

State Democratic Convention. PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIRST DAY.

COLUMBIA, June 8.—In compliance with an invitation extended by the Democratic citizens of Edgefield District, a Convention of the Democratic party of this State met in the hall of the Commercial Hotel...

On motion of Hon. John E. Carew, of Charleston, Dr. Thomas Smith, of Darlington, was called to the Chair, and A. G. Gilbert, Esq., and Henry Sparneck, Esq., were requested to act as Secretaries.

The roll of Districts was then called, and the following gentlemen appeared and took their seats as delegates: BERKELEY DISTRICT—M. W. Venning, Charleston—C. H. Simonton, Henry Sparneck, Wm. L. Lobb, John Hancock, J. B. Coakley, C. M. Burnham, J. H. Lattin, J. Davis, P. C. Trullinger, J. B. Campbell, L. S. Bruns, R. B. Rhet, Jr., T. D. Eason, John B. Steele, G. H. Greer, Geo. S. Hacker, John B. Cameron, Fred. Horsey, E. H. Locke, A. C. Carew, J. P. Pelzer, W. G. Gayer, J. R. Read, D. Lopez, E. Richards, J. W. Whiting, W. E. Mather, M. J. Adair, Jr.

On being conducted to the Chair, Mr. Simonton delivered a brief and beautiful speech, which was enthusiastically received. Hon. James B. Campbell offered the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted:

Resolved, That the Democratic party of this State, in its annual Convention, do hereby reaffirm its faith in the principles of the Declaration of Independence, and its adherence to the Union, and its determination to maintain the same against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

Resolved, That the Democratic party of this State, in its annual Convention, do hereby reaffirm its faith in the principles of the Constitution, and its determination to maintain the same against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

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Resolved, That the Democratic party of this State, in its annual Convention, do hereby reaffirm its faith in the principles of the Liberty, and its determination to maintain the same against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

Resolved, That the Democratic party of this State, in its annual Convention, do hereby reaffirm its faith in the principles of the Justice, and its determination to maintain the same against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

Resolved, That the Democratic party of this State, in its annual Convention, do hereby reaffirm its faith in the principles of the Equality, and its determination to maintain the same against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

Resolved, That the Democratic party of this State, in its annual Convention, do hereby reaffirm its faith in the principles of the Fraternity, and its determination to maintain the same against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

Resolved, That the Democratic party of this State, in its annual Convention, do hereby reaffirm its faith in the principles of the Brotherhood, and its determination to maintain the same against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

Resolved, That the Democratic party of this State, in its annual Convention, do hereby reaffirm its faith in the principles of the Unity, and its determination to maintain the same against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

Resolved, That the Democratic party of this State, in its annual Convention, do hereby reaffirm its faith in the principles of the Harmony, and its determination to maintain the same against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

Resolved, That the Democratic party of this State, in its annual Convention, do hereby reaffirm its faith in the principles of the Concord, and its determination to maintain the same against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

Resolved, That the Democratic party of this State, in its annual Convention, do hereby reaffirm its faith in the principles of the Peace, and its determination to maintain the same against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

Resolved, That the Democratic party of this State, in its annual Convention, do hereby reaffirm its faith in the principles of the Prosperity, and its determination to maintain the same against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

South Carolina to be Speedily Re-admitted into the "Glorious Union."

The Bill reported by the Senate Judiciary Committee for the admission, upon certain conditions, of five of the unconquered Southern States, has been passed by both Houses of Congress, and is now in the hands of the President for his action.

THE ADVERTISER. JAMES B. BACON, EDITOR. WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 1868.

Bishop Persico on Sunday Next. We are requested to state that Bishop Persico will preach in the Catholic Church of this town on Sunday next, in the forenoon. Subject of his discourse: "The Infallibility of the Church."

The Promenade Concert. On Wednesday evening a Musical Hall should open at 7 o'clock. The programme is very good. The orchestra is very bad on Wednesday evening. The entertainment will take place on the following evening.

The Last Collector. Capt. BEN ROBERT, Tax Collector, will be at this place on Saturday next, the 20th, for the accommodation of those who have not paid their taxes yet. All interested will do well to avail themselves of this last day of grace so kindly offered them by the Tax Collector.

General Convocation of Methodist Clergymen and Laymen. Such a convocation, called in the language of the Methodist Conference, a "District Meeting," is to take place in Edgefield during the last week in July. Many gifted and distinguished preachers will be present, and the occasion will be one of rare interest and edification.

Where Are All Those People Going? Going to Mr. G. L. PAX'S, at Dry Lemo and Port Wine, wherewith to fortify and refresh themselves; and to McNEICE, wherewith to renew their strength like the eagle; and to SOAPS and PERFUMES, wherewith to render themselves very clean and sweet; and to TOBACCO, wherewith to smoke; and to NICE THINGS, wherewith to render themselves comfortable and pleased.

The Late Columbia Convention. The Democratic Convention which sat lately in Columbia, met on Monday evening, the 11th inst., and adjourned Tuesday evening, the 12th inst. The Convention was very successful in its proceedings, and we are indebted to LIST. P. M. HANSEN, Post Adjutant at Aiken for the following summary of the result of the recent election in Edgefield District, from which our people can learn the names of their own District Officers:

Judge of Probate Court. D. L. TURAN—Republican, 2473 W. F. DARICE—Democrat, 1520 Clerk of Court. Andrew Ramsay—Republican, 1820 Z. W. Carville—Democrat, 1521 Sheriff. John McDevitt—Republican, 1473 Nat. Ramsey—Democrat, 2176 Nat. Ramsey—Independent, 62

County Commissioners. Peter McCus—Republican, 2304 W. H. Moss—Democrat, 1520 Frank Arlin—Republican, 2450 Jos. J. Kennedy—Rep., 2458 Samuel J. Lee—Rep., 2457 G. J. Sheppard—Democrat, 1516 Benjamin Bettis—Dem., 1517 George D. Hallett—Dem., 1517 School Commissioner. Edmund Wadley—Republican, 2470 L. R. Waltney—Democrat, 1519

One of these, the Judge of Probate Court, are informed upon reliable authority, does not reside in Edgefield District, but in Barnwell, a few miles to the west of Edgefield. In the case of the Sheriff, the right policy now is not to yield one inch further to tyranny and usurpation than the bayonet actually does us. Of these newly-elected officers, we have only to say that they are not the choice of either the white or black people of Edgefield District, but the choice of usurpation and Radicalism. The negroes undoubtedly voted for them, but blindly, ignorantly, and at the bidding of the tools of Radicalism.

And we have no hesitation in saying that it is the fault of the white people of the District that these myriads of Radicalism have been allowed to carry the day, and that the result is as we give it above. This is a disastrous and mortifying fact to record, but it is nevertheless true. We can only hope that it will give up the new fatal and mischievous policy of remaining away from the polls. Certainly the weaker party never gains strength by supineness and difference of opinion. From this time forth there should be perfect harmony and concert of purpose among our white people, and all should work together with most indomitable energy, zeal and activity.

The registered negro voters in Edgefield District are about 4,600; and it will be seen by consulting the above summary that 2,100 of these voters do not go to the polls. Of these, about 1,100 went to the polls; for of the 1,500 Democratic voters recorded above, fully 400 were negroes. It is beyond dispute that a large number of negro voters of the Democratic party are in the 10th Regiment. These revelations cry out loudly against the blind and culpable apathy of the white people of the District.

Public Meeting at Mt. Willing. We learn from the Columbia Phoenix of Friday last that several hundred persons having assembled at Mount Willing, on the 3rd of June, a meeting was called to express the sentiments of the Washington Dispatch to the Baltimore "Courier" in relation to the late election in Edgefield District, and the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we disapprove of the Edgefield proceedings of the public meeting held at Edgefield C. H. on Monday last, and also of the proceedings of the speakers, as calculated to injure the Democracy, both North and South; and that we consider another State Convention as entirely useless.

The President on the 12th inst. nominated Hon. Beverly Johnson as Minister to the Court of St. James, and the Senate has unanimously confirmed the nomination.

Ambitious to Die Decently and in Order. There is a man in Columbia jail, condemned to be hanged soon; and he has lately protested in the most solemn manner against the ghastly rite being performed by the newly-elected Radical Sheriff of Richland District. To go to his right, he would die in the gallows, but to go to his left, he would die in the gallows, but to go to his right, he would die in the gallows, but to go to his left, he would die in the gallows.

Democratic Gain in South Carolina. In the recent election, in South Carolina, sixteen Districts were carried by the Democratic conservative party, viz: Abbeville, Anderson, Chester, Chesterfield, Greenville, Horry, Lexington, Laurens, Lancaster, Marion, Newberry, Oconee, Pickens, Spartanburg, Union, York, and York.

The remaining Districts, fifteen in number, went Radical, some by a slight majority. This success shows what is possible. Let men take heart.—Columbia Phoenix.

Report of the Committee on Immigration.

The Committee to whom was referred a Resolution to Report a Plan of Immigration for Edgefield District, ask leave to submit the following Constitution for the organization of an Immigration Society:

Article 1st.—The Association shall be known as the Immigration Society of Edgefield, S. C. Article 2nd.—The officers of this Society shall consist of a President, Secretary and Treasurer, and five Directors, to be elected by the members of the Association, (each share having one vote), to hold office for twelve months, and until a new election takes place. The election for officers to be held on the last Wednesday in May in each year, unless otherwise directed by the Society.

Article 3rd.—A meeting of the Shareholders shall be called at any time by the President and three Directors, at the majority of the Shareholders shall constitute a quorum. Article 4th.—Each share shall be of the value of Twenty-five Dollars.

Article 5th.—The President and three Directors shall constitute a quorum to transact the business of the Society. In the absence of the President, and in default of his not having appointed a chairman pro tem, any four Directors may call any one of their number to the Chair to act as President, and transact the business of the Society.

Article 6th.—The Society, through its President and Directors, will introduce immigrants into the State, and to the extent of the means of the Society, as cheaply as possible. Any Shareholder, ordering through the Society, shall not be charged more than the actual expenses incurred; and for the purpose of aiding a Shareholder in obtaining immigrants, he may be permitted to draw from the Society, an amount equal to the share or shares he may hold in the Capital Stock, —the share or shares being pledged as security for the same.

Article 7th.—This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of any meeting of the Shareholders, at which two-thirds of the shares must be present.

Your Committee has not thought it necessary to do more at this time, than to urge the organization of a Society of Immigration to the good of the State; and in furtherance of this object, we have appended hereto a list for the signatures of all who desire to become members and promote the objects of the Society.

As soon as twenty-five names have been obtained, the Committee recommend the election of Officers, provided for in the Constitution, and that all necessary arrangements be made for the speedy introduction of white Immigrants into the State.

Our neighboring District of Newberry has an organization in active operation, similar to those here proposed, and the most encouraging results are being realized. Quite a number of Immigrants have been introduced into the State, and the chief strength has always resided in the South, who have steadily and successfully opposed it; but when the South voluntarily withdrew her members from Congress, and when many of the leading Democrats of the North quit politics to fight for the Union, the Constitution and the Laws, as they supposed, the Radicals, in the progress of a successful war, got possession of the Government, and the unprincipled leaders intend to hold possession, or do every thing that bad men dare do.

They know that Southern Democrats, now have other motives to cherish, as well as opposition to centralization,—bonities, prohibitory tariffs, and the collection of ruinous duties upon the industry of the South, which are intended for the benefit of another. They are aware that the Southern States will henceforth be not only a unit against Radicalism in legislation, but likewise in the Presidential election, which latter controls all the patronage of the Government. They further know that whereas five negro slaves formerly counted only as three whites in assigning representation, that now each negro counts as a white for representative purposes, and that the South will thus gain eight or ten additional Representatives, as perhaps the only compensation she will ever receive for the emancipation of her slaves.

It is therefore, the duty of every Southern Democrat, to stand up for the Constitution and the Laws of the South, and to oppose every measure which tends to the introduction of Democracy in the South, and the last Congress and the present have perpetrated all their nefarious unconstitutional acts. Beside, the Radicals have wronged us too deeply to forgive us. We have thwarted them too often and too long in administering the Federal Government, for them not to dread us. So intensely do the Leaders hate the people of the South, and so bent are they on consolidating the Government and controlling its offices, that to get an anti-Democratic party here they would not only disfranchise whites and enfranchise blacks, but they would also, if it were possible, enfranchise our negroes, and give every thing to the Southern Democrats, their wives and children; so as to have done with the race. Unbridled ambition, unbounded fear, and unlimited hate, all combined to make the Radical Congress legislate outside of the Constitution toward the Southern States in abolishing the old legal State Governments—in putting the military above the civil authority—in placing negroes over the white men of the South, and on a level with the white men of the North, and in compelling the adoption of the 14th Constitutional Amendment which only allows representation in Congress for negroes and Chinese men, in those States, where they shall be permitted to vote.

As the Radicals have been inexorably determined on getting an anti-Democratic party in the South, it cannot be expected that they will permit any other than Radical State Governments to be set up here, as long as it can be prevented. They would have Southern Democrats desire them with the hope of having fair play in the bogus State elections? Can the devil do right, and is not the South filled with Radical Devils, supported by the army, by the Bureau, and by the League, whose first business it is, not to protect persecuted Union men,—not to overawe unrepentant negroes,—not to take care of the nation's wards, except to make them vote,—but simply to build up and maintain Radical parties,—to get Radical State Governments,—to get Radical Presidential Electors from the South? As it is the deliberate purpose of the Radicals to get power in the South, without regard to the means, how can such men as Perry, Hampton, Chenuit, McQueen and others cherish the delusion that a qualified negro suffrage could be accepted as a compromise by the Radicals, when absolute negro suffrage cannot accomplish their purpose,—when even a partial disfranchisement of whites cannot accomplish it,—when, after having enforced both of these villainous measures, they are also bent to practice frauds in registering voters, stuffing ballot boxes, conducting pretended elections, and excluding Democratic candidates, and finally electing, by terror, bribery, and through other infamous practices, an anti-Democratic party to the Presidency.

As all elections under the old legal State Governments of the South are prohibited by the Military, in obedience to the Reconstruction Acts, it is not now likely that any but bogus elections will be held here until after the inauguration of the next President, and it may be not until after the organization of the next Congress. What chance will the disfranchised voters have to carry these elections. If, by argument, persuasion, bribery, or intimidation, (all considered right in Northern elections,) they should succeed in getting two Democratic votes for one Radical, is any man so stupid as to believe that the vote would be counted as one? In what election could the Radicals vote, any where in the South, have the Radicals failed to declare the result according to instructions previously given? In North Carolina, Arkansas, Texas and Virginia, the disfranchised, honest, true white voters are largely in the ascendant, yet has either of these States failed to go radical whenever a pretended election has been held to call a Convention, rally a Constitution, or to do any thing else? Has any State, according to the Radical code, failed to elect a Radical majority to the legislature, which is to operate the State Radical machine, and which is also to elect negro Senators to hold over in the next Congress. Has any State failed to frame

The 'Tramp of the Despot.

Across the narrow stream which divides the States of Georgia and South Carolina, comes a man, the 'Tramp of the Despot,' and as he moves on to new deeds of despotism, and sets his foot more firmly and more heavily upon the necks of a gallant but weak and powerless people. Ah! how the blood boils in the veins, the teeth gnash together, and the hands clutch the rod of the despotic rapscallion as a noble but enslaved State!

Intelligent, proud, hospitable, in peace, brave, heroic, gallant, in war, the people of South Carolina are now suffering under a tyrannical more galling and terrible than those of the Southern States,—galling and terrible as they are. But few have seen a number of citizens of Hamburg were dragged from their homes; and made to perform the most menial and degrading services, simply because they would not lend a political party the use of a March 10th, which was under their control. They had a right to refuse the use of the office for the orgies of the enemies of their country; and, in exercising this right, they violated no law, no military order. But the Gester of South Carolina, cannot brook the cold opposition which the people there feel for his tyrannical rule. He has sent a number of his minions to the State, and so must needs vent his wrath upon the innocent and unoffending.

And yet the bitter cup of woe is not full. Carolina, thy humiliation is not complete. The vultures who are battering upon thy chained and hallowed limbs are not satisfied, as they are, your infernal rage must be placed in the streets, and you make no genuflections to shoulder-straps, or to "haunting lies," as they were over your desolated land. And so your humiliation is not complete. Those who were once your slaves—those who, now, as they are, your infernal rage must be placed over you, and sit in your council chambers to make laws for you, and complete your galling list of woes. Seven Negroes in the Council Chamber of Charleston! Seven Negroes by order of Gester! And ye? you bend not the knee or bow the head, stiff-necked people of South Carolina! You are not content with the bell, the finger-of-sword, and sign for a Tell, a Gester, to rid you of his tyranny. O! be patient! be patient! The day of deliverance is at hand, and the sun of justice will soon, we hope, light you up to freedom, peace, and prosperity once more. The people of the South will not bow to Gester's cap as you pass in the streets, and you make no genuflections to shoulder-straps, or to "haunting lies," as they were over your desolated land. And so your humiliation is not complete. Those who were once your slaves—those who, now, as they are, your infernal rage must be placed over you, and sit in your council chambers to make laws for you, and complete your galling list of woes. Seven Negroes in the Council Chamber of Charleston! Seven Negroes by order of Gester! And ye? you bend not the knee or bow the head, stiff-necked people of South Carolina! You are not content with the bell, the finger-of-sword, and sign for a Tell, a Gester, to rid you of his tyranny. O! be patient! be patient! 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