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LUCKY VIRGINIANS.

Among the Appointments Made by the President Yesterday.

Washington, Oct. 13.—The President today made the following appointments: Talbot Albert, of Maryland, to be consul at Brunswick, Germany.

William Prescott, of New Jersey, to be consul at Rheims, France.

Collectors of customs.—John S. Bethel, for the district of Richmond, Virginia; Jesse W. Elliott, for the district of Newport News, Virginia; William B. Shepard, for the district of Apalachicola, Florida.

STARBUCK RULED OFF.

Baltimore, Oct. 13.—Chairman Mott, of the L. A. W. Racing Board, to-night issued the following important notice:

"Special bulletins—Until accounts for pace-making are settled Manager Dixie Hines, of New York, is ruled off tracks, and J. Frank Starbuck, of Philadelphia, is suspended from track and road racing."

"ALBERT MOTT."

"Chairman Racing Board, L. A. W."

WILL APPEAL TO MCKINLEY

Virginia Republican Fight Transferred to Washington.

LEADERS OF BOTH SIDES THERE.

THE ORGANIZATION WING ADVOCATES AN ADDRESS—THE ADVOCATES OF A STATE CONVENTION WILL LAY THEIR CASE BEFORE THE PRESIDENT—CANDIDATE M'CAULL IN A HOPEFUL MOOD.

Washington, Oct. 13.—The Virginia Republican campaign has been temporarily transferred to this city. The developments yesterday were full of interest.

The leaders of the organization wing, who gathered yesterday, prepared an address to the Republican voters of the State, acknowledging that an unusual and embarrassing condition of affairs existed, and, after stating the reasons why it had been deemed inexpedient to nominate a State ticket, advised all the Republicans who vote for the nominees of the Lynchburg convention that they will still be considered loyal Republicans, the Lynchburg ticket being characterized as an independent opposition to the Democratic ticket. It is said that the address as first prepared was an indirect suggestion to the Virginia Republicans not to vote for the Lynchburg nominees, but Congressman Walker, a member of the executive committee, would not agree to endorse such a position. General Walker is in sympathy with the McCaull ticket, and will not only vote for it, but will advocate it upon the stump. When the address had by modified General Walker placed his signature upon it.

In their dilemma both sides are anxious to have the good will of the President. Judge Waddill, who is the acknowledged McKinley leader in Virginia, and who is perhaps closer to the President than any other Virginia Republican, was at the White House yesterday morning and had a lengthy conference with President McKinley, during which the situation in the State was thoroughly discussed. It is said the President expressed his satisfaction with the action of the leaders.

The other side, however, do not intend to be caught napping. They will ask a hearing by the administration, and Chairman William F. Wickham has called a meeting of his executive committee to be held at Washington to-day, with a view to getting an audience with the President. The members of the committee, besides Col. Wickham, are James S. Pattie, of Roanoke; T. K. Harman, of Harrisonburg; R. T. Hubbard, of Buckingham; and Alvah Marlin, of Norfolk county.

The recently installed chairman of the Lamb branch of the party will leave for the capital this morning, and expects all his personal admirers to meet him here. They will talk over the condition of affairs in Virginia, map out plans for the campaign, as they have not yet had the opportunity of doing, and then, if found practicable to do so, pay a visit to President McKinley and acquaint him with the situation in this State as they view it.

Of course, the President will first be consulted about receiving the committee.

In an interview with Col. McCaull, the nominee of the Lamb party for the governorship, last night, he said: "The prime object of the meeting of the Virginia executive committee here to-morrow is to obtain for the nominees of the Lynchburg convention the indorsement of the national leaders of the Republican party. I believe that this indorsement will be forthcoming, for the reason that the administration cannot afford to ignore the Republican voters of the State of Virginia. I am not quarreling with the opposition, because I expect to be friends again with those Republicans who are now opposed to my candidacy, and the less said will be the easiest taken back."

Col. McCaull said he hoped to be much in evidence at the election in November, and that he expected the support of every true and loyal Republican in the State, both at the polls and during the canvass. "I will poll as many Populist votes as my opponent," continued the colonel, "and hope to offset any advantage he may gain from the refusal of Republicans to vote, by the strength I will draw from the Democrats."

The address of the organization Republicans is as follows: "To the Republican voters of the State of Virginia:

"The State executive committee of the Republican party of Virginia deem it incumbent upon them to address the Republican voters from the peculiar, unusual and somewhat embarrassing condition of party affairs at the present time."

"It is well known that a regular and full meeting of the State committee, held at Lynchburg on August 18 last, which meeting was held after conference and correspondence with the most trusted, reliable and experienced party leaders in every section of the State, the committee determined, after careful consideration and by an almost unanimous vote, that it was inexpedient to hold a State convention for the purpose of nominating a Republican State ticket."

"As far as it was deemed best for our party interests, the committee published then an address, setting forth some of the principal reasons which led to the conclusion reached by them as a body. The most prominent of these reasons was the opportunity which seemed to be presented for a vigorous and effective campaign throughout the State, looking to the election of a legislature which would secure a repeal of the present iniquitous Parker act, and the enactment in its stead of a law framed, intended and operated to facilitate the right to vote instead of obstructing that right, and to secure a count of every vote cast in lieu of the bonfire of ballots at every precinct which

has heretofore proclaimed the methods by which Democratic victories have been achieved.

"The address referred to contained an urgent appeal for organization and co-operation where practicable, in order to secure this desired end. Similar action was taken this year by the Republican State committee of New York. That committee, however, went further, and after declaring it inexpedient to call a convention, as only one office had to be filled, the committee itself nominated the Republican candidate for that position. In New York State, with a loyalty to party organization, the action of the committee was acquiesced in, but a different condition confronts us in Virginia."

"The chairman of the Republican party of Virginia at the time the committee's action was taken was present in the city of Lynchburg, but did not attend the meeting. At a later date and when no longer State chairman, he called a State convention, and conscious that the organization of the party throughout the State was in accord with the action of the State committee, he encouraged and invited the holding of meetings, regardless of any Republican organization, for the purpose of electing or rather selecting delegates to his supposed convention in Lynchburg on October 5, 1897. As was natural under such circumstances, the gathering when assembled, as well as the work it performed, utterly lacked representative character, and save for the presence of comparatively few of the supporters of that movement it could not have been recognized by any analogy to any Republican convention heretofore held in the State."

"This gathering thus brought together not only named a State ticket, but formed a dual organization in the State, contrary to party law and to the detriment of the party in the State and its organization, thereby seeking to supplant the regular organization of the State, of which your committee are the official representatives, and as to whose legitimacy no question can be raised."

"This action thus taken, right in the midst of the campaign, by this body, which had no local organization and no legislative tickets in the field and when it was too late to name them, operates only to dishearten and demoralize the Republican voters in the State. Your committee is well aware that prior to the action of the State committee some of the most prominent, able and influential party leaders favored the holding of a convention, but with few exceptions they yielded to the practically unanimous vote of the committee and determined to abide by its decision."

"Such a course followed by all would, in the judgment of your committee, have contributed greatly to the welfare of the Republican party. It is hardly necessary for this committee to refer to the irregularity of the so-called convention at Lynchburg, as each city and county in the State represented in said committee is thoroughly acquainted, both with the men and the methods used in procuring delegates to that body. Suffice it to say that one-third of the counties in the State sent no delegates at all, while the majority of the counties claiming representation there were overwhelmingly against the action taken by the self-constituted delegates that attended."

"Your committee renew, repeat and reiterate that portion of the address of the State committee which looked to securing in the next legislature of the State a majority in favor of such changes in the election laws of Virginia as will remove the stigma which has so long attached to her, and will proclaim to the world that elections in Virginia are once more free and fair. No loyal Republican will disregard this injunction or will let anything interfere with this programme."

"Had the regular organization of the party called and held a State convention it would doubtless have nominated a ticket that we could look upon with pride and support with pleasure. Under present conditions there will be upon the ballot an independent opposition ticket to the Democratic nominee, and it is conceded that a Republican either in voting for the nominee of the Lynchburg meeting or refusing to vote for them will neither jeopardize nor forfeit his claim or position in the Republican party of the State."

PAUK AGNEW, Chairman.
JAS. A. WALKER,
EDMUND WADDILL, Jr.,
JAMES D. BRADY,
S. BROWN ALLEN,
State Executive Committee.
ASA ROGERS, Secretary.

THE JURY WAS HUNG.

Glenville, W. Va., Oct. 13.—The jury in the case of Mrs. Atkinson, wife of the governor of the State, who was accused of forgery, failed to agree to-day and were dismissed by court. The vote in the jury stood seven for acquittal and five for conviction. The special term of the court was then adjourned.

NEW YORKER KILLED BY BANDITS.

Washington, Oct. 13.—The United States consul general at Maricao reports to the State Department to-day that Leopold Stern, an optician of New York city, had been murdered in Venezuela. He was killed by bandits near the town of Tovar. He was on a business trip.

TILLMAN IS BETTER.

Columbia, S. C., Oct. 13.—Senator Tillman's condition to-day is more favorable. He is still quite ill, but there is no immediate danger of serious results.

THEY ALL ACCEPTED.

New York, Oct. 13.—All the candidates on the Democratic city and county tickets were formally notified of their nominations at the Hoffman House to-night. They all made brief speeches of acceptance.

A KLONDIKE POSTMISTRESS.

Washington, Oct. 13.—The Postoffice Department to-day announced the appointment of Clara H. Richards as postmistress at Dyea, Alaska. The office is fourth-class.

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LOOTED THE PASSENGERS

Masked Men Hold Up and Go Through a Train.

THEY THEN ESCAPED ON THE LOCOMOTIVE—UNABLE TO OPEN THE EXPRESS SAFE THEY WENT THROUGH THE PASSENGER COACHES, DEMANDING EVERY CENT OF MONEY—THEY SHOT THE CONDUCTOR WHO RESISTED THEM.

Austin, Texas, Oct. 13.—This afternoon at 5:30 o'clock in broad daylight, and within twelve miles of the corporate limits of this city, the southbound nonball train on the International and Great Northern Railroad, consisting of mail baggage and express cars, and three coaches loaded with passengers, was held up by four men and robbed. The conductor of the train, Tom Henly, was shot by the robbers while resisting them, but fortunately not seriously wounded. One of the passengers had his shirt collar carried away by a pistol ball that was aimed at his neck, and another received a bullet wound in the hand.

The passengers were robbed of some \$200 in money. The bandits attempted to rifle the safe in the express car, but were unsuccessful.

When the train reached McNeill, a small station fourteen miles above this city, two men, heavily armed, boarded the train and took up their stand on the rear platform. After the conductor had checked up the train he reached the platform only to find a pistol at either side of his head. The men demanded that he stop the train. He declined to do so and began to run through the train, with the two robbers in close pursuit. He had not gone half the length of the first car when the foremost robber shot at him, bringing him to the floor with a pistol wound in his right arm.

At this juncture the other robber pulled the bell cord and the train was brought to a standstill. It was evidently at the appointed place, for the train had hardly stopped when two other men with masks over their faces, stepped out from the trees and began shooting in the cars. Instantly all was confusion. The two men on the train were instantly joined by those from the woods and began their work. As the train porter sprang from the rear coach and ran for shelter a robber began shooting at him and the negro emptied a revolver in turn without effect.

The express messenger looked out of his car and, taking in the situation, left his car and ran through the woods and was soon lost to sight. The robbers in the meantime left two men to guard the three coaches, which were packed with passengers, while they proceeded to the express car and demanded that the baggage man open the express safe, but upon being assured that he could not do so, turned their attention to the passengers.

They took only money from them, not overlooking a single cent, and walking two by two through the cars, so as to always keep their eyes on the passengers. After securing about \$200 in this manner they uncoupled the engine from the train and started off down the track. After going several miles they set the lever at a moderate gait and left the engine and scampered into the adjoining country.

The engine came to rest at the flag station at Duval, several miles below, and was there captured. The station agent returned to the scene of the robbery with the engineer, secured the train and came on to this city, arriving here shortly after dark. The officers have been notified and have gone to the scene of action with bloodhounds to locate the robbers. The two men who boarded the train at McNeill were not masked, but the other two bandits' features were concealed.

The sheriff and posse have gone to the scene of the action and a message at midnight is to the effect that they have struck the trail of two of the robbers. The scene of the hold-up is a famous one for train robberies, three having occurred there within a few years. It is a very wild and mountainous place, just at the foot of a range of mountains that generally afford a safe hiding place.

It is learned that to-day's train was supposed to have had considerable money in the express car, and while it did not come through on time, it was very evident that the robbers were familiar with the delayed schedule.

The negro porter, who emptied his revolver at the robbers while running away, has just been located some twenty miles above the scene of the hold up, at a small station, where he arrived about 10 o'clock completely exhausted and badly frightened. The night express, bound for St. Louis, which left here at midnight, was accompanied by a heavy guard.

STRIKE AT CHARLESTON.

Charleston, S. C., Oct. 13.—The question of employing negro help in the factories here is again agitating the city. The women operators in a shoe factory here struck Monday against a new wage scale, and now the male operators of the same factory, learning that the company intended replacing the white women with negro help, have also struck.

FOOTBALL YESTERDAY.

At Princeton—Princeton, 34; State College, 0.
At Franklin Field—University of Pennsylvania, 42; University of Virginia, 0.
At Cambridge—Harvard, 18; A. A. Herst, 0.

AN EX-SENATOR DEAD.

Columbia, S. C., Oct. 13.—Former United States Senator Robertson died here to-day of paralysis. He was worth \$1,000,000.

Fresh supply Velvet Candy in packages—10c, 15c and 25c boxes, at CATO'S.

CAPTAIN VENABLE DIES AT PETERSBURG.

Another of Virginia's Wealthy Citizens Crosses the River.

Petersburg, Va., Oct. 13.—Special.—Capt. Woodson Venable, perhaps the most prominent as well as one of the wealthiest citizens of Petersburg, died at his home in this city this afternoon at two minutes past 6 o'clock after an illness of two days, aged 72 years.

Captain Venable was president of the Venable Tobacco Company, one of the largest plug tobacco manufacturers in the country, and had been identified with the tobacco trade in this city ever since the war. He was born in Prince Edward county, but settled in Petersburg when quite young.

He served with gallantry in the Confederate ranks during the war and always took a deep interest in the welfare of the local Confederate camp. Captain Venable displayed a natural aptitude for politics and up to the last campaign was a staunch supporter of the regular Democratic organization.

He booted Bryan's nomination, however, and was chosen chairman of the city committee of the gold Democracy. He served several terms in the city council as chairman of the finance committee and succeeded during his administration as such in lowering the municipal tax rate as well as relieving the bonded indebtedness of the city.

Captain Venable married Miss Carrington, of Richmond. His wife and three children survive him. The children are ex-Congressman E. C. Venable and Mrs. Arthur Seddon and Mrs. R. H. Boykin, of Richmond. He was a brother of Prof. Charles S. Venable, late of the University of Virginia.

Captain Venable sought the Democratic nomination for governor when Phil McKinney was named.

McKENNA ON THE BENCH.

He Will Succeed Justice Field Early in December.

New York, Oct. 13.—A Washington special to the Herald says: Associate Justice Stephen J. Field, of the United States supreme court, has made formal application to President McKinley to be retired from the bench. This statement is made on the highest authority, and also that Attorney General Joseph McKenna, of California, will be nominated to succeed him on December 6th, when Congress convenes, five days after the retirement of Justice Field takes effect.

GOFF FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Washington, Oct. 13.—Those well informed say that Judge Goff, of West Virginia, will be appointed to succeed Attorney General McKenna in case the latter succeeds Justice Field. The rumor that there will be a mix-up in the Cabinet is without foundation.

THE SITUATION HOPEFUL.

Washington, Oct. 13.—Dr. Garry, of the United States marine hospital service, reported to Surgeon General Wyman that there are no cases of yellow fever at Henderson Point, as was reported. There were no cases yesterday at Pass Christian. The reports to the surgeon general are very hopeful in tone and the officials are very much encouraged over the fact that there were only three deaths from fever yesterday reported from the entire infected district.

GOVERNOR OFFERS REWARDS.

Richmond, Oct. 13.—Governor O'Ferrall yesterday offered a reward of \$100 for the arrest of George Wimmer, who it is alleged, murdered Charles Shoveley in Roanoke county in June, 1897. Both parties are negroes. He also offered a similar reward for the capture and conviction of Jack Miller, who, it is alleged, murdered his wife in Norfolk city on June 21, 1896.

"HONEST JOHN" RE-ELECTED.

Harrisburg, Pa., Oct. 13.—John Wannamaker, of Philadelphia, was to-day for the third time elected president of the Pennsylvania Sunday-school Association by the State convention in session here. Peter Dick, of Pittsburg, was elected first vice president; Dr. Dimick, of Harrisburg, second vice president, and S. E. Gile, of Pittsburg, treasurer.

PROTESTING AGAINST SILVER.

London, Oct. 13.—The reply of the British government to the United States bimetallic commission will be made on Saturday. In the meantime a memorial to the chancellor of the exchequer is being extensively signed protesting against any action in the interest of silver.

SOME KLONDIKE GOLD.

New York, Oct. 13.—Winfield Oler deposited at the assay office this morning sixteen and one-half ounces of Klondike gold dust. It is the largest amount yet deposited and was valued at \$350.

THE UMPIRE SELECTED.

Washington, Oct. 13.—The international court of arbitration, which is to pass on the British Venezuelan boundary question, has been completed by the selection of the umpire in the person of M. Maertens, the distinguished Russian jurist.

EX-SENATOR JONES DEAD.

Pensacola, Fla., Oct. 13.—Charles Jones, former United States Senator from Florida, died at Detroit this morning, after a sickness of several weeks. His remains will be brought here for interment.

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REPLY TO SALISBURY

United States Astonished at the Withdrawal of England.

SECRETARY SHERMAN IN HIS ANSWER SAYS THE AUTHORITIES HERE WERE CONFIDENT OF GREAT BRITAIN'S PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCE WITH RUSSIA AND JAPAN—VERBAL NEGOTIATIONS WITH AMBASSADOR HAY—MEETING OF THE OTHER CONFERENCE.

Washington, Oct. 13.—Secretary Sherman has written a reply to the note of Lord Salisbury, expressing Great Britain's declination to take part in a Bering Sea conference in which Russia and Japan are to participate. The essential features of Mr. Sherman's reply have been sent by cable to the British government, and the reply in full is now on its way to the British authorities. Lord Salisbury's note of declination, it can now be stated, bore date of October 6, last Wednesday, so that the response is made with promptness.

The answer states that the United States government views with astonishment the determination of Great Britain not to participate in a conference including Russia and Japan, and the statement is made that up to the 23d of last month the United States authorities had fully expected that the conference would proceed with Russia and Japan, as well as Great Britain, present. It is pointed out that aside from the written correspondence, to which Lord Salisbury had called attention, there were verbal negotiations between Ambassador Hay and his lordship, in which specific reference was made to the participation of Russia and Japan. At one of these verbal exchanges, it is stated, Lord Salisbury said he would advise with the officials of the foreign office concerning the subject discussed, which included the participation of Russia and Japan.

Subsequently, on July 29, Ambassador Hay wrote Lord Salisbury saying that the President hoped to have Russia and Japan participate in the conference. In view of these circumstances, the United States had confidently expected that Great Britain would take part in the conference and that Russia and Japan would be represented with the approval of Great Britain.

Besides the foregoing reply, and in view of the differences which have arisen, the State Department suggests a conference in accordance with the terms of Lord Salisbury's agreement, as he construes it, namely between experts of Great Britain and the United States and Canada. This last feature is now under consideration by the British government, its substance having been transmitted by cable, but it is not expected that an answer will be made until Mr. Sherman's answer in detail reaches London.

In the meantime preparations for the conference between the United States, Russia and Japan are proceeding. The Japanese delegates, who are now en route from San Francisco, will stop for two days in Chicago, and will not reach Washington until next Sunday. Two of the Russian delegates, Mr. Botkine and Mr. Routkowsky, are here, and the remaining delegate, Mr. Grebnitsky, is expected soon. While no exact date has been fixed for the conference, the expectation is that all the delegates will be here in time to bring them together on Wednesday, October 20.

ARMSTRONGS MAY BUY.

Newport News, Va., Oct. 13.—It is believed here that the Newport News Dry Dock and Shipbuilding Company will pass into the hands of the Armstrongs, the greatest shipbuilders of the world, as it is known that negotiations are pending between C. P. Huntington and the firm of Armstrong, Whitworth & Co., of New Castle-on-Tyne.

BETTING ON VAN WYCK.

New York, Oct. 13.—Wagers on the outcome of the election are assuming larger proportions. The odds on Van Wyck have gone up to 5 to 3, though the general odds are 10 to 7.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast for Virginia: Fair; cooler; northerly winds.

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