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The Radical Convention Last Saturday.

There was a genuine Radical pow-wow at the Court House in this city last Saturday. The occasion that brought the Radicals together was a call for a meeting to appoint delegates to the state and congressional conventions. As a part of the history of the times we will briefly give the salient features of the affair. The clans arrived in the forenoon and there were black spirits and gray. The negroes of Weston headed by Hon. Sir Sawney Vaugh, colored, were the only patriot individuals of that color, we presume, for the sable sons of the other portions failed to appear.

The meeting was largely attended by Democrats who went to see and hear a practical illustration of negro equality. The Radicals in attendance numbered about thirty or forty persons, black and white. Hon. Louis Georgeau presided over the deliberations of the embodied loyalty of the house.

The first business was the appointment of a committee of one person from each township to report the names of delegates to the state convention. White Radicals were appointed from every township except Carroll township, as a representative of which a negro, Sawney Vaughn, *of Weston*, was appointed, and the white Radicals of the township were ignominiously snubbed. The committee, headed by Sawney Vaughn, retired amidst cheers of derision.

In the absence of the committee the meeting was entertained by the Radical orators present. Ex-Lieut. Gov. Smith, candidate for congress, led off by saying he had the diarrhoea and wasn't much of a speaker anyhow, all of which he clearly demonstrated in a maudlin, illogical harrangue of a half hour's duration. He was followed by Mark L. DeMott, another aspirant for congressional honors, who consumed the same length of time in a silly, puerile speech of no worth whatever and not deserving a notice. Jenkins, of Kansas City, was trotted out and commenced a vindictive harrangue. He began like a locomotive to blow off steam and puffed and snorted like a steam tug for an hour.

Van Horn, the offspring of Rodman, then straddled out and in his idiotic, drunken style, spoke for the delectation of his satellites present. As Van Horn had never before been guilty of making a sensible remark, he preserved a clean score this time.

After the speechifying the committee reported the following delegates

TO THE STATE CONVENTION:

Wm Fitzgerald; John J Whitlow; John H Hell; Louis Georgeau; Thomas Quinn; Thos Whitlock (colored); Sawney Vaughn, (colored).

TO THE CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION.

A G Beller; Philip Doppler; Jno H Hal Geo W Reynolds; Thos Quinn; James H Moore; Geo Smith.

Sawney Vaughn, colored, was then called out and made a more sensible speech than any of the previous orators. He took strong grounds in favor of enfranchisement, a question dodged by the white speakers.

The committee on resolutions reported two resolutions, the majority resolution being voted down and the minority resolution adopted as follows:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this convention that the necessity for the further disfranchisement of rebels no longer exists, and that, therefore, we are in favor of the adoption of the amendments to the constitution of Missouri on the question of suffrage submitted by the Legislature.

Mr. Milton Campbell made a very liberal and able speech in favor of the resolution. The convention then adjourned. If it was important in nothing else, it taught some white Radicals hereabouts the lesson of negro equality. The Radicals of the Eastern part of the county were ignominiously snubbed throughout, but the culminating outrage was the denial of representation to Preston township in the congressional delegation, so that Weston might have two delegates, Beller and Doppler.

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