

ADDRESS OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL UNION PARTY.

The political aspect of the country fills the public mind with painful apprehension. The people are everywhere disturbed with the fear of some disastrous crisis. Many are alarmed for the safety of the Union. All are conscious that the sentiment of fraternity which once linked the States together, even more firmly than the compact of the Constitution, has now been rudely shaken, and that a deep chasm has been opened in the relationship of the States which should have formed a firm and lasting basis for the Union.

For the cause of the Constitution and the restoration of its harmony. Large numbers of the old Democratic party, who withdrew from the ranks of the party when they discovered it leading towards internal strife, and the assault of the traditional policy by which that party achieved its former triumphs, would, we have no doubt, supply a powerful reinforcement to the friends of the Union.

That this General Convention shall consist of a representation from each State, composed of the same number of members as its representation in the two Houses of Congress.



Carolina Watchman. SALISBURY, N. C. TUESDAY EVENING, MARCH 6 1860. FOR GOVERNOR JOHN POOL, OF PASQUOTANK.

Serious Affair.—George H. Cowan, Alexander Hooker and John M. Smith, and a number of other persons met at Frank Owen's grog shop, six miles west of this town, on Saturday week, in the afternoon, and were there until about dark, when a dispute occurred between Cowan and Smith, in which Hooker, it is supposed, was a participant.

Opposition Convention.—Three Gleasons Times. We gladly surrender every inch of our disposable space to the report of the proceedings of the Great Opposition Convention which assembled in this city on Wednesday last and after a most harmonious session adjourned on Thursday evening.

THE CONVENTION. The Whigs and Americans ought to be exceedingly grateful to the Wilmington Journal for its unflinching support in the proper action of this State Convention held in Raleigh this week.

It has been too apparent to escape the most casual observation that, for some years past, there has been manifested a design, in the movements of influential political leaders, to force the country into an organization of parties based on the question of slavery.

Can it be possible that, with so glorious a cause before us, an appeal to the patriotism of the land, founded on such inducements as the present exigency supplies, can fall upon unheeding ears, or fail to rouse the national heart to the great enterprise of this commanding duty?

Whether any other principles than those we have enumerated, shall be enumerated, it will be for the Convention to determine. "Platforms" have been so frequently employed as the shallow devices of party deception, that they have come to be viewed with distrust by the people.

The Hungarian Wreck.—It has been ascertained there were no survivors of the wrecked Hungarian. She had a crew numbering 75. Only three bodies have been recovered.

Fire in Charlotte.—The Charlotte Bulletin of the 29th ult. says: Yesterday afternoon, about 6 o'clock, the alarm of fire was given and found to proceed from a kitchen, the property of Dr. M. M. Orr.

Our report shows who is to be our standard bearer in the State campaign.—By acclamation, JOHN POOL, of Pasquotank, was selected as the next Governor of North Carolina.

Correspondence of the South Carolina. WASHINGTON, Feb. 27, 1860. The New York papers are complaining lustily of the treatment of the 7th Regiment, on their visit here on 23d February.

Let all our eyes be turned upon the incredible folly of our quarrel. The country is wrought into a tempest by its present agitation, and think we have sufficiently shown that neither of the two parties who are now seeking to obtain the control of the Government can do so without a sacrifice of the principles which they profess to cherish.

Some three years ago a topographical engineer in the Russian service, but a Prussian by birth, becoming involved in some difficulty with the Government, fled to New York with his wife and one child, carrying also about \$2,000 of his fortune.

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