

PROTESTING AGAINST FRAUD

BOSS REA WILL FIGHT FOR PLACE

Good Government League Protests Against His Corrupt Practices.

Its Officers Have Affidavits Showing Ballot-Box Stuffing and Repeating at the Primaries.

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, Aug. 22.—An effort is being made to stop the contest in the Santa Clara County election. It is argued by some that a review of the alleged frauds at the primary two weeks ago will only result in increasing the bitter feeling now existing between the Good Government League and the followers of "Jim" Rea. The Rea delegates have been recognized by the State Central Committee and their names will be printed on the temporary rollcall of the convention, and under the circumstances it is very unlikely that the credentials committee will report in favor of unseating them.

In all probability the fight will terminate as did the Harney faction fight in the Democratic State Convention. The plea is made that any attempt to unseat the Rea delegation will work more harm than good to the party. The feeling in Santa Clara County is very intense, and the Rea followers affirm that if the fight is continued it will mean a loss of several hundred votes to the State ticket. The seating of the Rea delegates will not settle the battle in Santa Clara County, and if the Good Government League is defeated here the members will return home fully determined to fight against the local state candidates named by Rea.

There is no intention nor desire on the part of the Good Government League to strike at the State ticket. There is a determination, however, to eliminate Boss Rea and the Good Government League is that they would much rather see the local ticket defeated from top to bottom than have the municipal government in the hands of the officers named by Rea and Mackenzie.

Jim Rea and his delegation arrived here on the afternoon train and went direct to the State House, where they opened headquarters. Rea said that he was entirely satisfied that the delegates would be seated despite the opposition of the Good Government League.

"What is the use of carrying on a hopeless battle?" said he. "No good will come out of it for the State ticket. I have hopes that the matter will be satisfactorily disposed of, and that when the convention concludes its work every Republican here will return to Santa Clara County to fight for the officers named by the Good Government League people may go before the credentials committee, but I hope not. They will be unable to prove any of the charges made of repeating and ballot-box stuffing. They only carried three or four precincts, and the combined majorities they received in these precincts will not amount to over sixty-five votes."

It is generally understood that if the fight is carried into the convention the San Francisco delegation will give between 125 and 150 votes to seat their delegation. Boss Rea is mistaken when he says that the Good Government League has no evidence or proof to offer showing that the Santa Clara primary was carried by frauds.

Secretary Samuel G. Tompkins has a scribble filled with affidavits made by some of the most prominent people in the county, showing that Rea and Mackenzie carried the day by means of ballot-box stuffing, repeating and general rowdiness. The Good Government League is in the fight to stay, and to show the fact better than does Jim Rea. He is hard at work to-night trying to make a combination with some of the inferior delegations, so that in the event of the Good Government League delegates being recognized by the credentials committee he will be able to defeat the Rea delegation at the convention floor.

He is willing to make terms on almost any condition. He first suggested to the Good Government League that they should give the seats and that his delegates be given the other half. This proposition was made on the plea that in the name of peace and harmony, some such com-

promise should be made. The offer was declined because the delegates representing the Good Government League do not want any half way measure. They have decided to overthrow bossism in Santa Clara County, and they will not rest satisfied until that has been accomplished. Among those who will make the fight for reform measures and pure politics in Santa Clara are W. H. Wright, manager of the San Jose Fruit Packing Company, one of the largest packing establishments in the world, S. G. Tompkins, Judge E. H. Hurlburt, C. R. Freitag, J. R. Patton, Dr. W. D. McDougall, C. M. Wooster, all of San Jose; J. J. Miller, Santa Clara; F. H. Babb, Berryessa, Judge J. R. Weller, Milpitas; E. A. Hayes, Edenvale; H. G. Squire, San Jose; E. W. Conant, Campbell; T. C. McChesney, Colma; Park; L. B. Barnhisel, Willow Glenn; W. B. Hayward, J. M. Days and J. R. Johns, Westside; P. H. Coates, Campbell, and Mitchell Phillips, San Jose.

The Good Government League delegates met shortly after their arrival and formulated the following statement to be presented to the State convention:

To the delegates Republican State Convention:

Gentlemen—We appeal to you on behalf of the Republicans of Santa Clara County for simple justice. The plain fact is that the primaries recently held in Santa Clara County were a disgraceful farce in which frauds were perpetrated and violence used to suppress the voice of Republicanism.

Affidavits of the best citizens of our county are in the hands of the representatives of the Republican Good Government League of Santa Clara County to prove the disgraceful methods adopted by the representatives of the Rea or "gang" ticket at that election to overcome the Republican Good Government League.

These affidavits show by legal evidence what is already common fame and notoriety throughout California, to wit: That the Republican machinery in Santa Clara County is in the hands of a gang of professional politicians, who are neither Republicans nor Democrats, but who politically are Bedouins of the desert, who boast that they do not care whether a man is a Democrat, Republican or Populist so long as he is one of their crowd, and who, like the pirates of the high seas, are ready to fly any flag for the sake of plunder.

JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS MAY BE MADE FIRST

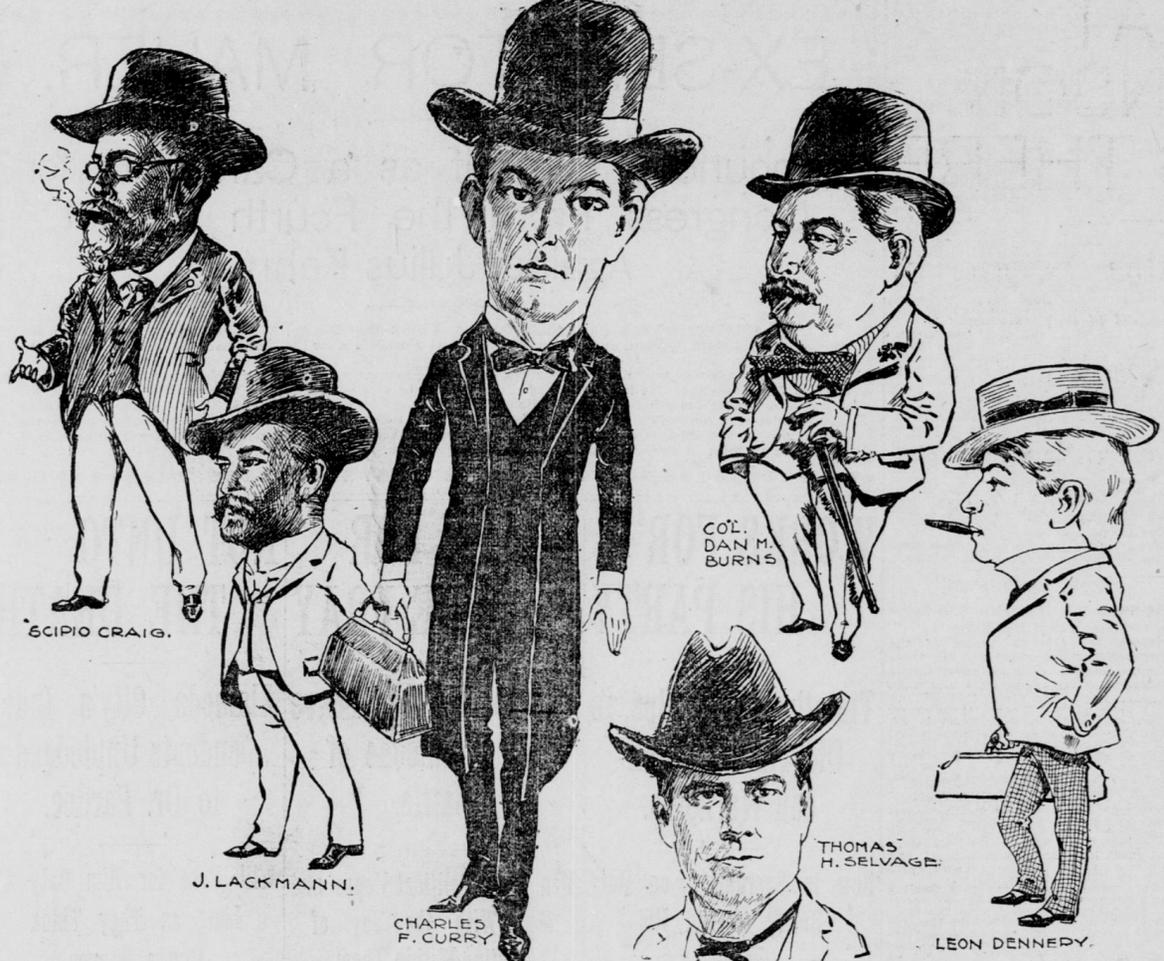
Candidates Apprehensive of a McFarland and Van Fleet Slate, Which Must Be Broken.

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, Aug. 22.—In many counties of the State—in fact, nearly all, excepting San Francisco, Los Angeles and Alameda—the contest for the Supreme Court is held to be paramount to the strife for Governor. The delegates supporting Buckies, Ellison, Sweeney, Smith and Angellotti are extremely anxious that the order of business in the convention shall provide that the judicial nominations be made before the contest for Governor is brought on. An important caucus or conference was held this evening with a view of accomplishing this purpose. The friends of Judge Williams, who hail from Ventura and Santa Barbara, did not join the conference, because they feared their support of the plan might imperil the chances of their candidates' success, but the delegates who are in sympathy with them.

That Santa Barbara and Ventura are in sympathy with them.

The judicial candidates are apprehensive that a slate has been made with the names of McFarland and Van Fleet written thereon, and to break this slate they are willing to join with the Pardee delegates in the organization of the convention. The only way they can see to smash the slate is to put the judicial nominations first. It is believed that Southern Pacific Company would be delighted if McFarland should be nominated. The corporation has already made itself felt here, and it is known that work is being done elsewhere to smooth the way for McFarland's retention on the bench.

Judge Van Fleet is not classed with McFarland as the railroad's candidate, but nevertheless the advocates of independent methods in the making of judicial nominations contend that the Supreme Court nominations should be disposed of and settled in every respect before the balloting for Governor begins. The friends of Sweeney, Buckies, Ellison, Smith and Angellotti could put a stop to trading in some degree if they could direct the organization of the convention. They also claim that they could defeat a wholesale combine to elect two Judges and a Governor, whose names are on the same slate. In the balloting for Justices, the friends of Pardee, Brown and Gage would be compelled to show their hands, and for their own good they would show clean hands in the judicial contest.



Some of the More Prominent Delegates Who Arrived Early.

PROBABLY GAGE ONE BALLOT.

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, Aug. 23, 1:30 a. m.—The indications at this hour point to the nomination of Henry T. Gage on the first ballot. The Pardee men concede that Gage has made important acquisitions to his strength in San Francisco. Lieutenants of Brown and Pardee held a conference an hour ago on the selection of a chairman, but did not reach an agreement. Pardee followers are discouraged. They expected support from San Francisco, which did not develop.

the name of simple justice and in the interest of true Republicanism, which is everywhere synonymous with fair play and good government.

W. H. WRIGHT,
Chairman Santa Clara County Contesting Delegation.

SAMUEL G. TOMPKINS,
Secretary.

Rea is making a desperate fight, and is willing to trade any place on the ticket to secure the nomination for Secretary of State for Paul P. Austin and have his delegation seated. He went to the Fresno delegates and told them he would back up Kirk for Superintendent of Public Instruction if they stood by him in the convention. He next told the friends of Black, who is looking for the same nomination that he was interested in their fight, and that he expected in return to receive their help in the fight against the Good Government League. He met with poor success, however, for it soon became known that he was attempting to play a double game, and that he has Professor C. W. Childs up his sleeve for the fight, and when he learned of the deal he commenced kicking in the traces and Rea desisted. If he had not done so Childs would have started a row in the delegation that would have resulted in spitting it asunder.

JOHN LACKMANN
TO BE HONORED.

MENTIONED FOR THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

Republicans Confident That the Honest Supervisor Can Easily Beat His Opponent.

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, Aug. 22.—There is talk to-night that honest John Lackmann, who made such a clean record for integrity and ability in the Board of Supervisors of San Francisco, may be nominated in the First District for the State Board of Equalization. The Democrats have put forward John P. Dunn, whom they regard as a strong man, but the Republicans believe that Lackmann can defeat him. The City and County of San Francisco alone comprises the First District.

A very pretty contest is in progress in the Second Equalization District between L. C. Morehouse of Oakland, the incumbent; Alex Brown of Milton, Calaveras County, and James H. Stow of Contra Costa. Henry P. Dalton of Oakland is also said to be a candidate, but he is not active in promoting his candidacy. Brown claims that a majority of the counties in the northern part of the district are pledged to his support. He has a large number of friends who are here actively working in his behalf. These friends say that a portion of the Alameda delegation will support Brown as against Morehouse. At present the State's strength is an unknown quantity, a fact that leads to the belief that Brown will prove to be the successful candidate. James Stanley of Alameda has been added to the list of aspirants.

George H. Arnold is desirous of securing a renomination to the place on the Board of Equalization from the Fourth District, but his railroad affiliations have created a strong feeling against him. His opponent for the nomination is Frank Mattison of Santa Cruz. Mattison is a popular member of the Native Sons and has a strong following in the district. His friends claim that his nomination by the convention is all but assured.

Morocco's Safe to Be Moved.
A force of men will be put to work this morning moving the big nine-ton safe from Mr. Morocco's office on the first floor of the theater building to the second floor to make room for improvements. The safe is an unusually heavy one to be moved and it will be necessary to cut away the door frames to get it out of the old office and into the new. The present office will be made into reception rooms, and Mr. Morocco's old bachelor apartments on the second floor will be turned into offices.

As people get along in years the recollection of the price paid remains with them longer than the recollection of the good time.

SHORT AND SHARP CAMPAIGN LIKELY

Congressional Elections to the Front.

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ISSUES TO BE PRESENTED TO THE PEOPLE.

With the Democrats Financial Management of the War Over-shadows Silver and Tariff Questions.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—The Washington correspondent of the Herald telegraphs: Now that hostilities with Spain have ended, interest in approaching Congressional elections will increase. Both parties are later than usual in lining up on the issues of the campaign and indications point to a short and sharp campaign in most districts of the country. Issues growing out of the war will figure largely in the campaign and the silver and tariff questions will be thrown more or less into the background, though the Democrats would build one of their principal issues—that of the financial management of the war—on their ideas of free silver and greenbacks, as brought out in the Chicago platform and in debates on the war revenue bill in Congress. They will criticize the Republicans for the bond issue and for the war revenue laws, which they claim weighs more heavily on the poor than on the rich.

At the Republican Congressional headquarters the indications at present are that there will be little discussion of the silver question unless the Democrats force it to the front. Few demands are being received for financial or tariff literature, most of them for documents relating to the war and to Hawaii. The Republicans are managing the literary part of their campaign with considerable shrewdness, and most of the literature that they are sending out to attack the Democrats is made up of quotations from Democratic speakers in Congress.

The issue of territorial expansion will not figure as prominently in the campaign as might be expected, for two reasons. First of these is that the Republican administration has not yet clearly defined its policy any further than as to the retention of Porto Rico, and has not therefore given the Democrats an opportunity to take issue with them. The second reason is that, while the Republicans are tending toward expansion and the retention of all territory taken from Spain, the Democrats hesitate to take an opposite course. Another issue on which the candidate will pursue his own course will be the practical management of the war.

SHOT WHILE PREACHING.

Dastardly Attempt on the Life of a Georgia Missionary.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—The American Missionary Association has received dispatches stating that Rev. J. B. Fletcher, a Congregational minister, and one of its missionaries, has been shot while attempting to organize a Congregational church at Smiley, Ga., which is about twenty miles from his home at Hagan, Ga. He went to Smiley as the result of correspondence concerning the organizing of the church, which he had been carrying on for several months. While in the pulpit he was shot through the window, his body being riddled with 17 buckshot. His condition is serious, but it is expected he will recover. The would-be assassins are said to be colored officials of a Methodist church.

SHARON COLLISION VICTIMS.

SHARON, Mass., Aug. 22.—In the excitement and confusion attending the clearing away of the wreckage caused by last night's collision on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, it was reported that seven persons were killed, four of them being mentioned as unknown. To-day it was learned definitely that the total number killed was four, as follows:

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The number of injured is still undetermined, owing to the fact that many who were hurt were able to go to their homes for treatment, while others who received medical treatment near the wreckage were only slightly injured. It is thought that not more than twelve or fifteen can be included among those seriously injured.

JAPANESE SHIP CANAL.

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SENATOR BERT WANTS A SEAT IN CONGRESS

Has Entered the Lists in Opposition to Loud and Wolf in the Fifth District.

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, Aug. 22.—State Senator Eugene F. Bert has entered the lists in the Fifth Congressional District in opposition to E. F. Loud and E. I. Wolf. Bert came up from San Francisco on to-night's train in response to a request by his friends, and at once proceeded to "mix it" with the others.

For a starter Bert first paid his respects to the various gubernatorial candidates, after which he rounded up his supporters in the San Francisco delegation, dispatching trusted lieutenants to the San Mateo and Santa Clara delegations to sound them to his candidacy.

"Yes, I am a candidate for Congress in the Fifth District," said Bert in the parlor corridor of the Golden Eagle, "and my friends tell me that I have a good fighting chance. With two candidates opposed to me, I too, believe I can come close to landing the nomination. I have not been able yet to make a personal canvass of the San Francisco delegation, but I have some good friends among them who will do what they can for me. I may as well be a defeated candidate for Congress as to be re-elected to the State Senate. I have had all of that I care for, and if I am not selected for the Congressional nomination I have my law practice to fall back upon. But I think I can win this affair. My friends tell me I can and I am going to make the best fight for it that lies in my power."

SOUTHERN MEN ARRIVE

Gage Boomers Come in Numbers, Solid for the Los Angeles Man.

Show Their Good Feeling Toward the Rival of Their Candidate.

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, Aug. 22.—The first demonstration of the day occurred shortly before noon when the train from the south drew into the depot bearing eighty-five delegates from Los Angeles. They were accompanied by nearly as many more politicians who are not delegates, but quite as enthusiastic Gage boomers as the regular representatives of the south. The coaches which the Los Angelenos traveled, bore Gage banners on their sides, while the delegation brought a handsome silk banner which was borne in triumph to Mr. Gage's headquarters.

Defiant of the withering rays of the sun pouring down upon them the Los Angeles eighty-five, each one bagged with a glaring yellow satin ribbon announcing their choice for Governor, formed in columns of twos and marched up Second street to K, thence to the Golden Eagle. No band nor drum corps preceded them, but the delegates went time by their own incessant shout of "Gage, Gage, H. T. Gage," stopping at intervals of half a block to wheel in front of the crowd the inoffensive natives with ear-splitting cheers for the southern candidate.

Arrived at the Golden Eagle the delegation marched to the headquarters of Mr. Gage and broke up a conference between that gentleman and several northern politicians. After each had shaken hands with the candidate the crowd started down stairs to "Whoop 'er up" for their man.

Right here occurred a pretty little incident that contrasted strongly with the surlyness that marked every faction in last week's gathering. It proved that, however spirited the rivalry among candidates and defeated, the contest for all Republicans, and as soon as nominations are made all strife will end and every man will turn to and work honestly and bravely for the successful ones. The Los Angeles people as they started through the corridor passed Dr. Pardee's headquarters and quickly linked up the open door gave three cheers for Alameda's son, as sincere and hearty as those they had given but a few moments before for Gage. Dr. Pardee was immensely gratified at this compliment and expressed his pleasure in the warmest terms. The Los Angelenos went down stairs to begin their part in the button-holing, cajoling, handshaking and jostling of the Los Angeles delegation. Gage's candidacy was also taken up, that county having two candidates in R. J. Waters and Frank T. Davis. A vote was taken resulting in favor of Waters by forty-five to thirty-five. Gage, however, has his own candidate, Judge Gregg, an attorney of that town, having come to the front with the nine votes of his delegation. As Waters will have seven of the nine votes from Ventura it looks as though Judge's candidacy would get no farther than the Golden Eagle.

The orange-ribboned men from the south were out to-night to show their good will to all the gubernatorial candidates and to the Los Angeles delegation to Gage. Headed by a brass band they formed in front of the Golden Eagle at 8 o'clock and marched down K street to Fourth, thence back to the Call headquarters. Here the column halted, and after a selection by the band cheers were given for The Call. Band and delegates then entered the Golden Eagle and proceeded to Dr. Pardee's headquarters, and a serenade was tendered Alameda's candidate.

Somebody called for three cheers for the doctor, and they were given with a will. Dr. Pardee thanked the Los Angeles people for their friendly manifestation, establishing at once the most cordial relations by his good natured remarks. Three more cheers for Pardee, followed by three times three for their own man, and the delegation, accompanied by Gage, went across the street to the Golden Eagle and back to the Golden Eagle and serenaded Thomas Flint Jr.

Gage called for cheers for his rival, and after they had been given the two candidates stood arm in arm while the band played another selection. After more cheers all around the Los Angeles delegation their little procession and renewed their labors in behalf of their candidate.

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