

WHIG STATE CONVENTION

WELLSVILLE, FEBRUARY 18, 1848.

At 12 o'clock, the Convention was called to order by Mr. Gilliam, of Granville, who moved that the Hon. RICHARD HINES, of Wake, be appointed President of the Convention which was carried unanimously.

The President being conducted to the Chair, by Messrs. Gilliam and Kerr, returned his acknowledgments in a neat Address.

On motion of Mr. Waddell, of Orange, for the further organization of the Convention, the following gentlemen were appointed Vice Presidents, viz: Wm. Albright, of Chatham, N. T. Green, of Warren, N. L. Williams, of Surry, John Blackwell, of Craven.

On motion of Mr. Gales to complete the organization of the Convention, R. W. Lassiter, of Granville, and Ch. C. Raboteau, of Franklin, were appointed Secretaries.

The roll being called, it appeared that the following Counties were represented by the Delegates named, to wit: Beaufort—Grist, W. W. Tripp, W. Demill, A. Grist, Thomas D. Smaw, Henry L. Harvey.

Bertie—Sturke B. Smith. Bladen—A. J. Jones. Brunswick—S. D. Everitt. Caswell—John Kerr, Th. H. Hatchell, James N. Fuller.

Chatham—N. A. Svedman, Wm. Albright, Jos. Bynum, Turner Bynum, J. C. Poe, R. N. Fauett, James Taylor, A. M. Bedges, Thomas Whitehead, Thomas Lassiter, J. N. Clegg, John T. Clegg.

Craven—John Blackwell, Guion Scott. Cumberland—Rufus Barringer. Currituck—W. S. Mullins, James Banks, D. Johnson, Dr. McKay.

Edgecombe—R. W. Vick. Franklin—J. H. Brodie, W. B. Foster, James B. Sims, J. H. Davis, Richard Noble, A. McNight, T. A. Person, Sam'l. Patterson, Ch. C. Raboteau, B. B. Lewis, D. S. Hill, Joshua Perry.

Granville—C. H. Wiley, John R. Herndon, R. W. Lassiter, R. H. Kingsbury, P. P. Pease, Jos. ph A. Person, R. B. Gilliam, Bourbon Smith, N. M. Lawrence, Clement Wilkins.

Guilford—L. D. Spraggins, H. V. Holcombe, G. A. Gillespie. Halifax—W. L. Long, Sidney Weller, T. P. Devereux.

Haywood—K. Rayner. Hyde—R. J. Wynne, J. A. Ballance, Joseph E. Blount, David Carter.

Johnston—John McLeod, J. B. Beckwith, Arch. Sanders, W. H. McCullers, Sen., W. R. Moore, W. H. Sanders, J. T. Leach, Henry Finch, Jos. Hare, Dr. Hackney.

Lenoir—Walter Dann. Nash—D. S. Crenshaw. New Hanover—J. Loring, F. C. Hill.

Wm. Long, W. W. Adams, A. Wilson, W. Thompson, S. F. Phillips, Thos. Cameron, J. W. Barr, M. C. Herndon, P. P. Moore, S. B. Durham.

Pitt—F. B. Satterthwaite, A. Meys, Jas. Joyner. Person—John Barnell.

Richmond—J. W. Covington. Rockingham—Dr. N. Joyner. Surry—N. L. Williams.

Wake—Richard Hines, W. R. Gales, J. H. Manly, T. M. Oliver, A. Jones, James Iredell, T. J. Lomax, G. Wiley, W. J. Fuller, James B. Nunn, G. W. Haywood, R. W. Haywood, S. Budsall, John Primrose, J. R. Debusan, Ransom Poole, K. P. Hill, W. H. Jones.

Warren—N. T. Green, W. S. Ransom, Sam'l. E. Phillips.

On motion of Mr. Jos. E. Blount, Mr. Harrison, of Washington, and Mr. Langdon, of Carteret, were invited to take seats in the Convention, as honorary members.

The President presented a letter from the Hon. J. H. Bryan, who had been requested to represent Haywood and Cherokee Counties, regretting his unavoidable absence.

Read and laid on the table. Mr. Waddell, of Orange, offered the following Resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee, to consist of two from each Congressional District, represented in the Convention, be appointed by the Members from the respective Districts, whose duty it shall be to ascertain the sense of the convention in regard to the person to be selected as the Whig candidate for Governor that the Committees-men from each District, shall reflect the wishes of a majority of the members of the Convention from each District, in the choice of a Nominee, that, in making up their report, the members (or member, if there be but one) on the Committee from each District, shall be entitled to voice, and that said Committee report the result of their deliberations to the Convention.

This Resolution was debated by Mr. Satterthwaite, in opposition, and Mr. Rayner in its favor; and the question on its adoption was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Rayner offered a Resolution, which being modified and amended, on motion of Mr. Miller, was adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That a Committee of twenty, to consist of two members from each Electoral District in the State, be appointed by the Chair, whose duty it shall be to prepare Resolutions expressive of the sense of the Convention, in reference to the political issues now pending, and the more thorough organization of the Whig party in this State.

The following invitation was received from the Excellency, the Governor: Governor Graham presents his respects to the Whig Convention, and begs that its members, each and all, will favor him with their Company, this evening at 8 o'clock.

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Which invitation was accepted by acclamation.

On motion of Col. Long, the Convention took a recess until 4 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION. The Congressional Districts being called over by the Secretary, the following Committees, to form a Nominating Committee, were reported, namely:

1st District.—Not represented. 2d District.—N. L. Williams. 3d District.—R. Barringer, J. W. Covington.

4th District.—H. W. Holcombe, Noah Joyner. 5th District.—John Kerr, Hugh Waddell.

6th District.—John McLeod, D. S. Hill. 7th District.—W. S. Mullins, A. J. Jones. 8th District.—F. B. Satterthwaite, Guion Scott.

9th District.—S. B. Smith, Samuel Calvert. On motion of Mr. Rayner, the above Committee had leave to retire, and sit during the session of the Convention.

The Chair appointed the following Committee, from the Electoral Districts to prepare Resolutions, &c. under the Resolution adopted this morning, viz:

1st District.—K. Rayner, S. B. Smith, 2d District.—Alfred Moys, David Carter. 3d District.—W. L. Long, H. W. Miller.

4th District.—John McLeod, John Blackwell. 5th District.—J. W. Covington, Thos. Loring. 6th District.—W. Albright, W. S. Mullins.

7th District.—H. Waddell, John Kerr. 8th District.—N. L. Williams, Noah Joyner. 9th District.—Rufus Barringer.

10th and 11th Districts.—Not represented. Mr. Ransom of Warren, introduced a Resolution, which being amended, on motion of Mr. Banks, of Cumberland, was read as follows:

Resolved, That the Nominee for Governor is not required to canvass the State, unless the candidate of the Democratic party shall commence canvassing, or be required to do so.

The Resolution was supported by Messrs. Ransom Iredell and Banks. Mr. Wynne, of Hyde, moved that said Resolution be laid on the table; which was carried.

The Chair presented a letter from R. S. Burney, appointed a delegate to this Convention from Brunswick County who was prevented from attending; which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Kerr, from the Nominating Committee, reported that they had made some progress, and asked leave to sit again, which was granted.

It was decided in the negative by Tellers—Ayes 27, Noes 60.

On motion of Mr. Gales, the Convention adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 23D. The Convention was called to order at 10 o'clock pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Waddell, of Orange, from the nominating Committee, asked leave to report, which being granted.

Mr. Waddell announced to the Convention, that the Committee had unanimously agreed to report to the convention, the name of CHARLES MANLY, of Raleigh, as the Whig Candidate for Governor.

The question on agreeing to the report of the Committee was carried unanimously.

Mr. Kerr then moved that a Committee of three be appointed by the President, to wait on Mr. Manly, and inform him of his nomination.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Long, Satterthwaite, and Stedman. Mr. Long, from the committee, subsequently reported, that they had performed the duty assigned them, and that Mr. Manly was present in person, to speak for himself.

On invitation, Mr. Manly was then conducted into the Hall, and was received with loud applause.

In an eloquent and beautiful address, full of the deepest confidence, and of the most cheering sentiments, he responded to, and accepted his nomination.

Having concluded, on motion of Mr. Rayner, Mr. Manly was invited to occupy a seat in this convention, as an honorary member.

Mr. Rayner, from the Committee of 23, appointed to prepare Resolutions, &c., reported the following Preambles and Resolutions:

WHEREAS, As the Representatives of the Whigs of the State, in the Convention assembled, for the purpose of deliberating on the best means of promoting the public good, we deem it due to the cause of truth, and the success of our principles, that we should briefly set forth the grounds of our action in the coming political contest.

4. Therefore Resolved, That our conviction of the truth, and our devotion to the cause of the great Conservative principles of the Whig party, are not only unchanged and unimpaired, but the present alarming condition of the Country growing out of the misrule of the party in power, whilst fulfilling our predilections serves to convince us still more of the necessity of persevering perseverance, in the support and maintenance of those principles.

5. Resolved, That we look upon the course of the present Administration, in their warfare upon American Industry, in their reckless management of the public treasury, their wasteful expenditures in diverting the public land fund from its rightful purposes, their direct and open countenance and encouragement to the violation

of law and order; their prostitution of public office to the acquisition of partisan support, as utterly in conflict with the Constitution, destructive of public morals, avarice with the spirit of our free institutions, and tending ultimately to the overthrow of civil liberty.

3. Resolved, That while our opinions remain unchanged in regard to these old issues, on which we have for years, combated the party in power, yet we consider the perilous condition of the country, growing out of an unnecessary and unconstitutional war—began in a spirit of selfish ambition, and persisted in with a view to party triumph—as presenting a new issue, which, for the time being, over-awes and transcends, in importance, all the old questions, which have heretofore divided parties, momentous and important as those questions are.

4. Resolved, That we consider the ordering of the march of the Army of the United States, by the President, James K. Polk in the face of the pledge which had been given by the American Congress, in the terms of Texas annexation that the boundary betwixt Texas and Mexico should be settled by peaceful negotiation, as an unauthorized aggression upon the rights of a neighboring nation and as unbefitting that magnanimity and sense of justice, which should have marked the course of a great and powerful Government towards a weak and distracted one.

5. Resolved, That even if this country had had sufficient grounds for war against Mexico, yet, as the Constitution expressly reserves to Congress alone, the power to make war, we view the conduct of the President James K. Polk, in bringing about and causing to "exist a state of war," by ordering Gen. Taylor to invade the territory in dispute, between the United States and Mexico, as a manifest usurpation of the authority of Congress and as a palpable violation of the Constitution of his country.

6. Resolved, That this unnecessary, expensive, and unconstitutional war, ought to be terminated as soon as possible, consistently with the honor of the country; that too many of our sons have already fallen; that too much of our treasure has already been wasted; that millions of acres of conquered territory cannot compensate us for the loss of the one, and the expenditure of the other and that in negotiating a Peace, we owe it to our position among the nations of the earth, not to force harsh and oppressive terms upon a conquered and prostrated foe.

7. Resolved, That we would prefer that the negotiations for Peace should be conducted with a view to the establishment of an equitable boundary line between us and Mexico and the acquisition of a safe and convenient harbor on the Pacific but that we are entirely opposed to forcibly wresting from Mexico, by conquest any portion of her territory.

8. Resolved, That while we sympathize with a view to conquest, yet we cannot withhold the meed of our admiration and approval of the conduct of those Officers and men of our Army and Navy, who have gallantly sustained the American flag; and who have exhibited in the eminent degree, the virtue of loyalty and obedience to superior authority; whilst prosecuting a war upon a system and for purposes which many of them, in their judgment, condemn.

9. Resolved, That we view the course of the Administration, in their warfare upon Generals Taylor and Scott as evincing a spirit of jealousy and ingratitude, inconsistent with all the high impulses of justice and honor; that we will as far as in us lies, sustain those gallant commanders against the assault of malignity and oppression; and will cherish their names as identified with American prowess and glory.

10. Resolved, That the position taken by our Senators in Congress, the Hon. Whittle P. Mangum and the Hon. George E. Badger, in reference to the further prosecution of the Mexican War, meets our entire approbation and that we fully endorse the sentiments expressed by the latter, in his late able and unanswerable Speech, in the Senate on that subject.

11. Resolved, That our present Governor the Hon. William A. Graham, is entitled to our high commendation and our thanks, for the very able impartial and satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office; and that on retiring from the Executive Chair, he will carry with him the esteem and approbation of us all.

12. Resolved, That the time has arrived when the Whigs of the Union should put forth every effort; that we think upon their success greatly depends the security of our rights, and the perpetuity of our Institutions; that, at this time, above all others, compromise and harmony should prevail in our councils; that Union is the first great pre-requisite to success, and that therefore we approve the National Whig Convention to be held in Philadelphia, on the 7th of June next; that we will abide the nomination of said Convention for the offices of President and Vice President and supporting its nominees; and that we deem it advisable that the Whigs of North Carolina should be represented in said Convention.

13. Resolved, That John M. Morehead of Guilford, and John Kerr, of Caswell, be appointed as Delegates to represent the Whigs of the State at large in the National Whig Convention, and that the Whigs of the respective Congressional districts are hereby advised to hold District Conventions with a view to the selection of one Delegate to represent the Whigs of said District in Convention, and to the forming a Whig Electoral Ticket for the State.

14. Resolved, That our Whig brethren throughout the State, be and they are hereby appealed to by every consideration that addresses itself to the heart of the

Patriot to arouse themselves and make a still more vigorous and determined effort in behalf of our principles and our cause; to keep constantly in view the fact, that on the next General Assembly will devolve the election of a Senator in Congress for six years, to complete a more thorough system of Whig organization in the several Counties; and that we do hereby pledge ourselves to each other, and call on the Whigs of the State to rally the same, that we will use our most vigorous efforts to secure a Whig victory in both August and November next.

The Resolutions were read, and unanimously adopted.

Mr. Rayner introduced the following Resolution.

Resolved, That our admiration and attachment for the great American Statesman Henry Clay are unabated; and that we will ever cherish the most profound gratitude for the eminent and distinguished services he has rendered his country.

Which was unanimously adopted. Mr. Kerr introduced the following Resolution:

Resolved, That we have the highest confidence in the honesty, integrity and patriotism of General Zachary Taylor and that we feel profound gratitude to him for the service rendered to his country.

Which was also unanimously adopted. Mr. Kerr nominated the following gentlemen to compose the central Committee, namely: W. R. Gales, Alfred Jones G. W. Haywood, Richard Hines, T. J. Lemy, John H. Bryan, H. W. Husted, and H. W. Miller.

Mr. Rayner moved to amend the nomination by adding one from each Congressional district, and that five should be a quorum for the transaction of business, which was accepted by Mr. Kerr, and the motion and nominations were adopted by the Convention.

Mr. Banks, of Fayetteville, announced that he had just received a Telegraphic despatch from Fayetteville announcing that the intelligence of Mr. Manly's nomination had been received with great pleasure by the citizens of that place.

On motion of Mr. Kingsbury, E. B. Dudley and Robt. B. Gilliam were appointed alternate Delegates to the Baltimore Convention.

The Convention was then addressed by Messrs. Satterthwaite, of Pitt, Wynne, of Hyde, and McLeod of Johnston.

Mr. Satterthwaite moved that a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair, to prepare the proceeding of this Convention for publication in the Whig papers of the State.

The Convention then took a recess, until half past 3, P. M.

Afternoon Session. The President appointed the following members of the Central Committee, one from each Congressional District in pursuance of the Resolution adopted this morning, viz: T. S. Galloway, Rufus Barringer, Hugh Waddell, C. L. Hinton, K. Rayner E. Stanly and E. J. Hale.

The President also appointed the following Committee on the revision and publication of the Proceedings of this Convention namely: Messrs. Rayner, Gales and G. W. Haywood.

Messrs. Banks and Mullins of Fayetteville Mr. Kerr, Mr. Miller and Mr. Waddell then addressed the Convention.

The following Resolution was offered by Mr. Kerr, and laid upon the table to wit:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due and are hereby tendered, to the Hon. Richard Hines, the President of this body, and to the Vice Presidents and Secretaries, for the satisfactory manner with which they have discharged the duties of their stations.

On motion of Mr. Rayner, the Convention then took a recess until half past 7 o'clock, this evening.

Night Session. After a number of Speeches from various members, the Resolution of thanks, &c. was taken up from the table and unanimously adopted.

The President made a short address, after which the Convention adjourned without day.

RICHARD HINES, Ch'm's R. W. LASSITER, C. C. RABOTEAU } Secretaries.

CONGRESSIONAL.

Washington, Feb. 18. U. S. SENATE.

Mr. Baldwin submitted a resolution declaring that contributions levied and collected in Mexico ought to be applied to the liquidation of claims of American citizens against the government of Mexico, according to existing treaties.

The resolution was ordered to be printed.

The Senate then proceeded to the consideration of the The Tea Regiment Bill.

Mr. Green, being entitled to the floor addressed the Senate at length: He condemned the policy of the administration in regard to the war.

The Senate then adjourned over to Monday.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. Mr. Harston from the committee on Military Affairs reported a joint resolution providing for Volunteers in the service of the U. S. States.

The resolution giving rise to debate was laid over under the rule.

Mr. King, from the committee on Naval Affairs reported a bill making a grant of public lands to the Georgia Railroad.

The reference of the bill gave rise to some debate.

The bill was however, read twice and referred to the committee on Public Lands.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21. SENATE.

A message from the House of representatives was received informing the Senate that the House had passed a bill for the relief of the heirs of John Paul Jones with amendments.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the amendments to the bill; and an incidental discussion sprang up in which several Senators participated.

Mr. John Davis moved to refer the whole subject to the committee on Claims, which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Benton announced the sudden illness of the Hon. J. Q. Adams when, On motion the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. Mr. Chase submitted a joint resolution of thanks to General Twigg and other Generals who have distinguished themselves in Mexico, and moved a suspension of the rules to enable the House to consider the resolution at once. The rules were suspended by yeas 110, nays 51.

The previous question was called and the call sustained by yeas 98, nays 85.

At this stage of the proceedings, and at precisely twenty minutes after 1 o'clock the Hon. John Q. Adams was taken with paralysis. The members crowded around his seat and all business was suspended. Dr. Fries carried Mr. Adams out of the House in his arms, his appearance was pale and death like.

The House instantly adjourned.

Washington, Feb. 23. SENATE.

In the Senate, as soon as the Journal had been read, Mr. Davis, of Massachusetts, stated that in consequence of the critical condition in which Mr. Adams was still lying under the roof of the Capitol, the House of Representatives had merely met and adjourned. He moved therefore that the Senate adjourn, and no voice being heard in the negative,

The Senate adjourned, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. The Journal having been partially read, Mr. Kaufman, J. E. Holmes and others rose simultaneously to address the chair, when

The Speaker said that the subject to which gentlemen were rising, ought to be officially announced by the chair, and he proceeded to state that the venerable member from Massachusetts was still lying in the Speaker's Chamber, and in the opinion of his medical attendants was rapidly passing away.

On motion of Mr. Burt, the House adjourned. POSTSCRIPT—FIVE O'CLOCK P. M.—Mr. ADAMS is still living.

Washington, Feb. 23. SENATE.

A Message from the President was received, communicating a treaty with Mexico, which was read and approved.

The President for information as to whether active operations on the part of the army in Mexico have been suspended by armistice, and if so through whose agency and by what authority.

Mr. Allen also submitted a resolution instructing the committee on the Judiciary to inquire whether Act 99 requires amendment so as more effectually to punish persons holding correspondence with the enemy in time of war.

Mr. Allen like wise submitted a resolution to remove the injunction of secrecy at present resting upon all previous Executive business transacted by the Senate; also, to rescind the 40th rule and requiring all business of an Executive character to be transacted here after in open session.

On motion of Mr. Sevier the Senate went into Executive Session, and deliberated with closed door still the adjournment.

The Hon. John Quincy Adams is still breathing at the hour of making up the despatch 2 P. M.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24. SENATE.

Mr. Douglass reported a bill to establish the territory of Nebraska; also a resolution calling upon the Post Master General for information in regard to the establishment of post routes within said territory.

Mr. Allen called up the resolution submitted by himself yesterday calling on the President for information as to whether active operations on the part of the army in Mexico have been suspended by armistice, and if so, through whose agency and by what authority.

Mr. Sevier moved to lay the resolution on the table, which motion was lost, yeas 11, nays 37.

The resolution was then passed—yeas 41, nays 9.

Mr. Allen called up his resolution (submitted yesterday instructing the committee on the Judiciary to inquire whether Act 99 requires amendment so as more effectually to punish persons holding correspondence with the enemy in time of war. And the resolution was adopted.

The Senate then took up the resolution submitted on the 3d inst. by Mr. Baldwin, affirming the doctrine of the Wilmot Proviso, relative to new territory and a discussion ensued, in which several Senators participated.

Mr. Foote moved to lay the resolution on the table; which motion was agreed to yeas 35, nays 11.

A message was received from the House of Representatives announcing the death of the Hon. John Q. Adams.

Mr. Davis, of Massachusetts, responded to the announcement of the House, and, on his motion the usual resolutions of mourning &c. were unanimously adopted.

The Senate then adjourned. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. The Hall of the House of Representatives

was crowded this morning at an early hour to witness the solemn and affecting ceremonies incident to the death of the Hon. John Quincy Adams. The Speaker called the House to order at 12 M., and after an appropriate prayer by the Chaplain to the House the Rev Mr. Slicer, the Speaker announced the death of Mr. Adams, and paid a most eloquent tribute to his memory.

Mr. Hudson, of Massachusetts, then rose and after passing an eulogy on the deceased gave a biographical sketch of his public life, the positions he had occupied &c. He submitted resolutions of mourning, &c., and moved that when the House adjourned it should adjourn to Saturday.

Mr. Holmes followed in an eloquent tribute to the memory of the deceased.

Mr. Vinton then rose, greatly affected and passed an eulogium on the character of Mr. Adams.

Mr. McDowell paid a beautiful tribute to the memory of the deceased.

On motion, the usual mourning resolutions were then adopted, and the House adjourned over to Saturday.

THE STAR.

Libertas et natale solum. RALEIGH, MARCH 1, 1848.

FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, GEN. ZACHARY TAYLOR, THE COUNTRY'S CHOICE.

DEATH OF HON. J. Q. ADAMS. It is our melancholy duty to announce that the Hon. JOHN Q. ADAMS died in Washington on Wednesday evening, the 23d Feb., at a quarter past 7 o'clock. He passed off quietly without a struggle; in the 81st year of his age.

GLORIOUS NEWS. The highly important and gratifying intelligence, that a treaty of peace, signed by Mr. Trist and three Mexican Commissioners, had been received at Washington; is confirmed. It was transmitted to the U. S. Senate on the 22d February, and it is said, was accompanied by the written approval of the President and Secretary of State. The National Intelligencer says the substance of the Treaty is understood to be as follows:

First. Peace between the United States and Mexico, and an Armistice between Military Commanders of the two countries in suspension.

Secondly. Mexico agrees, in consideration, &c., that the boundary between the United States and Mexico shall hereafter be from the Sea up the middle of the Rio Grande to the boundary of New Mexico, and thence in a line which (with some digression) is to run west (or nearly west) to the Pacific Ocean, and Strike a point south of the port of San Diego.

Thirdly. In consideration of this large cession of Territory the United States are to pay to Mexico the sum of Fifteen Millions of Dollars; and to satisfy all the just claims of citizens of the United States against the Government of Mexico.

The Treaty is understood to contain many provisions of detail; but does not, as we hear, include any provision, as has been reported, for the maintenance of a Military force by the United States for a certain time in Mexico.

The Editor of this paper is necessarily absent from his post this week.

Read the admirable letter of the Hon. W. C. Rives in another part of this paper.

The poetry on our first page will not fail to amuse the reader.

FIRE! The large brick shop attached to the railroad Depot in this city, was destroyed by fire about 11 o'clock on Friday night last. Several Engines and other valuable machinery, among which was the splendid new engine just purchased at a cost of \$7,000, were greatly injured. The loss is probably not less than fifteen or twenty thousand dollars. It is not known how the fire occurred. The most prompt and energetic measures were adopted to prevent any material interference with the operations of the road. An engine was ordered by Telegraphic despatch; and the cars in a few days, are expected to run as regularly as ever.

WHIG STATE CONVENTION. The proceedings of this body will be found in another part of to-day's Star. It will be seen that CHARLES MANLY, Esq., of this City, was selected as the Whig candidate for Governor. We here copy from the Register his neat and spirited response to the Convention, accepting the nomination:

It is with unaffected embarrassment, Mr. President, that I appear thus hastily before you. I come at your bidding, not with the vain design to make a display, nor in the feeble hope of saying anything that will instruct or interest the intelligent assembly, but merely to return in a few plain words, my most cordial acknowledgments, of the unexpected honor conferred upon me.

The position, to which the partiality of the Convention has assigned me, I am fully aware, no sinecure. To bear with success through a North Carolina campaign, the Flag Staff of the Whig party, requires a cool, an intrepid and a deliberate, in view of the varied and distinguished attainments of my immediate predecessors, might well dismay a much stronger man.

I profess no skill in the strategy of campaigns