THE BOYS IN BLUE.

THE SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION IN PHILADELPHIA—LETTERS FROM SHERMAN, HOWARD, POPE, SIGEL, AND OTHER DISTINGUISHED SOLDIERS AND CIVILIANS—NOTES OF PREPARATION.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 30.—The city is already stirred from Southwark to Richmond with the din of preparation for the grand reception that loyal Philadelphia will give to the Boys in Blue. The old Cooper Shop and Volunteer Refreshment Saloons that fed over one million of men during the war, is again to be open. The Committee on Quartering the Boys in Blue to arrive in this city, which is sitting at the Continental Hotel, has received dispatches that delegations will surely be here, as follows:

New-York City	1,000 men	Allegheny Co., Penn.	500 men
Dauphin County, Penn.	50 men	Northampton Co., Penn.	100 men
Schuylkill County, Penn.	300 men	Col. Krzanowski, Penn.	75 men
Lebanon County, Penn.	75 men	Lewisburg, Union Co.	75 men
Delaware State	500 men		

Quarters have been provided for 300 men of the Schuylkill county delegation at the headquarters of the Invincibles, for 1,000 men of the New-York delegation at the City Armory, for 80 men of the Lebanon County delegation at the Lincoln Hose Company's house, for 100 men of the Northampton County delegation at the hall of the Sixteenth Ward Association, for 75 men of the Lewisburg delegation at the Manuna Hook and Ladder Fire Company's Hall, for 500 men of the Allegheny County delegation at Horticultural Hall. Other halls and places have been secured, and the "Boys" will be quartered in them as fast as they arrive. A number of private citizens have also proffered the accommodations of their houses. Provision for 1,000 or 2,000 will be made at National Hall, on Market-st., below Thirteenth. Kitchens have been erected, and the Refreshment Committee is constantly receiving stores. The style of ticket to be issued to each soldier or sailor to the table is as follows:

Breakfast, October 1.	Dinner, October 1.	Supper, October 1.
Breakfast, October 2.	Dinner, October 2.	Supper, October 2.

Letters have been received by the Soldiers and Sailors National Republican Executive Committee from Gen. W. T. Sherman, Gen. John Pope, Gen. John W. Noble, Commodore Selridge, Gen. S. M. Harris, Gen. Julius White, Gen. J. D. Cox, Gen. O. O. Howard, Gen. Franz Sigel; Ex-Governors O. P. Morton, W. A. Buckingham, J. S. Lewis, Israel Washburn, Frederick Holbrook; Governors David Butler, R. B. Hayes, R. E. Fenton, Lucius Fairchild, Gov. Bullock, John B. Page, Conrad Baker; Hon. Matt H. Carpenter, George William Curtis, Esq., and Private L. Edwin Dudley, Chairman of Republican State Central Committee of Virginia. Though these gentlemen cannot attend the Convention to-morrow, and Friday, their patriotic letters will breathe encouragement to the thousands of brave soldiers who will assemble to swear fealty to their old commander.

Gen. Sherman, dating his letter at St. Louis, writes to Gen. Barnum, as follows:

DEAR GENERAL: I have just received your letter of Sept. 8th, inviting me to attend a Mass Convention of the war veterans, at Philadelphia, on the 1st and 2d of October next, in the interest of the Republican party, in the present canvass. It will be impossible for me to do so for many reasons, and I know no one to whom I can impart them better than to you. First, I have too much to do in my proper legitimate business, which keeps me west of the Mississippi; secondly, I am required by a summons to attend a called meeting of the Indian Peace Commission, at Chicago, on the 7th of October; thirdly, I have made up my mind to keep out of political assemblages, conventions, and controversies altogether, because, in my judgment, an officer of the army, sworn to obey the laws, and serve every administration, has no business to become a partisan. No one, I trust, doubts my respect for, and absolute confidence in Gen. Grant, at least I for himself does not, and I extract for your information from a letter from the General, dated Washington, June 21, 1868:

"DEAR SHERMAN: Your kind letter, written from New-Mexico is received. You understand my position exactly. * * * I feel very gratified to the officers of our army, whose military achievements made my reputation as well as their own, to know that they support me in this new field. I do not expect or want active support, but merely the satisfaction of knowing what your letter assures me of on your part. Officers who expect to make the army their home for life have to serve under successive administrations, and should not make themselves obnoxious to any party likely to come into power."

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This covers the whole ground, and will, I feel assured, prove perfectly satisfactory to you. With great respect, your friend,

W. T. SHERMAN, Lieutenant-General.

Gen. R. A. Barnum has received the following from Major-Gen. O. O. Howard:

MY DEAR SIR; I have received your invitation to be present at a Convention of soldiers and sailors, to be held at Philadelphia on the 1st and 2d of October next. I have just returned from an inspection tour through the Southern States, and duties press me so hard at my office that I fear I will not be able to comply with your request. I am glad this Convention is to be held. I never can under stand how men who were during the war willing to present their bodies as a living sacrifice for the preservation of our institutions, can possibly have their hearts wrong even before the hour of triumph has passed away. I rejoice that so many agree with me, and I shall have no fears for the future of our country if the men who fought will exert every energy to preserve a proper public sentiment, and will give all their influence and their votes to the cause of liberty and justice. Let him who led us to the completeness of victory during the war, lead us on safely to a complete triumph in peace. Such I believe to be the earnest hope of every true-hearted Union man, black and white, throughout the land.

Faithfully yours, O. O. HOWARD, Major-General.

The official programme is as follows:

OCTOBER 1ST.

At 9 o'clock a. m., reception of delegates at Independence Square by his Honor, Morton McMichael, Mayor of the city, on part of the citizens. Reply on behalf of the delegates by Gen. R. A. Barnum, Chairman of the National Executive Committee.

At 7 o'clock p. m., the Convention will assemble at Independence Square. At which time a permanent organization will be effected by the election of a President and other officers. An address of the soldiers and sailors to their comrades throughout the Union will be read. Letters from soldiers and sailors not in attendance will be read. The Convention will be addressed during the evening by veterans of the war only. At 10½ p. m., serenade at Union League House.

OCTOBER 2D.

At 9 o'clock a. m., delegations will assemble on Broad-st., right resting on Girard-ave. for parade. The order of parade and full instructions will be announced to delegations by the Commander, Gen. Joshua T. Owen. The line will move at 10½ a. m. precisely over the following route: Down Broad to Spring Garden, down Spring Garden to Twelfth, down Twelfth to Arch, out Arch to Twenty-first, down Twenty-first to Walnut, down Walnut to Broad, up Broad to Chestnut, down Chestnut to Third, down Third to Walnut, up Walnut to Fourth, down Fourth to Pine, up Pine to Twelfth, up Twelfth to Walnut, out Walnut to Broad, at which point the delegations will dismiss, moving southward. Delegations are enjoined to be prompt in assembling, and to inform themselves of their duties before the hour of parade.

2 p. m.—At this hour a mass meeting will be held in front of the Union League House, on Broad-st., under the auspices of the League, and will be addressed by Governors of States, late Governors, and other eminent civilians and war veterans. At this hour soldier and sailor delegations, campaign clubs, and all other organizations intending to participate, will assemble at the corner of Broad and Ellsworth-sts., and at 8½ o'clock p. m. precisely, the procession, with torches, banners, transparencies, &c., will move over the following route: Up Broad-st. to Christian, down Christian-st. to Third, up Third to Girard-ave., up Girard-ave. to Broad, down Broad to the League House. The procession will pass the League House on West side of Broad-st. and will countermarch to Chestnut-st. During the countermarching in front of the League House, the delegations will be received by the League by such demonstrations as may be determined upon. Leaving League House, the procession will march down Chestnut to Third, and there dismiss. The order in which delegations will form in line will be announced by Gen. Joshua T. Owen. All comrades unattached to organizations will, upon reporting to a staff officer of the commander, be assigned to a separate division. Citizens, friendly to the object of the Convention, are requested to illuminate and decorate their houses without regard to the line of march of procession, as nearly every street in the city will be traversed by the delegations going to and from the general rendezvous.

Headquarters of all committees are established at Parlor C, Continental Hotel, where chief of delegations can obtain all necessary information. By order of the National Committee, R. A. BARNUM, Chairman.

BOSTON, Sept. 30.—A delegation of over 300 Massachusetts veterans started from this city to-night, under command of Brig.-Gen. Chamberlain, to attend the Philadelphia mass Convention. Other delegations will join en route, and the whole number will probably reach 500 or 1,000 men, under command of Major-Gen. Bartlett.

THE NEW-YORK DELEGATION.

The Boys in Blue will assemble at 8 o'clock this morning in Washington Square to the number of 1,000, under the command of Gen. Charles K. Graham, Grand Marshal. After inspection they will march through Waverley-place, Sixth-ave., Clinton-place, University-place, Fourteenth-st., Broadway, Spring-st., Mercer-st., Canal-st. and Desbrosses-st. to the ferry. At the Brevoort House, corner of Fifth-ave. and Clinton-place, they will halt for the purpose of receiving the general officers and others who are to accompany them to Philadelphia. The solid tramp as they pass through our great thoroughfares brings back to our minds the memory of their victories over armed Rebellion.

BASE-BALL.

Last week the Alerts and Monekas of Sag Harbor, Long Island, divided themselves into Grant and Seymour Clubs, and played a political game of base-ball, with the following result:

	INNINGS.									
	1st.	2d.	3d.	4th.	5th.	6th.	7th.	8th.	9th.	Total.
Grant	3	0	10	3	3	1	2	2	3	23
Seymour	2	0	0	0	3	1	5	0	2	13

DEFEAT OF THE OLYMPICS.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 30.—The Cincinnati Base-Ball Club concluded their games here to-day by defeating the Olympics by a score of 41 to 20, in a game of seven innings. In the game with the Keystones yesterday the Cincinnati Club was two ahead, but it being too dark to finish the ninth innings the game was called, which gave the game to the Keystones by two runs. The Cincinnati Club started for New-York this evening.

VICTORY FOR THE YALE NINE.

NEW-HAVEN, Sept. 30.—The game between the Yale nine and the Eckfords of Brooklyn to-day, resulted in a victory for Yale. The score was 15 to 12. The game was very finely played, and much excitement was manifested over the result.

MUTUAL VS. ACTIVE.

The return game between these clubs took place yesterday at the Union Grounds, and resulted in totals of 37 to 17, in favor of the Mutuals. Edwin Duffy reappeared at third base for the Mutuals. The high wind prevailing during the game put good playing out of the question. The runs made in each inning are subjoined:

	1st.	2d.	3d.	4th.	5th.	6th.	7th.	8th.	9th.	
Active	3	5	1	0	2	4	3	0	1	17
Mutual	0	6	16	0	2	7	2	0	2	37

Umpire—Mr. Draper, of the Cincinnati Club. Time of game, 2:30.

THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE.

The meeting of the Judiciary Committee of the State Association to hear and determine charges, was held last evening at the "Study" in Hudson-st. The first business was the case of the Oriental Club of Brooklyn agt. the Oriental Club of New-York, the charge being by the former, that the latter played Mr. Sears against them, while Sears was still a member of the Union Club. It was proven that Mr. Sears handed in his resignation to the Secretary of the Union Club on the 14th of August. Owing to neglegence on the part of that officer, the resignation was never acted upon. The Committee decided, 4 against 1, that Sears was still a member of the Union Club. Notice of appeal was made by the counsel of the New-York Club. The next case was that of the Mutual Club, in having reinstated Edwin Duffy to full membership. The Judge-Advocate made the formal charge. Counsel for the Mutuals moved the case be quashed, reading from the by-laws that a charge must be made within 30 days after the offense is committed, and the offense charged, the reinstatement by the Mutual Club of Edwin Duffy, had taken place on the 28th of July, the time had elapsed. The Committee deliberated, for a time, when the President announced the unanimous conclusion that the point was well taken, and the charge must be rejected.

The Cincinnati Club arrived in this city yesterday. To-day they will play the Atlantics at the Union grounds. A game also takes place to-day at Tremont, between the Oriental and Athletics Clubs of New-York.

THE NIAGARAS VS. THE EXCELSIORS.

ROCHESTER, Sept. 30.—Only three innings of the game between the Niagaras of Buffalo and the Excelsiors of this city were played this afternoon, the rain putting a stop to further play.

THE CAMPAIGN.

Gen. A. E. King, Judge Bond, and Archie Sterling addressed a mass meeting of Republicans in Wilmington, Del., on Tuesday night.

The Hon. N. B. Smithers, Gen. Torbert, and Dr. William C. Davidson are doing good service on the stump in Delaware for Grant and Colfax.

A company of "Boys in Blue" was organized in Watertown, Conn., a few days ago. The company now comprises 125 members, and more are daily added. No chance for Seymour and Blair there.

John M. Langston addressed a large meeting of colored citizens in Charleston, S. C., on the 23d inst. The Republicans there talk about South Carolina's giving 50,000 majority for Grant and Colfax.

A large Grant and Colfax meeting was held at Athens, Greene County, N. Y., on the 23d inst. The Grant and Colfax Guard of Hudson were present, 175 strong. After the meeting there was a brilliant torchlight procession. Many dwellings were illuminated.

A correspondent at Jonesboro, Ind., writes that the State is good for 10,000 Republican majority in October, allowing all that the Democrats claim for Ku-Klux importations. The Hon. Daniel Pratt spoke at Jonesboro on the 22d.

The Ohio State Journal of last Friday says: "The State is certain for the Republican ticket by not less than 30,000 majority, and we shall not be surprised if it goes up to 75,000. The Democracy have long since given up all hope of doing anything more than securing perhaps two Congressmen, and even that is becoming extremely doubtful."

The Pittsburgh Gazette says: "The Republican majority on Hartranft and Campbell, in the counties of Pennsylvania on the west side of the Alleghanies, will not be less than 15,000, and may mount to 18,000. Whatever it may be, it will be just about the Republican majority in the entire State, the Eastern counties being balanced between parties."

The Rochester Express says: "We are reliably informed that some forty or fifty pounds of candles were taken from the Poor store, in Center Market, to put in the Chinese lanterns carried in the Democratic procession on Wednesday night. Prominent individuals of that party went to the Public Stores and helped themselves to the candles without let or hinderance from the Poormaster".

The Mobile Register exhorts its disciples to deal with the white Republicans after this fashion: "They are dogs and should be treated as dogs, dogs only tolerated now because the power of the sword is in the hands of our enemies in Congress, but will not be tolerated one hour after the people recover the liberty to do justice upon their oppressors. It is the duty of every Southern man to cut these vermin. Excommunicate them; spew them out as outcasts and social pariahs, with whom it is disgraceful to hold social intercourse."

The last number of *The Covington (Ga.) Examiner* contains the announcement that "two carpet-bag school teachers, Lee and Hammond," having "received a gentle admonition that their valuable services might possibly be more appreciated in some other latitude, took an affectionate adieu of their associates, and on Monday last turned their faces toward Mason and Dixon's Line." This is a roundabout way of stating that the Democrats of Covington threatened to mob these persons if they did not leave the county. Their crime was teaching the colored children the simplest rudiments of education. This the Covington Democrats do not consider a "legitimate avocation."

NEW-YORK.

Gen. Caldwell is to speak at Greenport, Oct. 2, and Sag Harbor, Oct. 3.

A vote was taken in the palace car of the 7:42 a. m. train from Poughkeepsie to New-York, on Monday, and resulted: Grant, 26; Seymour, 13.

There will be a grand Republican rally at Riverhead, L. I., the county seat of Suffolk County, this evening. Gen. John C. Caldwell of Maine and the Hon. J. L. Barbour of Connecticut are to speak.

Horace Greeley, the Hon. G. L. Smith, the Hon. Hamilton Ward, the Hon. H. Bemis, and others addressed 10,000 Republicans at the barbecue in Woodhall, Steuben Co., N. Y., yesterday.

In a few days a handsome banner will be flung to the breeze across Greene-st., opposite M. Larrue's cafe, which will cost about $150. It will bear appropriate emblems and inscriptions. The club is to resolve itself into a benevolent society after the election.

A Grant and Colfax Club, composed of Frenchmen, Belgians, and Swiss, has been formed at No. 190 Greene-st. The following are the officers: President, M. Louis Andre; Vice-President, Mons. Philip J. Van de Bute; Secretary, Mons. H. Dusint; Treasurer, Mons. J. Larrue. The title of the club is "Le Club Franco-American."

The Grant and Colfax Club of Katonah held a large and very enthusiastic meeting on Tuesday evening, at their headquarters in the village of Katonah, Westchester County. At least 200 persons were unable to find standing room, and were obliged to return to their homes. The Hon. W. H. Robertson presided, and the meeting was addressed by the Hon. Chauncey M. Depew.

Mr. H. P. Crozier of Brooklyn, spoke at Stapleton, S. I., on Tuesday evening, before the Grant and Colfax Club. Mr. Covert enlivened the meeting with several spirited songs. A good feeling prevails on Staten Island. The Republicans are united. The Democrats are divided. Good judges say the usual Democratic majority of 1,300 to 1,500 will be reduced this Fall fully one half.

One of the best Republican meetings ever held in Westchester County, took place at Irvington on Tuesday night. There was also a torch light procession, in which clubs from Yonkers, Hastings, and other towns participated. Moses H. Grinnell presided, and Wm. E. Dodge and Gen. Sickles made excellent speeches. The Grant and Colfax Club of Irvington is growing stronger every day.

The XXIst Assembly District Grant and Colfax, Griswold and Cornell Club met last evening at Washington Hall, Harlem, Mr. Moses E. Cresto in the chair. The meeting was large and enthusiastic, and able addresses were delivered by Councilman Davis, Mr. Wm. H. De Camp, and James Dwyer, esq. The Club will meet next Wednesday evening, and several prominent speakers are expected to be present.

Gen. W. Krzyzanowski, by a unanimous vote of the German Veteran Republican Grant and Colfax Campaign Club and the German Veteran Grant and Colfax Light Artillery, was elected Marshal of the Loyal Veteran German Boys in Blue, by which designation they will hereafter be known as a division of the Boys in Blue of New-York City, in obedience to general order No. 2, headquarters Boys in Blue, New-York City.

A mass meeting of the citizens of Queens County who favor the election of Grant and Colfax, Griswold and Cornell, was held at Hempstead Court-House on last Tuesday evening. An immense gathering from all parts of the county assembled. The number of all manner of vehicles, many of them decorated with flags, was very great. The ladies attended in great numbers. The meeting was addressed by Gen. James L. Kiernan, Mr. J. M. Cram, and Col. S. Cogswell.

The Brooklyn City Union Republican Convention met at the room of the General Committee, in Washington-st., and placed the following candidates in nomination:

Controller—John L. Spader.
City Treasurer—John J. Studwell.
Auditor—James Meloer.
Collector of Taxes and Assessments—Frederick Scholer.
Police Justice—John Q. Adams.
Justice of the Peace, First District—John Cockle.
Justice of the Peace, Second District—Charles S. Frost.

The XVIIth Assembly District Grant and Colfax Club met last evening at their rooms, No. 436 Fourth-ave., with the President, Mr. W. P. Esterbrook, in the Chair. The meeting was large and enthusiastic. A Glee Club was present and added to the effect of the meeting. The Hon. E. Delafield Smith delivered an able address touching upon the political issues of the day, and urging upon the Republicans present the necessity of exerting themselves in the coming campaign.

The Twelfth Ward Empire Club met last evening, at Third-ave. and One-hundred and-fourteenth-st., the President, Mr. Felix Kennedy, in the Chair. Addresses were made by Mr. Daniel Major, James B. Burgess, and Adam C. Flanigan. Gen. Fitzpatrick recited the beautiful Irish poem "Shamus O'Brien," and also sang the "Wearing of the Green." A resolution was adopted supporting John W. Bennett for Assemblyman, and a committee appointed to confer with Tammany in reference to his nomination. Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Bennett made short addresses, after which the meeting adjourned.

George Francis Train's friends advertise a meeting in Botanic Hall, on Friday evening, the purpose being to put Mr. Train in nomination in opposition to the Hon. John Morrissey.

In the VIth Assembly District, corner of Myrtle and Clermont-aves., Brooklyn, there was a very large turnout, a large proportion of which were ladies, to listen to the stirring speeches made by the Hon. George H. Andrews, Mr. Charles E. St. Clair, the celebrated Irish orator, and some five or six others, who occupied the platform. A band of music played patriotic airs between the speeches. Before the speaking began, a delegation of the Boys in Blue, with torches, banners, and music, formed in line, and marched over to the new wigwam in Jersey City.

The County Convention of the Republicans of Kings County was held in the General Committee room, Washington-st., Brooklyn, yesterday afternoon, and organized by electing Mr. E. D. White as Chairman, and M. C. Earl and Wm. H. N. Cadmus as Secretaries. The following are the candidates nominated for the offices named:

County Treasurer—Edward D. White.
District Attorney—Ex-Judge George G. Reynolds.
Justice of Sessions—John H. Hart.
Superintendent of the Poor, Third District—John Montgomery.
Superintendent of the Poor, Fifth District—Andrew Hegeman.
Coroner, Second District—Capt. John H. B. Smith of the Fifteenth Ward.
Coroner, First District—Capt. Wm. H. Miller of the Eighteenth Ward.

There was an immense turn out of the Eleventh Ward Republicans last night to listen to the speeches made by the Rev. Matthew Hale Smith, John Oakley, Peter Ostrander, and others at the Headquarters of the Eleventh Ward Boys in Blue, corner of Flatbush and Fulton-aves., Brooklyn. Previous to the speaking, delegations from the Boys in Blue from the First, Eleventh, and Twentieth Wards, composing the First Battalion, under command of Major Tate, President of the Eleventh Ward Boys in Blue, formed in front of Headquarters in uniform, carrying banners and torches, and proceeded to Jersey City to participate in the exercises of opening the new Republican wigwam there.

A grand ratification meeting under the auspices of the IId Assembly District Grant and Colfax Club and Republican Association, was held last evening at the International Hotel, corner of New-Chambers and William-sts. The Stars and Stripes were artistically spread above the rostrum, with the Irish green, and the red, black, and gold of Germany on either side. About 400 persons were in attendance. Mr. Henry J. Leask presided, with Messrs. Mark Lanigan, Morris Friedsham, and ten others as Vice-Presidents. Capt. Eugene O'Shea of *The Irish Republic*, Mr. A. J. Aaron, and eight others officiated as Secretaries. The first speaker, Mr. Robert Crowe, referred to the manner in which Seymour secured the Tammany nomination, and to the furious language of Rebel leaders expressed before their people on their return home. The speaker then dwelt on the sacrifices of Irishmen in behalf of liberty, and his allusions to the "great O'Connell, who never took a leaf from the Devil's bible," was received with bursts of applause. Mr. Joseph J. Couch, U. S. N., also addressed the meeting. Dr. Snodgrass entertained the audience by numerous anecdotes, and dissected with marked ability the vascillations of Blair and Seymour.

The Executive Committee of the Union General Republican Committee met last evening at the corner of Broadway and Twenty-third-st., and received the following letter:

NEW-YORK, Sept. 30, 1868.

Hon. Freeman J. Fithian, Chairman Union Republican General Committee:

SIR: The undersigned were appointed by the Union Republican General Committee of which Hon. Thomas Murphy is Chairman, to bring before your Committee a proposition to agree upon the County Judiciary, Congressional and Assembly nominations, so that but one ticket may be presented to the Union electors of the City and County of New-York at the ensuing election. In consequence of divisions in the Republican party, the opposition has rallied up, within the past few years, large majorities. A union upon all local tickets in this city will produce a moral effect that will be electrical in result, not only here but throughout the country. We consider it the highest duty to present for the support of our electors such men as are well known for their capacity, probity, and health. No personal feelings should for a moment operate a union in the selection of candidates. We believe that our National and State standard bearers will be triumphantly elected. We also believe we can give more pronounced emphasis to the victory, as regards majorities, by striking hands together in one common effort. To secure these results we therefore submit the following proposition: That the Committee of which you are Chairman recommend to the several conventions assembling from time to time the appointment of Conference Committees to act in union with Committees from the Union Conventions authorized by this General Committee.

We have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servants,

RUFUS F. ANDREWS,
JAMES W. PAGE,
F. O. VAN WYCK.

The communication was adopted after a short debate, and the following series of resolutions subsequently passed:

Resolved, That this General Committee recommend to the various nominating Conventions assembling from time to time, the appointment of Conference committees to meet like committees appointed by other similar Conventions, with a view of arriving at unity of action and presenting but one candidate for each office, to be filled by the electors of the City and County of New-York at the ensuing election.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the various nominating Conventions, and also to the Hon. Freeman J. Fithian Chairman of the Union Republican Committee.

Whereas, It is essential that the fullest Republican vote should be polled in this city for Grant and Colfax, Griswold and Cornell, and any attempt at fraud on the part of the opposition frustrated; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the several Assembly District Associations are hereby directed and authorized to appoint a volunteer guard of 50 men each, to remain at the polls on the day of election, from time to time as need, for the purpose of seeing that the interests of the Republican party are thoroughly cared for and protected.

The secretary was authorized to forward copies of the above report and resolutions to the several Conventions.

CONGRESS NOMINATIONS.

The Democrats of the XXIVth District of New-York have nominated Mr. Elmore P. Ross.

The Republicans of the VIth Massachusetts District have renominated the Hon. N. P. Banks.

The Hon. Ginery Twitchell has been renominated by the Republicans in the IIId District of Massachusetts.

WASHINGTONVILLE, N. Y., Sept. 30.—Mr. J. C. Bancroft Davis was unanimously nominated, to-day, by the Republican Convention of the First Assembly District of Orange County. The Convention passed a resolution for the reelection of Senator Morgan.

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC SYNOD.

The diocesan synod of the Roman Catholic Church, which has been in session for the last two days at St. Patrick's Cathedral, closed yesterday. Among the many objects of this synod is the publication of the decrees of the Plenary Council of Baltimore, the regulation of various matters connected with the church in this diocese, a few of which are, the establishing of parochial schools, both manastrial and reformatory, the regulating of confraternities and missions, the institution of new religious societies, and the publication of books for the better edification of the "faithful." The holding of balls and picnics are especially prohibited. Regulations for the better discipline of the various religious bodies were promulgated. The exercises yesterday commenced by the celebration of a solemn high mass by the Most Rev. Archbishop McCloskey, assisted by the Rev. Father Starre, Vicar General of the diocese and a number of priests, after which the ceremony of closing the synod took place, which consisted of prayers appropriate to the occasion, the reading of the decrees of the council, the singing of the *Veni Creator Spiritus*, and an address to the assembled clergymen by the most reverend Archbishop. The Most Rev. Archbishop then pronounced the pontifical benediction, after which the Rev. clergy dispersed. It is expected that the Rev. Archbishop will issue a letter to the pastors of the several churches throughout the diocese, in which will be a full account of the proceedings. Over 300 clergymen were present.

LARGE FIRE IN BROOKLYN.

DESTRUCTION OF THE EMPIRE STORES—LOSS $500,000.

Yesterday afternoon, at about 4½ o'clock, a fire was discovered in the extensive U. S. Bonded Warehouse, situated on the East River, a short distance north of the Fulton ferry house, known as the Empire Stores, and owned by Messrs. J. Nesmith & Son. The building had formerly been occupied as an oil refinery, and the floors and beams having become thoroughly impregnated with oil, made the wood so highly combustible that the water poured in upon the burning pile, had but little or no effect. The first indication of the fire was a slight smoke, which was observed by Mr. Dixon, the U. S. Inspector, issuing from the cracks of the closed iron shutters of the second east window of the upper story. The alarm was promptly given, but it was twenty minutes before a stream of water was directed toward the seat of the conflagration. The origin of the fire is unknown. A large quantity of Istle grass was stored in the upper story, and the fire had deeply penetrated this inflammable material before it was discovered. The building was of brick, and four stories in height. It extended from the river front through to Water-st., a distance of 200 feet, and the fire worked its way rapidly through the gunny cloth and other combustible articles until it had the mastery of the entire upper floor. At about 5½ o'clock the flames burst through the roof, and soon after the floor fell in, causing the wall on the Water-st. side to bulge out and fall. The crater thus opened to view was a magnificent sight. The walls which separated the Empire stores on either side from the adjoining stores were fortunately double, and the firemen easily prevented the flames from spreading. Meanwhile those connected with the store began to get out what they could from the lower story. About two dozen casks of palm oil belonging to Colgate & Co., were saved, and also about 100 bags of coffee belonging to De Castro & Co. With these exceptions the entire contents of the building were destroyed. The buildings A and B, which were destroyed, were owned by Messrs. Nesmith & Son, who are fully insured. As their contents were for the most part insured, almost the whole of the loss will fall upon the insurance companies. The following is a list of some of the firms having goods stored in the building: De Castro & Co., 3,000 bags coffee; Becker & Co., 1,500 bags coffee, a quantity of jute and other articles; Charles Zulling & Co., several hundred bales of india-rubber; Bruguiere & Thebaud, 125 bales Istle grass; Richard Thackeray & Co., 300 bags coffee; H. H. Raven, a large quantity sugar; Ribon & Monoz, several hundred bales of rubber; T. T. & F. A. Dwight, sugar; Baindahl & Co., a quantity of wool. This list is very imperfect, and it is impossible to state with accuracy the quantity of the articles mentioned, as several accounts are kept by the Government officials connected with the stores, and goods are being taken out, and consigned for storage every day. The shipping along the docks was towed into the stream before the fire had made much progress, and was thus saved from destruction. The fire was still burning among the ruins of the building at 12 o'clock last night. Between the hours of 6 and 9 it made a beautiful sight for the passengers on the Brooklyn ferries. It is impossible at present to give more than a rough estimate of the loss, but it can hardly be less than $500,000.

FAILURE OF MR. E. V. ROBBINS.

CHICAGO, Sept. 30.—E. V. Robbins, President of the Board of Trade, has failed. His liabilities are between $75,000 and $100,000. Speculation is supposed to be at the bottom of the failure. He offered his resignation to-day as President of the Board of Trade.

HOME NEWS.

THE WEATHER.

New-York. Hour.	Ther.	Bar.	Wind.	Hour	Ther.	Bar.	Wind.
Sept. 22.—7	56°	30.21	S. S. W.	6	64°	30.14	S. S. W.
12	66°	30.22	S.	9	61°	30.15	S. W.
3	65°	30.15	S.	11	60°	30.15	S. W.

REMARKS.—Morning—Little hazy to 4. Sunny 4 to 6; little hazy, 10 to 12, cloudy. Afternoon—Cloudy to 12:30; little cloudy to 2, and from 4 to 6:15; slightly cloudy from 2 to 4; very cloudy to sunset. Evening—Very cloudy to 8:30; little cloudy to 12. The bright star which is to be seen about 7:30 every morning, near the east, is the planet Venus. It will continue thus visible until toward the close of this year, but will rise each morning further and further south of the east point of the horizon, decreasing also in brilliancy.

THE CITY.

Gov. Burnside of Rhode Island is at the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

The Tailors have received an advance of 10 per cent on their wages.

The Rev. Messrs. G. E. Post and W. Rogers sailed for Europe yesterday.

The 6th Regiment, National Guard, have their inspection parade on Oct. 30.

Blacque Bey, the Turkish Minister to the United States, is at the Brevoort House.

The working bricklayers have ceased to be paid for being idle in consequence of the strike.

Catharine Rochbouch fell from a third-story window, at No. 165 Chrystie-st., yesterday evening, and was severely injured.

A delegation of Boys in Blue from Utica arrived in town yesterday on their way to the Soldiers' Convention at Philadelphia.

The collections in the XXXIId Internal Revenue District (Collector Sheridan Shook) for the month of September were $750,456 79.

The Fruit Growers' Club will hold a stated weekly meeting at Whitlock's, No. 245 Broadway, at 1½ p. m. to-day. There will be also an exhibition of grapes.

John Leonard, a laborer, was fatally injured yesterday morning, by a premature blast of rocks in Sixty-sixth-st., near Tenth-ave. Taken to St. Luke's Hospital.

Edward Wheeler, a boy residing in East Eighty-seventh-st., fell or jumped from a train on the Harlem Railroad, at Seventy-eighth-st., yesterday afternoon, and was seriously injured about the head.

Yesterday morning, Robert Teed, aged 14 years, while at work in the silk factory of William McFarland in Engine Place, Yonkers, was caught in the machinery and had his left arm broken.

The German Carvers' Association has in bank $2,000. The officers are: President, Jacob Crude; Vice-President, Fried Robbins; Financial Secretary, Z. Knacker; Controller, H. Seller; Trustees, Messrs. Schafer and Hintzelman.

According to General Orders No. 5, issued from the headquarters of the Second Brigade, the 96th Regiment will parade, fully armed, uniformed, and equipped, for annual inspection and review, on Thursday, the 22d of October.

Coroner Rollins held an inquest at Mount Sinai Hospital yesterday over the remains of Edward A. Cole, mate of the schooner Northern Light whose death resulted from injuries received on Tuesday, by a block which fell from the fore-top falling on his head.

John Devine and Edward Tracey, indulged in a fight at their residence, No. 35 Baxter-st., during which Tracey bit off a portion of Devine's lower lip, and Devine struck Tracey on the head with a chisel inflicting severe injuries. Both men were arrested and committed to prison.

The Workingmen of the XXth Assembly District met at Terrace Garden, corner of Third-ave. and Fifty-ninth-st., last evening, and nominated Mr. Hugh Mitchell as their candidate for the Assembly. A mass meeting to indorse the nomination will be held in the Ward at an early day.

A fire occurred about 7 o'clock last evening, in the dying establishment of Hugh Gardner, at Nos. 109 and 111 West Twenty-fourth-st. It was supposed to have originated from a sky-rocket. Damage about $4,000. Insured for $9,000 in the Niagara, Relief, Phenix, and Williamsburgh Companies.

A reputed thief and boarding-house swindler, by the name of John Walter Sheppard, otherwise known by the cognomens of Stuart, Hutchinson, Gay, and Youmans, was arrested by Detective Kiernan of the Central Squad, last evening, charged with defrauding the keeper of a boarding-house in Lafayette-place.

The Park-keepers are doing all in their power to provide the sparrows in the several parks with grosse feathers with which to protect themselves from the cold of Winter. The increase of the feathered tribe in the parks during the past year has been such as to require the erection of hundreds of bird-houses to accommodate them.

Collector Smythe has issued an important circular, to the effect that the new Treasury regulations relative to the shipment coastwise of merchandise between Atlantic and Pacific ports, will go into effect to-day. Deputy Collector Grigsby will give all the information not contained in the advertisement published in another column.

The second forfeit of $750 a side, in the coming championship rowing race between the Ward Brothers and the Paris crew of St. Johns, was put up yesterday. The Wards are in training at Cornwall, and the Paris crew are on the Kennebec River, a short distance from St. Johns. This makes $1,500 a side up. The last deposit of $500 has to be made on the 17th of October.

A stated meeting of the Newsdealers' Union was held last night, at No. 16 Princess-st. Several new members were elected. Communications were read from different sections of the country asking for information, and also expressing the desire of the authors to take stock. A recess was then taken to receive the fifty per cent from the members who were unable to attend at the last meeting, which was promptly responded to.

At the stated meeting of the Fire Commissioners yesterday, Commissioner James Galvay was elected Treasurer. Recognition was made of the death of Mr. Thomas W. Wilson, late assistant foreman of Engine Company No. 16, and Mr. James Gordon Bennett was permitted to acknowledge the services of the Department in extinguishing the fire in his residence at Washington Heights in whatever manner he may think proper.

The members of Prince of Orange Loyal Orange Lodge, No. 359, met in secret session last evening at Military Hall, in the Bowery, received some new disciples, pronounced against Fenianism in any form, or under any guise, and resolved to do all in their power to promulgate the doctrines of the Protestant religion. Preliminary arrangements were also made for a proper observance of Guy Fawkes's Day, the 5th of November.

Two gentlemen, friends of Henry Keep, the "Railroad King," have presented him with a solid gold pitcher, salver, and two goblets. The inscriptions on this set show the principal events of Mr. Keep's railroad life. The set cost $4,000 in gold. The monograms of the donors—"R. H." and "J. M. S."—are on each piece. The same gentlemen have also given Mr. Keep a set of solid silver worth $1,000, all made by Brown & Spaulding.

Persons who have been appointed as Inspectors of Election are now being qualified at Police Headquarters, where they appear before Mr. Hasbrouck and take the oath of office. About 800 out of the 1,360 Inspectors for this city have already been sworn in. There will be 50 more polling places this year, which will add nearly $20,000 to the cost of the election. The total cost of the November election will be $81,940, being estimated at the rate of $240 for each district.

The Commissioners of Emigration made their annual visit of inspection to the public institutions on Ward's Island yesterday, going through the new hospital, barracks, chapels, schools, &c. Among the company were the Hon. Gulian C. Verplanck, the Hon. Richard O'Gorman, Mr. McElroy, and Mr. Loutrell, Commissioners; Mr. Cassidy, Superintendent of Castle Garden; Dr. Carnochan and other gentlemen. A collation was served on the Island, at which several speeches were delivered by the Commissioners.

At ¾ o'clock yesterday morning, Doorman Vyse of the Eighteenth Precinct, discovered Jacob Wyman, who had been arrested on Tuesday evening for disorderly conduct and locked up in a cell at the Twenty-second-st. Police Station, hanging by the neck from the cell door, having used his handkerchief to suspend himself. The man was cut down before life was extinct, but died by being conveyed to Bell