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Thursday, June 10, 1880.

The Democrats of Indiana have chosen a Hendricks delegation to the Cincinnati Convention. Maryland has chosen a Bayard delegation and Georgia a Fitch delegation.

The Greenback County Convention is to be held at Thompson, Thursday June 24th. The Greenback District Convention, to nominate a candidate for Congress, is to be held at Belfast, Tuesday, June 22d.

The National Greenback Convention assembled at Chicago yesterday. Rev. M. De La Matry was made temporary President. The day was spent in organizing and appointing committees, and the evening in listening to speeches from Deas Kearney and others.

Massachusetts is likely to have a double delegation in the Democratic Convention at Cincinnati. The "Butler Democrats" are electing delegates in opposition to the "Finney Hall Democrats." There is a prospect of some sparring at the Convention as to who are entitled to represent the Democracy of the Bay State.

The news of Gen. Garfield's nomination has been received by the Republican press throughout the Union with universal acceptance. Not a dissenting voice has been heard, but all cordially unite in eulogizing the nomination, under the extraordinary circumstances that existed in the Convention, is the last one that could have been made, in that it solidly united the whole Republican party in its support.

At the Greenback State Convention Mr. F. M. Fogg introduced a resolution instructing the Greenback delegates from this State to the National Convention to vote for Solon Chase as the candidate for President. And yet Mr. Fogg, in his paper, places at the head the name of Benjamin F. Butler for President! Verily, a poor sop to throw to "Uncle Solon."

Two large dealers in metals in New York failed last week, in consequence of the fall in the price of iron, in which commodity they had speculated largely. One of them, Herman Lissberger, has liabilities to the amount of nearly \$3,000,000. His creditors are, principally, banks. The other, Charles W. Schofield, has liabilities estimated at \$2,000,000. In Lissberger's case the banks are secured by holding the iron on which there has been an advance in price within a few days.

The Republicans have scored the first gain in elections by carrying Oregon, where an election took place on Monday for a member of the next Congress and three Supreme Judges. M. C. George, the Republican candidate for Congress is elected, displacing the present Democratic member, John Whitteker. The Republican candidates for Judges were, also, elected. The complexion of the Legislature is said to be doubtful.

Last Friday, at Highland Falls, New York, John G. Thompson Jr., of Ohio, son of the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives at Washington, was shot and severely wounded in the abdomen by Beaumont Buck of Texas. Both of the young men were candidates for admission to the West Point Military Academy, and were attending Colonel Huse's preparatory school. Buck had been made the victim of a mild form of hazing by the other students, and becoming enraged at some of their remarks drew a revolver and shot Thompson. Buck gave himself up and was committed to the county jail to await the result of Thompson's injuries. The bullet passed through the latter's body and his condition is critical. Buck, by advice of his counsel, declined to make a statement about the unfortunate circumstances of the shooting. He declares, however, that he has been unmercifully lamed by the students at the preparatory school, and that they entered his room one night after taps to play tricks on him. His father is J. G. H. Buck, president of the Dallas College, Texas. The prisoner is twenty years of age, and wears a gold badge, which he won for oratory in competition with the students of several Texas colleges.

### The Nomination.

The nomination of Gen. Garfield as the candidate for President has been received with great satisfaction by the Republicans of Rockland. Not a dissenting voice has been heard. The friends of Mr. Blaine are satisfied that their favorite candidate could not receive the nomination his supporters in the Convention were able to defeat the efforts of the triumvirate to nominate Gen. Grant. It was a hard fought battle, severely contested all around. But, we believe, the nomination is as good a one as could have been made, for the candidate is a statesman, and one against whose character, either public or private, not a word can be said.

### The State Universalist Convention in Brunswick.

The next annual meeting of the Maine Universalist Convention will be held in Brunswick, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 22, 23 and 24, 1880. The Convention is composed of all ordained Universalist clergymen in this State, duly admitted to its fellowship and actively engaged in the work of the ministry; of the officers of the Convention; of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary; of three lay delegates from each parish in its fellowship, with one additional delegate from each parish having fifty or more families. Delegates should provide themselves with the proper credentials. Preacher of the Occasional Sermon, Rev. E. W. Preble, of Bangor; alternate, Rev. G. W. Whitney, of Augusta.

The Maine Central Railroad will issue excursion tickets on its usual reduced rates from all stations on the line. The European and N. A. will carry attendants upon the Convention at one fare for the round trip, the Grand Trunk Railway furnishing conveyance either to Portland or Danville Junction.

The Secretary of the Convention will supply free return tickets to those who pass over the Portland and Ogdensburg road and who pay full fare to Portland.

The International Steamboat Company will send round trip tickets from Eastport to Portland at five dollars.

The Bangor & Machias Steamboat Company, will give free return tickets from Portland on June 25th, to all who patronize that line on their way to the annual meeting.

### Death of the Empress of Russia.

Maximilien - Wilhelmine - Auguste - Sophie-Marie, Empress of Russia died June 2d. She was born on the 27 of July 1824, and consequently, was nearly 56 years of age. She was the daughter of Louis II, Grand Duke of Hesse. She was married April 16, 1841, to Alexander II, Emperor of Russia, and being admitted to the Greek Church, received the name of Marie-Alexandrovna in baptism. Her husband succeeded to the throne at the death of his father, the Emperor Nicholas I, February 18, 1855. Her surviving children are the Grand Duke Alexander, heir-apparent, the Grand Duke Vladimir, the Grand Duke Alex, the Grand Duchess Marie, the wife of the Duke of Edinburgh, and the Grand Duke Paul. Of these the Grand Duke Alex is visited this country, and is well known here. The conversion of the Empress Marie to the Greek Church seems to have been as much a matter of convenience as a public policy. She became exceedingly devoted to its creed and traditions, and found in it consolation for the many sorrows which embittered a life which was not long.

It has usually been supposed that the marriage of the Emperor Alexander and of the Empress was the result of a profound mutual affection; but the estrangement of the royal pair has long been well known. The Emperor expressed the profoundest respect for his wife, but declared that he could not love her. In her society she became a woman of convenience, and she was to be regretted. Her health for a long time has been in a most precarious condition. She was greatly under priestly domination. The death of her eldest son Nicholas in 1865 was a blow from which she never recovered; nor was the marriage of her daughter, the Grand Duchess Marie, to the Duke of Edinburgh, consonant with her religious feelings. The Empress Marie, after passing some time at Cannes, the French watering-place, returned a few months ago to St. Petersburg. She went home at a dark and troubled period of Russian history, and with little in the country to relieve her melancholy. The palace was full of suspicions of plots and fears of assassinations. Soon after occurred the frightful explosion on the 17th of February in the Winter Palace, designed to destroy the Emperor, and which resulted in the death or severe wounding of some seventy of the Imperial body-guard. At the moment of the catastrophe the Empress was in her chamber asleep, and she was not awakened by it. It has been stated that she was at the time successfully concealed from her husband, but she was fully aware of the dangers which surrounded the palace, and these must have brought additional terrors to her death bed. At this time her daughter, the Duchess of Edinburgh, was with her. The personal character of the Empress has been variously represented, but it is certain that she was exceedingly religious, even to the point of bigotry, that she had lost the love of her husband, and that her life was embittered by great misfortunes.

Though the committee on resolutions, composed of one from every State in the Union, was disposed to ignore the issue, the Republican party, through its National Convention has once more committed itself to the principle of civil service reform. The fact that when the issue was presented to the convention by Mr. Barker, of Massachusetts, that body would not venture to ignore, or put itself on record against it, is an evidence that this principle is entrenched in the convictions of the people, while the other fact that the platform committee adopted the question is an equally significant indication that the doctrine is not dead to the hearts of politicians. Even among those who would not openly oppose the resolution, there were no doubt many who if they had spoken out their real sentiment and purpose, as Mr. Flanagan, of Texas did, would, like him have said "What are we up here for?" and that when we have won the victory we will divide the spoils. An attempt was made to smother the resolution of Mr. Barker by having it referred to the committee on resolutions, with the platform reported by them, with instructions to report back the platform without amendment. But the Republicans of Massachusetts were determined to have the question squarely met, without dodging. Mr. Warren, of Alabama, said that the convention could not, ought not and dared not vote it down, nor would it do so, by Mr. Cessna, of Pennsylvania, that we would be ready for civil service reform, for in that case, if we should be beaten five years hence, the Democrats might say that when they had turned out our own men and got in all theirs, they would be ready for civil service reform. He further declared that although he would not have offered the resolution, "the Republican party of the country," "the great body of good citizens who hold the balance of power and who will elect the next President—are in favor of it" and he was in favor of it himself. He said truly that a good deal of contumely had been thrown upon the civil service rules because of their enforcement, but that the same might be said of the Ten Commandments. President Hayes had done some good work but there was evidence enough in this convention that the work was not all done, and he would suggest, if a vote on the resolution was to be taken, that in mercy to the civil service Federal office-holders be not allowed to vote. Mr. Barker's resolution was finally modified by an amendment, which he accepted, striking out the clause relative to tenure of office and was then adopted by a viva voce vote. The country will hold the Republican candidate for the Presidency responsible for the carrying out of the civil service reform principle to the full extent of his ability and official prerogative.

The Belfast Progressive Age wants to name the new party "National Democrats." The Portland Advertiser thinks this would be a misnomer for several reasons. The party is not national, being exclusively confined to this little northern corner of the United States called Maine. It is not Democratic, the right wing believing in national supremacy, inflation and soft money, and being more or less infected with communistic ideas; while the left wing has abandoned all its time-honored traditions and substituted no political belief worth mentioning. Besides the proposed name does not give the Greenbackers a fair show. It utterly obscures their party name so dear to Solon Chase, and thrusts the greenback out of sight altogether as if ashamed of it. Clearly "National Democrats" is unfair. Democratic Greenbackers is better, and still more adequate perhaps would be Greenoreatic Democrats.

### The National Republican Convention.

Gen. James A. Garfield of Ohio Nominated on the 30th Ballot.

In last week's Gazette we gave a sketch of the proceedings of the Republican Convention at Chicago up to Thursday afternoon. The temporary organization was made the permanent one, and the Convention took a recess until 5 o'clock. At that hour the Convention again assembled, and then the first vote was taken which showed the strength of the Grant and Anti-Grant parties in that body. The committees not having reported, a motion was made that the Committee on Rules be requested to report. Mr. Sharpe, of New York, one of the Grant leaders in the Convention, moved to amend, that the Committee on Credentials also report. This amendment was supported by all the Grant delegates and opposed by all who were against him—the friends of the other candidates, with the exception of the delegates from Vermont, which voted in opposition to the amendment. The amendment was rejected, yeas 318; nays 306. The Convention then adjourned to Friday morning.

Dedicating the vote of Vermont (10) from the yeas on the amendment leaving 308 as the strength of Grant in the Convention. And this was proved to be correct from the subsequent balloting for candidates. Friday the Committee on Credentials reported, sustaining the right of districts to elect delegates, thus increasing 18 Grant delegates from Illinois, two from Alabama and two Maine delegates from Kansas. After a long debate the Convention adopted the report of the committee. Previously, on motion of Mr. Conkling a resolution had been adopted by a vote of 718 to 3, pledging the support of members to the nominee of the Convention. The three votes against the resolution were given by members from West Virginia, and Mr. Conkling made a motion that they be excluded from the Convention, but subsequently withdrew the motion. The Convention adjourned to Saturday morning when the contest for seats being over, the Rules and Orders reported by the committee were adopted. They nullify the so-called unit rule.

The Committee on Platform then made its report. The preamble sets forth the achievements of the Republican party in brief sentences. The first resolution declares that the work begun by the Republican party should be completed and the results achieved should be secured. The second asserts the National idea as the Republican doctrine. The third resolution declares that it is the duty of the Federal Government to aid the States in securing general public instruction. The fourth declares against appropriations of public money to sectarian schools. The fifth declares that the revenues should be levied so as to protect American industries; that no further grants of land shall be made to railroads; that polygamy must die; that American citizens, native and naturalized, must receive equal protection; that it is the duty of Congress to develop and improve our water courses and harbors, but that appropriations to corporations shall cease, and thanks the Union soldier for his services and recognizes the obligations due him. The sixth declares it to be the duty of Congress to regulate immigration, and to regulate the unrestricted immigration of Chinese as an evil. The seventh warmly commends the administration of President Hayes. In the eighth the Democracy is rebuked for its selfish sacrifice of patriotism and justice to an insatiable lust of office. It rebukes its offenses against impartial justice, the carrying of elections by fraud and violence, charges it with impeding the enforcement of the laws. It also demands the enforcement of the laws, the protection of citizens in their political rights and declares that the solid South must be divided by the peaceful agencies of the ballot. Among other achievements upon which the Republican party congratulates itself in the preamble is the resumption of specie payments. The report was unanimously adopted and the Convention adjourned to Saturday evening for the purpose of presenting the name of candidates.

The Convention re-assembled Saturday evening, when Mr. Joy of Michigan presented the name of James G. Blaine as a candidate for President. This was seconded by Mr. Pikeley of California and Mr. Frye of Maine. Mr. Drake of Minnesota presented the name of William Windom. Mr. Conkling presented the name of Grant—seconded by Mr. Brady of Kentucky. Mr. Garfield of Ohio presented the name of John Sherman—seconded by Mr. Winkler of Wisconsin and Mr. Elliott (colored) of South Carolina. Mr. Billings of Vermont presented the name of George F. Edmunds of Massachusetts. Mr. Cassidy presented the name of Elihu B. Washburne of Illinois—seconded by Mr. Brandegee of Connecticut. The late hour occasioned in the presentation of the various names prevented a ballot on Saturday night, and at 11:50 the Convention adjourned to 10 o'clock Monday morning.

At 11 o'clock Monday morning, amid intense excitement, the balloting commenced. The first ballot was as follows: Grant 304; Blaine 284; Sherman 93; Edmunds 34; Washburne 30; Windom 10; (the vote of Minnesota). Total 765. Eighteen ballottings took place before a recess was ordered. The variation of the votes for the leading candidates was slight. Grant's vote varied from 303 to 308; Blaine's from 281 to 285; Sherman's from 88 to 95; Edmunds varied at 31 and 32; Washburne from 31 to 35; and Windom steady at 10. Occasionally a scattering vote or two would be thrown for Garfield, Harrison Hayes and one or two others. After the eighteenth ballot, which stood for Grant 305, Blaine 283, Sherman 92, Edmunds 31, Washburne 35 and Windom 10—the Convention took a recess until 7 o'clock in the evening.

The 19th ballot—the first ballot taken in the evening gave Grant 305; Blaine 279; Sherman 96; Edmunds 31; Washburne 31; Windom 10; Scattering 2. Ten ballots were taken during the evening with very slight variations from the above, the last ballot, the 29th, standing as follows: Grant 307; Blaine 279; Sherman 91; Edmunds 31; Washburne 35; Windom 10; Garfield 3. The Convention then, by a vote of 446 to 302, adjourned to Tuesday morning. The Grant delegates opposed adjourning, but were defeated.

Tuesday morning the Convention resumed balloting. The first ballot (the 29th) was as follows: Grant 305; Blaine 278; Sherman 118; Edmunds 12; Washburne

35; Windom 7. This exhibited a large increase of Sherman's vote, gained from the falling off of the votes for Edmunds and Windom. The 30th, 31st, 32d, 33d, and 34th ballots show about the same for the three leading candidates. On the 34th ballot Gen. Garfield, who had on several previous ballottings received one and two votes, increased his vote to 18. On the 35th ballot the vote was thus: Grant 313; Blaine 257; Sherman 101; Washburne 23; Edmunds 11; Garfield 50.

On the 36th, and final ballot the break took place. The Blaine delegates, almost in a body, united with those for Sherman, Edmunds, Washburne and Windom, and threw their votes for Gen. Garfield. The result of this ballot was as follows:

Whole number of ballots	Necessary to a choice
755	378
James A. Garfield had	399
Ulysses S. Grant had	306
James G. Blaine had	42
John Sherman had	3
Elihu B. Washburne had	5
Gen. Garfield was then announced as having received the nomination of the Convention as its candidate for President.	

The nomination was then made unanimous, the President of the Convention suggesting that it be so done, and Mr. Conkling saying that he was not only anticipated a question he was about to offer. Speeches were made by Messrs. Conkling, of Cong. Hale, and many others pledging their efforts to secure the election of Gen. Garfield, and the convention then took a recess until 5 o'clock. At half past five o'clock Tuesday the convention was again called to order, and nominations for Vice President were received. Gen. Arthur of New York, E. B. Washburne of Illinois, Marshall Jewell of Connecticut and Horace Maynard of Tennessee were put in nomination. Several other names were mentioned, but were subsequently withdrawn. A ballot was then ordered which resulted as follows:

Whole number of ballots	Necessary to a choice
755	378
Arthur of New York had	40
Washburne of Illinois had	39
Jewell of Connecticut had	38
Maynard of Tennessee had	37
Allen of Ohio had	36
DeWitt of New York had	35
Woodford of Kentucky had	34
Mr. Frye, who was in the chair, said that Gen. Arthur of New York, having received the majority of all votes cast, was the candidate for Vice President and inquired, Shall the nomination be unanimous?	

Mr. Haymond of California moved it be made unanimous. Agreed to. A vote of thanks was moved to the President of the Convention. Adopted. A vote of thanks to the secretaries was adopted.

A motion that the usual committee be appointed to apprise candidates of their nomination, was adopted. The committee was appointed by the chair, was adopted.

At 7:30 the chair thanked the Convention for its patience and forbearance in sustaining him in the discharge of his duties, and the Convention adjourned sine die.

The Maine delegates voted for Gen. Garfield on the final ballot for President.

### How Solon Chase Views It.

Solon Chase was a member of the recent State Greenback Convention, and was chairman of the committee on resolutions. In the *Enquirer* of last week he gives his views of the proceedings of the two Conventions and of the "trade and clicker" offered by the Democrats. He says: "Their first proposition was to endorse our candidate if we would give them four Congressmen and four of the seven electors; but there were more cowhide boots tramping around the Exchange than there were around the Presidential House in Portland when the Greenback committee did not fall in. The old Republicans modified their proposition. They offered to endorse our Governor, if we would give them four out of the five Congressmen and leave the electors out for the present. They yielded still further, until our committee agreed to present this proposition to the Greenback convention; that they would endorse our candidate if we would inform them of our committee of our nomination and ask them to endorse. But such was the temper of the Greenback convention that the boldest of the Democrats dared not make that proposition to the convention. They were determined no recognition whatever of the Democratic Convention should be entertained—only recognition in some form, however mild, was wanted, it was said. The 'able, untutored and courteous' Democratic lawyers tried to sugar-coat the fusion pill, so as to make it palatable to the raw Greenbacker from the country, but the men with haysack in their hand could see the cat under the meal, and were determined to let the Democratic convention severely alone. That it should not be recognized by the convention in any form whatever."

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