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THE MUSICAL SOCIETY.
An Important Meeting Will be Held Tonight.

As a compliment to Mr. Irby McKernan's recital (he being a member of the society), the meeting of the Musical Society which was called for last Friday night, was postponed to take place this evening at Hobbie Music Hall at 8 o'clock. At this meeting besides adopting the constitution and by-laws governing the society the members will elect a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, musical director and executive committee.

This having been accomplished the society will be established on a firm basis, and the regular weekly rehearsals which have been delayed for this purpose will be proceeded with at once. Both care and pains have been exercised by the committee entrusted with the preparation of a constitution for the governance of the society, and it is believed by the committee that all vital and necessary points have been provided for. Inasmuch as this will be the most important meeting yet held, it is the earnest wish of those interested in the movement that all present and prospective members should be on hand tonight to participate in the proceedings.

Democratic Mass Meeting.
There will be a Democratic mass meeting at Arlington Heights Friday night. Col. James A. Pugh and other local speakers will deliver addresses.

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ADLAI STEVENSON'S LETTER.

Acceptance of the Nomination For the Vice-Presidency.

The Document Was Sent From Charleston, W. Va.—He Gives a Cordial Support to the Democratic Platform—An Able Presentation of the Pending Issues, Written in Intervals of an Active Campaigning Tour—Tariff Reform, Finances and the Force Bill.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Oct. 31.—[Special]—Adlai E. Stevenson, Democratic candidate for the Vice-Presidency, has sent the following letter of acceptance to the president of the national Democratic convention:

"CHARLESTON, W. Va., Oct. 29.
"To the Hon. William L. Wilson, chairman, etc.:

"When, in the presence of 20,000 of my countrymen, I accepted the nomination conferred upon me by the convention over which you presided, I promised to indite by letter in a more formal manner my acceptance of the nomination tendered me by the assembled representatives of the Democratic party of the United States.

"Since that time I have been engaged continually in the discussion before the people of many States of the Union of the issues emphasized by the convention and represented by our candidate for President, Grover Cleveland. Opportunity has thus been denied me to write with the care I would like the more formal answer promised to your committee. The full discussion of public questions commonly expected from a candidate for Vice-President has been rendered less imperative by the complete presentation of the Democratic creed by the gentleman with whom I have the honor to be associated as a candidate on the national ticket. His treatment of the issues now before the country for discussion and settlement was so complete that I can do little more than endorse his position and give it the emphasis of my unqualified approval.

"The greatest power conferred upon human government is that of taxation. All the great struggles of the past for a broader political liberty have looked toward the limitation of this power by right to tax, a right which should always be limited by the necessities of government and to benefits which should be shared by all. Whenever this power is used to draw tribute from the many for the benefit of the few, or when part of the people are oppressed in order that the remainder may prosper unduly, equality is lost sight of, injustice hardens into precedent, which is used to excuse new exactions, and there arise artificial distinctions which the beneficiaries come to look upon in due time as vested rights, sacred to themselves.

"It is plain that our present inequitable system of tariff taxation has promoted the growth of such conditions in our land, favored though it has been by an industrious and enterprising people, friendly climate, a productive soil and the highest development of political liberty. If the beneficiaries of this system shall be able to add a new tenure of power to those they have already enjoyed, the development of these unfavorable conditions must continue until the power to tax will be lodged in those who are willing and able to pay for the perpetuation of privileges originally conferred by a confiding people for the preservation inviolate to their own government. There is no longer pretext or excuse for the maintenance of war tariff in times of peace and more than a quarter of a century after armed conflict has ceased. The platform of the national Democratic convention demands the reform of this system and the adoption in its place of one which will insure equality to all our people. I am in full and hearty accord with these purposes.

"The convention also declared its position on the currency question in no unmeaning words when it said in its platform 'we hold to the use of both gold and silver as the standard money of the country and to the coinage of both gold and silver without discriminating against either metal or charge for mintage, but the dollar unit of coinage of both metals must be of equal intrinsic and exchangeable value, or be adjusted through international agreement, or by such safeguards of legislation as shall insure the parity of the two metals and the equal power of every dollar at all times in the markets and in the payments of debts, and we demand that all paper currency shall be kept at par with and redeemable in such coin.'

"To this plain and unequivocal declaration in favor of sound, honest money I subscribe without reservation or qualification. A safe circulating medium is absolutely essential to the protection of the business interests of our country, while to the wage-earner, the farmer, it is all important that every dollar, whatever its form, that finds its way into his pocket shall be of equal, unquestioned and universally exchangeable value and of equal purchasing power.

"Another issue of great moment in the pending contest is the force bill, the magnitude of which cannot be overestimated. It may mean the control of the election of representatives in Congress by the bayonet. The Republican party by its action in the Fifty-first Congress, and by its platform in its late national convention stands pledged to the passage of this bill. That it will pass it when it has the power, no sane man can doubt. To all our people who desire the peace and prosperity of our country this question is all-important.

"Since my nomination I have been in eight of the Southern and Southwestern States of the Union, and have talked with men of all classes and con-

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THE POLITICAL SITUATION.

The Great Battle is Drawing to a Close.

Indications Point to a Large Vote in Minnesota—The Democrats Expect to Elect Four Weaver Presidential Electors—A Hard Fight Being Made in Kansas. Republicans Confident That They Will Pull Through—The Situation in Texas. News Elsewhere.

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INSPECTING THE ROAD.

President Kimball, of the N. & W., Talks About the Ohio Extension.

President F. J. Kimball and party, of the Norfolk and Western, arrived in the city on a special train yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The party was composed of the following gentlemen: Clarence H. Clark, of Philadelphia, director; A. J. Dull, of Harrisburg, director; Eugene Deland, of the banking house of Brown Bros. & Co., of Philadelphia; Henry Whelan, Jr., of Philadelphia, director; Frederick Huth Jackson, of the firm of Frederick Huth & Co., of London, England; James I. Doran, of Philadelphia, attorney for the road, also a director, and Charles H. Mellon, of Philadelphia, who is the assistant of President Kimball.

The party left Philadelphia Sunday night at 7:40 o'clock for their annual tour of inspection over all the branches of the Norfolk and Western road. Mr. Kimball was seen last night at Hotel Roanoke by a TIMES reporter and questioned in regard to the outlook and prospects of the Ohio extension.

"The outlook is very bright, indeed, for the road will open up the finest coal and lumber region in the South. Our first passenger train on schedule time left Bluefield yesterday morning at 6:10 o'clock, on a through run to Columbus. A train also left Columbus in the morning and arrived at Bluefield in the evening. For a short while only we will have one train each way daily.

"It is expected that the auditor's department of the road at Columbus will be removed to this city in a few days."

President Kimball and party will leave at noon to-day for Norfolk and will return to-morrow at 10 p. m. and remain over night, at Hotel Roanoke, leaving the next morning for Radford, Pulaski, Bristol, Bluefield and Columbus. The party will leave the latter place next Sunday and will return to Philadelphia via Pittsburg.

THE PASTORS' CONFERENCE.

Resolutions Adopted in Regard to the Church Directory.

At the pastors' conference yesterday Rev. O. F. Flippo presided and the meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. R. R. Acree. Rev. H. C. Garrison acted in the capacity of secretary in the absence of Rev. W. H. Groves. The pastors present were Revs. Flippo, Hamner, Acree, Campbell, Miller, Ferguson, Reiter, Cox, Moomaw, Garrison and Rice. The usual routine business was gone through with when a resolution was offered by Dr. Campbell that all applications for space in the church directory should either be made by the pastor in charge in writing or by an official board and the matter submitted to the conference.

A motion also prevailed that the directory be the property of the members of the conference who, on or before the first of December, pay their money and have their cards inserted, and all money received from subsequent subscriptions shall be used in paying incidental expenses.

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CLOSE FIGHT IN KANSAS.

TOPEKA, Kans., Oct. 31.—[Special]—There has been a general tightening of lines by the political parties preparatory to the desperate fight which will be made on election day. If either party has made any gains during the past week, those who claim to know say that it is Republican. The campaign from all appearances has been pressed vigorously and the leaders declare that they will sweep everything. The fact is that neither the Populists nor Democrats have made a poll of the State.

The Republicans have carefully polled every county twice and in their estimates say that they have given every doubtful vote to the opposition. There are 33,000 of this class, and it is safe to say that ten tons of literature have been sent them. The Republicans are offering even bets that they will elect their electoral and legislature ticket and that they will get seven of the eight Congressmen. The People's party leaders insist that they will carry their electoral State and legislature ticket and that they will elect five out of the eight Congressmen. They deny that there is any appreciable falling off in their vote, and claim that the Republicans, who are figuring on that, will be sadly disappointed. They claim 45,000 majority for the electoral ticket, 36,000 for the State and a working majority in both branches of the legislature.

Chairman Jones, of the Democratic committee, has telegraphed the national committee that the vote in Kansas November 8 is one that no one can with certainty predict. The fight, it is believed, will be close and which ever party wins will do so by a close margin.

LIVELY BETTING IN TEXAS.

AUSTIN, Tex., Oct. 31.—[Special]—One week from to-morrow and the hottest gubernatorial fight ever known in this State will be closed. Clark leaders give him 70,000 majority, while the Hogg man say their men will go in with 100,000. Nugent, the third party candidate, is stronger than either party anticipates and will change the result materially. In the meantime both factions are moving heaven and earth for votes and are betting right and left on the result.

BLEEDING THE OFFICE HOLDERS.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Oct. 31.—[Special]—H. G. Ewart, ex-Republican Congressman of North Carolina, was in Charleston last week soliciting funds for the national Republican campaign committee from the Federal office holders in this city. He kept very quiet but held many conferences with the office holders here. The following is a copy of the letter sent by Ewart to the office holders:

"CHARLESTON, Oct. —, 1892.
"DEAR SIR: Your name being given me by your friends here as one likely to aid the cause. You must appreciate its importance. Funds are urgently needed, and at once. Please be prompt. Delay is tantamount to refusal. That you have already rendered local aid is no reason or excuse for not assisting in this, which is of far greater importance than local contests. I enclose certificate No. — which I am assured you will take. If so please fill in your name and address and mail with the amount of dollars to me as per address given below. If not taken return the certificate at once to the same address, unless it is convenient for you to pay the amount by November 1, in which event retain the certificate till that date. A favorable and immediate answer is expected.
"Yours respectfully,

"P. S.—If a certificate has been sent you, will you be kind enough either to refund at once or return the same."

A MIXED UP AFFAIR IN OREGON.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 31.—[Special]—The coming elections promise to bring the State of Oregon into national prominence as in 1876. In obedience to the instructions of the Democratic national committee the Democrats have

withdrawn one of their electors and substituted one of the People's party electors in his stead. The Republican county clerks have grouped Pierce, the candidate in question, only with the People's party nominees followed by the words "People's party Democratic." If Pierce fails of election the Democrats will contest and if he succeeds the Republicans will contest on the ground that the election law provides that the name of the nominee shall appear on the ballot in but one place, whereas in the Democratic and People's county tickets it appears twice.

A COMMITTEEMAN IN TROUBLE.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—[Special]—The civil service commission has reported to the Attorney General for criminal prosecution under the law against soliciting political contributions, the case of Samuel Thomas, treasurer of the Republican State committee of New York. The charge is sending letters of solicitation to the government clerks here. Documents in each case are forwarded with the report. The letters call for no specific sum, but request a contribution of such amount as the recipient may choose to give toward the necessary and legitimate expenses of the campaign.

TROUBLE IN A REGISTRATION OFFICE.

WILMINGTON, Del., Oct. 31.—[Special]—Major Edmund Mitchell, Jr., city tax collector for the northern district of Wilmington, was arrested this morning, charged on the complaint of George W. Currinder, of the Democratic registration office at Christiana, in two warrants, first with inciting to riot and second with interfering with the registration at Christiana, last Saturday. Mitchell, it is alleged, created a disturbance by heading an attempt to take the registration books from the custody of the registrars and in the altercation that followed adherents of the two parties nearly came to blows in the room where the registration was in progress. Mitchell appears to have objected to Currinder's daughters acting as clerks.

ROOSEVELT WILL SPEAK IN BOSTON.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—[Special]—Theodore Roosevelt, of the civil service commission, will speak in Boston next Saturday evening on the issues of the campaign.

ENTHUSIASTIC REPUBLICAN MEETING.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Oct. 31.—[Special]—Seven thousand people cheered for Harrison and Reid and listened to Governor McKinley, of Ohio, speaking of campaign issues in Clermont Rink tonight. The meeting was the most enthusiastic Republican rally ever held in Kings county, and a few minutes after the doors opened there was not a vacant seat in the vast building. McKinley discussed the State bank issue. On the tariff he said: "There is not a nation of Europe that does not want Grover Cleveland. There is not a nation of Europe that does not want Benjamin Harrison defeated. There is not a nation of Europe that does not want this tariff law abolished. The tariff law of 1890 was not made for them. (Applause) That is the reason this tariff bill has caused such agitation abroad."

CARLISLE SPEAKS IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—[Special]—Four thousand people crushed themselves into Cooper Union to-night to listen to speeches by Senator John G. Carlisle, of Kentucky, and Wendell C. Warner, of Cattaraugus county, upon the tariff. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Reform Club. On the platform were a number of leaders of the "Anti-Snapper" movement, as well as some of the representatives of Tammany Hall. E. Ellory Anderson presided. The speeches were received with great applause.

THE FEELING IN LONDON.

LONDON, Oct. 31.—[Special]—The Times to-day publishes a long review of American politics. It says this country has no reason to be very enthusiastic over either candidate. Mr. Cleveland, while President, distinguished himself by a gratuitous insult to England by demanding the recall of Minister West, and President Harrison has not been behind hand in the same methods of currying favor with the omnipotent Irish vote.

Close of the Fair.

The Catholic fair that has been in progress for the past two weeks closed last night. It has been a financial success from the beginning, which fact is due largely to the zealous efforts of the ladies. The net proceeds will amount to about \$1,000.

The pair of ring doves donated by Mrs. St. Clair brought about \$50. Among the presents raffled off were a pair of blankets, won by Mrs. John Sexton. The contest for the umbrella between Messrs. Charles and William Wainwright was won by the former, the umbrella bringing \$68. A large number of other valuable prizes were raffled off. The feature of the evening was the cake walk. The prize, a handsome cake, was awarded to Miss Eugene Sauter.

Another of the Robbers Arrested.

Chief Terry yesterday swore out a warrant for Jennie Sales, a colored woman, who had \$75 of the money that Wm. H. Reynolds was robbed of on Railroad avenue, but she had succeeded in spending all of it before she was arrested. She is now held at the station house to await trial with the rest of the gang.

An Informer Assaulted.

Scott Thornton, a negro, who has been furnishing information to the police, which aided them in bringing a gang of thieves to justice, was assaulted by Watt Lynch last night near Park street. He was struck with a brick on the side of the head. He was taken to the station house, where his injuries were attended to. His assailant is still at large.

Estey Organ.

Did you ever examine closely the difference between the construction and finish of an Estey organ and those cheaply gotten up organs of other manufacturers which are made to sell rather than for use? If not, do so before buying. It will pay you. Hobbie Music Company, sole dealers.

THE TRAIN WRECKER CONFESSES

Detective Baldwin and His Men Do Good Work.

Within a Week After the Crime Was Committed Joseph Miles, the Perpetrator of It, Was in the Hands of the Law—He Broke Down After Being Arrested and Confessed Everything. Sent on to the Grand Jury.

Detective W. G. Baldwin and his excellent corps of assistants have added new laurels to their already long list of achievements. A little over a week ago an attempt was made to wreck a passenger train near Martinsville, on the Winston-Salem division of the Norfolk and Western. To-day the man who attempted this dastardly deed is behind prison bars awaiting the action of the grand jury of Henry county.

A week ago last Friday the south-bound passenger train on the Salem-Winston division ran into an obstruction on a trestle about five miles south of Martinsville. Fortunately the obstruction was not strong enough to wreck the train, although the pilot of the engine was ruined. Upon examination it was found that two telegraph cross arms had been placed on the trestle and braced by a cross tie. Had the attempt been successful the train would have fallen about thirty feet.

A week ago last Sunday Detective Baldwin visited the place, and after quietly investigating the matter became satisfied that Joseph Miles, a young white man who had been in the employ of the railroad company, was the guilty party. After a little more investigating Baldwin arrested Miles and brought him to Roanoke. While here the man almost succeeded in breaking jail and was taken by Baldwin to Bluefield, where he was placed in jail in the same cell with Thos. Feltz, one of Baldwin's men.

That night the two men bribed the jailer who was also in the scheme, and escaped to the mountains. Feltz told Miles that he had wrecked a train on the New River Division. Miles then confessed to Feltz that he had placed the obstruction on the trestle his object being to wreck the train and thus get even with the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company, against whom he had a grudge.

The couple were again arrested and while on the train bound for Roanoke Miles confessed to Baldwin in the presence of several witnesses that he was the guilty man. Miles was brought to Roanoke and lodged in jail. Sunday evening, in the presence of Chief Terry and Mr. Baldwin, Miles told a TIMES reporter that he had placed the obstruction on the trestle, but did not wish to wreck the passenger train. He had a grudge against Section Master Thompson and wanted to wreck his hand car.

During this interview Miles was very much affected and wept like a baby. Yesterday morning he was taken to Martinsville for a preliminary hearing. The party that accompanied him was composed of W. G. Baldwin, Thomas Feltz, Chas. Gale, Conductor Montgomery, C. R. Haller, J. Allen Watts, the company's attorney, and THE TIMES man.

A large number of the prisoner's friends were at Martinsville awaiting his arrival, among them being his father. The meeting between father and son was very affecting. The hearing took place in the courtroom, which was crowded with spectators. At the beginning of the trial the sympathy of the crowd was with Miles, but as they heard the evidence against him the feeling changed.

There is no doubt but what the prisoner's friends had things all arranged to prove an alibi, for when Miles stepped off the train his father whispered to him:

"Never fear, my son; we have twenty witnesses to prove you did not do this."
"But, pa, I have done told all, answered the prisoner in a heart-broken tone.

After the witnesses for the commonwealth had given in their testimony the defense announced that they would introduce no testimony and the case was sent to the grand jury, which meets in two weeks. Miles, in the meantime, will be kept in custody. The feeling is very high among the best citizens in that neighborhood and Miles will undoubtedly get a long sentence in the penitentiary.

Discriminating Against the Republicans.

NORFOLK, Oct. 31.—[Special]—Naval Constructor Francis T. Bowles, of the Norfolk navy yard, has been under investigation for the past two weeks by the law officer of the Navy Department (Paymaster Allen) for alleged discrimination against the Republicans and in favor of the Democrats, in the employment of men in the yard, charges having been preferred by local Republican politicians, headed by Collector Banks and ex-Congressman Bowden. During the last administration Democratic politicians made a similar complaint with politics reversed. The present investigation is secret.

Big Fire in New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 31.—[Special]—Grunwald Hall, on Baronne street, near the canal, burned this morning. Loss, \$200,000; insurance, \$100,000.

The Weather.

Forecast for Virginia: Increasing cloudiness, probably followed by light showers during afternoon or to-night, warmer, south winds.

Sohmer Pianos.

THE great Sohmer piano has gained the approbation of the best musical authority in Roanoke, and their high merits have readily been recognized. It is not surprising, therefore, that the value of Sohmer & Company upon a piano has become a guarantee for its excellence. Hobbie Music Company, sole dealers.