

ter prepared to submit with becoming grace to the will of the majority, that cardinal principle to be cherished by all alike if we sincerely desire the preservation and perpetuation of free institutions.

Thanking you for this manifestation of your kind regard, I now enter upon the discharge of my duties, with the assurance of your generous confidence, and an abiding hope that our labors may redound to the peace, happiness and prosperity of our State.

The Convention adjourned until 12 o'clock, M., to-morrow.

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THURSDAY, April 28th, 1864.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. Hon. HENRY H. GOLDSBOROUGH, President, in the Chair, and Mr. Joseph B. Pugh, of Cecil, acting as Secretary.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Davenport.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The qualifications of James T. Briscoe, of Calvert county, Eli J. Henkle, of Anne Arundel county, Thomas B. Smith, of Worcester county, Fendall Marbury, of Prince George's county, William H. Gale, of Somerset county, were presented, and the gentlemen named appeared and took their seats.

Mr. Cushing submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the following persons be declared appointed to the offices of this Convention for which they are respectively named.

Secretary—William R. Cole, of Baltimore city.

Assistant Secretary—John H. Shaw, of Allegany county.

Sergeant-at-Arms—Alfred D. Evans, of Baltimore city.

Committee Clerks—William R. McCulley, of Allegany county; Thomas Tipton, of Carroll county; George Johnson, of Cecil county, and S. C. Gorrell, of Harford county.

Doorkeepers—Moses Anders, of Frederick county, and Charles Whittemore, of Baltimore county.

Postmaster—A. J. Longsdorf, of Washington county.