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MONDAY EVENING, FEB. 6, 1882.

The Democratic Nominations.

The Democratic nominations, so far as they involved the candidate for mayor were a foregone conclusion. The selection of Mayor MacGonigle as the head of his party's ticket is only the expression of the unanimous feeling among citizens of liberal sentiment that he ought to be re-elected.

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For councils and ward officers the tickets as a whole are well balanced and worthy of support. In the Second ward no Democratic nomination for select council has been made. The Republican candidate from that ward has generally received very considerable support from his Democratic fellow citizens; and while we have not always agreed with the views and votes of Mr. Evans in municipal matters he is fairly entitled to the confidence of his fellow-citizens as a prudent, economical and safe local legislator.

The Republicans have found a man willing to run for mayor. His nomination creates more surprise than enthusiasm. For a long time it has been well understood that he was willing to take rather timid about seeking this nomination. It comes to him after seeking others more available, and after conventions and conferences in which his name, if mentioned at all, was received in a very chiding and unwelcome manner.

After four years of experience in the office of mayor he was voted out by his fellow-citizens because they did not believe in his methods of administration. The experience of the people with his successor has vindicated the wisdom of the change. Nothing could be in sharper contrast than the direction of public affairs by Stauffer and that which has been given to them by MacGonigle. The details which emphasize this contrast need hardly be recalled.

Ex-Mayor Stauffer is a weak candidate, because he is a very weak man. With his private character and social qualities we have nothing to do. But in seventeen years of what the Examiner calls "chronic office-holding," he has exhibited official characteristics which painfully reveal his unfitness for the mayoralty. By the testimony of his party associates who know him best, he is pronounced untruthful; he has not the courage of convictions nor the fidelity to be true to public duty; and he is utterly without capacity to give efficient, watchful care to the concerns of the city. He never interposed objection or obstruction to waste, ill management and recklessness in the city finances, and under him the municipality drifted rapidly into unlawful expenditures and illegal increase of debt.

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the sentiments of nearly all the business men. Not satisfied with ascribing to him the "instincts of the pot-house politician," the Republican recalls "executive antics which disgraced his administration at the very outset" of his "ill-starred term," and accuses him of demoralizing his party by appointing a boon companion Democrat judge—and "all on account of" a petty post office.

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TO-DAY'S NEWS.

THE TOPICS OF THE TIME.

THE PERILS OF THE SEASON.

Big Snow—Smallpox—Bridge Break-down—Fire and Crime.

On our first page will be found a full resume of the current news from all parts as reported by the Sunday papers. Mrs. Ella Wallace drowned herself in a fit of insanity, near New Concord, Ohio, and her body was found in a creek last Friday. Since then her father, mother and two sisters have become maniacs.

A passenger train collided with a freight train near Ripon, R. I., on Saturday evening, and both engines were damaged. The engineer of the freight train was dangerously, if not fatally injured, and the passengers thoroughly shaken up.

The storm of Saturday was accompanied by heavy snow, and an overflow from North Carolina to the Canadian border. South of that state there was rain. The snow fall ranged from ten inches to three feet in depth, the maximum being reached in the mountain regions of this state and New York.

A fire in Jersey City, yesterday morning, destroyed the barrel factory of the late firm of C. Brook & Co., the boarding house and liquor store of Louis Miller, the lumber yard and stables of Vanderklok & Sons, and the stove foundry of Simons & Co.

A fire at Hightstown, New Jersey, yesterday afternoon, destroyed the shirt factory of Downs & Finch, and burned out the store of Dawes, dentist; David Morton, blacksmith; the Knights of Pythias hall, and Mrs. Magee's dwelling, causing a loss of \$20,000.

The disease continues in Adams and Richmond, Massachusetts. At Pittsfield, in the same state, the Paper Stock Company's iron works, where several cases originated, has been ordered to be closed until it can be thoroughly fumigated.

PERSONAL. Rev. E. C. MILNE, pastor of Trinity church (formerly Rev. Robert Collyer's) in Chicago, created a sensation by announcing in his sermon, yesterday morning, that he had "abandoned his belief in a personal deity and in the immortality of man."

John GRACE, of New York, has received a letter from Colonel VON STEUBEN expressing the thanks of the Von Steuben family for the courtesies shown them when in this country. He states that he has made a report to the emperor, who was highly gratified.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH.

THE RECENT CHANGE OF PASTORS.

Interesting Services—Sermon by Bishop Shanahan—Installation of Rev. Dr. Hartman.

A very large congregation was in attendance at St. Mary's church at 10 o'clock. Right Rev. J. F. Shanahan, bishop of the diocese, was present in the sanctuary.

The mass was celebrated by Rev. J. M. Callagh. At the close of the gospel lesson Bishop Shanahan ascended the pulpit and announced the change of pastors made by him. He spoke in terms of praise of the retiring pastor, Rev. Father Hickey, who was a good pastor, but whose health was such that he could not be expected to continue in the office.

At the close of mass Dr. McCullagh, the pastor elect, ascended the pulpit and spoke as follows: "I appear before you to-day, my friends, for the first time in a new capacity. An unexpected change is made in the work of the church, and I am called upon to assume the duties of a pastor elect, a position which I feel that I am not qualified to fill."

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On becoming sufficiently composed Maj. Reinhold called the convention to order. There was a season of oppressive silence, which was broken by an answer to the question responded except Joseph Cremer of the First and B. F. Bartholomew of the Fourth ward. Ad. Welchans was chosen as a substitute for the former and J. B. Mackley for the latter. There was a large attendance of delegates, both Democrats and Republicans.

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Table with 10 columns: Name, Age, Occupation, etc. Lists names of candidates and their details.

Committee Meeting. The members of the old city committee, the members elect and the city committee of the county committee will meet at the INTELLIGENCER office at 7:30 this evening.

THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION. Its Reassembled Members Reassert a Defeated Candidate.

As stated in Saturday's INTELLIGENCER, Capt. Ricksacker respectfully but peremptorily declined the nomination for Mayor tendered him on Friday evening by the Republican convention, and a call was issued for the reassembling of the delegates to select another candidate.

Allan A. Hirsch & Co., insurance agents, paid to John Hiemenz, to-day, the amount of his loss on boots and shoes for the following companies: Guardian, of London, \$12.50; Newark, of Newark, \$42.50; National, of New York, \$1,414.20.