CROKER'S NEWEST MOVE.

TO OPEN STATE POLITICAL HEADQUARTERS ON HIS OWN HOOK.

They Will Be at the Hoffman House and Former Senator Murphy of Troy Will Be in Charge—Wants to Have a Show of His Own in Which Hill Can Have No Part.

There will be visible evidence after Thursday in this city of the Democratic row which is tearing the party throughout the State into shreds and tatters. On that day ex-United States Senator Edward Murphy of Troy, who is the most trusted up-State lieutenant of Richard Croker in his fight against David B. Hill, will open State campaign headquarters in the Hoffman House, from which Mr. Croker and his allies will carry on their fight for the State and national tickets. Mr. Croker announced this while he was at the Democratic Club last night. He would not say anything about the plan of campaign to be followed, nor had he any comment to make upon the announcement. When he was told that the public would be interested in knowing why he and his friends desired campaign headquarters independent of the headquarters in the St. James Building, he said that when Mr. Murphy arrived in town a statement would be issued which would explain the situation fully.

As soon as the Democratic State Committee had organized and the national ticket was nominated at Kansas City, Chairman Frank Campbell rented a suite of rooms on the seventh floor of the St. James Building at Twenty-sixth street and Broadway, from which he proposed to direct the energies of the Democratic workers throughout the State this fall. Mr. Campbell is a strong partizan of Mr. Hill. The Democratic Executive Committee was organized with Mayor McGuire of Syracuse, an ardent supporter of Mr. Hill, as its chairman. Mr. McGuire's Executive Committee includes Mr. Hill, Mr. Croker, Mr. Murphy and representatives of all the other warring factions in the Democracy. Mr. McGuire referred to it jocularly as his "harmony" committee, and predicted that the activity which would result from the clash of interests among its members would rebound to the benefit of the Democratic party. The offices which Mr. Campbell rented are expensive ones, and they are furnished with expensive fittings. Soon after the Democrats moved in it became known that Mr. Croker and the rich corporations and individuals who assist in filling the Tammany war chest were not contributing to the State Committee as they had been expected to and that the Tammany leader had decided not to give one cent of his campaign money to be spent by Mr. Campbell and Mr. McGuire. Then it was reported that Mr. Croker would not recognize the State Committee, would not visit the St James Building headquarters, and would do his work for the ticket, national and State, independent of and without regard to what Mr. Campbell, Mr. McGuire and Mr. Hill's other friends might do. It was thought that Mr. Croker would conduct his campaign either from Tammany Hall or from the Democratic Club. There the matter rested when the Democratic Executive Committee met in Saratoga on Aug. 16.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee, Chairman McGuire made a report of the work which he had done. He said he was organizing the State by school districts, the plan which was followed by the late Samuel J. Tilden when he rebuilt the Democracy in this State. Mr. McGuire read reports from Democrats in all parts of the State which were extremely gratifying to the members of the Executive Committee. After Mr. McGuire had made his report Mr. Hill spoke and then Mr. Croker spoke. Both of them said nice things about Mr. McGuire. A resolution was introduced congratulating Mr. McGuire upon his stewardship and thanking him for the work which he had done. This resolution was adopted unanimously. Then the meeting adjourned and the State Committee met, and Mr. Hill knocked the wind out of the Tammany Hall leader's people by springing a resolution to name Mr. McGuire as temporary chairman of the State Convention. The Tammany folks laid Mr. Hill's motion on the table, but they were exceedingly angry at him for introducing it, and things reached such a pass at Saratoga that Hill partisans and Croker partisans did not recognize each other when they met on the street or in the hotel corridors. The determination of Mr. Croker to open campaign headquarters here and to ignore utterly the regular Democratic State Committee indicates that Mr. Croker places no faith whatever in Mr. Hill and his lieutenants.

The opening of Croker-shev-in-Murphy headquarters in the Hoffman House means, it was said last night, that the Tammany chieftain and his friends throughout the State intend to build up a machine organized, as every State machine must be, with branches in every county, and that the fight between Mr. Croker and Mr. Hill will be carried on from now forward without quarter. Mr. Croker's determination to ignore the regular State Committee will cause some surprise to persons who have believed that he would be, above all, regular, particularly as at the time of the meeting of the regular committee at Saratoga it was demonstrated by the vote on the motion to make Mr. McGuire temporary chairman that he controlled 26 to 23. Tammany Hall is well supplied with money. The city of New York spends $80,000,000 every year, and this expenditure is controlled absolutely by Mr. Croker. Besides this enormous sum the city government, which is synonomous with Mr. Croker, has tremendous powers over the great corporations which do business within the city, and the Tammany Hall organization has never had any difficulty in raising as much money for campaign purposes as it desires. The weight of this tremendous power will be thrown into all the efforts of the Hoffman House campaign committee, at the head of which will be ex-Senator Murphy, and Mr. Croker's friends believe that he will be able to form an organization in every one of the counties of the State which will be able to fight the regular organization.

As has been said, the fight between Mr. Hill and Mr. Croker has engendered deep personal bitternesses among their followers. Mr. Croker has told his adherents that Mr. Hill and every man who thinks with him and acts with him is not a Democrat, and some of Mr. Croker's followers have gone so far as to act as though they thought Mr. Hill's friends were persons who should be avoided. It is expected that the statement which will be issued when Senator Murphy comes down here on Thursday to take charge of the Hoffman House headquarters will not be of a character to smooth the troubled Democratic waters. When Mr. Croker makes a statement it is red-hot reading.

Senator Thomas F. Grady, who went to Albany from Saratoga at Mr. Croker's request to see Justice D. Cady Herrick of the Supreme Court and asked him to lead the anti-Hill forces in Albany county, made a report yesterday. According to the gossip at the Democratic Club, Justice Herrick, who has always been anti-Hill, and who controlled Albany county for fifteen years, said he would be glad to help Mr. Croker and that he would also be glad to be the nominee for Governor. Last spring, Mr. Hill made a combination with State Committeeman Patrick McCabe, and knocked Justice Herrick out at the primaries. Mr. Croker also has his agents at work in Erie county, which, it was proved at the Saratoga meeting of the State Committee, is not controlled by National Committeeman Norman E. Mack, who told Mr. Croker at Kansas City that he carried it in his pocket.

While Mr. Croker is arranging to extend his rule over the country districts, the friends of Mr. Hill and the admirers of Comptroller Bird S. Coler are going ahead quietly in their scheme to form an anti-Croker Democracy in New York county. The suffossion of the Croker citadel has already begun. The effect of the work which is going forward now will be seen in the next municipal campaign. Mr. Coler spent yesterday at his desk in the Finance Department. Among his callers was Laurence Delmour, who is one of Mr. Croker's most intimate friends. Mr. Delmour is a great admirer of Mr. Coler. He had a talk with him yesterday which lasted for an hour. Mr. Delmour would like to see Mr. Coler nominated for Governor as the candidate of a united and harmonious Democracy. His visit to Mr. Coler yesterday was on a purely personal matter, as each of them declared after their talk was over. It was announced yesterday that Mr. Coler was to be nominated for Governor anyhow by the Plaza Twenty-seven, a representative of whom called on him in the afternoon. The Twenty-seven will hold their National Convention in Carnegie Hall on Sept. 5. The date of the State Convention has not been fixed yet.

Neither of the Hill chairmen, Campbell and McGuire, was in town yesterday. Mr. Campbell is expected to come to town to-day. Mr. McGuire to-morrow. They will repair to the St. James Building headquarters. It is expected that within the week each of the Democratic Campaign Committees will have a sign like this at the entrance to its headquarters:

ONLY GENUINE DEMOCRATIC STATE HEADQUARTERS.
POSITIVELY NO CONNECTION WITH THE CONCERNS IN THE NEXT BLOCK.

The Tammany Executive Committee has been called to meet on Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Fourteenth street wigwam. Chairman Daniel F. McMahon will preside and Mr. Croker will be there to make a speech. It was said yesterday that Tammany was going to put some of the most distinguished men who are affiliated with it on its delegation to the State Convention this year. Among them will be men who are prominent as bankers and in the law. This will be done at Mr. Croker's order. In his speech to the Executive Committeemen Mr. Croker will tell them just how he wants them to treat Mr. Coler, his boom, Senator Hill and his friends, and the leaders of Tammany Hall said last night that they expected to hear a red-hot talk.

COLUMBIAN CLUB'S OUTING.

It Was a Regular Love Feast for East Side Politicians—Congress Booms.

The Columbian Club, the Tammany Hall organization of the Twelfth Assembly district, of which City Clerk Scully is the leader, held its annual outing yesterday at Witzel's Grove, College Point, and it proved to be one of the greatest love feasts ever held on the East Side. It was attended by Democrats, Republicans, Socialists, Prohibitionists, and Ike Spiegleglass, the onion peddler of Brownsville, who proclaims himself a Populist. Although it was intended that the affair should be strictly of a social nature several Congressional booms were trotted out during the day. Pat Connolly, the Mayor of Poverty Hollow, who breathed kind words for the Hon. Tim Campbell, who is seeking the Democratic nomination for Congress in the Ninth Congressional district, expressed the sentiments of the others when he said: "Begorra, yez can git a fine hould on a man phwen yez can grasp his hand an' say 'Here's to yez an' good luck.'"

The march to the boat which conveyed the party to the grove was headed by Leader Scully and Assemblyman Sanders, president of the club. Among the others in line were the Schulums, a delegation from the Stieblings, Sam Lynch and the Sam Lynch Lobster Club; Coroner Bausch and ten of his closest friends to be used as a jury in case any inquests were necessary, Senator Samuel J. Foley, Congressman Bradley, Aldermen Smith, Fleck and Marks; Assemblymen Harburger, Cohn, Timothy P. Sullivan, Patrick Roache, and Meister; Senator Timothy D. Sullivan, ex-Judge Goldfogle, Civil Justice Hoffman, City Chamberlain Keenan, Register Fromme, Senator Ahearn, ex-Police Justice Divver and ex-Alderman Farley. About 1,500 excursionists sat down to the breakfast in the grove, after which the sports were started. Charlie Wagner, the Grand street dry goods man, and Jim Bush of the Equitable Hotel pulled off a return boxing match to the great delight of the crowd. When they met before at the chowder of the Engelites Bush got the decision because Wagner was charged with having kicked him in the shins. They fought six rounds yesterday and Bush was knocked out by a terrific punch in the stomach. Wagner was carried all around the grove on the shoulders of his admirers.

Robbery, the mascot dog of the Martin Engel Association, was stolen early in the day by a crowd of young men who appeared with him at the grove. They also had several tables. They chained the dog to a tree and opened up several cup games. Before they could gather in any money from the crowd Deputy Sheriff Joe Carey ordered them to leave the grove.

"Ve are from der Ate," said one of the gamblers, "an we haf Robbery mit us. Efferybody vill haf lug pecause of Robbery."

"Robbery don't go here to-day," said Carey. "If any robbery is to be done it will be done legitimately with fifty-two straight cards in a poker game."

"Ve go, bud ve vill tell Mardin Engel," said the spokesman as the gamblers departed. Later in the day Robbery was restored to his guardian, Janitor Schneer of the Essex Market police court, who was frantic over his absence.

It was announced during the day that Congressman Bradley would seek renomination to Congress and that the nomination would also be sought by the Hon. Martin Engel, Assemblyman Sanders, ex-Justice Goldfogle and the Hon. Tim Campbell. All the candidates, with the exception of Engel, were present and distributed handshakes freely.

When the party returned last night they paraded around the lower East side and were greeted with fireworks and illuminations.

SHEEHAN BUSY AT BUFFALO.

He Wants Delegates Friendly to Hill Sent to the State Convention.

BUFFALO, Aug. 21.—The arrival of ex-Lieut.-Gov. William F. Sheehan made a great stir among Democratic politicians here to-day. National Committeeman Norman E. Mack announced in his newspaper that Mr. Sheehan had come to get Erie county delegates for Coler. Mr. Sheehan declined to say for what purpose he came.

Political workers in all parts of the city had been notified of his coming by his old lieutenants and the Iroquois's corridors swarmed with them. Mr. Sheehan lunched with Augustus F. Scheu, ex-Assemblyman Cornelius Coughlin, ex-Comptroller Joseph E. Gavin, Superintendent of Streets Frank Reynolds, George Zillig, formery chairman of the General Committee; ex-State Committeeman John Mulhall, who is John C. Sheehan's brother-in-law, and a number of others.

It is understood that Mr. Sheehan is content to have the Erie county delegates vote for Mackey as long as Mackey is in the race, but he wants delegates friendly to Hill on all other propositions where Hill and Croker may clash. As the delegates to the State Convention will name the State Committeemen Mr. Sheehan wants men who will elect committeemen friendly to Hill.

A meeting of the town committeemen was held this afternoon at Democratic headquarters and resolutions were adopted favoring Mackey for Governor. State Committeemen Savage and Ramsperger, who voted with Hill at Saratoga, were present and supported the Mackey resolutions, but said that as between Hill and Croker they preferred the leadership of Hill. Senator Mackey in an interview to-day said that Chairman McGuire of the Executive Committee was showing bad taste in going out of his way to boom Coler, and he did not believe the State Committee should permit it.

ANTI-QUAY WORK IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Democratic State Chairman on Fusion With the Former Senator's Enemies.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Aug. 21.—The Democratic State headquarters were opened here to-day. "Our plans for fusion with the anti-Quay Republicans through the State are working very satisfactorily," said Chairman Rilling. "We expect to carry them out and when election day comes to show great results. We believe the plan of fusion is wise as advancing the cause of ballot reform and good government. We expect the fusion members of the next Legislature to support every good measure involving the welfare of the State that may come up. They will also defend the State from the attacks made along every line by the Quay machine.

"Do you believe ex-Senator Quay will be re-elected by the next Legislature?"

"Most assuredly not. In my opinion his re-election is an utter impossibility. He is already beaten. The Democratic State Committee, while devoting its time to promoting fusion, has not and will not overlook its candidate for Auditor-General. Senator Hardenbergh, the Republican candidate, is the choice of the Quay machine and the Quay machine in the Auditor-General's office is as bad as the Quay machine in the Legislature or in the Governor's chair. We expect, with help of every good citizen, to fight this machine at every point until Pennsylvania is rid of it."

FITZGERALD WONT RUN AGAIN.

Boston's Democratic Congressman Not a Candidate for Re-election.

BOSTON, Aug. 21.—John F. Fitzgerald, the Democratic Congressman from the Ninth district, which includes the North End, announces in a letter that he is not a candidate for a fourth term, and that he is not even looking for the Mayoralty nomination, an office which he has long been suspected of coveting. Congressman Fitzgerald explains in his letter that he makes the statement because of rumors to the effect that he was cleverly arranging candidacies for various offices in the district in hope of distracting the attention of some of his possible rivals from the Congress nomination. Whether the general circulation of these rumors has been intended rather to draw out Congressman Fitzgerald, it has had the effect of stirring the Congressman to a dignified denial of almost all that has been alleged. He opens by saying that he is not a candidate for a fourth term, that he believes the Hon. P. A. Collins will be renominated and elected Mayor, and should not be opposed; and that no deal is on between wards Six and Eight.

"In conclusion," writes the Congressman, "let me say that I am not cudgelling my brain to make bother for the Democratic party by planning to hold public office for myself and kill everybody else in order to accomplish my purpose."

Jobs for Two Anti-Sheehan Men.

The Goodwin-Smith faction in the Ninth district which is fighting John C. Sheehan and his followers of the Pequod Club scored a point against their adversaries yesterday by securing places in the city government for two anti-Sheehanites. Peter J. Garvey was appointed assistant clerk of the Eighth District Municipal Court for a term of six years at a salary of $3,000 and his place as clerk in the Register's office was taken by W. J. McNamara. The salary is $1,800. Both men are members of the Horatio Seymour Club, which is endeavoring to show the voters of the district that it controls all the patronage.

George E. Green Named for State Senator.

BINGHAMTON, Aug. 21.—The Republican Senatorial convention of the Thirty-eighth Senatorial district this afternoon unanimously nominated George E. Green for State Senator. Mr. Green made an address warning the Republican party that its greatest danger now lay in apathy.

BRYAN TOURING NEBRASKA.

ON HIS WAY TO TOPEKA FOR THE POPULIST NOTIFICATION.

Speaks in the Rain at Wahoo to a Crowd of 2,500—Makes a Special Appeal to Republicans—His Topeka Speech Ready—Populists Puzzled by Marion Butler's Attitude.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 21.—Mr. Bryan has completed his speech of acceptance of the Populist nomination to be delivered at Topeka on Thursday. To-day he gave to the press advance copies of the document. It contains about four thousand words, and briefly covers the issues on which the Democrats and Populists agree. He gives some time to the trust question and to the prosperity argument. After discussing old issues, he takes up militarism and argues that it would justify coöperation at this time even if the parties differed on all economic questions. He presents imperialism as the paramount issue and gives some figures to show the burdens which militarism imposes.

Populists here are rather puzzled over the announcement that Marion A. Butler will be present and officiate at the Topeka notification. At national headquarters the suspicion prevails that Butler will eventually bolt Bryan, unless he can succeed in sadling a Populist Vice-Presidential nominee upon him. Word has come here that Butler has been endeavoring to secure enough proxies to enable him and his friends who refuse to support Stevenson to control the meeting of the National Committee in Chicago next week, and this is taken to mean that if he loses he will jump the fence. It is known that he made a personal appeal to Bryan during his campaign for Senator to use his influence with North Carolina Democrats to prevent his defeat. Bryan naturally refused.

Mr. Bryan began to-day his first of a series of special train campaign tours by making an incursion into the Fourth Congress district. He spoke to a large crowd at Wahoo, and returned home to-night. At 9 o'clock he departed for Auburn, where he speaks to-morrow, and from there proceeds south by easy stages to Topeka. This trip is taken in fulfilment of a promise to the Populist nominee for Congress in the First district to speak in each of the seven counties of the district. The district is represented by Congressman Burkett, a Republican, and Mr. Bryan has also contributed $100 to the Populist nominee's campaign fund to help redeem the Presidential candidate's old district.

Rain came down in torrents at Wahoo for two hours before Bryan arrived, yet 2,500 Democrats and Populists met the Democratic candidate at the station and escorted him to the Court House yard, where for one hour they listened to him speak, in part as follows:

"I want to talk to you Republicans, believing that you are just as anxious to help your country and help your fellows by your vote as the Democrat, the Populist and the Silver Republican is. I want to show, if I can, that it is your duty to vote with us this fall. If you were with us in 1896 there is no reason why you should be against us now, unless the new questions have changed your opinions or unless you have changed your opinions on the old questions. If not, I want to talk with you about some of the new issues for a little while, and see if there is a man who voted with us on the old issues who believes the Republican party to be right on the new ones.

"The human mind is consistent and a man will apply the principle that he believes in to every question before the public, if you will just give him time. A man will go out of the party on one issue, but if he goes out and begins to apply to all questions the principles that he applied to the one issue, he is apt to be with us on all issues. We have met in 1896 to discuss the question on the silver question. Republicans who were not willing to turn over and vote the Republican ticket just because the Republican party had changed its position on the money question—Republicans who were in earnest in 1896 when they denounced the gold standard Republicans who were in earnest when they advocated bimetalism and therefore they refused to take the Republican position on the money question in 1896, and when they got out of the Republican party and began looking at the Republican party from the outside, they found that the same vicious principles ran through all the Republican doctrines and to-day they are with us not only on the silver question, but all new questions. [Applause.]

"Now the Republican party to-day does not talk in favor of silver at all. There is no talk about international bimetalism. If international bimetallism was good in 1896 it is good now. If the double standard was desirable in 1896 it is desirable now. Then why is it that the Republicans do not talk about it? Because they did not want it.

"The Republican party is trying to-day the very same policy on these other questions that it tried on the money question in 1896. They attack the trust question in their platform and yet you cannot find a Republican paper and read it without finding a defence of the trusts. Let every man ask himself how the trust is going to help him. Suppose you want to buy barb wire or oil—don't you a right to inquire why it has gone up? You know the Republicans for years told us what a blessing the Standard Oil Company was to reduce the price of oil. Yet they have declared dividends so far of 40 per cent. The trusts form associations that will raise the price of what you have to use and the Republican party allows it to be done. There were more trusts organized under the Republican Administration during the last three and a half years than were organized in the previous history of the country.

"When Mr. McKinley sent his message to Congress to give free trade to Porto Rico, then something happened. Some power behind the throne spoke and the President overrode the chairman of the Ways and Means Committee and compelled him to bring in a bill directly the opposite to the bill he first introduced.

"It is only a little more than two years ago that the President sent a message to Congress in which he said that forcible annexation is contrary to our code of morality, and yet to-day Republicans are asked to approve of a thing that was denounced as criminal aggression and against our code of morality less than three years ago.

"In regard to the Philippine question Mr. McKinley speaking in Boston a year ago said that no sordid doctrine entered into the question, but it was just destiny and duty, and yet when Senator Lodge came from the city of Boston to preside as chairman of the Republican Convention he made a speech in which he said that the Republican party made no hypocritical pretences, but that what we want is trade, and we want to expand that trade. Mr. Lodge now says that we are interested in the Philippines for the United States, and the trade question is the great question. Yes, the trade question is a question that has an important influence in determining the policy of the Government in the Philippine question. Take away the trade argument and you could not find a respectable guard to keep watch over the remains of imperialism.

"If you kill the Filipinos off and then go over there and establish a republic and forget all about having killed them, you might get over it, but you do not dare to kill them off because you would not have anybody to trade with over there; or a church for a carpet bag government.

"We say that all men are created equal. No matter what his nationality may be, man is of God's children. We ask you to help us to stand by the doctrine now. You may differ on some of these other questions, but when you begin to consider them you will find the same stand behind imperialism and would make the dollar of trade superior to rights of the people, stand behind the trusts, the gold standard and the systems of unjust taxation."

It is believed here that after the 15th of next month Mr. Bryan will take to the stump and will stick to it until the end of the campaign. He refuses to discuss his plans—in fact, says he has none.

STORM TOOK DOWN THE BANNERS.

Democratic Aldermen of Bryan's Home Had Already Ordered Them Removed.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 21.—A terrific windstorm that struck the city this morning solved a dispute between local Republicans and Democrats. Last week the Republicans strung eight or ten fine flags, with portraits of McKinley and Roosevelt attached, across the streets in the business centre. The Democrats took this to be an insult to Mr. Bryan and vowed they would have them down.

At last night's meeting of the City Council a Democratic member slipped through a resolution ordering the Street Commissioner to enforce the ordinance against pendent signs across thoroughfares. When the Republicans awoke to the scheme this morning they were mad and importuned the Mayor, a Republican, to veto the resolution. The Democrats retorted that if he did and the flags were not taken down they would invoke the Federal statute against the use of the American flag for advertising purposes.

Before anything could be done the storm came and tore down all but two of the flags, and from one of these it ripped off as cleanly as though with a knife both portraits. Mr. Bryan witnessed the storm from a hotel window and remarked: "The Almighty seems to have shown the Republicans that the flag could be hauled down without dishonor."

Tams Bixby to Conduct the Minnesota Campaign.

MUSCOGEE, I. T.—Tams Bixby, who for three years has been at the head of the Dawes Indian Commission, to-day forwarded his resignation to the Secretary of the Interior to accept the chairmanship of the Republican State Central Committee of Minnesota. He will devote his time to the conduct of the Republican campaign in Minnesota.

M'COMAS ON THE OUTLOOK.

The Maryland Senator Tells How He Tried to Explain What an Imperialist Is.

BALTIMORE, Aug. 21.—Senator McComas paid his first visit to Republican headquarters here to-day and was at once asked to give his views regarding the coming campaign. The Senator was confident of success. He said the situation in Maryland was all that could be desired. He declared that Republican success in Maryland was assured.

In discussing his tour abroad, in connection with politics, Mr. McComas said:

"On the subject of imperialism, as they term it, some of the Democratic press seem to have gone wild. I had the pleasure of taking lunch with Lord Alverstone, the Master of the Rolls and the probable successor to Lord Chief Justice Russell, several days ago in London. He said to me:

"'Senator, what is imperialism? I see that some of your papers are continually talking of imperialists and imperialism.'

"I had to think for a minute or so and then I said to him:

"'I can't tell you what an imperialist in our country is. I never saw one. I don't think that there is a man in our country who is an imperialist by disposition, utterance or aspiration. I think that with us the species is extinct.'

"The most ridiculous statement that I see made as a campaign argument by the Democratic newspapers is that there will be a Republican Senate and that Mr. Bryan can't do very much harm anyhow. Even this I deny. I say that if Bryan is elected there will be a scant but inevitable majority of two Democrats in the Senate and a very decided Democratic majority in March, 1903. I should be very glad to believe that there would be a Republican majority in order to protect the country, but it is not so and those who are making this claim are misleading the people."

SILVER CRAZE ABATING.

An Editor From Wyoming Thinks His State Will Go Republican.

CHICAGO, Aug. 21.—E. A. Slack, proprietor and editor of the *Daily Sun-Leader*, of Cheyenne, Wyo., was a visitor at Republican National Headquarters yesterday. In an interview, he said:

"The Republican party in Wyoming is in excellent shape. The silver craze which swept over the Rocky Mountain States four years ago has abated and many Republicans who left the party at that time on the money issue have come back into the fold.

"The State of Wyoming is quite prosperous. This is particularly true in the wool industry, which has been stimulated by the tariff and the general business revival throughout the country. Wool growers all realize that the future depends largely on a continuation of the prosperity which now prevails, and I believe they will, to a man, support McKinley.

"There will be, practically, little opposition to Senator Warren. He is immensely popular throughout our State. The Democrats have not as yet nominated, but indications point to John E. Osborne as their probable candidate. The Democrats are ignoring silver and the tariff. They realize that the predictions the party made four years ago have not materialized, and that its position along this line is lamentably weak.

"Our people are paying little attention to this so-called imperialism, but are content to think seriously of the financial and tariff questions. I am satisfied that the Republicans will be victorious in November. Wyoming will give a handsome majority for McKinley and Roosevelt."

JERSEY COUNTY CHAIRMEN MEET.

Encouraging Republican Reports From Every Quarter of the State.

TRENTON, N. J., Aug. 21.—In answer to a call sent out by Senator E. C. Stokes, the acting head of the Republican State Committee, the chairmen of sixteen Republican county committees of the State met here this afternoon. From every quarter of the State the reports received were of a most encouraging character. Each of the planks in the Democratic platform was taken up and then each chairman was asked what effect it was having in his locality.

The reports indicated that the fight being made by the Democrats against the trusts is having but small influence in the campaign in the State, except in the rural districts of Somerset, Sussex, Warren, Hunterdon and Morris. It was also the opinion of the conference, and almost unanimously, that the anti-expansion arguments of the Democrats are proving a boomerang to that party. The committeemen were of the opinion also that not enough stress had been laid upon the money question as one of the dominant issues in the campaign, generally speaking, this is a portion of the National Democratic platform which the leaders of that party relegate to the background in this State. The Republican leaders here feel that an effort should be made to impress upon the voters the danger threatened by free silver.

DELAWARE REPUBLICANS.

The Regular Faction Places Men From the Union Faction on Its Ticket.

WILMINGTON, Del., Aug. 21.—The Regular Republicans held their State Convention here this afternoon. The platform adopted commended the President for his successful Administration and especially for his treatment of the Chinese case. The whole tenor of the speeches was in favor of harmonizing the party differences in the State. The following ticket was named: Congress, short term, Walter O. Hoffecker; Congress, full term, Jonathan S. Willis; Governor, Martin B. Burris; Lieutenant Governor, John Hunn; Attorney-General, H. H. Ward; State Auditor, P. B. Norman; State Treasurer, L. H. Ball; Insurance Commissioner, G. E. Smith. On the Union Republican ticket Hoffecker, Hunn and Ward were named for the same places given to them to-day. Burris was changed from State Treasurer to Governor. The convention gave the State Committee power to receive resignations and to supply vacancies and to do whatever could be accomplished in the direction of making a ticket acceptable to both factions.

The second Union Republican convention will be held on Thursday to take action on the work of the convention of two weeks ago, which was irregular.

Hearty Welcome for Roosevelt in Lincoln's Old Home.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Aug. 21.—When Gov. Roosevelt visits this city he will be welcomed with a grand parade, fireworks and other entertainment. A walking cane made from timber taken from the old home of Abraham Lincoln is to be given to him. The head of the cane is to be made from a part of the tree under which Lincoln stood when making his first speech in the memorable Douglas-Lincoln contest. A golden band, properly inscribed, will be placed around the top of the historic stick.

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NO CIT. NOMINATIONS THIS FALL.

Organization Announced This Decision at the August Meeting Held Yesterday.

The Central City Committee of the Citizens' Union held its August meeting yesterday and passed a resolution to the effect "That it is the sense of this committee that no local nominations should be made by the Citizens' Union this fall." Joseph M. Price, the representative of the Nineteenth district, renewed the motion he made at the July meeting, asking that Monday, Sept. 19, be set as the date for a local convention in his district to consider the advisability of making Senate and Assembly nominations this fall and, if it was decided wise, to make the nominations. Then the committee adopted a resolution saying that it was opposed to any nominations.

The men who have contributed most largely to the success of the Citizens' Union have made up their minds that the only way it can be useful in a municipal campaign is by sticking to municipal affairs and not getting mixed up in State and national contests. They are very anxious not to antagonize anybody this year, and the action of Mr. Price and his friends in insisting on dragging the union into the contest this fall is regarded by some of the leading members of the union as evidence of a desire to disrupt the organization and to make it impossible for it to oppose Tammany Hall in 1901. The association between Mr. Price and his friends and Tammany Hall leaders has been very close in the past, and a prominent member of the union said yesterday that the actions of this faction of the organization were being closely watched. It will be remembered that Mr. Price and his friends made a deal with Police Commissioner John D. Sexton, Tammany leader of the Nineteenth Assembly district, last year to oppose the Republican nominee for the Assembly, and this deal resulted in the election of Perez M. Stewart, who is now actively engaged with Mr. Price in an effort to nominate a third national ticket.

KINGS REPUBLICANS STIRRING.

Hot Battles Expected at the Primaries—Daly in Peril.

There will be lively skirmishing almost all along the line at the Republican primaries in Brooklyn next Tuesday. This is largely due to the general confidence in a sweeping victory in November, and the consequent sharp competition for the nominations for Congress, Senate and Assembly, even in districts where the Republicans have ordinarily only a mere fighting chance. The rival candidates have been hustling for delegates all through the summer, and the primaries are therefore sure to be unusually interesting. It has been an open field this year for all the aspiring statesmen, and, except in the case of the Fifth and Sixth Congress districts, in which the Hon. Jacob Worth and Bert Bebs are respectively slated for nomination, nothing has been positively determined.

The most bitter factional fight to be determined at the primaries is that between Col Michael J. Dady and former Tax Collector R. Ross Appleton for control of the First Assembly district. If Dady loses he will probably retire from the chairmanship of the Executive Committee, although his term would not expire until the close of the year. He and his friends realize that if discredited in his own territory he would be out of place as the chief manager of the campaign. There are many earnest Republicans, who have only the good of the party at heart, who believe that he should retire at once without awaiting the result of the primaries, in view of the factional sentiment he has aroused not only in his own but other districts. In a couple of weeks, when the campaign gets under full headway, this sentiment it is said, is sure to become more pronounced.

SOCIALIST CAMPAIGN OPENS.

Presidential Candidate Moloney Addresses an Open-Air Meeting.

Joseph Francis Moloney, Presidential candidate of the Socialist Labor party, addressed an open-air meeting last night of the Socialists of the Thirteenth Assembly district. Candidate Moloney spoke from a sort of wooden cage, decorated with transparencies, which was erected at the southeast corner of Tenth avenue and Thirty-seventh street. John Donohue was chairman of the meeting. Moloney looks like a pocket edition of William Jennings Bryan. He has a loud voice, and the audience, which was small at first increased when he began to speak to about five hundred persons.

He said that an aristocracy was rising up here like that in Europe, composed of the idle class, which lived on the bone and sinew of the working people. "Both Billy McKinley and Billy Bryan belong to this class," he said. "They belong to the plutocracy which is for the dollar all the time, and has no flag, no God and no country. Their class has grabbed nearly everything under the sun and would grab the sun too if God didn't keep His hand on it."

Moloney referred to the labor union leaders as "labor fakirs" and "Judas Iscariots," and said that tramps and criminals were the result of the capitalistic system. The Socialist Labor party did not promise anything, he said, but the people threw away their votes who voted for the old parties. If they voted for revolutionary socialism as represented in the Socialist Labor party they would help to hasten the time when the people would be emancipated and own the land, the houses, the tools of labor and everything else in the country.

SALINE COUNTY FOR M'KINLEY.

Kansas Farmers There Are Getting Good Prices for a Big Wheat Crop.

TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 21.—Saline county, in the centre of the great wheat belt, with a Fusion majority of 300 since 1890, will this year probably give a majority to McKinley and Roosevelt. There are twenty-five voting precincts in the county, and up to to-night it is estimated that an average of ten voters in every precinct who supported Bryan in 1896 have changed to the Republican party.

The unparalleled prosperity of Saline county is responsible for this situation. The farmers have raised and harvested 3,000,000 bushels of wheat this year. This product alone will bring to that one county $2,000,000. It is being used for new wagons, traps and phaetons, pianos, sewing machines and luxuries as well as in building of telephone lines out through the country. Two hundred Saline county boys and girls are getting ready to attend college in the State institutions. Many will take courses at Harvard, Yale and other Eastern educational institutions, the expenses for which will be paid by the big wheat crop now ready for market.

Gov. Roosevelt Returns to Oyster Bay.

Gov. Roosevelt returned from Washington yesterday. He went from the Twenty-third street ferry of the Pennsylvania Railroad to the Union League Club, and after remaining there for a few moments he went down to his home at Oyster Bay. It is supposed that Gov. Roosevelt's trip to Washington was inspired by a desire to talk with President McKinley and his advisers in regard to his letter of acceptance and the matter of his campaign speeches in the West.

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CONNECTICUT REPUBLICANS.

McLean Ahead of Warner in the Caucuses for Governor Held Thus Far.

HARTFORD, Conn., Aug. 21.—Ninety of the 168 towns in Connecticut have already held their caucuses to elect delegates to the Republican State Convention to be held in New Haven next month. The fight has enlisted the same forces on each side as took part in the contest for the chairmanship of the State Committee in the spring. The State Convention held in this city in June reelected Orsamus R. Fyler chairman of the Republican State Committee after Samuel Fessenden had made the fight of his life to oust Mr. Fyler and secure the chairmanship himself. This defeat of Mr. Fessenden was followed at the Republican National Convention by his deposition from the Republican National Committee, on which he had served as member from Connecticut for several years. Charles F. Brookes of Ansonia was elected his successor.

The Fessenden political plan included the nomination of Donald T. Warner for Governor this fall. It is conceded that Mr. Fessenden's defeat dealt a heavy blow to Mr. Warner's chances, but the combination has been at work with a will and is making a considerable showing in the caucuses held with the Fyler forces, which include a large majority of the State Committeemen, has been the Hon. George P. McLean, and he is the candidate for Governor who represents the Fyler faction of the party and stands opposed to Fessenden and Warner.

There will be 504 delegates in the State Convention, 253 necessary for a choice. Two hundred and eighty delegates have been elected so far, of whom 180 are credited to McLean, 100 to Warner. There are 224 delegates still to be chosen by counties, as follows: Hartford, 18; New Haven, 34; New London, 32; Fairfield, 38; Windham, 24; Litchfield, 36; Middlesex, 12; Tolland, 30.

For its "moral effect" both candidates had caucuses called early in the towns where they were sure of capturing the delegates. The result is that the caucuses still to be held will be the hardest fought and most significant.

The indications are that Mr. McLean will secure the nomination by about the same margin that Fyles won out over Fessenden for chairman of the State Committee. It is possible that he may secure about two-thirds of the delegates.

German-Americans for McKinley.

The Committee on Organization of the German-American McKinley-Roosevelt League met last evening and completed the organization for the boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx by electing chairmen for each of The Assembly districts. The Bronx headquarters are at 161st street and Brook avenue. The League's headquarters in Brooklyn are at Broadway and Melrose street. Headquarters will be opened soon in Queens and Richmond, and organizations have been formed already in