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Interesting Addresses to be Made at Republican Convention at Montpelier.

M'CALL AND LITTLEFIELD

Will One or Both be Present to Address the Delegates—Littlefield Made Famous Speech Against Porto Rican Tariff and in the Roberts Case.

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"Waste Not, Want Not."

Little leaks bring to want, and little impurities of the blood, if not attended to, bring a "Want" of health. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the one and only specific that will remove all blood humors and impurities, thereby putting you into a condition of perfect health.

Bad Stomach—Headaches and tired feeling, bad condition of stomach, caused me to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. It stopped all faint trouble." Charles Bover, Glens Falls, N. Y.



Hood's Sarsaparilla NEVER DISAPPOINTS.

catarrhal is causing the producer much concern.

For some months a careful investigation has been carried on throughout the State to determine the extent of the damage done to the maple sugar industry.

The result shows that the production has fallen more than one-half, and that the quality is below the standard in some sections the maple trees have suffered to an extent that threatens the total destruction of some of the best orchards in the State.

The Vermont Maple Sugar Makers' association, an organization of the leading producers in the State, has estimated that the loss of syrup, reduced less than 200,000 gallons. They had orders, unfulfilled, for carloads of syrup to the amount of \$1,000,000.

Early in the season when the shortage first became apparent, the manager wrote to the leading sugar producers all over Vermont, asking them to contribute to the relief fund.

All through the State vigorous measures were taken to stamp out the pest, sprays were used and trees were cut down.

It is reported that the loss of syrup for the year is estimated at \$1,000,000.

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\$146,000 SHORT.

That is the Extent of Cashier Mussey's Defalcation in Rutland.

BANK IN HANDS OF RECEIVER

D. D. Muir of Lincoln, Neb., Temporarily in Charge—Probable Stockholders Will Save Depositors From Any Loss—No Motive For Cashier's Procedure.

Rutland, March 28.—Rumors of trouble with the Merchants National bank and of the disappearance of cashier C. Mussey, were spread all day yesterday but Rutland was scarcely prepared for the genuine sensation which was developed by the investigation of the directors. It was found that the funds were short \$146,000.

The bank met with heavy losses, chiefly through Western paper some time ago and last summer it was found necessary to make an assessment of 50 per cent on the capital stock, and \$50,000 was paid in during the year.

The directors were called to a meeting about a week ago, and everything went smoothly until about two weeks ago, when an Albany draft for \$150,000 was presented to the cashier, C. Mussey, and returned with the statement that the draft was not good.

It was then that the directors were called to a meeting and the cashier was asked to explain the situation. He stated that the draft was not good because the bank was short of funds.

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Table with financial data: U. S. Bonds to secure circulation, Premiums on U. S. Bonds, Stocks, securities, Banking house, furniture and fixtures, Other real estate and mortgages, Reserve Agents, Due from approved banks, Due from approved banks, Checks and other cash items, Notes of other National Banks, Fractional paper, currency, gold and silver, Legal-tender notes, Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, Total.

Table with financial data: LIABILITIES, Capital stock paid in, Surplus fund, Undivided profits, less expenses, National bank notes outstanding, Dividends unpaid, Checks, Demand certificates of deposit, Cashier's checks outstanding, Total.

MUSSEY MAKES CONFESSION.

Arrested by United States Authorities and Put in Jail—McClure's Music Store Closed.

Rutland, March 28.—With its doors closed fast and its cashier, Charles W. Mussey, in jail, having confessed a shortage of \$146,000, the Merchants National bank of this city, which has already been closed, stands tonight on the verge of ruin, unless it is rescued by the directors.

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Woman's Trials

Increase from girlhood to the grave. The question of health is always before her. Thirty years of her life is a battle with menstruation, and not one woman in a hundred escapes the ills which lie in wait from month to month.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has restored a million women to health.

Letters from grateful women are constantly being printed in this paper.

Mrs. Pinkham has fifty thousand such letters. Her counsel is safe counsel. It always helps women and it will help you.

Mrs. Pinkham's address is Lynn, Mass. She will advise you free.

CHANGES IN RUTLAND SYSTEM

Several Officers Transferred—Improvement of O. and C. Branch.

Plattsburgh, N. Y., March 28.—The resignation of R. T. McKee as general manager of the Rutland road has resulted in a number of changes. Mr. A. Hodge, the efficient traffic manager of the road is performing part of the duties formerly discharged by Mr. McKee.

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PROCTOR WINS ADMIRATION.

His Fight Against Porto Rican Tariff Secures New Recognition of Ability. Washington, D. C., March 27.—Senator Proctor's substantial fight against the Porto Rican tariff is calling out the admiration of the opponents of that measure in Washington and elsewhere. The Senator is able to make a very crafty and efficient battle when he starts out, and is recognized here as one of the most formidable opponents in the Senate. It is due to him probably more than to anybody else that the tariff men have been so far from this rough shod over the Senate.

The House last week turned out a big list of pension bills among which was one for Vermont. It was introduced by Mr. McMillen, now of Lancaster, N. H., but formerly a soldier in company I of the Third Vermont Infantry in the war of 1861-62. He was in line of march from the battle of Gettysburg, Pa., to Virginia. He has had a great deal of trouble with his leg since that time and has been unable to live in Berlin, N. H., and the bill for his relief was introduced by Senator Gillingham. It has passed the Senate and House and now goes to the President for his signature. It provides for his receiving a pension of \$12 a month. Mr. McMillen is now 73 years of age and is disabled by the Senator's committee as a "pension" long-suffering old patriot who, in the defense of his country, incurred injuries which ever since his discharge have been a burden to him and have deprived him of every opportunity to secure a competence for his old age.

The letter carrier registration service will be extended to Brattleboro, Vt., on April 1. It will be extended to all post-offices where there are no letter carriers, instead of having to go to the postoffice to mail the same.

Senator Ross has presented the petition of Harry A. Slade and 16 other agriculturists of Vermont, praying for the repeal of the law which prohibits the use of fertilizers, perfumery and cosmetics. The petition went to the committee on finance.

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