



# STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA,

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION,

Charleston, April 9<sup>th</sup> 1872

His Excellency John L Jacob  
Governor of

Sir The Constitutional Convention  
just adjourned devolved upon me as  
the President of that body the duty  
of communicating to you a certified  
copy of the Constitution and Sched-  
ule just adopted that you may pro-  
claim and publish the same as pre-  
scribed by law and the ~~provisions~~  
Schedule appended. In pursuance  
of this duty I have signed a copy  
which will be placed in your  
hands by Mr. Watcher the Secretary  
Very truly and respectfully  
Yours at St  
Saml Rice



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Richard Swecker  
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Dear Mr. Swecker:

Enclosed please find the photocopies of the 1872 West Virginia Constitution, the cover letter from convention president Price to Governor Jacob, and the schedule for ratifying or rejecting it by the voters. Because the ink changes several times within the document, parts of it are more faded than other sections, and I have darkened the copies to try and give you readable text. Unfortunately, it sometimes adds a line down the page from the copier, but the faintness on lighter settings are unreadable.

If you are in Charleston and want to see the original, you are certainly welcome to do so. Its collection number is Ar837.

Sincerely,

Debra Basham  
Archivist

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