

MONTAGUE'S REPLY.

The Attorney-General Answers Senator Martin's Statement.

MR. ECHOLS ON HIS CANVASS

He Talks of the Outlook as It Is at Present.

MARSHALL CONFERENCE HELD.

Friends of the Portsmouth Candidate Lay Plans to Capture Richmond Delegates—Big Montague Meeting To-Night in Manchester.

Attorney-General Montague gave out a statement yesterday.

In which he makes emphatic, and slightly caustic, reply to an interview which the Dispatch correspondent had with Senator Martin at Charlottesville, and which was printed in yesterday's paper. Senator Martin asserted that he was not managing Mr. Swanson's gubernatorial campaign, as had been charged in Mr. Montague's Manchester speech.

When asked yesterday if he had read the interview alluded to above, Mr. Montague replied that he had.

DID NOT SAY "HEADQUARTERS."

"I have been reading Senator Martin's curious interviews, and find them quite irreconcilable," he said. "In my Manchester speech I did not charge him with opening headquarters in Richmond, nor of being at Mr. Swanson's headquarters. For the Senator has been either misinformed, or is evading the issue."

MR. MONTAGUE'S CHARGES.

"I charged in my Manchester speech that the Senator was doing the very thing that he said he was going to do," said Mr. Montague. "Since the adjournment of Congress he has spent about as much time in Richmond as Mr. Swanson. He has been writing letters, in which he not only solicits support for Mr. Swanson, but says that his defeat would mean the Senator's defeat. The papers throughout the State, editorially and reportorially, for weeks past, have charged him with personally advising and managing the campaign for Mr. Swanson. He has thus far made no denial.

"In addition to this," continued Mr. Montague, "the Senator was actively engaged in securing the adoption by the Richmond committee of the minority plan, which is essentially and plainly unjust. The Senator sent for members of this committee to see him at the Westmoreland Club, and otherwise used his influence to secure the adoption of this measure. So the question of headquarters is rather a play upon words.

"General Mahone had no headquarters in Richmond; he had a room, however, in which he could meet his friends. The place of meeting between Mr. Martin and Mr. Swanson is, therefore, immaterial. Certainly Mr. Swanson has claimed the support of Mr. Martin. The Senator has never contradicted Mr. Swanson; why should he now endeavor to contradict me?"

MR. MARTIN MAY ANSWER.

Senator Martin may reply to Mr. Montague. Then Mr. Montague may reply. It would be strange if the contest between Mr. Montague and Mr. Swanson could be diverted into a contest between Mr. Montague and Mr. Martin. Yet such may be the case as matters are now.

MR. ECHOLS IS HERE.

Lieutenant-Governor Echols reached here last night, and spent some hours in conference with a number of his friends in his room at Murphy's. To-day Mr. Echols will go to Roanoke. He will be back in Richmond early in the week, to remain several days.

I am as well satisfied with my canvass as I have ever been," said Mr. Echols.

"I have found I have friends all over the State. I am not making any extravagant claims; I don't care to give my figures; but I have warm, loyal, active friends, who are doing good work for me."

THE ECHOLS FIELD.

Mr. Echols discussed his canvass at length. It is evident that he will go into the convention with a heavy Valley vote. There is reason to believe that he will have nearly a solid Tenth District delegation. He will pick up a number of delegates from the Seventh District. It seems likely now that he will have several from the Ninth. Years ago his father, General John Echols, practiced law in Giles and other Southwestern counties. The sterling qualities of the father make the name of Echols popular in that section to this day. Mr. Echols ran ahead of the ticket in Smythe county in 1875, when he was elected Lieutenant-Governor. Mr. Echols may carry Brunswick county.

An interesting and significant feature of the candidacy of Mr. Echols is the food-will of his supporters towards all the other candidates. Their first choice is Echols; their second is in some cases Montague; in others, Swanson. Mr. Echols last night expressed perfect good-will towards all the other candidates.

A MARSHALL CONFERENCE.

There was a conference of the supporters of Captain Dick Marshall held in the office of Colonel B. O. James, at No. 1113 east Main street, last night. The meeting was well attended. It was secret. Those present were well-known political workers. They asserted that steps were being taken which will lead to Captain Marshall's receiving at least fifteen delegates

from this city. Another meeting will be held next Monday night.

THE MANCHESTER PRIMARY.

The Manchester primary will be pulled off to-day. The man who gets the majority of the vote will get all the delegates. The Montague supporters are apparently confident of capturing the entire delegation. They have arranged for a meeting under the auspices of the Montague Club at the Leader building to-night. Mr. C. V. Meredith and Mr. E. C. Folkes have been invited to address the meeting. Neither gentleman has agreed to do so. But there will be several speeches.

The Swanson men are making absolutely no claims regarding the result of the primary. But among Mr. Swanson's supporters in Manchester there are some of the ablest political workers in Virginia.

UPS AND DOWNS.

The Swanson men were elated yesterday over the victory in Alexandria Monday. The Montague men were elated last night over the victory in Fredericksburg yesterday. And so it will be until enough delegates have been chosen to make clear the result. And if neither Swanson nor Montague gets a majority when all shall have been chosen—well, such may be the case. And the friends of Mr. Echols and Mr. Marshall will not be cast down.

NEW VIRGINIA DAY.

Gov. Tyler Has Been Offered August 23 at Buffalo.

Governor Tyler has been offered the 23d day of August as Virginia-Day at the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo.

When the Board of Managers asked the Governor to select a day for the Old Dominion he fixed upon August 14th. The Democratic State Committee met ten days ago and selected the same date for the assembling of the party in State convention at Norfolk.

At once there was a storm throughout

GAVE SIX THOUSAND

Mr. W. R. Wilson Delights the Orphanage Trustees.

TO MAINTAIN A COTTAGE.

Long Session of the Board Yesterday at Mr. John P. Branch's.

SITE OF INSTITUTION APPROVED.

Architect Peebles Instructed to Furnish Plans for Administration Building, Which Will Be Erected at Once.

Yesterday was a red-letter day for the Virginia conference orphanage.

Two fine meetings of the Board of Trustees of the orphanage were held. One member of the board gave the orphanage the neat sum of \$6,000 for the purpose of erecting a cottage. The site for the institution was absolutely determined. It was decided that the administration building should be erected just as soon as it was possible to do so. One cottage.



Miss Sue Tyler, second daughter of Governor J. Hoge Tyler, has been chosen Maid of Honor to Miss Mary Meade Bernard, of Petersburg, Sponsor for the Virginia Department, United Sons of Confederate Veterans, at the reunion to be held in Memphis May 28th.

SPENT NIGHT IN STABLE.

Unique Experience of Newly-Wed Richmond Couple.

A private letter received in this city from Jacksonville, Fla., conveys information that will prove of especial interest to Richmonders, describing the experiences of a couple well known in this city. The great conflagration that well-nigh wiped out the entire city imposed hardships not only upon the people of that city, but upon strangers within the gates.

Among those from this city who were in Jacksonville at the time of the fire were Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Young, who were recently married, the bride having been Miss Walker, a sister of Mrs. Charles V. Carrington. The hotel wherein they were guests was among the buildings destroyed, and the couple had to spend the night in a stable, that being the best quarters they could secure.

The burned city is described as resembling a great grave yard, with the towering chimneys representing tombstones.

Richmond had another representative in the stricken city at the time of the fire. Mr. Henry W. Anderson, of the law firm of Munford & Anderson, was in Jacksonville that memorable day, and was arguing a case in the Federal Court there when the conflagration began. Soon afterward he had to flee to his hotel and secure his effects there before the roaring flames reached that spot. Mr. Anderson saw much of the great devastation and vividly describes the scenes and incidents that came under his view.

awarded. The building will be pushed with all possible haste from now until its completion.

The orphanage is greatly needed. There are many children of Methodist parentage in Virginia who are seeking to enter the institution as soon as it can be made ready for them. The institution has a great future before it. It is destined to become the pet and pride of the Methodist people of the city and the entire State. They will soon find that nothing they can do or give will be too much or more than they ought.

BIG RALLY LAST NIGHT.

The remainder of the session was taken up in the transaction of routine business. It was late in the afternoon before adjournment was reached. All agreed that the meeting was most gratifying in every respect. The report submitted showed that advancement had been made in every branch of the activity. Every member of the board was well pleased with the prospect.

The rally which was held at Centenary church last night was much that could be desired of it. The attendance was very good, and the speeches enthusiastic and inspiring. Those who spoke at the meeting were Dr. S. M. Edwards, Dr. Bledsoe, Rev. Mr. Mastin, and Rev. E. J. Moseley, of Danville.

It was easy to see from the meeting last night that the orphanage is near to the hearts of the Methodists of Richmond, and that it will have their material and moral support.

NO MEDAL FOR GILL.

Fire Commissioners Reaward It to L. B. Bullock.

It is the custom of the Virginia State Insurance Company to give every year two medals to members of the fire department who have exhibited notable personal bravery in the discharge of their duties. The company some time ago decided to award the two medals to Firemen P. J. Gill and C. C. Frommer.

Recently Mr. Gill absented himself from his post of duty without permission, and was suspended from the department. He recently tendered his resignation, but the Board of Fire Commissioners at its meeting Monday night ignored the resignation and dismissed him from the department.

The board did even more than this. It reconsidered its action awarding one of the medals to Gill, and decided to reaward the medal. The man upon whom the honor is to be conferred is Lemuel B. Bullock, of Engine Company No. 7, who displayed great bravery at the fire in the Merchants' and Planters' Warehouse, Fifteenth and Cary streets. At this fire Mr. Bullock went into the endangered establishment of Kingan & Co. several times, but was finally overcome by smoke and the fumes of ammonia and had to be sent to a hospital for treatment. As a result of the injury then sustained, he lay at the point of death for several weeks.

The medals are to be presented to Messrs. Frommer and Bullock at the next regular meeting of the board, on June 3d. Captain G. Watt Taylor, of the board, will make the presentation address.

Mr. R. M. Norment, a substitute, has been promoted to the vacancy in Engine Company No. 2, caused by the dismissal of Gill. The position pays a salary of \$55 per month.

The annual inspection of the department has been postponed.

CONFEDERATE REBURIAL.

New York Camp Approves Arlington Proposition.

NEW YORK, May 7.—The Confederate Veteran Camp, of New York, announced the adoption of the following resolutions to-night:

"Whereas, the patriotic declaration of the President of the United States at Atlanta in 1898, touching the care of the graves of the Confederate dead by the government, has been followed, on the petition of the Confederate Camp of the District of Columbia, by an act of Congress, in which the sum of \$25,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, has been appropriated, to enable the Secretary of War to have reburied in some suitable spot in the National Cemetery at Arlington, Va., and to place proper headstones at their graves, the bodies of about 125 Confederate soldiers now buried in the National Soldiers' Home grounds, near Washington, D. C., and the bodies of about 135 Confederate soldiers now buried in the National Cemetery, at Arlington, Va.;

A BEAUTIFUL PLOT.

"And, whereas, we learn, through that distinguished Confederate soldier, Colonel H. A. Herbert, late Secretary of the United States navy under President Cleveland, that the plan adopted by the War Department contemplates that a beautiful plot of ground, adorned with trees, walks, and drives, is to be set aside, and, of course, kept perpetually in order by the United States Government (it being a part of the cemetery), with separate marble slabs, marked with the names, where obtainable, of each soldier;

"Therefore, the Confederate Veteran Camp of New York, appreciating every step which marks the obliteration of bitterness in memories of the war between the States, desires to put on record its satisfaction with the success of the Confederate Veteran Camp of the District of Columbia in its noble, patriotic effort."

GEN. LEE COMING HOME.

His Family, Including Lieut Lee, Coming With Him.

OMAHA, NEB., May 7.—General Fitzhugh Lee and his family, including his son, Lieutenant George F. Lee, left Omaha to-day, to return to their old Virginia home, where they have resided but little since General Lee, fifteen years ago, became Governor of Virginia, and moved to Richmond.

Lieutenant Lee was mustered out of service to-day, having been an officer of the Thirty-ninth Infantry, which ceased to exist to-day, at San Francisco. Since his father came to Omaha he has been on detached service at these headquarters.

No New Canal Treaty, Says Hay.

WICKENBURG, ARIZ., May 7.—The statement that the State Department has delivered a new Isthmian canal treaty to the British Ambassador is officially denied by Secretary Hay.

BALTIMORE ELECTION.

First One Made Under the New Ballot Law.

A REPUBLICAN VICTORY.

Eighteen of the Twenty-Four Wards Anti-Democratic.

ILLITERATES NOT MUCH TROUBLED.

The Result Not a Test of the Enactment Designed to Make It Difficult for the Unintelligent to Vote—Reason for Democratic Defeat.

BALTIMORE, MD., May 7.—The municipal election in this city to-day, the first one of importance held under the new ballot law, resulted in a sweeping victory for the Republicans. They carried eighteen of the twenty-four wards, electing eighteen members to the first branch of the City Council and all three candidates for the second branch. Only about 65 per cent of the entire registered vote was polled, and the colored vote was very light.

Democrats attribute their downfall to factional differences, the friends of Mayor Hayes, who met defeat in the primaries, being arrayed against the followers of I. Freeman Rasin. The majorities were greatly reduced in the five wards carried by the Democrats.

It is thought that little difficulty was experienced in marking ballots by the illiterates who voted, and the result cannot be taken as a test of the law designed to disfranchise illiterates.

ARE THEY GUILTY?

Supposed Murderer of Mrs. Elizabeth Mathews.

SUFFOLK, VA., May 7.—(Special.)—Suspected of poisoning Mrs. Elizabeth Mathews, R. H. Mathews, her husband, and Mrs. Susan Sadler, her sister, charged with being an accomplice, have both been placed behind the bars.

The case bids fair to be one of the most sensational in the history of the county. On February the 4th Mrs. Mathews, who was convalescing from a severe spell of measles, upon drinking a cup of coffee became deathly sick, and died in intense agony.

Her husband had, a short while before, purchased strychnine, presumably to kill rats. After her death neighbors became suspicious, and quite a good deal of talking on the subject was indulged in. The entire county became aroused over the affair, which caused the authorities to have the body exhumed and an investigation made.

The stomach was sealed up, and Sheriff Edwards instructed to convey it to State-Chemist Taylor, at Richmond, for an analysis.

There is to be a preliminary hearing before Justice Davis at Isle of Wight Courthouse Thursday, when Dr. Taylor will make a statement concerning his examination.

At the Coroner's inquest damaging evidence against the father, was given by a son.

A moderate-sized life-insurance policy on the deceased was said to have been held by the accused.

FATALLY INJURED.

By Falling Beneath a Railway Train.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., May 7.—(Special.)—Willie Dickinson, a young man, residing near Waterway, was fatally injured here to-night. In attempting to jump a north-bound train he was thrown under the wheels. His left leg was cut or above the knee and his stomach horribly mangled.

ENORMOUS CONTRACT.

Richmond Contractors Get More Big Work at Boston.

Shanahan, Woolfolk & Co., have received the contract for the construction of the great Weston aqueduct, which is part of the system of water-works now being constructed for the city of Boston.

The price for the work is \$1,000,000. Its magnitude can scarcely be conceived. It consists of one tunnel, 5,800 feet in length, another of 3,700 feet, another 2,600 feet long, and another 1,500 feet long.

In addition to this great work, there is to be constructed an open trench, five miles long.

Work will begin at once, and it will be two years before it is completed.

Winston & Locker, who built the dam, house of the Virginia Electrical Railway and Development Company, have the contract for the Nachusset dam, across the Nashua river, which is also a part of Boston's proposed system of water-works. This is to be probably the largest dam in the world, and will cost \$2,000,000.

"Boston is capturing all the water in New England," said Mr. Flannery last night.

SHIPBUILDING COMBINE.

Circular Regarding Its Organization—Directors.

pany; the Union Iron-Works, of San Francisco; the Bath Iron-Works, Limited, and the Hyde Windlass Company, of Bath, Me.; the Crescent ship-yard, and the Samuel J. Moore & Sons Company, of Elizabethport, N. J., and the Canada Manufacturing Company, of Carleton, N. J. The aggregate capacity is estimated at 350,000 tons.

The following have consented to serve on the board of directors: Henry T. Scott, president of the Union Iron-Works; Lewis Nixon, Crescent ship-yard; Charles J. Canada, president of the Canada Manufacturing Company; John S. Hyde, president of the Hyde Windlass Company; E. W. Hyde, president of the Bath Iron-Works; Newport, C. B. Orcutt, president of the New York News Ship-Building and Dry-Dock Company; H. E. Huntington, first vice-president of the Southern Pacific Company; Irving M. Scott, vice-president and general manager of the Union Iron-Works; Edwin Hawley, president of the Minneapolis and St. Louis Railway Company; E. H. Harriman, chairman of the board, Union Pacific Railroad Company, and James Stillman, president of the National City Bank. Other directors will be named after the company is constituted.

ORDERS IN HAND.

The aggregate of orders now in the hands of the constituent companies is said to exceed \$3,000,000, covering an average of eighteen months for completion, on which the estimated profit is over \$700,000.

The company will be authorized under its charter to issue capital stock as follows: Preferred stock 7 per cent, non-cumulative, \$32,500,000; common stock, \$32,500,000.

The plan will become operative as soon as the organizers notify the Mercantile Trust Company, as depository, that the corporation has acquired the properties of the constituent companies.

NOUROULA WINS EASILY.

Makes Short Work of America's Champion Wrestler.

NEW YORK, May 7.—Nouroula, the big Turkish wrestler, made short work of Tom Jenkins, of Cleveland, the champion wrestler of America, at Madison Square Garden, to-night. He downed Jenkins twice in a catch-as-catch-can, made the first time in 3 minutes, 5 seconds, and the second time in 5 minutes, 2 seconds.

The match was decided on the best two out of three falls, and Jenkins, while showing a remarkable amount of cleverness, was unable to stand up against the enormous weight of his big opponent.

Cons of Arms Emblazoned.

and Crests. If not known they will be found and sketch furnished. Best work. Samples on exhibition.

HUNTER & CO. Ford, Va., July 20, 1900. Messrs. Sydner & Hundley, Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir—The Illinois Automatic Refrigerator that I purchased of you this season does all that is claimed for it in the saving of ice and giving a continual cold current. I think it the best I ever saw. I would recommend it to any one wishing a first-class refrigerator.

Very truly, E. M. CRANK.

Bad Cooking.

The best flour in the hands of bad cooks will not make good bread. Just so with "Vernor's Ginger Ale," as made by people who know nothing about it. We have spent lots of time and money perfecting it. We have it just right.

POLK MILLER'S. Julius Meyer's Sons' Office is now at 320 east Broad, between Third and Fourth, where parties owing accounts are requested to call and pay same.

The New Popular Books.

Hunter's. A Seasonable Hint.

One of the coolest and sweetest places in Richmond. "The Interior of an Illinois Automatic Refrigerator." SYDNER & HUNDLEY, Sole Agents, Nos. 711 and 713 east Broad street.

The Jefferson Hotel.

There are conflicting opinions about the rebuilding of this magnificent hostelry, the pride of Richmond, the State, and the South; but there are no two opinions about the merits of "Vernor's Ginger Ale," our great temperance drink. From now until June 1st every cash customer for a glass of this delightful beverage gets a copy of the Leader or News, free, at

POLK MILLER'S. Drink "Kenny's" Cheon Tea.

A Pure Sixed Tea at 50c. pound. Pure Mugs Sold at cost. C. D. KENNY COMPANY, Teas, Coffees, and Sugars, Broad & 6th and Main & 17th streets.

Richmond, Va., July 31, 1900. Messrs. Sydner & Hundley, Automatic Refrigerator purchased from you the first of the season gives entire satisfaction, and is fully up to all recommendations. Yours most respectfully, DR. G. I. DAVIDSON.

Keep Cool! Keep Cool!

In coming up-town in the evening drop in and try a glass of "Vernor's Ginger Ale" at 35c. degrees. From now until June 1st we will give a copy of the Leader or News to each cash customer for a glass of this delightful beverage. Cool and refreshing. Unsurpassed for indigestion. POLK MILLER'S.

For Over Fifty Years.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for children while teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Sold by all druggists throughout the world.

MONTAGUE A WINNER.

His Friends Captured the Delegates in Alexandria.

ENDORSED CHAIRMAN ELLYSON

Many Primaries to Come Off in the Next Few Days.

THE NORFOLK REPUBLICANS.

Have Decided to Make No Fight for the Convention—Attorney-General's Friends Gain a Point in Charlottesville and Marshall Sanguine.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., May 7.—(Special.)—The Democrats, in mass-meeting here to-night, declared for Attorney-General Montague for Governor by instructing their delegates to vote for him.

It was not, however, until after quite a spirited and lively contest, though the Swanson men were considerably in the minority.

That the city delegation would be for Montague has always been believed, as the leaders have been unanimously for him, and have left no stone unturned to secure the delegates.

ELLYSON WAS ENDORSED. Hon. J. Taylor Ellyson was unanimously endorsed for party chairman.

The meeting was the largest of its kind held in many years. Thirteen delegates were elected. The city, however, is only entitled to six votes.

The delegates are as follows: H. H. Wallace, J. R. Rawlings, T. M. Larkin, C. C. Rowlett, E. P. Willis, E. D. Cole, Isaac Hirsch, G. W. Wroten, T. McCracken, Henry Dannehy, James T. Layton, and George Freeman, Jr.

MONTAGUE MEN WON.

Charlotte County Will Have a Mass-Meeting to Choose Delegates.

KEYSVILLE, VA., May 7.—(Special.)—The Montague men gained a great victory at Charlotte County Court yesterday.

The Executive Committee met to decide upon the time and plan for electing delegates to the State convention.

The Swanson men fought for primaries, while the friends of Montague wanted a mass-meeting. The latter plan was overwhelmingly carried, and the time appointed is the first Monday in June—June court.

Judging from present indications, it is thought that Montague will carry Charlotte solid.

Mr. L. A. Hardy has been nominated as the candidate from Lunenburg county to the constitutional convention, and it is thought that he will have no opposition.

ECHOLS CONFIDENT.

The History of the Holiday Convention May Repeat Itself.

STAUNTON, VA., May 7.—(Special.)—Lieutenant-Governor Edward Echols, after spending Monday (court-day) in Lexington, reached home last night, delighted with his day with the Rockbridge Democrats, who will send a solid Echols delegation.

On spending several hours last night with the Staunton candidate for Governor, the Dispatch correspondent saw that Mr. Echols, marvellously modest, as he is, firmly believes he is going to be the next Governor of Virginia.

If he could, he would not swap chances with Marshall, Montague, or Swanson. He did not say this, but we talked about that Holiday convention of 1877, when Mahone and Daniel deadlocked each other, and Cameron, leading Mahone's delegations, finally forced to the wall, called General John Echols, Holiday's leader, and as they walked along the street told General Echols that Holiday would be nominated, as he was, on the next ballot, and the Dispatch man saw at once, as he told Echols the narrative as Cameron had told it to him, that the Lieutenant-Governor looked for a similar condition in the Norfolk convention, and that as Echols, Sr., had won out for Holiday, here, Echols, Jr., would win out for himself.

Mr. Echols went to Richmond this morning, where he will spend several days seeking to further his candidacy. At present, he expects to go to Roanoke towards the close of the week.

CAPTAIN MARSHALL'S CHANCES.

Very Fine. Say His Friends—Has a Good Organization.

NORFOLK, VA., May 7.—(Special.)—"The showing that is going to be made by Captain R. C. Marshall's supporters in the gubernatorial convention," said a prominent friend of the Portsmouth aspirant to the gubernatorial chair, in conversation with a representative of this newspaper, to-day, "is going to surprise some of those factious Swanson and Montague people, who have been regarding the Captain's candidacy as a tall to their own booms in the long run."

"There is just this about it," continued the speaker, "when all the ballots have been taken the name of Richard C. Marshall will still be before the convention, whether as a successful or a defeated candidate."

"Those of the other candidates who thought that the Captain's boom could be swung their way at the last moment received a severe jolt from the candidate's own lips when he called upon the friends to respect his wishes that they have no second choice in the event that the convention does not go his way."

"The request is going to be regarded," added Marshall's admirer, "by the friends of the Captain, and he will be in at the death. Those same friends of his are very active just at this time, and if the Tidewater section does not this time get the nomination, I am mistaken in my views of the matter."

STORY IN RICHMOND. "We are not boasting, but it would be surprising if we do not get a large number of delegates in the city of Richmond as well as in the Second Congressional District."

Colonel B. O.