

TERMS: IN ADVANCE.

Conventions of 1880. Democratic National Convention, Cincinnati, June 22.

The Constitution Against the Empire.

THE CHICAGO CONVENTION.

We have been watching the proceedings of the republican convention at Chicago with an interest not altogether dependent upon the nomination and platform that may be agreed upon by that body.

One contest of great moment, took place before the convention met at all. This was in the national committee. The members of this body constitute a considerable majority for Blaine, or at least against Grant.

The first fight in the committee related to the unit rule. Two resolutions were offered with a view to its abrogation: First, that it should not be enforced at any stage of the proceedings of the convention, and second, that at least during the preliminary proceedings, it should not be enforced.

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The latter nomination was made as a step towards the nomination of Grant. It was quickly killed off by Mr. Hoar nominated by a majority of 31 to 9.

The committee on credentials organized with Grant as chairman, and with Garfield as chairman, and that on resolutions with Pierpont as chairman.

Active contests were anticipated in the committees on rules and on credentials: in the former the unit rule was to be finally decided, and in the latter contestants were claiming seats from which they had been arbitrarily excluded by state conventions.

The only committee in which no detour was anticipated was that on resolutions. Convention was not called to order till 12 o'clock m. The first thing in the order of business was the REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

The rules of the convention of 1876 were adopted, except the following important one, which was dead against the unit rule, and against the power of a state convention to set aside the acts of the people of its districts. The rule reported was as follows:

The report of the votes by states, of each state, territory, and the District of Columbia, shall be announced by the chairman: and in case the votes of any territory or the District of Columbia shall be divided, the chairman shall announce the result for each candidate or for against any proposition, and the result for each candidate or for against any proposition, and the result for each candidate or for against any proposition.

The report on rules, however, was by previous action not to be acted upon till the act on credentials had been received.

A motion to adjourn while waiting for that report gave occasion to a lively little altercation between Messrs. Frye and Conkling, which kept the convention amused, while nothing of more importance was going on.

After adopting the report of the committee on permanent organization (which continued in office the temporary organization) convention adjourned till 5 p. m.

The committee on credentials not being ready, the question was upon receiving the report of that on rules prior to that of the former committee, and the convention adjourned without hearing it.

This day was devoted to the report of the committee on credentials and terminated with the adoption of the majority report, which gave the seats to the contesting members and excluded delegates from the territories. On this day also Mr. Conkling made his motion that all members of the convention be pledged to support the nominee. It was carried unanimously, with the exception of the adverse votes of three delegates from West Virginia. Mr. Conkling moved that those three should be excluded from the convention, but found reason to withdraw the motion.

The vote on the adoption of the majority report of the committee on credentials was 385, yeas, 333.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES was in order as soon as that on credentials had been acted upon and the majority report (already given) adopted. Much indirect opposition was offered to it, especially by Mr. Sharpe, of New York, who offered a resolution that the convention should proceed at once to nominate Blaine, and thus THE UNIT RULE WAS FINALLY KILLED.

Then the committee on resolutions was ordered to report, and Mr. Pierpont read the following platform, which was adopted:

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The way in which he made his way to the nomination he has just obtained is an evidence of this. He was not premature in coming forward, but waited till the mutual exasperation of the three more prominent candidates made the nomination of any one of them impossible.

His political record up to the war was brilliant. He was state senator at twenty-eight and entered the army three years later, where as brigadier-general and major-general his record must have been respectable, though we have heard of no very distinguished exploit.

He passed through the campaign of Chickamauga, and is not likely to have done that and not under fire more than once. Nearly the whole period from the close of the war he has been in congress, and as Thad Stephens, Morton, Wilson and the old radical leaders died off, he began to be recognized as a potent factor in his party, and in the last two congresses no member had greater influence with the republican politicians than he.

He is in the strictest sense a partisan, and his attitude outside of party interests, hates the south with a malignant hatred and has no scruples where party expediency leads his way.

His personal record is not unimpaired. In the early days of radical rule, when corruption and speculation were universal, he was deeply involved in credit mobbing transactions, disgraceful to any public man, but on which his party has always looked with a tolerant, not to say sympathetic, expression.

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This convention was held at Nashville for the purpose of nominating delegates to the national democratic convention at Cincinnati, and of selecting electors for the presidential campaign of this year.

It assembled in the house of representatives on Tuesday, June 8th, and was called to order by John W. Childers, Jr.

Omitting the preliminary business, the permanent organization was stated as follows: B. A. Enloe, of Madison, chairman; C. L. Ridley, of Davidson, secretary; A. B. Upham, of Maury, assistant secretary; H. T. Prater, of Rutherford, sergeant at arms.

Col. J. B. Cook, from committee on basis of representation, reported. To each county was assigned a vote for every hundred votes given for the democratic presidential ticket of 1876, and one for each fraction of 100 over 50 votes. On that basis the following assignment of voting power was made:

Anderson 4, Bedford 2, Benton 10, Blount 4, Boone 4, Buchanan 4, Carter 4, Cheatham 4, Clay 4, Clark 4, Coffee 4, Davidson 4, DeKalb 4, Dickson 4, Giles 4, Hancock 4, Harlan 4, Henderson 4, Hickman 4, Humphreys 4, Johnson 4, Knox 2, Lake 4, Lauderdale 4, Lawrence 4, Lewis 4, Lincoln 4, Loudon 4, Macon 4, Madison 4, Mahan 4, Manly 2, Marion 4, Marshall 4, Meigs 4, Mercer 4, Morgan 4, Murray 4, Nash 4, Newton 4, Overton 4, Perry 4, Polk 4, Putnam 4, Rhea 4, Roane 4, Sevier 4, Shelby 4, Smith 4, Spivey 4, Stewart 4, Sumner 2, Taylor 4, Trousdale 4, Union 4, Van Hook 4, Warren 4, Wayne 2, White 2.

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The committee on credentials a majority and minority report were presented in reference to the disputed delegation from Wilson county. Into this controversy it would now be superfluous for us to enter. The minority report was adopted, which admitted both delegations, and assigned them the vote assigned to the county.

The committee on resolutions reported the following platform, which was unanimously adopted: 1. Having implicit confidence in the sagacity, patriotism and fidelity of the delegates elected to the national democratic convention, we recommend that they go untroubled.

2. We believe that the two-thirds rule in the nomination of candidates for president and vice-president is a wise and just one, and we recommend that it be maintained.

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ED. CHRONICLE: Having returned home after pleasantly spending a few days in Dickson county, and finding crops appearing fine, and farmers quiet, busy harvesting, I will give you a brief sketch of the closing performances at the Cloverdale Society.

The forty-sixth term of this institution closed June 3d. The pupils, having been instructed by the talented Prof. W. A. Bell, and his accomplished sister Miss N. A. Bell, acquitted themselves with great honor, both in literature and music, and I will here state that a more accomplished band of young ladies and a more handsome as well as intelligent crowd of school-boys I never saw.

After prayer in the morning, the performance of the day was introduced by a most appropriate song sung by the well-trained choir consisting of the entire school. During the remainder of the day (with the exception of intermissions for refreshments) we were entertained with the examination of classes in the higher branches of mathematics, languages, sciences and music, in which the pupils all displayed much skill.

The most difficult problems proposed and solved readily, and a great number of questions from many of the sciences answered without hesitation, while musical selections from the best authors, played upon many instruments, constantly intervened, which, besides delighting the immense crowd of spectators, proved to them, not only the aptness, wisdom and diligence of the pupils, but also the untiring energy of the teachers and their capability for imparting knowledge to their scholars.

The exercises of the day were followed by an exhibition at night, in which each pupil displayed an achievement. As for the dialogues, dramas, charades, tableaux, and music both vocal and instrumental, for fear we cannot do the performers justice, we refrain from comment, further than saying, "they cannot be surpassed." It was the next thing to the centennial, each pupil displaying a carefully prepared Calliope, the four-year-old girl who sang "Katie Lee and Willie Grey," should take the premium.

And let me here say to parents, if you wish your children to be thorough scholars, send them to Cloverdale school. For strict discipline and thorough attainments the school is unsurpassed, and a person more devoted to the welfare, morals and rapid progress of pupils than Rev. A. J. Parish, the principal, there cannot be found. Respectfully, H. M. CURRIER, D. D.

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MUSICAL INSTRUCTION. At the suggestion of my friends, Mrs. Maguire proposes to teach a private class next year, beginning September 1, 1880.

TINE SMITH. Back in New Providence. To meet the demands of our rapidly increasing trade, we have this spring filled our Third Story with new goods.

DRUGS, CHEMICALS, STATIONERY, PAINTS and OILS. TOLLET TABLETS, and in fact any and every article in a drug store.

CHANGERS SALES. Monday, June 28th, 1880. B. F. Coulter vs. H. M. Tyson et al.

Defy Competition. Our motto is to sell the very best goods at the very lowest prices, thereby making it to the interest of our customers to deal with us.

We invite Everyone to call and examine our Goods and Prices, feeling satisfied that we can make it to your interest to do so.

E. BUTTRICK & CO.'S METROPOLITAN PASTORALS. Patterns will be sent by mail postpaid on receipt of price.

NEW SPRING STOCK. DRY GOODS. Notions, Carpeting, Mattings, Oil Cloths, Boots, Shoes and Hats.

IDAHO SPRINGS! Will be open for the reception of visitors JUNE 15.

Coulter Bro. & Stratton's. We will offer on next MONDAY, the 12th, extra jobs in several styles of Ladies' and Misses' Hosiery.

Fire-Proof Paint! I desire to call attention of the citizens of Clarksville and surrounding country to the fact that I have recently received a supply of fire-proof paint.

Administrator's Notice. Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Mrs. H. Plummer, I hereby notify all persons having claims against the estate to come forward and settle.

LEHMAN'S EUROPEAN TABLE LINENS, TOWELS, NAPKINS, Ladies' Ties, Fans and Parasols.

THEY MUST BE SOLD. Come early if you want bargains. We also wish to call your attention to our stock of Dress Goods.

LADIES, DON'T BUY YOUR MILLINERY. Before you see our splendid stock of PATTERN-BONNETS, HATS and FLOWERS, which are prepared by our ladies here.

Barbecue Dinner, Speaking, Music, Dancing, Dinner 50 cts., Ball-room free. Ball at 7 p. m., Supper 50 cts.

CLERK AND MASTER'S OFFICE. It appearing from affidavits filed in this case, that the defendant John J. Danekins is a non-resident of the state of Tennessee.

Mrs. Hodgson & Maguire. Samples sent to any part of the country on application. Remember the Bargain for next week.