

The Democratic Conservative party, by its patient faith, its devoted courage, its heroic acts, its unswerving fidelity to sound principles, has achieved within the past year unparalleled success.

The issues which were presented to us, were well calculated to nerve the heart and energy of every honest and fair minded man. They were, whether this great country was to be ruled by the white race, or be placed under the controlling influence of the uneducated descendants of Africans. This was and is yet the issue.

I beg again, gentlemen, to tender to you, one and all, my deepest gratitude for this renewal of your confidence, and promise that the State shall have the benefit of my humble ability and efforts in every possible way that can be suggested in order to promote and develop her interest.

I accept the office again, with its honors and responsibilities, and shall endeavor in the future, as in the past, to merit and deserve the confidence of the people of my State.

Again thanking you, I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully yours,

R. FOWLER,

Treasurer.

Mr. Clarke, from the Joint Committee on Printing, made the following recommendation: That there be printed for the use of the Senate and House of Delegates the following:

*Treasurer's Report*—1,000 copies divided with the members of the General Assembly, which will allow to each member 9 copies; cost of each copy 8 cents.

*Penitentiary Report*—1,000 copies divided with the members of the General Assembly, which will allow to each member 9 copies; cost of each copy 10 $\frac{2}{3}$  cents.

*Superintendent of Agriculture and Labor Report*—5,000 copies divided with the members of the General Assembly, allowing to each, 45 copies; cost per copy 3 cents.

*School Report*—8,000 copies in English and 2,000 copies in German, to be divided as follows:  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the 10,000, or 3,333, for use of the Senate;  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the 10,000, or 6,667, for use of the House of Delegates, which will allow to each Senator 133 copies, and to each member of the House of Delegates 77 copies; cost of copy of said report 46 $\frac{2}{3}$  cents.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAS. C. CLARKE,

Chairman Senate Committee.

Annapolis, January 29, 1868.