

MR. HANES having retired, THE ERA, until further notice, will be under my control.

We publish the proceedings of a number of public meetings in our issue of to-day, to the exclusion of editorial and other matter.

Those who may desire to subscribe for THE ERA will have an opportunity of sending their subscriptions by delegates who attend the State Convention.

Secretary Boutwell makes a good show for the preceding month. He announces that the National Debt has been decreased during that time \$15,481,968.

The Sentinel accounts for the hostility of C. L. Harris and his son, to the Ku Klux Democracy, because the late Ku Klux General Assembly reduced the salary of the Superintendent of Public Works from \$2400 to \$300 per annum, and abolished the clerkship to the office of Superintendent of Public Works.

The editor of The Sentinel is pleased to judge C. L. Harris and son, by himself. Accepting this version as the true one, we cannot be wrong when we inform the public that Josiah Turner, Jr., is a Ku Klux and a Democrat, because his party allowed him to steal \$3,333.33 from the State under the cover of the letter m.

WHISKEY.—The Congressional Ways and Means Committee have decided to report a bill to consolidate the tax on whiskey at sixty-five cents per gallon, and make the tax on tobacco uniform at twenty cents per pound.

It is to be hoped that this bill will pass at once. It will simplify the liquor laws very much, and raise more revenue for the government.

Why not tell the truth and inform your readers that leading Democrats robbed the State of more than Three Thousand Dollars under the cover of the letter m?

The men who toil were utterly ignored by the late Ku Klux General Assembly. They were forgotten by the ku klux party, and will not be thought of until the tax list is presented and the election canvass begins.

The death of Vallandigham, of Ohio, was also the death of the "New Departure" as originated with that gentleman. In the search for some hobby by which to attain power, the newest departure of the Democratic party, is the Passive Policy suggested by The Republican, published at St. Louis, Missouri.

Election Law—Unconstitutional Legislation.

Speaking of the election law The Charlotte Democrat says:— We see that some of the Republican papers are complaining because, as they say, the law requires each voter to vote in the Township in which he resides, and with a ballot printed or written on white paper and without device.

We have no objection to the above provisions, for we are in favor of guarding the ballot box against fraud in every possible way.

Section seven of the election law is as follows:— No elector shall be entitled to register or vote in any other precinct or township than the one in which he is an actual and bona fide resident on the day of election, and no certificate of registration shall be given.

Article six, section one of the Constitution is as follows:— Every male person born in the United States, and every male person who has been naturalized, twenty-one years old, or upward, who shall have resided in this State twelve months next preceding the election, and thirty days in the county in which he offers to vote, shall be deemed an elector.

The restriction laid down by the Constitution is confined to the county—not the township. A residence in the State of twelve months and thirty days in the county, makes the elector a voter anywhere inside the limits of his county.

It was not intended that suffrage should be restricted to the township. If such had been the intention, the following words or others of similar import, would have been added to section one of article six as quoted above:—

"And no elector shall vote in any precinct or township than the one in which he is an actual and bona fide resident on the day of election."

The addition of this sentence would have given the Legislature authority which that body, in violation of their oaths, presumed to exercise by ignoring one of the plainest provisions of the Constitution. It is as plain as the Sun at meridian, that the attempt to restrict suffrage by compelling each elector to vote in the township where he resides, is a gross and inexcusable violation of section one, article six, of the Constitution.

This unwarrantable act of the Legislature was committed in the interest of the Democratic party. We charge that party with a direct and flagrant violation of the Constitution. Will The Democrat or any other opposition paper uphold the Legislature in its attempt upon the organic law of the State? We want no dodging of this question. What Democratic luminary will come to the defense of the Legislature?

Liberal Convention.

The Liberal Republican Convention, as it is called, meets in Cincinnati on Wednesday, the first day of May. The acts of this Convention may redound to the good of the Republic; and they may serve to bolster up the sinking cause of Democracy, which will endanger the peace and prosperity of the Union.

There can be no doubt that those who issued the call for this assembly expected and intended that it should be a Mass Convention, which would adopt a platform embodying certain principles upon which the affairs of the National Government should be administered and certain needed reforms inaugurated for the purification of the Civil Service of the Government.

The adoption of a platform of this kind as a guidance for the National Republican Convention which meets in Philadelphia on the 6th of June next, was, no doubt, all the signers of the call expected and desired should be done.— The call for the Convention was originally issued in the interest of the Republican party. If it turns out that the object sought by those who may attend the Convention, is the success of the National Union Republican party, in that case, the assembling of delegates from the several States, will be of service to the party; but if the Convention is to be made up and controlled by the personal enemies of President Grant, in that case, the acts of the Convention will be in the interest of Democracy, and must be so regarded by Republicans.

The death of Vallandigham, of Ohio, was also the death of the "New Departure" as originated with that gentleman. In the search for some hobby by which to attain power, the newest departure of the Democratic party, is the Passive Policy suggested by The Republican, published at St. Louis, Missouri. It is admitted by the leaders of the Democracy, that the Democratic party, sailing under its true colors, has not the slightest hope for success. What then is to be done? The Republican suggests that the Democratic party make no nominations for President or Vice-President; encourage Liberal Republicans who are opposed to the renomination and re-election of President Grant, to meet and nominate candidates for President and Vice-President; when this shall have been done, it is hoped enough Republicans will support the nominees of the Liberals, with the unanimous support of the passive Democratic party, to defeat Grant and elect a majority of the members of the Congress.

There is a disposition and purpose to

use the Liberal Convention for the purpose of defeating the Republican party. It is almost certain that candidates will be nominated for President and Vice-President. The controlling spirits of the Convention will be made up of men whose Republicanism consists in a morbid desire to defeat President Grant, superinduced by a refusal to find the individual or some friend to office. It matters not that men whose heads have grown grey in the advocacy of Republican principles should attend this Convention. Its acts are in the interest of the Democratic party, though disguised under the cloak of Liberal Republicanism. The Republican party is to be overthrown to satisfy a handful of Liberal-Republicans who are dissatisfied with President Grant.

There are few men in this State who can be deceived by this Liberal movement. We warn our readers that the success of the Cincinnati ticket is the death-knell of the Republican party and the speedy resurrection of the Ku Klux organization. President Grant is the hope of the South. His defeat sounds the tocsin for renewed outrage and murder, and Mechanizes the Southern States.

Speech of Hon. Z. B. Vance, at Statesville.

This effort of Gov. Vance has been heralded forth as the campaign document of the Ku Klux Democracy.

We welcome it as such. As an oratorical effort, it is "stale, flat and unprofitable." But as a defense and apology for the Ku Klux, it is all heart could desire. Hear him!

If white women and children had found that protection and safety, which they ought ever to find in christian communities, you would have seen no misguided young men goaded by desperation, to commit horrible outrages by night or day. If there had been no damnable union leagues, there would have been no damnable ku-klux. Continued applause.

This sounds equal to the Sodom and Gomorrah speech in Raleigh, in 1868. But how does all this tally with the late repentant Governor?

Eighteen months ago this same man began in a quiet, subdued tone to complain of the violence of certain leaders of his party. At last he secretly applied for pardon under his own name, (would his friends believe it?) Then he went on to Washington City, and there passed as almost a Radical! His trickery and deception was detected.— He fails to get his seat. He sees his State and party greatly damaged by the course his inordinate ambition has led him to pursue; and now all at once, he goes back to his wallow, and we have his dirty speech at Statesville!

The purpose is manifest. Vance has lost caste with his own party. He now seeks to renew their obligations to him by fresh zeal in a falling county. It seems to me, that the banner county of the old Henry Clay Whigs, and there pours out his wrath, vents his spleen and hellish hate of all that is Republican, to an audience gotten up for the occasion. But it won't do. Times have changed since 1868. The People, (thank God!) are at last beginning to think and act for themselves. They see peace and prosperity almost within their grasp. Naught mars the prospect but the renewal of the cowardly Ku Klux, and these Gen. Grant and the American masses are determined to put down. Let the hero of two lost fields understand this at once, and act accordingly.

"Alas! Poor Yorick!" How have the mighty fallen! The election which occurred in this State on Monday, the first, resulted in a complete victory for the Republicans. We give full returns as follows:—

Table with columns: Counties, Rep. Dem., Temp., I. Ref. and rows for various counties like Hartwood, New Haven, New London, Fairfield, Litchfield, Middlesex, Windham, Tolland, and Totals.

The vote is less by two thousand than that of 1871, when Gov. Jewell was elected by one hundred. It will be seen that his majority over Mr. Hubbard is nineteen hundred and forty. The Constitution of Connecticut requires a majority of all the votes cast to elect. Mr. Jewell leads the field by thirty votes, and is elected by the people. The Republicans control both branches of the Legislature, and have forty majority on joint ballot. A Republican U. S. Senator to be elected next Winter, is secured.

RIGHT SPIRIT.—We appreciate the feelings of those kind friends who have given expression to fears that we shall be injured pecuniarily and in our business for the exercise of a manly principle, the inherent and legal right of all; and that we would make enemies of former friends. This all may come to pass, if any so will it. We can only say that, in taking our course, we have not measured results by dollars and cents; and friendships that can be so easily severed are hardly worth preserving.—Statesville American.

An honest people, who love liberty, will sustain our cotemporary. The proscription of the Radical Democracy cannot stifle public opinion as it has done in the past; neither can it crush truth to the earth to rise no more. The American is to be honored for its stand on the side of Liberty and Right. The people are sovereign and will sustain true Republican principles, as advocated by The American.

How Long?

The Daily News of Thursday, the 28th, at the conclusion of an article headed "More Persecution," asks the questions, "will this war upon the people of North Carolina never cease?—How long shall the land mourn?"

In the first place we deny the charge that the law-abiding citizens of North Carolina have ever been treated otherwise than as good citizens of a generous and forbearing Government. The "persecutions" of which The News complains consist only in bringing to speedy justice some of the most damnable and blood-thirsty villains that ever cursed any civilized country.— The government of the United States, and of North Carolina, make no war upon their peaceable citizens. If the arrest and punishment of bad and designing men, and the protection of all good citizens in the enjoyment of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, constitute the "persecutions" of which The News complains, then the readers and partisans of that sheet will have cause of complaint so long as Grant is at the head of the general government, and Republicanism is triumphant in North Carolina.

The land will cease to mourn when the howl of the Ku Klux demons is hushed in our border, and the guilty leaders shall have been visited with the severest penalty of the law.

The organs of the Ku Klux have apologized and defended the traitors and subverters of good government from the inception of the organization to the present. It is natural that they should. The people will not trust any man or men who daily apologize for crime and abuse the National government for protecting its citizens.

The proscription and intolerance of the Democratic party is astounding.— No freedom of speech is allowed any member of that organization that does not tally with Ku Klux doctrine. This fact is evidenced by the vile attacks which have been made upon the Editors of The Statesville American, by the Ku Klux Press. The robbery committed by the State Printer goes uncondemned by the Democratic Press; but free men are not allowed to advocate such principles as their judgment dictates are for the good of the Nation; provided, such principles are Republican and not Democratic, without being denounced, vilified, and slandered like pickpockets.

Democrats thought, no doubt, that they could intimidate the Editors of The American. They reckoned without their host; and we are glad to see that journal denouncing, in merited terms, the curs and barbers that have been barking and snapping at the heels of decent people. The day of intimidation is over in this State. Ku Klux are no longer feared. The people now enjoy liberty as free men.

J. C. LOGAN HARRIS.—This gentleman now assumes the editorial duties of the Raleigh CAROLINA ERA, with which journal he has been connected for some time past as Local Editor. In this the ku klux sheet will find an antagonist worthy of their metal—his Republicanism is unquestionable, he is no "new convert." We have known him personally and intimately from the birth of the Republican party in this State. Under his guidance, we are confident that the ERA will be no political blunder.—Wilmington Post.

THE CAROLINA ERA.—Mr. Harris is a gentleman much younger than Mr. Hanes, a good and forcible writer and his Republicanism is undoubted. He adopts no half way measures. We like his style of journalism. Our only fear is that he may be too rash and impulsive, yet we believe he will take no umbrage because we say so. The position he occupies is a laborious one and we know Mr. Harris will bring to the performance of his newly assumed duties the energies of his intellect. Republicans demand a good paper to organ at the State Capital. We have no doubt Mr. Harris will fulfil the expectations of the party. We wish him every success in his enlarged field.—Greensboro' North State.

We see that Lewis Hanes has vacated the editorial office of THE ERA, and that J. C. L. Harris, Esq., succeeds him. The new editor has had experience and possesses the ability to make the paper what a State organ should be—bold, outspoken, vigorous and aggressive. We have full faith to believe that we will now have five papers at the State Capital.—Elizabeth City North Carolinian.

THE RALEIGH ERA.—Mr. J. C. L. Harris has become managing editor of the Raleigh ERA, and is a worthy successor of Col. Hanes, who has retired from journalism. Mr. Harris is an able and graceful writer, well posted in politics and governmental affairs, and no man is better qualified to conduct the leading Republican paper at the State Capital. THE ERA is bound to increase in public favor as its merits become known among the people as an exponent of Republican principles and an advocate of the public welfare.—Statesville American.

WHITEWASHING.—The News gave notice the other day that a reporter would visit the Penitentiary on a certain day. For some reason unknown to us, the reporter did not put in an appearance on the day set apart, but went on Wednesday last. Of course the black flag management had all things in readiness for a whitewash, and we have a fair sample of such a report in the News of Thursday last. Giving notice of a visit and then postpone it, is patting after —, who always sent deserters word that he would be after them on a certain day. He caught no deserters. The News will find everything to praise and nothing to condemn by giving previous notice of the visits of its reporter.

NASH COUNTY GOLD MINES.—After expending \$40,000, developing the long abandoned Portis gold mine, in Nash county, Col. Sturges, a Northern man, has struck a new vein which is likely to yield some millions of dollars of the "filthy needful."

REPUBLICAN MEETINGS.

For the Carolina Era.

Wilson County.

At a meeting of the Republicans of Wilson county held at the Court House on Saturday the 30th instant, on motion, Alvin Bagley was elected Chairman, and P. H. Robins, Secretary.

The following resolutions were presented, and on motion, adopted: Resolved 1st. That we endorse the administration of President Grant as being eminently wise and just, and especially his efforts to put down lawlessness in our land; the faithful collection of the revenue, the reduction of the public debt, and taxation, are some of the fruits of his administration, and eminently entitle him to our support, and that his reelection will contribute to the peace and prosperity of the country.

2. That Governor Tod R. Caldwell deserves the thanks of the good citizens of the State, for his faithful and honest administration of the State Government, and his efforts in behalf of law and order. In refusing to be a party to the acts of a Revolutionary Legislature, that attempted to call an unconstitutional Convention; in trying to build up the credit, and good name of our State, these and many other services, entitled him to our support, and we recommend him to the Republican State Convention, as our first choice for the nomination of Governor.

3. That we are proud of our representative, Hon. C. R. Thomas, who represents us in the Congress of the United States, for in him we recognize a working Republican, a statesman fully alive to the interest of his constituents and country, and we recommend him to the District Convention for the position he so worthily fills. The delegates appointed by this Convention are hereby instructed to cast the vote of this county for Governor Tod R. Caldwell, at the State Convention and for Hon. C. R. Thomas at the District Congressional Convention.

That the chairman of this meeting appoint five delegates to attend the State and District Conventions. On motion the chairman appointed G. W. Stanton, Solomon Lamm, Stephen Eason, Jerry Bullock and Peter Rountree, delegates to the State Convention, and James Wiggins, G. W. Stanton, and Hilliard Rountree, delegates to the Congressional District Convention.

Moved that the proceedings be reported to The Goldsboro News, with request that the Republican papers throughout the State copy. On motion the meeting adjourned. ALVIN BAGLEY, Chm'n. P. H. ROBINS, Sec'y.

For the Carolina Era.

Lenoir County.

According to previous notice a very large number of Republicans assembled in the Court House in Kinston, Lenoir county, on Saturday, the 30th of March, 1872.

On motion, Wm J. Pope, Esq., was called to the chair, and J. H. Parker and W. A. Croom were appointed secretaries.

The chairman explained the object of the meeting to be for the purpose of appointing delegates to the State Convention, and the Republican papers throughout the State copy. On motion the meeting adjourned. ALVIN BAGLEY, Chm'n. P. H. ROBINS, Sec'y.

Resolved, That we endorse the action of the Republican members of the Congress of the United States for the passage of the several acts protecting life and property of loyal citizens, and for the punishment of disguised felons who violate our State laws were unable to reach.

Resolved, That we endorse the administration of our noble and fearless Governor, Tod R. Caldwell, especially in his firm stand in opposition to the lawless and unconstitutional Convention movement of last summer, and that we recommend his renomination.

Resolved, That the able and faithful manner in which Hon. C. R. Thomas has discharged his duties as Representative from this District in the present Congress, entitles him to the confidence of the Republicans of this county.

Resolved, That we heartily approve and endorse the course of our true and efficient Senator, R. W. King and Representative W. F. Loftin in the late Legislature of our State.

Resolved, That we respectfully recommend our esteemed fellow-citizen, Wm F. Loftin, for the nomination of secretary of State.

DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION: Kinston Township.—R. W. King, E. F. Cox, Wm R. Becton, Wm A. Croom, Wm W. Hunter, J. H. Hargett, A. Blount, Kincaid Davis, Ed R. Page, Wm A. Coleman, A. J. Loftin, Walter Dunn, Henry Parker, L. H. Fisher, Elias Brooks, Drew Suggs, Cornelius King, Wiley Lowery, Wm F. Loftin, Isaac S. Murphy, Richard Whitfield, Sam Loftin, Bachus Foy, H. T. Randolph, Jacob Allen, Allen Croom, C. Stricklin, Sylvester Lawborn, R. Creech, C. C. Phillips and B. L. Taylor.

Mosey Hill Township.—Stephen Lassiter, P. W. Walters, Homer Borden, James Aldridge, Hiram Wood, W. J. Horton, F. Thomas, Wm J. Sutton, Timothy Ellis, James Wood, Jerry Walters, Robert Jones, Willis Wooten, Jr.

Neck Township.—R. M. Abbott, J. H. Coward, L. N. Aldridge, J. H. Parker, W. F. Slaney, Jno T. Grubbs, W. J. Pope, J. F. McCoy, C. K. King and Claiborn Harvey. Sand Hill Township.—Lewis King, Stephen McCoy, Abram McCoy, J. W. Broadway. Pink Hill Township.—Chauncey M

Davis, Peter Davis, Anthony Davis and Kilby Jones.

Trent Township.—Geo Nunn and Daniel Kornegay.

DELEGATES TO DISTRICT CONVENTION: Wm F. Loftin, Stephen Lassiter, Wm W. Hunter and J. N. Parker.

On motion, the resolutions and recommendations of delegates were unanimously adopted. Hons R. W. King and W. F. Loftin, of Lenoir, and Hon B. S. Hardy, of Greene, were called upon, and each spoke for nearly an hour in their usual able and eloquent manner, carrying conviction with every word, and producing confusion in the ranks of the already disorganized Democratic party. They reviewed the past record of the Democratic-Ku Klux party, noticing its many acts of fraud and corruption, and cautioned the people that they should beware in ever trusting the administration of our government to a party that has ever ruled to ruin. They showed, most clearly, to the mind of every one, the great blessings that have been secured them by the Republican party. It is impossible to give anything like a synopsis of the Honorable gentlemen's remarks. They were heartily received, and highly appreciated.

A Monroe, Esq., was called upon and responded in a short, but appropriate speech. On motion it was Resolved, That any Republican voter of Lenoir county, who shall be in Raleigh on the day the Convention is held, is hereby declared a delegate appointed by this Convention.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this Convention be published in THE CAROLINA ERA, New Bern Times, and Goldsboro News for publication, and that other Republican papers in the State be requested to publish the same. On motion, the Convention adjourned. W. M. J. POPE, Chm'n. J. H. PARKER, W. A. CROOM, Secretaries.

For the Carolina Era.

Chowan County.

The Republicans of Chowan county assembled in Convention at the Court House in Edenton on Saturday, March 30th, 1872. On motion, Augustus M. Moore was called to the chair, and Mr. C. M. Manning was requested to act as secretary.

The object of the meeting was explained by the chairman in a few appropriate remarks, and on motion, the following committee was appointed to prepare resolutions, viz: Wm. R. Haughton, P. K. Jones and W. P. McFarland. The committee, through their chairman, reported the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously received and adopted:

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the administration of Gov. Caldwell, and approve of his course in opposition to the unconstitutional usurpations of the Legislature.

Resolved, That the arbitrary and partisan acts of the General Assembly, which recently adjourned, cannot be condoned by all honest men, and proves conclusively that the Democratic party cannot with safety be trusted with the management of the State government, as it is influenced more by prejudice than the public welfare.

Resolved, That we believe that the government of the United States does possess and ought to exercise sufficient and ample power to protect every American citizen in the free expression of his sentiments, in the untrammelled exercise of the ballot, in the fullest enjoyment of his property, and in the absolute safety of his person; and while we cherish such an opinion we can have no hesitation in expressing our heartfelt thanks to every Republican in the halls of Congress, who sustained by his vote the passage of a law, guaranteeing fuller and surer protection to life and property in the Southern States.

Resolved, That in the approaching campaign it is the duty of every Republican to work for the prosperity and success of the Republican party, and we do hereby request our fellow citizens of the State Convention, to vote for no man, as a candidate for any office in the gift of the people of North Carolina, who is not standing to-day fairly and surely upon the Republican platform.

Resolved, That the administration of President Grant, by its just and economical management of the national finances, and its steady reduction of the national debt; by its wise conduct of foreign affairs, especially in securing an honorable and advantageous adjustment of all our difficulties with Great Britain; by its judicious and determined efforts to reform the civil service, by its humane and successful policy of dealing with the Indians, and by its persistent and unremitting efforts to secure the rights of every American citizen, without regard to race, color, or creed, demand a renewed expression of our confidence and the assurance of our unwavering support.

The following persons were appointed delegates to the State Convention, which opens in the city of Raleigh on the 17th day of April next: A. M. Moore, C. M. Manning, John R. Page, Wm. R. Haughton, Thos. M. Harris, Andrew Edey, Elias Holley, D. V. Etheridge, Jeremiah Ellis, J. A. Ward, W. P. McFarland, Henry H. Hobbs and R. W. King.

The following were selected County Executive Committee: Wm. R. Haughton, Charles Blair, Augustus M. Moore, Jephtha Ward and Elias Holley.

The meeting was ably and eloquently addressed by Mr. Moore. On motion, it was resolved that these proceedings be published in THE CAROLINA ERA and The North Carolinian. On motion the meeting adjourned. A. M. MOORE, Chm'n. C. M. MANNING, Sec'y.

For the Carolina Era.

Johnston County.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of the Republicans of Johnston county was held in the Court House in Smithfield on the 29th March, 1872. The meeting was organized by calling B. R. Hinnant, Esq., to the chair, and Jno. D. Massey was appointed secreta-

ry. The chairman then explained the object of the meeting in a short and appropriate manner. On motion, a committee of eight was appointed to recommend the names of delegates to the State and District Conventions. While the committee was out the meeting was entertained by B. R. Hinnant, Esq., in his usual and emphatic manner. After denouncing the frauds and corruption recently imposed upon the people of the State by the retrenchment and reform Democratic Ku Klux. He was repeatedly and loudly cheered.

The committee to recommend names of delegates reported through H. H. Hares, Esq., as follows: Wm H. Lancaster, A. R. Duncan, Marion Parish, John M. Stevenson, Benj Godwin, R. W. Stevens, Ashley Barber, W. G. Gallion, Jeremiah Lee, N. G. Barfoot, J. B. Parish, J. J. Stafford, M. Bizzell, Dan Herring, Wm. H. Hinton, J. Tool, Wm. C. Ashley, Littleton Lee, J. B. Alfred, Solomon Burtisll, Smith Brooks, Jethro Thain, P. T. Massey, J. H. Cotter, Geo. Atkinson, Dr. James W. William, P. Ralford, Wm. Rains, D. H. Graves, Hardy Pilkinton, Daniel Sellers, David Atkinson, R. H. Hinton, S. W. Ruffin, Ballantine, Hinton, S. W. Woody, W. Stancell, R. D. Christian, Braddock Pearce, Bishop Hicks, Lovel Eldridge, Henry Dennis, John B. Coats, London Barnes, Franklin Phillips, Bryant A. Williams and W. A. Smith.

On motion, the names of delegates were requested to be sent to the Secretary of State Executive Committee. Loud calls being made for Maj. Wm. A. Smith, he arose and made one of his happiest efforts. He defended all honest officials and denounced frauds and corruption generally, denouncing the acts of those most honest, yes, reverend watch dog of the treasury, in relation to the State printing. His remarks were received with hearty applause. The meeting then adjourned. B. R. HINNANT, Chm'n. JNO. D. MASSEY, Sec'y.

For the Carolina Era.

Wilkes County.

According to previous notice, the Republican Convention for the county of Wilkes, met at the Court House in Wilkesboro' on the 30th day of March, 1872, and organized by the appointment of Hon. S. P. Smith, Chairman, and Maj. James H. Foote, Secretary. After an explanation of the meeting by the Chairman, a committee of five on resolutions was appointed by the Chairman, viz: B. R. Hinnant, Thos. J. Dula, Esq., H. Hays and R. P. Booe. During the absence of the committee, F. T. Walsler, Esq., editor of The National Republican, at Winston, N. C., was loudly called for, who rose and addressed the large assembly present, in eloquent and stirring terms.

The committee on resolutions then made the following report to-wit: The Republicans of Wilkes county in Convention assembled, do Resolve 1st. That we declare and affirm our adherence to the principles of the great national Republican party.

2. That Gen. Grant as President of the United States, has given us an honest and faithful administration, and that his re-nomination and re-election is of vital importance to the loyal people of the whole country, and more especially of the South. The old ticket of Grant and Colfax is our choice first and last.

3. That we fully endorse the administration of Gov. Caldwell, who has no nobly borne himself as a patriot and statesman in preserving constitutional law amid the strongest and most determined onsets made by the dominant party in the Legislature to break down our old landmarks.

4. That the Republicans of Wilkes county owe to Hon. O. H. Dockery of Richmond county, a debt of gratitude for his efforts during the summer campaign among us, who by his eloquent appeals to the people defeated Convention bill and infused a spirit of renewed devotion among our citizens to preserve peace and promote a prosperity throughout the State, and that his talents and virtues entitle him to the highest position at the hands of our fellow-citizens.

5. That we recognize D. M. Furbes, Esq. of Iredell county, as a true Republican and an able defender of our principles, and that he is our first choice to represent the people of this District in the next Congress, and that our delegates be instructed to cast the vote of our county for him at the District Convention.

6. That we cordially endorse the action of our Senator in Congress, Hon. John Pool, who so fearlessly holds the flag of our country in battling for the rights and freedom of our people from Ku Klux cruelties and oppression.

7. That while we shall feel bound to support our whole State ticket, we will be especially pleased to unite on Col. T. L. Hargrove, of Granville county, for Attorney General, and Dr. Wm. H. L. Howerton, of Rowan county, for Secretary of State.

8. That we recommend to our fellow-citizens The National Republican newspaper published at Winston, N. C., by Frederick T. Walsler, as a bold and able advocate of our fire-tried principles, and deserving our most extensive patronage.

9. That the Chairman of this meeting appoint twenty delegates to attend the State Convention at Raleigh, N. C., on the 17th of April next, and that he appoint ten delegates to attend the District Convention, to nominate a candidate for the South, and that when the time and place for holding said Convention shall be fixed, that we recommend Wilkesboro' as a suitable place for holding the District Convention.

10. That L. D. Burcham, T. W. Smith, John M. Brown, A. Wiles, W. H. Hurd, W. W. White, Elijah Dyer, N. Churby, J. F. Tugman, Asa Triplett, George H. Brown, J. M. Call, H. Hays, Israel Holley, J. P. Somers, Elbert Wells and Jas. H. Foote, be and are hereby appointed County Executive Committee for the county of Wilkes, and that they be authorized to appoint a Township Executive Committee for each Township in the county, consisting of three or more persons, and notify them of their appointment. That any five in number of the county committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. That the duties of said committee shall be as prescribed in the plan of organization of the Republican party of the State.

Which on motion, were unanimously adopted. Col. W. F. Henderson was then called for, and for two hours kept the large audience spell bound, and gave the Ku Klux Democracy such blows as never was received before in this county. The applause of the people at times was overwhelming. The crowded house alternately laughed and cried, while the eloquent speaker poured forth his happy bits and thrusts at the party who controlled the Legis-