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TERRITORIAL CONVENTION. SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7. EVENING SESSION.

The convention re-assembled at 7 p.m., according to appointment. The roll being called, all answered to their names, excepting four, who subsequently made their appearance.

Hon. W. H. Hooper, chairman of the committee on resolutions, submitted the following report, which was received and the committee discharged:

The people of Utah, in convention assembled, by their delegates, with long residence in this once desert region, their fidelity to the general government, their industry, frugality and respect for the laws, and their regulations, the stability of their institutions, their efficient school system, extending to every settlement in the Territory, with an enrollment of 22,520 scholars out of a school population of 35,696; the enterprise and perseverance which have rendered them self-sustaining, and their rapid increase to a population of 150,000, a numerical strength in excess of the States of Oregon, Nevada and Colorado, hereby firmly and respectfully claim admission into the Federal Union as a State, in conformity with constitutional provisions and general precedent, and in accordance with desires expressed in former conventions and repeated petitions to Congress.

The favorable position of Utah, in the center of this great country, her connection with the world by means of the trans-continental railway, and the local connecting roads projected and built through the energy and skill of her own people, without municipal, county, territorial or federal aid; her system of telegraphic communication, embracing 2,000 miles of wire; her immense wealth in iron, coal, lead, copper and the precious metals; her vast agricultural resources and growing manufacturing interests; her past prosperity and her brilliant prospects, form a sufficient guarantee of a future population and ability amply sufficient for the maintenance and perpetuity of a State government of equal importance and influence with many of the existing States.

Whereas, A territorial form of Government, though it is not adapted to the requirements of early settlers on the public domain, while unable themselves to sustain a government fully in accordance with the republican institutions, does not meet the necessities of a community whose wants and interests have multiplied with age, growth and experience;

Whereas, It is evident from the history of our nation and the spirit of its institutions that the territorial form of government was never intended to be a permanent feature of our system, but was only designed and adopted to prepare the way for settlers upon the public lands to organize State governments and admit the Union as speedily as possible, to enjoy the same rights and privileges as the people of the original States; therefore

Resolved, That our delegate in Congress is hereby requested to take immediate steps to procure the necessary legislation for the admission of Utah into the Union as a State, and during the pending of the enabling act, to urge the passage of the bill authorizing the people of all the territories to elect their governors and other officers, in accordance with the idea of popular sovereignty.

EDUCATION. Whereas, Education is recognized as one of the chief necessities of all civilized nations as absolutely necessary to the welfare and progress of the people, the maintenance of that liberty which is secured by law, and the attainment of the objects for which governments are instituted; and

Whereas, The government of the United States has, by liberal grants of land for the support of universities and common schools, aided the same of education in the various States of the Union, while these favors are withheld from the territories;

Resolved, That our delegate in Congress is hereby requested to take immediate steps to procure such legislation as will secure to the territories the same educational facilities as are enjoyed by the States, and to urge the passage of the bill authorizing the people of all the territories to elect their governors and other officers, in accordance with the idea of popular sovereignty.

Whereas, Many of the thousands of acres are left entirely uncultivated because of the immense cost of constructing canals from distant streams; and

Whereas, It is for the best interests of the nation that the hardy pioneer should be assisted in reclaiming the desert wastes and opening a settlement on the regions unhabited; therefore

Resolved, That our delegate to Congress is hereby instructed to take the necessary measures to obtain from the Government grants of land for irrigating companies organized and incorporated under the laws of the territories, subject to such provisions as will secure the object in view, and thus fertilize the soil now useless, prepare the way for pleasant homes on lands now vacant, and desolate, and by increasing the supply of food, facilitate the development of our immense mineral resources, and materially add to the national wealth and prosperity.

SILVER CURRENCY. Whereas, Experience has demonstrated that the demonetization of silver has worked injury to the country, and the masses of the people; and

coin without demerit; and

Resolved, That our delegate in Congress is instructed to use all the influence he can legitimately command to procure the reauthorization of silver as an unlimited legal tender.

Whereas, The timber law of the United States, enacted in the year 1831, upon which the present unjust stumpage regulations are based, was enacted to meet the necessity of preserving certain kinds of timber for the use of the navy; and

Whereas, These regulations are manifestly inappropriate for the Rocky Mountain regions, where no such timber exists, as the law was framed to protect, and where the scarce timber grows only on the mountain tops, in deep canyons, or in rugged ravines, unapproachable without the construction of costly roads;

Resolved, That our delegate in Congress is hereby requested to endeavor to procure such amendments to the timber law as will relieve this and other Territories from the impositions of the stumpage system, and to secure to the people of the Territory the timber necessary to their convenience, which will tend to the speedy and substantial development of the country, while it will deprive the Government of little or no revenue, the proceeds of stumpage in these regions now being swallowed up by official expenses.

GENERAL. And, Whereas, We desire nothing for ourselves which we are not willing to do for the benefit of the Territory, and want no special legislation for Utah, but general laws for the good of every Territory; therefore

Resolved, That our delegate in Congress is hereby requested to cooperate with the delegates from other Territories for the attainment of all the rights and privileges which we claim as citizens of the Territory of Utah, the future free and powerful mountain state, which will yet pour out her treasures like a river, and upon which all the growing communities which are joined by the inseparable bands of our great and glorious Union.

After being read twice and slightly amended, the foregoing preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted by the Convention.

On motion of Mr. A. Miner, the Convention resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Erastus Snow in the chair, for the consideration of the nomination of a candidate for Delegate to Congress from Utah.

It was carried unanimously that the nominations be made by counties.

Hon. D. H. Wells came forward and presented, in nomination, in behalf of the delegation from Salt Lake County, the name of George Q. Cannon, the presentation of that gentleman's name being greeted with hearty applause.

Hon. D. H. Wells addressed the Convention upon the able manner in which Mr. Cannon had represented the people in Congress during the time he had already served there in that capacity, and made the following remarks pertinent to the occasion.

The motion was seconded by Hon. W. H. Hooper, who also spoke of the merits of the gentleman placed in nomination.

Hon. A. O. Smoot, in behalf of Utah County delegation, also nominated George Q. Cannon, and Mr. E. Harrington seconded the nomination of Utah County, the other delegates manifesting their unanimous approval of the nomination.

The other counties followed in their order, unanimously placing Mr. Cannon's name in nomination, as follows: Juab County, moved by Mr. Joel Grover; Willard, moved by Mr. E. Partidge; Beaver, moved by Mr. W. B. Robinson; Morgan, seconded by Mr. A. M. Musser; Iron County, moved by Hon. Silas S. Smith; Kane, moved by Mr. Charles H. Atwood; Morgan, moved by Hon. Erastus Snow, seconded by Mr. D. McArthur; Sevier, moved by Mr. D. G. Willson; Sanpete, moved by Mr. John B. Mailen; Wasatch, moved by Hon. Abram Hatch, seconded by Mr. N. Murdoch; Summit, moved by Mr. W. L. Hunt; seconded by Mr. S. Atwood; Morgan, moved by Mr. Willard G. Smith; Davis, moved by Mr. John W. Hess, seconded by Mr. W. R. Smith; Box Elder, moved by Hon. Jonathan C. Wright; Tooele, moved by Hon. John Rowberry, seconded by Mr. W. C. Rydahl; Weber county, moved by Hon. E. D. Richards, seconded by Hon. Lorin Farr; Cache, moved by Hon. Brigham Young, Jr.; seconded by Mr. Samuel R. Rich, moved by Mr. John Nebeker.

The question on the nomination being called for, it was put and carried without a single dissenting vote.

On motion the committee of the whole arose and reported their action to the convention, the report being unanimously accepted. The nomination of George Q. Cannon was then put and carried by acclamation.

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