THE STANDARD BEARERS

Flower and Sheehan Nominated by the Democrats.

CHAPIN'S FIGHT FOR FIRST PLACE.

Rice for Secretary of State, Campbell for Controller, Rosendale for Attorney General, Danforth for Treasurer and Schenck for Engineer.

SARATOGA, Sept. 17.—The Democratic state convention has adjourned after nominating the following ticket:

For Governor—Roswell P. Flower, of Jefferson.

For Lieutenant Governor—William F. Sheehan, of Erie.

For Secretary of State—Frank Rice, of Ontario.

For Comptroller—Frank Campbell, of Steuben.

For Attorney General—Simon W. Rosendale, of Albany.

For State Treasurer—Elliott Danforth, of Chenango.

For State Engineer—Martin Schenck, of Rensselaer.

Flower versus Chapin.

Flower was nominated on the first ballot. The total vote cast was 377, of which Flower received 334 and Mayor Alfred C. Chapin, of Brooklyn, 43. Kings county voted solid for Chapin.

John P. Adams, chairman of the Kings county delegation, moved to make the nomination unanimous. Three cheers were given for Kings county. When the convention had quieted down a little, Mr. Adams said that this was the result of the action of the Kings county delegation at a meeting held in the morning. The other candidates were nominated by acclamation, and the convention adjourned after heartily cheering the ticket.

The Platform.

The following platform was adopted amid thunderous applause:

The Democratic party of the state of New York, in convention assembled, renews the pledges of its fidelity to Democratic faith, and as regards national issues reaffirms the doctrine of the national platforms of 1884 and 1888, indorsed by the popular votes in those years, and so overwhelmingly ratified by the popular verdict in the congressional elections of 1890.

We now, as then, steadfastly adhere to principles of sound finance. We are against the coinage of any dollar which is not of the intrinsic value of every dollar of the United States.

We therefore denounce the new Sherman silver law, under which one-tenth of our gold stock has been exported and all our silver output is dammed up at home, as a false pretense but artful hindrance of return to free bimetallic coinage and as tending only to produce a change from one kind of metalism to another.

The Sherman Law Denounced.

We therefore unite with the friends of honest money everywhere in stigmatizing the Sherman progressive silver basis law as no solution of the gold and silver question, and as a fit appendix to the subsidy and bounty swindle, the McKinley worse-than-war tariff, the Blaine reciprocity humbug, the squandered surplus, the advancing deficit, the defective census, the falsified representation and the revolutionary procedures of the billion dollar congress, all justly condemned by the people's great uprising last November, a verdict which, renewed next year, will empower Democratic statesmen to guide the people's councils and to execute the people's will.

We congratulate the people of the state upon the beneficent results which followed the election of a Democratic assembly last autumn. That victory secured the election of a Democrat to the United States senate, a representative in full sympathy with the popular majority on great questions of federal policy. It gave the state the lowest tax rate of thirty-six years and for the first time in a generation freedom from taxation for the general purposes of government. It gave New York city the means of securing rapid transit—a boon which Republican legislatures had for years denied. It gave the people the shortest legislative session in seventeen years, a tribute to the faithful industry of the Democratic assembly, by whom this result was achieved in the interest of economy and good legislation.

Pledges Redeemed.

Our pledges to the people contained in the Democratic platforms of 1887, 1888 and 1889 were promptly redeemed by the Democratic assembly in the passage of the following measures:

1. A bill to enumerate the inhabitants of the state, preparatory to a reapportionment of senate and assembly districts.

2. A bill to reapportion the congress districts in pursuance of the federal statute and upon the basis of the recent federal census.

3. A bill to provide for a constitutional convention in accordance with the wish of the people as declared by a large majority at the polls in 1886.

4. A bill to revise and consolidate the excise laws—a measure intelligently and equitably framed, carefully regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors, prescribing just fees for licenses and preserving all needful restrictions for the maintenance of order and the good of society.

5. Several bills to ameliorate the condition of agriculture and labor and to lessen the burden of direct taxation.

The Apportionment Question.

All those measures passed by the Democratic assembly in obedience to the demand of the popular majority were defeated in the Republican senate by the representatives of the minority of the people. Thus has the Republican party continued to betray the people's interest. It defies the constitution, denies fair representation in the legislature to 1,300,000 new inhabitants of the state by refusing to pass an enumeration bill—the preliminary step to the abolition of the present antiquated apportionment of the senate and assembly districts, which is based on the census of sixteen years ago. It not only conspired with the federal census bureau to deprive the state of an additional representative in congress and in the electoral college by a fraudulent count of the inhabitants of New York city, but it refuses to comply with the command of its own federal congress to rearrange the thirty-four congress districts of the state so that all contain as nearly as practicable an equal number of inhabitants.

It ignores the emphatic declaration of the people, who, by a plurality of 328,000 votes, recorded themselves in favor of a constitutional convention.

Concerning Prohibition.

It insists upon a passage of sumptuary laws which needlessly interfere with the personal liberty of law-abiding citizens. It demonstrates the hypocrisy of its professions by twice recording itself in the legislature in favor of a prohibition amendment and then refusing to make provision for its submission to the people, except at a special election not desired by prohibitionists and at an unnecessary expense of over $600,000 to the taxpayers. It refuses to ameliorate the condition of wage earners by enacting just and conservative laws in their interest. It shows its subserviency to the moneyed interests by ignoring the demands of the agricultural and working classes for reforms in methods of taxation. It covertly lends its influence to the restriction of manhood suffrage. It indicates its hostility to home rule by its efforts at meddlesome interference with the affairs of large cities.

It encourages expensive legislative investigating committees, whose investigations degenerate into strikes for political patronage upon the official authorities of Democratic municipalities.

The World's Fair.

It inflicted a hostile blow on the best welfare of the state, by depriving New York of the World's fair, because the Republican leader could not control its board of directors. By that act New York was deprived of the benefit of the expenditure of hundreds of millions of dollars within its borders. By that act the interests of every wage earner, every merchant, every farmer, every manufacturer, every householder, every railroad and transportation company were cruelly sacrificed. The people will not forget that the most conspicuous agent in this partisan crime is now the candidate of his party for governor. Against that record of misrepresentation and betrayal the Democratic party most earnestly protests.

We affirm the principles and pledges contained in our state platforms of 1889 and preceding years. We oppose needless special legislation. We favor home rule for counties and municipalities.

We believe in low taxes and in economical administration. We demand a revision of the various statutes regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors and the enactment of a just, equitable and comprehensive excise law framed in accordance with existing public sentiment as repeatedly manifested. We believe that all excise revenues, whether called license fees or taxes, should belong to the treasuries of the localities under whose authority licenses are issued, to be applied in reducing the burden of local taxation.

We are opposed to all sumptuary legislation that needlessly interferes with the personal liberty or reasonable customs of the people. We favor the largest liberty for the individual citizen consistent with the public welfare. We demand an extension of electoral reform, with a view to preventing the profuse expenditure of money by candidates and political committees; but we resolutely oppose any effort to hamper or restrict the constitutional privileges of manhood suffrage.

Electoral Reform.

And we congratulate the people of the state that by the persistent efforts of a Democratic governor, sustained by Democrats in the legislature, in defense of this principle there has been at last wrested from a Republican legislature by force of public sentiment a genuine electoral reform law which guarantees an absolutely secret ballot, which prevents intimidation and corruption, which reserves for men the right to two hours on election day in which to vote without loss of pay for time consumed, which largely diminishes the opportunities of candidates to expend money illegitimately, which prescribes a careful system of registration of electors, which imposes heavy penalties for corrupt practices in elections, and which preserves inviolable to every citizen, however humble or unlettered he may be, the right to cast his ballot for whomsoever he may choose for any office within the gift of the people.

We favor the revision of the tax laws whereby personal and corporate property shall be made to bear its full and just burdens.

We favor a continuance of the policy which seeks to improve the canal system of the state and maintain its efficiency.

The Interests of Labor.

The interests of labor should be fostered by proper and necessary legislation. Honest workingmen and working women should be protected from competition with convict labor. The Republican party, having control of the legislature almost continuously for many years, has withheld the necessary legislation required to adequately accomplish such a purpose, and in this connection we denounce the failure of the Republican senate last winter to enact the so called Reilly bill desired by the workingmen, which had passed the Democratic assembly, and had for its object the further restriction of convict labor competition. We favor legislative provision for a proper exhibit from this state at the World's Columbian exposition, to be held in Chicago in 1893, and we especially commend the measure to secure that object which was passed by the Democratic assembly last spring, but which a Republican senate with surprising reluctance, after its successful efforts to locate the fair in Chicago, refused to enact. This country has always been the refuge of the oppressed from every land—exiles for conscience sake—and in the spirit of the founders of our government, we condemn the oppression and expatriation practiced by the Russian government upon its Jewish citizens, and we call upon our government in the interests of justice and humanity, by all just and proper means, to use its prompt and best efforts to bring about a cessation of those cruel persecutions in the dominions of the czar and insure to the oppressed equal rights.

Governor Hill Eulogized.

We heartily indorse the able and statesmanlike administration of Governor Hill during his seven years as chief executive of the state. He has resolutely maintained the principles of the Democratic party and has faithfully contended for the interests of the people. He has ably resisted the aggressions of the successive legislatures, whose object has been only partisan advantage, and he has been a firm and unrelenting foe to vicious and corrupt legislation. In his administration of state affairs he has received the intelligent and conscientious co-operation of his Democratic associates in the state departments. Their joint efforts have put the state practically out of debt and left a generous surplus in the treasury. Efficiency and economy have marked their official records. We respectfully submit that this faithful discharge of responsibility justifies a continuance of the trust imposed in the Democratic party, of which they have been true representatives.

Jones Will Fight Flower.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Sept. 18.—Lieutenant Governor Jones has furnished the following for the press: "Being requested by the press to announce my intentions relating to the nominations of the Saratoga convention I would say that my political action has always been controlled by my sense of duty as a citizen, never recognizing conflicting party obligations.

"Believing, in this instance, that not only have the interests of the people been sacrificed but the existence of the Democratic party jeopardized, for behind the nominations and in absolute control of the party are men whose every sentiment of patriotism is subject either to their personal ambition or their selfish greed, and the administration of public affairs is shaped to perpetuate their rule.

Temporary Defeat Preferable.

"So complete is the power of these men, and so dictatorial have they become, that members of the party are but serfs so far as political action is concerned. Continued subservience but makes the condition too degrading to be quietly borne by American citizens. There is but one way to dislodge these usurpers. The temporary defeat of the party will be harmless compared with the effects of their control.

"For the welfare of the state and in the interest of the Democratic party, to me my duty appears clear, which is to oppose the election of the nominee of the Saratoga convention to such an extent as may be within my power and in such manner as may seem best to accomplish that purpose.

"EDWARD F. JONES."

Mr. Jones declines to specify just what action he will take in the matter.

They Ratify the Ticket.

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—The Republicans of this city held a meeting last night in Carnegie's new music hall and formally ratified the action of the Republican convention at Rochester. The hall was filled.

Mr. Fassett said there was nothing in the Democratic platform about Grover Cleveland. Tammany Hall never liked Grover Cleveland, nor anything about any soldiers or sailors in the platform at Saratoga, and yet Edward F. Jones was a soldier and a brave man in 1865.

Mr. Fassett did not believe that Governor Hill was defeated at Saratoga. If it were so, he said, then even Hillism wasn't bad enough for Tammany Hall, and they dared to put their foot on the neck of the young hero who led them to victory for nine years. If they did neglect him they were guilty of casting aside their political savior.

When reference was made to Blaine's reciprocity treaty the speaker was interrupted by wild cheers for Blaine. Mr. Fassett then proposed three cheers for President Harrison and Mr. Blaine, and they were given with a tiger.

Democrats at New Haven.

NEW HAVEN, Sept. 23.—The Connecticut State Democratic club held its semi-annual banquet here last evening. Professor Simeon E. Baldwin, of the Yale Law school, presided.

The present condition of the state government was discussed, and the meeting was unanimous in urging that the Democratic state central committee should call a state convention of the party during the coming winter to make a declaration of principles.

Blaine May Not Run.

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—The Mail and Express' Washington special says that James G. Blaine will, soon after the first of the new year, notify his friends and admirers who are now urging his nomination for the presidency that under no circumstances could he accept such an honor, and that he is for the renomination and re-election of Benjamin Harrison. The situation as here given has been known to the president for some time.

Cleveland and Mills.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Mr. Mills' speech at Mansfield, O., in which he swept aside the silver question as one of no importance compared with the question of tariff taxation, has commanded a good deal of attention from the Washington politicians. They say the attitude of Mr. Mills indicates an alliance of the friends of Mills with the friends of Mr. Cleveland.

Brookfield Is Chairman.

NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—At a meeting of the Republican state committee William Brookfield was chosen to succeed General Knapp as chairman of the Republican state committee and General Husted became chairman of the executive committee. James W. Wadsworth, of Geneseo, was elected treasurer.

Republican Clubs at Scranton.

SCRANTON, Pa., Sept. 24.—The executive committee of the Pennsylvania League of Republican clubs set Tuesday afternoon and rejected the application of all clubs for membership which had not been in existence on July 16. This seems to indicate that Senator Robinson will be elected president of the club at the session.

A Local Fight at Newark.

NEWARK, N. J., Sept. 22.—There is a Democratic split in this city. Mayor Joseph Haynes, regular Democratic candidate for mayor, will be opposed by ex-Assemblyman J. Kalisch, who will be the Republican candidate. About 200 seceding Democrats are with him.

Offered the Nomination.

NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—A correspondent of The Herald telegraphs from Albany that Lieutenant Governor Jones says he was offered the Democratic nomination for governor six months ago.

Ready for Business.

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—The Republican state committee has established elaborate campaign headquarters at the Fifth Avenue hotel, and everything is ready for business.

M'CAMANT AND BARDSLEY.

No Mention of "Neckties and Handkerchiefs" in the Correspondence.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 23.—District Attorney Graham has given out to the newspapers the much talked of correspondence between Auditor General McCamant and Cashier Livsey on the one side and John Bardsley on the other, which it is contended, only needed the corroborative evidence of Bardsley himself to enable Mr. Graham to frame a criminal indictment against Mr. McCamant.

The letters are, in general, an acknowledgment of favors much more valuable than any before referred to in print, and there is an entire lack of any mention of the "neckties and handkerchiefs" which Mr. McCamant testified Bardsley had bought for him and by which he explained his thanks to Bardsley for favors.

Governor Abbett at the Fair.

WAVERLY, N. J., Sept. 23.—A great throng of people attended the fair of the New Jersey Agricultural societies at Waverly yesterday. Entries numbered 2,500, or 900 more than were ever before exhibited at the state fair. Today the cottage of the State Woman's Christian Temperance union was dedicated and Governor Abbett and his staff visited the fair

Five Boomers Are Dead.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Sept. 23.—Two negroes killed in a fight at Langston, the shooting of a woman who attempted to cross the border before the allotted time and the drowning of two men in the Cimarron river were the principal events reported in the great rush for the Oklahoma lands. The population of Oklahoma increased 20,000 yesterday.

Allerton to Meet Nelson.

INDEPENDENCE, Ind., Sept 23.—One of the greatest races in the history of the trotting turf will occur here between Oct. 19 and Nov. 14. Nelson, 2:10; Allerton, 2:09¼, the greatest trotting stallions on earth, and Nancy Hanks, the wonderful Kentucky mare, will meet for a purse of $10,000 on the kite shaped track.

She Fell and Broke Her Neck.

CORTLAND, N. Y., Sept. 23.—Mrs. Frank McCormick, aged twenty-five, the wife of a prominent merchant at Homer, while crossing the room stumbled and fell. Her head struck an open door, breaking her neck. She died instantly. A child which she was carrying was badly injured.

Ostrander Out on Bail.

KINGSTON, N. Y., Sept. 23.—James E. Ostrander, the defaulting bank treasurer, has been admitted to bail in the sum of $20,000. His wife, son-in-law, Egbert Kiersted, and nephew, Abram Hasbrouck, president of the Rondout National bank, are his sureties.

General Grubb's Marriage.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—General E. Burd Grubb, American minister to Spain, will be in London about the end of the week to marry Miss Violet Sepwith, of Cromwell road. The ceremony will occur Saturday.

Gould Said He Got $40,000.

BUFFALO, Sept. 22.—At the Gould trial here the cashier of the robbed bank at Albany testified that William Gould admitted to him that he had overdrawn his account $40,000.

Typhoid Still Raging.

NEWARK, N. J., Sept. 21.—Sixty new cases of typhoid fever were reported in this city during the past week. Six deaths from the malady were recorded during that time.

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