

DAVE HILL'S POSITION

Rumors That He Will Support Bryan Continue to Be Circulated.

The Senator Saying Nothing, However, One Way or the Other.

Nebraskan Receiving Many Invitations to Speak in the East.

Upper Red Hook, N. Y., Aug. 24.—Every indication here has been toward what is a settled fact, that William J. Bryan expects and has been assured of Eastern support. Letters continue to pour in asking him to speak at Eastern points, and if the requests were heeded he could spend the entire time from now until election day in New York state. Nearly every city of any size between New York and Chicago has asked him to make a stop, and, without exception, the invitations have come from leaders of Democratic organizations.

Mr. Bryan showed no surprise at the newspaper stories that the New York Democratic state organization

Had Decided to Support Him.

He did reflect a little bit upon the statement that Senator Hill had told Mr. Danforth that he would support and work for him (Bryan). He said in relation to that question: "It is not Senator Hill's custom to speak through others, and I doubt if Mr. Danforth gave out a statement purporting to be made by Senator Hill. The senator will probably make his own announcement."

The receipt of a letter from Leader Sheehan of Tammany Hall asking Mr. Bryan to speak in New York added another chain to the circumstances leading up to proof of a thorough understanding between Mr. Bryan and the New York Democracy.

THE IDAHO COMBINE.

Populists Finally Satisfied With the Division of Offices.

BOISE, Ida., Aug. 24.—The Democratic and Populist state conventions have not yet completed their work, the Populists having made very little progress during the day. The conference committee reported the division of offices, also that the fused party be called the People's Democratic party. The arrangement respecting the United States senator does not please the Populists and they have spent the entire day trying to get it straightened out, the last demand being that the Democrats shall agree to support a man selected by the Populist legislative caucus. The Populists did nothing more than to adopt their platform. It is devoted entirely to state matters. The Democratic convention has gone ahead faster. It has adopted a platform and nominated R. P. Quarles of Salmon for supreme judge and Frank Stuenkel of Caldwell for governor.

At the evening session the Democrats notified the Populists they would accede to the last demand. The Populists at once receded and fusion was closed up. Nominations are now progressing.

IN REGARD TO FUSION.

Populist Chairman Butler Says Reports Are Very Favorable.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—Senator Butler, chairman of the Populist committee, says that he has been receiving some very favorable reports from different states where there have been disagreements between the Populists and Democrats as to fusion on electors. It is now believed that the offer of the Populists in Texas to take seven of the fifteen electors will be accepted. In West Virginia the committees have about agreed upon a division giving the Democrats four and the Populists two electors. It is also stated that the chances of fusion in North Carolina have improved.

TOO MUCH NOISE.

Chairman Jones Changes the Democratic Headquarters in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Aug. 24.—Chairman Jones of the national Democratic campaign committee has changed his mind as to the location of the headquarters, and the Democratic national campaign will be conducted from the Auditorium Annex.

Senator Jones said there was too much noise from the street traffic on Randolph street, in the suite of rooms which had been selected at the Sherman, and immediately afterward the headquarters were changed to the Annex.

Arranging Fusion in West Virginia.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Aug. 24.—The Democratic state committee was in session here during the day and adjourned to meet at Clarksburg Sept. 3. Nothing is given out concerning the meeting, but it is believed the Democratic committee and Populists are try-

ing to come together with regard to two presidential electors at large who have not been named yet. The Populist committee will also hold a meeting at Clarksburg Sept. 3.

Stand in Maryland.

LAUREL, Md., Aug. 24.—The Democratic national campaign in this state was opened in this city, the home of Senator Gorman, last night, ex-Congressman Bland of Missouri being the principal attraction.

Platt Faction Controls.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—The results of the Republican primaries to elect delegates to the Saratoga convention shows that the Platt faction has carried 24 districts and the anti-Platt faction 5.

RAILROAD NEWS.

The Rhineland and St. Paul Railway company has been incorporated at Madison, Wis.

THE DEATH RECORD.

The builder of the national capitol dome, George H. Miller, is dead.

Joseph Dwight Whitney, the eminent geologist, is dead at New London, N. H., aged 77.

Advices received from Bolivia announce that ex-President Campero died Aug. 12.

Major James C. Worthington of Louisville, Ky., is dead. He was an army surgeon for 20 years.

Professor A. D. Churchill, who died of sunstroke in Chicago, was an eminent geologist and mining expert of Montana.

NEWS OF NOTED PERSONS.

Li Hung Chang has paid a visit to Gladstone at Hawarden.

Dr. Nansen, the Arctic explorer, has arrived at Vardo island, Norway.

Li Hung Chang received an arbitration deputation at London and expressed cordial sympathy with the objects of the association.

Lord Russell, lord chief justice of Great Britain, has arrived in New York. He comes to this country to deliver an address on international law before the American Bar association.

The czar intends to leave St. Petersburg on Aug. 24 for an European tour and that he will return home on Nov. 1, the route being Vienna, Breslau, Copenhagen, Balmoral, Paris and Darmstadt.

CRIMINAL NEWS.

Three masked men held up the bank of Montpelier, Ida., and secured about \$10,000.

The dead body of an unknown woman, terribly mutilated, was found near New Richmond, O.

George Harshman has been arrested, charged with stealing a Bible and clock from the Disciple church in Loedstorm, Ohio.

Josiah E. Kelley, assistant cashier of the First National bank of South Bend, Ind., killed himself. He was short \$24,000.

Five boys, ranging from 8 to 13, were arrested in Peru, Ind., charged with stealing merchandise from cars and the freight depot.

Alford Griffith, "Young Griffo," the prize fighter, has been sent to the penitentiary at Sing Sing for one year for assaulting William Gottlieb.

Hon. W. F. Eyster of Chambersburg, Pa., while en route to Cripple Creek to invest in mines, was murdered at Lincoln, Neb. Robbery is the supposed motive.

FINANCE AND TRADE.

Five assignments were made in the Cook county (Ills.) court Saturday.

The Frias Hermanos company, engaged in Argentine cattle trade, have failed, with \$3,000,000 liabilities.

The Wabash Screen Door works of Wabash, Ind., has decided to move its factory to Rhineland, Wis.

On account of the poor market for lumber, all the mills at the head of the lakes have shut down, throwing about 600 men out of work.

The comptroller of the currency has been informed of the failure of the City National bank of San Antonio, Tex. It was capitalized for \$100,000.

Watson, Little & Co., large coal dealers in Chicago, have made an assignment. The failure was caused by a strike of the workmen at the company's mines at Brazil, Ind.

The Superior board of trade has decided to allow the Minnesota system to be retained for the inspection of wheat as a compromise. Other grains will have Wisconsin inspection.

San Francisco banks are being caused much trouble with people who wish to deposit silver and check out gold. Some of the banks refuse to take out any considerable amount of silver on deposit.

UNFORTUNATE EVENTS.

The plant of the Green Bay Planing Mill company was destroyed by fire. Loss, \$60,000.

Three persons were burned to death in a fire which destroyed a 6-story building in New York.

John Meanha and John Humple were killed by a premature blast at the Lake

Superior mine, Ishpeming, Mich.

George Brant of West Superior, Wis., while trying to save a boy from drowning, was pulled under and drowned.

A cyclone swept over Augustine, Ala., leveling everything in its path. Twelve negroes and three white people were killed.

The Buffalo fire truck No. 6, while answering an alarm was run into by a trolley car going at full speed, two firemen were fatally injured.

Six people were drowned in a cloudburst at De Haven, Pa., a small town near the Wildwood oil field, and much damage was done to property.

Lightning struck a big oil tank near Lima, O., belonging to the Standard Oil company. The fire communicated to three tanks near by. Loss, \$75,000.

The chemical laboratory building at the University of Illinois, was struck by lightning and nearly destroyed. The damage to the building was \$20,000, and to contents \$50,000.

The eastbound special mail train from Chicago ran into a washout 70 feet long and 30 feet deep near Otis, Ind., killing Engineer Griffin and Fireman Roach. A cloudburst caused the washout.

Captain J. W. Goslin, editor of the Winston (N. C.) Republican, in stepping off a street car, fell and his head struck the macadamized pavement, producing concussion of the brain and causing death in two hours.

LI HUNG CHANG'S VISIT.

Official Programme for His Entertainment Made Public.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—The following is the programme for the entertainment of Li Hung Chang while in this country: The ambassador will arrive in New York by the steamship St. Louis on Friday, Aug. 28. Major General Ruger, who has been designated by the president to act as his representative, will meet him on his arrival and escort him to the Waldorf hotel, where he will remain during his stay in New York as the guest of the nation. General Ruger will attend the viceroy during his sojourn in this country and be in charge of all arrangements pertaining to his visit. The president of the United States, who is to be in the city as the guest of ex-Secretary of the Navy Whitney, will

Receive the Special Ambassador

at the latter's residence on the following day, the secretary of the treasury, the secretary of war and possibly other members of his cabinet being present. On Sunday a visit will be made to General Grant's tomb. Monday will be spent in a trip to the military academy at West Point. Tuesday the party will be entertained at lunch by representative business men of New York. Wednesday will be occupied by a visit to Brooklyn, and Thursday the party will go by the Pennsylvania railroad to Philadelphia, where suitable entertainment will be provided. Friday and Saturday will be spent in Washington and Sunday at Niagara Falls, where the viceroy will be met by representatives of the Canadian government, who will escort him to Vancouver, from which port he sails for home.

RIGHT OF FREE SPEECH.

Citizens Have a Right to Discuss Politics on Street Corners.

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 24.—For 10 days a great crowd has gathered on the post-office corner discussing the financial question of the present campaign, the discussion frequently lasting until midnight. As fast as one speaker wearsies, another fills the gap. The police made numerous and futile efforts to scatter the disputants and finally made several arrests. Twice the cases came before Judge Cox of the city court, and the last time, with much impatience, he discharged the defendants, holding there was no decision by any court, high or low, where it is held that a man violates the law by discussing political topics in the streets.

"On the contrary," continued the court, all of the decisions are the other way. The right of free speech is

fundamental in the Constitution and must not be denied. No police force can stop it. It is the right of American citizens. This is a time when perplexing questions are puzzling the people. They are questions of vital importance to the common people. It is only by ample discussion of the questions that confront them that they can learn properly to exercise their right of franchise. They have the right to discuss these questions and the court will protect them."

The court also criticized the policy of the police in interfering with these street corner talks by using the ordinance against sidewalk obstruction as an engine of oppression.

Denied by Palmer.

SPRINGFIELD, Ills., Aug. 24.—A St. Louis paper printed a special dispatch from its Taylorville correspondent, stating that Senator Palmer had stated that "if no other candidate was nominated he should vote for McKinley and would advise other Democrats to do the same." The senator was asked about the matter in question, but denied the statement in very emphatic terms.

DILLON FURNITUR CO

FURNITURE, COFFINS, REFRIGERATORS. BABY CARRIAGES, BEDDING AND FURNITURE SUNORIES.

Our facilities for giving our customers its best and most goods for the money are unequalled in Montana;

G. T. PAUL, Manager.

Dillon, Montana.

GILBERT'S BREWERY

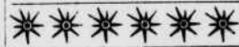
Pure

LAGER BEER

Warranted to Keep in any Climate.

Orders for Keg and Bottled Beer Promptly Filled

H. S. GILBERT . . .



J. ALBRIGHT

Successor to R. O. RICKMAN.

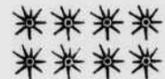
DEALER IN

Furnishing Goods . . . Clothing, Etc. . .



THE POWER OF PRICE IN connection with trustworthy goods is the great lever that swings the trade our way.

WE LEAD IN EVERY LINE and enjoy a constantly increasing measure of public confidence and patronage.



1878 S. R. 1896

BUFORD

Dealers in **Staple and Fancy GROCERIES**

Tobaccos, Cigars, Whiskies, Brandies, Imported, and California Wines

We keep nothing but the Best

We buy strictly for cash, and will not be undersold

& C O. GROCERS

Virginia City, Montana.

Dealers in **Agricultural Implements**

Farm, Freight, and Spring Wagons Plows, Harrows, Barbed Wire, Etc.

—Agents for the— **California Powder Co's.** Sporting and Blasting Powder, Fuse, Caps, Etc.

ROBT. VICKERS & Co.

Clothing, Dry Goods, Furnishing Goods, Boots, Hats, Caps, Etc., Etc.

Content Corner

Virginia City, Montana