We, citizens of Carter County, believe that a crisis has arrived in the affairs of our country, which requires the exertion of all the energies of its citizens to avert a great political calamity. From a mildness in our posture—namely, the destruction of the reserved rights of the States composing this Confederacy—truly, the elevation on their part of a great consolidated government without limitation of power. We are led to this conclusion, by what we have seen of the movements of the Federal Government for the last ten years, and its conduct toward some of the sovereign States of this Confederacy. We have seen how our rights have been invaded, which are not to be found delegated in the Constitution. We have seen those rights, as it were, enfeebled by selfish and ambitious politicians, as to cover all ends and every purpose of interest or convenience. We have seen the government, which was principally designed for the defence of the States against foreign enemies, attempt to regulate the labor and industry of the Country, which attempts is not only unconstitutional but manifestly unjust; as it tends to the oppression of the people of one section of the Country, for the advancement of the welfare of the people of another; and to crown all, we have lately seen the Legislative and the President with power to force a State to submit to laws pronounced to be unconstitutional, by the sovereign people of that State, thereby annihilating the rights of the States, and establishing a consolidated government, which, from the nature of things, must end in despotism.

We are attached with sincere devotion to the Union of the States, on the principles which brought them together—We do believe that this Union can be preserved only by a strict adherence on the part of the Federal Government, to the exercise of the power expressly granted in the Constitution, and by a firm determination on the part of the—
Hailed respectfully, to maintain inviolate the rights and powers not granted—there attacked, it believing that, we are determined to hand down to posterity, if possible, the same government which was established by the wisdom of our forefathers. Influenced by these considerations, we hereby form ourselves into an association, for the purpose of determining useful political knowledge among the people, and adopt the following Constitution:

Article 1. This Association shall be auxiliary to the State Rights Association formed at Millersville on the 13th December 1828, and shall be called the "State Rights Association of Clark's County."

Art. 2. This Association adopt as their political creed, the principles adopted at the State Rights Meeting held in Millersville, on the 13th Nov. 1828, and will use all their influence in promulgating these principles among the people.

Art. 3. The officers shall consist of a President, five Vice Presidents, and an Executive, all of whom shall be elected by the members of the Association annually, unless a case of vacancy occurs when the vacancy shall be filled at the meeting of the Association next after the vacancy occurred.

Art. 4. The President shall preside, assisted by the Vice-President at all meetings, and in his absence one of the Vice-Presidents shall preside.

Art. 5. The Secretary shall keep a correct account of the proceedings of the Association, and from time to time have published such articles as may be directed by the Association.

Art. 6. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to take charge of the funds of the Association, and pay the expenses of publications, and all other expenses, and make annual reports of his receipts and disbursements.
Act 7. There shall be appointed by the President, a printing committee, whose duty it shall be to select articles for publication, and cause them to be distributed among the people, which committee shall also act as a committee of correspondence.

Act 8. That a general meeting shall be held every third Tuesday in August, the first Tuesday in February, the first Tuesday in October, or oftener if occasion so require it, at the President's seat, at which the President and the officers shall be present, and at which the President shall be authorized to request a call to meeting at any time upon the delegation of five members of the Association, and all its meetings shall be public.

Act 9. There shall be delivered annually an address on the subject of State Rights, by one of the members on the 1st of July. The author shall be selected by a committee of ten members, who shall be appointed by the Executive.

Act 10. Any person may become a member of the Association, by subscribing his name to this constitution.

Daniel Craft. 1
James Allardyce. 2
John Coulter. 3
Elia Busby. 4
David Mathew. 5
Agnetta Gror. 6
William A. Gror. 7
Pernell Cook. 8
Jabez Cook. 9
John Corny. 10
Bosil Brown. 11
John Baker. 12
Julius G. Darby. 13
James Millard. 14
Nelson Ridgway. 15
Nathan Little. 16
Onias Tompkins. 17
Stephen Cowden. 18
Robert Connor. 19

Durling Hollow 20

John F. Buckingham. 20
Francis McMicken. 20

James M. Office. 25
To J. Wilson
Edw. Borrow
Jas. Bower
Clement
J. Davenport

Committee for
Jackson, Dist.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
PROCEEDINGS OF THE STATE RIGHTS ASSOCIATION OF CLARKE COUNTY

Commencing on the 4th February 1834, at Watkinsville, Ga.

Pursuant to previous notice, a respectable number of the State Rights party of Clark County, assembled at the Court house in Watkinsville on Tuesday the 4th Instant for the purpose of adopting preliminary measures for the formation of a State Rights Association.

On Motion Maj'r Thomas Mitchell was called to the chair, and Robert Ligon and Young L. G. Harris, appointed Secretaries.

The object of the meeting was briefly explained by the Chairman, who was followed by George R. Clayton, Esq., Gen'l E. Harden, Judge Dougherty and Robert B. Houghton, Esq. who successively addressed the meeting, at length, in support of the general objects of the State Rights association of Georgia, and the propriety of forming an Association in Clarke County, auxilliary to the Central Association in Milledgeville, When on motion, George R. Clayton Esq. Gen'l Edward Harden, James Camak Esq. Col Joseph Ligon - , Walter A. Applings Esq Edward Payne Esq. and Asbury Hull Esq. were appointed a Committee, to prepare and report a Constitution, to be submitted to a general meeting of the State Rights party, to be held at the Court House on Friday, the 7th March Next.

On Motion of Judge Dougherty,

Resolved that the proceedings of this meeting be signed by the Chairman and Secretaries, and published in the Southern Recorder and Georgia Times.

The meeting then adjourned until Friday the 7th March Next.

Robert Ligon

Thomas Mitchell, Chairman

Young L. G. Harris Secretaries

Watkinsville Ga March 7th 1834.

Pursuant to adjournment, a respectable number of Citizens belonging to the State Rights party of Clarke County, convened at Watkinsville, to receive the report of the committee appointed at a previous meeting of the Citizens, to prepare
and report a Constitution for the State Rights Association of Clarke County - Maj Thomas Mitchell resumed the Chair, Robert Ligon and Young L G Harris the duties of Secretaries, when George R Clayton Esq from the Committee, reported a Preamble and Constitution for the government of said association; which after considerable discussion on the importance of such association, and a United action on the part of all the advocates of State Rights, to disseminate correct principles, in which George R Clayton Esq, Genl Edward Harden Henry P Thomas Esq, Robert E. Houghton Esq and Col. Joseph Ligon participated was amended and adopted as follows,

We Citizens of Clarke County believe that a Crisis has arrived in the affairs of our Country, which requires the exertion of all the energies of its citizens to avert a great political calamity from ourselves and our posterity - namely - the destruction of the reserved rights of the States composing this Confederacy, and the annihilation on their ruins of a great consolidated government without limitation of powers. We are led to this conclusion, by what we have seen of the movements of the Federal Government for the last ten years, and its conduct towards some of the Sovereign States of this confederacy - We have seen powers exercised which are not to be found delegated in the Constitution - We have seen delegated powers so construed by selfish and ambitious politicians, as to cover all and every purpose of interest or convenience - We have seen the Government which was principally designed for the defence of the States against foreign enemies, attempt to regulate the labour and industry of the Country, which attempt is not only unconstitutional, but manifestly unjust, as it tends to the oppression of the people of our section of the Country, for the advancement of the welfare of the people of another, and to crown all we have lately seen the legislature vest the President with power to force a State to submit to laws pronounced to be unconstitutional, by the Sovereign people of that State, thereby annihilating the rights of the States, and establishing a consolidated Government, which from the nature of things must end in despotism.

We are attached with sincere devotion to the union of the States on the principles, which brought them together - We do believe that this Union can be
preserved only by a strict adherence on the part of the Federal Government to the
exercise of the powers expressly granted in the Constitution, and by a firm deter-
mination on the part of the States respectively, to maintain inviolate the rights
and powers not granted - Thus attached and believing thus, we are determined
to hand down to our posterity, if possible, the same Government which was established
by the wisdom of our forefathers. Influenced by these considerations, We humbly form
Ourselves into an Association for the purpose of disseminating useful political know-
ledge among the people and adopt the following,

CONSTITUTION:

Article 1. This Association shall be auxilliary to the State Rights
Association formed at Milledgeville, on the 13th of November 1833, and shall be called
the "States Rights Association of Clarke County."

Art. 2. This Association adopt as their political creed the principles adopt-
ed at the State Rights meeting held at Milledgeville on the 13th Nov 1833, and will
use all their influence in promulgating those principles among the people.

Art 3. The Officers shall consist of a President, five Vice Presidents
Two Secretaries and a Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected by the members of the
association annually, unless in cases of Vacancy when the Vacancy shall be filled
at the meeting of the Association next after the Vacancy occurs,

Art. 4. The President shall preside, assisted by the Vice Presidents at all
meetings, and in his absence one of the Vice Presidents shall preside.

Art. 5. The Secretary's shall keep a correct account of the proceedings
of the Association, and from time to time, have published, such articles as may be
directed by the Association.

Art 6. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to take charge of the funds
of the Association, and pay the expense of Publications and all other expenses, and
make annual reports of his receipts and disbursements.

Art. 7. There shall be appointed by the President a printing Committee
whose duty it shall be to select articles for publication, and cause them to be dis-
tributed among the people; which committee shall also act as a committee of Correspondence,
Art. 8. This Association shall meet quarterly, to wit, on the first Tuesday in January and April, the 4th of July and First Tuesday in October or oftener if called by the President, who is Authorized and required to Call a meeting at any time upon the solicitation of five members of the Association, and all its meetings shall be public.

Art 9. There shall be delivered Annually an address on the subject of State Rights, by one of the members, on the 4th July. The Orator shall be selected by a committee of ten members, who shall be appointed by the President.

Art 10. Any person may become a member of this Association by subscribing his name to this Constitution.

The foregoing constitution was signed by nearly all the persons present.

The Association then proceeded to the election of Officers for the present year, which resulted in the choice of

Maj Thomas Mitchell, President
James Camak 1st Vice President
John W Grant 2nd Vice President
Wm. Appling 3rd do do
E. Sorrell 4th do do
Wm. Stroud 5th do do
Robert Ligon
Young L G Harris Secretaries
Phillip Clayton Treasurer.

The President then proceeded to the appointment of the following committees, in pursuance of the constitution,

Printing and Corresponding Committee,


Committee to Select an Orator,

John I Chaastam, Robert B Houghton, James C Anderson, Thomas E Williamson.
B. D. Moore William Dicken, Nathan C Barnett, Henry P. Thomas, Richard Richardson and
and Robert Ligon.

On Motion, Resolved, that the proceedings of the meeting be signed by the President and Secretaries and published in the Georgia Journal, Southern Recorder & Georgia Times Milledgeville and the State Rights Sentinel Augusta, and also that the Editors of all other papers friendly in the State friendly to such Association be respectfully requested to publish the same.

The Association then adjourned to the first Tuesday in April next

Thomas Mitchell President

Robert Ligon

Young L G Harris Secretaries

Georgia, Clarke Country, Watkinsville 1st April 1834

The State Rights association of Clarke country met pursuant to adjournment, Majr The6 Mitchell presiding and Robert Ligon & Young L G Harris acting as Secretaries The meeting being called to Order, the Constitution was upon motion read, together with the proceedings of the last meeting, the proceedings of the States Rights meeting held in Milledgeville on the 13th November 1833 was also upon motion read, The Meeting was then addressed at considerable length by Judge Dougherty - Upon Motion it was then Resolved that a Committee of five be appointed in the neighborhood of each of the election precincts in Clarke County and at the Georgia Factory, to take charge of and obtain subscribers to the Constitution of the State Rights Association of Clarke County, and that the Secretaries be requested to furnish Copies of the Constitution for that purpose, - Whereupon the following Committees were appointed,

Committee for Jackson's Precinct,

Stephen Jackson,
Edward Conner
James Grier
Isaac S Vinson
Jouett Davenport,
Committee for the Salom Precinct
Thomas E Williamson
Elijah B. Harvey
John W Graves
James C Anderson
Virgil W Akridge

Committee for the Athens Precinct
George R Clayton
Seaborn I Mays
William E Bacon
Robert B Houghton
John I Cheatham

Committee for the Georgia Factory
William Clayton
Benning B Moore
Eugene H Tyson
Richd Richardson
James Hendon,

Upon Motion,

Resolved, that the preamble and resolutions adopted by the association at
Milledgeville be recorded on the minutes of this association —

Milledgeville Nov 13. 1833.

A meeting of persons friendly to State Rights having been called, by notice in the Gazettes of this place, a numerous assembly convened this evening at 7 0.0Clock in the representative Chamber in the State House.

On Motion of Mr Gordon of Putnam the Honorable Christopher B Strong was called to the Chair. The chairman having taken the chair, on motion of Mr Hillhouse, Mr Sayre was appointed Secretary; and on motion of Gen'l Beall, Mr Longstreet was appointed assistant Secretary —
The Chairman stated the object of the meeting; — whereupon on motion of the
Hon A. S. Clayton

Resolved, That a Committee of Thirteen be appointed by the Chairman to prepare
resolutions expressing the sentiments of the State Rights Party in this State,
and report to this meeting during its sitting.

The following gentlemen were appointed the Committee:

Hon A. S. Clayton, Hon Wm. H. Crawford, D'E Wm C. Daniell, Col. Jones,
Mr. Habersham, Mr Hillhouse, Col. Rockwell, Mr Chappell, Mr Young, Genl Beall
Col. Newton, Genl Warren, and Hon Charles Dougherty.

The Committee retired & having returned, reported through their chairman,
the following preamble and resolutions:

The relations between the Federal and State Governments have assumed a pecu-
liar and intense interest by reason of the events which terminated the deliberations
of the last Congress. The long and angry contests which agitated the whole South,
and had produced just complaints against the General Government, were brought to a
close with its last session; but they were succeeded, and do btless for the special
purpose of subserving at some future period, the very principles they were compelled
to abandon; by the enactment of a law equally objectionable and certainly more danger-
ous to the liberties of the people than their former oppressions — and which,
if permitted to endure, will ultimately perpetuate the usurpations which it was pro-
fessed to be renounced. It is not difficult to perceive that allusion is here made
to the Proclamation of the President of the United States, and the Force Bill which
was its legitimate consequence.

The first document instantly revived the doctrines of the Federalists of
'98 which had been put down by Mr Jefferson, at the head of the Republicans; and now,
patries are forming everywhere and particularly in our own State, for the avowed
purpose of supporting the principles of the Proclamation & Force Bill: and thereby
insidiously restoring to the Federal party, the power which they lost under the elder
Adams. To this end they have changed their name to one which is designed to play upon
popular feeling, and by the force of prejudice alone they are aiming to re-establish
principles which the good sense of the people absolutely rejected in 1801, as tending to the destruction of the Union, and rearing upon its ruins a consolidated government. These facts have justly alarmed the friends of liberty in every quarter; and those Republicans who still adhere to the Virginia and Kentuck Resolutions, the great Moral instruments by which Mr Jefferson effected the overthrow of the federalists, are rallying to the defense of the Constitution of the United States, from North to South, by counterassociations designed to reorganize the old Republican Party & to check immediately the growth of the doctrines of the Proclamation, which must inevitably lead to consolidation, if not successfully resisted. The object of the present meeting is, first to constitute and form one of those associations for the express purpose of counteracting the designs of the Federal Party, lately reorganized in this State, who under false colors are inculcating the doctrines of John Adams in '98, and those of Daniel Webster at the present time; and Secondly, for the further object of enforcing a systematic opposition to the Proclamation and Force Bill. These last measures have aimed a deadly blow at State Rights, and seem now to require the united and concentrated energies of the friends & advocates of those rights to be directed to the point of attack, deemed so important by our enemies to be carried, and in which, if success should crown their wrested exertions, all that is dear and valuable to freedom, will be wrested from the States.

That it may be distinctly understood, what are the principles of the Association it will be necessary to show what are the doctrines of the Proclamation, and these are asserted in language which admits of no dispute,

1st. It maintains that the States of which the confederacy is composed, never had a separate existence; for that, from the moment they ceased to be dependent on Great Britain, they formed one nation and have so continued -

2nd. That a State in the exercise of its legitimate powers, has not the right to decide upon the constitutionality of an act of Congress, and to protect its citizens from the operation of an unconstitutional act, and to maintain within her limits, the authorities, rights, & liberties appertaining to a Sovereign State.
3d That the States have no right to Secede from the Union under any circumstances whatever; inasmuch as Secession would Destroy the Unity of the Nation.

4th That the People of the twenty four States constitute One People.

5th That the members of Congress "are all representatives of the United States; not representatives of the particular States from which they come", and that they are not "accountable to it for any act done in the performance of their legislative functions".

6th That the States have "not retained their entire Sovereignty".

7th That the allegiance of our Citizens is due to the United States "in the first instance," and not to the respective States.

These are the doctrines of the Proclamation, and they have, at the Special instance of the President, produced the Force Bill for their complete execution. This meeting doth solemnly protest against them and as solemnly deny their legitimate deduction from the compact which established the Federal Government; and that the Association now formed will resist them in every proper manner.

To this end, they Resolve, That the present meeting be organized into an Association, to be denominated "The State Rights' Party of Georgia", and recommend meetings in all the Counties for the purpose of constituting similar associations, to be connected with that which will be formed at Milledgeville, as the Central Association.

Resolved,

That the doctrines, of the Virginia & Kentucky resolutions as construed and understood by Mr Jefferson, and triumphantly acted upon in 1825, '6, & '7 in the State of Georgia, constitute the creed of the State Rights' party of Georgia; and that as all unconstitutional laws are null and void, we will, whenever the proper exigency arrives, resist them in any manner the Sovereign power of the State may order and direct.

Resolved,

That, we consider the Force Bill as a glaring infraction of State Rights,
and a gross outrage upon the liberties of the People; and that its continuance upon the statute book is such an act of usurpation as ought not to be submitted to by free and independent States; and that we will use our exertions to counteract the principles of the Proclamation, and to obtain a repeal of said Bill.

Resolved,

That, our Senators and Representatives in Congress be and they are hereby earnestly requested to demand an immediate repeal of the act of the last nominated Congress, designating the Force Bill, as being a palpable violation of the rights of the States, and the Federal Constitution.

Which having been read a Motion was made to postpone further action, that they might be printed and taken up at a subsequent meeting. Which Motion was, by a vote of the meeting, negatived; and on Motion of Judge Clayton, it was

Resolved,

That, The report be taken up and read by paragraphs.
The report having been read, on Motion of Judge Clayton, it was unanimously

Resolved,

That, said Preamble and Resolutions be adopted and agreed to.

On Motion of Judge Dougherty

Resolved,

That, the Editors of the State Rights Papers, in this state be requested to publish the foregoing Preamble and Resolutions, accompanied by the Virginia and Kentucky resolutions; and that a copy of the same be transmitted to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

On Motion of Mr. Torrance,

Resolved,

That, the chairman of the meeting appoint a Committee of Thirteen to be styled the Central Committee of the State Rights' Association of Georgia, to correspond with such Associations in support of State Rights as have been or may be organized in the Several Counties of Georgia.

On Motion of Judge Clayton,
Resolved,

That, as a means of extending among the people an accurate knowledge of our principles, this meeting will patronize the Paper called the "Examiner", published by Candy Raguet in the City of Philadelphia, and recommended to all the Associations, that may be formed in the Several Counties, to do the same. And that those who may be disposed to support said Paper, apply to either of the Secretaries of this Meeting, now or at a future period for the purpose.

C. H. Strong, Chairman

N. C. Sayre

[ Owners: A. B. Longstreet ]

Secretaries

There being no other business before the Association it adjourned to

4th July 1834

Robert Ligon

Thomas Mitchell, Chm

Young L. G. Harris

Secy's

Watkinsville Geo. 4th July 1834.

The State Rights Association of Clark County met pursuant to adjournment. Majr Thomas Mitchell resuming the chair and Robert Ligon & Y. L. G. Harris the duties of secretaries. The Meeting being called to order by the Chair - George R. Clayton Esqr who had been previously selected for that purpose, rose and delivered a very able and appropriate address on the subject of State Rights -

On Motion, Resolved, That the Association go into a nomination of candidates to represent Clark County in the ensuing Legislature; which resulted in the choice of Thomas Mitchell for Senator, and William Stroud, George R. Clayton and Benning B. Moore, Representatives. Whereupon Co.\(^1\) Joe Ligon offered the following Resolution which was unanimously adopted -

Resolved, That Thomas Mitchell be recommended to the People of Clark County for Senator and that George R. Clayton, William Stroud and Benning B. Moore be recommended for Representatives at the ensuing election -
On Motion,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be tendered to George R. Clayton Esqr for the very satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the duty imposed upon him this day as the annual orator of the association, and that he be respectfully requested to furnish a copy of his address for publication -

On Motion,

Resolved, That the Association now adjourn until Friday the 3rd of Octo next -

Thomas Mitchell
President

Robert Ligon { Secy's -
Y. L. G. Harris

Watkinsville Ga 3rd Octr 1854.

The State Rights Association of Clark County convened pursuant to adjournment William Appling 3d Vice President was called to the chair & Rob Ligon & Y. L. G. Harris acted as Secretaries.

The Meeting being called to order, Col Ligon rose and observed that the object of the meeting was merely to meet any exigency that might occur & not for the transaction of any special business, and that this being the case, the Association would hear any remarks that any gentleman present would offer; Whereupon Judge Clayton rose & expressed his determination to become a Member of the Association and also a wish to address the Meeting - Judge Clayton then submitted to the pleasure of the Meeting whether himself or Mr. J. J. Flournoy should be first be heard; This being decided in favor of Mr. Flournoy he addressed the Meeting at some length advocating with much earnestness & zeal the doctrine of the Union Party as organized in Georgia - Mr Flournoy was followed by Judge Clayton in a lengthy and very able address, in which he successfully controverted the doctrines of the opposition and clearly explained
the tenets of the State Rights Party -

The Association then adjourned until Tuesday next 7th Oct 1834

Rl Ligon { Secy's
Wm Appling
Y. L. G. Harris Chmn

Watkinsville Geo. Tuesday 7th Oct 1834

The State Rights Association of Clark County met pursuant to adjournment. Wm Appling 3rd Vice President took the chair and Robert Ligon & Y. L. G. Harris acted as Secretaries - This being one of the Regular meetings of the association, the Members convened only for the purpose of uniformity - No business being before the Association to the next regular Meeting unless so ner called together by the President -

William Appling

Robert Ligon { Secy's -
Young L. G. Harris Chmn

Watkinsville Geo. 22nd Nov'r 1834

The State Rights Association of Clark County convened this day in accordance with public notice previously given - William Appling 3. Vice President was called to the Chair xxx & Robert Ligon acted as Secretary -

The Meeting being called to order Co I Joseph Ligon of ered the following resolutions which were unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That. We approve of the contemplated meeting of Delegates from the State Rights' Party of Georgia in Milledgeville to nominate a Candidate to be supported by the State Rights Party for Governor at the next election -

Resolved 2dly That, in case the said meeting of Delegates be held during the present session of the Legislature, that Thomas Mitchell, Geo R Clayton, William Stroud & Benning B. Moore, be our representatives in the Legislature be requested to attend said Meeting as representatives of the State Rights Party of Clark County.
Resolved,
That, said Delegates be uninstructed as to the person to be nominated, only that they aid in presenting as the Candidate of the Party, the distinguished individual who after consultation is found likely to rally most generally the Party in his Support.

The Association then adjourned to the next regular Meeting in January 1835.

William Appling

Robert Ligon

Chm'n

Secy.

Watkinsville 6th January 1835.

The State Rights Association of Clarke County met pursuant to adjournment. Present in the Chair Thomas Mitchell President of the Association. The meeting being called to order, Genl Edward Harden delivered a speech on the subject of State Rights generally which was well received by the association.

After which the following Resolution offered by Green B Haygood was unanimously adopted.

Resolved that a committee consisting of five be appointed by the chair to select and endeavour to procure a suitable person to deliver an address before this association at its next regular meeting to be held on the first Tuesday in April next on the subject of our Political Relations.

Whereupon the chair appointedMessrs G. B. Haygood, W. A. Appling, Joseph Ligon, Wm Stroud and Geo R Clayton, that committee.

On motion of Joseph Ligon Esqr the Association then proceeded to the election of officers for the present year, which resulted in the choice of the Hon. Charles Dougherty Prest

Genl Edw Harden 1 V. P.
Thomas Moore Esq 2 " "
Wm Dicken Esq 3 " "
Col N. C. Barnett 4 " "
John P. Snow 5 " 5 "
Greene B. Haygood &
Edward C. Paine Esqrs Secretaries
Richard Richardson Esqr Treasurer

On Motion,

The chair then proceeded to the appointment of the following standing committee on Printing and Correspondence.

Col. Joseph Ligon
Geo. R. Clayton Esqr
Walter A. Appling Esqr
Capt. I. S. Vincent
B. E. Moore Esqr
Wm. E. Jones Esqr
Daniell Major Esqr.
Capt. Robert Ligon
Simpson Stephen Jackson Esqr
John W. Graves Esqr
Wm. Stroud Esqr

On Motion of Genl. Edward Harden

Resolved, that the proceedings of this meeting be published in the "Southern Whig"

The Association then adjourned to the next regular meeting unless sooner called together by the President

Thomas Mitchell Prest

Robert Ligon

Y. L. G. Harris Secty's

Watkinsville 7th April 1835

The State Rights Association of Clarke County met according to the constitution of the Association. Charles Dougherty President in the chair, when
On motion of Wm E. Jones Esqr the Association proceeded by ballot to
elect four delegates to represent this association in the contemplated State
Rights convention to be held at Milledgeville on the third Monday in June next
to nominate a candidate for Governor, Where upon counting out the ballots it
appeared that Charles Dougherty
B. B. Moore Esqr
Majr Thos Mitchell &
Geo. R. Clayton Esqr had a majority of the votes and were declared
to be elected.

Also on Motion of the same

Resolved, that a committee of seven be appointed by the President to
supply any vacancy which may happen by death, resignation or otherwise in the
delegation appointed by this Association to the contemplated State Rights Con-
vention to be held at Milledgeville on the third Monday in June - and
in case any such vacancy shall occur it shall be the duty of the Chairman of
this Committee to call the same together a sufficient length of time previousto
the meeting of said Convention for the purpose of supplying the same.

Whereupon the president appointed

Wm E Jones, Robert Ligon
John W Graves Greene B Haygood
Wm Appling Thomas Allen
Wm Dickin
to compose that Committee.

On Motion of Majr Thos Mitchell, Resolved

That a committee of ten be appointed in pursuance of the Constitution
by the President for the purpose of selecting an anniversary orator for the fourth
of July next. Whereupon the President appointed

Tho? Mitchell Wm Dickin
A. Hull Dan? Major
R. Ligon W. A. Appling
R. Richardson
John W Graves
T. E. Williamson
Wm E. Fullwood.
to compose that committee.

The Association then adjourned till the next regular meeting on the
4th of July next

Cha Dougherty Prest

Greene B. Haygood secty

Watkinsville 4th July 1835

The State's Rights Association of Clarke County met and was organized
by the President taking the chair, when it was announced by the chair, that Judge
Clayton had been chosen to deliver the annual address, when he proceeded to ad-
dress the association, together with a large number of women, ladies, and gentlemen in
attendance, in a very able address, illustrating and enforcing the principles
of State Rights with his usual ability, after which

On Motion of Col Ligon Resolved, unanimously, that the thanks of the
Society be presented to Judge Clayton for his very able & patriotic address, this
day delivered.

On Motion The Association proceeded to make nominations for Candidates
of the State Rights party for Senator and Representatives in the next Legislature,
when upon Counting out the votes it appeared that Majr Tho Mitchell was nom-
inated by a large majority for Senator, and Wm Stroud, Geo R Clayton & B. B Moore
for Representatives by like majorities.

The gentlemen nominated being present, on Motion

Resolved that they signify their acceptance of their respective nom-
inations, when each of them signified his willingness to be run as the States
Rights Candidates for the Legislature at the ensuing election

The Association then adjourned to the next meeting in course

Cha Dougherty

Ed. C. Paine &
G. B. Haygood
Prest
sectys.
Watkinsville 5th April 1835 [sic] (1836)

This day being the regular day for the Meeting of the State Rights' Association, the same convened in the Court House The President Judge Dougherty in the chair.

On Motion of Mr Haygood Resolved that we proceed to elect delegates to represent this County in the Convention to be holden in Milledgeville in May next for the purpose of nominating an electoral ticket to vote for President and Vice President, & Resolved further that we invite all persons to co-operate with us who are opposed to the election of Martin Van Buren & Richard M Johnson.

When on counting out the Votes it appeared that the Honorable A. S. Clayton, John Williams Esqr James C Branch Esqr & Col Nathan C Barnett were duly elected

On Motion Resolved that a Committee of five be appointed to fill any Vacancy that might happen in the delegation this day appointed in case any of the members cannot attend.

The chair appointed Messrs Fullwood W. Dickin R Ligon Jas Hendon & G B Haygood that committee.

The President, on Motion, proceeded to appoint a committee of Ten under the constitution, to select an orator for the next anniversary of this Association. The committee composed of Messrs Wm Appling G. B. Haygood R. Richardson P. Haynes Jos Ligon I. M. Vincent E H Tyson Wm Bickin Jas Hendon N C Barnett

On Motion Resolved that the officers of the State Rights Association elected last year be continued in office until the first meeting in the year 1837.
The Association then adjourned till the next Meeting in course the 4th July next

Chas Dougherty

Greene B. Haygood

Prest

Secty

Watkinsville 4 July 1836

The State Rights Association met at the Court house, when Judge Dougherty, the President took the chair, and proceeded to the business of the day; The Committee appointed to select an orator for the day reported that they had selected Col Ligon, and since his departure for the Creek War they had not been able (to) supply the vacancy; Judge Dougherty then proceeded to address the Meeting at some length with his usual able manner, on the subject of our political relations.

The Association then proceeded to the Choice of a candidate to run for senator at the next election when it was seen on counting out the Votes that Majr Mitchell had a Majority of the whole number and was declared to be the candidate

The Meeting then proceeded then {sic} to select candidates for Representatives. When the ballots were counted it appeared that Wm Stroud & B. B. Moore Esqrs only had a Majority of the whole number. When the meeting proceeded to a second balloting for a third candidate, when no person had a majority and required a third ballot and on counting out the votes it appeared that Col N. C. Barnett had a Majority, and was declared to be the third candidate;

The gentlemen nominated respectfully signified their acceptance of their nominations. After which the Association adjourned.

E. C. Paine

G. B Haygood

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Chas Dougherty

Prest
Watkinsville 4th April 1837.

This being the time for the regular meeting of the State Rights Association of Clark County the same was organized by calling Thomas Moore Esqr Vice President to the chair. When on motion of Greene B. Haygood Esqr it was, four

Resolved that the Association proceed by ballot to elect four delegates to represent this County in the State Rights Convention to be held in Milledgeville on the 3rd Monday in May next for the purpose of selecting a suitable person to be put in nomination for Governor at the next election.

When Majr Thomas Mitchell, Col Nathan O. Barnett, William Stroud Esqr and Benning B Moore Esqr were duly elected delegates as aforesaid.

Resolved that a Committee of five be appointed to fill any vacancy that may happen in the delegation this day appointed.

When S. A. Mays, R. Richardson D. Major Wm Dickin & T. Wozencraft were appointed that committee.

The Association then proceeded to elect officers for the same to serve untill the first Meeting in the year 1838 when

Capt James Hendon was chosen Presd

B. Major Esqr 1st Vice Presd

John Gordon Esqr 2. "  "

Bedford Langford Esqr 3 "  "

Richd Richardson Esqr 4 "  "

S. J. Mays Esqr 5 "  "

Asa M. Jackson &
Daniel Conner Secretaries

George M Lanier Treasurer.

S. J. Mays, Thomas Mitchell & George M Lanier were appointed to examine the printers a/c vs this Society.

The following persons were then appointed a Committee under the Constitution to select an orator for the Association on the 4th July next. to wit.
Resolved that the proceedings of this meeting be published in the Southern Whig.

The Meeting them adjourned till 4th July next

Thos Moore P. Prest.

Greene B. Haygood Secty

Watkinsville Ga 4th July 1837

The State Rights Association of Clark County met and was organized by cawling (sic) Bedford Langford Esqr V P to the Chair

Gen Hardin having been previously appointed proceeded to address the Association together with a number of Ladys & Gentlemen in attendance on a very spirited & animating address illustrating and enforcing the principles of State Rights with his usual Ability

After which

On Motion the Association proceeded to nominate by ballot four Candidates One Senator & 3 Representatives of the State Rights Party to be presented to the people of Clarke County as suitable persons to represent them in the next Legislature

When on counting out the votes it appeared that Majr Majr Thomas Mitchell was duly nominated Senator & Coln N C Barnett Wm Stroud & B B Moore Esqrs Representatives all of whom being present signified/sic acceptance of there respective nominations there being no further business the Society

On Motion adjourned

Asa M Jackson Bedford Langford

Secty Cha'r
Watkinsville Ga 4th July 1838

The State Rights Association of Clark Co. county met at the Court house and was organized by calling The Hon Thomas Mitchell to the chair.

When Greene B Haygood Esqr proceeded to address the association on the propriety of public Nominations, followed by a brief and forcible exposition of the doctrines of the State Rights party by James W Jones Esqr.

On Motion Resolved that the Association proceede to nominate by ballot One Senator and Three Representatives to be presented to the people of Clark Co. as suitable persons to Represent them in the ensuing legislature. When on Counting out the votes it Appeared that the Hon Charles Dougherty was Nominated Senator by a large majority and Capt. Isaac S. Vincent, Wm Stroud & Richard Richardson Esqrs Representatives by similar Majorities

On Motion Resolved that the Ticket be considered only Recomendatory to the party.

On Motion of J W Jones Resolved unanimously that the Gents nominated be the candidates of the party. On Motion

Resolved that the proceedings of this Meeting be published in the Southern Whig.

On Motion Greene B Haygood Esqr

Resolved that the present Officers of the Association be continued in office until the Regular Meeting of the Association in May next

On Motion the Association adjourned until the next Regular Meeting

Asa M Jackson

Secretary

Thomas Mitchell

Chair

Watkinsville Ga 5th March 1839

In Accordance with publick notice a number of the State Rights Association convened in the Court house. The Revd. Joshua N Glenn was Requested to take the Chair who accordingly called the house to Order. The object of the meeting was stated by Genl E Harden from which it appeared that the meeting had
been called for the purpose of nominating Candidates to be presented to the people of Clark Co as suitable persons to Represent them in the Convention to meet at Milledgeville on the 1st Monday in May next for the purpose of proposing a plan for the Reduction of the Legislature &c Major Thomas Mitchell Dr. James M. Burton & A Hull and Thomas Moore Esqrs were unanimously nominated and declared to be the Candidates of the party

Resolved that Chairman Communicate with the nominees in order to asser-taine (sic) their acceptance or non acceptance of there respective nominations

On motion Adjourned to the next Regular meeting

J N Green

Asa M Jackson

Char

Secty

Watkinsville Ga 4th July 1839

The State Rights Association of Clark County convened in the Court House and was organized by calling A Hull Esqr to the Chair

On Motion Resolved that the Association proceede now to nominate by ballot a Senator & Three Representatives to be presented to the people of Clark County as suitable persons to Represent them in the next Legislature When on counting out the votes it appeared that Capt. Isaac S Vincent was nominated Senator by a large majority & Wm Stroud, Richd Richardson & Robt Moore Esqrs representatives by similar majorities The nominees in all being present On Motion of Coln Barnett, Each of these arose and signified there acceptance of there respective nominations

The Association then adjourned until the next regular meeting

A M Jackson

Secretary

A Hull

Char

Watkinsville Ga 5th May 1840

In accordance with previous notice a meeting of the State Rights Party of Clark County was this day held in the Court House for the purpose of appointing
four Delegates to represent said County in the Convention to be held in Milledgeville on the first Monday in June next to nominate a Congressional Ticket for said Party and also an electoral Ticket for President and Vice President of the United States. The meeting was organized by Cawling Maj. Thomas Mitchell to the Chair who briefly stated to (the objects of the meeting.

Col N C Barnett moved the following resolution:

Resolved That Chair appoint a Committee of Seven to report resolutions expressive of the sense of this meeting and also to submit the names of four Delegates to the Convention of the State Rights Party to be held in Milledgeville on the 1st Monday in June next.

Whereupon the Chair appointed the following gentlemen: Col N C Barnett, Wm Stroud, James C Branch, John Tolly Esqr, Capt James Harden, Coln John Billups & Dr. R. D. Moore.

The Committee having retired for a short time reported the following resolutions which were adopted:

Resolved,

Unanimously That it is the deliberate conviction of this meeting that in the present posture of affairs the best interest of the County would be essentially promoted by the Election to the Presidency of the United States of Genl Wm Henry Harrison of Ohio.

Resolved further that in pursuance of this Sentiment Our Delegates to the ensuing Convention be Requested to endeavor to procure the nomination of an electoral ticket pledged to the support of Wm H Harrison for the Presidency and John Tyler of Virginia for the Vice Presidency of the United States.

The following Gentlemen were then unanimously appointed Delegates: viz. Edward Paine Esqr, James Camak Esqr, John Tolly Esqr, Hon. Cha. Dougherty.

Resolved That the Chair be authorized to fill any vacancy which may happen in this Delegation.

Resolved that the Chairmen appoint a Committee in each Company District in this County for the purpose of procuring Subscribers to "The Reformer" a paper...
published in Augusta Ga by J W & W S Jones

Resolved That the proceedings of this meeting be signed by the Chairman and Secretaries and published in the Southern Whig

A M Jackson Thomas Mitchell
Secretary Chairman

(The End)