

MR. BLAINE'S BIG BOON

HOW HE CAME TO DECIDE TO ACCEPT THE NOMINATION.

Harrison Refused a Request of Mrs. Blaine and Now the Families are Out—A Peace Note of Wm. Brewster and a Note to a Non-Resident Politician.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—There is still some talk about the inconsistency of Blaine accepting the nomination for president in the month of August.

"This is the second request Mr. President that we have made to you since your election. About your refusal to appoint our son Walker to the assistant secretaryship we do not need to say.

The anti-Harrison leaders have not been up to the mark in their choice of Blaine. Sherman is more acceptable in New York, but Reed is liked by the people and the chances are in his favor.

There is little likelihood that either will be nominated, for Blaine, unless the unexpected happens, will be elected on the first ballot—possibly by acclamation without a ballot.

The Harrison men are still crying that the Democrats are not ready to accept the change. It is not generally known that it is not generally known that the Democrats have received more offers of nomination from prominent places in the country than the Harrison men.

Moreover, his personal relations with Harrison are such that he is not likely to be nominated as an individual. The same can be said of many others who are opposed to the president's nomination.

A SMALL VICTORY. The Senate Votes to Take up the Morgan Charge.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—The senate today after some debate voted to take up the Morgan free silver coinage bill by a vote of 28 to 20. The vote occasioned some surprise.

Senator Hill has left the chamber with the press and many were ordered and no pair was announced for him. The Democrats who voted against free silver were Gray, Vicks, Palmer and White.

THE SINKING OF THE PILGRIM

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CHICAGO, May 26.—Particulars of the sinking of the steamer Kalamazoo after the collision in mid-lake with the Pilgrim, which was announced yesterday, show that the accident occurred at 12:45 a. m. Wednesday morning during a fog and that the water rushed in so rapidly through the gaping hole in her bow that her passengers and crew barely had time to reach the decks of the Pilgrim before she went down.

The passengers were: G. H. Goss, of Chicago; J. Long, of Holland, Mich.; J. Bucken, of Holland; E. C. Dennis and wife, of Grand Rapids; Miss Hattie DeWabe, of North Holland; and Miss Henrietta Allen, of Holland. Captain Dennis Cummings was in command, and his crew comprised ten men.

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MEMBERS OF THE VETERANS UNION

THE PERPETRATORS.

HE USES SOME HARSH TERMS TOWARD ALDERMEN.

HE DISMISSES AS A SPY FOR REPUBLICANS AND SAYS THAT THE HALF OF HIM IS NOT BORN TO BE A MEMBER OF THE UNION.

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AN EX-MEMBER OF THE GANG TELLS HIS EXPERIENCE.

Several Branches of the Gang—An Organized Plan for Plunder—How One Poor Hollander was Terrorized and Robbed.

Among the spectators at police court yesterday afternoon was a young man who from his appearance had seen many battles. Around him before court called was assembled several young men and they seemed to be waiting for something when a reporter for THE MORNING PRESS entered the room.

"Can you tell us," asked one of the number, "when our pard is going to be arraigned?"

"The reporter suggested that, having no acquaintance with the crowd, he was not posted as to who their 'pard' was."

"Well," replied another of the crowd, "he was scared of his life whenever we used to be paroled, but for the past year we have drifted apart."

"The reporter asked if their 'Jack' was John Granger, one of the hobos, and was informed he was."

"Yes," spoke up one of the number, "Jack is a hobo, and sorry I am for him for a better-hearted fellow never lived. I hate the name of hobo, and I will tell you why. I was at one time classed as a hobo, and generally went up at Hasley's for the Monday night we used to start in of a night at Klump's saloon. He was scared of his life whenever we went to his place, and would hand us out anything we called for."

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"We would also help others and get considerable money for it. We were in this case in particular. There were about fifty members of the gang which was directed by the late George W. Stoenking, Butterworth, Swamp and Backus."

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FRIDAY, MAY 27, 1909. NUMBER 15 FOR SENATOR. The People's party state its platform convention will in all probability have to put in nomination a candidate for United States Senator.

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and they are the ones needing relief. They are the foundation of the prosperity of all classes, but the mounted foe of the Republic needs this strengthening case the People's party would give it.

KENTUCKY has set Cleveland back but Harrison has checked the more with winning strategy. Kentucky is the whole lot and the hesitancy of Kentucky will give pause to all the rest. New Jersey is reasonably certain for the Democrats, nothing but a tidal wave will carry New Jersey into the arms of the Republicans.

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AMUSEMENTS. EDMOND'S OPERA HOUSE. ONE WEEK. The Amateur Profession. MATTRESS-Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday Evening Prices - 25c, 30c, 50c.

EVANS & HOAG'S COMEDY CO. THE NEW MILDWOOD'S PICNIC. Presenting a new, novel and original entertainment.

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FLINT. The Greatest and Most Powerful Movement of the Age. DR. HERBERT L.

SMITH'S OPERA HOUSE. Wm. M. Smith, Proprietor and Manager. COMMENCING MONDAY, MAY 23.

REGANET & KICHNAU. ARCHITECTS AND CIVIL ENGINEERS. PATENT OFFICE, DIAMOND ARTIFICIAL STONE COMPANY.

DRAWING AND ART SCHOOL. For Builders, Carpenters, Furniture Makers, etc. in every trade, from the most common to the most artistic.

PECK'S DRUG STORE. Sole Proprietors. Sole Proprietors will be responsible for the undersigned for and including the day of this year for the period of one year.

T. R. RENWICK & Co. 123 MONROE STREET. 148 Telephone.

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DEATH NOTICES.

POPEA—111 m. Tuesday, May 30. Lawrence, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Popea, aged 4 years.
Pascual (from the house, 470 Grand avenue, at 8 a. m. Saturday, and at the church at 10 a. m. Sunday.)

THE THEATERS.

Dr. Flint, the great mesmerist, will be at Powers' each night next week, commencing Sunday night. He will make his subjects become acrobats, gymnasts, theatrical stars, auctioneers and laborers.

OWASHTANONG EFFECTS.

The sale of the Owashtanong club property, which has been in progress since last Monday morning, will be continued today, and it is doubtful that it can be finished tomorrow.

THIS WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY, MAY 23, The Greatest Sale of Pants in the City for \$1, 1.50, 2.00 and 2.50. Also a Fine Lot of Men's Pants, cheap at \$5.00, for only 3.50.

The Above named Pants are the Greatest Bargains Ever Offered.

Come Early and get the Best Bargains.

Vander Verp, Benjamin Bros. & Co., 84 MONROE STREET.

Rip Van Winkle Slept 20 Years On A RAMPAGE! A Long Time Ago.

He could not do it now. The tumult of business, the fascinating merchandise and astonishing bargains found at our store nowadays would almost awaken the slumbers of an "Egyptian mummy."

Profits Blown into Eternity. Prices Slashed, Money an Object. Hard Times and Overstocked in Goods the Cause. We are Creating War in the Shoe Business. But Never Mind; it is Your Trade We are After.

Our Low Prices Catch the People

M. Ehrman, The King of Shoe Men, 69 Canal Street.

Is determined to be in the lead. If you want to save from 50 cents to \$1.00 on every purchase, just follow the crowd to this great store.

To convince you, just read these prices:

- FOR 1 CENT, 100 dozen bottles of Shoe Dressing, worth 10c.
FOR 25 CENTS, 3 cases of Infants' Shoes, Hand House Slippers, worth 75c.
FOR 48 CENTS, 75 pairs of Ladies' Fine Kid House Slippers, worth 75c.
FOR 85 CENTS, choice of 700 Ladies' House Slippers, worth \$1.00.

All these Goods Warranted as Represented or Money Refunded. No Trouble to Show Goods. Polite Treatment the Rule of the House.

IF YOU VALUE A DOLLAR VISIT

WINEGAR FURNITURE CO., 123 to 129 South Division Street, 160 and 162 Cherry Street.

EDMUND'S GOLF STORE, 69 CANAL STREET.

MAY'S BAZAAR.

New Lot of Crockery and Glassware. New Pictures and Picture Mouldings. We are receiving every day New Goods. Ladies' Furnishing Goods.

Advertisement for shoes featuring an illustration of a shoe and text: 'GENTLEMEN! Here is Success! GRAND SUCCESS! All Diseases of Men Cured!'

SHOES

House Furnishing Goods, Kitchen Utensils. Prices Always the Lowest. Call and look over our Stock. Four Floors, Tack Elevator.

41 and 43 Monroe Street.

With Every \$1.00 Sale We Give a Ticket that Entitles Owner to one Chance on Slietland Pony, Harness and Cart. Given away July 1.

Advertisement for City Water or Sewerage featuring an illustration of a pipe and text: 'This is the time for introducing City Water or Sewerage. Judgment and skill are needed in this preparatory work.'

Advertisement for 'It Serves You Right!' featuring an illustration of a man and text: 'You ought to suffer if you will be humbugged by quacks, take their worthless nostrums, be robbed of your money, have your stomach ruined and constitution broken down.'

CITY AND SUBURBS.

The police called on Mrs. Hubers of 113 First street yesterday. All quiet on arrival and no arrests.
Governor Winans yesterday appointed Everett D. Constock circuit court commissioner to succeed John H. Rozema.

Through the efforts of Charles Fox Street Grand Rapids new telephone and passenger depot, express and telegraph office.
A large number of the local doctors will attend the funeral of Dr. Lundt at Flint, who was president of the State Medical society.

The supervisor's report of the Ninth ward for the year 1891, filed with the county clerk, shows 36 births and 34 deaths during the year.
The Ladies' society and the Y. P. S. C. E. of the South Congregational church will serve ice cream, cake and strawberries in the church parlors Friday evening.

John Pfanders, the man who was shot in a fight at Ten Ra's saloon last fall and wanted for assaulting Officer Tatrow, was arrested last night by Detective Gist.
Charles Winn, James H. Ross and Isabel Kelly were arrested yesterday being drunk steps in jail and will be the principal attractions this morning in Police court.

The South Grand Rapids shingle mill together with the stock and machinery was totally destroyed by fire yesterday. The loss and amount of insurance could not be learned.
James M. McLean of 118 E. Park street, whose wife died yesterday morning is a member of the Carpenter's union, the members of which sympathize with him deeply in his bereavement.

A small number of members of the Soldiers Relief commission assembled in the board of health office yesterday afternoon and discussed the advisability of raising a fund, but no action was taken.
Raymond Field arrived from Chicago yesterday morning, for a visit with friends. He is a former Grand Rapids boy and is now manager of the silk department in Marshall Field & Co.'s store.

Justice Hydras spoke the electric words yesterday at the county clerk's office which made John Seelan and Ida Smith of this city husband and darling. The groom is 20 years old and the bride 17.

The conversational social announced to be given by the Young People's society of the Fountain Street Baptist church, will be held in the hall, Wednesday, May 31, 7 o'clock.
A. J. Johnson commenced suit in the Circuit court yesterday against Sheriff McQueen to recover \$500, the value of some personal property taken in execution as the plaintiff in her declaration unlawfully.

C. H. Kneizer, J. Boyd Pantland, Charles C. Smelcher, Elroy M. Reed, John T. Farrell, O. B. Sanford, Paul Waltz, Charles Kahler, Andrew J. Kridler and Cornick McGee took out licenses yesterday to dispense liquors for the ensuing year.
Otis Littlefield, a young man working in a Canal street restaurant, was before United States Commissioner McQueen yesterday on a charge of opening letters belonging to a young lady in his employ. He was furnished a further hearing set for June 6.

The council committee meetings last night did not develop any new interest and the only noticeable figure in the crowd outside of the Aldermen was "old man" Chapman of the street railway company, who was scattering his smiles liberally.
Martin Troy, father of Ed Troy, under arrest for assaulting Patrolman Tatrow with intent to murder, has agreed to bond and be set at large. Fred A. Maynard has been retained to defend the boy and says they will file affidavits all at the examination next Wednesday.

The kindergarten association gives a reception to the ladies of the Reading class at 8 o'clock Friday evening at the Fountain Street Baptist church. All friends of the kindergarten are invited to attend. The guests will be entertained by kindergarten songs and a short address by Rev. M. P. Tupper and others.

GRAND BALLOON ASCENSION. Saturday, May 28, 8:30 p. m., Opposite City Water Works.
Ascension made by Prof. Pat Deere, who has made some of the finest ascensions ever made in this country. This ascension will certainly take place, weather permitting, on and at the time mentioned, and a general good time and good view can be expected.

GRAND REXES BALLOON CO. MANAGER.
SHE WILL DO THE MOON. A Pretty Little Will Make a Very High Ascension at Reed's Lake.

Miss Rosa Wells, a talented and pretty young lady will make a balloon ascension Sunday afternoon from Luther Fair's grounds at Reed's Lake. She will demonstrate that her sex is not the weakly by going higher and dropping farther than any aeronaut that has preceded her this season.

Yonkers Photographer, 113 Canal Street. Has purchased the exclusive rights to the Gales Patent Glass mounts, the most durable method known for preserving photographs and slides in the cabinet. Be sure and see them. They are something entirely new, and this is the only place in the city these patent mounts can be obtained. Remember day and date and get one for nothing—Monday.

All who cannot sit for their portrait Monday can arrange for sitting by calling at the gallery between 7 a. m. and 9 p. m. on the above date. Don't forget the place.
YONKERS ART GALLERY, 114 Canal Street.

PASTOR INSTALLED.

Rev. W. Hall Williamson is now in charge of his church.
The installation last evening of Rev. W. Hall Williamson as pastor of the First Reformed church was attended by a large crowd, mostly members of the church. The services were free from band wagon parade, such as sometimes characterize such gatherings. Only a few flowers adorned the pulpit and choir.

THAMES HAVE HIGH JINKS. They Congregate in the Railroad Yards and Get Into Trouble.
Night employes at the south yards are complaining bitterly over the treatment of their complaints made to the police department. They say that for the past three days, tramps have gathered in the yards in large numbers. Carousing and drinking has been indulged in, but the police refuse to pay any attention to the matter.

Last night they say was especially noisy for rowdiness and drunkenness. The police were called in twice to stop the employes claim, but no steps were taken to suppress the nuisance, and the tramps held a drunken carnival until a late hour.

INJURED BY A BICYCLE. An Old Man Knocked Down in Campus Place.
Another instance of the danger to the public from fast riding bicyclists was witnessed in Campus place yesterday. Just after 12 o'clock a bicycle, which John Buys was giving an exhibition of his special qualities when he struck Jas. Meloy of Cascade, aged 70 years, knocking him to the pavement. His face was badly bruised and twisted so that he was almost out of joint. The wheel was badly mangled, but the rider escaped unhurt.

Mr. Meloy was trying to get out of the way of the bicycle, but did not see the bicycle until he was knocked down.

A NEW BOAT CLUB. A Steam Launch Ordered by the Promise Club for a Summer Cruise.
"The Promise Club is the latest yacht club to be organized. It is managed as follows: Skipper, A. A. Barber; first mate, Harry Whitford; second mate, W. Boyce; pilot, Will Glenn; purser, W. Jones; crew, Don J. Leathers, S. Kelly. The boat is a handsome steam launch now being built by the shipyard and will be ready for service June 1. The launch will start on a fishing trip around the big lakes.

P. N. CUB Messenger. The Progressive Neighborhood club gave hopes of their successful masquerade last evening at Slammor's hall, 215 South Division street. One hundred and fifty couples were present and three ladies unaccompanied by gentlemen. The silver cup awarded for the best lady and gentleman waltzes was won by Mrs. Ed Lynch, 38 Ottawa street, and a gentleman from the G. K. & L. car shop. The prizes for costumes were won by members of the order of K. O. T. M.

Police Court Record. John Grange, arrested as one of the hobo who assaulted Officer Tatrow Monday night, was arraigned in Police court yesterday morning. He demanded an examination which was set for June 1 and in default of bail in the sum of \$500 he was committed. David Stewart was court again yesterday on a charge of failing to support his family and the case was dismissed. The Sunday school case of Charles C. Smelcher was adjourned until May 31.

Careful investigation shows that, although our means of communication with Mexico by sea were improved in several respects last year, the increase in shipments of Mexican goods to the United States was largely by railroad.

Fortunate Fishermen. We went on an fishing excursion and this is what we caught:
Big black bass.
Wall eyes, blue, and green pickerel.
Grass pickerel.
Yellow perch.
Mackinac whitefish.
Mackinac trout.
Lake herring.
Fresh codfish.
Fresh bluefish.
Little neck clams.

At the headquarters for fresh-caught fish and oysters, 106 Canal street. Telephone 1091 for River & Alley.

EXCURSION. The Muskegon excursion train leaves for the Union depot on Decoration Day at 7:30 a. m. Tickets for round trip \$1.

She is in 61-63 Pearl street, Powers' Metropolitan block, for architects, designers, draftsmen, and for the architects, boys and girls, the Architects' Evening and Day Drawing School, Mrs. Van Rensselaer and Knochen's architects' office.

JOHN A. COLMAN has taken the contract to white the interior of the Oriel factory. It is the largest factory building in the city these patent mounts can be obtained. Remember day and date and get one for nothing—Monday.

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