THE ROANOKE NEWS.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1878

THE DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

Congressional Nominations.

FOR CONGRESS FIRST DISTRICT:
JESSE J. YEATES,
of Hertford.

FOR CONGRESS, THIRD DISTRICT:
ALFRED M. WADDELL,
of New Hanover.

FOR CONGRESS, FOURTH DISTRICT:
J. J. DAVIS,
of Franklin.

FOR CONGRESS, FIFTH DISTRICT:
ALFRED M. SCALES,
of Guilford.

FOR CONGRESS, SIXTH DISTRICT:
WALTER L. STEELE,
of Rockingham.

FOR CONGRESS, SEVENTH DISTRICT:
ROBERT F. ARMFIELD,
of Iredell.

FOR CONGRESS, EIGHTH DISTRICT:
ROBERT B. VANCE,
of Buncombe.

ELECTION—TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH.

THE revolution in Maine is so great as to merit special notice, but in very truth the change is so overwhelmingly startling that we don't know what to say about it. That the stronghold of Republicanism should have repudiated the Republicans is so great matter for wonder and gratulation that we are unable to go into the causes that produce it and the results which will arise therefrom. It is enough for us to know that Maine will have a Democratic Governor, that Eugene Hale, Blaines man Friday will no longer be in the House of Representatives and that Senator Hamlin's successor will probably not be a Republican.

As we stated in last week's issue, we are not prepared to commit ourselves to either of the Democratic candidates for congressional honors, in this District. To have two candidates in the field, is to place the election of O'Hara beyond question, and we do not care to be instrumental in doing so, however, remotely or indirectly. We therefore respectfully suggest to Messrs. Long and Kitchen to lay their claims before the District Executive Committee, and agree to abide its decision, and then we will endorse either and give him our hearty support. As has already been said in this paper, we are not assured of a Democratic majority in Congress yet, and our party should be careful how they jeopardize any election, and should use every means to keep our people together. The Radicals are moving Heaven and earth to defeat us this year, and if we are to have half a dozen candidates for every office our downfall is certain. Again, we can afford to risk nothing, even in the most uncertain District.

Since writing the above, we notice that Mr. A. J. Galloway the Chairman of the Executive Committee has called a meeting of that body in Goldsboro on the 17th to determine whether or not a convention should be called. We are in doubt, as to the wisdom of calling a convention of the people of the District now. We think it might perhaps be better to lave the entire matter of nominations inthe hands of those intelligent gentlemen who compose the committee. We have however, heard the matter pretty freely discussed hereabouts and find public opinion about equally divided. The notice of the sitting of the committee is a very short one, which is to be regretted, for under the circumstances we think it a good idea to have representative men from each county in the District to meet the Executive committee on Tuesday next and determine among themselves the wisest course to pursue, and we respectfully suggest the plan to the favorable consideration of such representative men and ask that as many as can do so, go to Goldsboro on the 17th, and by all means let the many aspirants present themselves and lay their claims before that body.

THE MARYLAND MEDICAL JOURNAL.

The September number of this excellent publication has been received. It maintains the high standard it assumed with its first issue, more than a year ago, and already it ranks any similar enterprise published South of Philadelphia. Its table of contents is always full and the matter it contains is of the very highest order of merit. The list of contributors embraces many of the most distinguished medical men in this country and Europe, and the interest and value of the *Journal* increases as it grows older. The number before us is specially excellent in that it contains a superb variety of matter suited to the wants of the practicing physician, and the general public as well.

The senior editor, Dr. H. E. T. Manning, is well known to our readers and requires no introduction. His associate Dr. T. A. Ashby is a man of high scientific attainments and is a fit coworker of our energetic ex-townsman Dr. Manning. We are gratified at their success and wish them all possible prosperity.

The Maryland Medical Journal is published by Drs. Manning and Ashby at Baltimore, Md., at the low price of $3.00 per year. Every physician should have it.

IT will be gratifying to the many old friends of our former townsman, Walter Norman Allen to know that he "still lives" and continues to battle for Democracy. From a recent file of Kansas papers we copy the following remarks made in the State Convention:

NOMINATING CANDIDATES.

W. N. Allen, of Jefferson county, said:

I desire to place in nomination for Governor a very distinguished gentleman—well known as a man of ability—one who will ever be remembered for his noble deeds and patriotic virtues, a man whose views are in perfect accord with the progressive ideas of our party, and to whom we are indebted above all others for the preservation of the great fundamental principle of democracy, "The rights of the States."

Sir, I affirm that the acquittal of Andy Johnson in the trial under articles of impeachment was the salvation of the State rights doctrine. It was this old Jefferson principle that was on trial and not President Johnson which excited the interest and caused the alarm. I shall never forget the dark shadows of this trial, nor the seven republican Senators who rallied to the rescue. There was one of the seven who stood out in greater prominance than all the rest. He sacrificed more and did more. It was his vote that turned the scale against the conspirators, who were seeking to overthrow the government, by centralizing the powers of the State.

To consummate the purpose they sought first the removal of the President to place in power Ben Wade of Ohio.

If the conspirators had succeeded in this, there would not be today a single Federal State South of Mason and Dixon's line. Every State in the Union would have been stripped of all the attributes of sovereignty.

I want to honor the brave man who saved us from this calamity, who saved the States from being swallowed up in one consolidated colossal government to be administered in the interest of the money power.

I nominate for Governor, E. G. Ross, a man known and respected by the Democracy everywhere."

There seems to be some chance to elect a Democratic Governor in Kansas. The Radical majority was reduced twenty thousand, two years ago.

Mr. Allen is a native of this county and was born in 1834. Educated at Wake Forest College. Studied law at Chapel Hill, and was admitted to the bar in 1857. He was at one time a member, we believe, of the Kansas Legislature. He removed to Kansas about twenty years ago.

MR. TURNER THE RADICAL NOMINEE.

It will be seen from the report of the proceedings printed elsewhere this morning that the Radical Executive Committee for this Congressional District at its meeting on yesterday, deeming it unnecessary to call a convention for the purpose, proceeded itself to nominate a candidate for Congress, and further, Mr. Turner is that nominee. What considerations induced the committee to make the nomination itself rather than call a convention to do it, we are not advised. So far as appears the only question was as to the expediency or inexpediency of calling a convention to make the nomination; the propriety of not making one at all not having been discussed. Indeed the whole object of the managers of the meeting seems to have been to bring Mr. Turner out as the Radical standard bearer in the quickest manner possible. A convention could not have done it so quickly, and might not have done it at all and it may be that this consideration induced the committee to take the responsibility of acting and of acting at once.

Of course this sort of thing will strike strangely upon both Democratic and Radical ears. How far this action of the Committee will be sustained by the party we are not advised at this writing; nor are we sufficiently versed in Radical usage to say whether an Executive Committee has a right to refuse to call a Convention, and having so refused to proceed to make a nomination by its own will or not. That is not a question for us to decide. We take things as we find them, that is to say we find the Radical Executive Committee refusing to call into being the only party authority superior to itself, and straightway proceeding to the selection of a standard-bearer for its party. Mr. Turner then stands before the public as the formally declared nominee of the Radical party, and must be so considered until he shall be taken down by an authority at least as potent as that which put him up.

Of course this action of the Radical party, taken, as it avowedly is, to destroy the Democratic party, must sever any remaining tie surviving from old time relations between Democrats and Mr. Turner. No sane man needs to be told that the nomination of Mr. Turner by the Radical party has not been secured without some consideration. What that consideration is, express or implied, it is now a waste of time to discuss. From yesterday, at least, every sane man must see that Mr. Turner has gone over, horse, foot and dragoons to the Radical party. His most devoted personal admirer may now no longer doubt the truth painful as it may be to him. The question now is, whether Democrats will choose Joe Davis, the regular nominee of their party, or Joe Turner, the regular nominee of the Radical party, who has been chosen by that party, so it says, expressly to beat Mr. Davis. Radical Joe or Democrat Joe is now the word.

Precisely what will become of Mr. Bledsoe does not yet appear; whether he will submit quietly to be thus unceremoniously kicked from the field we do not know. His candidacy was as a Radical, subject to the action of the Radical Convention, not the Radical Executive Committee, consisting of six men, and two of them proxies, and one opposed to Turner. What course he will pursue we know not, nor do we know how far it will be affected by the remembrance of the part the two proxies at the meeting yesterday took in the August campaign toward himself. He may think the action on yesterday was only a continuation of the fight made against him in August or he may not. It is none of our funeral, and we refer to the matter only in passing.

And as we put upon record the selection of Josiah Turner as the Radical nominee for Congress for this district our mind involuntarily turns back to that solemn scene enacted now near eight years ago in the Capitol Building, when the Governor of North Carolina was on trial for the highest crimes and misdemeanors in office known to the laws of the land. In that trial Mr. Turner was a most conspicuous witness. And with his lips fresh from kissing the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God in witness of the truth of what he should say, he solemnly swore that the account given by Governor Holden, then as now the chief of the Radical party, of the arrest of the witness was "as false as malice could make it." And how plainly Mr. Turner stands out before the mind's eye as he swore under the same solemn sanction that his relations with Governor Holden were "just as they ought to be between a good man and a bad man!" And how plainly, too, we seem to see him as he swore under the same solemn sanction in which he appealed to Almighty God, the witness of truth and the avenger of falsehood, for correctness of his statement, that bitter as his feelings were toward Gov. Holden, that he "thought about as well of him as he did of any man in his political party, and that there was a very little difference between them."

And this is the man the Radicals nominated on yesterday. Verily, if there be such a sentiment as self respect left in a Radical bosom, there will be found Radicals to repudiate the action of the committee.—Raleigh Observer.

WELDON, N. C., Sept. 7th, 1878.

EDITORS ROANOKE NEWS:—Will you do us the favor to publish in your issue of the 14th inst. the enclosed card.

Very truly &c.,
D. C. CLARK,
L. M. LONG.

Whereas, there has been a mutual misunderstanding between W. P. Batchelor Esqr and Spier Whitaker Esqr., and whereas the matter has been referred by said gentlemen to Mr. D. C. Clark on the part of Mr. Spier Whitaker and to Mr. L M Long on the part of Mr. W. P. Batchelor and whereas we are satisfied that the parties have acted hastily and from misapprehension of each other's motives. Now it is mutually agreed that the said parties do mutually withdraw and retract all words, letters, speeches editorials &c., in any manner reflecting on the other. This 6th, Sept. 1878.

D.C. CLARK.
L. M. LONG.