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RULES FOR PRIMARY

Adopted by State Executive Committee Last Week.

CAMPAIGNS TO BE SEPARATE

Capital Contest and State Official's Canvass Not to be Mixed.

An important meeting of the Democratic State Executive Committee was held in Jacksonville last Friday morning, afternoon and evening sessions being held. The attendance was unusually large—48 of the 51 members of the committee being present. The most important work of the meeting was the action taken upon the report of the special committee selected at a previous meeting to formulate rules and regulations to govern the primary to be held to determine the State Capital location issue.

A doubt having recently arisen as to the eligibility of Hon. M. Barrs as a candidate for Presidential Elector, on account of his being City Attorney of Jacksonville, Mr. Barrs, in order to settle all doubts, tendered his resignation as a candidate for Presidential Elector, and Hon. S. J. Hillburn, of Palatka, an alternate, was elected to fill the vacancy.

The following resolution offered by Hon. J. Emmet Wolfe, of Pensacola was adopted:

Resolved, That the chairman and secretary and five other members of this committee, to be appointed by the chairman, be constituted a campaign committee to manage all matters pertaining to the election of the nominees of the State Convention.

Chairman Frank Clark has not yet announced who the five appointive members of the campaign committee are to be.

Mr. Wolfe also offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the various cities which are candidates for the State Capital site be allowed to make their own campaign free from control of this committee, and that the Capital removal question shall not be discussed at any meeting held under the auspices of this committee.

After several hours of interesting discussion, at the afternoon and evening sessions, the following rules and regulations for the governing of primaries, were adopted:

Whereas, The Democratic State Convention, held in Jacksonville, beginning on the 19th day of June, A. D. 1900, in its platform, unanimously adopted, did declare and provide for the nomination of all candidates for office, both State and county, and of United States Senators, by a majority vote, in white Democratic primary elections, held under the provisions of law, which shall provide all possible protection against fraud, bribery, intimidation and other vicious influences, said primaries to be uniform and held throughout the State on the same day, and did pledge the Democracy to the passage of all laws to that end, and did instruct the Democratic State committee to provide for and superintend the holding of and declare and certify the results of such primary elections wherever it shall become necessary, by end of term, death, resignation or otherwise, to elect or appoint any such officer; and,

Whereas, Said convention did likewise order and provide that the question of the removal of the seat of State government and the question as to the holding of a Constitutional Convention should be settled by the white Democratic electors of the State at primary election to be held at the time of holding the State election, November 6, 1900, to be participated in only by white Democrats who in said general election shall have voted for the candidates of said Democratic State Convention, and that the Democratic State Committee shall provide for the holding, returning, canvassing and certifying of returns of such primary election; and

Whereas, Said Democratic State Convention did further order and provide that at said primary election shall be nominated, by majority vote, such appointive county officers as it may appear will be necessary to be appointed during the next two years, and have not theretofore been nominated; Provided, That if no candidate receives a majority vote for any such office the two highest candidates shall be voted for at a subsequent primary.

Each such elector in each county shall have the right to vote for one of the cities, candidates for the location of the State Capital; each such elector in the State shall have the right to vote for or against the calling of a State Constitutional Convention; and each such elector shall have the right to vote for one candidate for adjutant general and for one candidate for State Chemist.

Each such elector in the Second, Third, Fourth and Seventh Judicial Circuits, shall have the right to vote for one candidate for State Attorney for his Judicial Circuit. Each such elector in Duval, Escambia, Hillsborough, Orange and Volusia counties shall have the right to vote for one candidate for Judge of the Criminal Court of Record for his county.

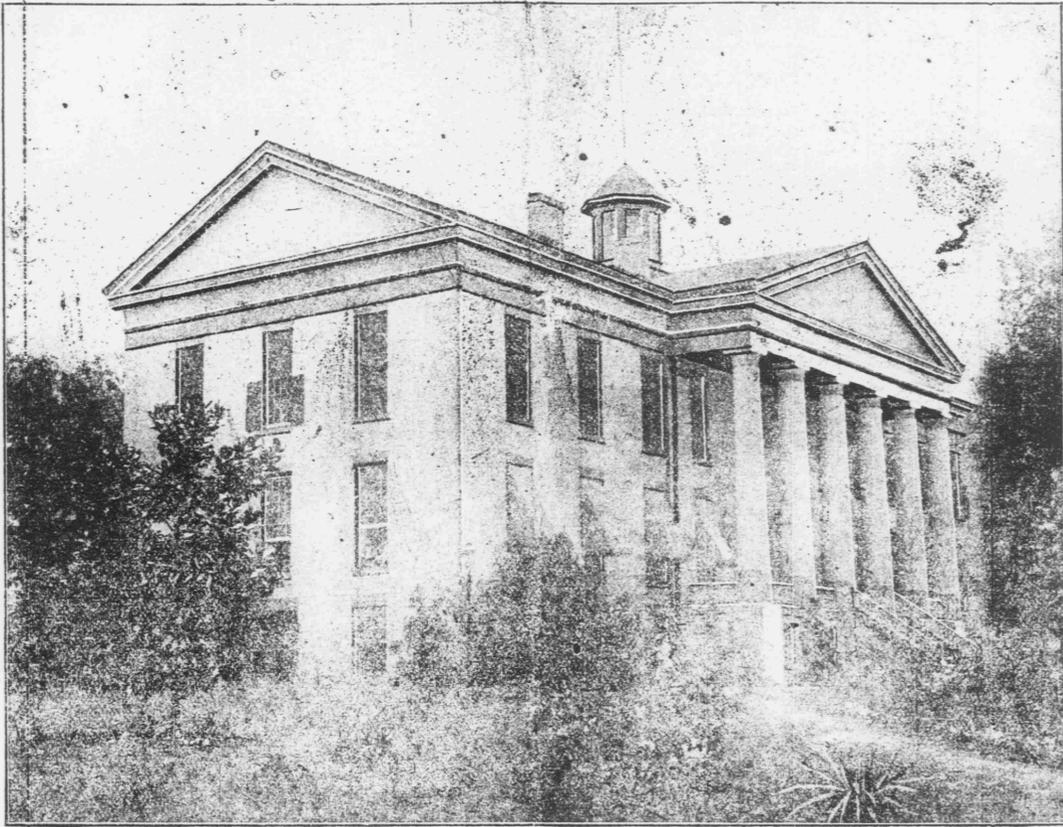
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Each such elector in each county commissioner's district, for which district a candidate for county commissioner shall not theretofore have been nominated, shall have the right to vote for one candidate for county commissioner for his commissioner's district.

Each such elector in each county in which a supervisor of registration

STATE CAPITOL AT TALLAHASSEE.

(Photographic view taken in August, 1900.)



shall not theretofore have been nominated shall have the right to vote for one candidate for supervisor of registration for his county.

Each such elector in the county of Escambia and in such other counties as timber custodians and harbor masters are provided by law, shall have the right to vote for one candidate for custodian of lost timber and lumber, and one candidate for harbor master of the port situated in said county.

The voting in said election shall be by ballot prepared and used in accordance with the provisions of the State election law, said ballots to be printed and distributed under the direction of the Democratic Executive Committees of the several counties, and on said ballots the names of the cities to be voted for as a site for the State Capital shall first be placed in alphabetical order, followed, first, by the names of the candidates for State and county officers in alphabetical order, then by the questions for and against a Constitutional Convention, all substantially in conformity with the ballots used in the general election, and the hours of opening and closing the polls, manner of voting and otherwise conducting said election shall, so far as possible, conform to the general election laws of this State.

Cities desiring to be voted for as a site for the State Capital and all persons desiring to become candidates for appointment to State offices, shall cause their names, together with a statement of their candidacy, to be filed in writing with the Chairman of the State Executive Committee, not less than fifty days before the date of said primary election, and the Chairman of the State Executive Committee shall, not less than thirty days before the date of said primary election, certify the names of said cities and persons, together with all necessary instructions to secure the placing of said names correctly on said ballots, to the chairman of the various county executive committees in the State.

Persons desiring to become candidates for appointment to any county office shall cause their names, together with a statement of their candidacy, to be filed with the chairman of the county executive committee at least twenty days before said primary election, and from the names so certified and those certified by the Chairman of the State Executive Committee, the executive committees of the various counties shall cause the necessary ballots to be printed and distributed, providing not less than two ballots for every qualified voter in each election precinct as shown by the registration lists.

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FROM CAPT. HENDRY

Lee's Distinguished Representative Opposes Removal.

WANTS CAPITAL TO REMAIN

Old Democratic War Horse Tells How Masses Feel on the Subject.

The TALLAHASSEEAN finds sincere pleasure in presenting and commending to its readers, and to all the citizens and tax-payers of Florida, the subjoined extremely interesting and sensible communication from Hon. F. A. Hendry, Representative from Lee county in the Florida Legislature, upon the State Capital location issue.

Of course every one knows that Captain Hendry is one of Florida's oldest, best enlightened and most substantial and conservative citizens. That quiet, unassuming, but able and oft-honored gentleman and patriot was one of the pioneers in the wonderful development of Peninsular Florida, and whatever of present prosperity and of promise for future greatness this State enjoys is due chiefly to the intelligent, arduous and untiring labors of such men as Captain Hendry.

For many years he has been the influential and respected representative of Lee county in the State Legislature, where his extensive information and ripe judgment have made him one of the most useful men in Florida's legislative councils. No more valuable service adorns Captain Hendry's noble record than the clear and effective statement of the case of the tax-payers and producers of Florida against the Capital removal politician schemers, in the following letter, which we predict will have tremendous influence with the voters who participate in the coming primary:

Editor Tallahasseean—The effort being made by you and other papers of our State to fully acquaint the people upon this question of removal of the Capital of the State of Florida is well timed and most highly appreciated. It is a question and a measure forced upon the people by a few, and very few, reckless spirits of our State.

There has been no clamoring by the people for the removal of the Capital. There has not been, so far as your writer's knowledge extends, a single resolution passed by any county, community or mass meeting of the people of our State, calling for the removal of the Capital unless the action of our State Convention be construed as the will of the people.

This fact, however, cuts no figure now. The question is upon us and we do not propose to hunt up anybody to blame or to curse. The Democrats of Florida are called upon to voice their sentiment at the polls on this question, and they desire all the light they can possibly get before casting their votes; and when fully posted, it will require no prophet to forecast the result.

One thing the public wants to know: if indeed the Democrats of Florida vote to move the Capital, and to a certain place, are the Democratic legislators bound, under Democratic discipline, party lash or whatever it may be termed, to vote for a constitutional amendment providing for such removal? Is this the kind of a cinch the party has worked itself into? Give us a light on this subject; turn on the search light.

Your writer can see very plainly that it is possible for a Democratic primary to select some place other than Tallahassee, and for a Democratic Legislature to pass a resolution providing to so amend the Constitution making it possible to remove the Capital to the point elected by the primary; and can see also the possibility and probability of that resolution being defeated by the people at the general election following.

The truth of the whole business is, this Capital removal business is untimely and uncalled for. The mass of the people of this State are already carrying a heavy burden and carrying their share with the short end of the stick; and they are not prepared to build themselves better houses or to bear one farthing more tax, and the Legislature that lays upon their devoted necks increased taxation will commit a sin before high heaven, and will be arraigned before the bar of an indignant and outraged constituency.

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Married.

Mr. Richard G. Porter and Miss Steppie Rice, both of Anapalachicola, were quietly married at high noon, on Wednesday, 22d, at the residence of Mr. A. J. Key, a cousin of the bride, Rev. N. P. Quarterman, officiating.

Only the relatives and intimate friends of the bride witnessed the ceremony, the marriage being a quiet one and only announced the day before the ceremony. Owing to the nature of the ceremony, it is not hard to conjecture that there was more than the usual amount of romance connected with the marriage and that incorrigible Dan Cupid has been taking an active interest in the fortunes of the young people most concerned. Immediately after the ceremony, the bride and groom left upon the east bound train for Atlantic city, where they will remain for several weeks, and from thence they will visit Niagara Falls and the larger cities of the East, returning to Apalachicola about the 15th of October, where they will be at home to their friends.

The bride was prettily attired in a traveling gown of gray broadcloth and taffeta silk.

Both the bride and groom are well known here and have a host of friends who wish them a long and happy wedded life.—Quincy Herald.

Miss Rice recently paid a visit to Mrs. Gilmore, of this city, and made many friends who extend to her their sincere congratulations, and wish her many happy years in her married life.

Died.

Solomon Boxhorn—on Saturday, August 25, 1900. The deceased was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Boxhorn of this city and would have been four years of age in the coming October. He was buried in the Jewish Cemetery in this city Sunday, August 26 at 9 a. m.

His parents have the sympathy of the entire community in their sorrow.

Loyal Temperance Legion.

The meetings will be suspended during the month of September, but resumed in October, being held as usual on the 2d and 4th Thursdays, the exercises beginning at 4:30 instead of 5:00 o'clock. One of the meetings in August was varied by adjourning to the grove and spending the hour in games. This will be a feature occasionally through the fall and winter. We have taken as our watchword "Helpfulness." We trust it will be practiced by all the members.

A Worthy Enterprise Proposed.

Mr. S. R. Bridges, traveling representative of the Alkahest Co-operative Lyceum System, of Atlanta, is in the city trying to interest the town in a course of lectures, high grade concerts, musical attractions, etc., for the

coming season. This System has under its management some fifteen of the leading American platform lecturers with six or eight of the best concert companies. A course of any eight of these attractions will be given in Tallahassee this fall and winter, providing a lyceum of 100 members can be organized here—each member taking a double season ticket worth \$4.00, the amount to be paid as the attractions appear. The members bear the lectures and concerts at the rate of 25 cents each.

Nearly 100 cities and towns have joined this System, and it is to be hoped that Mr. Bridges will be able to interest all Tallahasseeans in this work of Southern literature and educational advancement.

Died.

Mrs. Esther Rice, of this city. The deceased was about 50 years of age and had been a cripple for 25 years. She was a Christian Scientist, and refused to have a physician to attend her, and died, saying she would certainly be better after awhile.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

To the Colored Property Owners of Tallahassee and Leon County.

A meeting of all the colored citizens owning property in the city of Tallahassee and Leon county is called to meet at the office of Dr. W. J. Gunn at 8 p. m. Tuesday, September 4. The object of the meeting is to devise means to assist the Capital League of Tallahassee in their work.

Surely Not.

The Jacksonville Capital removers say they will poll 5,000 votes in that city for Capital removal. As Duval county has only 2,800 Democratic voters the Pensacola News as to where the balance of the 5,000 votes are to come from is pertinent.

Surely they don't intend to stuff the ballot box.—Florida Index, Lake City, 8-24.

A Back Down.

The effort to draw the Metropolis into long-winded controversies about the removal will fail.—Jacksonville Metropolis, Aug. 20th.

Certainly. Keep right on making ridiculous assertions and publishing silly slush about the Capital removal and then when confronted with facts and figures back down and out.—Florida Index, Lake City, 8-24.

Died.

On Wednesday, Aug. 29th, at 9:30 p. m., Mrs. Amanda Coburn, wife of the late Jas. D. Coburn, of this city. The deceased was born in Cleveland, Ohio, 63 years ago. She leaves four married daughters, Mrs. Harry A. Fish, Mrs. Constantine Algero, Mrs. G. B. Curry of this city, and Mrs. Charles Kimbell of Birmingham, Ala.

A large circle of sorrowing friends will miss her. The funeral will take place from the Methodist church at 4:30 p. m. this afternoon.