

Rapelo. Senator Hill's choice, however, will be the Committee's choice. Before the State Committee went into session it was rumored about headquarters that Senator Hill's declination was in the State Committee's hands, with a recommendation that the nomination for Governor be offered to Justice Gaynor.

This rumor could not be traced to its source, and it was emphatically denied by Senator Hill's friends that there was any truth in it. It was stated that the programme was for the State Committee to select a candidate in place of Justice Gaynor, and then to fill the vacancies on the State Committee, settle contests and, after naming an Executive Committee, adjourn.

After this the Notification Committee, according to programme, is to formally notify Senator Hill, Daniel Lockwood and the new choice for Judge of the Court of Appeals of their nomination.

Justice Gaynor arrived at the Brooklyn Court-House about 10.20 this morning and went immediately to his private room. He was in a bad humor and sent word to several lawyers who were waiting to see him that he would not hold court to-day or see any one.

To the reporters, however, he granted an interview as follows: "I see that Major Hinckley says he was surprised at my letter of declination. I can hardly believe that he said this for he has had my oral declination for several days."

"Yesterday in New York I was asked to reconsider. This was at 2 P. M., and in the presence of St. Clair McKelway. We came away, and at 5 P. M. Mr. McKelway informed Major Hinckley personally that I had thought it over as requested, and that I adhered positively to my previous decision not to run."

"I then wrote my letter. I see he also intimates that when Mr. McCurdy came to Riverhead he went away in doubt. I leave it for Mr. McCurdy to say that he went away in the slightest doubt."

McKelway corroborates him. "Judge Gaynor also sent the following letter to St. Clair McKelway, editor of the Brooklyn Eagle, who gave it out for publication with a statement from himself:

"I am greatly surprised to read in some of the morning papers an alleged statement by Major Hinckley that he was surprised by my written declination, and that up to the appearance he thought I would run. I cannot believe that he made such a statement, but against any impression which may prevail, I must ask you to weigh these facts: I and Senator Hill and Major Hinckley in their rooms in New York City from 1 to 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. You were present without any previous knowledge on my part, and I should like to meet you there. I was asked to reconsider my oral declination communicated to Major Hinckley several days ago, but not made public. I did not know the matter over with friends, and let them know the result during the afternoon. At about 5 o'clock you, at my request, communicated to Major Hinckley personally by telephone that my declination must stand, and that I was positive over the statement that when Mr. DeWitt McCurdy came to Riverhead he left me in any doubt whatever I leave to that gentleman's discretion."

What Mr. McKelway said in substantiation was this: "What Justice Gaynor says about my statement to Major Hinckley late in the afternoon is entirely correct. I was in New York City at that time, and I was present when Justice Gaynor's friends were about this morning saying, 'I told you so,' and expressed their pleasure at the turn of affairs."

Sulzer Sure of Hill. State Committee Sulzer, in a talk with an "Evening World" reporter this morning said, that he felt sure Hill would accept the nomination; that he had no doubt he would have been confident in a man equally as strong as Gaynor would be nominated for the Court of Appeals. There were a number of available candidates. In Mr. Sulzer's opinion, but he was not at liberty to give their names.

The feeling is general among the committee that Hill will head the ticket and that a strong man will be found for Gaynor's place.

Hill Still Cheerful. Senator Hill, looking quite cheerful, left the Hotel Normandie early this morning and went over to Democratic headquarters. He did not care to talk for publication to newspaper men, but he was unreservedly friendly to the State Committee. An effort to get from him an expression on Justice Gaynor's withdrawal was fruitless.

"I have nothing to add to what I have already said," was the remark credited to him.

What he had already said was this: "This is the most remarkable thing I've heard of in some time. Never mind, boys. You remember, you were back in 1888, Roosevelt was Governor, and after waiting a week or two decided to run. That didn't faze us a bit. We picked up Jones who paid the freight, of whom few had ever heard, and my didn't we slough them."

"Then in 1888 there was a hunt for Sulzer, and some of the big men, but finally Hill and Jones were nominated, and we won by an increased majority."

"Of course, I am sorry that Justice Gaynor has declined. Personally, as you know, I didn't want the nomination for Governor, but you don't depend upon it that I am going to stick to the ship."

"Let's pull together and give our opponents the biggest licking they ever had."

All the members of the Notification Committee—Messrs. Bourke, Cookman, James D. Bell, Charles P. McCallahan, Amasa J. Parker and James W. Hinckley—were among the early arrivals at headquarters. The candidate for Lieutenant Governor, Daniel Lockwood, was not then in evidence, but it was reported that he was close at hand.

Justice Gaynor's Inclination. The talk at Democratic headquarters to-day on the subject of Justice Gaynor's declining the nomination for Court of Appeals Judge was most uncomplimentary to the Justice.

"I don't want to know his own mind," said one of Major Hinckley's lieutenants, "Senator Hill and Chairman Hinckley, up to 10 o'clock last night were convinced, from what Gaynor had said to them yesterday afternoon, that he had decided to accept. The news pleased them so much that they allowed it to become public. When Hinckley was told last night that Gaynor had declined he said the report was preposterous."

"Later, when a proof sheet of Gaynor's letter was shown to him he got red hot, and in his anger told a secret."

"And this from a man who sat down in my room this afternoon to write his letter of acceptance," he said.

"Then to explain this remark he said that Gaynor had started his letter and had torn it up, saying that he would write it in Brooklyn and send it over during the evening."

The general impression seemed to be that Justice Gaynor's friends in Brooklyn had read in the evening papers of Chairman Hinckley's assurance and had induced the Justice with all sorts of political punishment unless he retracted. It is believed that these friends argued with him until he changed his mind, and that they did not leave him until his letter of declination had been written and sent out to the press.

Lawyer Jimmy Oliver said in relation to Justice Gaynor's letter of declination: "And then to think of him quoting Scripture at the end! It gives me a pain."

The mention of the name of Henry H. Beckman would indicate that the deal with Grace is still on, Beckman being a member of the State Democracy.

Mr. Beckman, speaking of Justice Gaynor's letter of declination, said it was the most remarkable, as well as the funniest document he had ever read. "He tries to speak like a prophet," he said, "and darts down to nothingness. I do not believe his action will have the slightest effect on the State ticket. They will undoubtedly find another man without much trouble to take his place."

There were all sorts of rumors afloat about the State Committee springing a surprise when it made its report, but none of them was of a definite character.

Among the many who were present in the hotel corridors discussing the situation were ex-Senator Eugene S. Ives, State Senator Jacob Cantor, George B. McCallahan, President of the Board of Aldermen; Police Commissioner Sheehan, ex-Police Commissioner McLaughlin, ex-Surrogate Ransom, Coroner Fitzpatrick, "Wiskinkie" Donegan, Jefferson M. Levy, "Fatty" Walsh, John F. Carroll and James H. Doyle.

Police Commissioner Sheehan said of Justice Gaynor's refusal to run: "It will have no bad effect on the ticket. Justice Gaynor's following will work all the harder for it. He will be freer to act now for the success of the party."

Will Weaken the Ticket. Congressman Wilson's Opinion of Justice Gaynor's Declination.

Congressmen W. L. Wilson and Eldor Straus, who arrived on the American liner New York this morning, were both eager for political news. Mr. Wilson, in reply to several questions, said:

"I feel fully recovered from my recent illness, and have enjoyed my trip very much. Coming back we had very rough weather, but I think I enjoyed the storm better than any one else. I did not lose a meal during the trip."

Mr. Wilson looked the picture of health. Speaking of his trip abroad, he said: "I did not go over to talk tariff, but I met a number of leading financial and business men in London last week at the Chamber of Commerce dinner."

I spoke to them, then, and said the new tariff bill was not made to suit them, but to suit Americans. Mr. Wilson said he would have to go to New York to see free trade material, but he would command supremacy in manufacturers and merchants will appear in neutral markets.

When you think of the result in Georgia and the aim of the Populists' movement, you will see that the tariff is a very hard one to get over."

Mr. Wilson also expressed his regret at the decision of Justice Gaynor and said: "I am very sorry he is not going to run, as it will weaken what was a very strong ticket."

He is aware that your name has been suggested for Mayor, Mr. Straus' name, indeed, I presume it was my brother Nathan's name, but I will accept if you are nominated."

The Congressman looked quizzically at the reporter and replied: "I don't intend to speak of accepting or refusing something that has not been offered. I have been away from the city for some time, and I cannot offer any opinion on the probable outcome until I become thoroughly conversant with the situation."

Still Reads Gaynor. Tammany Hall's Big Banner Has Not Yet Been Altered. Observing pedestrians on East Fourth street this morning, who had read in the morning papers of Justice William J. Gaynor's sudden, eleventh-hour determination not to run for Judge of the Court of Appeals on the State Democracy ticket, naturally cast a curious glance over the Herald Tribune Hall, where the braves have, as usual, had their flaring red campaign banner hanging upon the outer walls.

Naturally, they expected to see the banner altered, but they also expected to see an erasure of the Herald Tribune name under the words, "For Justice of the Court of Appeals." In view of last night's developments, it is believed that the Star Shagged Banner Gaynor's name was "still there," and its presence occasioned considerable comment. Tammany Hall has the reputation of being the first in the field in the campaign banners, having at its back and still behind it the names of its candidates, as well as the names of its lieutenants, and it is believed that the committee on emblematic advertisements were excitedly caught napping last night, or at least the new batch of emblematic blankness would have covered Justice Gaynor's name on the big Indian transparency this morning.

It can hardly be expected that Tammany will have any objection to Justice Gaynor's name being on the banner, as the reason for still keeping his name upon it is to preserve the respectability of the candidates upon the banner until Justice Gaynor's name has been selected by the Democratic State Committee.

There are other political banners flying in town to-day that will have to be hauled down and patched.

Shepard to Go It Alone. Only His Organization in the Third Ticket Movement. The Shepherds are still talking of a third State ticket, but other reform associations seem to be out of the movement. Gaynor's declination in his letter of declination, that he hopes Hill will run, has destroyed the hope of the Shepherds that he would join them in an anti-machine fight, but still they say they can make a good showing.

Edward M. Shepard, the leading candidate, will be a third State ticket in the field in a few days. The retirement of Justice Gaynor from the ticket simplifies the situation. All anti-machine men can now unite on a third ticket. Details of information about the matter will be given out early next week.

Do you intend to nominate Justice Gaynor for Governor? he was asked. "Well, I don't think I do. I do not think that will be done, in view of Judge Gaynor's declaration that he hopes Hill will be Governor."

Henry R. Beckman said he did not know what chance there was for a third ticket. "Mr. Shepard," he said, "has assumed charge of that matter. He is doing a considerable talk about a third ticket a short time ago, but there seems to be a bill in the Legislature."

Somewhere between these mutual complications is a compromise. Mr. Shepard's lawyer John W. Goff is going ahead to have Mr. Beckman indicted for assaulting Mr. Crow. The great lawyer impudently had the papers before him at his office to-day, preparing to seek out with the company which he had before the Grand Jury yesterday.

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Both Are Rich and Each Calls the Other Bad Names. Mr. McComb says to-day that Mr. Crow is a scoundrel, a humbug, a crank with a deadly glitter in his eye. Somewhere between these mutual complications is a compromise.

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Warships and Transports Enter the Gulf Pechili. Supposed to Carry the Second Corps of 30,000 Men. Britain Probably Not to Interfere Actively with the War.

The Standard publishes a letter from Peking on the unpreparedness of China and the corruption that prevails in that country. The letter says that from all parts of the Empire, and especially from Foo Chow, come reports of forts unfit to fire a shot, guns that have not been used since the war with the French, and from which every movable piece of metal has been stolen, and gunners discharged to save their pay.

If it is any wonder, it is asked, that the people post placards on the city gates, as at Foo Chow, declaring that the Viceroy's and Taotai's heads are forfeited for abuse of their public trusts? A despatch to The Times from Shanghai says that the report that Japanese troops had landed at Shang Tung has not been confirmed. It is added that the warships that were sighted off Chusan were not Japanese.

A Big Chinese Loan. Tien-Tsin Firm Authorized to Raise \$50,000,000. The Chinese Government has authorized a firm here to raise a loan of 10,000,000 sterling (\$50,000,000). The sum of 10,000,000 (\$50,000,000) has already been placed privately. The rates of interest are not stated.

"Evening World's" War Map. The news of today is that a Japanese fleet of seventy warships and transports has been seen entering the Gulf of Pechili, which, by the map, will be seen to furnish the approach by water to the city of Peking. The report of the Chinese troops are evacuating Mukden, capital of Manchuria, whether Japanese troops are reported as marching.

In London it is believed that the Japanese fleet referred to as having been sighted, is the expeditionary force, consisting of 30,000 men, which left Hiroshima, the Japanese headquarters, on Sept. 20 under sealed orders, and under the command of Field Marshal Count Oyama, who was Japanese Minister of War until, upon taking command of the expedition, he temporarily handed over that portfolio to the Minister of Marine, Count Saigo. This force, composed of the Second Japanese Army Corps, and was escorted by the Second Japanese Squadron.

A despatch from New-Chwang, Gulf of Leao-Ton, says that the Chinese are in full retreat from Moukden, the capital of Manchuria, which is threatened by the advance of the Japanese troops from Corea and the Japanese force said to have been landed near Possiel Bay.

Another report which reaches London from Shanghai says that it is believed at the latter city that the Chinese forces which have been defending Moukden have been hastily summoned from that place in order to oppose the projected Japanese landing either in the Gulf of Pechili or in the Gulf of Leao-Ton. The Chinese have been hurriedly adding to the fortifications of New-Chwang in anticipation of a Japanese attack upon that port, or a landing in its neighborhood.

The Paris correspondent of the Times telegraphs that Europe will have to consider the advisability of trying to limit the consequences of war, but for the present negotiations are confined to securing measures of preservation. On this point it is stated that France and England are already agreed. Lord Dufferin, the British Ambassador to France, will not curtail his holidays. He will return to Paris at the end of the month.

England Not to Actively Interfere. A despatch from Berlin says that it has been learned on high authority that the meeting of the British Cabinet was called to discuss a proposal for combined action on the part of the powers to interfere and prevent the overthrow of the Chinese dynasty, which it was claimed, would result in anarchy in the empire and other serious diseases. All these may be avoided if a power, it is said, favored a compulsory settlement of the Chinese-Japanese dispute. The despatch adds that Sir William Vernon Harcourt, Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported this view of the action to be taken, but British dissent, but it is, as yet, in a mild form, complicated with diabetes.

Raiding Kafirs Cause a Panic. LORENZO MARQUEZ, Delorain Bay, Oct. 6.—The Kafirs are raiding cattle within a mile of the town. A panic prevails among the inhabitants.

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Democrats of the Tenth Massachusetts Congressional District nominated Wm. G. Barry. Congressman M. Kirtick will run as an Independent.

State Senator John P. Fitzgerald was nominated for Congress by Ninth District Democrats. Congressman Joseph O'Neill refused to permit the use of his name.

Five State Tickets in Missouri. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Oct. 6.—The Socialist Labor party has nominated a State ticket at its annual convention at Saratoga, and recommending to the Democratic party John F. Ahearn for Governor, James A. Donagan for member of Assembly in the Fourth Assembly District, and Thomas Shields for Alderman.

Mummental Speaks at a Sixth District Democratic Meeting. The Democratic Association of the Sixth Assembly District held its first and a well-attended meeting at Centennial Hall, 328 East Houston street, last evening. The platform adopted by the Democratic Convention at Saratoga, and the nominations made there were ratified.

Maurice K. Mummental was the speaker at the meeting, and delivered an address touching on the issue of the campaign, and the far-reaching importance of the coming election. He said the plain issue was "freedom of thought and expression, civil and religious liberty."

Killed a Man in Self-Defense. MONROE, La., Oct. 6.—James P. Pace was shot and killed by John C. Ransome yesterday. Pace rushed at Ransome with a pistol in one hand and a knife in the other. Ransome, the owner of the property, was "justifiable homicide."

Missing Girl Taken Home. ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Oct. 6.—Clara Strickling, aged fourteen, who disappeared from her home several days ago, was met by William Smith, while he was walking along the boardwalk, and taken home by her father.

Headache Developed Instantly. Max Harwitz, of 121 Broadway, came home a week ago yesterday with a sick headache. The following day he was out of his mind for several hours and kept getting worse at intervals until he was taken to the hospital. He died yesterday morning. He was removed in an ambulance to the hospital, where he died. It is said to have been weak and faintly from birth.

"Prison Sunday." Oct. 25, the first Sunday in the month, has been fast upon by the Prison Association of New York as the date for "Prison Sunday." The object of the observance is to call attention to the needs of the penal institutions of this State, and to the efforts of the Prison Association to meet these needs.

Local Political Notes. There will be a Republican mass-meeting at 107 West 12th street, at 8 o'clock, this evening to ratify the nominations.

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Belgium Slaughtered Arabs. One Report States that They Were Treacherously Slain. LONDON, Oct. 6.—The Exchange Telegraph Company announces that the African mail has brought news of serious fighting between the Arabs and Belgians in the Congo State.

It is alleged by these advices that the Belgians claimed a truce, after heavy fighting, and that they then herded in the Arabs and massacred them without quarter.

Another account says that the Arabs, commanded by Chief Rumilla, after a truce, agreed upon a conference, but that almost immediately after it commenced the Arab powder magazine exploded. This caused both sides to suspect treachery, and fighting between them was resumed.

The Arabs were surrounded on all sides by the Belgians, and were nearly all massacred. Chief Rumilla succeeded in escaping, but the great majority of his followers perished. Over thirty chiefs were numbered among the slain. The Belgians captured 200,000 lakhs' worth of property.

Typhoon at Hong Kong. One Vessel Sunk and Her Crew All Drowned. HONG-KONG, Oct. 6.—A typhoon has swept over this port. Much damage was done among the small craft in the harbor.

One vessel was sunk and all hands were drowned.

The CZAR'S ILLNESS. Prof. Leyden Says Distinctly It Is Due to Bright's Disease. BERLIN, Oct. 6.—A correspondent of the Associated Press has had an interview with Prof. Leyden, the distinguished specialist, who has just returned from Spain, where he has been in attendance upon the Czar, in conjunction with Prof. Zacharin.

Prof. Leyden said, distinctly: "His Majesty is suffering from Bright's disease, but it is, as yet, in a mild form, complicated with diabetes."

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Democrats of the Tenth Massachusetts Congressional District nominated Wm. G. Barry. Congressman M. Kirtick will run as an Independent.

State Senator John P. Fitzgerald was nominated for Congress by Ninth District Democrats. Congressman Joseph O'Neill refused to permit the use of his name.

Five State Tickets in Missouri. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Oct. 6.—The Socialist Labor party has nominated a State ticket at its annual convention at Saratoga, and recommending to the Democratic party John F. Ahearn for Governor, James A. Donagan for member of Assembly in the Fourth Assembly District, and Thomas Shields for Alderman.