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State Convention.

At 8 o'clock yesterday evening the convention was called to order by J. W. Dawes, Chairman of State Central Committee, and, on motion of J. C. Cowin of Omaha, seconded by Slaughter of Nance and Bierbower of Cheyenne, G. W. Collins of Pawnee was elected temporary chairman.

Cropsey of Lancaster and Webster of Omaha were appointed a committee to wait upon Mr. Collins and conduct him to the chair.

Upon being introduced, he said: "Mr. Chairman and gentlemen of the convention: I thank you from the bottom of my heart for the honor conferred upon me. I hope that in our deliberations here the utmost harmony will prevail and that it will be such a harmony as to be an example for all other states in the Union. I hope, too, that whatever the result of our deliberations shall be that there is not a republican in the State of Nebraska but will heartily endorse the action of the Chicago convention."

J. D. Evans of Clay, D. A. Brainard of Boone and A. E. Cady of Colfax were elected temporary secretaries.

A committee on credentials was appointed, consisting of Webster of Douglas, Stout of Saline, Marsh of Clay, Palmer of Cass, Majors of Nemaha, Zischuck of Sarpy, Cornish of Polk, Thummel of Hall, Ries of Lincoln, Earheart of Stanton, and Bruner of Cuming.

A committee of five on resolutions consisting of Cropsey of Lancaster, Slaughter of Nance, Cowen of Douglas, Nye of Dodge and Laird of Adams.

The committee on permanent organization: Teft of Cass, Caldwell of Nichols, Cawkins of Buffalo, Brown of Douglas, Wilson of Johnson.

While the committees were out several gentlemen were called upon for speeches—Laird, Cowen, Thurston, Van Wyck, Green, Chase, Rosewater, Nye, Brooks, Collins, Vandervoort, Ballou, Mitchell, Hawes and Crabb responding in neat short speeches which we have not the space to report at length.

Laird, in former days, had been engaged in business in a small way, with Gen. Grant at the head of the partnership, and he didn't feel disposed to turn his back on him now. Cowen considered Blaine as great in other fields as Grant was in his.

Thurston said the Republican party will stand by the man chosen as the standard bearer whoever he may be, but his personal preference was for such a man as could and would be elected and seated, if elected.

Van Wyck, without indicating his preference, pronounced Grant the first of American soldiers, and Blaine the first of American statesmen.

Mr. Green declared for Grant, but believed that the party would be successful, no matter who leads it.

Col. Chase knew by the intelligent look of the convention, that it would act wisely and well. It became Republicans to do their best this Fall, as the Democracy were terribly hungry for office. Let us fight till we agree, and then fight until we win the day against the common foe.

The chairman introduced Mr. Rosewater of the *Bee* as a little man who could say the most in a little time of any man in the state. He made a personal explanation as to his position in the convention, and as to his political record. He was for Blaine in '76, and said if the sentiment of the Republicans had been fairly represented at Cincinnati, the jealousies of rival candidates would not have prevailed over Blaine. He said the Blaine force was overwhelmingly in the majority in this convention, and he believed in so organizing it as to select Blaine men and no other for Chicago.

Fred. Nye, of the *Omaha News*, said that for six years he had been in favor of J. G. Blaine for president, and he expected to have an opportunity this fall to vote for him.

Brooks of the *Omaha Republican* was in favor of that mode of procedure which shall mean power and prestige to the State. The convention expressed a decided dislike to this sentiment.

Collins was particularly "strenuous" in his remarks. In speaking of the nefarious treatment of the negroes of the south by the ex-slaveholders, he said that if those fellows had studied their bible as they had studied hell and damnation down there, there wasn't one of them but would make a first-class missionary. Without any qualifying phrase whatever, he said that James G. Blaine was the ablest man that stands on God Almighty's earth, and if he was elected president and those fellows down south didn't behave themselves, U. S. Grant would knock the devil out of them. It mattered not whether Blaine or Grant or Washburne was selected as the candidate, the other great men would not be found skulking in their tents, but would stand at his back.

Vandervoort was introduced as the best looking man in the State, and a square toed republican. His first choice was Grant, and he had no second choice.

Mitchell was not one who believed that the salvation of the country depended upon one man. He tho't Blaine was our best representative of republican policy, and the people of Nebraska are overwhelmingly in favor of him for president.

The committee on credentials reported uncontested delegates as follows, their report being accepted.

LIST OF DELEGATES.

Adams county—Laird, Yassel, Tussey, Colling, Silvers, Barless, Haglett, Thorn, Jones, Dillon, Globe.

Antelope—Coleman, Lawrence, Bayhu.

Boone—Wilkinson, Harris, Kennedy, Brainard.

Buffalo—Eise, Davis, Crowell,

Calkins, Andrews, Brown, Miller.

Burt—Hopewell, Lenuing, proxy by Freeland, Brookings, with proxies of Hopewell and Parish.

Butler—Roberts, Jensen, Steele, Hill, White, Taylor.

Cedar—Martin, Parker, Vanvelsor, Drake.

Cass—Johnson, Polk, Wiles, Hobbs, Palmer, Murfin, McCraig, Cramer, Tefft, Race.

Cheyenne—Bierbower, Michael, Snicker.

Clay—Marsh, Barber, Howard, Bemla, Smith, Lunboaker, Bett, Hamilton, Noyes, Rhinehart, Armstrong, Randall, Hopper, Draper, Page, Nettleton, Elder, Williams, Turner.

Colfax—Cady, Sumner, Sprecher, Dunlap, Brown.

Cuming—Tate, Graham, Bartlett, McMillan, Bruner.

Custer—Hopkins, Young.

Dawson—Krier, Baldwin, Smith.

Dixon—Barnes, Pomeroy, Vandentelt, Wood.

Dodge—Keene, Nye, May, Eaton, Fuhrman, Johnson, Wolcott, Canton.

Douglas—Chase, McCormick, Hill, Rosewater, Stenberg, Rosenfield, Ballou, Merriman, Thierman, Cowen, Webster, Brown, McClure, Thomas, Baur, Ballou, Rocisky.

Fillmore—Price, Murdock, Barnett, Place, Winterstern, Burr, McNeaves, Shepard, Warner, Smith.

Franklin—Switzer, Light, Robinson, Greenwood, Stafford.

Furnas—Borner, Barker, Albee, Ager, Reynolds.

Greeley—Fish, Paddock.

Hall—Abbot, Koenig, Thummel, Spencer, Cole, Walker, Glanville.

Hamilton—Theary, Streeter, Foster, King, Morrell, Cox.

Harian—Burgarden, Wilcox, Galbraith, Reed, Ginnis, Graves.

Howard—Paul, Chadwick, Harvey, Thompson.

Holt—Ewing, Brennon, Cleveland.

Jefferson—Harbine, Cross, Green, Bower, Purdy, Baker, Ireland.

Johnson—Dew, Mann, Wilson, Corbin, Young, Sharrett, Wilsey.

Kearney—Carter, Gordon, Erickson, Hecox, Kent.

Keith—G. W. Tanner.

Knox—Brooks, Westerman, Perkins, Santea.

Lancaster—Gere, Phillips, Cropsey, Kennard, Church, Marquette, Burr, Fisher, Gould, McConnell, Pray, Johnson, Cadman, McNeil, Hennance, Tiltan, Trompeh, Huey, Jenkins.

Lincoln—Barton, Reese, Thacker.

Madison—Clark, Wyatt, Bradshaw, Bickley.

Merrick—Austin, Holden, Sweet, Hostetter, Burlingame, Miller.

Nemaha—Majors, Stull, Stewart, Polman, Patrick, Skillin, Culp, Strain, Burrows.

Nuckolls—Caldwell, Hammond, Coppock, Gourley.

Otoe—Mitchell, Cady, Watson, Van Wyck, Abbott, Garrow, Wilson, Quible, Cook, Lisk, Brown.

Pawnee—Norris, Howe, Collins, Ervin, Jordan, Jackson, Walker

Kennedy.

Phelps—Hallgren, Carpenter, Wilson.

Pierce—I. Shroat.

Polk—Morrill, Cornish, Kimball, Dunning, Dodge, Swareuger.

Platte—Post, Gerrard proxy for Hulst, Barnhart, Clothier, Hall, McCandlish.

Red Willow—Daley, Black.

Richardson—Turk, Stretch, May, Wherry, Carpenter, Stover, Stevenson, Simmons, Gennann, Weller, Rhoepfel.

Sarpy—Clark, Behru, Zischuck, Smith.

Saline—Smith, Weacott, Wells, Daugherty, Rogers, Reynolds, Moffett, Paddock, Stout, Ingles, Jindra, Ireland.

Saunders—Mead, Scott, Adams, Sturtevant, Ballou, Wilson, Johnson, Anderson, Reese, Terrell.

Sherman—Wall, Edmundson, Brown.

Seward—Belzer, Polley, Norval, Barnett, Carnes, Redford, Hickman.

Stanton—Lamb, Earheart.

Thayer—Abbott, Thompson, Galbraith, Tower, Coon, Thompson.

Valley—Mortzman, Babcock, Capron.

Wayne—Hunter, Brittain.

Washington—Taylor, Boucey, Adams, Bailey, Peck, Mathiesen, Mathiesen.

Webster—Garber, Gilham, Fulton, Miller, Tulley, Smith, Hoover, Ayeu, Albright.

York—Crabb, Moore, Myrick, Woods, Chapman, Eberhardt, Gandy, Keyes, Bennett.

A number of motions, counter-motions, etc., were made in regard to the admission of certain delegates from Gage county, resulting in the admission of what was known as the Boggs delegation.

At 1:15 a motion to adjourn was lost.

It was moved by M. B. Reese that the contestants in Hitchcock county be allowed 15 minutes each to present their case, and that a vote then be taken without debate. The delegation represented by W. Z. Taylor was admitted.

Nance county was disposed of by admitting as delegate B. D. Slaughter.

Webster of Douglas moved a recess of one hour. On motion to lay on the table, the counties were called, and motion lost. At 2:30 convention adjourned for one hour.

The Blaine men retired for consultation.

The Grant force held a caucus in the Hall.

At 20 minutes to 4 a. m., the convention was called to order.

Irvlu of Pawnee moved the convention proceed to elect, *vis a voce*, by counties, six delegates to Chicago.

An amendment was offered that the vote be taken, by ballot, by judicial districts beginning with the first.

The amendment was carried by a vote of 183 to 178, and the Grant men began to feel hopeful of some result in their favor, but were doomed to disappointment.

On the original motion the vote