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WHIG NOMINATIONS.

FOR CONGRESS,

JOHN G. CHAPMAN,

OF CHARLES COUNTY.

FOR THE ASSEMBLY,

George C. Patterson,
James N. Allnutt,
Nathan Holland,
Samuel D. Waters.

WHIG COUNTY CONVENTION.

Pursuant to public notice, this body assembled at Rockville, on Saturday the 16th instant, and was organized by the appointment of ROGER B. THOMAS, of Cracklin district, Chairman, and GEO. R. BRADDOCK, of Rockville, Seretary.

The roll of Delegates from the several districts being called, the following gentlemen were found to be in attendance:

From the First District—Major E. Gaither, Ulyssus Griffith, Chas. H. C. Orme, Wm. H. McCauley, Wm. Etchison, Edward House, Nathan C. Dickerson, Wm. Thompson, of C., Wm. Brown, of James, Jas. B. Gaither, Nicholas Ray, Benjamin Bean, Roger B. Thomas, B. F. Gartrell, Elbert Shaw, John House.

Second District—Ignatius Smith, Jno. A. King, Elijah Thompson, Darius Burns, James G. House, Obed Hurley, William Gamble, and Middleton King.

Third District—Thomas S. Nicholls, Wm. R. Beall, Franklin Waters, Elemma Beall, Wm. I. Johnson, Joseph Taney, James L. Trail, Zach. H. Williams, Wm. B. Howard, (sub. for Wm. McAtee,) John Mossburg, (sub. for Robert Lyles,) David Trundle, Americus Dawson, (sub. for Jos. C. Hawkins,) Robert Graff, Geo. W. Dawson, (sub. for Thos. Dawson,) Richard W. Williams, (sub. for Wm. Cissell.)

Fourth District—Hy. Harding, Jas. A. Allen, Geo. R. Braddock, Lawson Trundle, Robertt W. Willett, John H. Higgins, Marchand Ricketts, Douglass Clopper, Greenberry M. Watkins, Jos. T. Bailey, Wm. M. Steuart, Jas. Clements, Zadok Case, Nicholas Burriss, and Geo. M. Graff.

Fifth District.—Benj. Bonifant, Jas. A. Lee, Thos. Fawcett, Erasmus Perry, John T. Baker, Benj. Marlow, John H. Perry, Edward Dawes, John Poole, Zedediah Gittings, Geo. Knowles, James P. Soper, Jas. H. Nicholls, W. W. Owen, (sub. for Edward Porter,) and Hamilton Cashell, (for Hazel B. Cashell.)

On motion of Maj. *E. Gaither*,

Resolved, That the Convention proceed to nominate four suitable persons as candidates to represent Montgomery county in the next General Assembly of Maryland.

Elijah Thompson, Esq. nominated G. C. PATTERSON, Esq., of Clarksburg district; which nomination was unanimously carried.

David Trundle, Esq. nominated JAS. N. ALLNUTT, Esq., of Medleys: unanimously accepted.

Henry Harding, Esq., as chairman of the Rockville delegation, presented the names of WM. M. STEUART, GREENBERRY M. WATKINS, and NATHAN HOLLAND, Esqrs. to the consideration of the Convention.

At the request of Mr. WATKINS his name was withdrawn.

On motion of *Hy. Harding*, Esq. it was

Resolved, That the Convention proceed to ballot.

Maj. *E. Gaither* moved that Tellers be appointed by the Chair.

Whereupon the Chair selected *John Poole* and *Elbert Shaw*, Esqrs. of Berry's district; who received the ballots, which were counted—when it was found that NATHAN HOLLAND, Esq. had received a majority, and was accordingly nominated.

Edward Dawes, Esq. nominated SAMUEL D. WATERS, Esq. of Berry's district: unanimously carried.

It was then announced from the Chair that—

GEORGE C. PATTERSON,
JAMES N. ALLNUTT,
NATHAN HOLLAND, and
SAMUEL D. WATERS, were duly nominated by the Convention.

On motion of Maj. *E. Gaither*, it was

Resolved, That the proceedings of the Convention be signed by the Chairman and Secretary, and published in the Maryland Journal.

The Convention then adjourned.

ROGER B. THOMAS, Chr'n.
GEO. R. BRADDOCK, Sec'y.

REPUDIATION IN CALVERT COUNTY. We understand that an avowed repudiation ticket has been nominated in Calvert county for the house of delegates, consisting of two democrats and one whig. We have not been able to ascertain their names. We know the people of Calvert, and feel confident that this ticket will be repudiated almost unanimously.—*Clipper.*

Mr. CLAY attended the election at Lexington, voted for his friend Garrett Davis, laughed and joked with Whigs and Democrats, and went back to his own home at Ashland, we dare say, a much happier man than if he had been President of the U. States.—*Nat. Int.*

IMPORTANT FROM MEXICO.

The New Orleans papers of the 8th instant are before us. They contain the Official documents which are published below. These documents were brought by the Relampago, whose arrival has been heretofore announced, and were, doubtless, kept back for two days. The New Orleans Courier of the 7th, evening, it will be seen, considers them as tantamount to a declaration of war by Mexico, but this view is not taken nor expressed by any of the New Orleans journals of the morning of the 8th.—*Amer.*

From the N. O. Courier, Aug. 7, evening.

MEXICO.—The Jeffersonian of this morning contains several Mexican documents of some importance, among which is a circular from Garcia Conde, minister of war and marine, announcing that the Mexican Government had resolved upon a declaration of war against the U. States, and that the said declaration of war "will be communicated to the Mexican Congress to morrow, (July 17.)—This is an official annunciation—war now exists between the two nations—at least a prudent government, after the publication of the circular of the Mexican secretary, would act as if it looked upon war as inevitable, and take measures in conformity to that decision.

There are three Mexican vessels now in the waters of this port—one of which, the Rafael, cleared yesterday for Vera Cruz, and will depart this evening. We respectfully and humbly submit the question to the U. S. Judge, the U. S. Attorney, and the Collector, if it is not their duty to seize those vessels as enemy's property; at least detain them till it be ascertained whether the Mexican Congress have adopted and sanctioned the measure recommended by the Executive, of a declaration of war against this country.

It is singular that these Mexican documents were so long kept from the publi eye. The Relampago was reported to be at the mouth of the river on Sunday last, and here is Thursday morning before this important intelligence, brought by her, finds a place in a newspaper of the city. The Jeffersonian says—"it was not until a late hour that we received the letter, an extract from which follows, containing the official communications. The letter is from a friend and correspondent at Vera Cruz, &c. &c.

The Jeffersonian says also—"We have reason to believe that the despatches to the Department of State at Washington, brought by the Relampago, communicated the fact of war having been declared by the Mexican Government."

VERA CRUZ, July 21, 1845.

Dear Sir:—I have only one moment's time to hand you the enclosed, to which I refer you. We are momentarily expecting to receive the declaration of war against the United States, from Mexico. Every one is making preparations to leave this place and move into the interior. The Water Witch will sail for your port on the 28th or 29th inst. Yours.

OFFICE OF WAR AND MARINE.

SECTION OF OPERATIONS.

CIRCULAR.—The United States have consummated the perfidy against Mexico by sanctioning the decree which declares the annexation of the department of Texas to that Republic. The injustice of that usurpation is apparent, and Mexico cannot tolerate such a grave injury without making an effort to prove to the United States the possibility or her ability to cause her rights to be respected. With this object the Supreme Government has resolved upon a declaration of war against that power, seeing that our forbearance, instead of being received as a proof of our friendly disposition, has been interpreted into an acknowledged impossibility on our part to carry on a successful war.

Such an error on the part of the United States will be advantageous to Mexico, because, suddenly abandoning its pacific attitude, it will to-morrow communicate to Congress the declaration of war, and excite the patriotism of its citizens to sustain the dignity of the nation and the integrity of its territory, now treacherously attacked, in utter disregard of all guaranties recognised in this enlightened age.

You will readily appreciate the importance of this subject, and the necessity of preparing the troops under your command, to march towards any point which may require protection against these most unjust aggressions. I am directed by the provincial President to enjoin upon you, as general-in-chief of your division, and as a citizen of this Republic, to hold yourself in readiness to repel those who seek the ruin of Mexico. The government is occupied in covering the different points of the frontiers, and in collecting the necessary means, so that nothing may be wanting to those whose glory it will be to defend the sacred rights of their country.

I have the honor to communicate for your intelligence, and to direct your conduct.

God and Liberty.—Mexico, July 16.

GARCIA CONDE.

Green, the reformed gambler, re-affirms the truth of all the particulars of the original statement he made some months since in regard to the confession of Wyatt.

THE U. S. TROOPS IN TEXAS.—The Washington Union in contradicting certain statements with regard to the movements and intentions of the troops that have been sent to Texas, says:

"Our troops are not to be withdrawn from Texas. On the contrary, we expect to hear, by the next arrival, that General Taylor has advanced to Corpus Christi with his infantry, and perhaps penetrated the country further from the gulf coast; and that Col. Twiggs, with his dragoons, has advanced through Austin, further west, to the vicinity perhaps of the Alamo.

"Instead of withdrawing our troops from the territory they may occupy, we should not be surprised to see more extensive precautionary arrangements made for calling upon the Texans themselves, if necessary, to co-operate with our regular troops in the defence of their territory.

"As far as we are advised, our government are taking the necessary means to guard against the dangers which are reported to threaten the Texan frontier. The star spangled banner is flying over that territory; and it will not abandon it. But our troops will not, unless there be the strongest reasons for the act, attack a Mexican fort, or drive off its garrison. They will stand upon the defensive as long as they honestly and properly can do so, and not provoke any hostilities even with the Mexicans.—This, we presume, is the position they will take—these the instructions which we suspect have been issued."

GOVERNOR PRATT.—We are pleased to notice the general satisfaction which prevails throughout the State with the present administration. We have always believed that the election of Gov. Pratt would have this effect. The finances of the State are now in a much better condition than for years before, and, from the evidences before us, we believe that through the instrumentality of our most excellent and worthy Governor, Maryland will, ere the present Governor's term expires, be placed on as firm a foundation as any State in the Union.—We are convinced of this from the fact that in the short space of seven months, Gov. Pratt has done more to raise the credit of our State than was done in *six years* before. His course has been honest, manly and fearless, and he will not, we are sure, swerve in the discharge of his duty to the State. Unlike his predecessors, he remains at the seat of government, ever ready to perform the duties incumbent upon the Chief Magistrate of the State, thereby enabling strangers to transact business with him in a short space of time, and at considerable less expense than heretofore, which has always been a just cause of complaint. His administration will be a guide to those who may hereafter be called upon to fill the same high and responsible station.—*Annap. Repub.*

THE LIBERTY PARTY AND THE LATE ELECTION.—Facts like the following form an important part of the history of the times. We copy this statement from the Albany American Citizen:

"REMOVAL OF THE NEW SCOTLAND POSTMASTER.—Mr. Raynsford has been Postmaster of the town of New Scotland for nearly twenty-one years, maintaining his post through the stormy and proscriptive administrations of Jackson, Van Buren, and Tyler. During all this period, and amidst the mutations of party, Mr. Raynsford remained ever and openly a true, bold, and uncompromising Whig. An effort was made during Tyler's administration to remove him, but the only alternative was the appointment of a radical political Abolitionist, and this Mr. Wickliffe could not 'go.'

"*Uriah Wood*, an ultra abolitionist of the Birney school, is appointed in Mr. Raynsford's place. He has been a steady voter of the Abolition ticket for years. So notorious was this fact among those who knew him best, that he could not procure the signature of a Locofoco within two miles and a half of the Post Office, east, west, north, or south, to his petition for the appointment. But yet he *was* appointed."

THE BEAUTIES OF LOCOFOCO POLICY. Texas is already considered a part of the Union so completely so that troops have been ordered into the territory to guard against Mexican invasion, and yet she is considered a *foreign* country in reference to the collection of revenue upon commodities brought from thence into the ports of the United States!

The "Democracy" is certainly not only "progressive," but constructive; it can suit itself to any sort of emergency; and can not only work without a Constitution, but twist an existing one into all shapes and forms to suit its purposes.

Texas is realizing the truth of the South Carolina construction, of being *in the Union and out of it at the same moment;* and yet we do not see the "strict constructionists"—the '98 men—make a single wry face at these extraordinary twists of the Constitution, or total disregard of all its provisions.—*Va. Free Press.*

The Philadelphia North American says "We rob Mexico of Texas, and Mexico robs our Ministers of coats, shirts and boats." It is hard to say which robber has obtained the most profitable booty.

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ROCKVILLE, MD.

WEDNESDAY, :: AUGUST 20, 1845.

OUR CANDIDATES.—From the proceedings of the county convention, published to-day, our readers will learn the names of the gentlemen who have been presented to the voters of Montgomery, as the whig candidates for the next Legislature of Maryland.

These gentlemen are all well known to the people of this county as good men and true; firm and consistent in principle and practice; devoted to the best interests of the State, and competent to promote those interests, if they should be placed in the position to which they are nominated. Two of them have been favored with the confidence of the people upon former occasions, and that confidence has suffered no abuse. Their course, in the late Legislature, was well calculated to elicit from their friends the additional evidence of confidence which has been afforded by their re-nomination to the same station. They proved themselves friends to the honor and good faith of the State, by supporting measures which experience has shown to be admirably adapted to the restoration of the State's credit.

Although the remaining two are before the people, for the first time, for seats in the General Assembly, the prominent part they have acted in the whig ranks, when private members of the party, is a guarantee of zealous devotion to measures of relief in the Legislature of Maryland. These gentlemen have been brought before the people by the earnest solicitations of their friends; and it was with reluctance, as we know, that one of them consented to enter the arena.

All things considered, we doubt whether a better ticket could have been selected. The candidates are all men of sterling integrity, unwavering firmness, and extensive popularity; and would discharge their duty, as Representatives, to the satisfaction of a majority of their constituents.

With such a ticket, the whigs of Montgomery have nothing to fear from their opponents. However determined locofoco opposition may be next fall, if we, as whigs, are found at our posts, displaying the spirit manifested already by our brethren in other parts of the State, defeat more signal than that with which they met last year in this county assuredly awaits them. All their devices and catchwords will be exposed, and avail them nothing. We call upon our fellow whigs, throughout the county, to rouse themselves, buckle on their armor, and meet the enemy at every point. Let union and harmony prevail in our ranks, and the boasts of locofocoism will be brought to nought, by the complete triumph of true and just principles.

FATAL AND DISTRESSING EVENT.—We record with painful regret (says the Intelligencer of yesterday) a most tragical occurrence that took place last evening, about six o'clock, on Pennsylvania avenue, near Fuller's hotel; when, on account of some misunderstanding between Rufus Elliott, (brother-in-law of John C. Rives,) Wm. Z. Kendall, (a son of Mr. Amos Kendall,) and Josiah R. Bailey, the party first named shot Mr. Kendall dead on the spot, and severely shattered the left arm of Mr. Baily, by two discharges from one of Colt's revolving pistols. [The cause which led to this melancholy affair is not stated. Elliott has given himself up.]

NOMINATION.—Thomas Perry, Esq., of Allegany county, has been nominated by the locofoco convention of the second congressional district as their candidate for congress.

CONGRESSIONAL—H. G. S. Key, Esq. of St. Mary's county, is announced as the locofoco candidate for congress for this district.

DECLENSION.—George Wells, Esq. of Annapolis, one of the whig nominees for the house of delegates, from Anne Arundel county has declined.

LEGAL APPOINTMENT.—John T. Dorsey has been appointed Deputy State's Attorney for Howard District, vice Thos. Boyle.

☞ REFORM.—We have heretofore unqualifiedly denounced the existing agitation of this subject, as a piece of trickery played off by locofocoism, to place itself in power in Maryland. Of this we were convinced at first, but we now have evidence furnished by the Annapolis Herald, one of the leading locofoco papers in the State, that such is the object of the Conventional reformers. The language of that paper is:—"*That there are no means under the sun by which a salutary and proper reform can be obtained, except through the instrumentality of the Democratic party; when a whig becomes a reformer, he ceases to be a whig in part, and must ultimately join our ranks if he adheres to the cause of reform.*"

If there were any Whigs liable to be misled by the plausible pretexts first put forth, this announcement from the seat of government must bring to their view the motive from which the present cry of reform has originated. Independent of this declaration, the object is apparent from the fact that these same locofoco gentlemen were silent upon this subject, when they had the offices at their disposal. During the administration of Governors Grason and Thomas, never a word did we hear from them in regard to the extravagance of the salaries of the Governor and other public officers. But, when for the first time under the amended Constitution, the Whigs succeeded in elevating one of their own party to the Gubernatorial chair, a system of reform is called for which would not only reduce his salary, but *reform* him out of office. The same motive has given birth to the cry for *the election of the Clerks and Registers by the people.* We heard nothing of reform of this kind while we were under the government of a locofoco executive, but so soon as these offices are secured to Whigs by the election of Col. Pratt, *reform* must be had to place those prizes into the hands of hungry locofoco partizans, who had originated this movement for the promotion of their own selfish designs.

We wish it to be distinctly understood that we are not opposed to a judicious reform of these features of the Constitution which require amendment—but whatever reform is necessary we wish to see it effected in a constitutional manner; namely, by the action of two successive sessions of the Legislature, which would be the cheapest and least turbulent mode that could be adopted.

STATE ELECTIONS.—In *Kentucky* the election for congressmen has resulted in the choice of seven whigs—J. H. McHenry, Henry Grider, James F. Bell, Bryan R. Young, George R. McKee, W. P. Thomasson, and Garrett Davis; and three locos—Lynn Boyd, R. French, and J. W. Tibbatts—a whig gain of two members; the delegation last year was equally divided. The legislature is whig.

North Carolina.—Three whigs and five locofoco congressmen have been chosen. The whigs are—T. L. Clingman, D. M. Baringer, and A. Dockery; and the locos—D. S. Reid, J. C. Dobbin, J. J. McCay, J. R. J. Daniel, and Asa Briggs. The eighth district not heard from. The delegation last year stood four whigs and five locos.

CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO CANAL TO CUMBERLAND.—The postscript to a letter received by a gentleman of this place, yesterday, dated Frederick, Md. Aug. 14th, says, "that Messrs. Corcoran & Riggs, of Washington, are to *finish the Canal to Cumberland.*" As the President and Board of Directors of the Canal Company were in session at Frederick, during the first part of this week, we presume they closed with the offer made by the responsible house of Corcoran & Riggs, who have probably engaged to negotiate or buy the bonds, sold to complete the great work in question, under the terms of the law passed at the last session of the Maryland legislature. The details and particulars of the contract have not yet reached us. We congratulate all our readers, and especially our townsmen, upon the result.—*Alexandria Gazette.*

HEAVY SUIT AGAINST THE CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO CANAL COMPANY.—We understand that Messrs. Letson & Rutter, the gentlemen who contracted a couple of years since to complete the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal to Cumberland, have entered a suit for $1,550,000 damages against the company for violation of contract. It will be remembered that the contract was revoked by the canal company after Messrs. Letson & Rutter had entered upon its fulfilment. The time in which the canal was to have been completed, according to their contract, expired in July last.—*Clipper.*

A PREDICTION.—Patrick Henry, it is well known, was opposed to the adoption of the Constitution of the United States, because he thought it gave too much power to the General Government. In conversation with a Virginian at the time he said:

"The President of the United States will always come in at the head of a party. He will always be supported in all his acts by a party. You do not now think much of the patronage of the President; but the day is coming when it will be tremendous, and from this power the country may sooner or later fall."

EXCITEMENT AT FRANKFORT, KY.—The Frankfort, Ky., Yeoman, says:

"Secretary Ben Hardin left here yesterday, by the advice of some of his friends, to escape the indignation of the popular will in regard to some alledged moral aberration. It is said he will resign. We have not heard his story, and are not prepared to say how guilty he is, or whether at all. The charges against him are of a serious character, and the popular feeling is very highly excited against him.

WHIG NOMINATIONS.—We understand that the whig county convention, which met at the Junction, last Saturday, made the following nominations: For Delegates—Charles Carroll, Edwin P. Hayden, of Howard district; George Wells, of Annapolis; Henry C. Dunbar, jr., of the 3d election district; and James Kent, of the 8th election district.

IMPORTANT DISCOVERY.—A correspondent of the St. Louis Republican, Mr. J. A. Hubbard, who had in early youth (together with his brother) been bitten by a mad dog, states that both were cured by drinking a strong decoction made by boiling the bark of the black ash, which is a well known cure for the bite of a rattle snake, drinking a wine glass full three times a day for eight days. This is a very simple remedy, and should at least have a trial.

OUTRAGE ON A CAMP GROUND.—The Boonsboro' (Md.) Odd Fellow says: "A daughter of Mr. Michael Brantner received a serious wound in the head at the camp meeting now in session about six miles from this place on Saturday evening last, from a bottle thrown by some outlaw while she was sitting at the altar. The rascal escaped."

EMIGRANTS.—Over 2000 emigrants arrived at New York on Thursday from Ireland and France. The number that has landed since the 1st of April, exceeds 30,000.

DECLINED.—Henry C. Stump, Esq., one of the Whig nominees for the house of delegates, in Harford co., has declined.

The whigs of Philadelphia, it is said, will run Hon. Joseph R. Ingersoll, for the Mayoralty of that city.

BLOCKADE OF BUENOS AYRES.—The rumored blockade of the port of Buenos Ayres, turns out to be incorrect.

DEATHS.

DIED, On the 25th of June, in Limerick, Maine, Mrs. MARY, wife of Jonathan Hill, Esq., and mother of Dr. Jonathan Hill of this County, aged 73.

Died, On Wednesday last the 13th instant, Mr. CHARLES SMITH, formerly of New York, but for several years a resident of this county.

Died, at the government house, on Saturday the 9th instant, CONSTANCE, infant daughter of Thomas G. and Adeline Pratt.

☞ Mr. GEORGE W. CAMPBELL, of the District of Columbia, is the authorised Agent for the Journal, in Georgetown, Washington, and Alexandria.

☞ **For Montgomery Circuit.**—A Camp Meeting will be held on Mr. VINCENT's land, between Poolesville and Darnestown, commencing on the 28th instant.

A Boarding Tent will be kept by the owner of the land. Horse-Feed will be furnished at a moderate price.

It has been reported that there would be a scarcity of water. We would inform the public that there is an abundance of first rate water for man and beast.

The public in general are invited to attend.

No huckstering will be allowed on or near the ground.

aug 20 COM. OF ARRANGEMEGTS.

☞ **REFORM.**—The friends of Reform, in Montgomery county, are requested to meet, without regard to any other party distinction, in their several election districts, on SATURDAY, the 23d instant, to appoint four delegates for each of their said election districts, to attend the convention which is to assemble in Baltimore, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th, to consider the subject of calling a convention to form a new constitution for the State of Maryland. A general attendance is requested.

aug 12 MANY REFORMERS.

AN APPRENTICE to the Printing Business, will be taken at this Office, if immediate application be made. One with the requisite qualifications, from the country, would be preferred. aug 13