

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

For Clerk—MANNUEL S. BATES.
For Auditor—EZEKIEL C. NOWELS.
For Treasurer—JAMES T. RANDLE.
For Sheriff—JOHN W. DUVALL.
For Recorder—JOHN T. FORD.
For Coroner—SYLVESTER HALEY.
For Surveyor—CHARLES W. LOWMAN.
Commissioners.
First District—GEORGE STALBAUM.
Second District—DAVID GRAY.
Third District—EDWARD W. CULP.

CARD—DECLINATION.

ED. SMITH—I learn that I was nominated as a candidate for the office of County Treasurer at the Democratic Convention 24th inst. After thinking through the columns of your paper, the Democratic party for past kindness, &c., and my friends who so kindly placed me in nomination at the above named convention, I wish to say, owing to pressing business I am compelled to decline the nomination. JAS. T. RANDLE.

A New York Judge has ruled that if a marriage does not take place within a year after the proposal, the engagement is not obligator.

Hail-hail! The "Republican" editors now say they are, and were, for Maxwell for Senator "first, last and all the time." After weeks since they denounced Maxwell, Travis and Hatch as below mediocrities, and insisted that better men be brought to the front.

It looks now as though Dr. Maxwell will get the votes of the republican delegates from this county for Senator, in accordance with the instructions of the voters at the primary, and if he does, he can thank "A Republican" in last week's SENTINEL for it. The Dr. will bear us out in the statement that within a few weeks the Rensselaer Republican was not at all flattering in its allusions to him, and, in the face of the primary, insisted that better timber be gotten out. It did this, too, under the lash of the "ring" bosses.

The Democratic ring leaders held a private caucus at the Rensselaer House the morning of the day of the convention, and their whole ticket, and strange to say every man designated by said ring was nominated either by acclamation or by ballot—Republican.

And that shows all you know about it. A meeting of the delegates was held in the Makeever House, a programme mapped out by which business of the convention might be facilitated, and that is all there was of it. What there was strange in the fact that the candidates were "nominated either by acclamation or ballot" we don't know. Perhaps the "smart Aleeks" of the Republicans can tell.

Dr. Maxwell will have to watch and pray. Notwithstanding the "slush" of the Republican and its bosses that they "were and are for him first, last and all the time," their vindictive and vituperative policy toward Hatch and Travis is calculated, and is so intended, to unite those gentlemen, their friends and their counties in opposition to Maxwell. Judas betrayed his Lord with kiss; and these fellows will conduct the Doctor to his political death, while whispering in his ears hounded words of fealty and devotion. The best thing the doctor can do is to set to work, declare to and convince his competitors and their friends that he is disgusted with the course of the Republican and its bosses, and insist that he must not be held responsible for their acts.

The Republican and its "ring" masters are terribly exorcised over the communication of "A Republican" in last week's SENTINEL, and exultingly announce that over 15,000 tickets were printed for use at the primary election, with a view to establish their claim to fairness. If the "bosses" did not attempt trickery, why were the tickets furnished Carpenter township destroyed and others procured? And again, why that little row occasioned by Mr. Travis' desire for tickets, on account of which one of the editors was fined and costed a small amount? And then again, why did not a certain candidate have declared for him the actual number of votes he received at a certain precinct? These republican bosses and their following are truly honest fellows!?

Mr. Hubbell wrote Mr. Curtis a letter very full of "bounces" in the course of which he said:

I am willing to meet you on this question anywhere or at any time, and to unite with you in requesting the president to ask an opinion of the attorney-general. If you desire any other form of action in any tribunal which can give immediate consideration of the point I will join you in testing the soundness of the circular, and I invite you to this mode of settlement as both more manly and more honorable than your attempt to confuse the action or alarm the minds of the employees alluded to.

And the stalwart press set up a yell! "O sweet Georgians know that chip off." "Certainly," replied Mr. Curtis and he coolly invited Mr. Hubbell into court on an agreed case, asking him to designate any he liked and make up the issue at once. Now Mr. Hubbell with a nervous, grave yard sort of laugh, so to speak, says an interview in the New York Tribune:

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The Rockville Tribune says: Farm hands of Park county! here are you! any special reform will be made in this off. But we cannot fail to see that a reform must commence some time and somewhere. This whiskey stain, which has been ventilated in this House, may be the means, under Providence, of so arranging parties in the next election that we will tear up this internal revenue system by the roots.

Now, strike a dividend and tell us just for a joke, how the tariff has helped you.

Mr. Jay A. Hubbell, of Michigan, is the chairman of the committee which levies the assessment, and Mr. B. Henderson, secretary, who, we believe is not in the office of the committee. The committee includes Messrs. Allison, Hale and Aldrich, of the Senate. Messrs. Hiscock, Robeson and others of the House. The custom of assessments is an abuse of some years' duration, and is doubtless one which these gentlemen have not given much attention to. But it is one of the meanest forms of oppression. It virtually sells the government service for the profit of a party. Necessary it is to do this by destroying the self-respect of the officeholders, and it is often a cruelly heavy and unrelaxed and hard-working man. But its worst effect is that upon politics and the government itself, and the foolish extravagance which it fosters. The gentlemen of the committee will agree that a party whose ascendancy is maintained by any means but the free and honest co-operation of its members is a wrong to popular government, and a danger to the State. But coerced "contributions" such as this summons produces are not free and honest co-operation."

Here we have the confession of a leading Republican paper that the laws are being violated in a way to screen the parties making the assessment. There appears to be no way to rid the country of the political corruption and the spoil system that has fastened itself upon the masses, except to go to the polls as one man and vote out of power the party which is staking its success on the use of money, and which has so long made it the prime factor to success in every campaign.

TEAR IT UP by the Roots.

The Hon. Samuel S. Cox, of New York, made a brief but powerful speech in the House, on the 15th, on the subject of abolishing the internal revenue system. Mr. Cox, said:

I beg the attention of members to say that enough has been developed, owing to the unfortunate colloquy that has taken place, to show honest people who are watching our proceedings with more care for our own honor than we seem to be doing. I say the revelations which have been made in connection with the internal revenue system have begotten much suspicion. Whether well or ill-founded, I do not say; but it calls for very careful investigation. The result will be, and not very remote either, that the whole internal revenue system will be blotted out. It ought to be.

I believe if the tariff were properly arranged, if the number of articles upon which duties are levied was cut down from more than 2,000 to some smaller number, and with revenue qualities, it would not require a commission to frame a tariff that would yield revenue enough to pay all the expenditures of frugal government. I would half the day when this internal revenue system shall be abolished, and our revenue be collected with revenue purposes, neither political, partisan, nor protective.

We have had it now twenty years. It was a war measure. It has done its work. It is past its usefulness. I know the effect of it in my own State. Our gentlemen who favor a free ballot and an honest count perhaps do not know how the internal revenue officers, the store keepers, the gaugers, and all the employees of that bureau, force by their espionage and terrorism the free ballot. It is a power which I could, had I time, display here in its enormity, and published and notorious facts.

It is an expensive system. It is costly in country and city. Go to North Carolina. I defy any man of common sense to tell me that the system in North Carolina pays either morally or economically. Take the several districts of North Carolina as you find them in the report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. Take its Sixth District. You will find that it costs to collect \$510,944 of revenue over \$274,415. It is over 54 per cent for the cost of collection. Yet in that same State, quiet and orderly as it is, they collect their State taxes for five per cent, or \$36,513 as the cost of collecting \$500,293.

This expensive system does invade the towns and cities. As I said, it forces the ballots. It uses spies and informers. They are the voluntary witnesses for a consideration, which the amendment of the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. White) would cut up by the roots.

With permission I quote the description of the detested informer given by the Irish orator Curran. It was familiar to our school boys. It ought to direct us on this amendment:

In a case of life—of honor and of infancy—to credit a vile informer, the perjury of an hundred oaths, a wretch whom pride, honor or religion could not bind? The faraskan prosecutor even will call upon you to witness the trial of the living. He measures his value by the coffin of his victim; and in the field of evidence he appreciates his fame as the Indian warrior does in fight by the number of scalps with which he can swell his triumph. He calls on you by the solemn league of eternal justice to audit the purity of a condemned washed in his own streams. He has even been forewarned and whether his soul shall go to heaven or to hell, he seems altogether indifferent for he tells you he liked and make up the issue at once. Now Mr. Hubbell with a nervous, grave yard sort of laugh, so to speak, says an interview in the New York Tribune:

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First car of Texas wheat sold in New York city at \$1.50 per bushel.

The attraction of the town, is the popular Millinery Store of E. P. Hopkins.

Assassins in Ireland must be keener than foxes, or detectives in England must be as stupid as asses. "It doesn't cost you anything to take sides."

Homan's for your Furnishing Goods

The Elmira Free Press so refreshes its memory and grows gallantly as to state that Nellie Grant Santori used to wear "brown stone freckles."

THARP & HOPKINS.

The Bleeding Process Still Goes On.

There is a law on the statute books of the United States which declares it a criminal offense for any officer or any employee of the government, outside of those confirmed by the United States Senate, to ask, give or receive from any officer of the government or employee of the same any money or thing of value for political purposes. Under this statute, says Harpers Weekly:

"General Curtis, the treasurer of the Republican State Committee of New York has just been convicted. The law is a declaration by Congress that the system of extorting money from the people is a criminal offense. The committee will agree that a party whose ascendancy is maintained by any means but the free and honest co-operation of its members is a wrong to popular government, and a danger to the State. But coerced "contributions" such as this summons produces are not free and honest co-operation."

But simultaneously with the conviction under the law of Congress certain members of Congress who constitute the executive committee of the Congressional Republican Committee issue a summons to all the employees of the government, including laborers in the navy yards to pay the assessment which the law forces them to pay to other employees. This summons is not that the payment of the assessment will not be objected to, but an official quarter; that is to say, that the Government will countenance a virtual breach of the law of Congress when the offense can not be technically punished.

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Groceries cheaper than ever at THARP & HOPKINS.

The pillars in front of Mr. James Gordon Bennett's Newport residence have been ornamented with bronze owls. They are really gas lamps, the light streaming from their eyes having a wavy effect. There are six of them, two being placed at each of the three entrances.

A singular and disgraceful inconsistency in the administration of justice occurred in New York the other day. A man was accused of the murder of his money, and his wife was sentenced to the penitentiary as his accomplice. Such cases are not calculated to elevate the majesty of the courts, or increase the reverence, to any alarming extent, for judicial decisions.

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Leopold's Stone Building

The Great Star Route Imposture.

(Washington Special to New York Sun.)

The Star Route prosecutions are fast becoming a political farce. The case now on trial was the weakest of the Government's. It was decisively lost at the last trial, but the question of the assessment will not be objected to, but an official quarter; that is to say, that the Government will countenance a virtual breach of the law of Congress when the offense can not be technically punished.

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