After which he pronounced the benediction, and the President solemnly declared the Convention adjourned sine die.

F. C. BARBADODES,
President.

W. H. Harper, 1st Vice President.
Basil Campbell, 2d Vice President.
P. A. Bell, Secretary.
W. H. Christopher, Ass't Sec'y.
E. P. Duplex,

DELEGATES

San Francisco
J. J. Moore, T. M. D. Ward,
D. W. Ruggles, R. A. Hall,
J. R. Starkey, E. W. Parker,
Wm. H. Hall, P. Anderson,
Wm. H. Yates, E. P. Hilton,
H. M. Collins, represented by proxy,
J. Smallwood, represented by proxy,
J. Madison Bell, not present.

Sacramento
W. H. Harper, E. A. Clark,
L. P. Hickman, A. L. Jackson,
A. D. Berghardt.

Santa Clara
R. F. Shorter, J. Madden.

Napa
W. H. Christopher.

El Dorado
J. Cefos, R. H. Small,
J. M. Oliver.

Yuba
E. P. Duplex, Dr. W. J. O. Bryant.

Mariposa
M. L. Rogers.

Sonoma
P. Killingworth.

Yolo
B. Campbell.

Alameda and Contra Costa
J. Peterson.

Solano
F. G. Barbadoes, proxy for N. E. Speights.

Sierra

Santa Cruz
P. A. Bell, proxy for G. W. Smith.

ADDRESS BY THE STATE CONVENTION OF COLORED CITIZENS
TO THE PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA

Fellow-Citizens:
The Convention of colored citizens, assembled in Sacramento on the 25th, 26th, 27th and 28th of October, present their claim for equal rights before the law, and proceed to show on what principles they predicate their claim, and why those rights should be awarded them in common with all other citizens.

First--As freemen by creation, by the laws of California, and by the laws of the Republic. The Declaration of Independence, the great charter or bill of rights of our government, on which is based our National Constitution and all the laws of our country says "all men are created equal," and, as a sequence, all are entitled to equal privileges or "inalienable rights" with which they "are endowed by their Creator," and "among those rights" (others being connected therewith) "are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." The other rights which are indissolubly connected with the foregoing, and without which those expressed would become a nullity, are the protection of the laws, and an equal voice in framing those laws and choosing the adminis-