

ONONDAGA FIGHT FOR WADSWORTH

A DEVELOPMENT THAT ALARMS THE ALDRIDGE MEN.

DOUBT CAST ON ALDRIDGE'S BOASTED STRENGTH IN OTHER CANAL COUNTIES—THE SPLIT IN ONONDAGA.

[FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

Syracuse, Aug. 18.—Although Onondaga County will send a double equipment of delegates from each of her four Assembly districts to the Republican State Convention, it begins to appear as though both delegations would favor the same man—James W. Wadsworth of Geneva, Livingston County, for Governor. Ex-Congressman James J. Holden, the leader of the anti-organization Republicans of this county, on several occasions has used all his influence to bring about the nomination of Mr. Wadsworth for the high office which is now about to be vacant. Mr. Holden became intimately acquainted with Mr. Wadsworth in Washington and thought he had ability and the experience as Assemblyman, State Senator and Congressman sufficient to make him an excellent Governor. That being the case, he has worked to bring about Mr. Wadsworth's nomination for the place, and the statement was made here to-day by one of his friends that he still favors Mr. Wadsworth's candidacy.

The heads of the organization faction, Francis Hendricks and Frank Hiseock, it was also reported to-day, on good authority, favor the nomination of Mr. Wadsworth. If Mr. Hendricks does fling the Onondaga delegation to the support of Mr. Wadsworth, there will be an element of generosity in it, as he and Wadsworth were rivals for the nomination for Lieutenant-Governor only two years ago. It is well known that Mr. Hendricks himself would be a candidate for the nomination for Governor, but for the candidacy of Judge Irving G. Vann, of the Court of Appeals, for renomination. Judge Vann is a resident of Syracuse, and it would be a difficult task to put two men living in the same place on the State ticket. Besides Frank H. Hiseock, nephew of ex-Senator Al Hiseock, is a candidate for renomination as Supreme Court Justice, and Judge Vann gave way to him and flaked an election as candidate for Judge of the Court of Appeals. The Hiseock therefore feel that in honor they must heartily support Judge Vann for Judge of the Court of Appeals, and do nothing to embarrass his candidacy.

The support of Mr. Wadsworth by the Onondaga County Republicans, in the opinion of Republican politicians, will have the effect of greatly strengthening his candidacy. Of Rochester, admitted to-day that they were beginning to favor Wadsworth, and that if the Onondaga County delegation frankly expressed its preference for Wadsworth the canvass of Aldridge would suffer a serious check. This would be especially true because Onondaga County is one of those "canal counties" upon which Aldridge relied for support. A good many politicians here are wondering where Aldridge's boasted support is. Certainly he has none west of Monroe County, for the delegates there are divided between James A. Roberts, Charles T. Saxton, Timothy E. Ellsworth and James W. Wadsworth. Directly east of Monroe County, in Wayne County, the delegates favor Saxton. Here in Onondaga County they apparently are for Wadsworth. In Onondaga County the delegates are partly for Warner Miller, but Aldridge has some strength. If Warner Miller is expelled from the Republican State convention, although he was supported at his county convention by thirty-four of the sixty delegates, Aldridge will carry this county. In Rensselaer and Blackbaek counties they are booming Frank S. Black. Along the line of the Erie Canal, support, notwithstanding his wasteful use of the canal funds. Onondaga County has become a typical "State organization" county. The machinery of the Republican party here is controlled by Albany and the Republican voters. When at the last election Albany. This year, when the organization candidates received only 5,000 votes and the anti-organization candidates received the majority, a candidate received only 5,000 votes. A candidate received only 5,000 votes. A candidate received only 5,000 votes.

Over at the headquarters of the committee it was possible to keep up with the demand that comes from all sections of the country. Thousands and thousands of Republicans, whose names are secured by Democratic workers, are regularly supplied.

The chairman of both committees agree that never before was there such a "reading" campaign. Republican propaganda is being distributed in hundreds of thousands of dollars. No man is turned down and every letter asking for information is answered. It is not a matter of performance of an individual, it is a matter of performance of a party. It is not a matter of performance of an individual, it is a matter of performance of a party. It is not a matter of performance of an individual, it is a matter of performance of a party.

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A DELUGE OF QUESTIONS.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT FLOODED WITH LETTERS.

REPLIES SENT TO ALL—THE AMERICAN PEOPLE STUDYING FINANCE AS THEY NEVER STUDIED IT BEFORE.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Washington, Aug. 18.—Not in the memory of the oldest employe of the Treasury Department has the demand for information on financial matters been so great as at present. Mr. Preston, Director of the Mint, is daily in receipt of about 200 letters of inquiry about financial matters, every one of which is replied to provided it is of a character that permits of an answer. In some cases these letters are referred to three or four bureaus of the department in order to get the required information. Most of the letters can be replied to by a mere reference to Circular No. 123, which is a book of answers so as to indicate where the information sought can be found. Other letters contain questions which have to be specifically answered by letter. Mr. Preston has detailed one clerk, whose sole duty it is to attend to such work. Great care is taken to express no "opinion" in these replies, and only the coldest "facts" are given. Now and then an abusive letter is received, but these are very rare. A few days ago a letter was received from a town in Virginia, asking certain questions and couched in ordinary language, but at the end of the page the correspondent marked "Over!" On the other side of the sheet was a deluge of abuse of Government officials and "their lying circulars," all of which the correspondent said would be changed after March 4, when Bryan would come in and give the people a clean and pure Government. The questions were politely answered, but no attention was paid to the deluge of abuse.

The political proclivities of inquirers after financial truth never influence the replies that are given. Since Circular 123 was gotten out the queries of correspondents have been of no new kind, and the replies have been of no new kind. The inquiries for information on financial questions come from all parts of the country. Earlier in the campaign they were chiefly from Ohio, Indiana, Kansas and Nebraska. Now they are being received from Michigan, Wisconsin and other States. The feature of the letters is that the current questions are frequently received from bankers and editors of newspapers. The inquiries for information on financial questions come from all parts of the country. Earlier in the campaign they were chiefly from Ohio, Indiana, Kansas and Nebraska. Now they are being received from Michigan, Wisconsin and other States. The feature of the letters is that the current questions are frequently received from bankers and editors of newspapers.

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BRAN MAKES A DENIAL.

NEVER DREW MONEY FROM THE SILVER MINERS OWNERS.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO SENATOR THURSTON—THE CANDIDATE TRIES HIS LUCK FIRST—ING, WITH POOR SUCCESS.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Upper Red Hook, N. Y., Aug. 18.—On his return from a fishing trip to-night William J. Bran gave out a prepared answer to the allegation made by Senator John M. Thurston that Mr. Bran was in the pay of the mine-owners. Mr. Bran's statement follows: I have already denied this charge on several occasions, but the repetition by Senator Thurston in his answer to my letter, I have never at any time or under any circumstances been in the employ of, or received money from, any of the mine-owners. The "Omaha World-Herald" and a small amount derived from the legal profession, my income during the past year. My income during the past year. My income during the past year.

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