

THE DEMOCRAT

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County Ticket.

For Governor—J. M. GALENTINE.
For Lieutenant Governor—J. C. HURLINGAME.
For Treasurer—JOHN SUMNER.
For Sheriff—D. N. HARRIS.
For Recorder—J. W. HIGHTON.
For Coroner—J. H. WALKER.
For Judges—J. H. WALKER, J. H. WALKER, J. H. WALKER.
For Commissioners—J. H. WALKER, J. H. WALKER, J. H. WALKER.

Democratic County Convention.

At Plymouth, Ind., August 4, 1870.

The Democrats of Marshall county

are notified that a convention will be

held at Plymouth, Ind., on Saturday,

August 4, at 1 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose

of selecting 21 delegates to represent

said county in the congressional, judicial,

and territorial and joint representative

conventions to be held at Maumee on

the 17th of August.

By order Democratic central committee

of Marshall county.

H. COBBIN, Chairman.

D. McDOUGALL, Secy.

The War.

The news from the east of war is un-

pleasant. There was a rumor yesterday

that a battle had been fought. The

rumor was from France. The Prussian

dispatches gave us no account of it.

Each of the armies numbered about a half

million of men, and will no doubt make

bloody work when hostilities commence.

Napoleon is commander the French

forces in person, and King William

commands the Prussian army.

There is little doubt but a severe bat-

tle will be fought during the coming

week.

The inability of the Republican man-

agers of this county to properly man-

age a campaign found additional proof

in the bungling manner in which the

business of their convention was trans-

acted last Saturday. Being called a

people's convention, and adopting a

platform to conform therewith, it then

upset the whole arrangement by nomi-

nating a strictly partisan ticket. What

would be thought of the kind of man-

agement if a religious denomination

should invite all other churches to join

with them in the holding of a general

conference meeting, and having more

members in attendance at the assem-

bling of the meeting than any other

church, should take charge of the meet-

ing and run it for their own benefit

and glory, to the exclusion of all others?

And the Republican party of this county

to-day occupies the same position

that the selfish church would. Their

leaders profess to have put away all

party feeling, and invited and urged all

irrespective of party feelings or associa-

tions, to join with them for the accom-

plishment of a great and good purpose,

and when the convention assembled,

they stepped in and took control of the

convention, and run it in the interests

of extreme radicalism. Republican

promises are made to be broken.

We have been figuring the Democrat-

ic majority in this county, at the com-

ing election, at from four to five hun-

drad; but these figures were based on

the expectation that the alms would put

up a strong ticket. Having failed to

do this, we shall raise our figures to

at least six hundred. Some disorgan-

ized Republicans think our majority will

be not less than eight hundred. May be

it will.

THE PEOPLE'S CONVENTION.

Small Attendance—No Enthusiasm.

Straight Republican Ticket

Nominated.

Democrats Don't Escue.

Last Saturday, the great people's

convention, which was to be the first

grand demonstration in favor of a re-

form in the management of the affairs

of this county, met at the court house

to set the ball in motion that shall roll

which the movers in the great reform

ation had in view, we append the follow-

ing "leading editorial" in the last issue

of the Marshall County Republican

COUNTY CONVENTION.

By reference to the above notice it will

be seen that the convention on Saturday

was to be held irrespective of party, and

in the management of our local interests.

It is hoped that the Democrats will

generally attend. It is known in the ad-

ministration of our county affairs that will

give us a fair and equitable view of the

present state of affairs, and all in the adop-

tion of a policy, and in the selection of men

and women for the people to vote for, that

will insure a better order of county govern-

ment. But let party longer inflame you

against what you feel and know to be of

no better interest than party.

From this it will be seen that the

convention was to be a Republican con-

vention, but one composed of the people

irrespective of party, and that the ticket

would be made up on the same plan.

The convention was called to order by

Capt. Johnson.

Harley of Polk township, was

proposed for chairman, but declined. M. L.

Smith, of Walnut, and J. O. Parks, of

Bourbon, were each proposed for chair-

man, but positively declined to serve.

Dr. W. N. Bailey was urged to accept

the position, and being in an uncomfor-

table mood, announced his willingness

to become a martyr if in so doing he could

be instrumental in insuring the suc-

cess of the convention. He returned

his thanks for the honor conferred,

in a few brief but eloquent remarks.

Johnson moved that John S. Bender

be secretary, which motion was agreed

to with considerable unanimity.

The chair then stated the object

of the convention to be the nomination

of a county ticket.

Harvey Atkinson, of Union township

then moved that a committee of one

from each township be appointed to

draft resolutions expressive of the sense

of the convention. After much

discussion the committee was appointed

as follows:

Chas. Gregg, of Center; Z. D. Bol-

ton, of Bourbon; R. T. Tynor, of Polk;

H. Atkinson, of Union; Dr. Gould, of

Walnut; James Turner, of Tippecanoe;

A. Lewis, of Green; J. H. L. Biler, of

West; N. Wilfong, of North; German

not represented.

Capt. Johnson moved that a commit-

tee on appointments be appointed; but

in view of the fact that the convention

had consumed a half hour in the ap-

pointment of the committee on resolu-

tions, the mover amended his motion to

the effect that the appointments be the

same as in the congressional convention;

which amendment the convention gladly

assented to.

By way of diversion, Capt. Johnson

moved that while the committee on re-

solutions were out, the convention ap-

point a central committee.

Postmaster Kendall moved that a

committee of three be appointed to se-

lect the central committee.

Harris, of Polk, thought each town-

ship should select its own committee-

man.

Without regard to the motions before

the convention, Kendall proposed A.

Johnson, Chas. Gregg and John Haham,

as central committee men for Center

township; which was agreed to; the

convention then appointed the balance

of the central committee as follows: Polk

township, W. H. Harris, and H. Tynor;

West, J. A. Conner; North, N. Wilfong;

Bourbon, H. Atkinson, M. Erwin, S. D.

Parks (the latter proposed by his pater-

nal); Tippecanoe, Dr. R. B. Wood; Walnut,

P. T. Lowe, Jonathan Pickard; Green,

John J. Thompson; German, Chas.

Lohry; Union, H. Parker. The chair-

man put the motion whether the per-

sons named should be the central

committee, when there were four "A's"

and no more—not even Nichols, of the

Republicans—as he was just then picking

his nose, and couldn't spare it, even to

defeat the central committee men.

Capt. Johnson, who had not been

heard from for two or three minutes,

suggested that speaking would be in or-

der. The Captain was no doubt aware

of the fact that those who were present,

except the Democrats, were looking and

acting very much as men would who

were attending their own funeral; and

that something was needed to wake

them up. Calls were made for Judge

Fuller, and as usual he responded.

The Judge said he had not been in

the convention but a few minutes, and

did not know at what stage of the pro-

ceedings they had arrived, neither did

he know what kind of a convention he

was addressing, (thinking, no doubt, of

the call for a people's convention, and

seeing none but Republicans taking

part,) and he therefore preferred to wait

until the platform was adopted and the

ticket nominated, and he would then

give them a regular warning. Being

urged to go on, he continued: He did

not know whether the convention had

met merely to defeat some man, or men,

or to aid the great and glorious cause

of Republicanism. Here you all sit, with-

out a smile on your countenances, as if

less as a Quaker meeting. Why, this is

the fifth Republican convention we have

held this year, and we have done nothing

but quarrel and wrangle. Friends, the

angel of mercy would shed a tear to look

upon us to-day. Our common enemy is

to-day seeking the destruction of Repub-

lican principles. The monarch across

the waters has his votaries here. Peace

on earth and glory to God in the high

places. Friends, I will close, but recollect

that God is in history—God speaks in

history. The Judge closed with a pro-

mise to pronounce the benediction at

the close.

M. L. Smith, of Argos, was called for

a speech, but informed the convention

that if they got a speech out of him,

they would be smarter than he thought

for.

Capt. Johnson was the next speaker.

He gave his usual exhibition of speech-

making facility, recounted the exploits of

the German soldier-bearer at the battle of

Stonewall, wherein the said soldier-bear-

er showed the mortality list, ex-

pressed the opinion that "Napoleon will

be whipped," and that the Germans will

undoubtedly conquer all Europe—and

carry the Republicans of this country to

victory, (2) because it always brings states,

counties and towns out of debt, while

the Democratic party always creates debt

—and we must elect Republican sen-

ators and representatives to secure a re-

duction of taxes. (These last remarks

would have blasted the hopes of "fusion

Democrats," had there been any in the

convention; but as there were none, the

aspect of affairs remained much the

same as before the delivery of the

speech.)

Col. Sumner was next called out. He

said he did not feel like making a speech,

had been sick, and felt like having

a child. (The latter sentence was doubt-

less caused by the very odd manner in

which the people had treated the great

reform movement.) His face beamed

with the joy of the people who were

expressed with high taxes. All resolu-

tions are the result of oppressive tax-

ation, or oppression in some form—

(Would the Colonel have us apply this

sentiment to the recent rebellion?) He

hoped and believed the Germans would

conquer the French in the present

struggle. (What's that to do with "Dem-

ocratic mismanagement" in Marshall

county?) Much has been said about

the clique, but he believed if the county

affairs had been managed as well as the

clique manage theirs, things would be

in better shape. Our present audi-

ence, however, and our commis-

sioners incompetent. We should select

our best men to fill these offices. In

concluding he hoped the ticket would

be a good one.

James O. Parks, of Bourbon, was the

next speaker. In view of recent events

his remarks were listened to with close

attention. He commenced by saying:

"I have seen the American flag sailing

into port—I have seen all flags sailing

into port—and was proud to be an

American." He was proud of his his-

tory as a Republican; was one of the

signers of the Declaration of Indepen-

dence sixteen years ago, and had

never seen one beyond the limits of the

organization. Had he ever failed to

give the nominees of the party a hearty

support? His course had