

THERE IS A REASON.

The small advertisements in the Dispatch's "Rooms to let" column increased over 200 per cent in April. They are read and liberally answered. Once a word.

FORTY SEVENTH YEAR.

JOHN SHERMAN HAS THE CALL.

Those Anti-Harrison Bosses Look to Ohio to Furnish Them a Candidate

TO DUMP AMBITIOUS BEN.

Inside Facts About That Conference at Cameron's Residence.

Encouraging Reports Received From All Over the Country—The Secretary of State Can Have What He Wants—All the Proposed Candidates Considered—Read Thought to Be Unavailable—An Agent Sent to See Foraker—Figures on the Delegates Elected—Blaine Says Lincoln Has No Show.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.)

WASHINGTON, May 10.—The Republican organs that are at present engaged in the ungrateful task of belittling the importance of the political conference which took place in this city last Saturday evening, find it necessary to make downright misstatements of facts in order to counteract the effect of what took place.

Some of these organs, moreover, go so far as to state that nothing like a conference took place, and that the talk between Messrs. Platt and Quay was entirely informal and not served for in advance. These reports only serve to make plain the ignorance of those who circulated them. The fact is that the conference was of the most formal prearranged character, and that it was called for the one particular purpose of mapping out a programme by which the budding ambition of President Harrison could be nipped.

Benay's Chances Are Slim.

The Republican managers who compared notes at this meeting and who received reports from friends in various parts of the United States who are working in harmony with them and made suggestions for the continuance of the work against Harrison, were highly gratified and indeed somewhat surprised at the headway they are making, and one of them says to-day that he is not overrating the case when he says that Harrison is already a beaten man.

The reports of the Saturday night conference sent to the newspapers that print the news and which are not the organs of the President or any other aspiring candidate, were inaccurate only in one respect, and that is in locating the meeting place of the anti-Harrison Republicans at the house of Senator Quay.

The fact is that Senator Cameron had the honor of entertaining the "conspirators," as they have since been called by the Harrison organs, and the gentlemen were at his aristocratic old Lafayette place residence, next door to the house of Mr. Blaine, not by accident, but in response to written invitations signed by Senator Cameron to meet Mr. Platt.

All the Big Men Represented.

Senator Washburn was invited as the representative of Mr. Blaine, Senator Stockbridge, of Michigan, as the representative of General Alger, Senator Wolcott as the representative of any candidate who can beat Harrison, no matter what his name may be, and a member of the House supposed to be friendly to the Presidential aspirations of T. B. Reed.

Senator Stockbridge, who is a candidate for re-election and whose stability too much in politics just now, begged to be excused on the ground of a prior engagement. Senators Washburn and Wolcott were out of town, and the member of the House did not get his invitation in time, so that Senators Cameron and Quay and Mr. Platt were the only "conspirators" present.

They were in earnest, however, in their desire to bring about the defeat of Mr. Harrison at any cost, and before separating they agreed that their task was not so difficult as it might at first blush appear to be.

At the outset it was decided that Mr. Blaine is the man the country wants and the one who could be nominated by acclamation if he would be content to sit still and let things take their own natural course.

Still Hoping for Blaine.

Mr. Platt expressed his entire friendliness to Mr. Blaine, and as for the Pennsylvania Senators, it was not necessary for them to say that the Keystone State would, if desired, be for the man from Maine, as loyalty as it always had been in the past. Of course, however, it will not do for Blaine to be a candidate at this time, and, indeed, the statement which Blaine made in reference to the authority of a close personal and political friend of Mr. Blaine that between now and the meeting of the Minneapolis Convention a letter will be penned by him supplemental to the one which he wrote to Mr. Clarkson in the winter and which will make it absolutely useless for the Republicans to nominate him or for his friends to attempt to make a candidate of him.

In view of this statement it was agreed after a long discussion of the merits of many possible candidates that Sherman was the man who at present seems to be the strongest and most available. With New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio to start with he would make a formidable candidate.

How Ohio's Honestest John Stands.

The former Secretary of State would have for the asking in case his candidacy should promise the strength necessary to nominate him, and the only question was about Ohio. After the matter was fully talked over it was decided to send an agent to Ohio, not to have Foraker promise to nominate Sherman in the convention as has been stated, but to see whether he and his friends will agree to give Sherman honest and loyal support.

A HYPNOTIST'S CRIME

Breaks Up a Happy Home and Wrecks a Young Girl's Life.

MISS CHRISTIE JACKSON ABDUCTED

From Her Sharon Springs Home and Committed to Rob Her Father.

ALMOST CRAZED BY HER GREAT GRIEF

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CHICAGO, May 10.—Two weeks ago Hon. D. A. Jackson, of Sharon Springs, N. Y., a Republican politician, accompanied his wife to the wedding of a friend, and then took the train with the bride party to Albany to attend the Republican convention as a delegate.

When Mrs. Jackson returned home she found that her daughter Christie, who is only 15 years old, had disappeared. Her wraps and hat were gone, and there was plenty of proof to show that she had eloped either with Louis Marcott, of Brooklyn, who had been visiting in the town, or George Hoffman, a son of a carpenter at Sharon Springs, or with both of them. Neither of the young men could associate with Miss Jackson with the consent of her family.

It is now known that she had secretly associated with Marcott for some time, and agreed to take enough money from her parents to carry out his plans. Hoffman agreed to accompany her to the city on the promise that he should receive a certain amount of the stolen money. It is believed that he had made arrangements with the Western division of the State applying, Western division of the Northern Pacific and Union Pacific Railways with coal, with a capacity of 20,000 tons a day. The explosion occurred just as two gangs were shifting at 1:30 o'clock.

FIGURING ON HARRISON.

What the Returns From the Republican Convention—How the Call Will Jump Is Still a Wide-Open Question.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—[Special.]—With the election of delegates in Montana yesterday to the Republican National Convention ends the list of State conventions for that purpose. There are two Territories, Arizona and Oklahoma, which have as yet not selected delegates, but they will do so this week. It is understood that the influence of Secretary of War Elkins in Arizona will probably lead to Harrison instructions, while Oklahoma will likely not favor Harrison, but will demand the administration. As was stated yesterday morning, Montana did not respond to the appeals of Russell Harrison for instructions, but named an uninstructed delegation whose silver views are in pronounced contrast with those of the President. This leaves but four delegates unreturned to each from the Territories named above.

Although the work of choosing delegates is practically over, it is utterly impossible to know how the convention stands for any action to be taken at the State elections. For instance, take those States where the State conventions instructed the delegates at large for Harrison. In many of them the delegates to the President are not named and will vote for him under any circumstances. This is notably so in Missouri, where six distinct conventions voted down instructions and only five were instructed to vote for Harrison. There are several anti-Harrison district delegates in the other instructed States like Illinois, but giving the President the votes from such States it foots up like this:

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In reality this total should be about 234—not more.

The States and Territories which did not give binding instructions figure thus:

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Those who have been figuring for Harrison at Washington have claimed 20 votes for Pennsylvania for him. It is well known here he cannot count on more than six, and they are subject to future delivery.

BLAINE AGAINST BOB.

Why Lincoln Does Not Stand Much of a Show at Minneapolis—The Planned Knight Won't Have It—Harrison's Name May Not Be Presented.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—[Special.]—A cool, level-headed Republican Senator who has been figured much either for or against Harrison in the States is in the city today. They are all the more worthy of consideration because the man who made them is in a position to hear the inside talk of both the Harrison and anti-Harrison camps.

"What is there in the Lincoln talk?" was asked.

"At first there was a great deal, and for a time it really looked as though he would be the man on whom the field would concentrate. Later developments, however, put the reins on the whole thing."

"What developed?"

"Do you mean that Blaine is a candidate?"

"No. I mean that he will see it that Lincoln is not one. I am not at liberty to tell you more than this: When Blaine and Lincoln were both in Garfield's Cabinet Lincoln was a member of the cabinet and never forget nor forgive, and his friends will see to it that none of the Blaine strength goes in that direction."

"I have no idea anybody has any clear idea. I can only say that I am willing to bet one to two that Harrison's name is not presented to the convention."

A FAT WOMAN'S GAIN.

Her Weight Increased 150 Pounds in Two Weeks, Ending in Death.

BALTIMORE, May 10.—[Special.]—Mary E. McComas, a colored woman, whose avoirdupois had increased in a remarkable way since her admission to the City Hospital two weeks ago, died today. She then weighed 250 pounds, but soon commenced to grow abnormally fat. In two weeks she gained 150 pounds, and weighed 400 pounds when she died.

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