

GREGG FOR GOVERNOR.

His Victory of Tuesday Giving Him a Good Political Boost.

LANDED IN THE RIGHT OF LINE.

How the General's Present Availability Came to Be Discussed.

DEMOCRATIC GUBERNATORIAL DOOMS

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 7.—David McMurtrie Gregg is likely to be the next Republican candidate for Governor of Pennsylvania. This fact, rather annoying to many, is just now dawning on the ambitious and aspiring Republicans throughout the State.

General Gregg was developed politically in a rather peculiar way. Members of his own party who banker for pre-eminence claim to have discovered him. General Gobin, of Lebanon, who is himself a candidate for Governor, repeatedly stated before the election that he alone brought out General Gregg, and probably no one more keenly regrets the finding of the hero of Gettysburg, however, to a Philadelphia Democrat, the Republicans owe their Auditor General elect.

General Gregg got into politics. He was a respected and honored citizen of Reading. He had no political ambition. As a gentleman of means and leisure, he frequently visited Philadelphia, where he had constructed a tower of warm and lasting friendships. He knew no party in his social life, and his admirers come from the business and political life of the Quaker City, regardless of political lines.

Early last summer, when General Gobin was visiting in Philadelphia, he met Colonel Nicholson, one of General Gregg's warmest friends. The two talked of candidates for Auditor General, and Nicholson, patting Gobin on the shoulder, said: "If you Republicans are smart, you will nominate General Gregg, of Reading, for Auditor General."

The suggestion struck Gobin with force. Later that day he announced Gregg as candidate, and, as he says himself, he had to go to Bates' history to find out just who General Gregg was, although he recognized General Gregg as a great soldier. He found out, however, and before Gregg ever dreamed of public office he was a full-fledged candidate.

General Gobin was the father of the Gregg boom, but Colonel Nicholson, a Democrat, was the discoverer of the candidate. That is a bit of political history now written for the first time.

Again, holding the Right of the Line.

General Gregg's victory of Tuesday last, larger even than the fondest dream of his managers, makes him the Moses of his party. Beyond question he is, with probably the single exception of "Fighting Dick" Condit, the greatest living soldier in Pennsylvania, and General Condit has no political aspirations; he is content with his large family and his extensive banking interests in Westmoreland county.

In the Republican party General Gregg holds the right of the line now as he held the right of the line at Gettysburg at a most critical point when General Lee attempted to turn it. The other candidates must keep off the political grass. Your own Major Montooth and the hero of Johnstown, General Hastings, General Gobin, Lieutenant Governor Wares, General Wiley, of Franklin, and Thomas J. Stewart, Secretary of Internal Affairs, all pronounced gubernatorial candidates must one and all retire from the political field, as Gregg most certainly has the call on the nomination. Of course, he will not be given the nomination without a fight, and probably a bitter one at that, but it is safe to bet that he will get the nomination, just the same.

General Gregg has a mighty sight more friends now than he had before his nomination, or even after his nomination and when his election was in doubt in the minds of the leaders of his own party, and these friends are already preparing his gubernatorial boom. General Gobin is not among his boomers, however.

Democrat Candidates for Governor. Nobody is so well known enough to suggest a Democratic candidate for Governor, but the voters are full of them, just the same. The rather rule nipping of Governor Pattison's Presidential aspirations did not shock the cool, calm, deliberate Secretary of the Commonwealth, and Mr. Harrity is just as much a candidate for Governor now as he was when he heard that the only part of Philadelphia he could carry was his own ward. The fifteen-odd thousand majority for the Republican State ticket in Allegheny county did not in the least disturb the curly-headed leader of the Democracy, and Mr. Harrity is just as hopeful now as ever that the "State of Allegheny" is with him and for him for Governor.

Adjutant General McCalland is frequently spoken of by his many admiring friends as a possible candidate for Governor, but he is not ambitious in that direction. In the words of General Keeler, of Allegheny county, when, in 1888, he was nominated for Congress, General McCalland "has reached the summit of manhood's expectations, and he has no office. But the Democrats get their lamps lighted, and go out in dead earnest for a gubernatorial candidate, they are most likely to drop in on Senator J. Edgar Keeler, of Allegheny, or to call on William U. Hensel, of Lancaster, the Attorney General, who is to-day more popular than ever with his party.

A SENSATION IN CALIFORNIA.

An Adverse Decision to Be Appealed to the Supreme Court. SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 7.—Assemblyman Edwin Bruner, of Sacramento, who has been indicted in office in accepting bribes, and who has also been indicted for perjury in connection with a money which he gave before the grand jury, appeared in the Supreme Court yesterday to argue the case on his behalf. He had previously moved to set the indictments aside on the grounds that the grand jury was not legally impaneled; that the jurors were prejudiced against him, and that the indictment for perjury was founded on testimony given by himself as a witness.

Regarding his argument on the latter point Judge Wallace said there was nothing in the records to show that Bruner has testified against himself or that the grand jury had founded an indictment on his testimony. District Attorney Barne and Attorney General Hart quoted authorities to sustain their contention that the grand jury was legally impaneled, and the Attorney General contended that the State Constitution expressly provided that in the investigation of a witness a second witness was obliged to testify. Bruner swore to obey the State Constitution, and consequently had no right to refuse to testify before the grand jury or to claim such rights. Judge Wallace then denied the motion to set the indictment aside, and said he would file a written decision to cover the points advanced.

The State Supreme Court late yesterday afternoon granted an alternative writ of prohibition, petitioned for by Bruner, restraining Superior Judge Wallace from proceeding further in the bribery case. The writ is returnable before the Supreme Court on Monday next. The grand jury has reported, finding four indictments against parties whose names were not disclosed.

BANK SWINDLERS RUN DOWN. A SHREWD GANG PLAYS ITS GAME ONCE TOO OFTEN. A Scheme That Worked Perfectly Wherever Tried—Western Banking Institutions Taken In—The Last of the Gang Runs Into a Trap—How It Was Sprung.

New York, Nov. 7.—[Special.]—The Chase National Bank has received information from Toledo, Ia., that Andrew J. Conover, the bank swindler, has been convicted and sentenced to nine years in the penitentiary. Conover's partner, James Hall, who was arrested with him, is now awaiting trial at Waukegan, Tex. Another of his pals, Garbutt, is to be tried at Traer, Ia. It seems probable from this that one of the most successful gangs of bank swindlers which ever operated in this country will be effectually broken up.

The gang worked a simple plan, but it was worked extensively. Their scheme was to get hold of well-engraved forms of bank checks and fill them in indiscriminately. They made no attempt at forgery. In fact, they were careful to avoid it, always changing the spelling of a word or two on the draft form, so that the ones they used would not be exact fac simulacra of the real forms. These forms they usually got from the stationers who did the engraving for the bank. It seemed to be easy enough for them to get stationers to do this, and they did not suspect anything wrong.

Having secured the drafts, one of the gang would go into some horse raising district in one of the Western States and present himself as a buyer of horses. He would get acquainted with the farmers and agree to buy their stock at a good price. Then he would induce a farmer to identify him at the country bank, deposit a draft, draw a check against it, and skip out. By this method Conover swindled seven banks in Northern Iowa, last spring, and several more in Southern Minnesota. From one of the Minnesota banks he got \$3,400. Hall was operating at this time at Waukegan, Tex.

Most of the bogus checks are drawn on the Chase Bank. The officers of the bank had been in communication with their country correspondents about the swindlers, and Inspector Byrnes had descriptions of the men, when they kindly came to New York to be arrested. Conover ordered from J. H. Warner a book of drafts for Clinton, Backus & Co., of Union Springs, N. Y. Manager Backus of the Warner firm, telegraphed Backus & Co. and received a reply that they had no representatives here. When Conover called to see the proof he was shadowed over detectives and arrested with Hall. The Chase Bank people say that it would be impossible for swindlers to work this game if the stationers from whom the drafts were ordered followed the method which is generally employed and shipped the draft books by express directly to the bank supposed to be ordering.

Stories About Jay Gould's Health. NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—[Special.]—There was a rumor abroad in Wall street to-day that Jay Gould was very ill, and unable to attend to business. It was said that he had had a hysterical attack similar to that from which he suffered of some weeks ago. Russell Sage said to-night that so far as he knew Mr. Gould was in his usual health. George Gould said that his father had not been so well in several months as he is now. He drove out to-day. He is living at his house in town. He has not been at his office for three days.

OPERATORS' DOUBLE FIGHT. The Indiana Mines Will Not Reopen Till Railroads and Men Go In. CHICAGO, Nov. 7.—Representatives of all the Indiana block coal operators having had notice to-day of an advance on coal freight rates from Brazil, Ind., to Chicago of 10 cents a ton to take effect November 15, decided at a meeting held in this city to-day that they would not resume work at their mines or ship any coal until the freight rate which had heretofore existed shall be restored, nor until the miners comply with the contract entered into May 14 last.

Fannie Cartwright Not Murdered. CHICAGO, Nov. 7.—Dr. Helston, the Coroner's physician, to-day made a post mortem examination of the body of Fannie Cartwright, the actress who met a mysterious death in a lone room railroad yard in this city, and who it was thought by many had been murdered and her body left on the tracks to divert suspicion. The examination failed utterly to show any injuries other than those inflicted by the engine, which undoubtedly caused her death.

A Pastor Convicted of Immorality. KANSAS CITY, Nov. 7.—The local Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church late this afternoon reached a decision in the noted Bowers case, which has been on trial since Tuesday. Rev. E. T. Bowers, pastor of the Prospect Avenue Cumberland Church, was accused of gross immorality. The Presbytery found him guilty, and the accused took an appeal to the State Synod.

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