

Among the most interesting of the assemblies which the present Age of Conventions has witnessed, few, if any, have been more interesting than that which met at Knoxville, in Tennessee, on the 4th of this month, (and at our latest dates was yet in session,) to take measures for the construction of a *Railroad from the Southern to the Western country*. At the first meeting, Col. JOHN WILLIAMS, of Tennessee, being called to the Chair, and PRYOR LEA appointed Secretary, the Delegates were called over, and there were present the imposing number of three hundred and fifty, of whom 78 were from South Carolina, 53 from Kentucky, the same number from Georgia, 112 from Tennessee, 28 from North Carolina, 11 from Virginia, 6 from Alabama, 2 from Ohio, and 2 from Indiana. Many of the most distinguished citizens of the South were present. Among them, Messrs. ROBT. Y. HAYNE and POINSETT, of S. C., Governor SWAIN, of N. C., Mr. Justice WAYNE and Judge CLAYTON, of Georgia.

On motion of Mr. WICKLIFFE, of Ky., Gen. HAYNE was chosen President of the Convention.

On the following day, several other Delegates arrived from Ohio, among whom was Gen. Jos. VANCE, and one or two others from Kentucky. The Delegates were received and treated in the most hospitable manner by the People of Knoxville, all the private houses being full of guests, and the public houses overflowing.

We scarcely know any object of greater interest, in a national view, than that which this highly respectable Convention has assembled for the purpose of effecting.

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