

Miscellaneous THE FAITHFUL SENTINEL

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FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 26, 1866.

How Gen. Banks met his Accusers. There was a republican caucus held at Malden, Mass., on the 13th, which resembled in some of its features, the famous Hydrant Convention.

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STATE OF VERMONT. A PROCLAMATION.

To the Freedom of the Third Congressional District of the State of Vermont: Whereas the Committee appointed by the General Assembly to receive and canvass the votes given on the first Tuesday of September, A. D. 1866, in the Third Congressional District, for a Representative to represent the State in the Congress of the United States, have given notice to the undersigned, Governor of said State, that no person received a majority of the votes given in said District on that day, and have forwarded to me a statement of the number of votes given for each person, as follows, to wit:

For Rufus Baxter, 7521; For James H. Hoyt, 4231; For Walter Brigham, 3255; For J. S. Adams, 161; For H. Woodland, 99; For O. G. Wheeler, 85.

Now, therefore, in consideration of the premises, you are required to meet at the same place in the several towns in said District where the meetings were had for the election of a Representative to Congress, on the Tuesday next after the first Monday, being the twenty day of November next, at one o'clock in the afternoon to elect a person to represent the State in the Congress of the United States; which meetings are to be conducted in all things pursuant to the statutes in such case made and provided.

Given under my hand and the seal of the State, in Executive Chamber at Montpelier, this seventeenth day of October, [A. D.] in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, and of the independence of the United States the thirty-first.

PAUL BILLINGHAM, By the Governor: Chas. M. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs.

The vote at the late State election in Philadelphia was over 100,000, indicating a population of 750,000. This is said to be the heaviest vote ever cast in any city yet; and can only be surpassed possibly in New York city in November. There is a difference in the kind of vote between the two cities, Philadelphia giving 5,000 Republican majority, and New York 20,000 Democratic.

The figures of the official canvass of the Congressional vote in this District vary so slightly from our own returns, heretofore published, that it is unnecessary for us to publish them. In the Summary of our returns, we placed the majority against Mr. Baxter in the District at a little over 1000. It proves to be 1010.

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MONUMENT TO GOV. CHITTENDEN.

The following is the resolution for a monument over the grave of Governor Chittenden, introduced in the House by Dr. Welch of Williston. The object is a proper one, and we trust the resolution will be adopted.

Whereas, the integrity, the sagacity, and the virtue of Thomas Chittenden, who zealously and constantly exerted his energies, and his influence, in promoting the rights and liberties of the people of the New Hampshire Grants, and his constant efforts in establishing the sovereignty of the State of Vermont, against the opposition of New Hampshire and New York, and against the wavering neutrality of the federal government, and the artificial overture of the agents of the British Crown, have justly placed his name among the foremost in the early history of this State, and entitle it to the grateful and reverent remembrance of the citizens thereof; and whereas the monument erected by his munificence by his family, has become dilapidated, and the inscription thereon nearly effaced: Therefore,

It is hereby enacted by the general Assembly of the State of Vermont: Sec. 1. The Governor is hereby directed to appoint a committee of three persons, consisting of two suitable persons, whose duty it shall be to cause to be erected a monument at the burial place of Thomas Chittenden in the town of Williston, upon such plan and with such inscriptions as shall be approved by the Governor, and cause the same to be properly and securely protected against injury, as an expense to the State not exceeding the sum of \$10,000.

Sec. 2. The committee so appointed shall keep accurate accounts of the expenses arising from the execution of the duties imposed upon the Governor shall be paid out of the Treasury of the State, provided, such expenses shall not in the whole exceed the sum of \$10,000.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Resolved—The New York papers of the 17th, in a list of appointments made on Tuesday by the President, have the name of W. H. Hoyt, as postmaster at Burlington, vice S. Huntington removed. This is in accordance with the Democratic "State," published the other day. The "black" has been taken from "the wheels," apparently, and we may look for further removals and appointments in accordance with "my policy" and the wishes of the Democrats.

Mr. Huntington has been a respectable officer, and there is no reason of course but a political one for his removal. Mr. Hoyt will also prove a good postmaster, probably, though there is no reason but a political one for his appointment.

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The Society, on motion, adjourned to meet again at the call of the President.

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VERMONT LEGISLATURE.

SENATE. Tuesday, Oct. 16. Bill introduced and referred—By Mr. Reed, in amendment to chap 24 of the general statute, relating to the appraisal of lands taken for highways.

By Mr. Porter, from the com. on rules, submitted the report of that com., and the rules meeting of the Senate, on the 15th inst., and the hour having arrived for the meeting of the joint assembly, the senate repaired to the hall of the house of representatives.

HOUSE. The speaker announced the following standing committees: Military Affairs—Messrs Rounds of Chittenden, Wells of Waterbury, Child of Marlborough, Butterfield of Groton, Paul of Pomfret.

Education—Messrs Dana of Fairfax, Tenney of Ferrisburgh, Woodcock of Cambridge, Johnson of Rockingham, Boland of New Haven.

Land Taxes—Messrs Benton of Guilford, Robinson of Newfane, Water of Montpelier, Martin of Montpelier, Hamilton of Fairhaven.

Roads—Messrs Harris of Windham, Cleveland of Brookfield, Parker of Wadsworth, Pierce of Rochester, Welch of Williston, Child of Chittenden, Keegan of Ferrisburgh, Frisland of Shaftesbury.

Public Buildings—Messrs Wells of Waterbury, Green of Cavendish, Frost of Craftsbury, Deane of Tuntunoke, Frisland of Shaftesbury.