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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Tilden not a Candidate.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—There is now every reason to believe that Tilden will not accept the nomination of the Democratic Convention for President. Representative Dorsheimer, of New York, having heard the contradictory statements of Congressmen who have been calling on Tilden this spring as to his intentions in regard to the nomination, determined to ascertain exactly what the ex-Governor proposed to do. Through Charles A. Dana he learned that Tilden would not be a candidate before the Democratic Convention. This information Dorsheimer has conveyed to his Democratic friends in the Senate and House. The result is a very general expression of sentiment by Senators and members in favor of the nomination of Bayard. Bayard and McDonald is the ticket most generally named.

In his letter to Dana, asking him to see Tilden, Dorsheimer said that the Democratic party was suffering through the general uncertainty as to Tilden's intention. The party, he said, was drifting to and fro, rudderless and be-fogged, at a time when it was necessary to go forward confidently. He begged Dana, for the party's sake, to see Tilden, show him the evil effects of the present uncertainty and urge him to declare himself. Last Friday Dorsheimer went to New York and saw Dana. The latter reported that he had visited Tilden and had submitted to him all the arguments presented in Dorsheimer's letter. After listening patiently, Tilden replied that he had not wavered for an instant in his purpose to forbid the use of his name. He then showed to Dana a letter written by himself, in which, in terms most positive, emphatic and unequivocal, he not only refuses the use of his name but declares that he would not accept the nomination if tendered him, that he would not be a candidate under any circumstances. "I wrote that letter," said Tilden to Dana, in substance, "two months ago, with the intention of making it public then; but they persuaded me to withhold it for a time, and I shall now have it read at the State Democratic Convention on the 18th of June." In speaking of "they," Mr. Tilden referred to Bigelow, Manning and several other Democratic politicians who hold very close relations with him. He said "they" had some purposes to subvert which would have been injured by the immediate publication of the letter, and, as he personally did not care for a little delay, he consented to withhold until the meeting of the State Convention.

Mr. Dana assured Mr. Dorsheimer that he saw and read Tilden's letter and that there was no question of the latter's perfect sincerity; that he is not and will not be a candidate under any circumstance. The "purpose" to subvert on the part of Manning and the other Tilden advisers is believed to be the substitution of Cleveland in Tilden's place. Flower is regarded here as out of the race.

The Republican Platform.

The platform bids for the votes of the California hoodlums by approving the anti-Chinese laws and basely volunteering the support of the party to more legislation of the same sort. It bids for Republican Senators from new States by declaring that Federal appointments in the Territories should be restricted to the squatters. It bids for the votes of greenbackers and silver men by proclaiming that the Republican party is in favor of "the best money known to the civilized world" and carefully omitting to specify what kind of money that means. It bids for the votes of the so-called transportation reformers by recommending Congressional legislation

to regulate railway freights and fares in interstate commerce. It bids for the votes of the labor reformers by urging "the establishment of a National Bureau of Labor and the enforcement of the Eight-hour law." It bids for votes in all States whose inhabitants do not provide proper public education for their children by recommending that the inhabitants of the other States be taxed to furnish it through Congressional appropriations. It bids for the contributions of pension claim agents to the party treasury, and for the votes of all the "dead beats" who ever wore uniform, by sustaining the loose and extravagant pension legislation of the past and promising more in the future. It bids also for the contributions of specially protected manufacturers by averring that the imposition of duties on foreign imports should be laid to secure their profits, and not for revenue only." It specially singles out sheep-owners, and makes a desperate bid for Ohio in the October election by recommending an increase of duty on imports of foreign wool. And finally it receives Mahone and his Virginia Readjusters into the bosom of the party on equal terms with the best, and without a word to censure their championship of the repudiation of honest debts. In short, this is a platform that ought to tempt General Benjamin F. Butler back into the Republican party. He might revel in it like a cat in catnip.

The fact that a platform of this sort should have been unanimously adopted without a word of discussion or protest is characteristic of the progressive rottenness of the Republican party.—*New York Herald (Ind).*

The Nomination of Mr. Blaine.

The Philadelphia Record, speaking of the nomination of Blaine, says, as it was hard to speak of the platform adopted by the Republican Convention at Chicago with the deference which should attach to a consideration of the deliberate resolves of a great party, so it is difficult without offense, to characterize the action that makes James Gillespie Blaine the candidate of the Republican party for President. The platform and the candidate however, go well together, and together they must be accepted as representing the deliberate judgment of the majority of the Republican voters in the country. Mr. Blaine has been an active and aggressive Republican from the beginning.

In looking backward over the record of the party in the quarter century during which it has been responsible for the government of the country it will be impossible to claim for Mr. Blaine that he was the originator or special champion of any good work that it accomplished. On the other hand, there was no malignity of sectional pro-scription, no straining of constitutional power, no scandalous corruption, from the ulcerous developments of the Great Mobiliary infamy to the late wickedness of the Star Route contractors, in which he was not either directly or indirectly a notable participant. His nomination turns his party back from the path of conservatism into the old out of sight and irresponsible experiment. His short campaign in the Cabinet of Garfield involved the country in a range of diplomatic mistakes and mischances. His proposition to distribute the surplus among the States, one of his latest deliverances, shows the unbalanced daintiness of his shallow but active brain. He is regarded by thousands of judicious men in his own party and by tens of thousands of Democrats to be the most plausible and dangerous demagogue in the country. This belief and this fear which fill the hearts of patriotic men, should defeat Mr. Blaine on the day of the election. His nomination tears wide apart the factional wounds in New York; it consolidates the South; it takes out of the way of the Democrats that ponderous quantity, the Federal Administration. While President Arthur is a loyal man to his party, he is still a son of Adam. It is hardly possible that he will break through the civil service hedge to aid in bringing back again the sort of Republican Administration that he has spent nearly four years in sponging out. And, besides the cold Administration, there will stand in the way of the Blaine campaign those drifting icebergs of politics, the virtuous Independents. How are Mr. Curtis, Mr. McVeagh, Mr. Roosevelt, and the Massachusetts statesmen, big and little, to be goaded, satisfied and mollified into the support of the man they detest?

Mr. Blaine has attained the height of his ambition in an inauspicious year. The country is experiencing, from one end to the other, the lamentable consequences of Republican misgovernment. The party in power must take the blame. It seems impossible for the Democrats to so blunder next month as to defeat themselves. They cannot do it unless they adopt the Republican platform and stand a perfect ionist Democrat upon it.

According to our exchanges the peach crop this season will be the best since 1875.

Opinions of the Tariff Plank.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 5.—The bulletin announcing the purpose of the Republican platform relative to the tariff adopted at Chicago, created more interest among members of the House than any other bulletin from to-day's meeting of the Convention.

Mr. Morrison says: "The plank means that the Republicans will keep all they have got and get all they can. They will raise the tax on tin plate, cotton ties and a few other things."

Mr. Hewitt (N. Y.) "The action of the Republicans means that they want to humbug the people. They tell the workman that he is to have more protection; the business man that the obstacles to trade will be removed. I knew they would declare for a revision of the tariff. Those gentlemen (the Ways and Means Committee) had better go to work and do something now."

Mr. Carlisle says the action of the Convention is a complete straddle of the question.

Mr. Springer characterizes the action as "a piece of political jugglery to catch all classes of voters."

Mr. Hiscock says it means an increase of duty.

Messrs. Mills and Jones, of Arkansas, say the Republicans are dodging the question. Mr. Mills continues: "It's a lie; I hope to the Lord we will say something this time that will not mean a lie."

Mr. Eaton says: "Of course, they want a revision. They didn't favor the Morrison bill, did they?"

Mr. Herbert says: "I expected this. We have lost our golden opportunity. The action they have taken is, however nothing but a dodge." Mr. Blount considered the tariff plank as a "complete dodge."

Judge Kelley says the plank means a revision of the prohibitory features of the present tariff.

How They Like It.

These nominations are revolutionary. They are such as the Republican party has never before presented, and will carry dismay and alarm to thousands of men who have regarded this as the party of safety, of integrity, of principle, and of high moral ends. The portentous disaster and defeat to the republican party and revolution in the national administration. Our readers will observe that even among party press the New York Times and the Boston Advertiser already decline to support the republican ticket.—*Springfield Republican, Rep.*

What is to be the issue from this deplorable and disastrous but deliberately created muddle, it is yet too soon to forecast. That Mr. Blaine cannot be elected, we look on as certain. Whether he can be defeated without ruining the organization which is being propped up in the service of his selfish ambition remains to be seen. The extent of his defeat—that is, the size of the majority which will remove him permanently from the political arena—will depend largely on the action of the democrats.—*New York Evening Post, Rep.*

What the independent republican do in New York was proved in the election of 1882. What they will do this year will be seen in November. We would have no pleasure in predicting a disaster to the republican party, but it is impossible now to expect with confidence Mr. Blaine's election.—*Worcester (Mass) Spy, Rep.*

The political candidacy of James J. Blaine is a menace of evil to the republic. Until the citizens that were present to the assembly of partisan electors yesterday, and of all whose names have been mentioned in connection with that office, Mr. Blaine is the least trustworthy.—*Chicago Times, Ind.*

A republican national convention has at last made one of those mistakes which it has so often had opportunity to change upon its foes. Whether the error proves fatal depends largely on whether the coming democratic national convention gives voters only a choice of evil.—*New Haven News, Rep.*

False Returns.

PITTSBURG, June 8.—United States District Attorney Stone will to-morrow commence criminal proceedings against ex-United States Marshal John Hall on a charge of making false returns to the government during his term of office. This will be followed with civil suits against his three bondsmen to recover the alleged shortage. Two of the bondsmen are ex-United States Marshal Murdock, whom the accused succeeded, and Mr. Lupton. The name of the third could not be learned last evening. Each of the sureties are liable to the extent of \$20,000, making the total bond \$60,000. The criminal suit was to have been instituted yesterday afternoon, but owing to the late arrival in the city of Mr. Ballou, an official of the attorney general's department, it was decided to defer action until to-morrow, when Mr. Ballou will proceed to Washington, Pa., and place the ex-Marshall under arrest. These proceedings, it is understood, have been contemplated for some time, but it was desired first to have a thorough investigation made of the accounts of the accused, with a view of ascertaining whether a criminal charge could be substantiated.

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A Burning Boy.

A NEW ORLEANS YOUTH THAT PUZZLES EVEN THE WITCH DOCTORS.

The six-year-old son of John L. Hubbard, a railroad contractor, has completely stumped the doctors and terrified the negroes almost to death.

When he was born his very deep ear, nation color was the cause of much uneasiness to both parents, but the doctors said that at the worst it could only be eczema: so as soon as his constitution would permit they commenced to rub him with all sorts of salves, ointments, liniments, but Jerry only became the redder after each application of the prescribed preventives.

Then the physician said it was some sort of hereditary complaint, but as no disease could be tracked back as far as the grandparents, it was left to be supposed that the family tree must have been sick at some period of antiquity, then recovered, only to break out again on little Jerry. Jerry, however, grew apace, notwithstanding the fact that he was laboring under the disadvantages of weighty medical opinions. Every month found him brighter and of a brighter vermilion hue, and by the time he was 3 years of age he was aglow with a red heat.

Just about this time the nurse girl came in one morning screaming that Jerry was on fire and she couldn't put him out. The mother ran to her boy only to find him in a circle of flame. Jerry was in full blaze, but was not being consumed. Water was thrown over him, but to no purpose. Then they wrapped him in a blanket, but it was useless. Jerry continued to burn right along. The incident created quite a commotion in the house and baffled the ingenuity of the inmates. Just then, however, the door swung open, a gust of wind came in and Jerry went out.

This was quite a relief and gave time to send for a doctor. The doctor came, and on hearing what had happened, immediately sent for other doctors. Consultation on the subject discovered a variety of medical theories and opinions none of which, however, seemed to reach Jerry's case, at least as far as curing it was concerned. The girl explained that Jerry, at the time of the outburst, was sitting on the floor, along which he drew his finger, calling her to look at the bright spot on the end. She looked and saw the digit burning like a candle. Suddenly it took a running start and Jerry was completely in flames.

Ever since that day Jerry has been subject to catching on fire, and seems to enjoy the act immensely. A draft of air or a sudden puff of wind always puts him out, which he can do by blowing on himself. It is impossible to dress him up, or for him to sleep in bed like ordinary children. His father has procured a small iron bedstead for his use; he plays in the rain and stands cold weather without either having the least effect on him. His mother laughed at the suggestion of exhibiting him in public, but will allow any one who desires to call and see him at any time.—*From the New Orleans Times Democrat.*

Bayard and McDonald.

WASHINGTON, June 5.—Outside of the Democrats from New York, no one here seriously regards Flower as a Presidential candidate. The New York Democrats are divided between Flower and Cleveland, with the majority favoring Flower. Representative Stevens says that with Tilden out of the way the delegation will be for Flower, and that he can carry the State. Mr. Stevens maintains that Cleveland cannot carry New York. He says some serious differences with regard to legislation in the recent General Assembly have arisen between Cleveland and certain elements of the party which would operate against the Governor at the polls. Mr. Stevens says it is absurd for Cleveland's friends to point to his majority when elected Governor; that it was not Cleveland's popularity but Republican division that brought that about, and that with party lines closely drawn, as they will be next November Cleveland could not carry New York. He has no doubt of Flower's ability to carry the State. He says August Belmont thinks Flower could carry New York, but Democrats from other States, with few exceptions, express the belief that it would be unwise to nominate any other New Yorker than Tilden. Tilden out of the race, they turn to Bayard. Bayard and McDonald is the favorite ticket.

Drowning of General Babcock.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 5.—The Secretary of War has received the following telegram from Mr. G. W. Benjamin, dated Astor Fla., June 4, giving particulars of the accident which resulted in the drowning of General O. E. Babcock, Mr. Levi P. Luckey and Benjamin P. Sutter: "General Babcock, with the clerks of the Fifth and Sixth Lighthouse districts, arrived on the tender Pharos off Mosquito Inlet June 2. A large whaleboat, with seven men,

went off to him about 12 o'clock on her return. General Babcock and party embarked in her to come ashore. On the outer bar breakers the steering gear was broken, and the boat filled and capsized. The General held on to the boat until she reached the shore breakers, when he and all hands were torn from the boat and he with three others were drowned. I am here with the remains on my way to Washington." The Secretary of War has telegraphed the United States Signal Officer at Jacksonville, Fla., to cause the remains of General Babcock to be embalmed and sent to Washington.

Steam Yacht Crashes Into a Bridge.

PHILADELPHIA, June 8.—Robert R. Costor, Jr., aged 29 years, and Albert Anderson, about the same age, were drowned early this morning at Delanco bridge, Rancocas creek, on the New Jersey side, a few miles above this city. The men were of a fishing party of nine who left here last night in a small steam yacht. It is claimed by members of the party that when the yacht approached the bridge the whistle was blown for the watchman to open the draw. The watchman did not heed the signal, however, and before the yacht could be stopped it crashed into the bridge and sank immediately.

GEN. HARRY WHITE, of Indiana, is again on hand. This time he is not a candidate for Congress, but for Judge of the Indiana district to succeed Judge Blair, an able and competent judge, learned in the law, which cannot be claimed for this inveterate office hunter.

—According to the decision of the New York Court of Appeals, a railroad company is responsible in the case of death by accident on its road of a person traveling on a free pass.

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