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OUR TICKET.

FOR CONGRESS, 6th DISTRICT, WALTER L. STEELE, OF RICHMOND. FOR GOVERNOR, ZEBULON B. VANCE, OF MELENBERG.

BLAINE-TILDEN.

The fact that Mr. Blaine, the leader of the Republican party, and by all odds the most popular man in it, was defeated at Cincinnati, suggests to many minds the possibility that Governor Tilden, who occupies a like position in the Democratic party, may be defeated at St. Louis; especially in view of the probable results of the operation of the two-thirds rule.

It must be remembered, however, that whilst Blaine went to Cincinnati with 255 votes, his known rivals went with a larger vote when their friends were combined. But Tilden goes to St. Louis with a vote larger than the combined vote of all his rivals, excepting the Great Unknown.

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The Tribune's estimate is not at all too favorable to Tilden. It includes only six votes from Alabama, whereas the Mobile Register says it is not unlikely that Tilden will get twenty. It includes the solid vote of only California, Connecticut, Georgia, Kentucky, Maine, Minnesota, Massachusetts, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia, and Wisconsin.

The Tribune distributes the whole vote as follows: Tilden, 217 (delegates, not electoral votes); Hendricks, 160; Allen, 11; Bayard, 23; Parker, 1; Unknown, 56. Not one, it will be seen, is given to Hancock, unless he is the Great Unknown. The Convention is to meet at St. Louis, that fact makes interesting the following extract from a St. Louis letter in the New York Times:

"There are 40,000 German votes in the State." Dr. Daeger, editor of the Anzeiger, a leading Democratic German paper, says the mass of the German vote will go for Hayes if Tilden is not nominated.

So that St. Louis may not be as unfavorable a place for Tilden as Cincinnati was for Blaine.—Richmond Dispatch.

A Barke man said yesterday that Judge Fowle's speech at the National Convention was superior to the effort of Stephen A. Douglas in 1860. He held up Zeb. Vance as the Governor in times of war who boldly stepped between the Confederate army and our State, and with firm and unflinching nerve protected the right of habeas corpus. A North Carolinian could not be dragged at will and kicked about the country at the end of the bayonet. It was Zeb. Vance then in times of war. But it was Holden in times of peace who exhausted the judiciary and gave the writ of habeas corpus for gun wadding to Kirk and Bergen and their tatterrag followers. Zeb. Vance in war is now the people's man in peace. Not a soldier's widow but recognizes him as she stood at the door of the Executive office, and he kindly welcomed her in and listened with sympathetic and attentive ear to her wants, and not a man or woman or child in the State but cherishes his name as a lesson they long ago learned that Vance made the best Governor we have ever had.

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What the Press Say About the Republican Nominee for the Presidency.

The New York Herald says: As it now stands the ticket is a fair one. It is no such ticket as Washburne and Logan, Cookling and Hayes or Morton and Hartranft would have been. It means nothing but mediocrity. Governor Hayes is a good man. He defeated Thurman and Allen in Ohio, which shows how strong he is at home. His personal character is stainless. His record, if he has any, is calm, placid, uneventful. He has been a quiet, sensible Congressman, a modest general and a fair Governor. If elected, he will bring these qualities in the White House. There are, we have no doubt, ten thousand Republicans any one of whom would make as competent a President as Hayes. He has no such hold upon the country as Blaine or Morton, Cookling or Washburne. He happened to have fewer edges than any other candidate, and the party took him. It may be a choice as wise as that of Lincoln or as foolish as that of Tyler. Time must determine this. Mr. Wheeler, the candidate for the Vice-Presidency, stands well in this State. Hayes and Wheeler will poll the solid, sober-minded classes. When we see the work of St. Louis we can then estimate at its true value the work just achieved at Cincinnati.

Concerning Mr. Hayes, we have not a great deal to say at present. He certainly will not make so strong a candidate as Blaine, and he is infinitely weaker than Bristow. He has no great services, no great talents, no strong personal following to help him. The only votes he will get are the thick and thin partisans who will support the nominee whoever he might be.

Washington Republican Grant's Organ.] The action of the Convention has been wise and judicious, and we hail its good temper, good platform and final unanimity as harbingers of victory.

Hayes has the strength of his party simply; he can make no inroads upon the Democratic hosts, nor can he command the support of the great body of Independents, who are resolved to sustain the party of reform, provided the St. Louis Convention will but present a ticket with a record so well defined and long established, as earnest, honest, practical reformers, that the country will recognize in it a guarantee of the accomplishments of the reformers so urgently demanded by all interests.

Blaine has individuality, brilliancy, dash; Hayes has neither.

This is a nomination to the Presidency of a comparatively unknown man—for in his public career Mr. Hayes is chiefly known by his occupation of the Governor's chair of Ohio for three terms—beating at the small majority, after a hard-fought contest, and that only by injecting the school question into the canvass.

Rutherford B. Hayes—William A. Wheeler. These are the candidates for President and Vice-President.

What do they represent? What personal following have they? What energy of principle do they appeal to? What enthusiasm of personal following do they arouse? The platform is negation whittled down to the invisible atom which constitutes its center. The candidates are smaller than the platform. Hayes bears the cross of the administration; Wheeler was the Chairman of the Pacific Railroad Committee during all the time when its plundering schemes were being organized. The usurpations and corruptions of the Administration, the rottenness and fallacies of Congress—these are embodied in the candidates. And nothing else is. There is no aggressive

principle at issue on their side; nor is there presented an army of electors persistently devoted to their chief, as would have been the case if Blaine had been nominated.

It remains to be seen whether he shall continue to be the favorite of Fortune, or like Beckenridge, fall at the supreme moment. If the St. Louis Convention act with wisdom, in its platform and selection of a nominee, there will not likely be a President Hayes. But it cannot be denied, from the lights before us, that the Republican party has probably presented for the suffrages of the people their best and most available man. The selection of a Western candidate by the Republicans would seem to compel the Democracy to "go East," for their champion, and find him in Tilden, Bayard or Eaton.

REMARKABLE SUICIDE.

A Man Constructs a Machine for Beheading Himself. A dispatch from Lafayette, Ind., gives the particulars of the suicide of James A. Moore, who resided near that city, on Saturday night last. Moore came to the Lahr House in Lafayette on Saturday, and was perfecting an invention and would probably stay a week, but would visit his home Monday, and prepaid his bill up to that time. He called at a machine shop, had a large new broad-axe and two bars of three inch wide by one inch thick, iron, sixteen inches long, which he had riveted to the head of the axe. On either side, fastened to these bars in the shape of a handle to an axe, he had a system of wooden bars eight feet long, the extreme end of which was fastened to a cross-piece, secured to the floor by hinges. The axe was raised and held to its nearly perpendicular position by a double cord, fastened to the wall. Between the cords stood a candle, arranged so that when the candle burned down to the cords it would burn them off and the axe fall. Where the axe would strike he placed a board, open on one side, in which when found was his head with some cotton which he had fastened to it. He then held the axe through the hole on either side, holding his head firmly in position. He was strapped tightly to the floor with two straps, one around his legs, another about his arms and breast. The straps were both secured to the floor, rendering it impossible to move. It is supposed that he set his axe, lit the candle and strapped himself to the floor, put his head in the box with the abhorred cotton, and was probably insensible when the axe fell. The axe and fixings would weigh about fifty pounds, and would fall a distance of from ten to fifteen feet. His head was completely severed from the body, and the axe buried in the boards beneath.

The following is clipped from a letter appearing in the New York Observer: On the 22d of July, 1864, Sir Walter Raleigh's fifth fleet entered Hatteras Inlet. What a heroic attempt was his to people this magnificent domain; what a sad fate was his; his crime was his patriotism. History has fully vindicated and avenged him. No name aside from Washington deserves to be more identified with American history. It is well that the loveliest city in North Carolina perpetuates his name and honors his memory.

Raleigh is indeed a beautiful city, resembling in some parts New Brunswick and New Haven, though in natural beauties, in the grand old oaks and towering elms, surpassing any place we know. As the capital of the State it is the centre of political influence. Its State House, of granite, in the Doric style, is one of the best in the country, and is surrounded by a beautiful enclosure of forest trees and evergreens. A fine statue of Washington, by the sculptor Stebbins, stands in the city. There are three leading Female Seminaries and the State Deaf and Dumb and Lame Asylums. There are ten or twelve churches, supplied with an able ministry. The Government is building a Custom House and Post Office of solid granite, at the cost of \$300,000.

WHAT BLAINE SAID.—To-night he said: "What else could I expect? I have had to fight the whole powers of the Administration and the combined strength of all the other candidates. I have reason to feel proud of the fight. No man ever had such devoted friends as I have had." It was impossible to entirely repress, however, his bitterness toward "Cookling's candidacy," said he, "was the greatest farce I ever saw. The idea of a man, with the whole force of the Administration behind him, being able to rally only twenty-nine votes outside of his own State."—Washington telegram.—New York World.

A cook of a prominent citizen of Nash county recently attempted to murder the family by kneading pounded glass in the bread, but was discovered before any damage resulted.

A BLOW AT POLITICAL PATRONAGE.

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT THAT DEMOCRATS TASK OF PUTTING IN THE PLATFORM. WASHINGTON, June 13.—The proposed amendment to the Constitution introduced in the House yesterday by Scott Lord of New York, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, meets with so much favor among Democratic members, that substance will be recommended for incorporation into the Democratic platform to be adopted at St. Louis, and probably in the language of the joint resolution, which was as follows:

Whereas, Under the Constitution, all the officers of the United States, numbering, with dependents, about 100,000, penetrating into every part of the country, and having charge of its transmitted intelligence, are commissioned by the President, and are, through the power of appointment and removal, subject to the coercion of any administration in power and required to act, vote, and contribute money in accordance with the central will, whereby both the caucuses and the elections are controlled, and

Whereas, Such relations between the Administration and the officers of the Government, tend not only to defeat the will of the majority, and to degrade the independence and fidelity of such officers, but to relax the rules of the official accountability, which it is of supreme importance not only to maintain, and to extend, and

Resolved, By the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the following amendments to the Constitution be and are hereby proposed to the Legislature of the several States;

Article.—Section I. All postmasters, marshals, assessors, and collectors, except collectors of customs duties, shall be chosen for a term of four years, at a general election by the electors of the district, city, town or village in which the duties of their officers are to be performed.

Sec. II.—The Congress shall enact suitable laws to execute the foregoing article, and to insure the faithful discharge of the duties of such officers, and for their removal by President for official misconduct, and in case of a removal for an appointment, until the next general election, and for filling vacancies in such offices.

Article.—Section I. The Congress shall enact suitable laws for the prevention and punishment of official misconduct, and to insure official accountability.

Sec. II. No person indicted for bribery or for converting the public money, or called as witness in relation thereto, shall be excused from testifying on the ground that his testimony will tend to criminate himself, and any person convicted of such bribery or conversion shall not be pardoned, and shall be disqualified from holding any office of honor, trust, or profit under the United States.

A Minnesota editor, who lives where "the mercury in the thermometer loves to disport itself among the forties and fifties below zero, punishes a rival by saying, "about six inches of his right ear was frozen stiff yesterday. When the frost strikes within a foot of a man's brain in that way, it makes him reflect on the uncertainties of life.

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