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The Stalwart Convention.

Harrisburg Patriot.

The work of the stalwart convention is now at last completed and a tail has been put on the ticket, but the political situation in the party remains unchanged. Nothing practical has been done to bring about harmony. It is true in the resolution adopted authorizing the state committee to use all honorable efforts for a compromise, a little two-for-five olive branch was thrown out to the Stewart republicans, but they will be in desperate straits if they accept it.

It is plain that the bosses propose to fight it out on the line they have taken up and the opposing faction will be well pleased to have it so. For various reasons they did not dictate a nomination to the convention yesterday. Mr. Cameron had really no particular choice for congressman-at-large. He therefore was willing to let the convention have its own way in order that it might add what little strength could be secured by making the nomination for congressman-at-large appear to come from the people. But the good effect intended is lost when it is remembered that the delegates to the convention were completely under Cameron's control when he needed them and were not selected by the people, but by county committees. Such a convention finds it difficult to make anybody believe that it can express the will of the people in its action, even if it wants to do so.

The delegates yesterday caught the bosses' idea, and there was no little effort made to place Mr. Brosius on the ticket with the same wild wave of enthusiasm, that caught up Marshall on the 10th of May. The trick was neatly played, but it is too stale to be of any consequence. The nomination of Marshall was a concession to the independent republicans, and it was naturally to be expected that his place would be filled by a man as nearly like him as possible. But this idea was not adopted. In fact the bosses say there are to be no more concessions. Henceforth there is to be war to the knife. Although they did not apparently take a hand in the nomination for congressman-at-large their power was felt in another direction. That there was a strong sentiment among the delegates favorable to a new convention through which the existing difficulties might be settled was plainly apparent in the caucus held yesterday morning. There was no hopefulness in that meeting, but some very plain talk was indulged in. Defeat was openly predicted and there seemed to be a general lack of confidence in the ability of the managers to put their ticket through. But the bosses put on the screws and the new convention proposition was speedily crushed out. They were not willing to run any risks at the primaries. In the confusion just previous to the adjournment of the body a resolution was rushed through authorizing the state committee to fill any vacancies on the ticket that may occur between this and election day. This means that if the Stewart republicans should at any time be willing to form a fusion ticket the state committee is empowered to make the necessary arrangements. But as such a ticket could be patched up only through a bargain between the leaders of the two factions it will simply represent the worst species of bossism and therefore the independent republicans will not be likely to be drawn into any such scheme. In short it looks as if the action of yesterday's convention had closed every avenue to a compromise between the opposing elements.

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of intelligence, in this country of free schools and free thought, there are men who will knowingly and deliberately cast their ballots in approval of a vile scheme to stifle the popular will with filthy bribes? Shall it be written in history that this proud and noble commonwealth was betrayed into political bondage and disgraced by the cupidity of its people excused and encouraged by the spirit of party?

The democratic party, through its state convention about to assemble, ought to speak in no uncertain tone in regard to the assessment of public officials for political purposes and the evident intention of the republican managers to attempt an illegitimate and criminal use of money to influence the approaching election. It should make an issue of these atrocious things and on that issue force the fighting. If there is ever to be an end of corrupt politics and commercial politicians, the people must be aroused to a sense of the ruin and shame which assure to overtaken republican institutions when a pure and honest ballot shall no longer prevail in popular elections. The audacity and shamelessness with which the republican congressional committee is blackmailing the officers of the government with the avowed purpose of using the money thus wrung from the people's servants in an effort to control the ballot box, provoke and justify an appeal to the people for the vindication of their own integrity and patriotism. Let this issue and this appeal be made and when the arbitration of the ballot shall come next November each citizen shall see eye to eye with his fellow and the hand that presents a purchased ballot or signs a false return shall be branded with the mark of eternal infamy.

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GENERAL NEWS.

If a St. Louis scientist is to be believed the world is twenty millions of years old.

To judge from talk in Congress too much money in the Treasury seems to be worse than not having enough.

Mr. Beecher thinks that imagination is the most potent factor in religion. Mr. Beecher has imagination, and this probably explains his religion.

San Jose in California has a physician who believes that monkeys are human beings. It would be interesting to know what the monkeys think of the doctor.

The Cincinnati Commercial says: "The warfare of the Stalwarts upon the President who was murdered by a professional Stalwart (not yet hanged), has advanced a step."

"My dear," said a husband to his wife, "what kind of a stone do you think they will give me when I am gone?" She answered, coolly: "It might be brimstone, John."

The New York postoffice promises soon to engage the attention of the country. Postmaster Person says that no employe of his shall be dismissed for refusing to pay a political assessment.

Mr. Pettigrew, of Tennessee, is arranging the exhibits presented to the government by the Atlanta exhibition. A building has been erected near the agricultural department for that purpose.

Recent soundings show that Tulare lake California, is only twenty feet in depth at the deepest place, whereas in 1873 it was thirty-one feet. This fall of ten feet within nine years is quite remarkable.

The Indianapolis News thinks the names of the blackguards who got drunk on the occasion of Garfield's funeral should be published. The fact that they were Congressmen should not shield them.

M. H. Dobby, of Hancock county, Georgia, has a hen that made her nest near the house last week and laid three eggs in it, when a partridge, liking the situation, joined her, and they now lay in the same nest.

A local bill has passed the New York Legislature and been approved by the Governor imposing a tax on the horses of Utica for the improvement of the streets of that city. No objection to the tax has yet been heard from the horses.

Wild geese are eating up the California wheat crop in a way that gives farmers no little trouble. One farmer, who has 75,000 acres in wheat, keeps forty men mounted with shot guns patrolling his fields every day and moonlight nights to scare away the geese.

Hon. George M. Adams, of Kentucky, the efficient Clerk of the House of Representatives during six years of Democratic rule, will be a member of the Forty-eighth Congress. The Republican whom he will have to beat before the people of his district is the crank, John D. White.

A society was incorporated at Albany, N. Y., called the Supreme Secular Benevolent Association of Port Jervis, which has for its object the doing away with the observance of Sunday and national days of thanks giving as religious days, and the abolishment of the use of the Bible in the public schools.

A Mrs. Washington, residing at Charlestown, W. Va., visited the capital in company with her son, a delicate boy, for whom she desired to obtain employment. She called upon a number of congressmen and said, "Gentlemen, I did not come here to grind an axe, I simply brought a little hatchet." Her witticism brought down the cherries.

They have a way of doing something in Germany that is worthy of emulation. A wine merchant at Neustadt was recently fined 10,000 marks, had his entire stock confiscated and was sent to prison for three years and a half for making a certain quantity of wine out of substances innocent in themselves but bearing no relationship to the grape.

Captain Paul Boyton has swam more than 25,000 miles, saved hundreds of lives, and is officially reported by the life saving service as having rescued seventy-two persons from drowning upon the coasts of the United States. For his services he has received forty two medals from European governments but not one from this country, of which he is a native.

Counsellor Polk was fined \$20 for contempt of Court at Winterset, Iowa, the alternative being twenty days imprisonment. He had no money, and his fellow members of the Bar raised the amount. "My gratitude is boundless, dear friends," said he. "I haven't had \$20 in my pocket before for twenty years. I shall keep it there, with your kind permission," and he went joyfully to jail.

Eugene Schuyler says that America ought not to be obliged to receive the inhabitants of any other country unless we want them. Mr. Schuyler is right. America is not a hospital for the physical, mental and moral incurables of all other nations; and whether Chinese or Russian Jews, or of any other birth, they are not wanted if they do not readily assimilate with the mass of our people.

Etahdeum Doanmoe, a young Kiowa Indian, late a student in the Carlisle training school, and now an assistant in the same institution, was married to Laura Foneadema, one of the girl students, also a Kiowa, on Saturday. Secretary and Mrs. Teller were present at the ceremony, which was the first of the kind ever celebrated in the school, and in an address to the students pointed out the advantages of education, and promised to give them all the aid in his power to that end.