mistaken in the Governor of the State, who he had known long and intimately, (Governor Bramlette occupied a position on the platform with the speaker, having come up especially for the purpose of hearing him) he had no protection in their constitutional rights. If when the people of Kentucky appealed to the law for protection from this unconstitutional edict, Mr. Lincoln persisted in enforcing it, he would himself be the rebel and not the people of Kentucky. He would by no means offer resistance to this unconstitutional order to the end of throwing the State into secession, but when Kentucky had fulfilled all her duties and obligations to the Federal Government, and was loyal to the Constitution and laws of the land and intended so to remain, she had a right to demand that her Constitution and rights be respected, and he believed that Governor Bramlette would see that they were respected.

He added at the same time that while he had no idea of giving up his Government or his rights, he would not hesitate to express his constitutional and impartial enrollment of negroes, and that should neither report to him nor would he be, yet as a Kentucky freeman, he had a clear opinion upon this subject, and did not hesitate to express it. The people of Kentucky did not want to keep step to the "music of the Union," alongside of negro soldiers—it was an insult and a degradation for which their free and manly spirits were not prepared while involved at the same time an infraction of the rights of the State, which it was the duty of the Governor, under his oath to support the Constitution, and see the laws executed, to resist with all the constitutional power of the Commonwealth.

We do not pretend to report even the most meager synopsis of this great speech, for great it was in all the essentials of powerful oratory, running as it did through an hour and a half, verbatim report of it would fall to do justice to the speaker. It must have been heard to be fully appreciated; the manner as well as the matter would be necessary to give to it its full effect. He spoke with all the earnestness, warmth and animation of a man who felt strong in the consciousness of the truth of what he uttered, and was prepared to stand by what he said regardless of personal consequences.

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Resolved, That the expense of the passage to that detestable continent shall be paid in greenbacks, and that they shall be supplied with a sufficient quantity of bread, one meal, when, to use the words of the great Salmon Pea, it will require a thousand of them to pay for a breakfast. Resolved, That as the Government currency was called to denote the greenness of the people, that their color be hereafter changed as they are now falling into the "sere and yellow leaf."

Resolved, That as it is impossible to put down the rebellion, by the aid of the bravery of the Southern men and the devotion of the Southern women, that the same is hereby and forever abolished. Resolved, That, in conclusion, the foregoing is a series of suitable resolutions for the consideration of the present wise, august, and statesmanlike Congress.

The Record They Have Made.

The National Convention that nominated Mr. Lincoln as a candidate for the Presidency in 1860 adopted this resolution: "That the maintenance inviolate of the rights of the States, and especially the right of each State to equal and complete jurisdiction over its own domestic institutions according to its own judgment exclusively, is essential to that balance of powers on which the perfection and endurance of our political fabric depend."

ance to dates, though there are some that do not care to do them. But you are to be tempted into joking, as we certainly could not hope to surpass the one got off in the House of Representatives, for considering the place, it might be called a Capital joke. So let us let it, as embodied in the form of a resolution:

OUR EXCHANGED PRISONERS

Arrival of 664 at Annapolis. Statements of their Treatment by the Rebels. Reported Gunpowder Plot to Blow up the Libby Prison.

The Keepers at the Libby and at Belle Isle. (Special Correspondence of the New York Times.) ANNAPOLIS, Thursday, March 10, 1864. The steamer City of New York, Captain Christolm, arrived here yesterday with six hundred and sixty-four released Federal prisoners from Richmond and Belle Isle, forty-eight of whom are officers.

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der to collect a mighty army, it renewed neglect, but now, it has got into power and has collected a mighty army, it tears its pledge to shreds, and tramples the constitutional rights of the States in the dust.

Resolved, That the rebellion be and the same is hereby abolished. This, the telegraph tells us, "was agreed to amid laughter." Of course it was, because everybody knows that abolishing the rebellion is as good a thing in its way as that mythical bird against the comet, for which the occupant at the White House is the only historical authority. It was decidedly a good thing on the part of Mr. Cox in making at least one of Congress resolve that the overthrow of the rebellion was a piece of humor—a—a—in a point of fact, as Micawber would say, a—a—joke.

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DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23d, 1864.

ROOMS OF THE DEMOCRATIC STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE, COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 20, 1864. To the Democracy of Ohio: You are hereby notified that the Democratic State Central Committee has designated WEDNESDAY, THE TWENTY-THIRD DAY OF MARCH, 1864, as the time for holding the next Democratic State Convention, in the City of Columbus, for the purpose of electing FOUR DELEGATES, for the State at large, to the Democratic National Convention, which will be held in the City of Chicago, beginning on the FOURTH DAY OF JULY NEXT, and of nominating a candidate for each of the following offices, viz:

Secretary of State; Two Judges of the Supreme Court; Attorney General; Comptroller of the Treasury; School Commissioner; Member of the Board of Public Works. The Democratic voters of the several counties within this State, are respectfully requested to proceed to appoint delegates to represent them in said Convention, on the following basis: One delegate for each county and an additional delegate for every five hundred voters cast for Hon. CLEMENT L. VALLANDIGHAM, for Governor, at the last October election, and for every fraction of two hundred and fifty voters and over, one additional delegate.

The number of delegates to which each county is entitled, we have indicated in the following table: Adams, 1796 6; Allen, 2017 5; Ashland, 2239 5; Ashtabula, 849 2; Athens, 1224 4; Auglaize, 2215 5; Belmont, 3267 6; Brown, 2744 5; Butler, 4053 9; Carroll, 1290 3; Champaign, 1867 4; Clark, 1250 4; Clinton, 1174 3; Columbiana, 2382 6; Coshocton, 2470 5; Crawford, 2348 7; Cuyahoga, 4270 10; Darke, 1222 3; Delaware, 1475 4; DeWitt, 1887 4; Erie, 1403 4; Fairfield, 2178 5; Franklin, 2744 5; Gallia, 875 3; Geauga, 251 2; Hamilton, 1862 5; Hancock, 1493 3; Harlan, 1272 4; Harrison, 1428 3; Henry, 1031 3; Highland, 2454 6; Holmes, 1420 3; Huron, 1775 4; Jackson, 2281 5; Jefferson, 1447 4; Johnson, 1629 3; Lake, 383 2; Lawrence, 818 3.

Total, 465. JOHN G. THOMPSON, CHAIRMAN; SAMUEL MEDARY, AMOS LAYMAN, GEO. L. CONVERSE, A. G. THURMAN, Democratic State Central Committee.

Franklin County Democratic Convention.

The Democracy of Franklin county are requested to meet at the usual places of holding elections on Saturday, the 19th day of March next, and proceed to elect by ballot the number of delegates assigned to each Township and Ward, to meet in County Convention at the City Hall, in Columbus, on Monday, the 21st of March, at 11 o'clock A. M. for the purpose of electing twelve Delegates to the State Convention, to be held in the City of Columbus, on the 23d day of March next.

The following is the number of Delegates apportioned to each Township and Ward according to the Democratic vote for Governor, at the last election, being one Delegate for each Township and Ward for every 50 votes, and one Delegate for every fraction over 25 votes cast at said election.

Table with 2 columns: Township/Ward Name and No. of Delegates. Includes entries for Adams, Allen, Ashland, Ashtabula, Athens, Auglaize, Belmont, Brown, Butler, Carroll, Champaign, Clark, Clinton, Columbiana, Coshocton, Crawford, Cuyahoga, Darke, Delaware, DeWitt, Erie, Fairfield, Franklin, Gallia, Geauga, Hamilton, Hancock, Harlan, Harrison, Henry, Highland, Holmes, Huron, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnson, Lake, Lawrence, Madison, Mahoning, Marion, Medina, Mercer, Miami, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Morrow, Muskingum, Noble, Ottawa, Paulding, Perry, Pike, Portage, Putnam, Randolph, Ross, Sandusky, Seneca, Shelby, Sherman, Summit, Tazewell, Tipton, Union, Van Wert, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Wood, Woodworth, Wyandot.

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