

PROMINENT FIGURES IN THE EPISCOPAL GENERAL CONVENTION WHICH OPENS IN BOSTON TO-DAY.

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DEATH DOESN'T STOP AUTOS.

NASSAU COUNTY STANDS BY ITS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS—ONLY ONE DISSENTING VOTE.

Machinist, Thrown from Car on Vanderbilt Cup Course, Dies from His Injuries—French Cars at Hempstead.

Mineola, Long Island, Oct. 4 (Special).—Before the Board of Supervisors of Nassau County the residents of that county interested in Saturday's automobile race for the cup offered by William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., discussed to-day the dangers that the contest might bring and the advantages that it might cause. They finally decided, on vote of all present, to give a vote of confidence to the Supervisors for their action in granting permission for the speed trial. A single vote of protest was all that represented the widely heralded opposition to the race by the citizens of the county.

It had been expected that the meeting would result in a stormy debate, but those who had looked for a contest were disappointed. It was plainly evident throughout the discussion that the prevailing sentiment favored the race. Nine speakers declared for it and four against it. After all had the opportunity of giving their views, Timothy Treadwell, a wealthy farmer of East Williston, offered a resolution giving the Board of Supervisors a vote of confidence in regard to all its acts in connection with the granting of permission to the American Automobile Association. This resolution was put to a vote of the meeting and carried with only one dissenting voice.

Mr. Pardington did much to remove the opposition by declaring that the racing committee of the American Automobile Association had sent word to the owners of the automobiles entered in the race that speed trials over the course must stop, and that any violation of this order would subject the offender to disqualification. He said that numbers would be given to the contestants in the afternoon, to be placed on their cars, and that offenders could easily be detected by them.

One of the strongest supporters of the race was Wilbur R. Lewis, a farmer, of Westbury. He declared the protest at this late hour was a weak one, saying, "We are not here for any clique." He referred to the great benefits which had accrued to Nassau County through the presence of the men who were interested in the holding of this race, and said he believed they should be encouraged. He said the race would be an advantage to the county and a big advertisement, and that every taxpayer would yet rejoice that the men who are interested in it had come there and invested in real estate. As an instance of the benefits of the wealthy men settling in Nassau, Mr. Lewis cited one instance of a piece of property which was on the assessment rolls of North Hempstead last year for \$500, and this year the property, through improvement, had advanced to \$60,000, and was so assessed.

"The automobilists have come to stay," said Mr. Lewis, "and they should have a more cordial welcome. They are the men who are responsible for much of the advancement and improvement of the county, and not the people who had lived in the county all their lives."

Other speakers who favored the race were R. J. Powers, of Central Park; H. J. Dietz, of Hempstead; J. Kraatz, of Hicksville; D. M. Munger, of Glen Cove, and W. H. Haydock, of Roslyn. Theophilus Parsons, representing the Board of Trustees of the village of Hempstead, said that the board did not desire to take any action to prevent the race, but thought the speed trials which had been held should be stopped.

William F. Wyckoff told of the expense incurred by the automobile association, and filed several petitions in favor of the race, among them one signed by all save five of the residents of New Hyde Park, a village through the heart of which the cars will dash ten times on the day

of the race. Another from Great Neck bore the names of 150 residents. Those who spoke in opposition to the contest were H. M. Bennett, secretary of the People's Protective Association; John A. Taylor, James Vanderveer and Charles T. Myers. Mr. Vanderveer asked who would be responsible if any one was injured in the race, and was told that the automobile association would. By the terms of the consent for the race the association holds the county of Nassau harmless. It might have been a country fair that was taking place, so great was the throng that gathered in and about the courthouse to learn the outcome of the meeting. Long lines of automobiles of the latest and best makes were in front of the courthouse. The farmers came in their wagons and in vehicles of every kind. Among those who attended the meeting were William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., the donor of the cup that will be fought for on Saturday; William F. Wyckoff, representing the American Automobile Association's interest; O. H. P. Belmont, W. G. Brokaw, Clarence Gray Dismore and Winthrop E. Scarritt, president of the Automobile Club of America.

DIES FROM AUTO SMASH.

Hurts of J. S. Rigby Prove Fatal—No Blame for Farmer on Road.

Mineola, Long Island, Oct. 4 (Special).—Harold Rigby, the young man thrown from a Pope-Toledo racing automobile near the village of Hicksville, after making the round of the course for the Vanderbilt Cup race, died this morning in the Nassau Hospital, at Mineola, despite all efforts of Dr. Louis N. Lanehart and the nurses of the hospital, who had been working diligently over the young man since he was first brought to the hospital. H. C. Anderson and Herbert H. Lyttle, who were the other two men on the wrecked car, were not seriously hurt, although they received serious cuts and bruises. Anderson was knocked unconscious.

One of Rigby's ribs had punctured his lung. He was only twenty-four years old, and had just arrived yesterday on Long Island, where he was to act as an expert mechanic, to ride on the 20-horsepower car on Saturday with Lyttle, who was to steer the machine. He lived with his mother in Toledo, and his body will be sent there.

The machine was considerably damaged, but it is said that it can be repaired in time for Saturday's race. Lyttle will drive it, in spite of his accident.

Mr. Webb, one of the officials of the Toledo company, who will guide the other Toledo machine in the race, in speaking of the accident this morning, said: "It's not true at all that a farmer drove his wagon directly in front of Lyttle's machine, which resulted in his turning abruptly out to avoid a collision which partly wrecked his machine, and, in addition, which partly wrecked Rigby. This is absolutely untrue. The same accident that caused his accident happened to me on July 16, last, when at Yonkers, my steering gear broke, or knuckled, and for a time the car was useless. This occurred yesterday to Lyttle when he turned out from a passenger wagon. He was driving his machine only twenty or twenty-five miles and hour, but the road being extremely narrow, he plowed into the fence before he could stop his machine. Four men passed in an 'auto,' but they did not go to the assistance of the three injured men.

The accident is deeply regretted, but it is one of those accidents that occasionally happen and cannot be avoided. None of the drivers who will enter Saturday's race have noticed any unpleasantness from the Long Island farmers, and, it seems to me, very unjust to accuse them of making trouble, for I do not believe any of them have ever contemplated any such move.

The arrival of the three 50-horsepower Panhard cars here to-day that were held at the Custom House completes the number of automobiles that will enter in the Vanderbilt Cup race on Saturday. The machines were stripped to the bones, and were taken over the course at

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EDISON PROTECTS NAME. SON'S CO. UNDER BAN.

Fraud Orders Against the Thomas A. Edison, Jr., Chemical Concern.

Washington, Oct. 4.—Fraud orders have been issued by the Postoffice Department against the Thomas A. Edison, Jr., Chemical Company, its officers and agents, and against Thomas A. Edison, Jr., the oldest son of the famous inventor. The sweeping order was directed particularly against the use of the mails for the sale of a device known as "the Magneto-Electric Vitalizer," of which young Edison was extensively advertised as the inventor. The offices of the company are at Nos. 14 and 16 Stone-st., New-York, and from there a large and lucrative business was carried on, but it failed to appeal to the officials of the Postoffice Department as a legitimate enterprise and was accordingly suppressed.

Franklin Everhart, who, it is alleged, was interested in "The Investors' Guardian" and the United States Credit Company, both of which are under the ban of the department, is connected with the management of the Thomas A. Edison, Jr., Chemical Company, and his association with the exploitation of the remedy was the officials declare, sufficient in itself to warrant an investigation. The directors are made up of men who have borne good reputations for business integrity, and some of them, it is assumed, had little or no knowledge of the business, or the merits or demerits of "the magneto-electric vitalizer." The directors are W. R. Shaw, coffee merchant, New-York; W. Newton Bennington, real estate and racing man, New-York; W. Pillingham, a New-York attorney; H. D. Schuure, president of the National Bank of Sellers Grove, Penn.; State Senator E. M. Hummel, of Sellers Grove, Penn.; W. W. Missner, a Wilmington (Del.) lawyer, and Willis G. Towne, president of the Pennsylvania and West Virginia Coal Company, who is also president of the Thomas A. Edison, Jr., Chemical Company.

Mr. Towne is regarded here as a man of good reputation, who, though financially interested, has the knowledge of the management of the company. His connection with the enterprise as its president indicates, officials declare, more of negligence than of improper intent.

Thomas A. Edison, Sr., was the petitioner in the action bringing the fraudulent character of the company exploiting his son's name to the attention of the Postoffice Department. Mr. Edison, Sr., acting in cooperation with the inventive genius of his offspring. He declares that Thomas A. Edison, Jr., has never shown any ability as an inventor or expert, and believes that he is incapable of making an invention or discovery of merit. Young Edison, in his own behalf, declares that he merely suggested the idea of a portable medical battery which others, acting for the company, carried out. Application for a patent was then made. Mr. Edison, Sr., charges that the company did this for the purpose of connecting the name of Edison with its invention, which would help the sale of any kind of article. It was further asserted that young Edison was paid a salary of \$35 a week, and appeared at the office only to draw his pay.

Acting on the suggestion of Thomas A. Edison, Sr., a hearing in the case was had on September 21, at which the attorney for the company failed to convince the Postoffice that the device was operative or the business legitimate. A letter was sent to Mr. Edison by F. L. Allen, Commissioner of Patents, a year or more ago, in which he referred to the receipt of a patent for a battery. This letter was dated February 2, 1903, and was as follows:

If this device is correctly described, the so-called battery appears to be inoperative. It consists of two plates of copper with interposed acidulated blotting paper. Application for a patent was then made. Mr. Edison, Sr., charges that the company did this for the purpose of connecting the name of Edison with its invention, which would help the sale of any kind of article. It was further asserted that young Edison was paid a salary of \$35 a week, and appeared at the office only to draw his pay.

It was then suggested that alterations be made, and this was evidently done, for Mr. Edison received another opinion from the Patent Office, dated February 1, 1904, in which the device was found to be "still inoperative, and the claims rejected on that ground."

Postoffice Department officials believe that Franklin Everhart has been the moving spirit in this enterprise, as in other concerns against which orders have been issued. He is also connected with a company now under investigation, and the postoffice inspectors express the hope that within a comparatively short time all enterprises with which he is connected and which are found to be

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CONVENTION OPENS TO-DAY. THE PRIMATE AT BOSTON.

Archbishop Entertained at Dinner—Many Delegates Arrive.

Boston, Oct. 4.—What is considered by the leading bishops and lay deputies as the most important convocation of Episcopalians ever held in this country will be formally opened in this city to-morrow, when the triennial general convention will be assembled in Emmanuel Church. Before the opening session a service will be held in Trinity Church, at which the Archbishop of Canterbury and prelates from four continents will be present. It is expected that nearly one hundred bishops will be in the solemn procession which precedes the services. The preacher will be the Right Rev. Dr. William Crowell Doane, Bishop of Albany.

About two-thirds of the bishops and deputies had reached the city to-night, and more are expected on the early morning trains. The Archbishop of Canterbury, the first occupant of the chair of St. Augustine to attend a convention of the Episcopal Church in this country, arrived from New-York on a special train which reached the city at 2:50 p. m. Dr. Davidson was accompanied by Mrs. Davidson, J. Pierpont Morgan, who is a deputy from New-York; the Rev. Hyla Holden and the Rev. J. Ellison, Vicar of Windsor, chaplains to the Primate. Miss Morgan was also of the party.

The special train stopped at the Back Bay Station, where the Archbishop was greeted by Bishop William Lawrence, of the Diocese of Massachusetts, and Richard H. Dana, of Cambridge, chairman of the executive committee having in charge the general arrangements for the convention. The Archbishop's party was driven to the Commonwealth-ave. residence of the bishop, whose guest Dr. Davidson will be during his stay. Mr. Morgan and Miss Morgan were driven to the home of J. Montgomery Sears, in Arlington-st., which the financier will occupy during the three weeks that the convention is in session.

A DINNER FOR THE ARCHBISHOP.

To-night Amory Lawrence, of this city, gave a dinner for the English Primate at the Tullerier. Plates were laid for forty persons. Bishop Lawrence and other leading churchmen of this diocese were among the guests.

At the business headquarters of the convention, in Copley Hall, to-day hundreds of visitors registered and were assigned to quarters at hotels or private houses. In the afternoon the deputies from this diocese assembled in Emmanuel Church, as provided for by the canons, and took part in the drawing of seats for all the delegates. It has not been definitely settled who will be elected chairman of the House of Deputies, but it is expected an attempt will be made to have the Rev. Dr. Charles L. Hutchins, of Concord, Mass., who was secretary of the House for many years, chosen. Bishop Tuttle, of Missouri, the presiding Bishop of the Church, will occupy the chair in the House of Bishops.

A number of matters of the first importance are to be acted on, including the question of changing the name of the Church, that of altering the divorce canon to prevent the remarriage of any person whose partner is still living, a proposition to group the diocese into provinces with a primate at the head of each proposed district, the question of adopting the English system of electing bishops suffragan to assist in large dioceses and in dioceses where the negro problem is uppermost, and the general plan of meeting conditions in the insular possessions. Several new bishops are to be chosen by the convention.

BISHOPS PRESIDE AT MEETING.

To-day Bishop Leighton Coleman, of Delaware, presided over a conference of diocesan Sunday school lessons committees in Grace Church, Newton, and at the Church of the Advent, Boston, the Right Rev. Reginald H. Weller, Bishop Coadjutor of Fond du Lac, Wis., conducted a quiet day for the Brotherhood of the

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HENRY C. PAYNE DEAD. END COMES PEACEFULLY.

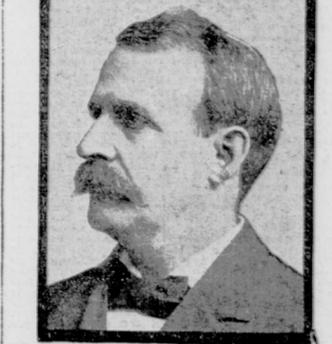
Postmaster General Passes Away After a Week's Illness.

Washington, Oct. 4.—Postmaster General Henry C. Payne died at 10 minutes after 6 o'clock this evening. All the members of his immediate family were with him, as were his secretary and a number of his friends. The end came only a few moments after the President left the Arlington, he having deferred an intended ride to call at the Postmaster General's apartments. Mr. Payne had been unconscious since 3 o'clock in the afternoon. He passed away quietly and without suffering. The death and its cause were announced in the following official bulletin issued by the attending physicians:

The Postmaster General died at 6:10 p. m. He died peacefully, without a struggle. Cause of death, disease of mitral valve and dilatation of the heart.

P. M. RIXEY, G. LLOYD MAGRUDER, C. T. GRAYSON.

Mr. Payne had been in poor health for at least two years, but his last illness covered only seven days, an attack of heart trouble last week precipitating the end at a time when, after a rest,



POSTMASTER GENERAL HENRY C. PAYNE. Who died in Washington yesterday.

he seemed to have recovered a small measure of his vitality, impaired by years of arduous labor. Death this afternoon came after nearly six hours of unconsciousness.

Around Mr. Payne's bedside at the time of his death were his wife, the Rev. Dr. Dunlap, of St. John's Episcopal Church; Major and Mrs. W. S. Cameron, of Jamestown, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Cameron, of Milwaukee; Charles L. Jones and Miss Louise Jones, relatives; Mrs. Whitney, Mr. Payne's private secretary; Miss Marie Barber, companion of Mrs. Payne; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Mason, of Washington, old friends of Mr. and Mrs. Payne, and the faithful colored messenger at the Postoffice Department.

PRESIDENT TO ISSUE A PROCLAMATION.

When the Postmaster General had passed away Dr. Magruder led Mrs. Payne out of the room. It was stated that she had stood bravely the heavy strain. The last day had been one in which practically all hope had been abandoned. The approach of death began about noon, when the Postmaster General lost consciousness and no longer recognized those whom he had attempted to cheer in the course of his illness by saying to them that he was "all right." When Mrs. Payne saw that the end was near she summoned the Rev. Dr. Dunlap, of St. John's Episcopal Church, and at her request he read at the bedside Psalm cxxx. "Out of the depths."

HIGGINS NOTIFICATION. AMID GREAT ENTHUSIASM.

Other Republican State Candidates Informed at Olean.

Olean, N. Y., Oct. 4.—In the presence of his friends and neighbors, greeted with enthusiasm and frequently interrupted with cheers, Frank Wayland Higgins to-day accepted the Republican nomination for Governor and pledged himself if elected to be the Governor of the whole people and not of any portion of a political organization. He declared that as Governor he would accept suggestions, but resist dictation, and affirmed that the nomination came to him without solicitation and that he accepted it unpledged to any man or organization and that his every official act would be determined by his own judgment. He ridiculed the Democratic platform with its grave charges, declaring that they were baseless and merely unfounded abuse. Finally he declared that the people now associated with the control of the Democratic party were the same leaders that had been driven from public life by frauds, by theft of the Senate and by scandals that would prevent their return to power as long as the memory of their former record survived.

The candidates informed were: For Governor, Frank Wayland Higgins; for Lieutenant Governor, M. Linn Bruce; for Secretary of State, John F. O'Brien; for Controller, Otto Kelsey; for State Engineer and Surveyor, Henry A. Van Alstyne; for Attorney General, Julius M. Mayer; John G. Wallenmyer, the nominee for State Treasurer; Edgar M. Cullen, the candidate for Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, and William E. Werner, the candidate for Associate Judge, were absent.

The notification ceremony was simple. It was the celebration of the fellow citizens of the nominee. Standing on his own piazza, facing the public square, Lieutenant Governor Higgins looked out at several thousand men, women and children who crowded on his lawn, filled the square beyond, and when the ceremony was over crowded to grasp him by the hand and express personal satisfaction at his nomination. The speeches, the cheering and the congratulations of the State leaders, who came either as members of the notification party or in an official capacity, were most enthusiastic. It was Tammany and McCarren applause that broke the silence of the citizens of Albany at the notification of Judge-Boss Herrick at Albany last Saturday; it was the enthusiasm of the nominee's fellow townsmen that dominated today's affair.

AFFAIR DELAYED BY ACCIDENT.

The programme had been arranged with the intention of holding the notification ceremonies at noon, but an accident on the Erie Railroad prevented the arrival of the New-York train, with several of the candidates and a majority of the committee, while Senator Malby, chairman of the notification committee, was delayed on another train. It was therefore decided to postpone the exercises until 4 o'clock. In the mean time the citizens of Olean, the delegations from adjoining towns, the voters of Cuba, Friendship and Alfred, of Chautauqua, Cattaraugus and Allegany counties declined to wait in silence. Up and down the streets two bands paraded. Companies of Roosevelt Rough Riders in khaki uniforms marched with vociferous cheers for the national and State tickets, and enthusiasm found a partial expression thus.

At 2 o'clock the first mass meeting, mention of which is made elsewhere, was held, and the mammoth tent was crowded. While this meeting was still going on the advance guard of the notification committee moved on the Lieutenant Governor's house. Ex-Lieutenant Governor Timothy L. Woodruff, William Halpin, Abraham Gruber, Julius M. Mayer, State Controller Otto Kelsey, John F. O'Brien, Secretary of State, Borough President George Cronwell of Richmond, Job E. Hodges, Francis Hendricks, Collector Nevada N. Stranahan, George W. Aldridge and scores of other invited guests and prominent Republicans greeted the candidate,