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Governor Lowndes in Easton.

Enthusiastic Meeting at Music Hall.---The State Candidates Speak.

BY THE crowds of people that thronged the streets on Thursday one might have supposed a circus had come to town, for from every corner of the county were to be seen men, women and children. The occasion that attracted these people was the announcement generally made that a grand Republican mass meeting would be held in Music Hall, at which the Governor of the State and all the other distinguished gentlemen on the Republican State ticket would address the meeting.

Such was the fact.

No disappointments were made, no apologies necessary.

As the people were gathering at the Hall, the band entertained them with its best selections, and promptly ar the hour named the committee escorted Governor Lowndes, Hon. J. V. L. Findlay, Comptroller Goldsborough and other distinguished speakers from Baltimore to the platform.

The stage had been handsomely decorated with flags and a picture of the Governor suspended from the center arch. A center table with flowers thereon, and chairs for the speakers and guests, constituted the furniture. Hon. I. A. Barber, chairman of the State central committee, called the meeting to order.

Dr. Lewis Buffett was chairman of the meeting, and before making the opening remarks read the names of the following vice-presidents from the various districts:

EASTON—Dr. J.E.M.Chamberlaine, M.M. Wright, T. E. Leaverton, Gervis Hall, B. H. Brenneman.

ST. MICHAELS—Clifton Hope, J. G. Jones, J. E. Watkins, John W. Dean, Edward Woodall, G. K. Benson, Wm. S. Grace, Charles A. Smithman, B. H. Blades, Capt. David Shockley.

TRAPPE—G. W. Tarbutton, G. A. Mullikin, T. T. Smith, C. T. Helsby, G. L. Jenkins, C. F. Stewart, W. E. Mitchell, G. K. Bell.

CHAPEL—N. C. Fitzjarrell, Joseph W. Hopkins, Lincoln Arnold, John M. Willson, E. R. Perry, S. E. Jump, Jacob Andrews.

BAY HUNDRED—Jacob W. Porter, C. C. Shorb, John A. Fairbank, C. A. Cummings.

Secretaries—Percival Mullikin, S. Elliott Shannahan.

Dr. Buffett made a brief speech of introduction, in which he paid a choice tribute to the large, intelligent and representative audience present, and also spoke most eulogistically of Governor Lowndes who was to follow him. Rounds of applause greeted the ears of the Governor at the mention of his name, which enthusiasm paved the way for his great ease of manner and freedom of speech. The Governor was at his best, and although he does not make any pretentions to oratory his words were listened to with keen attention, and not one person left the room during his speech.

He said in part that the pledges of the Republican party had been redeemed in the four years of rule the people of Maryland had given them. He cited the various reforms and brought the record of the democratic party in contrast at each step greatly to the disparagement of said party. He dwelt some time upon the manner in which the Republicans had taken charge of the various public institutions of the State and freed them from scandal and political demagogy. The democrats, seeing that there was a possibility of the Republicans gaing strength in the judicial field, considered it wise in 1892 to take the appointing power from the judges, so far as the making of School Boards were concerned, and place the same in the power of the Governor. This was done in the strictest desire to keep the public school system securely in the control of Democratic politicians.

Notwithstanding the fact they thought it impossible for Maryland to ever have a Republican Governor whose duty it shall be to weild that power, they find that the Chief Executive has ever kept the schools from the narrow confines of party, and for the only time in the history of the State, are the schools divorced from the political machine.

When Gov. Lowndes went into office he found in the State about eighty Democratic School Commissioners with two or a possible three Republicans, and twenty-three Democratic School Examiners. To-day there are Fifty-four Republican and twenty-seven Democratic School Commissioners, and fifteen Republican Examiners and eight Democratic Examiners.

The Governor referred to the adverse critisism that had been made in regard to a letter that had been issued from him to the public school teachers of the State. He said that such a letter was sent out, but if setting himself on record before the teachers as favoring increased salary for them meant that he was bringing the schools into the political machine he failed to appreciate the force of the argument.

The Governor cited what the Democrats had done in Alleghany county in their desire to keep the people in ignorance of Republican teaching and Republican reforms. When Governor Theo. Roosevelt of New York was in that county telling the people hard facts from the Republican rostrum the Democrats were advised by a circular letter not to attend the meetings and those letters were circulated among the miners and laborers of the county. The Democrats, he said, did not want the people to learn too much about the good things the Republicans had inaugurated, for they were aware that when the great mass of voters once understood the true situation that there would be no hope of Democratic success.

Mr. Findlay's Speech.

Mr. Findlay said that time moved with a rapid wing and it was hard to realize that three years had elapsed since he addressed an audience from the same platform; that with years, however, should come wisdom, and he was sure the people were wiser and better to-day than they were then.

He drew two pictures of the situations both in 1895 and 1899 and dwelt especially upon the undisputed records of the former contrasted with those of the latter, especially in regard to the voting methods practiced in Baltimore.

Rounds of applause greeted Mr. Findlay at frequent intervals, and then he laconically contrasted the two great parties by saying, with the Democrats it was forever "Be it Resolved," but with the Republicans, it was today "Be it Resolved" and tomorrow when the Legislature met, "Be it Enacted." He saw nothing the Democrats wanted to get back for except the desire for office. They had no creditable record to point to, had fulfilled no promises given, and had continually hoodwinked the people. The Republicans had done all they promised and more too, and were there to make other promises —which would be carried into effect. Among them was the passage of a Corrupt-Practices-Act which would stamp out bribery. The constitution of the State made bribery a greater felony than arson, for a man once convicted of that offence could have his citizenship restored, but once convicted of bribery he could never have his polical freedom again.

The "nigger" question was about all the Democrats had in stock this time, and he referred to some of Mr. Smith's ardent supporters advertising as the white man's candidate for Governor. But, said Mr. Findlay, the Stars and Stripes float for all American citizens and when Governor Lowndes is reelected, he will be as he has been the Governor of the people.

Mr. Findlay gave a bit of history which was new to most listeners, especially to the colored people, and that was that Lincoln did not free the negro in Maryland—but only those south of the Potomac, as Maryland was a loyal state. But the white voters of the State freed them, and it was their duty to vote intelligently, squarely and acquaint themselves with what was being done.

A little child that had been giving its mother some annoyance was carried from the hall, and Mr. Findlay paused in his speech and remarked "Don't take the baby out—if its a boy he'll be a Republican, and if its a girl she'll marry one." The innovation was so unexpected and amusing that it brought down the house.

Mr. Findlay is a magnetic speaker and dealt in clear cut sentences, frequent flights of oratory, and hard, convincing facts.

Hon. Phillips Lee Goldsborough.

When Mr. Goldsborough was introduced he was greeted with a tumult of enthusiasm. He opened with a glowing tribute to the National and State Republican Administrations and then soon settled to the subject of finances, which his audience was itching to hear about, for they knew that Mr. Goldsborough would uncover facts. His speech dealt much in comparison of figures, and among other things showed where the Democrats were responsible for the State tax not now being 16 cents instead of 17¾, as they voted solidly against the measure at a time when it required a two-thirds vote to grant more than one reading of a bill in one day. The bill could not be prepared until the close of the session, and while the Republicans were eager to railroad the bill through, the Democrats would not help them because of the glory the Republicans would have received.

The Republicans collected $413,000 due the State from Democratic office-holders which had been due many years, and which the Democrats were powerless to collect because of their fear of the ring.

Mr. Goldsborough's speech was terse, brilliant and powerful, and far from wearisome, although he dealt much in figures. He had the happy faculty of placing his point understandingly, and invited questions as well as an inspection of the State books by every citizen, as they were always open to inspection.

Mr. Greenbaum's Oratory.

Mr. Leon Greenbaum of Baltimore made a brief but eloquent speech which was filled with anecdote and good Republican logic. This speech was appreciated by every individual present for no one seemed restless—while applause followed applause.

Mr. Francis M. Goodwin of Baltimore, next was introduced and capped the climax by a brilliant sway of oratory with no less a sway of good sense and potent reasons why the Republican platform, Republican practices and Republican promises should not be the entrenchment of public safety for the next four years as it had been in the past.

BUT ITS NOT HIS RECORD.

SMITH:—"I STAND ON MY RECORD."

When you want the finest meats of all kinds go to Samuel Norris', on Market Space.

A WISE PHILANTHROPY.

Generous Bequest of the Late George R. Goldsborough.

MRS. GEORGE R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
Easton, Md.

MADAM:—

I am directed by the County Commissioners of Talbot County to say that they have been informed through the Superintendent of the Maryland General Hospital that your husband, the late George R. Goldsborough, by his will, endowed a free bed in said Hospital for its poor, white, of Talbot county, and said County Commissioners, speaking for themselves and the people of Talbot county desire to express to you, the widow, their thanks for, and the appreciation of the philanthropic spirit and generous nature which prompted your late husband in making such provision for the relief of the afflicted poor of our county; at the same time to assure you of the great respect the poor of our county had for your late husband. I am respectfully,

Yours,
CHAS. F. STEWART, Clerk.

MR. CHARLES F. STEWART:—

DEAR SIR:—

In acknowledging the receipt of your note, written on the part of the County Commissioners of Talbot County, I must ask you to convey to them my sense of the handsome and gratifying expressions, contained in their acceptance of the gift to their county. With Regard,

MRS. G. R. GOLDSBOROUGH.

Ashby, Oct. 19, 1899.

County Commissioners.

The Board met on Tuesday, all present.

Proceedings of last meeting read and approved.

Leonard Swartz was given permission to use the Court Room for public speaking Thursday and Friday evenings.

Percival Mullikin paid $500 on account of taxes for 1897 and $300 for 1898.

Accounts amounting to $503.88 were paid.

The Appetite of a Goat

is envied by all poor dyspeptics whose Stomach and Liver are out of order. All such should know that Dr. King's New Life Pills, the wonderful Stomach and Liver Remedy, gives a splendid appetite, sound digestion and a regular bodily habit that insures perfect health and great energy. Only 25c. at Dr. Councell's drug store.

Mr. Samis, an employee of the Easton Furniture Manufacturing Company, who was severely injured at the factory about two weeks ago, died on Thursday. A widow and seven children survive him.

Repairing.

We consider our repair department complete. All branches have our best attention.

STURMER,
The Watchmaker.

WHAT CAUSED THE HARD TIMES?

JUDGE HUBBARD of Iowa
says it is the existence of private corporations.

GEORGE GOULD
says it is the hostilities to corporations.

THE FARMER
says it is low prices in wheat.

THE SILVER MAN
says it is the action of Wall street.

WALL STREET
says it is the action of silver men.

THE MANUFACTURER
says it is the fear of free trade.

THE CONSUMER
says it is the tariff.

THE DEBTOR
says it is the creditor.

THE CREDITOR
says it is the debtor.

THE DEMOCRATS
say it is the Republicans.

THE REPUBLICANS
say it is the Democrats.

THE POPULISTS
say it is both.

THE PROHIBITIONISTS
say it is whiskey.

THE PREACHERS
say it is the devil.

NOW, WHAT IS YOUR IDEA?

But you needn't worry about hard times when you come to purchase Clothing, Hats, Boots and Shoes, and Gents' Furnishings generally, for we have all such goods at Hard Times Prices.

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