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Union Republican Nominations.

FOR GOVERNOR,
ASAHEL PECK,
OF JERICHO.

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR,
LYMAN G. HINCKLEY,
OF CHELSEA.

FOR TREASURER,
JOHN A. PAGE,
OF MONTPELIER.

COUNTY NOMINATIONS.

Senators JOHN W. HOWELL, Randolph.
WM. T. GEORGE, Topsham.
Judges CHESTER DICKEY, Orange.
NATHAN B. COBB, Stratford.
State Attorney N. L. BOYD, Randolph.
Mayor SAUNDERS K. BERRY, Thetford.
High Bailiff CHARLES COCKER, Brookfield.
Judges of Probate
Randolph Dist., W. H. NICHOLS, Randolph.
Brattleboro Dist., H. W. BAILEY, Newbury.

—Hon. Samuel N. Bell of Manchester, N. H., has been appointed Chief Justice of the State.

A. S. HARDY, Professor of Civil Engineering in the Scientific Department at Dartmouth, has just returned from Europe, having spent a year in study in Paris.

HON. C. W. WILLARD withdrew his name from the First Vermont Congressional Dist. Convention Wednesday, and Col. Joyce was nominated by acclamation.

A QUANTITY of stolen bonds, part of which were obtained by burglars at Burlington, Montpelier and St. Albans, have been recovered in New York, and the suspected thieves are in custody.

THE New Hampshire Legislative Committee appointed to investigate the condition of the National Savings Bank of Concord have submitted their report. They severely censure the Trustees of the bank for lax discipline and unbusinesslike conduct. The bank is represented in a sound condition.

FAIRS. The Vermont State Fair will be held at Rutland, September 8, 9, 10 and 11. The address will be delivered by Hon. Justin S. Morrill, at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon. The New Hampshire State Fair is to be at Manchester, September 29 and 30 and October 1 and 2. The New England Fair will be held in connection with the Rhode Island Society at Narragansett Park, Providence, September 1, 2, 3 and 4.

HARPER'S Weekly says, "More and more will be acknowledged the truth of what Gen. W. F. Bartlett said in speaking of the Memorial Hall and the sons of Harvard College who fell in the war. They died for their country—the South no less than the North. And the Southern youth, in the days to come, will see this, and as he stands in these hallowed halls and read those names, realizing the grandeur and power of a country which, thanks to them, is still his, will exclaim, 'These men fought for my salvation as well as their own. They died to preserve not merely the unity of a nation, but the destinies of a continent.' So, and so only, will conciliation come. Brave and devoted men, whatever their cause, honor bravery and devotion. The Radical Republican, not the copperhead of the war, will at last be more truly respected by the sturdy supporter of the lost cause as the man who, like himself, stood to his faith and his guns."

THE great sensation at the "Hub" for the past two weeks has been Barum's Hippodrome, which opened there on the 3d inst. and will remain until the 23d, when it will be taken to Philadelphia. The papers have been filled with descriptions of the wonderful sights witnessed and feats performed nightly. Surprise follows surprise, and novelties succeed novelties in rapid succession, until the beholder is lost in wonder and amazement. At each exhibition the largest pavilion ever erected in the world is crowded, many persons attending night after night. Our New York Letter of the present week contains a description of one night's performance in New York, which will give the reader a faint idea of what is done. No one visiting Boston should fail to see this wonder of the nineteenth century.

—Rev. B. M. Tillotson of the Church of the Messiah, St. Johnsbury, married the 1000th couple on the 2d ult.

District Convention.

The delegates from the various towns in the Second Congressional District met at the Junction House at White River Junction, Wednesday Aug. 12, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Representative in Congress.

The convention was called to order by Franklin Fairbanks, chairman of the District Committee, and upon the roll of delegates being called 148 responded to their names. In accordance with the usual custom the District Committee nominated a temporary chairman and presented the name of Hon. Abishia Stoddard of Townshend, who was unanimously elected. Orin Gambell, Jr., and Henry Safford were elected temporary secretaries.

Upon motion of B. D. Harris of Brattleboro, the temporary organization was made the permanent one with the addition of one vice-President from each county. The chair appointed Luther O. Green, John Wait, Horace Fairbanks and J. D. Bridgeman, vice-Presidents.

Upon motion of C. S. Dana the convention proceeded to ballot for candidate for Representative in Congress.

J. D. Bridgeman of Brattleboro, in a few appropriate remarks presented the name of Hon. Luke P. Poland as a candidate.

J. R. Keniston of Peacham, presented the name of Col. John B. Mead.

A. T. Baldwin of Newbury, presented the name of D. C. Denison. The nomination of Judge Poland was ably seconded by Col. Farnham and Horace Fairbanks.

Hugh Henry seconded the nomination of Denison and Alpha Meser that of Col. Mead.

The chair appointed H. D. Bridgeman, J. R. Keniston and A. T. Baldwin tellers.

As the roll was called each delegate came forward and deposited his ballot.

Although the re-nomination was confidently expected by his friends and almost conceded by his opponents yet the result of the ballot was awaited with much anxiety.

Upon the completion of the count the chair announced the result as follows:

Whole number of votes cast	148
Necessary for choice	75
L. P. Poland had	82
D. C. Denison	36
J. B. Mead	25
H. H. Wheeler	5

The result of the ballot was received with cheers.

Up to this time all had been harmony in the Convention. No objection had been made to any proceeding of the Convention and the call of each candidate had been fairly submitted to the Convention and as fairly decided.

Henry Safford of Hartford, a Denison man, in a few well chosen words moved that the nomination of Judge Poland be made unanimous.

Objection was made by A. T. Baldwin, who proceeded to make some ill-timed and bad tempered remarks in regard to Poland and his supporters, and concluded by asking the opponents of Poland to withdraw and nominate a candidate of their own.

A small number headed by A. T. Baldwin withdrew, and it is understood nominated Denison, who upon being notified of the nomination refused to appear before the bolters or accept the nomination.

Judge Poland was called for by the Convention and his appearance was greeted by cheers which were repeated again and again.

He thanked the Convention for this renewed token of their approbation of his public course, and after having with much feeling reviewed his past career proceeded to explode the fallacy of the charges made against him on account of the famous "Gag Law."

He showed that this act only conferred upon the courts of the District of Columbia such rights as are conferred by the several States upon the State courts. That previous to this time the courts of the District had no power to send beyond their limits by requisition and bring back a criminal who had committed a crime in the District for trial. He further said that the United States had never, like most of the States in the Union, adopted the common law of England and had never by statute made libel a crime, so that if a newspaper in the District should tell an infamous lie in regard to any person they would go unwhipped of justice. And of course if libel is not a crime in the District no man could ever be brought from abroad into the District for trial.

The Judge's speech was frequent-

ly interrupted by cheers and laughter at his many sharp hits.

Much laughter was occasioned because the editor of a certain Democratic paper in Caledonia county showed signs of uneasiness at some of Poland's sharp cuts.

The Convention elected Charles S. Dana of St. Johnsbury, James Hutchinson of Randolph, Wm. E. Johnson of Woodstock and Wm. Harris of Windham a District Executive committee, and at about 5 o'clock P. M. adjourned.

THE St. Albans Messenger makes this pleasing statement: "Vermont owes not any man, or if it does it has on hand more than enough to pay him. Last year the balance of liabilities over assets was more than \$100,000. It has been overcome, and there is now a balance of assets of upward of \$20,000. Some \$50,000 of our bonds are not due till December next, \$110,000 are not due for two years, and \$65,000 are not due for four years. The holders like to keep them, and it is next to impossible for the Treasurer to buy them in even at such times of distress as the last year's panic brought, and the result is that he deposits in the leading banks of the State the surplus accumulations, awaiting the time when they will be needed, and affording a great advantage to the business interests of the State."

During the last eight years this model Treasurer, John A. Page, has credited the State with nearly \$50,000 received for interest on bank deposits, and this is what none of his predecessors did.

A BOLT WITHOUT A HEAD. At the District Convention held at White River Junction on Wednesday, after Judge Poland was fairly nominated by a majority of sixteen over all and without complaint of any unfairness on the part of any one, a small faction of discontented spirits refused to assent to the usual complimentary vote of unanimity, and withdrew into somebody's store or grocery, to hold a bolters' convention, and nominate somebody that the convention had not seen fit to nominate. We can only state what was done from here, but we understand that the bolters finally nominated Hon. D. C. Denison as candidate for Congress, to run against Judge Poland.

A committee waited upon the nominee and informed him of the action of the bolters, but Mr. Denison with his usual good sense and high notions of what is honorable, refused to have anything to do with the bolters or their nomination. The headless bolt then invited both Mr. Denison and Col. Mead to come into their meeting and confer with them, hoping to find some small hole out of which a bolt without a head might be drawn. But both these gentlemen, equally high minded, refused to give the bolt even a small pull, and would not go into their meeting.

We presume split tickets, or tickets for other candidates than the regular nominee will be circulated. We hope all good Republicans will see to it that they vote as to give support to sound Republicanism and not aid the Democracy by throwing away their votes.

MARSHAL BAZAINE escaped from the Island of St. Marguerite some time during Sunday night, in the following manner: The apartments occupied by Marshal Bazaine opened upon a terrace which was built upon a lofty and precipitous cliff overhanging the sea. A sentry was posted on the terrace with orders to watch the prisoner's every movement. During Sunday evening the Marshal walked upon the terrace with Col. Villetto, his aide-de-camp.

At 10 o'clock he retired as usual, apparently to sleep, but before day-break he had effected his escape. He must have crossed the terrace in the dead of the night, and eluding the sentinel gained the edge of the precipice, thence by means of a knotted rope he descended to the sea. He evidently slipped during the descent and tore his hands, as the rope was found stained with blood in several places.

Under the cliff in a hired boat were Bazaine's wife and cousin. They received him as he reached the water, and madame taking the oars herself rowed directly to a strange steamer, which had been lying off the island since the previous evening. They reached the vessel in safety, were taken on board, and the steamer then put to sea. It is now thought they have landed at Geneva as the steamer proceeded in that direction.

The first notice of the affair came to Grasse, the nearest place on the coast, and the magistrates of the town immediately sent officers in every direction in search of the fugitive. There was great commotion in Marseilles when the facts became known. An investigation was open-

ed. Col. Villetto, who was walking with Marshal Bazaine on the evening of his escape, was discovered there and imprisoned. The commandant of St. Marguerite was placed under arrest, and Gen. Lewal has gone to the island to investigate the affair.

SANDWICH CENTER, N. H.,
Aug. 3, 1874.

Editor of Opinion: A copy of your paper bearing date of Aug. 1, and containing the lines "Among the Mountains," found its way up among the mountains of Sandwich and came into the hands of one of your former readers. While it was being read the thought occurred to me that a few stray thoughts from among those mountains concerning Sandwich and its scenery would not prove uninteresting to your readers in the Connecticut Valley. Hence this epistle.

Sandwich is a back country town, being distant from Meredith, the nearest point on the B. C. & M. R. R., about fourteen miles, and from Centre Harbor, the nearest steamboat landing, about nine miles. It is accessible only by the slow process of staging. The old lumbering stage coach of by gone days is here a modern institution. There are daily stages to this place from Centre Harbor during Lake travel, and from Meredith the rest of the year; also from W. Ossipee the nearest station on the Great Falls & Conway R. R. Southern mails and passengers reach here in one day, those from the North in two days.

But though so remote from "the busy haunts of men," and subject at times to great inconvenience, our loss is made up by the lavish manner in which Nature has surrounded us with her charms of lake and mountain. To reach Sandwich in summer time, from the north, south and west involves a ride of across "our" lake Winnepesaukee; but an hour's sail on the beautiful "Smile of the Great Spirit," among the hills, with the Lady of the Lake as graceful escort, is not a very serious infliction, let me assure you! If any one is inclined to doubt my words, he had better come and see.

The town of Sandwich lies in a sort of natural basin, surrounded by hills and noted for its scenery. A gentleman who has been "round the world" and seen the many attractions of our globe, has been here; (and is spending his summers in the place,) and he has said that "for beautiful mountain scenery Sandwich cannot be beaten." A few weeks since, when June was at her very brightest, the writer of these lines spent a day at a farmhouse which stands on a high ridge of land overlooking a large portion of the town. The view from that point was past description, but one to be remembered a life-time. Below and all around us lay the town like a beautiful panorama "dressed in living green;" while the horizon was completely begirded by "the everlasting hills" shutting us in on every side. To the north and seemingly almost touching us with his shadow stood rugged old Whiteface, to us the most marked and grand of the Sandwich mountains. A little farther east and more distant rose Chocoma (ko-kor-u-a, or kor-u-a for short) in Albany. To appreciate the beauty of this mountain one needs see it on all sides and that requires the tour of Carroll county.

East of us and almost within our reach old Ossipee, massive and sublime, lay stretched along the horizon for miles, while to the northeast in the distance we caught a glimpse of the town of Fryeburg, Me., with the intervening country and the mountains beyond. Southeast we saw the mountains of Belknap beyond the Lake. Red Hill, far famed, rose against the southern sky, and on the west we were walled in by Israel's and other Sandwich mountains whose names have not yet, as we know, been immortalized in verse or story.

Multitude of thoughts and emotions crowded our minds while our eyes were being filled with the vision before us; and we could not help remembering as we looked "through nature up to nature's God," that, though we were not dwellers in Jerusalem, the mountains were nevertheless round about us like as they are about the Holy City, and that we, as were God's ancient people, were the objects of our Father's love and care. But this was only one of a multitude of splendid views of mountain, hill and dale.—To picture all would require many letters and abler pens.

Our town is quite a resort for summer boarders, though not so many are here as in some former years. For variety of scenery and enjoyment we think people from the city might "go farther and fare worse." We have only space to add that the time of the lake camp meeting at the Weirs, Aug. 17, has tens on. We hope to see a large number of your New Hampshire readers there; and if the Editor himself should be disposed to come with us to worship the God of the forest temple, we will try and do him good.

SANDWICH.

—Two young boys at the caucus in Town Hall. First boy—"I'm awfully mad that Poland has got in again." Second boy—"What do you know against Poland?" First boy—"Why, don't you know? Just after he beat Steele, he went in for stealing a celery-bag.—Caledonia.

THE Fall Term of the Classical English School at Norwich will begin Wednesday, Aug. 26, under the charge of A. B. Crawford of Dartmouth College, who may be addressed at Hanover, N. H. 3-w

IN GENERAL.

—On a wager of \$10 a drunken man leaped from the new bridge at St. Louis, ninety feet, into the river, the other day. He was fished out uninjured.

—A fellow named James M. Daley, of New York, has been blackmailing Uncle Sam's officials by publishing a cheap pamphlet filled with trash; he did not make his fortune out of the speculation.

—The New York Sun advised clergymen to have no interviews with ladies, except in the presence of a third party. Hard on unmarried parsons. How would the editor of the Sun enjoy "sparking" with some one round?—News.

—The authorities are still at work on the mystery of the murder of Miss Ball at St. Albans, and think they see a little light. Chas. Baraboo, a Frenchman, about 30 years old, is of the many persons arrested, and there is considerable evidence against him.

—Mrs. President Lincoln is not in Paris, has not been there for years. The report that she is there is supposed to be due to some impostor passing herself off as that lady. The Washington Chronicle speaks of a woman who it says so.

FRIDAY at the Buffalo Trotting Park Goldsmith Maid succeeded in beating her own hitherto unmatched time for a mile heat, 2.16, by a half a second. The queen of the turf deserves a double coronation, but will soon begin, if she has not before this, to feel lonely so far ahead of her competitors.

—Says the Portsmouth Journal: "Him and her" were in town on Saturday forenoon, and, after wandering about hand-in-hand, looking into shop windows, they invested five cents at one of our stores in a glass of soda which they sipped alternately until it was all gone. "Two beats with but one five cent scrip," etc.

—A Scotch newspaper relates that a beggar wife, on receiving a gratuity from Rev. John Skinner, of Langside, author of Tullochgorum, said to him by way of thanks, "Oh sir, I hope that ye and a' your family will be in Heaven the night." "Well," said Skinner, "I'm very much obliged to you, only you need not have just been so particular about the time."

—Last year coffee was the great corner in which, as the duty went off, prices went up. This year, and just now, the corner is in pork and oats. The best remedy is to use just as little as possible of either till the prices are regulated by the production and quantity on hand. An advance of fifteen cents on a bushel on oats and the rise of four or five cents a pound on bacon is very ungrateful both to man and beast, and is not that kind of a revival of business which people will welcome.

—Says the Detroit Free Press: "An old man and his wife who came in by the Central road, yesterday morning, saw about thirty licks at the door of the depot, and about thirty hackmen shouted 'back' at them. The man took it all as a high compliment, and turning to the old lady he said, 'I tell you, mother, they think we are something great, or they'd never have all these carriages down here to meet us. I wonder how they knew we was coming!'"

—The Commercial Bulletin says: "One enjoys a moderately funny affair with a greater zest perhaps when summering in the country or lazing among the mountains, for the reason that there is nothing else to do but to make the most of ordinary occurrences. It was thought, however to be a little more than an ordinary event, when the stage coach halted the other day in Mont Vernon, N. H., to change horses and one of the outside passengers seriously asked the driver if he should have time to walk over to the burial ground and visit the tomb of George Washington."

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

—Simon Andrews hung himself at the County Almshouse, Laconia, Monday morning. He was 28 years old and was committed from New Hampton, and made threats that he would kill himself.

—Rev. K. Holt of Lancaster has received and accepted a call to become pastor of the Baptist church in Greenfield. He will commence his labors about the first of September.

—Miss Abby Fairbanks of Peterborough died very suddenly at the residence of her uncle in Hancock on Wednesday night. She fell from her chair while listening to music and expired in a few minutes. Up to the time of her death she apparently enjoyed perfect health.

—The Sturtevant manufacturing company of Lebanon have just made a contract to finish a large block in New York city in walnut ash and mahogany. The Free Press says that some idea of the job may be obtained when it is stated that the building requires about 650 hard wood doors and about 200 pine, and 600 windows with blinds and finish, using some 75,000 feet of ash.

—Old ladies' caps a specialty at Mrs. C. S. Stevens.

—Vermont shows a good financial record for the past year. Its assets are \$411,487, and liabilities \$388,810, leaving a balance of nearly \$23,000; but last year at this time, there was a balance of \$116,000 on liabilities over assets, so the State is \$138,659 better off than it was then.

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