

Congressional District Convention.
The Republicans in each Assembly District comprising the 25th Congressional District are requested to send delegates to the Republican Congressional District Convention to be held in the Court House in Malone, Tuesday, May 25, 1904, at one o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing two delegates and two alternates to the National Republican Convention to be held in Chicago, June 21st, 1904, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the convention.
Malone, N. Y., April 11, 1904.
J. W. WILKINSON, Chairman.
RICHARD H. MASON, Secretary.
H. W. KNAPP,
WILLIAM H. DANIELS,
WILLIAM R. WREED.

Vermont Democrats.
As a rule the Democracy of Vermont, says the "Burlington Free Press," does not enjoy the opportunity to sway Democratic destiny. It is so small that it is swallowed up in the national Democracy. This year, however, Vermont Democrats bid fair to have an opportunity not wholly unlike that which came to Republicans of the Green Mountain state in 1896, when the latter broke away from the rest of the New England states and set the popular tide irresistibly in the direction of William McKinley for the party's presidential nomination.

At the present time the Democratic camp is divided against itself. The champions of extreme radicalism are battling with the conservatives and while conservatism seems to have the advantage thus far, neither side has gained decisive victory. During these latter days Hearst and Bryanism, the twin relics of a popular Democracy, has forged to the front in the Democratic arena; and it is no figure of speech to say that the camp of the conservatives has been thrown into a state of consternation by Bryan's latest broadcast. There is every indication that the unequal contest will be carried on with redoubled fury from now until the date of the national convention in St. Louis, and there is an evident Democratic call for manly men.

In this party emergency the Democrats of Vermont are confronted by a duty which can be neither shirked or dodged. It is theirs to send out a clear-cut platform which will make itself heard even to the national councils of their party. They can take a stand as regards both men and measures which will gain for them marked recognition, both now and in the future.

Judging from the sallies with which some of the leaders of the Vermont Democracy have vaulted from Olney to Hearst and then quietly taken their stand beside Judge Parker, there will be a pronounced, if not an irrefragable inclination on Vermont Democrats to temporize. There will be a strong temptation to listen to the beguiling voice of expediency, that ever beckons the path of duty.

The Vermont Democrats can either take a determined stand in favor of conservatism for which the majority of the party in this state are plainly calling and make their influence felt on the national convention; or they can refrain from expressing any opinion whatever regarding either the candidates or principles, and retain their old-time inappreciable position in the background of the Democratic drama in a time of acrobatic politics and vaulting of candidates from platform to platform there is great danger that the Vermont Democrats, in trying to "play safe," may land on the ever convenient but not infrequently elusive political fence.

Washington News.
Washington, April 23, 1904.
The present session of congress has been a business session. A sum amounting to almost \$700,000,000 has been appropriated for carrying on the government, and forwarding those great enterprises to which it is committed. Mr. John Sharp Williams, the minority Democratic house leader from Mississippi, complains that many abstract and purely political questions have been ignored or permitted to rest until next December on the plea of want of time. He would have the trusts prosecuted the reciprocity treaties ratified, the Philippines granted more rights, a nearer approach to free trade with Canada, and a general reduction of the tariff. Mr. Hamilton, member from Michigan, "threw down the gauntlet" a few days ago, in which he vindicated the present policy of the Republican party, upheld its present tariff policy not only as a necessity for giving the government its needed revenue, but as the chief factor in the prosperity of the times.

He said that if there is any widespread dissatisfaction with the tariff the people will have an opportunity to give an expression of their feelings at the polls next November. The pension bill carrying \$157,000,000 has passed. Senator Scott, of W. Va., said that if he could have his way he would give a pension of \$25 per month to every Union man, rich or poor, who took up arms in the Civil war. There was some speech-making in the house against giving the president control of the Panama canal zone, but when the bill came to a vote it passed unanimously. The only appropriation bill still before congress are the general deficiency and the military academy.

A good many odds and ends of legislation remain to be looked after before the final adjournment. There is a proposition to buy the 1st and 2d Bull Run battlefields and erect monuments thereon. The Jamestown, Va., exposition now asks for \$4,000,000, one million of which is to be used for a naval parade. The department of commerce and labor has prepared twenty-eight bills for the establishment of fish hatcheries and stations. A government aviation scheme for the promotion of the construction of railroads in the Philippines is before congress. It proposes to empower the Philippine commission to arrange the details of the subsidy, the time for repayment and the manner of securing the government against loss. Secretary Taft is in favor of the plan and wishes it to cover a period of thirty years by the expiration of which time he thinks the roads will be self-supporting, and that the natives will have made great progress in commerce and civilization.

There is a bill before congress which declares that after June 29, 1907, when a clerk in the civil service reaches the age of 70 years, his position shall be vacant. There are some two hundred or more clerks of this age employed in Washington, and there are a number of senators who are over seventy. Congress is considering in giving the aged clerks three years' notice.

The question of Mormonism and plural wives is again before the public, owing to the frank confessions and admissions of Arthur Cannon and ex-Congressman Brigham H. Roberts. Three of Mr. Roberts' wives have been accounted for and Mr. Cannon has made the astonishing statement that he married two of his six wives at the same hour. This is quite as bad as progressive divorces, which only permits a man to marry several wives in succession. Senator Beveridge is strongly in favor of Senator Smoot retaining his seat. According to a Mr. Cobb, of Boise City, Idaho, the Mormons hold the balance of power in that state. Senator Doolittle wishes to know if any postmasters in Idaho are living in polygamy. If there are any such they should be excluded from the mail.

The president has had a very busy week of it. Social matters have divided his attention with more arduous duties. He attended and enjoyed immensely the play at the Lafayette opera house given for the benefit of kindred of those who lost their lives on the Missouri. Mrs. John C. Fremont was the leading lady. A few days ago the president received a delegation of fifty-six colored men from the Baltimore conference of the African M. E. church. The daughters of the American Revolution have transacted a vast amount of business, provided for a Washington palace and paid their respects to the president. Gen. Frederick D. Grant and Gen. Jo Wheeler have been in town this week and called to see the president. Gen. Wheeler smiled at the rumor that he would complete his military and said he was too young for that sort of thing.

The statue of Frederick the Great will arrive in Washington early in September. Congress is willing to appropriate \$50,000 for a statue of Thomas Jefferson. There is much local excitement in the city over the proposition to run a street railway east and west across town. Everybody wants it to traverse "some other street." Cardinal Natoli is to arrive in town in June. There is a movement on foot to prevent Sunday evening concerts. The commissioners are drafting a bill for compulsory education for all children between eight and sixteen years of age. While visiting in this city, the daughters of the American Revolution made a pilgrimage to Jamestown, Va. The Foundry M. E. church of this city has a base ball Monday school class. There is also a banquet hall in the great new church.

The Washington Sanitary Housing Company is the name of a new society which has for its object the acquiring of land and the building of sanitary houses for the poor. The plan is to build a row of ten houses which now crowd the alleys of the city, and are a menace to both health and morals. Jacob Kille, the biographer of the president, recently called public attention to the deplorable conditions which prevail in Washington.

Senator Furaker has been to Burlington, Vt., and made a speech to the Republicans of that city. Postmaster General Payne did not come back refreshed in mind and body. Just as he embarked for the north he had a relapse. Miss Roosevelt will visit St. Louis the latter part of May. Secretary Taft declines a cavalry escort upon his arrival in St. Louis. It would be too bad to put the robust secretary of War back. Oliver, the Assistant Secretary of War, approved of the proposed bill for the establishment of a distinguished service list in the army. He says it would settle the vexed question of promotions in the army.

HILL IS AGAIN BOSS

The Man That Rewarded Maynard's Theft Again In Control.

He Is Organizing to Manage the Campaign—The Supreme Loss.

Ex-Senator Hill is reported to be giving particular care to the selection of managers for the political campaign in this state this year. He is doing the entire work, and it is announced that in a short time he will name the chairman of his state committee and national committee. He seeks no advice and tolerates no interference from others of the party.

As he goes about this important work a situation is presented which has an interest for all the people of the Empire State. Hill is once again the undisputed master of the Democratic party here. Here is the way the situation was summed up by one of former President Cleveland's friends: "Hill and Hillism" are equally well known. The people have passed their verdict upon them at more than one election. The warmest supporters of Democracy dare not defend Hill. Honest men shun Hillism. Those who have conscience abhor it. It rose to the pinnacle of infamy when in 1891 it stole the state senate and then lifted to a chair at the highest court of the state the tool that did the stealing. It sunk to the lowest depths of degradation when Bat Shea was put into the electric chair—the two extremes of Hillism."

In 1891 a Republican senate was chosen, but at Hill's dictation Isaac Maynard made it possible for his board of canvassers to nullify the people's selection and present a Democratic body to support Governor Flower. Maynard stole the Dutchess county certificate, and a false one was canvassed. Hill was then in his glory and at the height of his domination of his party machinery. He rewarded Maynard for his crime by putting him upon the court of appeals bench.

Flushed with success and ambitions, he had a February convention to select delegates to the national convention, and at his dictation those delegates were instructed for himself. Then came the "anti-mappers" and the break in his party. Hill's ambition to become president was killed that year.

In 1898 the stolen senate helped elect Edward Murphy, Jr., to the United States senate. Hill nominated Maynard for the court of appeals. This may have been regarded by Hill simply as "politics." The people declared it an infamy. They had a good view of Hillism, and seeing what it was they kicked Hill's party out of power.

In 1894 Hill became the candidate for governor against Morton and was overwhelmingly defeated. Maynard's crime and reward were fresh in their minds.

In 1896 Hill was beaten for chairman of the national Democratic convention. Bryan was nominated and Hill took the coward's part of silence. He lifted his voice neither to defeat Bryan nor to kill his heresies.

In 1904 Hill was downed by Croker in the state convention, and Hill was again silent.

Until 1902 Hill contested with Croker for the supremacy of the state machine, while the people put their seal of disapproval on both.

In 1902 Hill, availing himself of the calamity that was threatened because of the coal strike, plunged into socialism, demanding in his platform government seizure of anthracite coal mines in the hope of gaining votes enough to elect Coler, whom he had nominated at the expense of Judge Parker. Again he was defeated.

Probably More to Come.
Now he is in supreme control again. He has selected the Democratic state committee, as the Murphy men say, in violation of a promise. He will select the candidates for the state ticket. He will be the dominant influence if his party wins in this state.

It is of more than passing interest to all the voters of the state that they are to have an opportunity to decide if New York shall be again turned over to Hill and Hillism.

Hill, Whip in Hand.
Here you are, Bryan Democrats, and David B. Hill Democrats, it is up to you now to face a situation as disagreeable to you as it is dangerous to the whole country. The defeated and discredited ex-Senator Hill, the politician of politicians, the corporation lawyer, the defeated candidate for governor, one time repudiated by the better element of his own party, now in the saddle, whip in hand, completely in control of the Democratic party in New York—Northern Tribunes.

Hill, the Dictator.
Cordially hated by many, mistrusted by others and loved by none, his policy really representing a small percentage of the Democracy of the Empire State, Hill has done and is doing it. He is the state or governor or

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Dated November 24, 1903.
EDWIN H. SUMNER, Administrator.

NOTICE.
PURSUANT TO AN ORDER OF HON. SAMUEL A. BEMAN, Surrogate of the County of Franklin, and according to the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Mary Fournelle, late of Malone, in said county, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereon, to the undersigned, administrator, at his residence in the village of Saranac Lake in said county, on or before the 15th day of June next.
Dated Dec. 25th, 1903.
W. W. FOOTE, Administrator.

NOTICE.
PURSUANT TO AN ORDER OF HON. SAMUEL A. BEMAN, Surrogate of the County of Franklin, and according to the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Maria W. Hawkins, late of Dickinson, in said county, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereon, to the undersigned, executor, at the office of Saunders & Saunders, at Dickinson Center, in said county, on or before the 15th day of July next.
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