

ANNAPOLIS: Thursday, May 26, 1836.

DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

In pursuance of a resolution adopted by the Democratic State Convention of the State of Maryland, assembled in the City of Baltimore, in May, 1835, the members elected to the Democratic State Convention, for the purpose of nominating candidates for Electors of President and Vice President, for the State of Maryland, favourable to the election of MARTIN VAN BUREN, of New York, as President, and RICHARD M. JOHNSON, of Kentucky, as Vice President of the United States, assembled in the City of Baltimore, on Wednesday, the 18th day of May, 1836.

On motion, Gen. TOBIAS E. STANSBURY, of Baltimore County, was called to the Chair, and SAMUEL HARKER, of Baltimore City, appointed Secretary.

On motion, Resolved, That a committee consisting of one member from each county and each city be appointed for the purpose of recommending persons for officers, and to draft rules for the government of this convention.

In conformity with said resolution, the Chair announced the names of the following persons to compose the Committee, viz: Horatio C. Scott, Howard Kennedy, M. E. Barigis, Dr. Washington Davall, William B. Stone, John Parran, Dr. Allen Thomas, Richard J. Crabb, Cornelius McLean, Jr., Richard Frisby, Charles S. Sewell, William C. Scott, James Boon, James H. Wilson, Marcy Fountain, Daniel Lloyd, Dr. William Jackson, James Polk.

The Convention then adjourned until five o'clock this evening.

The Convention re-assembled at five o'clock, pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Scott, from the Committee appointed for the purpose of nominating officers, and to draft rules for the government of this convention, made the following report.

The Committee appointed to nominate officers and regulations for the government of its deliberations, respectfully ask leave to make the following nominations:

Gen. TOBIAS E. STANSBURY of Baltimore Co., President.

Vice Presidents. Col. NICHOLAS SPONESTREET, of Charles Co. Col. CHARLES S. SEWELL, of Harford Co. Dr. THOMAS WILSON, of Kent Co. Dr. WILLIAM JACKSON, of Dorchester Co.

Secretaries. Samuel Harker, of Baltimore City, John D. Groce, of Washington Co. Benjamin F. Miskell, of Cecil Co. Thomas H. Whiteley, of Caroline Co.

And to offer the following resolutions:

1st. Resolved, That the rules for the government of the House of Delegates of Maryland, be adopted as those for the government of this Convention.

2d. Resolved, That the members of this Convention from each Congressional District, (except Baltimore city and Anne Arundel county) nominate to this Convention one person each, as an Electoral Candidate of President and Vice President of the United States; that the District composed of Baltimore city and Anne Arundel county, nominate two persons as Electors; Candidates; and that for the purpose of supplying the two vacancies which will then remain on the Electoral Ticket of the State, a Committee of one from each county on the Eastern Shore, be appointed by the Chair to nominate one other Candidate from that shore; and that a similar Committee be appointed from each county of the Western Shore and the cities of Baltimore and Annapolis to nominate another electoral candidate from the Western Shore; and that when the persons who shall be so nominated shall be approved by this convention, their names shall be announced and they recommended to the voters of Maryland, as constituting the Electoral Ticket, in favour of the election of Martin Van Buren as President, and Richard M. Johnson as Vice President of the United States.

The report having been read, was unanimously adopted, and the officers thereby appointed took their seats accordingly.

The Chair announced the names of the following persons to compose the committee mentioned in the 1st resolution, viz:

For the Eastern Shore.—Messrs. George A. Thomas, James Boon, Thomas Hewitt, Marcy Fountain, J. S. Blake, Thomas White, John P. Gale, and William Cottman.

For the Western Shore.—Messrs. Nelson, Frisby, Keerl, Linthicum, Crabb, Bourn, W. C. Scott, Storm, W. B. Scott, Cooke, Burgess, K. Need, and Matthews.

Mr. Price, of Washington county, offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, That the President of this Convention appoint a Committee of five, for the purpose of drafting a preamble and resolutions expressive of the opinion of this Convention in regard to matters of a national character.

The Chair announced the names of the following persons to compose the said Committee.

Messrs. D. E. Price, Samuel Harker, Walter W. W. Bowie, Win. A. Spencer, and Daniel Lloyd.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

The Convention re-assembled at 10 o'clock on Thursday morning.

The Congressional Districts were severally called over, whereupon the following named persons were announced as having been selected as candidates for Electors of President and Vice President of the United States, favourable

to the election of Martin Van Buren, of New York, as President, and Richard M. Johnson, as Vice President, viz:

FIRST DISTRICT—James A. Stewart. SECOND DISTRICT—Edward Lloyd. THIRD DISTRICT—J. T. H. Worthington. FOURTH DISTRICT—Wm. Frick and Allen Thomas.

FIFTH DISTRICT—Joseph Hollman. SIXTH DISTRICT—Washington Davall. SEVENTH DISTRICT—John B. Brooke.

The Committees for the Eastern and Western Shores reported respectively that they had selected.

FOR THE EASTERN SHORE—William A. Spencer.

FOR THE WESTERN SHORE—Hugh Ely.

The question being taken, separately, upon each nomination, they were unanimously concurred in.

On motion, it was Resolved, That the Delegates composing this Convention stand pledged to support the ticket this day nominated to the people of Maryland, as Electors friendly to the elevation of MARTIN VAN BUREN and RICHARD M. JOHNSON, as President and Vice President of the United States.

Mr. Price, from the Committee to prepare a preamble and resolutions, submitted the following report, which being read by paragraphs, was adopted.

The committee to whom the following resolution, viz: "Resolved, That the President of this convention appoint a committee of five for the purpose of drafting a preamble and resolutions expressive of the opinion of this convention in regard to matters of a national character"—was referred, yesterday, respectfully, beg leave to report, that they have given the subject that due consideration to which its merits entitle it, and respectfully submit the following preamble and resolutions as comprehending the end contemplated in the foregoing resolution.

Whereas, The end of free representative governments is the securing, confirming and extending privileges and immunities to the government, and securing the possession and exercise of those sacred and inalienable rights, incident to man.

And whereas, in the establishment and possession of those rights and privileges the following maxims are established:

That all correct free governments emanate from, and are established for the benefit of the people.

That the people have a right to choose their own rulers.

That rulers so chosen become the servants of, and are directly amenable to, the people for their conduct in office.

And whereas, among those rights is the inalienable one secured to the people of assembling together in primary meetings, or conventions, and expressing their opinion in regard to the conduct and measures of their rulers.

And whereas, having those privileges and immunities thus secured, it is right and proper, as well as the duty of the people, so to assemble as to express their opinions inasmuch as such expression is calculated not only to secure and perpetuate the blessings of civil liberty, but stimulating their successors to imitate the actions of those whose measures are approved of, and to deter them from following the example whose actions are condemned.

Therefore, be it

1. Resolved, That this convention highly approve of all the leading measures, and policy of our present National Executive.

2. Resolved, That the elevated and dignified position assumed by our present Chief Magistrate when he entered upon the duties of his station in regard to foreign nations, to ask nothing that is not clearly right, and submit to nothing that is wrong; thereby securing a speedy, amicable and satisfactory adjustment of all our important foreign affairs, and elevating our country in the scale of nations, merits the fullest approbation of the American people.

3. Resolved, That this convention highly approve the efforts and success of the present administration in treating the country of that most dangerous monopoly, the United States Bank.

4. Resolved, That this convention highly approve the efforts of the present national administration to restore and establish a sound and stable currency, gold and silver being the only currency known to the Constitution of the United States.

5. Resolved, That the circumstance of the American nation being at peace with all nations, and free from national debt, presents a singular and gratifying phenomenon in the history of nations.

6. Resolved, That in choosing successors to the present national administration, it is a duty incumbent upon the people to select men in whom they have every guaranty that the Democratic Republican Principles upon which the government rests, and the purity of the American institutions will be fully sustained.

7. Resolved, That this Convention highly approve the nomination of Martin Van Buren of New York as a candidate for the Presidency, and Richard M. Johnson of Kentucky as a candidate for the Vice Presidency of the United States, made by the National Convention that assembled in this city in May last.

8. Resolved, That having full confidence in the ability & integrity of Martin Van Buren and Richard M. Johnson necessary to a perpetuation of those democratic republican principles for which our party has so triumphantly contended, this convention respectfully and cordially recommend them to the favourable consideration of the American people as candidates for the offices for which they are respectively named.

9. Resolved, That this convention congratulate the people of the United States upon the great individual and national prosperity with

which they are now blessed, and earnestly recommend them to recognize and practice those principles of concert or harmony, forbearance and concession upon which their government rests, and which are so essentially requisite to a perpetuation of their national union, their national prosperity, and their national glory.

10. Resolved, That this convention congratulate the people of Maryland upon the elevation of their distinguished fellow-citizen Roger E. Taney, to the highest judicial station known to the American people.

11. Resolved, That this convention highly approve of the appointment of their fellow-citizen Upton S. Heath as District Judge of the District of Maryland.

Mr. Kennedy submitted the following resolutions, which were severally adopted.

Resolved, That committees of correspondence consisting of five members from each county, and the City of Annapolis—and a Central Committee of seven from the City of Baltimore, be appointed by the Chair for the purpose of ensuring concert of action in the Democratic Republican party—said committees to be named by the separate delegations in attendance.

Resolved, That the Chairman of said committee be authorized to fill any vacancies which may occur in the Electoral Ticket of the State.

Resolved, That the presiding officers of this Convention, be constituted a committee to advise the several gentlemen selected as candidates of the Democratic Republican party for Electors of President and Vice President of the United States, of their nomination, and to cause their names when received, to be published in the Democratic prints of the state, and that the editors throughout the state be requested to continue the names of the Democratic Electors in their papers until the election takes place.

Mr. Bowie submitted the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee consisting of one from each county of the State, and the Cities of Baltimore and Annapolis, be appointed to prepare an address to the people of Maryland, and address to be prepared and published as early as a day as convenient.

On motion, Resolved, That as it is probable the present Convention will afford the last opportunity for the friends of our patriot and paternal chief in this state to give an expression of their feelings of gratitude for all the good he has done, we therefore tender into the hands of his friends in this state a wish for his happiness upon his retirement to the shades of private life.

On motion of Mr. Frisby, Resolved unanimously, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to Mr. Wiley, and the Board of Directors of this establishment, for the very liberal and handsome manner in which they have accommodated the members of the present Democratic Republican Convention, now assembled in the City of Baltimore.

Resolved, That the thanks of this convention be tendered to the committee of arrangement of the City of Baltimore.

Resolved unanimously, That the thanks of this convention be tendered to the President and Vice Presidents, for the able and dignified manner in which they have presided, and

On motion, Resolved, That the thanks of this convention be due to the Secretaries for the able and appropriate manner in which they have discharged the arduous duties assigned them.

On motion of Dr. Graves, Resolved, That our deepest respect is due to the revolutionary patriot and venerable Chairman of this Convention, for his undeviating adherence to the Democratic Republican party, and that we express our deepest wishes that he may yet meet us often in our future political campaigns—and give that effect to our purposes which its character so well demands.

The President hereupon arose and addressed the convention in an animated, feeling and appropriate strain, and then

On motion the convention adjourned sine die.

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From the New-Orleans Bulletin of May 8. TEXAS.

Col. A. Houston, of the Texian army, has arrived in the steamboat Caspian, and confirms the news of the glorious victory of Gen. Houston, and has favoured us with the following list of the Mexican officers killed, wounded and prisoners.

Killed—Gen. Castrillon, Col. Batnes, Col. Mora, Col. Trevino, Col. Don Jose Maria Romero, Lieut. Col. Manuel Acquire, Lieut. Col. Castillo.

Gen. Cos and many others supposed to be killed but not yet found.

Prisoners—Gen. Antonio de Santa Anna, Col. Almonte, aid de camp, Colonels Cespedes of the Guerrero battalion, brings, aid to Santa Anna, Portilla de la Podreguire, aid to Santa Anna, Numer, Valenti, Lieut. Cos Felipe Romero, (wounded.) Valenti, Don Pedro del Gardo, Fernando Urziza, (wounded,) aid to Santa Anna, Mugla Don Ramon Curo, private secretary to Santa Anna; also five captains and twelve lieutenants.

Santa Anna had offered the following terms, which although not officially confirmed, is supported by a great number of private letters from officers of the army. To acknowledge the independence of Texas—pay the expenses of the war—order his army to lay down their arms, and remain a hostage until the treaty was fulfilled.

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His pursuers in the eagerness of the chase, dashed into the same bog hole, left their horses and continued the pursuit on foot, following the trail of the fugitive, (which was very plain, owing to the recent rain) until they reached the timber, where it was lost. The pursuers then spread themselves, and searched the wood for a long time in vain, when it occurred to an old hunter that the chase might, like a hard pressed bear, have taken a tree? The tree tops were then examined, when the game was discovered snugly ensconced in the forks of a large live oak.

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Resolved in the affirmative. Mr. Dennis submitted the following message, Gentlemen of the senate, We propose with the concurrence of your honourable body, to adjourn the present session of the Legislature on Saturday next, at ten o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Heard moved to lay said message on the table and make it the order of the day for Saturday next, the 23th instant.

Resolved in the affirmative. Mr. Winder submitted the following message, Gentlemen of the senate, With the concurrence of your honourable body, we propose to confine the action of the present session to measures relating exclusively to works of internal improvement, and to business which was postponed to this session.

Which was twice read. Mr. Richardson moved to lay said message on the table.

Determined in the negative. The question then recurred, and was put, will the house adopt said message.

Determined in the negative. On motion of Mr. Townsend the house adjourned until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

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The speaker also laid before the house a petition of sundry citizens of Dorchester county relative to the condemnation of a certain acre of land in said county.

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