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No credence is given in administration circles to the charges preferred against Gov. Hoyt, of Wyoming Territory.

POLITICAL POINTS.

At the First Assembly District Oneida Republican Convention in Utica, N. Y., two conventions were held, each claiming to have a majority of duly-elected delegates.

One elected Roscoe Conkling, Carden Hatch, and J. P. Richardson as delegates to the Utica Convention. The other elected Samuel S. Lowery, S. A. Miller, and N. A. Pierce. The latter adopted an anti-slavery resolution.

The Burlington (Vt.) Republicans have chosen an Edmunds-Grant delegation to the State Convention.

In eighty-eight localities in Ohio, 1,821 Democrats are Thurman for Governor, 1,067 for Tilden, and so on down till the 4,581 who have been interviewed are all placed.

In the same territory, 6,834 Republicans have expressed themselves as for Grant.

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