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LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION CALLED.

The Democratic County Central Committee met Saturday at 1 P. M. at the Capital Hotel in this city. R. D. Stephens, Chairman, called the meeting to order. C. R. Parsons was chosen Secretary.

Mr. Stephens said the object for calling the committee together was to agree upon some date to hold the County Convention, and to attend to such other business as might come before the meeting. The Republicans had already announced their candidates, and a great many voters were anxious to know who the Democracy would place in the field. He believed that the Convention ought to be held at an early date. He said he would like to have an expression from those present as to the best time for calling the Convention.

Add C Hinkson was called upon for his views, and responded by saying that he had met with those that had wanted to wait until after the State Fair, but he believed that the majority of the Democrats desired an early day. He hoped that the committee would agree upon as early a date as possible.

E. Greer spoke in favor of a short campaign, and thought it best not to call the Convention together until after the fair.

Mr. Coffman, C. Wells and others favored calling the Convention together at once, so that Democrats might know who they were to vote for.

On motion of Jasper Drake, the Central Committee agreed to call the Convention on the 7th day of September, at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Drake moved that no proxies be allowed in the Convention. The motion prevailed.

Reports were received from each of the Supervisor districts, announcing the names of those chosen as delegates. But two changes were made in the delegates. The name of J. McDonough was substituted for that of P. Brogan in the First Ward, and J. Carroll, Jr., for that of G. Politz in the Fourth Ward.

The following is a complete list of the delegates from the Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Supervisor districts:

Fifth Supervisor District—Wm. M. Coyle, W. Lewis, Henry Sharper, L. B. Clark, J. P. Sumpter, T. E. Connor, A. P. Brown, W. A. Brown, O. T. Davis, W. S. Manlone, Jas. Riley, Geo. F. Gibbs, T. J. Brown, W. A. Murphy, John Lang, A. Menke, E. Kelley, B. F. Smith, C. Dieterding, S. Quail, Herman Schmidt, P. Robinson, Henry Ross, Thomas Law, T. Lavener, Wm. Murry, J. E. Givens, J. M. Belcher, J. A. Elder, A. Mull, J. Patterson, N. G. McMorris, N. Patten, James Muldrow, John Donahue, A. Keithly, George Peters, Christian Clifford, I. B. DeLong, W. W. James, G. W. Hastings, H. D. Hankammer, Thos. Wait, S. H. Pugh, James Powers, John Rooney, E. Doonan, L. B. Sharp, J. J. Guthrie, W. Doyle, M. Keefe, P. Burns, A. Myers, D. McCarty, P. Miller, J. Nicolaus, J. Holland, E. L. Coons, P. Dolan, Dan C. Foley.

Sixth Supervisor District—L. Joerger, Frank Himmel, P. M. Sullivan, Valentine Watchel, L. Wilcox, L. T. Briggs, C. Windmetter, J. W. Caples, Wm. Caples, S. Voss, Joseph Tomlinson, Jacob Broder, James Caples, Joseph Joerger, P. Murray, R. Wilson, S. Riordan, A. H. Thomassen, W. J. Thomassen, Geo. K. Nye, D. W. Taylor, J. T. Wight, R. H. Hunt, F. Tague, J. B. Brown, P. Haas, S. A. French, J. Norton, F. McKoe, Mr. Joynt, R. Moore, M. Cash, J. Rothe, W. Thornton Taylor, John Williams, P. Donovan, J. Greene, F. Carroll, R. Meredith, R. Keefe, K. Rigney, James Gill, J. O. Brown, M. Corigan, John Corigan, S. Cohn, George C. Custer, B. F. Bates, T. Fitzpatrick, T. C. Durant, T. B. Maylen, Ger. Haux, A. Howland, M. B. Layne, J. C. Marsh, J. E. Matthews, Lewis McClure, W. A. Harris.

Seventh Supervisor District—John Ehrhardt, J. Stephenson, J. Burton, G. Branard, C. P. Hensley, S. Dickey, G. A. Knott, T. J. Stephenson, J. Hanlin, Frank Little, J. Sprague, J. W. Anderson, E. McClanahan, M. Eixler, C. Ty, John Russell, John Miller, Wm. Holtum, P. Crews, R. A. Gurley, T. O. Toole, M. Towhig, J. G. Pyne, —Tiexman, O. R. Rusyon, T. McAnally, S. Calaway, J. M. Short, Geo. Russel, J. King, W. Mitchell, W. Whitney, R. F. Scott, A. Kaufman, J. A. Fox, Gillis Doty, T. M. Johnson, A. K. Wackman, E. Pickett, E. S. Moffatt, R. G. Mayfield, W. S. Rollins, W. Bayless, Jas. B. Furnish, John Dobson, C. W. Harvey, W. H. Young, P. Planalp, C. C. Fugitt, S. Kreeger, B. A. Farmer, J. W. Iler, Wesley Long, D. Cantrell, D. Marany, A. J. Smith, J. Cottrell, Wm. Hicks, C. R. McKsne.

MERCHANDISE REPORT.—The following merchandise for Sacramento passed Ogden on the 23d: For S. Lipman & Co., 1 box cloaks; Hall, Luhrs & Co., 25 cases sardines; Hale, Bros. & Co., 1 bale blankets; H. S. Crocker & Co., 100 bundles of paper; J. T. Stoll, 1 bundle horse covers, 1 box carriage robes; W. J. O'Brien, 1 box shoes; Holman, Stanton & Co., 1 car load plows; Kirk, Geary & Co., 12 boxes drugs; John Harris, 2 bundles poles, 4 boxes leather, 4 bundles wheels, 1 roll cloth, 1 bundle dry goods, 1 sack hair, 1 bundle wagon lumber; Adams, McNeill & Co., 50 boxes canned mackerel, 25 cases canned fruit; Huntington, Hopkins & Co., 5 kegs staples, 12 boxes blacking, 50 boxes locks; A. A. Van Voorhies & Co., 1 box saddlery hardware, 3 boxes harness, 13 boxes hardware; Van Heusen & Huntoon, 2 boxes walnut chair frames; E. C. Parsons, 2 cases clothing; Booth & Co., 30 boxes canned fish; Billingsley & Co., 1 box brushes; L. K. Hammer, 1 box organ; L. Ekus & Co., 2 bundles flannels.

BIDS AWARDED.—The following bids were received on Saturday by the Directors of the State Agricultural Society: Music for the State Fair, each band to furnish not less than fifteen men—John Bree, $560; C. Carlson, $540; A. Watterman, $560 25; Eighth United States Infantry Band, $480—all of San Francisco; T. W. Schmidt, of Stockton, $525; the Hussar Band, of Sacramento, $450; the First Artillery Band, also of this city, $450, or $500 with sixteen men, the extra man to be Alex. Kidd, the well-known soloist, of San Francisco. The contract was awarded to the First Artillery Band, their $500 bid being accepted. The contract for furnishing straw was let to I. R. Davis, at 55 cents a bail. The contract for oat hay was awarded to L. Wait, at $18 50 a ton. The contract to furnish alfalfa hay was awarded to John Rooney, at $12 a ton. The bar privileges at the Pavilion were let to Con. Killeher. The cider privilege was awarded to C. A. Lavelle. George Boyne was engaged to decorate the Pavilion.

A FALSE RUMOR.—The Woodland *Mail* of yesterday says: We are glad to know that the rumor which was prevalent on the streets of Woodland night before last in regard to a shooting affray between John Woods and R. S. Carey at Capay, turned out to be a false one. The rumor started from an accident which happened to a young man by the name of Al. Martin, who was hunting near Rosebraugh's Flat on that day. He had laid his gun down on the hillside while engaged in dressing a deer, when the gun slipped down the hill and was discharged by the hammer striking against a rock, the ball striking Martin in the calf of the leg. This accident, coupled with the fact that Mr. Carey had gone to Capay that day to arrange some matters with Mr. Wood in connection with a law suit, doubtless led to the rumor.

ALARM OF FIRE.—About half-past 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon an alarm of fire was turned in from box 25, located at Second and K streets. The fire was discovered in some oil boxes in the alley between Front and Second streets, in the rear of Scofield & Tevis' store. The department was promptly on hand. But one stream was turned on, and the fire was soon quenched. It is supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

PIONEERS' ELECTION.—On Saturday evening the Society of Sacramento Pioneers held their election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: Directors—A. H. Powers, James H. Sullivan, O. N. Morss, L. Callisch, S. H. Lemer, N. D. Goodell, Wm. Luther, P. A. Lawson, James McGuire; Corresponding Secretary, W. P. Coleman; Marshal, G. W. Van Hensen.

C. T. AND B. S.—The California Temperance and Benevolent Society held their regular weekly meeting at 3 P. M. yesterday in Firemen's Hall. There were fifty-two persons present, and considerable interest was manifested in the proceedings. Several new members signed the roll. Remarks were made under the head of the good of the order by several of the members.

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POLITICAL TRIAL.

COUNTY CLERK BERKEY BEFORE THE COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

Interesting Proceedings—Speeches of Candidates—Berkey Declines to Retire, and is Removed by the Unanimous Vote of the Committee.

In pursuance of a public call, the Republican candidates nominated at the late County Convention met with the Central Committee at the Rhoads & Townsend House at 2 P. M. Saturday. The candidates present were the nominees for Senator, Grove L. Johnson and Joseph Routier; Assembly, G. W. Hancock and R. S. Lockett; Sheriff, Thomas H. Berkey; County Clerk, C. M. Coglan; Assessor, J. T. Griffitts; District Attorney, S. Solon Holl; Superintendent of Public Instruction, C. E. Bishop; Auditor and Recorder, Wm. E. Gerber; Coroner, J. Frank Clark; Public Administrator, H. S. Beals; Supervisors, P. R. Beckley, G. C. McMullen, Edward Christy and Samuel Blair; Justice of the Peace, J. C. Tubbs, and Constable, Samuel Harvey. The Chairman of the County Central Committee called the meeting to order, and stated that it was called for the purpose of investigating certain charges against Thos. H. Berkey, the Republican nominee for the office of Sheriff, and to consult as to what was the best course to pursue in the interest of the party, and to afford Mr. Berkey an opportunity to make an explanation.

THE CHARGES

Appended, and which were in writing, were handed to the Secretary, Frank Rhoads, who read the same to the meeting:

"WHEREAS, Thomas H. Berkey, who was nominated by the late Republican County Convention for the office of Sheriff of this county, to be voted for at the ensuing election, did, as Clerk of the late District Court and present Superior Court of Sacramento, receive certain sums of money from P. Dunlap, as attorney for the State Controller in the collection of delinquent State taxes for the fiscal year of 1872-4, which were received by Mr. Berkey, as shown by his receipt now in the State Controller's office, as follows: March 8, 1879, $187 70; July 7, 1879, $915 13; August 9, 1879, $229 63; September 5, 1879, $263 39; October 10, 1879, $363 65; November 17, 1879, $488 53; January 1, 1880, $969 95; April 17, 1880, $366 69; December 1, 1881, $292, making in all $3,672 64, which sums of money are due to the State of California, and it was the plain duty of Mr. Berkey to pay this money over to the proper officer at the time he received it, but this he failed to do (except about $960, though often urged to pay it over by the State Controller, who has general charge of the collection of these taxes. Mr. Berkey admits that he has in his hands from $1,500 to $1,700, while the reports in the Controller's office show that he owes the State over $5,700. Mr. Berkey's only excuse for not paying the money to the proper officer is that it is a running account and needs adjustment; but in view of the fact that a part of this money was received more than three years ago, and that the last payment was made to him about nine months ago, and no reason is offered why this matter could not have been adjusted long ago (if any adjustment is necessary), the excuse of Mr. Berkey is wholly unsatisfactory to the Committee, and they are compelled to the conclusion that he has misappropriated this money."

The document, at the request of the Chairman, was handed Mr. Berkey, with the request that he would explain away the charges.

MR. BERKEY PLEADS NOT GUILTY.

Mr. Berkey—Is this (holding up the charges) what I am to be tried for?

Mr. Rider—Yes, sir. If you can explain the matter in any way it will perhaps put things in a different light. These are charges that certainly demand an explanation.

Mr. Berkey—I will read it over aloud and explain. I see it says, "which sums of money are due to the State of California, and it was the plain duty of Mr. Berkey to pay this money over to the proper officer at the time he received it, but this he failed to do." I deny that it was my duty to pay it over to any officer. I deny that I was importuned to do so. I don't think the Controller has any right to demand the payment of that money. If he had such right, it was his duty to see that it was paid over to him long ago. I don't believe the reports in the Controller's office show any such facts as here reported. I deny that I have $1,700 in my possession belonging to the State.

Mr. Rider—In your statement heretofore published in the papers you admitted that—

Mr. Berkey—It matters not what statement I made to the papers. I claim that this was a running account, and that the matter could not be settled in a manner satisfactory to myself. That the last payment was made to me in December last is true. I deny that I have misappropriated a cent that has ever come into my possession, either of county or State funds.

Mr. Rider—Is that all you have to say in regard to the matter?

Mr. Berkey—That is all just now. I shall speak again further on.

MR. JOHNSON DESIRES THE PRESENCE OF HIS COLLEAGUE.

Mr. Rider—Mr. Johnson, we would like to have an expression of your opinion regarding the propriety of keeping T. H. Berkey upon the ticket.

Mr. Johnson asked where was Mr. Routier? He had not conversed with any of the candidates or members of the Central Committee regarding this matter. He said he was informed that Mr. Routier was in the city, and that he should be present. He desired Mr. Routier present when he spoke upon the matter. He hoped the meeting would be conducted in a friendly and pleasant manner, and stated that he was present by invitation.

Mr. Rider—Mr. Johnson, we wish your opinion, as well the opinions of the other nominees. Give us your views in regard to those charges.

Mr. Johnson said he met every duty unflinchingly, but he wanted Mr. Routier present when he made his statement.

[Mr. Routier was sent for.]

Mr. Merkeley—Mr. Chairman, from what source were those figures contained in the charges obtained?

Mr. Rider—They were obtained from the Controller's office. I was at the Controller's office and procured them at 11 o'clock this morning.

J. W. Wilson (addressing the Chair)—Did the Controller inform you of the law governing the matter?

Mr. Hancock—Would it not be well to send for the law and have it here?

Mr. Berkey—The law has been published in the RECORD-UNION, and since the adjournment of the Convention it has been repeated on every block in this city, from Front to Tenth streets, by members of the County Central Committee.

Mr. Rider—If any gentleman is desirous of having the law here I will send for it.

[At this point Mr. Routier entered the room.]

Mr. Berkey—I move a call of the roll.

[Mr. Merkeley having absented himself, his return was awaited.]

Mr. Rider addressed Mr. Routier, stating the object of the meeting; also, that Mr. Berkey had denied most of the charges preferred, and asked him what was his opinion as to the propriety of retaining Mr. Berkey upon the ticket.

Mr. McMullen—I move you, Mr. Chairman, that the candidates go into secret session.

Mr. Rider—The Central Committee are running this meeting, and propose to run it to suit ourselves. The candidates are here by invitation, for the purpose of consultation.

Mr. Merkeley—I move, Mr. Chairman, that the candidates all be requested to give their opinion in regard to the matter, commencing at the Senators and going on down through the entire ticket. Carried.

Mr. Berkey repeated his denial of the different charges for the benefit of Mr. Routier, who was not present when he first addressed the meeting.

HISTORY OF THE CASE DISPUTED.

Mr. Rider—Mr. Berkey, did not Mr. Kenfield notify you by letter that you were indebted to the State, and that you must pay it immediately?

Mr. Berkey—No, sir; he did not.

Mr. Rider—Well, it is a matter of history that he did.

Mr. Routier—Mr. Berkey, why did you not pay the $1,700, which you acknowledge you owe?

Mr. Berkey—It was a running account, and I had a right to make my settlements whenever I saw fit to do so.

Mr. Johnson—This is one of the cases where it is a misfortune to be at the head of the ticket. It has been said that I was cognizant of all the facts relating to this matter prior to the primaries and Convention. That is a statement entirely false. I heard a rumor regarding it, went directly to Mr. Berkey and stated to him what I had heard. He denied it most emphatically, branded it as a campaign lie, said everything was all right, and at the proper time he would publicly deny the matter in a manner that would be satisfactory to all.

Mr. Berkey—Did I deny having an account with the State?

WHAT THE OTHER CANDIDATES THINK.

Mr. Johnson—I understood from the conversation had at that time that your account with the State had been settled. I thought it would be better for you to deny the rumor in public than to individuals. I interpreted your speech in the Convention to mean that everything was all right. I have been Mr. Barkey's friend through the campaign; I have done but the kindliest feelings for him now, still I shall be frank in the expression of my opinion. The first question for the Committee and candidates to consider is, Would Mr. Berkey have received the nomination for Sheriff at the hands of the Convention had this matter been as public then as now? The second is, "Can he be elected under the present state of affairs, with the explanation he has offered?" I am frank to admit that his explanation has not been as full or satisfactory as it should be, and will not satisfy the people. The third and last question is, "What is Mr. Berkey's duty in the premises?" I think he has a duty to perform, not only to himself, but to his friends, the candidates and the Republican party, that has twice elected him to office, and that has stood by him for the past five years. He ought to decide what course would be best for him to pursue in order to help his friends, the candidates upon the ticket and the Republican party. In my opinion his best course would be to send in his resignation, believing he has intended no wrong, but the matter was occasioned by neglect or carelessness. If he does this, he will have fulfilled his duty to his party and his friends.

Mr. Routier—I came here hoping and expecting that Mr. Berkey would make an explanation of these charges that would be satisfactory to all, but in this I am sadly disappointed. I do not consider Mr. Berkey a defaulter, or that he has done an intended wrong, but he certainly has been relax in duty. His explanation unfortunately is not satisfactory. I was glad to see him receive the nomination, although I did not support him in the Convention. The public at large do not understand that he is innocent, and all the explanations we could make for him would not clear him in the minds of the people. As the case stands it is Mr. Berkey's duty to immediately settle up his accounts with the State and withdraw from the ticket.

Mr. Hancock said: I have always been a warm friend and supporter of Mr. Berkey, and believe I am one of his bondsmen. The remarks made by Mr. Johnson, so far as they went, expressed my views in the matter. I have taken some pains to ascertain the feelings of the people in the country, and unless Mr. Berkey can make an explanation that will be satisfactory to the press of this city, he will be injured by the country vote. I visited the Controller's office and ascertained the facts in regard to the matter, and found them as stated by the Chairman of the County Central Committee. I never, for a moment, thought Mr. Berkey intended to wrong the county, State, or his bondsmen. It would have been better for all concerned had this matter been settled prior to the holding of the Convention. We have no easy fight, and if our party receives an injury it will jeopardize the county and State tickets. In my opinion it will be a

GREAT INJURY TO THE TICKET

For Mr. Berkey to remain thereon. It is the general opinion of the public that his remaining upon the ticket will cause its defeat.

R. S. Lockett—I believe, from the rumors I hear throughout the county, that Mr. Berkey should withdraw from the ticket in order to secure its election. I think this action on his part would be for the best interests of the Republican party. In my opinion, this is a matter of which the County Central Committee should have entire charge.

J. T. Griffitts—The first two or three gentlemen who addressed this meeting have expressed my views in regard to the matter under discussion. I think, from what I can learn of public opinion, that it would be to the interest of the entire ticket and the Republican party, for Mr. Berkey to get off the ticket honorably. Some men say—but they are mostly Democrats—that Mr. Berkey is the strongest man on the ticket.

S. Solon Holl—I have always in the past done all in my power to elect Mr. Berkey to the offices he has filled in this county. I have always been his friend and one of his strongest supporters in the Republican party. I am extremely sorry that the facts are as they seem to be in this case. Last Saturday—a week ago to-day—I first heard of this matter. I sought for but could not find Mr. Berkey. I then went to the State Capitol and interviewed the Attorney-General and Mr. Davies, Deputy Controller of State, who revealed to me a statement of facts similar to those read before the meeting here to-day. When I was leaving the Capitol building I was recalled to the Controller's office. Mr. Kenfield, on my return to his office, showed me just how the matter stood, and exhibited the receipts of delinquent taxes, accompanied by receipts signed by Thomas H. Berkey, Clerk. I then went through and examined all the papers, and found, with one exception, receipts signed on the day and for the amounts as set forth in the paper read here to-day. Mr. Kenfield informed me that most of this money had been received by Mr. Berkey during the time Mr. Brown was Controller, and showed me a

MEMORANDA LEFT BY MR. BROWN

For $3,010, saying that the amount was due from Berkey at the close of Brown's administration. Mr. Kenfield also said that Mr. Berkey was present when Mr. Brown turned over the memorandum to me, and admitted that it was correct; and stated that he had the money on special deposit in San Francisco, and that he would make it good within five days. Days, weeks and months elapsed and Mr. Berkey did not make the promised settlement, although frequently importuned so to do. Mr. Kenfield also showed me in his press book the fac simile of a letter written by him on the 11th of November, 1881, requesting Mr. Berkey to settle at once, urging as a reason that property in certain counties had tax liens upon them, and the titles to the same would remain in this clouded condition until this money held by him was distributed to the counties to which it belonged. He also said there was no positive evidence in his office of Mr. Berkey's having as yet paid any of this money. I think, however, he said that Mr. Berkey has made a payment of $920, and two other small payments are reported from San Francisco. Those were the facts, as I gathered them. I did not know when I first heard of it how Mr. Berkey could be delinquent to the State, and did not understand it until I made the investigation which I have just described. It is a very bad state of facts. I want him to tell us where the money is, or show receipts for its deposit. He will not be injured if he can show that this amount has always been kept sacred to pay it over at any time when an adjustment of his accounts were made, and that it always was ready to be paid over at any moment. It has been running for three years, and he certainly should explain why a settlement has not been made. Republicans, both in the city and county, declare that it will defeat the entire Republican ticket. I believe these are the facts, and I do hope sincerely, Mr. Berkey can prove to this Committee, and the public, that he has been ready and willing at any time to pay over the money to the State. If these facts are true, as charged, Mr. Berkey is guilty of embezzlement, according to the laws of our State. With us to go through the canvas with such a candidate on our ticket would be suicidal.

Mr. Coglan, a deputy in Mr. Berkey's office, was excused from giving his opinion.

Mr. Bishop said the remarks of the speakers who had preceded him reflected his opinions. He hoped Mr. Berkey would resign.

Mr. Beals said he would like to see Mr. Berkey clear the matter up to the satisfaction of the candidates. If he could not do so he hoped he would withdraw from the ticket.

Mr. Tubbs said he agreed with what had been said by those who had addressed the meeting, and he hoped that Mr. Berkey would withdraw from the ticket. He felt sure, from the present sentiment of the public, that Mr. Berkey could not be elected.

Mr. Clark said he had spoken to Mr. Berkey regarding this matter before coming to the meeting. If he would consult his own interest and the interest of the Republican party, he would immediately withdraw. He hoped upon due reflection he would do so.

Mr. Blair said his relations with Mr. Berkey for the past five years had been intimate and friendly, and expressed deep regret for what had transpired. He said Mr. Johnson had fully expressed his views in regard to the charges.

Mr. Beckley—I, like Mr. Blair, have been associated in the Board of Supervisors with Mr. Berkey for the past five years. We have always been on the best of terms. As far as I can hear, the sentiment of the general public is that Mr. Berkey cannot be elected, and his retention on the ticket will be the cause of its defeat. I think this a matter that should be settled by the Central Committee.

Mr. McMullen said he thought if Mr. Berkey withdrew from the ticket it would be strengthened. If he insisted on remaining a candidate, and the Committee name another, they will both be defeated.

[While waiting for Wm. E. Gerber a collection was taken up by R. J. Merkeley for the Howards, realizing $5.]

Mr. Gerber—I am placed in an awkward position. My relations with Mr. Berkey for five years have been pleasant and friendly. He is a warm personal friend of mine, and I can assure you that his accounts with the county are all straight. I find there is a wide difference of opinion in the public mind in regard to these charges. They want more explanation. It is bound to hurt Mr. Berkey, and if the two papers keep fighting him he cannot be elected.

Mr. Berkey—Do you think my remaining on the ticket would defeat your election?

Mr. Gerber—I think a weak man would hurt the ticket. Some Republicans would not vote any of the ticket on account of an objectionable candidate.

Mr. Rider—The candidates have all expressed themselves, and if Mr. Berkey has anything further to say we would be glad to hear from him.

MR. BERKEY SPEAKS AGAIN.

Mr. Berkey—In the first place, I would say, of all the mean, political cowardice I have ever witnessed in my life, this is its superior. I have been on the Republican ticket of Sacramento county three times, and have been compelled to run with, and help pull through, candidates so unpopular, and against whom such grave charges were preferred, that delegates to the Convention, and many of my Republican friends, sympathized with me at the adjournment of the Convention and expressed their deep regrets that I should have to run upon the same ticket with such nominees. They were charged with that which was much more serious than this apparent crime of mine. When the Convention adjourned, the Central Committee started out dead in the interest of the Democratic party. If I did not know that you were all Republicans here to-day, I should certainly take this to be a Democratic meeting. I have always claimed that this was an open account, and no one can dispute it. Members of the Central Committee have gone along the public streets and accosted everyone they met with, "What are Berkey's chances for election? Have you heard of his being a defaulter in the sum of $3,000?"

Mr. Rider—What member of the Central Committee do you so charge?

Mr. Berkey—More than one, sir.

Mr. Rider—I demand their names.

Mr. Berkey—Mr. John K. Rider, the Chairman of the Central Committee, is one of them.

Mr. Rider—It is false, sir. I have been absent from the city during all this time, and have just returned. Give your authority.

Mr. Berkey—I will do that at the proper time. Those same men say: "What will be the result if he is allowed to remain on the ticket?" There was a humbug into the Democratic camp from the start. This meeting should have been held the next day after the Convention. This feeling has been manufactured by the press of this city. People talk about Republican papers. I defy any person to show a Republican newspaper published in this city. Why do the Democrats want me taken down? Why is it I am not wanted to run for Sheriff? Is it because they think the accounts of the Sheriff's office will be brought to light? You have lost the German Republicans of this town, and you think you can get them back by putting me off the ticket. You can't do it—you can't do anything with me. You did not approach me as I should have been approached, and ask me to resign. You have, by your acts, closed every avenue to my resigning. The press of this city say they will force me off the ticket, or they will sacrifice it all. This is political cowardice.

Mr. Rider—Don't you know, sir, that you are liable to be arrested for felony within an hour after you leave this room? Your language is not respectful. I told you I should call a meeting of the Committee, and you said you wanted the Committee to have nothing to do with it.

A LONG-DELAYED DOCUMENT.

Mr. Berkey—No, sir. I hold in my hand receipts for every dollar. You have all listened and talked so much over this and that street report, and got things so mixed up that all h—l can't tell anything about it. Why have you not treated me like a gentleman? Drive me out and see where I stand. I never misappropriated a single dollar of gold, silver or greenbacks of the money in question. I here present a receipt which shows where the money is.

Mr. Berkey then opened and read a receipt, of which the following is a copy:

SACRAMENTO, August 26, 1882.

In the matter of the disputed account between Thoms H. Berkey, as Clerk of Sacramento county, and D. M. Kenfield, Controller of State. Received of T. H. Berkey the sum of twenty-seven hundred dollars and thirty-eight cents, as security against any loss that may be anticipated by the said D. M. Kenfield to the State—twelve hundred and thirty-seven dollars and thirty-eight cents of which is acknowledged to be the amount due the State from T. H. Berkey, paid to him on account of State taxes, and fifteen hundred dollars paid in as the amount claimed by the State, all subject to the order of the Superior Court of Sacramento county.

D. E. CALLAHAN.

Considerable surprise was manifested by all when the receipt was produced.

Mr. Routier (springing excitedly to his feet and advancing toward Mr. Berkey) demanded why this receipt had not been produced before. "I am no coward, and I will die right here in this room before I will allow you to call me one."

Mr. Berkey (advancing)—I wanted an expression of opinion.

Mr. Routier (sarcastically)—Well, I guess you have got all the expression of opinion you wanted.

Mr. Holl—Why did you not state what you do now in regard to this money when you first addressed the meeting?

Mr. Johnson—I am very sorry Mr. Berkey became so heated and has used the language he has, which certainly, under the circumstances, was so entirely uncalled for. Mr. Berkey knows that I am neither a political nor any other kind of a coward.

Mr. Berkey—The State Treasurer don't receive money subject to the order of the Superior Court. I have paid money into the treasury and had to withdraw it again, in the past. I have let this account run because I did not want or think it necessary to take a trip to San Francisco every time a few hundred dollars was paid into my hands.

Mr. Johnson (after taking and reading the receipt)—I think now as I did before. I don't think it right and proper that reporters should be here. I don't know why they are here, or who invited them. This matter should be talked over in a friendly manner, and is not intended for publication. Mr. Berkey certainly has not treated any of us right by not showing this receipt at the outset.

Mr. Rider—The receipt is no evidence so far as Mr. Berkey is concerned. It does not exonerate him in the least. As to the reporters, I am glad they are here. I want every word that is spoken here reported. The truth will hurt no one.

Mr. Holl—The facts of the case show Mr. Berkey to be a felon, and I want to say to him that I am a political coward so far as going into a canvass with him on the ticket is concerned. I am not brave enough to try to stem the current of political contempt his action in the matter would force us to encounter.

Mr. Hancock—Was sorry that Mr. Berkey had not made the latter statement and exhibited the receipt at the first of the meeting. He thought there was time enough before election to satisfactorily explain matters, and if this was done no man would be stronger on the ticket than Mr. Berkey.

The County Central Committee then went into executive session. After agreeing that Mr. Berkey must come off of the ticket, a resolution was offered that a committee of three be appointed to wait upon Mr. Berkey and request his withdrawal from the ticket. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. The Committee adjourned, to meet at 2 o'clock P. M. Tuesday, August 29th.

MASONIC HALL DEDICATION.—To-morrow the new brick Masonic Hall at Rocklin will be formally dedicated. The ceremonies will be conducted by the Grand Master of California, Clay W. Taylor. Many other prominent Masons of California will be present. The dedication ceremonies will take place in the afternoon. In the evening a grand ball and supper will be given in commemoration of the occasion. Arrangements have been made to entertain the visiting brethren who attend. Quite a large delegation will go up from Sacramento. Church, Fisch & Watson, of this city, will furnish the music. John Talbot and Wm. B. Miller have been appointed an invitation committee for this city, of whom tickets can be obtained.

GORED BY A BULL.—John McNeal, of Rocklin, bought on Saturday last a Jersey bull of J. T. Whitney. In the afternoon he started to lead the animal to water, when the latter turned upon Mr. McNeal, knocked him down and gored him severely. He would have gored him to death were it not for the timely interference of a large Newfoundland dog, which went to the rescue of Mr. McNeal, attacked the bull, thereby attracting the attention of the latter from the prostrate man, who was thus enabled to escape. He received a severe cut in the right thigh, also one in the left shoulder, his right shoulder was dislocated and his back severely injured. He received immediate medical attention, and is getting along as well as could be expected.

JAMES TENNENT DEAD.—James William Tennent, a native of England, 33 years of age, died on Saturday last at his residence at Seventeenth and F streets. Mr. Tennent was well known to nearly every person in Sacramento. For many years he was engaged in the business of training fast stock. At one time he had charge of Governor Stanford's horses in this city, and trained and drove Occident at the time he made his best record. For the past year and a half he has been troubled with heart disease, and gradually failing in health. About four weeks ago he was taken suddenly worse, and did not again rally. His funeral will take place at 2 P. M. to-morrow from Calvary Baptist Church, on I street, between Twelfth and Thirteenth.

THE NEW CURTAIN IN THE METROPOLITAN. The new curtain in the new theater was placed in position yesterday. It was painted in San Francisco by Forrest Seabury. Competent critics say that it is a magnificent piece of painting, and reflects great credit upon the artist. The manager was certainly lucky to happen to secure such a competent artist for so difficult a task. The ground of the curtain represents a Venitian scene, surrounded by beautiful draperies. The scene represents the palace of Desdemona and the return of Othello, the Moor of Venice, as he stands, life-size, in the center of the scene, relating the story of his travels to Desdemona and her father.

COMMERCIAL.—The following vessels have arrived at the wharf in this city since last report: Steamer San Joaquin, No. 2, from San Francisco, with general merchandise and a barge of freight for the upper Sacramento; steamers Varuna and Dover, from the upper river, with barges of grain in transit; steamer Pioneer, from San Francisco, with barge of lumber consigned to W. F. Frazier and Friend & Terry Lumber Company. Departed, steamer Neponset, for the upper Sacramento, with general merchandise; steamers Varuna and Dover, for the upper river, with merchandise and barge, light; steamer San Joaquin, No. 2, for San Francisco, with grain barges.

A ROBBER ARRESTED.—Yesterday at 11:40 A. M., Chief of Police Mat. Karcher received a descriptive dispatch from the Marshal of Marysville stating that a man by the name of F. M. Ryder, charged with robbery, had left Marysville on the Sacramento train. Just as Chief Karcher and officers Farrell and Jackson jumped into a buggy at the station-house the signal rang for the Stockton train to start. They arrived in time to stop and board the train and arrest the robber. He was taken to the station-house, and on being searched $140 was found on his person. An officer will arrive from Marysville to-day for the prisoner.

LATE ARRESTS.—The following appeared on the slate at the police station at 12 o'clock last night: George Watson, arrested on two charges, malicious mischief and disturbing the peace. James Brown and Henry Clifton, for disturbing the peace. Tom Scott, alias George Johnston, a healthy beggar, by officer Eldred. Johnny Ryan, for petit larceny, by Thorp, local. Peter Kilkeney, charged with disturbing the peace, by officer Eldred and Karcher, local. Martin T. Cummings, drunk, by officer Eldred. Charlie Burns, a vag, by officer Frazee.

THE GREENBACKERS.—A meeting of the County Central Committee of the Greenback party took place in Pioneer Hall on Saturday afternoon, for the purpose of selecting delegates to the State Convention, which will convene in San Francisco on the 5th day of September. F. Woodward was elected Chairman, and E. G. Morton Secretary. The following delegates were appointed: E. G. Morton, W. C. Smith, J. D. Jost, C. W. Hoyt, Henry Trichler, A. B. Burns, W. A. Smith, F. Woodward. The committee then adjourned to meet September 21st to nominate a county ticket.

POLICE COURT.—The following business was transacted in the Police Court on Saturday: Ah Chung, for misdemeanor, forfeited his deposit for non-appearance. Mike Coffee, a drunk, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to twenty-four hours in the city jail. Charles M. Corning, a young man from the country, pleaded guilty to a charge of drunk. He said that he had just come in from the ranch, and unfortunately had got a little too full. He was discharged. James McLane, for disturbing the peace, had his case continued till this morning.

DRS. SPINNEY & Co., of San Francisco—read his advertisement, and consult him.

SPECIAL attention is called to our new advertisement in this issue—Hale Bros. & Co. *

READ our new advertisement in this issue. Hale Bros. & Co. *

SHOES are down, at Hale's. *

CAPITAL CHIPS.

O. R. Amsden has returned from Pacific Grove, Monterey.

A mild form of epizootic has broken out among the horses at Agricultural Park.

The remains of B. B. Redding will be brought from San Francisco to day and deposited in the family vault at the City Cemetery.

A meeting of the First Ward Democratic Club was held in Graham Hall on Saturday evening. No business of importance was transacted.

Information is wanted of Cyrus Robinson, sometimes known as Cyrus Boyer; was in Sacramento a few months since. Address "J. B.," this office.

A corps of *Call* reporters—five in number—will occupy rooms at Mrs. Watson's, on Tenth street, during the session of the Republican State Convention.

Fifty-four immigrant passengers arrived from the East yesterday. Fifty-nine immigrants passed Carlin yesterday on their way to California, and will arrive in this city at 1:30 P. M. to-day.

Surveyor J. C. Pierson returned yesterday from Nevada, where he has been employed making surveys upon the railroad work at Wadsworth, where a change in the yard and shops is being made.

On the train coming from San Francisco Saturday evening N. Greene Curtis, of this city, was taken suddenly and dangerously ill. Fortunately Dr. Cluness was on the same train, and cared for him.

The police have served printed notices upon all the proprietors and inmates of the bawdy houses on L and Second streets, notifying them that they must vacate the same within ten days of service of notice.

VOLUMINOUS TESTIMONY.—E. B. Willis, Court reporter for the Superior Court of Placer county, has filled the transcript of the testimony in the case of the People vs. Shinn, one of the train wreckers. It is neatly and substantially bound, and conveniently indexed, and makes in the aggregate 1,497 pages. Including the 2,183 pages of transcribed testimony, pertaining to the train wreckers' case heretofore filed, this makes 3,680 pages thus far filed in those cases.

CITY TREASURY RECEIPTS.—The following amounts were paid into the city treasury for the week ending Saturday, August 26: S. R. Caldwell, Cemetery dues, $11; R. D. Scrivener, water rates, $1,060 60; N. A. Kidder, harbor dues, $7 50; W. A. Henry, Police Court fines, $30; George A. Putnam, city licenses, $216 96; George A. Put