A TREMENDOUS REPUBLICAN MEETING

Enthusiastic Reception to Governor Lowndes and His Associates.

LARGEST POLITICAL MEETING IN EASTON.

BRILLIANT, CONVINCING SPEECHES.

Governor Lowndes Refutes "Pue" Gorman's Charges Mr. Clabaugh's Ringing Eloquence.

SENATOR PARRAN BRINGS DOWN THE HOUSE

ANOTHER BIG MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT.—W. W. McINTIRE MR. YOUNG, AND COL. MULLIKIN SPEAK.

If enthusiastic crowds and general manifestations of party zeal portend anything, there will be but little hope of electing any ticket but the Republican in Talbot county next month.

The distinguished speakers billed to address our citizens on Tuesday arrived at the D. & C. station and were met by the Republican reception committee in carriages provided for the occasion. They were taken to the residence of Mr. B F. Parlett and there entertained at dinner in a manner most royal and of such rare merit that had the President and his Cabinet been entertained there, it could have been said that nothing was left undone to enhance the effect or show to the distinguished guests that they were worthy the fat of the land served in the most enticing style.

For this handsome reception the ladies of Mr. Parlett's household are due the credit and thanks. Those who were in the company were: Hon. Lloyd Lowndes, Hon. Harry M. Clabaugh, Senator Thos. Parran, of Calvert, and W. W. McIntire, Prof. H. L. Edmonds and Mr. Aldridge Young of Baltimore, and Robert B. Dixon, A. L. Tharp, Jos. H. White, Col. J. C. Mullikin, Dr. T. A. Barber, M. M. Higgins, Wilson M. Tylor, Clayland Mullikin, Preston B. Spring, Capt. Hedge Thompson, Dr. Wm. Canik, Dr. F. C. Fenhagen and Chas. Winder, of Talbot.

After dining the speakers were escorted to Music Hall where a band of music had already gathered the crowds together until there was naught left but standing room. Reserved chairs were provided for ladies, there being a larger number present than usually attend a political meeting in Talbot.

Chairman Barber opened the meeting, and nominated Robert B. Dixon for President, which was ratified with applause. The Vice Presidents who were elected and invited up on the rostrum were M. M. Higgins, B. F. Parlett, Dr. Lewis Bulfett, James M. Cowgill, W. M. Tylor, J. A. M. Denny, Clifton Hope, Edward Jones, Jas. H. Sutton, Wm. S. Grace, Edward A. Powell, R. E. Welsh, George W. Frampton, Charles F. Stewart, Nathan Chapman, John L. Fisher, Dr. C. M. Stelle, John Jump, John M. Willson, J. B. Ross, Jacob W. Porter, Albert W. Fairbanks, John A. Fairbanks, Chas. G. Davis and Jno. F. Harrison, Esq. Camp and Sam'l. E. Shannahan, Jr., were named as secretaries. Prof. Edmonds sang some campaign songs which were heartily applauded.

Mr. Lowndes Speech.

The Hon. Lloyd Lowndes was first introduced to the audience and continuous applause and in his calm deliberate and methodical manner politely discussed the issues of the campaign. He said in part that Mr. Hurst was the nominee of men who had controlled the politics destiny of the State of Maryland for the past twenty years, and not the nominee who stood boldly as the representative of the democratic party or its principles. These bosses and [illegible] leaders of the democracy, [illegible] announcing no interests but their own, [illegible] making the fight on any ground but that of true democracy, were misleading the people and not facing the issues of state affairs. The speaker quoted from Mr. Gorman's recent speeches in this county, and took up item by item and answered the charges there made. On the subject of reassessments Mr. Lowndes took the occasion to refute all slanderous charges made of him and openly declared that he not only favored reassessment but always had, that his vote in the Senate on the particular time mentioned, and the only time, was upon business of a very different character and that all his actions of a political significance were on record and that by his record he was ready to stand or fall. He showed the insincerity of the Democrats in giving to the people of Maryland a reassessment, they promised it in 1880, 1890 recorded Gov. Jackson's veto. They again promised it '91, it passed both branches of the legislature in '92 and Gov. Brown vetoed it, so again in '93 it came before the people and in '94 Mr. Hurst headed a procession that ultimately thwarted its passage. Three times promised, three times broken.

The citizens of Maryland have but one all absorbing issue before them now and that is purity of the ballot. To give each man a right to vote, and have it counted as cast. The purity of the ballot is the country's safeguard—without it our free institutions are a mockery.

On the subject of mixed schools and colored supremacy the speaker was clear and forcible. He did not promise the colored people one thing, other than that he would turn many out of the offices they now hold them. That his opponents would have them believe he would elevate the colored people to office and thus create a race prejudice thereby defeating the republican ticket. It was hardly likely that 14000 colored voters of Baltimore would have a greater influence than 100,000 white voters. This was not a campaign of races or of prejudice but simply one of freedom from bossism and tyranny. He favored free books and schools sufficient for the need of the people of the great common wealth irrespective of condition or race. Mr. Lowndes speech was clear cut and to the point, he carefully omitted side issues and squarely dealt with the all absorbing necessity of purity of ballot and honest legislation.

Mr. Clabaugh's Speech.

Hon. Harry M. Clabaugh, next introduced, made one of his powerful and magnetic speeches. He never appeared to greater advantage, and doubtless never made a better speech. The enthusiasm of the audience and the interest he felt no doubt whetted his oratorical ability. He dealt with the problem as a lawyer would with a jury. The people sat as jurors in the box and the parties arrained before them were to plead guilty or not guilty of the charges whereof they stood accused. He then cited various accusations of public record, against the administrative democracy in the State of Maryland and he warmly praised the noble independence of the Cleveland wing of the party [illegible] coming out on the side of people a[illegible] rings, versus bossism and dishon[illegible] audience had in it many prominent democrats and not one left during Mr. Clabaugh's magnificent appeal for honest registration and a fair count. He said that the corruption in Baltimore was greater than one could imagine who was unacquainted with the facts. At one house with a single bed, and but poor accommodations for a family, and a small one at that, there were registered from that house two years ago 66 names of voters, and that this year they had added 16 more to the list. One house which was locked up and the family away had three registered as living there unknown to the owner of the house, a colored orphan asylum for girls only was the home address of three white registered names. And so it went on, the city was full of false registration, but that on the fifth of November those and all other places would be watched by citizens, who, independent of party, and fearless as independent proposed to fight for the purity of the ballot.

Mr. Clabaugh made a strong appeal to the colored citizens and instructed them without flattery. He told them if they were democrats and honestly supported the principles of the party, to go to the polls like men and vote their sentiments and if the republicans would help them to secure their legal rights. but if they sold out for a price, they were no better than sheep driven before a herder and were not worthy the rights of citizenship.

After the speech closed, little May Thompson, who had been seen in the audience with her mother, was especially requested to come forward and sing, to which her mother consented though the little child was not dressed for the stage nor had she expected to appear. After the applause of the audience was silenced, the little singer sang with earnestness and feeling, "You shant play in my yard" and with finger pointed to the speakers and a shake of the head which carried more weight than the mere words, said, "I don't like you any more, you'll be sorry when you see me sliding down our cellar door," which almost made them wince under her sharp eyes and flaxen curls. At the close of the song, and when the applause was over she turned to Hon. Lloyd Lowndes and said dramatically, and we may hope prophetically, "Lloyd Lowndes, next Governor of Maryland!" Amid the cheers that followed, Mr. Lowndes stepped forward and kissed the little Miss.

Senator Parran's Speech.

Senator Parran from Calvert county told his story most humorously. It is no exaggeration to say that with all the pathos and sincerity in the real strength of his speech, there was interspersed more humor and side splitting anecdotes than an Easton audience was ever before treated to in a political canvass. Senator Parran is a genius, for he recognized that the audience had then been held more than two solid hours and he determined to hold them another one and get in his heavy blows under cover of humor. His efforts surprised all who were familiar with his campaign oratory and Mr. Clabaugh said Parran did not intend to make such a speech but coming at the time it did, it was the only kind to hold a crowded house. No one left their seats during the speaker's fusillade which was the highest compliment he could receive. He took occassion to say that Mr. Lowndes was down at Annapolis in the interest of the laborer's who worked on the Cumberland canal, to get a bill passed giving them better pay, and not in the interest of fighting reassessment, as he went on to prove and testify to the satisfaction of the audience.

[illegible] Young of Baltimore, spoke briefly and to the largest political meeting as well as the most enthusiastic seen in Easton within ten years [illegible].

After the afternoon meeting Col. Mullikin pleasantly entertained the distinguished party and a few leading democratic gentlemen citizens at a most delightful lunch. The hospitable board abounded with the delicacies of the time and to which full justice was done.

The candidates and several Eastonians then drove to St. Michaels. The Governor and his party said that nowhere had they been so politely entertained as in Talbot county.

Evening Session.

In the evening another large audience greeted the speakers. Mr. B. F. Parlett was made Chairman and he introduced Mr. Aldridge Young of the Baltimore democrat of the Pinkney White Stamp. Mr. Young delivered himself handsomely for more than an hour in which he showed the absolute devorcement of State from National politics as set forth and maintained by the democracy of the country, and the weakness of the party in trying to drag them together in this Maryland campaign. It was a straw at which the drowning man clings and it and other straws were so thickly strewn that the careless voter might be deceived and think they were foundation rocks on which stood the mighty structure of democracy. Mr. Young reviewed the position of the democrats in National and State issues for years past, and showed the hand Mr. Gorman had in shaping things in Maryland into the Gorman party rather than holding the lines together under the banner of Democracy. He denounced Mr. Gorman in the most vehement manner saying he was the issue of this campaign. That there should be manliness in politics, character in politics and principle in politics, none of which Mr. Gorman possesses, as he would prove. The speaker then cited circumstances wherein the Senior Senator fell far short of those essentials, and dramatically pointed out the contrast with the exclamation, "When my party falls, when my standard bearer does not live up to his sworn declarations, when he can take five different recorded positions on the silver question alone, when he cannot be depended upon for the least trivial or menial party service when absolute honor is an important factor, then I say, to the wind with such a man." Mr. Young's speech did not call forth continued and prolonged applause as compared with some others that were made. He was logical and careful about his facts and talked directly to the Gormanites of the audience, of whom there were many, trying to disabuse their minds of the delusion that they were true democrats or that there was now a democratic party in Maryland.

One of the most enjoyable speeches of the day was from the lips of the next speaker, Mr. W. W. McIntire, ex-Councilman of the [illegible]ity of Baltimore. He was not abusive nor [illegible]were the other speakers, yet he told some [illegible]d facts in a polite manner, even if he had to do as Ex-Governor Carroll did, call a spade a spade and not use some other name less significant. Poor Mr. Gorman and his party again furnished the theme. Mr. Rasin, Gorman's chief, in Baltimore also received some attention. He showed the absolute bondage the office holders were under to this self constituted but uncrowned king who demanded large slices of their salaries for "expenses." From the highest to the lowest, even the garbage cart drivers of the city could receive no appointments until they were willing to be shorn. One bright young man, of a certain ward in Baltimore, had an ambition to represent his party in the State legislature. Honesty, intelligence, wealth and social position were his. An ornament he was to the party and an ornament he would have been to the legislature. He was promised the nomination, his ward promised their solid support, he was waited upon by Mr. Rasin and told just how much it would cost him, he proferred the amount. His money was gone and they had the use of it, but the integrity of the man was not the kind the bosses wanted. At the convention he was sold out and lost his nomination by several hundred votes. Now that young man is going to support the Republican ticket and what is more he will carry a whole democratic ward with him. [Applause]

The democratic party is dead in Maryland so long as Mr. Gorman and his henchmen are at the head of affairs. The people are awakening to the necessity of exterminating this political incubus. There are hundreds and thousands every year who fall in line to pull him down, and dethrone the king they will.

The speaker paused several times as if he had better close his remarks, but cries from the audience to go on gave him additional impetus. Turning to the colored people he gave them some advice on the situation as respected them in particular which was highly appreciated. He told them that the Gormanites were on a plane of social equality with them about this time of the year, that they were colonized and treated and hob-bobed with, but that the strongest nightmare the democrats trotted out on the public platform was that same social problem. The colored people did not want mixed schools, the white people nor the republican party did not want them to have mixed schools in this state. That could not be. But if the republican party was elected it promised them free schools, free books, and colored teachers in the Baltimore Normal School, which the democrats had denied them. The democrats are the ones who have mixed the schools by placing white teachers over colored children. Talk about the State not affording to give to its citizens who are too poor to buy the necessary books for a common school education, those books free. Why it is amply able to keep a police force sitting on the boats fishing and crabbing during the summer months doing no good whatever. If they had sold their franchise to the Gormanites who had no interest but a selfish one then they, the colored people, would be worse off than they were in the days of slavery, then they had no privilege of citizenship, but now once having it they threw it away. Make the ballot pure and all good things will follow in its train, and a man would be known according to his intrinsic worth, regardless of race or nationality. All God's creatures were alike to him, if a man is self respecting he will command respect, but if he ignored the very principles upon which rested the great republican form of government, then he was not entitled to citizenship. As to the colored man being too low to associate with, the speaker told them emphatically that no man was too low or too high for them to associate with. [Prolonged applause.]

After the eloquent and masterly speech of Mr. McIntire had closed and the band played a lively tune, Col. J. C. Mullikin, our gifted townsman, gave a few minutes' talk in which he desired to refute the charges made by Senator Gorman from that platform a few days previous. Mr. Gorman said in so many words that the people of Talbot country were fools and he, the Colonel, whose ancestry for seven generations were citizens of this beautiful county which he so much loved, and whose people are so much respected, desired to repute the slanderous imputations from even so high an authority as that of Senator Gorman.

In the first place Gorman told you how the republican party had conducted public affairs in Maryland when he knew though he thought you were fools and did not know that the republican party had ever been in power in this state. He told you what rascals the republicans were and how they could not be trusted with the rein of government. Let us see what kind of people they are