

For Superintendent of Public Instruction :
COL. STEPHEN D. POOL, OF CRAVEN.

THE SPIRIT OF CONSERVATIVE NOMINATIONS.

No true Conservative can fail to be delighted with the perfect unanimity and intelligent action which have characterized thus far the deliberations of our Conventions. It was boldly prophesied concerning the Raleigh District, that a storm of discords and divisions was brewing among the friends of good government in that section. But it turns out, that the wish was father to the thought. Those sorely tried and thoroughly proved patriots have held their convention, and the result is in the highest degree encouraging. The whole mass of delegates went into the work of nomination with a becoming dignity, an exalted self-respect, and with a marked determination to bring before the people the most suitable candidates for their suffrages. Messrs. Manning, Cox and Turner, all gentlemen of political prominence, with a valuable Conservative record, and earnestly devoted to the noble principles of the party, after receiving the most complimentary recognition of their services, were respectfully put aside, and Capt. Joe Davis, of Franklin, was honored with the nomination. And what is a little remarkable in these corrupt, self-seeking times, even gentlemen who stood highest in favor with the Convention, entreated their supporters to drop their names, that harmonious agreement might be fixed upon some more acceptable person. How different from the greedy spectacle presented at Goldsboro and Kinston. Captain Davis is said to be a gentleman of excellent qualities both of head and heart, and in every way fitted to lead the Conservative forces to victory in the coming election. The fact that he is the most popular man in the district, is abundantly proven by the elated expressions of confidence and hope coming from all parts of that region.

The nomination of Gen. Scales, in the Fifth District, gives equally as much pleasure as the nomination of Capt. Davis in the Fourth. We were a fellow-student with Gen. Scales twenty-three years ago, at the University, and know him intimately and well. He possesses a vigorous intellect, a reliable judgment for these critical times, and has a steady, well-balanced character, which is not to be successfully assailed, either by the temptations of office or by the sterner arguments of political controversy and opposition. At college he was so fond of debate, that it was almost impossible to spend a pleasant hour at his room without being drawn into the vortex of an animated discussion. We presume that he is not an easier antagonist for his opponents now than he was then. His record as a Confederate soldier, was one of which his friends have reason to be proud. He is one of those safe, suitable men for an important political struggle, of which fortunately we have many in the State. He will lead his constituents in the coming canvass as he lead his gallant brigade to battle, fearlessly, conscientiously and with a determination to succeed. With such candidates to carry our standards, we cannot do otherwise than triumph over the broken, demoralized factions of the Radical party. Having done everything we could to give peace to the country, even at the sacrifice of our manhood and most reasonable convictions, we can go into this contest now without any repinings or useless regrets. The foe is before us with a miserable flag, on which is written all over the insulting language of political desolation and social wrong. If he can win with such an infamous history and such a devilish platform of principles as he now presents, the white men of this country are sunk too low for mercy or redemption, and deserve their fate. Let us stand manfully together, make the canvass sharp and

thorough, and the jacobins of this country will find a grave that no resurrection trump will ever open.

DICKING.

One of the worst results that has accrued to the country, growing out of the late war, is the throwing to the surface and into prominent and responsible offices, many men who in the wildest dreams of distorted ambition would never have thought before the war, of being honored with such positions of trust. And as we take up the black list of such, of the men who have brought ruin, desolation and bankruptcy upon our dear old State, and upon her public works, we find no name, that is more suggestive of utter incompetency and unfitness for the place he holds, than that of the individual who is now President of the Atlantic Railroad. As we have said before, and desire to repeat here, (for we would not willingly do him an injustice,) we believe him to be honest. We do not believe that he would knowingly wrong, or permit others to wrong, the stockholders out of a single penny. But when we have said this, we have told all his qualifications for the office. He will not steal money, neither will a cat-fish, but who for that reason would ever think of taking the latter out of its natural element and making it a President of a railroad? Honesty is an indispensable requisite in a railroad President, and highly adorns and beautifies the character of any man. No man should be President of a railroad who is not honest, but he should also possess genius, shrewdness, and administrative talent of a high and peculiar order. He should be able to command the respect of all men. He should have great decision of character. In fact, he should be in all these respects, everything that Dicking is not. Therefore we say "deliver us from the body of this death!" Will not the Governor come and help us?

FREEDMAN'S SAVINGS BANK.

The New York Sun, of June 3rd, in commenting upon this concern, says:

"One of the worst features of the insolvent Freedman's Saving Bank, which has its branches scattered all over the South, is that it has habitually been represented to the ignorant freedmen that this is a national bank, and that the Government is responsible for deposits. In fact, nobody is responsible for the funds intrusted to the institution, unless the depositors can find some way to collect from the freshly white-washed Gen. Howard or the bankrupt Cookes. By the reports of its own officers the Washington institution alone has loaned over \$500,000 upon questionable securities in direct violation of its charter, of which amount the Young Men's Christian Association got \$62,000 and Boss Shepherd's Washington Club \$28,500, while it is impossible to say what sort of security the officials of the Southern branches hold for the loans they have made. The Beaufort, S. C., Standard says that depositors in the Augusta branch are selling their claims at sixty cents on the dollar, and that in Beaufort a depositor, having given sixty days' notice that he wished to draw his money, on going for it a month after the expiration of the time, was told that he would have to give another sixty days' notice. The action of Congress in trying to conceal the rotten condition of this institution is extremely unjust to the freedmen, who are thereby led to continue their deposits with a banking company which cannot pay its debts.

Conservative Meeting in Carteret.

At a meeting of the Conservative Democratic party of Carteret county, held at Beaufort on the 1st day of June, A. D., 1874, James Rumley, Esq., was called to the chair, and Wm. J. Doughty, Esq., requested to act as Secretary, on motion of J. Henry Davis, Esq.

The meeting being organized and ready for business, the delegates from the various townships handed in the lists of representatives, and on motion a committee was appointed on nominations and resolutions.

The committee on nominations and resolutions organized by electing officers, and retired from the convention, whereupon Capt. Appleton Oaksmith came upon the stand and entertained the large assem-

bly in a speech upon the subjects of the political situation, railroads, and finance.

Col. S. D. Pool, our candidate for Superintendent of Public Schools, having just arrived in town, was loudly called for by the people. He took the stand amid great applause, and entertained the convention for more than an hour in a speech replete with rhetoric, logic, and sound political philosophy. The Colonel spoke with warmth and enthusiasm upon the necessity of a wise system of common schools in North Carolina, and pictured in vivid terms of glowing indignation the dark and ominous cloud which hangs upon the verge of our political horizon, called "civil rights bill."

Upon the conclusion of the remarks of Col. Pool, Capt. W. T. R. Bell, our candidate for the Senate from the district composed of Jones, Onslow and Carteret, was loudly called for, and in an hour's speech more than sustained his reputation for eloquence and oratory, and showed that he was worthy of the appellation of "our young Demosthenes."

Col. L. W. Martin then came upon the stand and make some personal explanations which touched the sympathies of all present, and leading us from grave to gay, from sadness to laughter, he opened his budget of witticisms and displayed a rare and spicy collection.

The committee upon nominations reported, through their chairman, Dr. Jno. W. Saunders, the names of the following gentlemen as the choice of Carteret county:

- For the House of Commons—W. V. Geffroy.
- For Superior Court Clerk—James Rumley.
- For Register of Deeds—John Rumley.
- For Sheriff—Wm. F. Howland.
- For Coroner—T. W. Lindsay.
- For Surveyor—W. L. Arendell.
- For Commissioners—Wm. J. Doughty, Rufus. W. Bell, George W. Taylor, A. H. Chadwick and David S. Saunders.

The committee also reported the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That the Conservative Democratic party of Carteret county in Convention assembled, animated by that liberal spirit that has characterized its history, extends a cordial invitation to all white men regardless of past political distinctions to join in its efforts to maintain the dignity and honor of our race and its supremacy as the ruling element in our political system.

2. Resolved, That in view of recent events, all white men should come together as one man, recognizing the important fact that "in division there is danger, but in unity strength," and that if they wish to preserve their rights uncontaminated and unimpaired, an unbroken front must be presented to the foe.

3. Resolved, That the action of the Republican convention in the 2d Congressional district in making its nomination on the basis of color, and the further action of the same party in electing, in part, negro trustees to superintend the interests of an academy in the city of Newbern for the education of white children, should admonish our people that radicalism is their most deadly enemy, and should be sunk deeper in political obloquy "than plummet ever sounded."

4. Resolved, That in the civil rights bill which has passed the Senate and may at any moment become a law, we see the destruction of our public schools, the abandonment of our temples of worship, the violation of the sanctity of our cemeteries and a long train of evils for which we shall hold the Republican party to a strict accountability before an outraged people.

5. Resolved, That while we regard the object of government to be the protection of person and property, nevertheless monopolies and all legislation for the benefit of the few at the expense of the many is contrary to the genius of free institutions, at variance with the traditions of our party, and utterly opposed to that great maxim of our faith which teaches us that the object of wise government is the greatest good to the greatest number.

6. Resolved, That as the party of retrenchment and reform, we advocate no system of internal improvements that will beggar our people with oppressive taxation; that we demand the most rigid economy in the administration of public affairs, and that while we are willing to turn over to the State creditors such works as their means constructed, and to pay

our honest obligations to the extent of our ability, yet we are unwilling to be taxed to pay the special tax bonds issued at the instance of adventurers and corruptionists in order to perpetrate a grand larceny upon a prostrate State.

7. Resolved, That the Conservative Democratic party of Carteret county will support the Hon. A. M. Waddell for Congress, Col. S. D. Pool for Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Capt. W. T. R. Bell for the State Senate, and also our Judicial and county tickets.

8. That in our late representative in the General Assembly of this State, Silas Webb, Esq., we recognize an honest man, a gentleman of unquestioned patriotism, and a devoted friend of the Conservative cause.

9. Resolved, That the chairman of this meeting appoint, at his leisure, ten men from the various parts of the county, which shall constitute a County Executive Committee.

10. Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be published in the NEWBERN JOURNAL OF COMMERCE, and the Newbernian, and the Goldsboro Messenger, and Wilmington Journal be requested to copy.

On motion the meeting adjourned.
JAMES RUMLEY, Chairman,
WM. T. DOUGHTY, Secretary.

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