

In pursuance of the Proclamation of the Council of the State of Virginia dated the eleventh day of October 1861 an election was held at Camp Barlow on Shenandoah river Pocahontas County Virginia on the 24th day of October 1861 in the encampment of Confederate troops stationed at said place for members of the Virginia State Convention to supply vacancies in the representation in that body of certain districts and counties of the State of Virginia wherein elections cannot now be held in the manner proscribed by law by reason of the occupation of said districts and counties by the public enemy And we Henry Sturms James A Bradford and Jacob De Commissioners appointed by Col Edward Johnson Commander of the said Encampment to superintend said Election do certify that an election was held in the said Encampment on the 24th day of October 1861 for Delegates to represent the county of Preston in the Virginia State Convention in the places of William L Brown & James L McGrew who were expelled from the said Convention which resulted as follows R E Leeman secured five votes C Pleusep four votes all that were cast at said election And we do further certify that all the persons then and there voting for such delegates were citizens and legally qualified voters of Preston County the County of Preston in the State of Virginia
Given under our hands this 24th day of October 1861

Henry Sturms
of Barlow County
H. B. Wood
of Barlow County
Jacob Poe
of Taylor County

Camp Barlow
Frederic News
Meeting Convention
from Preston Co
R. E. Cowan's Notes
C. J. Cicely 4 votes

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