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DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES.

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THE GREAT CONVENTION AT RALEIGH.

The assembling of the State Convention at Raleigh, for the purpose of nominating the Democratic standard bearers for the coming campaign, had been looked forward to with an unusual amount of interest for many months, and its culmination on the 14th day of June will be vividly remembered by every one who witnessed it probably to his dying day.

INCIDENTS ON THE WAY.

The train that left Charlotte was pretty well filled by the large delegation from this county, together with the representatives from the neighboring counties including many from the other side of the Blue Ridge and the extreme mountain counties of the Western portion of the State. At every station the delegates continued to pour in until all of the seats were occupied and many had to stand up until the train reached Greensboro, where extra cars were provided, but very few cared much for seats; they wanted to mingle amongst their neighbors and ascertain their views upon the all-absorbing topic—the State Convention, and the most available men to be placed as candidates upon the State ticket. There seemed to be but one expression and that was for Zeb Vance for Governor. Some few men were disposed to think that Reid might be a more available man, but not one expressed himself in opposition to Vance. A wag was rather disposed to tease an enthusiastic mountaineer about his choice, when the country man grew excited and exclaimed: "Mind your own business, you old Zeb, the party will go to the devil in two months. I represent my own county and the people from another county, and I got their paper of Saturday night here (slipping his breeches pocket) and they told me to tell them people down there in Raleigh, if Old Zeb want nominated they was going to vote for him anyhow—stranger they mean what they say, and d—d if they don't do it—mark my words."

ARRIVAL AT RALEIGH.

On our arrival at Raleigh we found the hotels of the city filled to overflowing, but beds and pallets being placed in every available room, all of the delegates were stored away as well as the crowded condition of the city would permit. We soon found from conversation with the controlling spirits and enthusiastic workers that the opposition to Gov. Vance was only nominal, and that his nomination upon the State ticket was a settled fact. The constant ingress and egress of the visitors at the hotels reminded of one vast beehive of busy and excited human beings, nor did the buzz and murmur of this moving swarm cease for the day, but it was long after midnight before the city enjoyed the silence of repose. An informal caucus of the delegates was held in the House of Commons on Tuesday night, in order to take preliminary steps in order to facilitate the organization and business of the Convention the next day, and to that

end the respective congressional districts were requested to assemble at the hour of nine o'clock next morning, in order to select the persons they wished to represent them on the different committees which would be necessary for the purpose of verifying the certificates and credentials of the delegates, and also of effecting a permanent organization and framing a suitable platform for the consideration of the Convention.

SCENES IN THE CONVENTION.

At the hour of 11 o'clock, the delegates began to besiege the doors of the Metropolitan Hall, to gain admittance and secure their seats, for they rightly predicted that there would be a tremendous rush at the appointed hour. Before the Convention was called to order the large oblong building was packed like a sardine box, every seat was occupied on both floor and gallery, and the aisles were so thronged that a passage from one part of the hall to the other could only be effected with much difficulty and annoyance. Gen. Cox, the Chairman of the State Executive Committee, called upon the Hon. John S. Dancy, a leading granger and a prominent farmer from Edgecombe, to preside over the meetings as its temporary chairman. By virtue of our connection with the public press, we were invited to a seat upon the stage and had a splendid view of this most wonderful gathering and popular uprising of the yeomanry and patriotism of North Carolina, and never in all of our experience have we beheld a finer looking or a more intelligent body of men at any political convention. In fact, it did not resemble a political convention—its enthusiasm was too great—its proceedings too harmonious and its magnitude too impressive for it to partake of the nature of merely appointed delegates from the various counties of the State. It looked like an immense mass meeting of the State—a grand and determined uprising of the whole people, and not a mere convocation of a few chosen delegates who were appointed to represent their counties and State. After the retirement of the usual committees, the meeting was entertained with speeches from Hon. W. N. H. Smith, of Raleigh, M. Q. Waddell, of Chatham and others. Hon. J. H. Wilson of this city, chairman of the Committee on permanent organization made a report of their selection of permanent officers, Hon. F. E. Shober being recommended as permanent President; and after the adoption of the report, nominations for Governor or was announced as next in order. Hon. Z. B. Vance was put in nomination. It was easy to see who was the man above all others, that had the strongest hold upon the love and affections of the people of the Old North State—the name of Vance seemed electrical, and at its mention there went up one shout of applause, which seemed spontaneous and unanimous—the cheering fairly shook the house and could be heard many squares distant. It was loud and long, and some minutes intervened before sufficient order was restored for the continuation. The names of the Hons. C. C. Clarke of Newbern, W. R. Cox of Raleigh, W. F. Martin of Pasquotank, J. A. Gilmer of Guilford and D. S. Reid of Rockingham were then put forward.

When the county of Burke was called Col. S. McD Tate, chairman of the county delegates, answered in a clear ringing voice, "Burke county—men, women, children, white folks and negroes all go for Zebulon B. Vance." Cherokee responded, "Every white man and Indian in the county is for Zeb Vance," and the voice of Pamlico spoke out with great emphasis: "The little county of Pamlico goes tooth and nail for Vance." These are only a few specimens of the enthusiastic responses for Vance that were given during the roll call of the counties.

Ex-Gov. Reid developed some strength carrying probably in all about eight or ten counties. After the roll of all the counties was called, but before the ballot was announced, Col. Gilmer withdrew his name and asked his friends to vote for Gov. Vance as did all the other candidates. A portion of some county did not change, so the vote stood upon the first ballot 962 for Vance, and 4 for Reid. Probably no other candidate for the highest office in the State ever received such a unanimous vote upon the first ballot, and it is an honor that will immortalize the recipient if he never receives anything more. The whole ticket is regarded as the strongest that was ever put forth in the State, and created an enthusiasm at the State Capitol, that was never surpassed within the memory of the oldest citizens.

SPEECHES THAT NIGHT.

It was well known that after the labors of the Convention the candidates were to speak from the porch of the National Hotel, and at the hour of 10 o'clock Wednesday night, the assembled multitude was so large that it literally covered acres of ground. We might one have exclaimed in looking on that vast concourse of people: "Every valley has sent forth its rill, every valley its stream, and lo! the avalanche is here!" Limited space prevents anything like a synopsis of the speeches of the great North Carolinians delivered there that night.

SPEECH OF GOV. VANCE.

Gov. Vance spoke with great effect. He said that no man however poor, or orphan however desolate, had ever been coldly dismissed from his door when he occupied the Governor's mansion. The laws of the land in time of war may have seemed in some instances harsh and severe, but he called heaven to witness that he never during that period which tried men's souls, inflicted any unjust or cruel punishment upon

any inhabitant in this broad State. He had served the people in time of war and now he wished to serve them in time of peace. He went into the war reluctantly, but he only followed his people and had come out of it poor as did all who followed the fortunes of the Confederacy. He had been treated like them, or probably a little worse, as he was the only man in the State who was sent to prison after the war. He said that though all the temptations and demoralization of the war and the subsequent reconstruction, he could say before his God that he had not a dollar of ill gotten gain, had ever stuck to these fingers. This powerful and eloquent peroration had a telling effect, and voices every where answered, that is so; we believe it!!! We believe it!!! His effort had a happy influence upon the crowd and was universally acknowledged to be of a well timed, dignified and prudent. Thos. J. Jarvis candidate for Lieut. Governor and Maj. Engelhard candidate for Secretary of State also made good speeches, but we say unhesitatingly that the effort of Judge Fowle was the grandest and most powerful political speech we ever heard. His tone and manner had a strong and thrilling effect upon all who heard him and at times he rose to the most sublime heights of eloquence, and seemed to sway the crowd, like the storm does the reed. We felt proud of him as a North Carolinian and were not aware that the State could boast of such a giant intellect and such a truly wonderful and brilliant an orator. When he told the people of how faithfully Gov. Vance had preserved the great bulwark of their liberties—the writ of *habeas corpus*—amid the imperious usages and startling times of war, he was peculiarly impressive. He had vowed to his God never to support a party that violated the sacred right of the writ of *habeas corpus* which he had been taught from boyhood to honor and revere. The Republican party had violated it in peace; Vance had preserved it intact in war and whatever differences may have stood between them in the past, they were now at an end. He could take him by the hand as a brother and assure the people that a man who guarded the *habeas corpus* in war would do the same in peace and that their liberties would always be safe in his hands. He uttered these words with great vehemence, the tones of his voice were singularly touching and pathetic, his face was as pale as marble, his eyes flashed forth a meaning that a book could not convey, his lips quivered with intense emotion and as he turned towards Gov. Vance, the scene at that moment can only be properly appreciated by those who were eye witnesses and heard the grand eloquence of the speaker.

Then went up a shout for Leach who came forward and entertained the crowd for several hours with a characteristic speech and many regard it as the most powerful effort of his life. His style is peculiarly his own. He certainly made a remarkable speech and tore himself forcibly from the crowd at two o'clock in the morning. His inimitable manner and inexhaustible anecdotes would probably have kept his hearers standing upon their feet till daylight. Thus ended the largest gathering and the grandest outpouring of North Carolina yeomen that has ever assembled in the State. The scenes attending it will never be forgotten by those who witnessed it and the occasion we honestly believe was the sure harbinger of the redemption of the State and a magnificent and glorious victory for the Democracy of the State in next November.

ZEBULON BAIRD VANCE.

As the name of this gentleman heads the Conservative-Democratic ticket in North Carolina, it may not be improper for us to state some of the reasons why his election is eminently proper just at this time, and to do this with the force which it deserves, it will be necessary to review some portions of his life and history as become the common property of the people of the State, by virtue of his candidacy for the gubernatorial chair of North Carolina.

Gov. Vance was born in Buncombe County in 1830 and is consequently just forty-six years old and is considered in the meridian of a well spent life. In the year 1851 he became a student at the university of the State (Chapel Hill) and finished his education at that institution. Destined as he was for the profession of law, he early applied his abilities to the acquisition of knowledge in that profession, and his first efforts in his chosen field were eminently successful. Shortly after his license at the bar he was elected solicitor for his county, and discharged the duties of that office with much credit to himself, and honor to the profession. But Vance was a politician by nature and the cold, unrelenting exactions of the law, with its honors, its emoluments, and its avenues of advancement, were soon abandoned for the more alluring field of politics, and in the year 1854, he became a Whig candidate for the House of Commons, from Buncombe county, and was elected by his fellow citizens, as their representative in that body. He served one term in that body with credit to himself, and satisfaction to his constituents.

In 1855, he struck out in the journalistic field, and became associated with Col. J. D. Hyman, in the editorial management of the Asheville *Speeder*, at that time the leading paper of the Whig party in that section of the State. Here he won new laurels, and made his paper a power in the land. His friends and admirers, were not content to allow him to remain in the editorial sanctum, and in the next year (1856) he was put forward as the Whig candidate for the Senate, from his county. His opponent was Col.

David Cokman, whose very name in those days, was a tower of strength in the mountains, which added to the fact that Zeb was the exponent of Know Nothingism, he went down before the cohorts of Democracy, and for the first time in his life his political fortune seemed to wane.

In 1858, General Chingman, then a member of the House of Representatives from the Federal Congress, from that Congressional District, was appointed to the United States Senate, by Gen. Bragg, to fill out the unexpired term of the Hon. Asa Biggs, who had resigned in consequence of his appointment to a judgeship on the bench of the District Court of the United States. Clingman's resignation made a vacancy in Vance's Congressional District for the Lower House, and Col. Coleman, and Col. W. W. Avery, both Democrats offered themselves for the position, and after a spirited contest, Vance came forward as the Whig candidate for the same position. Coleman made the new before election, but owing to the personal popularity of the then young Vance, and disaffection which had crept into the Democratic party, by having rival candidates in the field, Vance was triumphantly elected, and took his seat at the next assembling of Congress.

In 1859, he was the Whig candidate for the regular full term, and having firmly established himself in the affections of the people of the district, by a strict attention to the duties of the office, which was politically unbiased, he was able to defeat his old opponent Col. D. Coleman, a man of unblemished political record, and the champion of the Democracy, in a Democratic District event which showed his election to the United States Senate, and when the Legislature assembled in November, 1873, Vance became the party nominee for the position, but was defeated, as every one remembers, by the defection of fifteen conservative members of the Legislature, added to the combined strength of the radical party in that body.

He is again brought to the front of the most important political battle that has ever been fought in North Carolina. If a long and faithful political career, covering some of the most eventful periods in the history of the State, are of any avail, he will be triumphantly elected to the highest position of the people of North Carolina, for the third time. His past history is a sufficient guarantee that any trust imposed upon him will be discharged with that fidelity, and ability, which are among his peculiar characteristics.

Greensboro, and from thence to this city, and from here he went to Statesville, to which point he had previously removed his family as a place of refuge. In May of this year he was arrested as a prisoner, and carried to Washington City, and imprisoned in the old Capitol, and after remaining in prison for several months, he was finally released, and shortly after removed to this city and resumed the practice of the law.

Although a banned man, we believe he has taken an active part in every political campaign which has been fought since the war, especially in the campaign of 1872, ever maintaining and upholding the rights of the people, exhorting the people to have courage in obeying the powers of the government in the days of reconstruction, to have patience and wait for the better days to come, and hope that those times might speedily come.

In 1870, when honest men once more assumed the power in the Legislature of the State, that body as a fitting tribute to his worth for his service in the field, in camp, and in the council chamber, elected him to the United States Senate to succeed Joseph C. Abbott. The Federal Senate refusing to remove his political disabilities, he resigned his position on the 2nd day of January 1875, in order that the Legislature which elected him might elect his successor. General M. W. Ransom was elected, and now fills the honorable position, from which Vance was excluded by a partisan and unscrupulous Congress.

In 1874, another vacancy occurred in the United States Senate, and the people still desirous of centering some substantial favor upon him, again demanded his election to the United States Senate, and when the Legislature assembled in November, 1873, Vance became the party nominee for the position, but was defeated, as every one remembers, by the defection of fifteen conservative members of the Legislature, added to the combined strength of the radical party in that body.

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