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ELECTION NOTICE,

IN accordance with the 77th section of the 35th Article of the Code of Public General Laws of the State of Maryland, I hereby give notice that the Governor of Maryland has issued the following Proclamation:

PROCLAMATION.

STATE OF MARYLAND,

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, Frederick City, May 2d, 1861.

Whereas the President of the United States by his Proclamation, dated the fifteenth day of April, 1861, has summoned Congress to meet in special session in the city of Washington on the fourth day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-one:

And whereas by section 76, of article 35, of the Code of Public General Laws, the Governor is empowered and directed to order, by proclamation, a special election for members of Congress for this State, to fill vacancies now existing:

Now, therefore, I, Thos. Holliday Hicks, Governor of Maryland, do, by this my proclamation, designate and appoint Thursday, the Thirteenth day of JUNE, 1861, for the election of Representatives from the State, to serve in the Congress of the United States.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland, at the city of Frederick, this second day of May, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

THOS. H. HICKS.

By the Governor,
GRAYSON EICHELBERGER,
Secretary of State.

As the 77th section of the 35 Article of the Code requires that "the Proclamation of the Governor shall require at least twenty days' notice of the election to be given by the Sheriffs of the respective counties," I hereby give notice of the above proclamation, and that an Election will be held at the various places in this county, on

THURSDAY, June 13th '61,

for a Representative for a member of the Congress of the United States for the First Congressional District of the State of Maryland. The places for election in the several districts of this county will be as follows:

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VIENNA.

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THE SOUTHERN WAGON.

AIR—"Wait for the Wagon."

Come all ye sons of Freedom and join our Southern band,
We're going to fight the enemy and drive them from our land;
Justice is our motto, and Providence our guide,
So jump into the wagon and we'll all take a ride.

Chorus—Wait for the wagon—
The Dissolution wagon—
The South is our wagon,
And we'll all take a ride.

Secession is our watchword, our rights we all demand,
And to defend our firesides we pledge our heart and hand,
Jeff. Davis is our President with Stephens by his side,
Brave Beauregard our General will join us in the ride.

Chorus.—Wait for the wagon, &c.

Our wagon's plenty big enough, the running gear is good,
'Tis stuffed with cotton round the sides and made of Southern wood;
Carolina is the driver with Georgia by her side,
Virginia 'll hold our flag up and we'll all take a ride.

Chorus—Wait for the wagon, &c.

There's Tennessee and Texas also in the ring,
They would'at have a Government where Cotton wasn't King;
Alabama too and Florida have long ago replied,
Mississippi's in the wagon anxious for the ride.

Chorus—Wait for the wagon, &c.

Missouri, North Carolina and Arkansas are slow,
They must hurry or we'll leave 'em and then where would they go?
There's "Old Kentucky" and Maryland each won't make up their mind,
So I reckon after all we'll have to take 'em up behind.

Chorus—Wait for the wagon, &c,

Our cause is just and holy, our men are brave and true,
To whip the Lincoln cut-throats is all we have to do;
God bless our noble army—in Him we all confide,
So jump into the wagon and we'll all take a ride.

Chorus—Wait for the wagon, &c.

Address of the Border State Convention,

To the People of the U. States.

Fellow-Citizens:—The delegates to a Convention of the Border Slave States, assembled in the city of Frankfort, desire to address you in relation to the present condition of the country.

None of us have ever expected to live to see the spectacle now exhibited in our distracted land. The cry to arms resounds throughout our borders, and in a few short weeks we have seen all over the land the marshalling of troops ready for the conflict. The pursuits of peace are neglected and abandoned, and the fell spirit of war has seized almost every heart, until even gentle and tender woman yields to the fierce impulse, and encourages the strife, and the maternal eye scarce gathers a tear as the son seizes his arms, and rushes toward the field of carnage and of death.

If this warlike spirit—this terrible energy—were displayed in preparing to meet the legions of an invading enemy, our hearts would exult in the exhibition of the martial spirit of our countrymen; but alas! the combatants are descendants of sires who stood side by side in the day of battle, to maintain the independence of our country, and in the approaching conflict brother is to fall by the hand of brother.

Can we hope in this day of fierce passion that our voice, crying for peace, will be heard? Will any portraiture of the horrors of civil war that we can give, have any influence with those who are rushing madly on to destroy each other? We fear not! States which should have been with us, and whose voice would have increased the potency of our demands for peace, have been seized with the prevailing madness, and have rushed to arms. Still we feel bound to make our voice to be heard, with the hope that our words will have their influence at some day, when men shall behold the wasting and desolation that their madness has produced.

All the slave States except four are arrayed in hostility to the General Government, and are demanding that the confederation which they have formed shall be recognized as a separate sovereign nation. The process by which they have attempted to form themselves into a distinct nation has been, for each State by itself to declare all connection with the General Government terminated, and then unite in forming a confederation among themselves.

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