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A CAMPAIGN MORGAN.

It is said the Republicans are actively at work in Southwestern Virginia, circulating the statement that the new Constitution will disfranchise not only negroes, but thousands of white men.

That's a "good enough Morgan" for the present, but we have faith that the report of the Committee on the Elective Franchise will prepare the way for the removal of all doubts on that subject.

And, while we would urge rash haste upon the committee's report, we do recommend that all speed consistent with the proper disposition of the question be made.

A check should be put upon the misrepresentations now being put forth by our political opponents, and our canvassers ought to be freed from the embarrassment under which they labor while there is doubt about the plan of suffrage which will be supported by the Democratic party.

Our belief is that a conclusion satisfactory to the Democratic masses will be reached, but it will take a little time. There must be discussion—in the convention; and there will be some, too, in a party conference, we trust. Some concessions and compromises have been found to be necessary and have been made.

Others probably will be requisite, and we hope they will be brought about; brought about in party conference; if not before the report of the committee is presented. In the end it will be seen, we predict, that the white men of Southwestern Virginia, and of all Virginia, have had their interests, privileges, and welfare thoroughly respected and safeguarded.

The convention has much work—much important work—to do, but just now none is so urgent as that relating to the suffrage. With that out of the way, the State canvass would go booming along; that disposed of the rest of the convention's big docket could be acted upon systematically and effectively.

The anti-Tammany combination of New York city has nominated Seth Low for Mayor. The nominee has not yet given positive assurance that he will accept the honor, but the impression seems to be that he will. The nomination of Mr. Low is the culmination of a determined effort to overthrow Tammany and to wrest the control of New York local politics from this powerful political organization.

The elements supporting the college president for the majority embrace the regular Republican organization, the Citizens' Union, and all the disaffected Democratic factions of the city. It is the general impression that Tammany will nominate for the mayoralty Bird S. Coler, comptroller of the city. The consensus of opinion is that he is the strongest available man for the honor, being one of the few upon whom it is thought all the "elites" can harmoniously unite.

The coming campaign promises to be one of the most interesting ever fought out in the metropolis. Richard Croker, the leader of the Tammany Democracy, has just returned from abroad in good health and spirits, and will personally direct the campaign for that organization.

This is not Mr. Low's first experience as a candidate for the mayoralty of New York. Several years ago he was one of the nominees in a triangular fight for that position, but was beaten. He is the president of Columbia College and a man of great erudition.

LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS.
EX-ATTORNEY-GENERAL AYERS, the delegate in the Constitutional Convention from the county of Wise, in his speech in opposition to holding legislative sessions quadrennially, instead of biennially, well said that if there is any principle which is above all others in our government, it is that "the people are the source of all power and must be consulted as often as practicable in matters of government."

Mr. Ayers added: "I say to take a step up two years is to get four years away from the people. Four years is a long time in the life of an individual, a generation."

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