

CENTREVILLE STATE RIGHTS.

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TUESDAY MORNING, AUG. 21, 1860.

DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS.

For President,
JOHN C. BRECKINRIDGE,
OF KENTUCKY.

For Vice President,
GENERAL JOSEPH LANE,
OF OREGON.

We hold it to be impossible for any one who is familiar with the present attitude of the political organizations of the country, to escape from the conviction, that a fierce contest is now being waged between the friends of the constitution upon the one side, and its foes upon the other, and that on the 6th of November next the issue is to be decided in favor of the former or of the latter, by the election of Breckinridge and Lane and thereby securing an administration which is pledged to the protection of every citizen in all his constitutional rights, or by the election of Lincoln and Hamlin and the ushering in for the first time of an administration pledged to an open war upon the institutions of fifteen sovereign states of the confederacy, and to their exclusion from all participation in the Territories acquired by the common blood and treasure of the people of all the States.

In 1856, while the Know Nothing press, reminding us of the poor frog in the fable which was seized with a sudden desire to compete in size with the ox, by its insane boasting was endeavoring to swell the dimensions of its puny party, our readers knew that the conflict was in reality to be waged between Buchanan and Fremont, and were cautioned not to throw away their votes but to give their strength and influence to the Democracy in that fierce encounter with Black Republicanism.

Will the voters of Queen Ann's profit by the lesson which they received in 1856? Four years have since passed. The same cry of disunion! disunion! which then was harped upon by the enemies of the Democracy, has been revived against those gallant spirits Breckinridge and Lane who were perilling their lives in behalf of the union upon the fields of Mexico, while their accusers were reposing in peaceful indolence at home. The same game of brag has been resumed, and the same crazy old craft heaves in sight once more, painted up a little and with new colors flying from its masthead, but this time with a superannuated crew, and without even a chart or a compass or anything to direct them in the course they are to pursue.

Where, we respectfully ask, are the evidences that the Bell and Everett party are to day stronger than the Fillmore party four years ago? Coming before the country as they do, with no platform of principles and silent as the grave upon all the leading issues of the day, we tell these respectable old gentlemen that they may sing psalms until they are hoarse to the Union, but that they will not thus defeat Lincoln and save the Country whenever it may be upon the verge of dissolution, any more than they can restore a man with disease gnawing at his vitals, by standing at his bedside and exclaiming in his hearing, glorious health! glorious health!! The American people have too much sense to allow themselves to be duped and enticed into the arms of every organization, by mere ad captandum phrases which sound very well but mean nothing and they have a right to know, and they demand of those candidates who solicit their suffrages, their position upon those questions which necessarily arise in the administration of any government, and without which neither parties nor Republican institutions could exist.

SALE OF VALUABLE TOWN PROPERTY.—The Brick Dwelling with lots attached, situated on Back street, Centreville and the occupancy of Madison Brown Esq., was sold at public sale, on Tuesday last, the Trustees of Mrs. Mary Davidson, the sum of \$3,005.00 to Madison Brown Esq.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DOUGLAS STATE CONVENTION.

[From the Hartford (Conn.) Express Aug. 7.]
STEPHEN AND HIS MOTHER.

From the Baltimore Sun of Friday last we learn that the friends of Mr. Douglas assembled in Convention on the day before at the Maryland Institute.—Edward Schley of Frederick was appointed President. George DeRochbrune of Queen Ann's county was one of the Vice Presidents. A long string of resolutions were adopted, declaring that the Democratic party of Maryland disclaim all intention to surrogate itself in any manner from the National organization, endorsing the minority platform of the Charleston Convention &c.

The following nominations were then made: Elector at large for the Western Shore—Wm. P. Maudsby, of Frederick, for the Eastern Shore—John B. Roman of Cecil. First Congressional District—G. W. P. Smith, of Worcester; second district—W. E. Stephenson, of Harford; fifth district—Wm. Walsh, of Allegany; sixth district—Henry E. Wooten of Howard county.

The following committee to prepare an address to the democratic party of the State was then appointed: Col. W. P. Maudsby, Hon. Edward Long, Joseph M. Parke, S. J. K. Handy, Gen. E. Hammond and J. J. Stewart.

On motion of M. T. Gosnell, of Baltimore city, the convention determined to appoint alternate Electors, and the following were selected:—Western Shore—Thomas Deveenom, of Allegany; Eastern Shore—J. H. Tarr, of Caroline; 1st district, Dr. Wm. H. Gale, of Somerset; 2nd district, John S. Given, of Baltimore county; 3rd district, Joseph J. Stewart of Baltimore city; 4th district, Francis Gallager, of Baltimore city; 5th district, Samuel L. Governeur of Frederick; 6th district, Geo. H. Herbert, of St. Mary's.

After some remarks from Thomas Deveenom, Esq., the convention adjourned sine die.

The body was small, several of the counties having had no delegates present.

[From the Baltimore Sun of Saturday.]

NEW YORK POLITICS.

SYRACUSE, Aug. 16.—The Douglas State Convention re-assembled this morning. The Douglas committee of conference had considerable difficulty in arranging the terms of fusion with the Bell committee, and the convention was obliged to adjourn once or twice to await the result of their deliberations, but everything was finally arranged satisfactorily, and reported to the convention.

A number of resolutions were subsequently unanimously adopted by the convention; among others endorsing the Baltimore platform; adopting Douglas and Johnson as the democratic candidates; inviting all conservative men to support this ticket and for the purpose of this co-operation, giving the State Committee power to fill any vacancies that may occur in the Electoral State ticket, and to take measures if proper and necessary, "to give the united expression and effect to the national conservative sentiments of the State." (This probably means a union with the Breckinridge ticket also.) After appointing the State Committee for the ensuing year, the convention adjourned sine die.

[From the Baltimore Sun of Saturday.]

VIRGINIA POLITICS.

CHARLOTTSTOWN, Aug. 17.—A resolution was offered to-day in the Breckinridge convention to instruct the electors that, if necessary in order to prevent a republican triumph, they cast the vote of the State for either of the candidates.

A resolution was adopted re-affirming the Charleston platform, except the resolutions in reference to the Pacific railroad and Cuba.

Senator Hunter speaks to-night and Senator Mason to-morrow.

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