

## RESOLUTIONS

OF

SUNDRY DEMOCRATIC REPUBLICAN CITIZENS OF ROXBOROUGH TOWNSHIP, PENNSYLVANIA,

*In favor of the measures of the Executive in relation to the Bank of the United States.*

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JUNE 27, 1834.

Referred to the Committee on Finance, and ordered to be printed.

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## DEMOCRATIC MEETING.

The democratic republican citizens of Roxborough township, friendly to the National and State administrations, who love the liberties and independence of their country, the purity of its republican institutions, and who are ready and willing at all personal sacrifice to support the honest, faithful, undaunted, and patriotic Chief Magistrate of the Union and his administration in the political warfare now carried on against it by the United States' Bank, and all other aristocratic stock-jobbing and moneyed institutions of the country, are requested to meet at the Leverington Hotel, on Saturday, the 31st instant, at 7 o'clock.

Michael Levering	Charles H. Farris
David Tibben	Abraham Still
John Rex	Benjamin Williams
Daniel M. Fielding	Andrew Zell
Daniel Levering	John Levering
Henry Naylor	Charles Carpenter
Joseph Bicking	Joseph Gilkeson
Joseph Katz	Enoch Keysel
George Barr	William Ansle
Christian Shermer	John Rex
Joseph Davis	William J. Runkel
William Williams	Jacob H. Ozias
James Nicholas	Henry Rex
Joseph Wolf	Owen Ashton
William L. Rex	William Stailey
Charles Huvan	Joseph Hiltner
William Razor	Maurice Bartle
John Ulmer	Christopher Jacoby
Samuel G. Will	John Jordan
George Williams	Joseph Streeper
William Wampole	Lewis Hiltner
George Moyer	Frederick Kerper

William Johnson  
 Hiram Johnson  
 John Bigoney  
 John Bigonet  
 John Lare  
 Peter Reyet  
 Jonathan Jones  
 Charles Bartle  
 John Wintz  
 George Snyder  
 Charles Burk  
 Albert Ulmer  
 John Nicholas  
 Henry Kelso  
 William Hesser  
 William Wolf  
 William Ashton  
 John Bicking  
 William Bicking  
 Abraham Wolf  
 Charles Keeley  
 Thomas S. Tryan  
 David Tartar  
 Henry Book  
 Alexander Snodgrass  
 Erasmus Carpenter  
 Christopher Ozoias  
 Christian Worts  
 Robert Allaway  
 John Barnholt  
 George Barnholt  
 Henry Barnholt  
 Godfrey Bockius  
 Joseph Bockius  
 Jacob Bowman  
 George Moyer, del.  
 John Moyer  
 Albert Moyer  
 John Root, sr.  
 John Root, jr.  
 Benjamin Moyer  
 Christian Barndoller  
 Nathan Davis  
 George Reckard  
 David Miller  
 Peter Ruch  
 Windle Holloway  
 William Hinkle  
 Loyd Smick  
 Reuben Norney  
 Jacob Dager  
 Fleeson Levering

Clement Levering  
 Henry Katz, jr.  
 George W. Smick  
 Matthias Gorgas  
 Robert Mole  
 Enos Cook  
 Joseph Levering, sr.  
 Frederic Crider  
 John Morris  
 George Book  
 John Mullen  
 George Carpenter  
 Samuel Carpenter  
 John Marshall  
 William Levering  
 Samuel Reaver  
 Jacob Merwine  
 Charles Righter  
 Joseph Levering, jr.  
 John Lodge  
 Jonathan Street  
 George Cowker  
 Daniel Smith, jr.  
 Daniel Smith, sr.  
 Jonathan L. Righter  
 Hugh D. Grant  
 William King  
 Henry Root  
 William Shurr  
 Samuel Levering  
 William Boyd  
 Samuel B. Righter  
 Samuel Slingluff  
 Enoch Levering  
 William Stout  
 Josiah Wood  
 Peter Widener  
 Jesse Righter  
 Nicholas Boyer  
 John Showaker  
 John Bloom  
 Andrew Lafferty  
 Alh'nan Omensetter  
 Jesse Rittenhouse  
 Michael Snyder  
 William Gilmore  
 G. H. Beamer, M. D.  
 Charles Hubbs  
 William Ferral  
 Samuel Ogden  
 James France  
 Charles Bartle

Moses Durham	James Waters
Benjamin Williams, jr.	Jacob Miller
Michael Gallagher	Jacob Dewees
Denry Dotts	Henry Miller
Daniel Hughes	Patk. Higgins
Francis Bartly	James Leonard
Robert Baird	George Ulmer
John D. Roberts	Charles V. Hagner
Benjamin Williams, sr.	John Burns
Benjamin Osmond	John Collins
William Cooper	James M'Gee
Henry Barr	William Lackey
Samuel Moore	Benjamin F. Peterman
Christ'r de Swan, jr.	Jacob Murray
E. Thompson	John King
Morris Shane	William King
William Welch	Andrew Barr
Thomas Fitzgiles	Christopher de Swan, sr.
Sylvester Stout	William M'Fadden
William Fleu	Charles Ott
William Roche	Hugh Wallace, jr.
Cornelius Sweeny	Waits Praynard
William Reaver	Ehsur Foster
Jesse Brooks	Baniel Shoemaker
William H. Singer	James M. Morris
Joseph Bailiff	David Bannister
Michael H. Skeehan	Samuel Tool
William Stacks	Abraham Snyder
George Plunket	Frederick Altemus
D. W. Denson	Abm. Hendricks
William Walden	William Rambo
Charles L. Vaughn	Robert F. Levering
Samuel Shuster, sr.	James Johnson
William Moore	Silas Timbers
Jonathan Timbers	Amos Phillips
Charles Shuster	John Calwell
George Shuster	John Brant
John Thomas	John Wood
Robert Carr	Hugh Wallace, sr.
Samuel Shuster, jr.	Henry Walker,
George Wightsides	Thomas Evans
Peter Gaulen	William M'Cartney
Peter Galaher	Henry Pemberton
John Mann	John Hollowell
John H. Brill	James Wilson
Patk. Winters	M. K. de Haven
William Pool	Philip Gagle
William D. Johnson	William Valentine
William Lee	John Small
Charles Calwell	Henry Hipple
Barte'w Bartle	John Zell
Gladwin Bartle	William Rex
George W. Davis	Thomas Levering.

## ROXBOROUGH AND MANAYUNK—GREAT DEMOCRATIC MEETING.

*The largest public meeting ever held in Roxborough Township.*

At a very numerous and respectable meeting of the democratic citizens of Roxborough township, including the villages of Roxborough and Manayunk, held agreeably to public notice at the Leverington Hotel, Saturday evening, May 31st, 1834, George W. Smick, esq., was chosen president, and Michael Levering, Henry Rex, George Moyer, Henry Root, of Roxborough, and C. V. Hagner, Amos Phillips, Michael Snyder, and George H. Beamer, M. D., of Manayunk, vice presidents, and John Levering, Joseph Gilkeson, and William Gilmore, secretaries.

The chairman having stated the object of the meeting, it was found necessary, in consequence of the crowded state of the house, many outside unable to gain admission, to adjourn to the yard.

A call was then made upon N. Nathans, esq., late of Roxborough township, to address the meeting, who, in an eloquent and forcible manner, tempered with moderation, made a powerful appeal, which was heartily responded to by all present. After which the committee appointed for that purpose at a former meeting, reported the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, in the exercise of one of our invaluable and unalienable rights, and in the performance of a duty we owe to the legally constituted authorities of our country, and to our immediate representatives in Congress, we, the democratic citizens of Roxborough township, Philadelphia county, have assembled together for the purpose of making known to them our views and sentiments in relation to matters now before them.

And whereas the startling and frightful assumptions, abuses, and corruptions of the United States' Bank, its meddling interference, secretly and openly, with the polities of the country, its purchase of presses, its large loans to editors upon such securities and on such time as no merchant could borrow, entirely unprecedented in ordinary mercantile and banking transactions; the prevarications, finesse, and refined and petty quibbles to avoid an examination into its affairs; the refusal of the directors to be sworn, and to produce its books; its studied and glaring insults, and its high-toned aristocratic contempt evinced towards the Chief Magistrate of the Union and the House of Representatives, and, through them, to the American people, impiously demand an expression of our opinions on the subject: Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That lamentable experience has proved beyond all doubt that the United States' Bank, with its immense moneyed power, is an institution decidedly hostile to the liberties, independence, and free institutions of our country, and ought not, under any circumstances, to be rechartered.

*Resolved*, That we look to the blessings of Providence, to our own industry, and to the free institutions left us by our patriot fathers, as the true sources of American happiness; and any system that interferes with, or subjects the welfare of our country, directly or indirectly, to the whims and caprices of irresponsible bank directors, over whom we have no control, is radically wrong, and ought to be corrected forthwith.

*Resolved*, That our much abused and grossly slandered patriot President, deserves and will receive the gratitude of the American people for his able and manly defence and support of true American principles. That all the

measures pursued by him in reference to the United States' Bank meet our decided approbation, and that he may rest assured that the "notorious patriotism of Pennsylvania" will never forsake him in any contest between a haughty, presumptuous, and imperious moneyed corporation, and the legally constituted authorities of the country.

*Resolved*, That we do most heartily respond to, and adopt the sentiment uttered by our worthy Chief Magistrate in his celebrated protest, "that it is not in a splendid government, supported by monopolies and aristocratical establishments, that the American people will find happiness, and their liberties protection, but in a plain system, void of pomp, protecting all and granting favors to none; dispensing its blessings, like the dews of Heaven, unseen and unfelt save in the freshness and beauty they contribute to produce."

*Resolved*, That the present and almost annual pressure we have been subjected to for years past is owing to the wretched banking system of the country, and an erroneous departure from first principles in the currency—the principles laid down in the constitution; and that the Senators and Representatives in Congress, who are now so manfully struggling to bring us back to those first principles, deserve and will receive the thanks of a grateful people.

*Resolved*, That we approve of the course pursued by the committee of the House of Representatives appointed to inquire into the transactions of the United States' Bank, and consider the refusal of its directors to submit to the inquiry a strong presumptive proof (if proof were wanted) of the charges of misconduct made against that institution.

*Resolved*, That we highly approve of the firm and manly stand taken by George Wolf, Governor of Pennsylvania, against the attempts made to coerce and embarrass his administration; and, also, in his determination to oppose the chartering of any new banks, for which purpose we recommend to him a free use of the "veto power," should our representatives continue so lost to the interests and opinions of the large body of their constituents as to institute any more of these "paper manufactories."

*Resolved*, That we consider the right of instruction to be the great landmark of democracy and republicanism; that the representatives of the people are their servants, not their masters; and that they who abandon these principles, and presumably set up their own wills in opposition to those they represent, are no more worthy of trust, and should never be forgotten by the people.

*Resolved*, That the honorable William C. Rives, of Virginia, and late of the Senate, in his practical acknowledgment of the right of instruction, has shown himself to be a true disciple of the Jefferson school, and worthy of receiving future honors.

*Resolved*, That we highly approve of the conduct of our representative in Congress from this district, the honorable Joel B. Sutherland, in his firm and manly support of the administration in the present crisis, and for the many and powerful exertions made by him in advocating the interests of this township, and for which he has received so few thanks from those most interested.

*Resolved*, That, if the effect produced, directly or indirectly, by large manufacturing establishments, which have so long received the fostering care of Government, is to enslave the minds of the citizens employed in them, and if they are, through fear or favor, to be led in mass to public meetings, jubilees, &c., contrary to their own convictions, thus giving a false

direction to their real views and sentiments; and if, for the free exercise of the invaluable right of suffrage, a right sacred to every American citizen, and for which our patriot fathers sacrificed so much, they are to be proscribed and turned out of employment, it is high time for the American people "to count their cost," and to inquire whether such establishments are the best preservatives of our free institutions.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this meeting be presented to N. Nathans, esq., for his able and lucid address to this meeting.

*Resolved*, That a copy of the proceedings of this meeting be transmitted to our Senators and Representatives in Congress, and be published in all the democratic papers of Philadelphia, the Germantown Telegraph, and the Globe of the city of Washington.

After the above resolutions were adopted, Samuel Ogden, a venerable and interesting old man, between seventy and eighty years of age, addressed the meeting, and stated that he had been many years in this country, and for the last twenty years a citizen; that, during that time, he has never voted or meddled with politics; but having read and informed himself thoroughly in reference to the course pursued by the present Chief Magistrate—the firm stand taken by him in defence of the people against the operations of the mammoth bank and would-be nobility of the country, he could not refrain from expressing his opinions on the subject, and joining in support of the President of the United States and his patriotic measures, for which his daughters, upon whom he and their aged mother chiefly depend for support, have been, without previous notice, discharged from employment in one of the factories of Manayunk.

On motion, the meeting adjourned.

GEORGE W. SMICK, *President.*

MICHAEL LEVERING,

HENRY REX,

GEORGE MOYER,

HENRY ROOT,

CHARLES V. HAGNER,

AMOS PHILLIPS,

MICHAEL SNYDER,

GEO. H. BEAMER, *M. D.*

*Vice Presidents.*

JOHN LEVERING,

JOSEPH GILKESON,

Wm. GILMORE,

*Secretaries.*



