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THURSDAY EVEN'G, APRIL 17, 1884.

The Blaine leaders in the Harrisburg convention had a hard run of luck; or maybe it wasn't luck. Mr. Bayne, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Emery Smith were full of motion and motions, but their motions were always voted down; save one that Mr. Smith ventured, nominating Mr. Cooper as chairman of the state committee, which was adopted unanimously; but Mr. Cooper is a stalwart member of the Cameron-Quay anti Blaine machine combination, that would even have been crushed out yesterday for the fact that it carried all its motions. It secured the admission of its friend Magee, although Mr. Stewart, at the head of the committee on contested seats, reported that he was not entitled to his seat. It secured also all the delegates at large it voted for, with McManes at their head. They go instructed for Blaine and Lincoln, and they will be for Blaine and Lincoln on the surface, just as the convention was. It was wild for Blaine and Lincoln, and wouldn't wait until the committee reported a demand for them, but hastened to order such a report to be made; and then it went to work to vote down every motion that Mr. Blaine's leader on the floor, Mr. Bayne, of Allegheny, made; and even defeated Mr. Blaine's and Mr. Bayne's special candidate for delegate at large, Mr. Jones, of Pittsburg. Perhaps the convention did not know Jones, as we don't; but Bayne knew Jones and endorsed him as reliable for Blaine; and if the convention had been really and resolutely for Blaine it would have selected men as delegates at large who are really and really for Blaine; and substituted Jones, of Allegheny, for McManes, of Philadelphia, who is for anybody but Blaine, as was reported on the convention's floor. One of the delegates who did not understand that the convention was not so much for Blaine as it let on to be, wanted the pledge to be administered to Mr. McManes; but McManes was enough Blaine for the convention, which swallowed him just as he was.

The information afforded by the proceedings of the convention is that Blaine will not be nominated at Chicago. He will go there with a great hurrah and show of strength which will peter out, as it has twice done before. It is evident that the politicians of his party do not hanker after Blaine. Their constituents want him and they honor them to betray them. Arthur will meet Blaine in the convention with the Southern delegations behind him, and Logan will follow into the ring. Yesterday Illinois instructed for Logan, with more sincerity than Pennsylvania did for Blaine. In the clashing of the class Arthur is likely to come out with the prize. His chance at any rate is much better than Blaine's.

The Harrisburg convention was very remarkable for some of the unique parliamentary features of the proceedings. They reflect equal discredit on both parties to the contest which so evenly divided the delegates. The willingness of Stewart, Bayne and their associates to meet with Quay, Magee and their allies in an old time "Lochiel caucus" and part the raiment is significant of the kind of bossism that the Blaine regime would institute when it got at the top. The abandonment of the usual committee of one from each senatorial district on credentials, for a slated and packed committee of nine, picked out by the bosses, shows that none of the Cameron teachings have been lost on Stewart. The selection, by Temporary Chairman Waldell, of the chairman of the two leading committees from a small minority of the convention was only more indicative than the proposition from the other side to depose them. The narrow partisan view taken by Stewart and his colleagues with their slender majority in the credentials committee, was a characteristic "seven by eight" performance, and well merited the defeat which it received. The attempt to spring a change of rules on a convention, not summoned nor prepared to consider it, was another futile effort of the Blaine faction, under Bayne's weak and disastrous leadership, to abuse a temporary advantage; while the ruling of Gray that the members whose seats were contested could vote upon their own disputed rights, and decide them, if it is happened, was only equalled by the indecency of these men in voting themselves in. The attempts of Bayne at one stage of the proceedings to head off a committee's minority report, and the effort of Stewart at another period to abridge the right of free nominations, completed their blunders; so that in reviewing the proceedings it is difficult to determine whether they suffered most from their lack of skill and sagacity or their want of sincerity and fairness. In either event they deserved the chastisement that if there is to be an independent Republican element in this state, it needs a new leadership of men with brains, with courage and with consistency of purpose and conduct.

MR. JAY GOULD'S favorite stocks are dropping and the brokers are wondering why he lets them do it. He has such a reputation for richness that some people suppose that he is hiding some scheme to pump values up under the willingness to show to let them drop. But a simpler explanation will account for the droop, in view of the well known fact that the quoted prices are much above the real value of the stocks. Western Union for instance which has got down to 67, would be dear at half the money; if of course Mr. Gould knows it and lets it go.

GOVERNOR PATTON yesterday made the long-delayed appointment of Major Moses Yeale as health officer of Philadelphia, to succeed Gen. James L. Selfridge. It was a most excellent selection for the place. Major Yeale was a brave soldier; he is a sterling Democrat; a competent, clean and honorable man.

CONSIDERING that the Philadelphia Press had fifty-seven counties of the state instructed for Blaine before the delegates ever got to Harrisburg, it wasn't surprising that that enterprising journal's proprietorship modestly asked for a delegate-at-large, an elector at large and two or three fundamental changes of the party rules, of which it has made a specialty. Mr. Wells, not being on the ground, was saved from the general wreck, which the Quay and Magee machine created in the Press's china closet when they got it fairly started; but he is about all that was saved of the crockery.

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THE CONVENTION.

THE BLAINE BOSSES BADLY BEATEN.

They Undertook too Great a Contest—Major McGee was the Center—The Platform and Ticket.

HARRISBURG, Pa., April 17.—The "Blaine" convention—so called—adjourned at half past one o'clock this morning, and the Blaine movement came out with nothing more than their baggage saved, and not even all of that. The feathers of the "Plumed Knight" followers were a very bedraggled look, indeed, as they emerged from the dust and parrot fight, in which they had been engaged for fifteen hours. It was bad enough to have undertaken the high handed exercise of boss power, but to have been beaten in it, as they were, was a double loss of the moral advantage which the so-called Independent Republicans of the state possessed, as long as they were fighting for better methods in Pennsylvania Republican politics.

The resolution of instructions promulgated by the delegates at large that morning and which the convention adopted early in the day was about all that the Press Blaine wing got out of yesterday's convention. The platform was written for the most part by Mr. Emery Smith, and for those who like that sort of platform they like. The plank relating to the silver coinage was the pet hobby of Mr. A. Lowden Snowden, director of the mint, who in defiance of civil service rules, made himself a prominent figure of the convention and against the protests of the country delegates stuck to his claim for the chairmanship of the platform committee. The Blaine instruction resolution was what all sides had previously acted upon by a unanimous vote. It was not likely they will have any power to hold Mr. McManes, who defied instructions four years ago to beat Grant and was applauded for it by the Blaine people. He occupies about the same attitude towards Blaine's candidacy as he occupies towards the Republican party. He has stubbornly refused to make any avowal of his presidential preference, and yet the Blaine bosses did not dare to undertake his defeat.

Early in the day Stewart weakened his position as a leader of Independent sentiment and free methods by moving for a selected committee of nine—a 5-4 machine, previously selected at a "Lochiel caucus"—to decide contested seats.

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FOUR TRAGIC DEATHS.

DRIVEN DELIRIOUS BY WILCO GIAMING.

A COUNCIL MAN BEHEMOTH AND HIS CHIEF—MURDER—THE TRAGEDY OF A NEW YORK HOTEL.

MONACO, Italy, has a ghastly revelation which promises to make it a rival to Monte Carlo as a theatre for sensational suicides and other grim tragedies. The hero of this latest tragedy was a lady of good society, distinguished manners and aristocratic bearing, who has for the past few months resided in the Hotel de la Ville, a stranger, perhaps a strict invalid, being known only as "The Countess" to the few acquaintances she made and even to the servants, of whom she engaged quite a retinue after her arrival at Monaco. Her husband, who was being the wife of a German nobleman, who occupied a prominent post at the imperial court, and it was further whispered that her infatuation for the gaming table had led her to divorce her husband and take up her residence at Monaco.

THE theory is that "The Countess" had ruined herself and her child by her passion for play. She was afraid to meet the eyes of her husband, had determined to end the disgrace by a double murder. The officials at Monaco are, as usual, making every effort to conceal the facts of the tragedy and have seized upon all the papers of the lady's residence, so that it is impossible, at present, to give her right name and history.

The people of Tuckahoe, Dennistown and the upper end of Cape May county have, for some time past, been started at the wonderful exploits with a rifle of a mysterious Amazon named Jennie Moore, who lives in an isolated cabin in the pines on the bay shore of Cape May. Moore is a pretty little daughter, 12 years of age, who can sing like a nightingale. It is believed that the woman is a native of Ireland. She says that for several years she traveled with a show under the stage name of Jennie Franklin, giving exhibitions with her rifle. On several occasions she has been accused of the natives of the towns in the vicinity with her skill. Some of her feats are remarkable. She can light a parlor match with a rifle ball and put an apple on the William Tell stand with a shot while the audience has a favorite about to hit the apple, while at that position, by a shot with her back turned and taking aim in a looking glass. Snuffing candles and clipping the ashes from a lighted cigar while being held by an enemy are some of the other feats of her rifle. A few weeks ago Mrs. Moore gave a public exhibition in the town hall at Dennistown, which drew ejaculations of astonishment and delight from the large crowd present. It is regarded as exceeded only by the man of her rifle.

At a meeting of the Arkwright club in Boston yesterday it was voted as the sense of the manufacturers present that a reduction in the production of cotton goods was necessary. It was also voted to reduce the working hours ten per cent. during May and June, provided all the mills agreed to the proposition. This is equivalent to a reduction of one sixth of the production of cotton goods. The production of the club was authorized to obtain the agreement of all the mills.

BASE BALL.

INSIDERS VS THE WILMINGTONS.

YESTERDAY the Insiders met the Wilmington Eastern league club for the third time, and a good game was played. About 600 people were present. The grounds were a little soft, but not sufficiently so to interfere in any way with the game. The visitors again showed that they are very strong, but the home team played a pretty game and kept them down very nearly. The Wilmington presented Dan Casey and Lynch as the battery, but as they were being punished and as they had a number of passed balls, they were placed in the field after the third inning, Burns going into the box with Cusick behind the bat and McCloskey at short. Lytle and O'Brien were the battery for the home team, and they played a good game with the exception of a couple of passed balls by the latter.

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