

The Convention.

We publish to-day, the proceedings of the Territorial Convention, held in this city on last Tuesday. There were a very large number in attendance, aside from the regularly appointed delegates—and we are sorry to say, that a part of the crowd which came from Omaha, attended for the express and avowed purpose of disturbing the deliberations of the people who were sent here by their constituents—and finally to break up the Convention in a row. But thanks to the energy and decision of the President and other members, sustained by our efficient Mayor—backed by the firm and determined determination of the law-abiding citizens of Bellevue to put down at all hazards, the turbulent mob which were imported from a certain location for that purpose. In giving expression to our feelings in regard to this matter, we do not wish to be understood, that we charge that every one who came from Omaha were actuated by the same feelings and purposes—on the contrary we know that there were gentlemen from Omaha, who deprecated the action taken by a few from that place—high-minded, honorable gentlemen, who would scorn to invade the deliberations of a body of freemen, who, in accordance with the usage, and agreeable to a right guaranteed to them by the Constitution and laws of our common country, were peaceably congregated together for the purpose of expressing their views, and selecting a representative in whom to repose the highest trust within the power of the people of the Territory to confer. But for the present, we will let this pass. The Convention met in the forenoon at the School-House, for the purpose of a preliminary organization, which being had, they adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of a permanent organization—adopting the reports of committees and the selection of a candidate. At the time appointed the house was crowded with a somewhat mixed crowd, among whom we made our appearance. The boys had some fun in the way of speech making—all passed off in good humor, and it was nearly 3 o'clock before the delegates appeared. After the delegates took their seats, and the permanent officers had assumed their duties, the first in order was the report of the committee on Credentials. When Douglas county was called, Gov. Cumming, although not appointed as a delegate, asked leave to present a few remarks—which, through the courtesy of the President Hon. S. A. STRICKLAND, was permitted. He was immediately followed by another out-sider, an erratic and factious individual from Burt county, by the name of Col. Harrington, who seems to glory in having "the nerve" to speak his mind when and where he pleases, provided he does not infringe upon the rules. After the nervous man had taken his seat, the President distinctly informed the meeting that he would listen to no one, who was not a delegate—but notwithstanding this announcement, Gov. Cumming insisted upon being heard, and being properly refused by the President—the out-siders near the door interfered and seemed determined that he should be heard—and confusion worse confounded reigned supreme. The President was undecided only for a moment—his keen eye detected all around and among the mob a moral and a physical force sufficient to quell the disturbance, and like a man, he mounted his chair, rapped his hammer and succeeded in restoring something like order. He then informed them that we had a Mayor, Marshal and a Sheriff of the county, who were on the ground, and that the delegates were not to be driven from a house to which they had been admitted—that he knew the citizens of Bellevue would sustain order, and not permit a mob to deter them from doing their duty. When he took his seat, our Mayor, Mr. Jennings, asked leave to say a few words, when he informed them that the school house had been given to the delegates for the purpose of holding their convention, and that they should be protected in their rights at all hazards. The Mayor being a large, portly, good looking man, and with a good fighter in a good cause, he was listened to respectfully—and like school-boys they quailed beneath his look. After order was restored the Convention proceeded to business, for the particulars of which we refer to their proceedings. After the first ballot it was evident that no selection could be made from the candidates before the Convention; Gen. Bowen, voluntarily resigned in favor of Judge Ferguson. It had been rumored that this Convention was gotten up by a clique for the purpose of nominating Gen. Bowen, and all sorts of stories and surmises were circulated and believed, and in order to prove the fallacy of such stories, Chief Justice Ferguson, than whom, no better or more upright man exists in the Territory, was solicited on his part, prevailed upon to take the nomination, and no one was more industrious in bringing about the consummation of this object than Gen. Bowen. So fearful was a part of the delegation from Washington county, that fraud and sectional strife was to be mixed up in this matter, that before the Convention entered into a ballot—they withdrew. We are however, lengthening out this article to a greater extent than we anticipated when we began, and shall close in a very few words—promising to recur to it again. Chief Justice Ferguson, is now our nominee—he is a man upon whom all can unite—he knows no sectional interests, and the people who do the voting have confidence in him. His character—his purity of life and his unspotted fame is far above the reach of party malice and envy, although their party shafts may be directed against him. After his nomination, a committee waited upon him and he appeared, and taking up the platform, he read each resolution—commented upon them and finally accepted the nomination tendered to him, and in a beautiful and chaste speech, referred to his past services in this infant Territory—marking in conclusion, that his duty forbade his resignation as Chief Justice, before the 22d inst., as he had to meet his brethren of the Judiciary, to adjust some important matters in regard to the interests of litigants—but when these decisions were given, he would cheerfully resign—attend to the call of the convention imposed upon him and labor to secure the position to which their friendship and partiality had assigned him. He was cheered by the crowd, and on taking his seat Gen. 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The Committee on permanent officers reported the following organization:

- PRESIDENT, SILAS A. STRICKLAND. VICE PRESIDENTS, GEORGE F. KENNEDY, JNO. B. BULLWARE, WM. CLANCEY. Secretary, H. A. LONGLOFF. Asst Secretary, A. J. SMITH. Door-Keeper, AMOS GATES.

The report was received and adopted. The report of the Committee on Credentials was then presented by the Chairman, and received by the Convention, and taking up the different counties the following gentlemen being duly elected were declared entitled to seats in the Convention.

- Washington county, Messrs Clancey, Sullivan, Kime and Cooper. Douglas county, Messrs Brewster, Bracken, Harsh, Chapman, Cunningham, Fulton, Steele, Mitchell, Kenady, Myres, and Smith. Sarpy county, Messrs Cock, Strickland, Longsdorf, Gates, Finney and Holloway. Otoe county, Messrs Lindley, Decker, Campbell, McLennan, Boulware, Cowles, Bradford, Hursh and Maxon. Johnson and Nemaha counties, Mr. Hayes. Platte county, Mr. Reck. Clay county, Mr. Aussen. Messrs Kime and Cooper of Washington county, asked leave to withdraw from the deliberations of the Convention, which was agreed to. On motion, Resolved, That the member from Johnson county, forming as it does a representation in connection with Nemaha be allowed to cast the vote of both Counties.

The Committee on Resolutions being called upon for the platform, Mr. Mitchell, as Chairman, presented the following: WHEREAS, We, the Representatives of the people of Nebraska Territory, without reference to former political distinctions, concede the right of our sovereign constituents to regulate their own affairs in their own way, as well as to mould their domestic institutions; and who are in favor of carrying out, with fidelity, any legitimate experience of their will, in the disposition of all appropriations and grants made ostensibly for their benefit and in the location of their seat of government—having assembled in pursuance of our instructions in General Territorial Convention, to nominate a suit the candidate for Delegate to Congress, who will faithfully reflect our views, carry out our measures and receive our united support, therefore

- 1. Resolved, That we are opposed to that partial and corrupt system of government and fanaticism which have disgraced the past history of the Territory, thwarted the will of the people, and pandered to sectional interests to the disparagement of the general weal and prosperity. 2. Resolved, That we are in favor of equal rights, equal privileges, and of extending the limits of legislation to all parts of the Territory alike. 3. Resolved, That the people of the Territory have the right to locate, or to remove their seat of government, and to shape the policy of their legislation, at their sovereign discretion; and, that their will, when once ascertained, should be respected by all who seek their favor, or assume to be their servants. 4. Resolved, That we are in favor of liberal grants of land, at the ensuing session of Congress, to be made to the Territory for its disposition for railroad purposes, which shall place the State of Nebraska upon a just and liberal equality with her most favored sister states. 5. Resolved, That we are in favor of ample appropriations for the federal treasury, to which we all contribute alike—to extend the military roads already ordered for certain sections through other equally as meritorious portions of the Territory. 6. Resolved, That we are in favor of immediate appropriations to bridge the Big Platte, now so distinctly a line of demarcation through the Territory, which would create still more certain a common interest, a common sympathy and a common destiny. 7. Resolved, That we are in favor of liberal Homestead laws, and like donation of lands to actual pioneer settlers, equal to those hitherto conceded to other territories of the Union. 8. Resolved, That we are in favor of the speedy extinguishment of all Indian titles, to reserves, or other lands in this Territory, and the removal of all Indian tribes beyond our limits, as soon as may be, to make necessary way for the progress of our race and to insure the inevitable grand routes of travel westwardly from our frontier. 9. Resolved, That in making federal appointments in this Territory, we respectfully ask that the spirit of the Kansas Nebraska act be carried out by consulting the wishes and will of the people. 10. Resolved, That in view of the exigency of the times, the importance of the ensuing session of Congress, and the precedents of the past, the people of the whole Territory, forgetting personal preferences or local prejudices, should unite on the motto of "Principles, not men," on some man as their delegate who, without disparaging the claims of other worthy aspirants will most likely—being capable and trust-worthy; reflect their will and faithfully protect their interests. 11. Resolved, That pledging to the nominee of the Convention our candid and united efforts to secure his triumphant election and the consequent success of our principles and measures, we now proceed to nominate the People's candidate for Delegate. The Platform having been read, it was unanimously adopted by the Convention. Whereupon, the following resolutions were offered and adopted. Resolved, That a majority of all the votes cast, shall be necessary to the election of a candidate—and that the vote be by ballot. Resolved, That the name of no candidate for nomination be considered, unless he first pledge himself to subscribe to our platform, to abide our decisions, and to support our nominee. The following names were then announced as candidates:—Hon. F. FERGUSON, of Sarpy county, Hon. J. M. THAYER, of Douglas county, G. L. BOWEN, of Sarpy county, C. F. HOLLY, of Otoe county,—Hon. S. A. STRICKLAND, of Sarpy county, and Hon. W. CLANCEY, of Washington county, were also put in nomination, but declined. The Convention then proceeded to ballot for a candidate, with the following result: First Ballot. F. Ferguson, 13. L. L. Bowen, 10. C. F. Holly, 12. J. M. Thayer, 1. There being no choice, G. N. L. L. 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In accordance with the above resolution, the President appointed the following named gentleman to prepare the address: William Clancey, of Washington Co., J. C. Mitchell, Douglas, " C. T. Holloway, Sarpy, " C. H. Decker, Otoe, " J. B. Hayes, Johnson, " E. C. Austin, Clay " On motion the Convention adjourned sine die. S. A. STRICKLAND, President. H. A. LONGLOFF, Sec'y.

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The editor of the New York Herald has seen "a private letter, which came by the last steamer, from a gentleman in San Francisco, which states that in the writer's opinion the yield of gold for the year 1857 will not be much short of one hundred millions of dollars. The assumption is based on the knowledge that the facilities for washing have been greatly increased by the completion of numerous canals and ditches which have been in progress for a year or two past. The letter further states that trade in San Francisco will be good throughout the summer."

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PROCLAMATION. BY THE GOVERNOR OF NEBRASKA. Executive Department, } Omaha City, N. T. } To the qualified voters of Nebraska Territory:—I, Mark W. Izard, Governor of the Territory of Nebraska, in pursuance of an act of the Legislative Assembly, approved January 23, 1857, entitled "Elections," do hereby declare and make known, that an election will be held in the several counties of this Territory, on the first Monday in August, A. D. 1857, for one Delegate to the Congress of the United States, one Territorial Auditor, one Territorial Treasurer, one Territorial Librarian, one Attorney General, and one District Attorney for each Judicial District, to be voted for by the qualified voters of the District for which he is to be elected. Also, thirty-five members to the House of Representatives of the Territorial Assembly, to wit: The Counties of Dakota, Cedar and Leavenworth, will elect two Representatives; the Counties of Burt and Cuming will elect one Representative; the county of Washington will elect three Representatives; the county of Douglas will elect eight Representatives; the county of Sarpy will elect four Representatives; the counties of Dodge and Platte will elect, jointly, one Representative; the counties of Cass, Lancaster, Gosh and Clay will elect four Representatives; the county of Otoe will elect six Representatives; the counties of Nemaha and Johnson will elect three Representatives; the counties of Richardson and Brown will elect three Representatives. And at the same time and place the qualified voters of each county will elect the following county officers, to wit: one Probate Judge, one Sheriff, one Register, one Treasurer, one County Clerk, one Superintendent of Common Schools, one County Surveyor, one County Commissioner for each county, two Justices of the Peace and two Constables for each Precinct. The County Commissioners of the organized counties lying nearest adjacent to the unorganized counties, will proceed to divide the unorganized counties into convenient election districts and cause notices to be posted in each election precinct of the time and place of holding said election, and of the officers to be voted for, and to appoint judges, and cause the said election to be conducted in all respects, and due returns made thereof, as required by law. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the great Seal of the Territory, done at Omaha City, in said Territory, on the thirteenth day of May, A. D. 1857, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the eighth-first year. By the Governor, MARK W. IZARD. T. B. CUMING, Secretary. n32

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