HUMOROUS SELECTIONS.

"In the Arms of Morpheus"—An Indignant Darkey.

Our friend Col. S., residing not a thousand miles from here, informs us that he has a colored youth in his employ who has been with him for some considerable length of time, and for whom, as he has proven himself faithful and trustworthy, he naturally feels some attachment. The young man concluded a short time since that he would like to see a little of the world and take a little recreation, so he applied for permission, which was readily granted, drew the wages due him, amounting to about $150, and departed on a trip up the country. After being absent for some weeks and spending all his money he returned and reported for duty. In a few days afterwards he solicited an interview with Col. S., informing him that during his trip he had met with a dusky damsel who had captured his affections and he wished his employer to write to her for him. The request was complied with, and in due course of mail an answer came written in a very neat female hand, the boy's sweetheart having evidently secured as amanuensis a young lady of culture and refinement. The correspondence was kept up for some time, our friend Col. S. enjoying it as well as the parties more intimately interested. At last there came a *billet doux* abounding more in expressions of tender regard and affection than any that had preceded it, which was duly read to the smitten youth, the concluding lines of which were, as nearly as can be recollected, as follows:

"I think of you the first thing in the morning, and I think of you the last thing at night, as I fall into the arms of Morpheus——"

The reader had progressed thus far when the boy suddenly sprang up, commenced pulling off his coat, and excitedly exclaimed, "In the arms of who? By—, Col. S., *I'll whip that d——d nigger if it costs me half my year's wages.*"—*Wil. Star.*

TWO INSCRIPTIONS.—The *Northern Border* says that a graveyard near Bangor has a monument with the following inscriptions, the first verse of which was written by the wife before her death, and the second by the husband after he had married again:—

"Weep not for me, my dearest dear,
I am not dead, but sleeping here;
Repeat, my love, before you die,
For you must come and sleep with *I*."

"I will not weep, my dearest life,
For I have got another wife;
I cannot come and sleep with thee,
For I must go and sleep with *she*."

A Danbury man who recently lost his wife was asked by a friend whether she died suddenly. "Indeed she did," he exclaimed, with much feeling; "why, only a week afore there was a man around here that wanted to insure her, but I never dreamed of anything happening. And," he added, apologetically, "I don't believe anybody would have thought it to look at her."

It is one of the sweetest and most consoling reflections of the opening season of buds and flowers, when the brooks shall be released from their icy chains and there is a fair promise of the gentle lambs skipping from rock to rock and thistle to thistle, that the nights are rapidly growing briefer and the tyrant rod of the oppressive gray man has been broken to the hopelessness extent.

A country minister of "limited capacity" recently married for a second wife a widow of some property. Being on intimate terms of friendship, a female neighbor asked him if he did not do wrong in the second marriage? "O, yes, indeed," he said, with emphasis; and then, as an expression of conviction came into his face, he added, "and, what is very remarkable, the choice of my wife's first husband just 25 sec."

"Bob, what has become of the grapes?" "I suppose, my dear, the boys picked them all." "as the man drawl, "Hem—here!—some two-legged hoss, I guess," said the husband, with some impetuosity; to which she firmly replied, "My dear, did you ever see any other kind?"

The coming poet in Napoleon, O., warbles:—

"'Tis midnight and the setting sun
is rising in the wide, wide West.
The rapid rivers slowly run;
The frog is on his downy nest;
The pensive ghost and sportive cow
Hilarious hop from bough to bough."

A citizen of Delta, Iowa, writes to the Postmaster-General: "If you don't send some one to run this'ere post-offus purty soon it'll be throwd in the river, for I'm going off on a bear-hunt and can't fool any more."

It is a rule of etiquette in Arkansas that no true gentleman will eat with his leg thrown over the back of his neighbor's chair, if he can help it.

A party of men are digging for gold at Bridgeport. They've struck a rich vein of quarts—but it's quarts of water.

Texas Judges are accommodating fellows. One of them who fined a man three hundred dollars took a twenty dollar mule and called it square.

The word love in the Indian tongue is "schemlendamourtchwager." How nicely it would sound, whispered softly in a lady's ear—"I schemlendamourtchwager you."

Why is a hen sitting on a gate like an old copper cent? Because its head's on one side and its tail's on the other.

An Old Farmer says: Talk about drainage, the surest drain on a farm is a mortgage at a high rate of interest.

Nelson Henderson, a notorious original fiddler of Fayetteville, is dead. Age 83.

LEMON FOR COUGH.—Roast the lemon very carefully without burning it; when it is hot, cut and squeeze into a cup upon three ounces of sugar, finely powdered. Take a teaspoonful whenever your cough troubles you. It is good and agreeable to take. Rarely has it been known to fail of giving relief.

Night Soil.

Night soil is a valuable and extremely powerful manure, richer in nitrogen than horse or cow dung. It should be deodorized before using by sulphate of iron or powdered charcoal. The use of charcoal for deodorizing night soil is attended with peculiar advantages, as it is of itself, from causes not entirely ascertained, one of the best auxiliary manures known to agriculture. Wherever charcoal is present to a considerable amount in the soil, there grapes and all kinds of fruits flourish luxuriantly and mildew is unknown. Charcoal and gypsum are the best deodorizers of night soil, as they both fix the ammonia. Lime should never be used with night soil, nor indeed in the composting of any animal excrements, as it drives off the ammonia. As before stated, plants take up their food in the liquid and gaseous condition, which, of itself, shows conclusively that the urine of all animals should be given to the soil.

Plant grape vines as soon as the soil is in proper condition, using no manure. Cut back the canes to three eyes, only one of which should be allowed to grow. Plow old vineyards and apply a dressing of coarse ground bones. Posts for trellises may be set whenever the frost is well out.

In planting out new beds of strawberries, remove all runners not wanted for planting from the old beds. Set the plants in rows two feet apart, and eighteen inches in the rows. Mulch with leaves or cut straw to keep the newly planted beds from drying out during the summer, and upon old beds to promote growth and keep the fruit clean. Use well rotted manure before setting out plants.

Make cutting of such varieties of currants as are wanted, and plant four inches asunder in rows two feet apart, taking care to press the earth firmly around the base of the cutting.

A Salisbury barber has shaved 1120 persons during the last twelve months.

THE ERA.

THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 1874.

CORRESPONDENCE.

It must not be understood that THE ERA endorses the sentiments of its correspondents in every instance. Its columns are open to the friends of the party, and their communications will be given to the public as containing the views and sentiments of the writers.

To the Editor of the Era:

Would it not be well for you to suggest editorially through your paper, the time for the Wake County Convention? We have no authorized County Executive Committee, and hence no one is especially empowered to call a Convention. It is best that it is so. The people of Wake should meet in mass Convention, as well to organize, as to nominate candidates. Let us have a free expression of will, and not a Convention packed by rings and cliques. FAIR PLAY.

Thomas R. Purnell—A Word from an Old Schoolmate.

To the Editor of the Era:

It was with pleasure that I heard of the nomination of Thomas R. Purnell for the suffrages of the people of this State as a candidate for the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, because I have known him from boyhood and can testify to his many qualities for the fulfillment of the duties of the place. He is a well read lawyer, a man of letters, and the descendant of one of the best governors that this state has ever had. I allude to Edward B. Dudley, of New Hanover, the grandfather of Mr. Purnell.

This distinguished man was the first Governor ever elected by the people of this State at the polls, after the election was taken from the hands of the Legislature, defeating his opponent Gov. Richard D. Speight, Sr., by 6,000 majority. Gov. Dudley was the man who built the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad also, and his first message to the General Assembly urged, as it has never been urged before or since, the building of the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford road, which his grandson will live to see a monument of his ancestor's wisdom and eloquence.

Besides this, Mr. Purnell is likewise connected with the family of Ex-Governor Charles Manly, his grandmother having been the sister of the venerable lady of that distinguished gentleman and the daughter of W. H. Haywood, Sr., of this city.

The wife of our young friend is also a charming and accomplished lady from Salem, N. C., where her many friends will hail the promotion of her husband with great delight, since Mr. Purnell enjoys a deserved popularity wherever he is known.

Now, sir, I come to speak of other matters. I am a schoolmate, or was, of Mr. Purnell, and remember him both in the recitation room and on the play ground as a bright, companionable friend, whose studies were always up to the mark and whose sociable nature rendered him the centre of an attractive group of youths. Of that group, some are now dead, but the survivors hold "Tom" in their hearts and memories most fondly, and will be all pleased as I have been to witness his advancement and success in life.

Mr. Purnell is a ripe scholar for his age. He is a fine public speaker, a man of will and courage in a word, the worthy descendant of Edward B. Dudley. The Republican party could not have had a better choice made for them. Let us hold up his hands, therefore, and seat him in the office whose affairs he can administer with unusual ability.

Sincerely yours,
RALEIGH.

April 9th, 1874.

Col. Henderson.

To the Editor of the Era:

I notice a communication in the ERA of the second signed "E," the sentiments of which I am confident a majority of the Republicans of Davidson county fully indorse. I have recently conversed with a large number of the leading Republicans of this county, all of whom declared their preference for Col. Henderson to represent them in the next United States Congress. I am perfectly satisfied that he will make a faithful representative of the district, and as to his *merits* there is no question. The sentiments of our people fully coincide with those of "E," and we feel assured if Col. H. has justice awarded him, there will be no doubt as to his nomination in the District Convention or his subsequent election. We recommend Col. Henderson upon his *own* merits, and if the Republicans do their duty, there can be no doubt as to the result.

A REPUBLICAN OF THE OLD SCHOOL.

Lexington, April 3, 1874.

The 7th Congressional District.

To the Editor of the Era:

Knowing your wish to see our party successful in all things, and taking advantage of your invitation to all good Republicans to communicate freely and frequently their wishes and views regarding party matters, I submit a few remarks to our friends in the 7th Congressional District.

That District gave the Hon. Senator Merrimon the fifth rib thrust, which dissipated his hopes of gubernatorial honors and caused the New York Democrats, who bet on North Carolina, to lose their money. Represented in Congress at present by Mack Robbins, the whole State looks anxiously for a change of some sort, and the more radical that change the better.

Knowing most of the district by heart and the tone and tenor of its people, I suggest that Col. Tom Long, of Rowan, be put upon the track as our candidate, and let us see what he "knows about farming."

His are no maiden spurs, and well-heeled for the fight there is a possibility that Democratic wool would fly ere the sun set on the first Thursday in August. Long is really a good, stirring speaker, and would warm up the old Union men of the mountains, who are straying after false gods, causing their return to the fold where they of right belong.

Robbins has preached and prayed through Wilkes and Watauga till a little *cussing* would be refreshing by way of contrast to the mountain mind, and at this the Colonel is no indifferent hand. We are not advised as to who wants the nomination; but suppose that it will not go begging, so long as our American parties furnish their regular quota of patriots, anxious to offer themselves willing victims on the altar of their country.

We judge Mr. Furches, of Statesville, will not want to try it again, though he made a fair race before, all things considered. That noble old Roman, Dr. Jones, of Rowan, it is understood, positively declines. There is no man in the mountain end of the district who is at all well acquainted with the Eastern end, where nearly all the votes lie; while Long's position as special agent of the P. O. Department has made him well and favorably known from the Yadkin west.

Rowan, with 1,100 Republican votes, is entitled to this honor, if it be an honor to sweat through six weeks of hot weather answering every conceivable lie that Ku Klux-ism can charge on the great party which gave life to the Union and freedom to the slave.

We venture to hope that these few remarks may not be as seed sown on the highway, but that an exercise of cool judgment and impartiality will show them to be of some account. We are one of the

ORIGINAL PANEL.

An Old Unionist Heard From.

To the Editor of the Era:

Permit me to thank you for the pointed editorial in your issue of the 7th inst., in reference to the appointment of John Spelman as Chief Clerk to the Superintendent of the United States Courthouse and Postoffice, to be erected in the city of Raleigh. The appointment of this man is indeed an outrage upon the Republican party. I would as soon have expected to have learned that Joe Turner had been honored by an appointment to office from Republicans.

I am one of the old issue Republicans. I was one long before I dared proclaim it. I was a Union man during the war, and the recollection of the course pursued by this man Spelman is fresh in my mind. I cannot but recollect the efforts he exerted in his paper to persecute and hound down men of my stripe in those dark and dismal days. He was then floating with the popular current. With the Confederacy at his back, and its organ in Raleigh, he led and suggested the persecutions imposed upon us. The influence of his paper, more than anything else, induced the rigid enforcement of the conscription law. He then desired to drive us all into the rebel ranks, and demanded that no favors or leniency be shown any man tainted with Unionism. We were hurried to the front, while the pampered favorites of the sesech confederacy were assigned to bomb-proofs, in some commissary or quartermaster department, to provost duty, or given a sinecure in some hospital. His paper weekly praised the efforts of conscript officers who showed their zeal in the rear by hunting us through woods and swamps with guns and dogs.

When the stars and stripes again floated over our persecuted heads, I hailed it as the day of deliverance. I expected no reward, and have asked none, for my devotion to the Union. It was a heart-offering. But I never expected to see such arch-enemies as he proclaimed himself to be, given office under the restored Union. It is a burning shame and disgrace, an insult to loyalty and republicanism, and its tendency is to humiliate and degrade every honest and true Republican in the State. Permit me, sir, humbly to suggest that if it is the policy of individuals whom the Republicans elect to high places to fill the offices within their gift or influence with unrepentant rebel Democrats, and thereby insult decency and the self-respect of those who elect them, it is truly time for us to "unload" in earnest, and the sooner the better. This is the opinion of an old

UNION MAN OF 1861-'62.

Merry Oaks, April 9th, 1874.

Matters in Orange.

To the Editor of the Era:

As when a cloud charged with positive electricity meets another charged with negative, engendering thunder and lightning, so the political elements in Orange, imitating the natural, are becoming more and more disturbed as summer approaches. The first and faintest shocks will occur in May, when it is proposed to establish a "Republican form of government" in that ancient town on Eno river, by some called the "Athens of North Carolina," but better known as Hillsboro; and at the same time whiskey will "go up" or down, but it most generally goes *down* in "Athens."

There will occur a series of severe shocks when the Conservatives hold their nominating Conventions; for there are many of that persuasion in Hillsboro who are exceedingly anxious to serve their country. Yes, sir, if Hillsboro has her way, she can almost be rebuilt by the funds from the public coffers which will pour into her broad and ever receptive lap. Col. Thos. Ruffin and Mr. Fred. Strudwick are put forward by the *Recorder* for Judge and Solicitor of this Judicial District. Mr. Thomas Webb and Mr. Josiah Turner would be very willing to serve the people of the Metropolitan District in Congress. Calvin Parish, Esq., desires to have Senatorial quality "thrust upon him," and probably will have it "thrust" if Governor Graham or John do not desire it. A. W. Graham would like to be in the lower House, but will not be a candidate if John is nominated for the Senate, which, to say the least of it, is very magnanimous! But Messrs. George and John Laws are not altogether so magnanimous, for they are anxious to retain their present positions of Clerk of the Superior Court and Register of Deeds.

Father Norwood would not mind being Judge, or even Senator again, but Jo. Turner thinks he is too old, and says that age has not bestowed upon him sufficient wisdom to prevent him from making public his private correspondence. So it seems probable that Mr. Turner's influence, superadded to the proposition to pay ten per cent. of the Special Tax bonds, will have the effect of placing Father Norwood's head under the *fence*, which he was so anxious to pull down.

There is no talk of Dr. Jones again being a candidate. It is generally supposed that he was so much disgusted with the last Legislature that he is unwilling to risk his reputation for good sense by desiring to return again. The Doctor is the only man of prominence hereabouts, who is not a candidate. So you percieve, the people of Hillsboro are very patriotic, and, like the citizens of that ancient city, whence it derives its cognomen, very desirous of serving their country!

There seems to be some opposition, coming from the country people, Chapel Hill and Durham, to the course which "Athens" has marked out for herself. Many of the country Conservatives want William N. Patterson to be Clerk instead of George Laws, and urge in his favor that he has acted as County Commissioner for six years and lost money by it, while by his skill and prudence as a financier he has entirely freed the county from debt. But "Uncle George" knows how to "work the wires," and I have no doubt that Billy Patterson will be "struck," and know, this time, who hit him. John Laws belongs to both the Democratic and Republican parties, or neither, just as you desire, and no doubt will have an easy walk over the course as Register. Chapel Hill desires her Jones Watson to return to the legislative halls; but the people generally think, that as Jones tried so hard to pull down their fences last August, they will put his head under the fence alongside that of Father Norwood. Durham wishes her manufacturing interests represented; and Flat River desires to place another Mangum in our State councils. So you see that Orange, instead of being disloyal, is really one of the most patriotic counties in the whole country.

The Republicans view these phenomena most serenely. We are alive and awake to the great importance of the next campaign, and will do our best as we have ever done. We hope to reduce the Conservative majority considerably and are satisfied that we can.

Yours, ORANGE.

B. F. Bullock, Esq., of Franklin County.

To the Editor of the Era:

Very prominent among the rising young men of the Republican party, is the gentleman whose name heads this article. Already he has won for himself, at the bar, an enviable reputation as counsellor and advocate. He is a "true, tried and trusty" Republican. He is sober, honest, frank, and inspires the respect and confidence of all with whom he deals. He is social, affable, genial and popular. He is a native of the District, and "to the manor born." Without disparagement of others, we may safely say that there are few young men of the party who are, all in all, so perfectly qualified for high and important official station. He belongs to a large influential family, and would command a strong popular vote, especially in Franklin and Granville.

In the choice of a candidate for *Solicitor* of the 6th Judicial District, the Convention will probably deem it politic to select some other than a resident of Raleigh. It would be well that no complaint be made of partiality for citizens of the State Capital. There is much local patronage dispensed there from the various departments and institutions. So policy, as well as justice, would direct the attention of nominating conventions to the claims of other counties.

We therefore most earnestly present the name of B. F. BULLOCK, of Franklin, for Solicitor of the 6th Judicial District. In doing so it is proper to add that it is done without the knowledge of Mr. B. We have had neither conference nor correspondence with him or his immediate friends upon the subject, and it is impossible that he can have even a remote idea of the authorship of this communication.

E PLURIBUS UNUM.

Withdrawal of Quent. Busbee, Esq.

To the Editor of the Era:

Please give the following note to my Republican friends in this Judicial District an insertion, and you will greatly oblige the subscriber.

I have been solicited by Republicans in this, Johnston and Warren counties, to suffer my name to be run as a candidate for Solicitor in this Judicial District. At first I consented; but recently, circumstances have arisen of such a nature that I am constrained to ask my friends to withdraw my name from all connection with that office. My private engagements until the middle of June will so engross my time, that I could not possibly canvass the District as thoroughly as the candidate should do; and my duty to others will not permit me to ignore those engagements, unless the success and integrity of the Republican party demand it, in which case, no citizen has a right to refuse the call of the party.

I am, and have been since 1868, a Republican from principle. I have never sought an office, and I don't think I ever shall. And if the Republicans in the District will regularly nominate some person of ability and experience for Solicitor, no one will more cheerfully support and work for him than I will. In the language however, of our President, we have got to unload—to purge the party from the burden of chronic place-hunters. Both white and colored Republicans are determined on this, and are also determined to free themselves from rings and cliques. Let us go to work harmoniously, and with honesty and integrity as our watchword we can easily carry the State in August next. QUENT. BUSBEE.

Raleigh, April 8, 1874.

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POLITICAL.

Republican Organization.

The following is the latest arrangement of counties into judicial districts for this State. In every district an election for solicitor occurs on Thursday, the 6th day of August, this year.

And in the first, third, fourth, fifth, seventh, and ninth districts, elections are held by law for judges. Four years hence the other six districts elect judges:—

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Currituck, Chowan,
Camden, Gates,
Pasquotank, Tyrrell,
Perquimans, Hyde,
Dare.

SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Bertie, Martin,
Hertford, Beaufort,
Washington, Pitt,
Edgecombe.

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Wilson, Lenior,
Wayne, Jones,
Craven, Greene,
Pamlico.

FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Carteret, Bladen,
Brunswick, New Hanover,
Columbus, Onslow,
Robeson, Duplin,
Sampson.

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Harnett, Union,
Moore, Anson,
Montgomery, Richmond,
Stanley, Cumberland.

SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Northampton, Johnston,
Nash, Wake,
Warren, Granville,
Franklin, Halifax.

SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Guilford, Rockingham,
Caswell, Person,
Orange Chatham,
Randolph, Alamance.

EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Surry, Davie,
Yadkin, Rowan,
Davidson, Forsythe,
Stokes.

NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Polk, Rutherford,
Cleaveland, Lincoln,
Gaston, Mecklenburg,
Cabarrus,

TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Catawba, Alexander,
Caldwell, Alleghany,
Ashe, Wilkes,
Iredell.

ELEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Watauga, McDowell,
Henderson, Buncombe,
Madison, Yancey
Mitchell, Burke.

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Graham, Clay,
Cherokee, Macon,
Swain, Jackson,
Haywood, Transylvania.

Below is published the district organization of the republican party, by congressional districts as adopted for the campaign of 1872.

To these committees belong the duty of calling the district conventions for this Spring, and they are here reproduced for the benefit and information of all the republicans concerned.

SECOND DISTRICT.

The republican district convention which met at Wilson, May 9, 1872, elected a district executive committee as follows, with Colonel Thomas Powers, chairman:—

Craven county, Thomas Powers.
Wayne county, H. L. Grant.
Edgecombe county, Alex. McCabe.
Lenoir county, R. W. King.
Greene county, Chas. H. Harper.
Halifax county, Henry Eppes.
Northampton county, J. W. Newsom.
Wilson county, G. W. Stanton.
Jones county, Jno. S. Andrews.
Warren county, Jno. A. Hyman.

THIRD DISTRICT.

The executive committee for the third congressional district, as constituted by the republican convention which met at Clinton, Sampson county, May 22, 1872, is as follows, with W. P. Canaday, chairman:—

New Hanover, W. P. Canaday.
Onslow, E. B. Sanders.
Harnett, J. S. Harrington.
Carteret, A. C. Davis.
Duplin, Enoch Hill.
Brunswick, E. M. Rosafy.
Cumberland, A. G. Thornton.
Columbus, R. N. Maultsby.
Bladen, Evander Singletary.
Sampson, Clinton Ward.
Moore, A. R. McDonald.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

The republican convention for the fifth congressional district, which met at Greensboro, May 15, 1872, constituted the following executive committee for that district:—

S. C. Barnett, of Person.
Wilson Cary, of Caswell.
H. M. Ray, of Alamance.
S. A. Douglas, of Rockingham.
Thomas B. Keogh, of Guilford.
R. F. Trogden, of Randolph.
Henderson Adams, of Davidson.
A. H. Joyce, of Stokes.

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

The following gentlemen compose the Executive Committee of the Republican party for the Seventh Congressional District:

David L. Bringle, of Rowan, Ch'n.
J. B. Howell, of Alexander.
A. B. Carson, of Alleghany.
Eli Graybeal, of Ashe.
R. L. Patterson, of Forsythe.
J. J. Mott, of Iredell.
Samuel Forkner, of Surry.
James H. Foote, of Wilkes.
Lewis B. Banner, of Watauga.
William B. Glenn, of Yadkin.
William B. March, of Davie.

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POLITICAL.

REPUBLICAN RESOLUTIONS.

The following is the platform of the Republican party in North Carolina adopted in Convention at Raleigh, April 17, 1872:—

The Republicans of North Carolina in Convention assembled do

Resolve, 1. That the platform and principles of the Republican party of North Carolina, as heretofore enunciated in its Conventions, are hereby re-affirmed, and events have proved that their practical enforcement is essential to the welfare of the country, and to the maintainence of the rights, interests and liberties of the people.

2. That the Administration of President Grant meets, with our hearty and unqualified approval, and our delegates to the National Republican Convention, to assemble at Philadelphia on the 5th day of June next, are instructed to vote for his re-nomination to the Presidency of the United States.

3. That the Republican party of North Carolina favors as rapid a dimunition and as early an extinction of all internal revenue taxation as the exigencies of the Government will permit, for the reason that the details of its collection are necessarily offensive, and in many respects, oppressive to the people.

4. That all internal revenue taxes on the distillation of fruit ought to be abolished.

5. That the republican party of North Carolina recommend to the congress of the United States the passage of a general amnesty bill, and the adoption of all necessary measures for the enforcement and protection of the civil and political rights of all classes of American citizens.

6. That in a free and and representative government, we recognize the paramount obligatian to provide efficiently for the general education of the people, and we favor such legislation as will accomplish that end; that we respectfully recommend and ask of the national government, such aid, by the provision of a public fund, or the donatton of public lands to the purpeses of establishing schools in the several States, as will secure to the masses of the people of all classes the benefits of a liberal education.

7. That we fully endorse the acts of congress, passed to secure equal rights and protection to the citizens of the United States, in the several States; and we respectfully recommend a continuance of the present laws and the adoption of such further legislation as will more certainly secure to the citizens, full and practical enjoyment of all their rights, privileges and liberties.

8. In the opinion of this convention, the democratic majority of the last legislature, by consolidating into one act its numerous propositions to amend the State constitution, endeavored to force upon the people a false issue, and to coerce them into the adoption of obnoxious amendments, and insomuch as all these propositions must be submitted to the next legislature for ratification, before the same can be referred to the people, therefore,

Resolved, 1. That the amendments proposed as a whole do not meet the approval of the Republican party, because their adoption would subvert essential principles of the existing Constitution.

2. That Republicans can endorse a portion of said amendments and the next General Assembly may adopt such of them as shall seem best for the general welfare.

9. That we cordially endorse the administration of Gov. Caldwell, and recognize the fact that our people may rely upon his firmness in upholding their interests and defending their rights; and we heartily thank him for resisting the revolutionary purposes of those who designed to deprive the citizen of the protection afforded by the State Constitution.

10. That forgetful of personal preferences we pledge ourselves to support earnestly and without reserve, the candidates presented by this convention, believing that in unity alone is strength, and that principles are more important than men to the republicans of North Carolina.

The following is the plan of organization which was adopted:—

Resolved, That hereafter the organization of the republican party of North Carolina shall be as follows:—

1. A State Executive Committee of eleven members, to be appointed by the president of the State convention; and the presidents of the convention shall be *ex officio* one of the members of such committee.

2. A Congressional District Committee for each district, to be composed of one member from each county, to be appointed by the Congressional District Convention.

3. A County Executive Committee to be composed of one member from each township, to be appointed by the County Convention.

4. A committee of five for each township, to be appointed by the people.

Resolved, That the present organization shall continue to exist until the new one shall be effected.

Resolved, That the representation in the county conventions shall be in accordance with the plan of organization of the party heretofore adopted.

RALEIGH, Feb. 12, 1874.

The republican members of the legislature, in joint caucus assembled, representing, as they believe, the unanimous feeling of the republicans of North Carolina do

Resolve, 1st. That the education of the poor children of the State so shamefully neglected in the past, is a duty the performance of which we have attempted to obtain from this general assembly controlled by a large democratic majority, and in which we have failed, but we shall never cease our efforts to obtain the same at the hands of the government, of North Carolina, and we confidently rely upon the people to sustain us.

2. That it is to the best interest of the people of North Carolina, that her great works of internal improvement shall be pushed vigorously to completion, and to that end every available resource shall be applied.

3. That the truest economy dictates that the vast mineral and agricultural wealth of our trans-montane counties should be unlocked and poured into the markets of the world, by the speedy construction of both branches of the Western North Carolina railroad, both to Ducktown and Paint Rock, and the republicans east of the mountains pledge themselves to cooperate with the people of the west in any and all plans which will accomplish this end.

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