

The Journey of President Davis to Richmond.

President Davis, accompanied by his Aid, Col. Wigfall, and a lady, and by Robert Toombs, of Georgia, left Montgomery by car on Sunday evening last. They made no special stoppage on the route, and owing to previous severe indisposition of the President, it was desirable that his trip to Richmond should be as private as practicable. At each station, his friends endeavored to convey this information to the citizens but it was really of no account, for wherever the cars stopped, even though it was only for wood or for water, throngs of men, women and children, would gather around the cars, asking in loud shouts, "Where is President Davis?" "Jeff Davis!" "The old hero!" and he was forced to make his appearance and frequently to address them. Then we could see handkerchiefs waving, and flags and banners.

The President at the New Fair Grounds.

At about half past five o'clock, President Davis, accompanied by a carriage, a horseback, left his quarters at the Spotswood house, on the new fair grounds. There were a large number of ladies and gentlemen had assembled, and on his arrival greeted him with the warmest demonstrations of pleasure. On leaving his saddle, the President was surrounded by an eager crowd of soldiers and civilians, whom he addressed by a hand shaking peroration until the pressure became so great that he was obliged to retire to the balcony of the Executive Department, where, in response to the demands of the assemblage, he delivered the following brief and pertinent speech:

Davidson County.

At the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May Term, 1861, a majority of the magistrates being present, Dr. William R. Holt offered the following preamble and resolutions, to-wit:

WHEREAS, A call has been made by the Governor of the State of North Carolina, for a volunteer force of 30,000 men, to repel a hostile invasion now in movement by the South, and to suppress the rebellion against the authority of the United States; and whereas, the people of Davidson County, desiring patriotically to resist, to the last extremity, any such movement, and to afford such aid and encouragement to volunteers who may enroll their names in favor of serving in the emergency, the justices of the peace of Davidson County, a majority assembled at the May Term of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for 1861, do hereby

Resolved, That the sum of twenty thousand dollars be hereby appropriated, to aid in equipping, furnishing material for necessary use and subsistence, and making outfit for all volunteers that have, or may hereafter, volunteer from our county and enroll themselves in the defense of the State or the Confederate States South; and also, to aid in the subsistence, when necessary, of their families left behind them.

Resolved, That five commissioners be appointed, who shall elect a chairman, secretary and treasurer, the last of whom may be the same individual, who shall have money, or issue bonds, or both under the above limitations, and in pursuance of the act of Assembly, for the payment of which, the faith of the county is hereby pledged to redeem, at suitable definite periods, and that a tax will be laid for that purpose.

Resolved, That certificates shall be given to all those persons who have advanced funds to aid and assist in furnishing and equipping the volunteers, hereafter, the money refunded or taken in lieu of their county taxes.

Resolved, That the commissioners aforesaid shall, from time to time, report their proceedings to the County Court, and shall make a full report of them, and that they be paid a reasonable sum for their services.

Resolved, That the following persons act as said commissioners, viz: Alfred Hargrave, C. F. Lowe, Samuel Hargrave, Burrell B. Roberts and James P. Sisson.

The above resolutions were unanimously adopted, and confirmed by order of this Court.

On motion of Dr. C. L. Payne, it is ordered by the Court, that the Clerk send copies of the above proceedings to three or more newspapers in this State, for publication.

C. F. LOWE, C. C. C.

Elizabeth and her Counsellors.

The commissioners then described, arrived at Greenwich Stairs, and were at once ushered into the palace residence which had been much enlarged and decorated by Henry VIII. They were received with stately ceremony. The presence chamber was hung with Gobelin tapestry, its floor strewn with gold and silver, and its walls with portraits of the royal family. Elizabeth and her counsellors were seated at a banquet table, which had been laid with the most sumptuous and costly articles. The Queen, in her robes of state, waited around the throne.

There, in close skull-cap and dark flowing gown, was the subtle, monastic-looking Walsingham, with long, gray, melancholy face, and Spanish eyes. By her side, in white staff in hand, was Lord High Treasurer Burghley, then sixty-five years of age, with serene blue eyes, large, smooth, pale, scarce wrinkled face; and forehead, seeming, with his placid, symmetrical features, and great velvet bonnet, under which such silver hairs remained were soberly swept the round more like a dignified gentleman than a statesman, but for the wintry beard, which lay like a snowdrift on his ancient breast.

The Queen was then in the fifty-third year of her age, and considered herself in the full bloom of beauty. Her garments were of satin and velvet, with fringe of pearl as big as beans. Her hair, which was thrown over her shoulders and fastened by a multitude of curls, blazed with diamonds and emeralds. Her forehead was high, her face long, her complexion fair, her eyes small, dark and glittering, her nose high and hooked, her lips thick, her teeth black, her bosom white and liberally exposed. As she passed through the ante chamber to the presence hall, supplicants presented themselves upon their knees. Whoever she glanced at, she prostrated themselves on the ground. The cry of "Long live Queen Elizabeth" was spontaneous and perpetual; the reply, "I thank you, my good people," was constant and cordial. She spoke to various foreigners in their respective languages, being mistress besides the Latin and Greek, of French, Spanish, Italian and German.

North-Carolina was not behind in the Revolution. Her Declaration of Independence at Mecklenburg preceded that of Congress by a year and six weeks. Though Tories from all the colonies sought security in the seclusion of her Western districts, yet the cause which she espoused was efficient and successful. When the war was transferred to that quarter, as the campaign of the North was virtually decided and ended at Saratoga, so was the campaign of the South virtually settled at King's Mountain. Here two North-Carolina regiments, one from Virginia and another from South-Carolina, met the army of the Continental Congress, and fought a bloody battle, which resulted in a signal catastrophe, which so crippled and embarrassed the British General as to drive him ultimately into that long retreat, which terminated in the surrender at Yorktown. The victory of the revolutionary fathers, which ended at Yorktown, commenced at King's Mountain, where the battle was fought on North-Carolina soil, and won in honor by North-Carolina arms.

There is but one opinion here relative to our being here, and that is, that the State of North-Carolina prizes her own position so highly, that she will not be moved from it until she is satisfied that she can hold it without protection and entirely cut off from those on whom they depend; and shall they be deprived of an opportunity of assisting them? We hope the Governor will rectify this.

Another cause of complaint is the want of camp equipment. We were sent down with six small tents, and a few blankets, and a few other articles, which were utterly inadequate for the purpose. We were forced to sleep on the sea beach, till we seized the sails of the big so providentially sent ashore. Again, we have heavy caps to wear with nothing to shield our eyes from the sun but the bare beach, which affords us very little protection. We suffer from the effects of the sun. We do not see the State furnish fatigue caps. We do not see the State furnish fatigue caps. We do not see the State furnish fatigue caps.

At a meeting of the Magistrates of Currituck County, held at the Court House on yesterday, being a regular term of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, the sum of twelve thousand two hundred dollars was appropriated from the county funds to meet the expenses of volunteers from this county, in this our session of Independence. When it comes to North-Carolina, one among the small and wealthy, this will be considered a very liberal appropriation. Let every county in the State do well in proportion to their ability and our gallant volunteers will be well provided for. Jos. S. Dey, Esq., was by the Court appointed treasurer of the fund appropriated. This county already has two fine companies organized with good and efficient officers, the services of which have been tendered and accepted by the Governor.

The BARSALTS.—Seven kegs of powder, of one hundred pounds each, were found in the culvert under the Dry Dock yesterday, and it is supposed still more will be found. They were found by accident on the night of the 20th inst. by some boys who were at the place with the intention of blowing the dock to pieces. Two or three kegs were taken out the following morning, which were then supposed to be all that were placed there.—Portsmouth Transcript of Friday.

Proceedings of the Convention.

FRIDAY, MAY 31, 1861. The Convention was called to order at 11 o'clock, A. M. Prayer by Rev. Mr. Atkinson, of the Presbyterian Church. Proceedings of yesterday read and confirmed.

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