# THE SIGNAL OF LIBERTY． 

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For the Signal of Liberty．
THE WARFARE OF FREEDOM AN
SLAVERY．
 For the rich boon of freedom first open
the fight；

The contest for froedomem，for truth and for
right．
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That free speech and free thought are
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At meeting of the Antissavery Young
Men of Michiran，conved pursuant to Men of Michigan，convened pursuant
pubic call at the Court House，in village of Jackson，on Wednesday， 1st． 1845 ，S．J．M．Hammond，of St．
seph Co．，wws called rome M．Treadwell，appointed＇Sec＇y． pointed，to report business to the meeti
and a plan for the organization Young Men＇s Liberty Association，whe pointed such Committee：
Dr．S．B．Thayer，of Calhoun Co． Frederick W．Collins，of ${ }^{\text {W }}$ ashtena
J．W．Brancroft，of Eaton
On motion，the convention adjourned
until two oclock，P．M．

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| the duties of the Central Committee in the Counties where they reside． <br> Art．10．There shall be appointed by the President a Lecturing Committee， to consist of such persons as will pledge themselves to attend the calls of theCentral Committee，for the purpose of deiivering antislavery addresses． <br> Art．11．The annual meetings of the Association shall be held on the day succeeding the Anniversary of the State Anti－Slavery Society． <br> Art．12．Any person may become a member of this Association who subscribes to the sentiments of the 2 d Article of this Constitution． <br> Art．13．This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any regular meet－ ing． <br> The foregoing Constitution having been read and adopted the following series of resolutions，which，after the passage of a vote extending an invitation to all Liber－ ty men present to particupate in the dis－ cussion，were read and considered separ－ ately，and an able advocacy from Messrs． S．J．M．Hammond，Jerome M．Tread－ well，C．H．Stewart，Francis F．Youngs， S．M．Holmes，T．R．Harrison，S．B． Treadwell，Mr．Bradford，and other gen－ tlemen，resolutions， $1,2,3,4,5,6$ | boy＂from Mr．Bancroft．The consid－ eration of the remaining resolutions was on motion deferred until 7 o＇clock P．M．， at which time the remaining resolutions were considered and adopted，after re－ marks in their support from Messrs．Stew－ art，Holmes，Hammond，Bradford，Tread－ well，Dr．J．T．Willson，and others． <br> The Secretary reported the reception of 160 names to the Association from the counties of Oakland，Eaton，St．Joseph， Kalamnzoo，Jackson，Calhoun，Wayne， Washlenaw，Lenawee，Shiawassee，Gen－ nesee and Branch． <br> The rommittee appointed to nominate officers for the Association，reported as follows，which nominations were unani－ mously confirmed，viz： <br> For President， <br> S．J．M，HAMMOND， of St．Joseph County． <br> For Vice Presidents， <br> 1st．S．M．Holyes，of Wayne Co．， 2nd．W．C．Denison，of Kalamazoo County． <br> 3rd．Dr．S．B．Thayer，of Calhoun County． <br> 4th．Leland Green，of Oakland Co． <br> 5th．Lyman P．Perkins，of Lenawee <br> County． <br> Recording and Corresponding Secretary． |
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For the Signal of L．berty．
CASSIUS M．CLAY．

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olders as President of the United States, dividual exceptions there haved been in both parties; a fow individuala have spo-
ken out manfully against slavery, but
hey have made themselves obnoxious
their respective parties, and in astances have been censured, or rejected
from their ranks; they feel that they are
a small minority. a small minority.
Neither of these parties thererefore is
worthy of our support. They both seek he suppor: of slaveholders, and are ready great inquiry with them both is, not what
is right, and best for the country? But who shall have the ascendency?
V1. We have, consequently, felt selves under the necessity of organizing a
new party, on what we conceive to be the ty without due process of law? What
article gives power to pass bills of attain-
der, whereby the condition of a slave shall
be conveyed from father to right principles. To be idle and not vote
at all, is ot bury our talents; to support
slavery is treason to the country. One
course only remains us, this course we
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we triumph.
Here we
rinciples.

1. We believe that Congress ought, in
the most speedy and righteous manner to abolis.
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2. We believe that Congress ought im-
mediately to abolish the internal slave
3. We believe that Congress ought to keep all the Territories free from slavery
and admit no more new slave States. fugitives from slavery are delivered up to their masters should be repenled, and if
there is an article of the constitution
which can rationally be construed to ree
quire such a law, that article ought to be 5. That article of the constitution,
which, in determinlog how which, in determining how representa-
tives and direct taxes shall be apporifon-
ed among the several states, requires that three fifths of a certain class of persons be counted, we believe ought to be amen-
ed. If any class of beings should be
counted at all, they should all be countIf they aro property, none should
counted; if they are persons, all should
4. We believe that no national office
oght to be given to a slave holder--
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liberty,
5. We believe that Congress ought to
use every righteoos and constitutional
menns to discountenntan
effect its universal abolition.
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ought, in the most speedy, several states
eous manner, to repeal all their laws
which make a distinction among men on
nccount of color.
6. We believe that all the free States
private citizens, from aiding in any man-
ner in delivering fugitive slaves 10 their masters. If the law of Congress on that
subject must be enforced, let it be done by The States are under no obligation to
furnish officers to executhe the laws of
It is not required that ever
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fitbe asked what our views are on
government, we answer the party, as a
party has not taken grounds on those
subjects, yet any one who has had the
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reading of our standard periodicals, can-
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uot have failed to see, that though the
party is composed of conficting materi-
als, there is now a very general agree
ment among them, and that their priuci
ples are thoroughly democrais
ples are thoroughly democratic. Oppo
sition to all monopolies and all favorite-
ism must
of equal rights. Our candidates have
speetful inquiries from any source, or
any subject; and we doubt not as our
prospects become more flattering, a very generat expression of sentiment will bo
given on all matters that concern the
welfare of the country: but if we should find ourselves differing in smaller matround our grand central principle equal
ights to all men. This is our party, and these are the princi
ples to thich we are immutabby fixed. The
longer any other party with oppasite princi-
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d the somer the
citizens will nally
sooner will our country
havghty
gogues.
We are sometimes asked, is there not a
difference between the two leading parties in he country; is not one less favorabbere to
slavery than the other, and of two evile choone
the least! We
he least? We answer, some of os readily
admit that there is a difference between these
the least, when there is no wo tird thing ourat
can be more properly chosen than either.-
But we linve never yet seen ourselves in this
predicament. Oir aim has been to bring the
predicament. Oir aim bas bee
question of flavery as speedily
fore the na ton, and make it the

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