TARIFF FOR THE FARMERS.

JOINT DEBATE AT THE STEUBEN COUNTY FAIR.

MR. DENSLOW FOR PROTECTION AND MR. WILBUR FOR FREE TRADE—POINTS OF THE ARGUMENT.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Bath, N. Y., Oct. 1.—The second day of the thirty-eighth annual Steuben County Fair opened under the most auspicious circumstances. It was an ideal autumn day. The entries are larger than on any previous year. The attendance was also large. Van Buren Denslow, of New-York, the representative of protection, and Mark D. Wilbur, of Brooklyn, the advocate of "tariff reform," appeared on the grounds promptly at 11 a. m. to discuss the tariff question. They had an intelligent audience of about 1,000 people. Each speaker was allotted one hour in which to present his views, and then fifteen minutes in which to sum up. Mr. Wilbur was the first speaker, and in part said:

I would say in beginning that I am no Free-Trader, and that the Democrats are not a free trade party. They are willing to have protection where it protects, but not to the exclusion of foreign products that can be manufactured as cheap here as in Europe. They don't believe in putting a Chinese wall around this country that will interfere with our enjoyment, prosperity and commercial interests. This tariff shuts us out of the markets of the world and opens them to the free trade countries.

The speaker then taking as his text that "the tariff is a tax," followed that line of argument for some time, and in closing said of the McKinley bill: "The passage of the McKinley bill has been obstructed for months by an intelligent, brave and determined band of legislators, but finally passed by men elected by the financial aid of the manufacturers, in whose interest it is."

Mr. Denslow, the champion of protection, in answer to the previous speaker's free trade argument, said:

The McKinley bill is the most intelligent and far reaching bill for protection of American industries ever enacted by any Congress. Still it was opposed and obstructed by brave gentlemen from the South—for all gentlemen from the South are intelligent and brave—and likewise their co-patriots in the North. The Tariff Reformers, nee Free Traders, claim that the consumers pay a tax on nearly all they buy on account of the tariff, yet 95 per cent of all the duties are paid by the manufacturers, according to a pamphlet issued by the Tariff Reform Club some time since from the pen of that avowed Free Trader, Thomas G. Shearman. And still Mr. Wilbur argues that the consumers pay the tax. Isn't this a fallacy? The theorists who are agitating this question of free trade have no ground upon which to stand. Their arguments are made up by misstating and perverting facts. They have a peculiar delusion regarding wages in that protection does not increase wages, claiming that those who receive larger wages under protection are obliged to do more work proportionately than under a low tariff. The contrary of this is true. Wages have always been lower and prices less under a low tariff or virtual free trade than under protection, and I defy my opponent to controvert this statement.

While both speakers were enthusiastically applauded, the prevailing sentiment seemed to be largely in favor of protection to American industries and the application of the provisions contained in the McKinley bill.

"PROTECTION'S OPTION ON FREE TRADE."

Chicago, Oct. 1.—Ex-Postmaster-General Clarkson arrived in this city to-day. In an interview he said, speaking of the tariff, that he was pleased with it as a whole, and he thought the country would indorse it, "though, like a new boot," he added, "it will doubtless pinch in a few places at first." He did not favor the sugar and tin-plate schedules as passed. He continued: "Reciprocity! There is no doubt it is very popular. No one seems able to give an exact definition of it, and doubtless to its mysteriousness, as to all mystery, much of the popular interest is due. For myself, I look upon reciprocity as protection's option on free trade. That is as near as I can come to it, and that, it seems to me, is about right."

"Do you think Mr. Blaine will be an aggressive candidate for the Presidency in 1892?"

"I do not. The man does not live who would refuse the Presidential nomination, and were Mr. Blaine to be tendered it he would accept. But he will not fight for it. Mr. Blaine I look upon as the greatest force in the world to-day. The blending together of the countries into one harmonious commercial whole he desired to see; and if, through the operation of his ideas, reciprocity and the principles adopted by the Pan-American Congress, such a blending should come to pass, his name would be made more imperishable than his occupancy of the Presidential chair could make it."

DISCORDANT ULSTER DEMOCRATS.

Kingston, N. Y., Oct. 1 (Special).—There were lively times at the Democratic County Convention here to-day, which, but for the timely intervention of Senator Lawson, might have developed into an open fight. The battle was on the temporary organization. The issue was on a proposed new deal in the selection of the County Central Committee. Mr. Lawson, as permanent chairman, guided the delegates through their deliberations. In a short speech he said the approaching election was unimportant, except as marking the first white stone in the history of ballot reform, by which the Democratic party would be protected from the great tide of Republican corruption at the polls. Nicholas E. Bruddicut was nominated for County Treasurer and the minor candidates named. The Central Committee was increased to consist of a member from each town and ward.

Jacob Rice, the present Democratic Assemblyman from the 3d Ulster District, was renominated to fill office yesterday. The district is Republican on a full vote, and its redemption is proposed this fall. Mr. Rice's plurality in 1888 was only five, while the last year, factional differences seemed to him to be Republican votes. The Republican plurality on the state ticket last fall in this district was 240.

ELECTING A STATE TICKET IN GEORGIA.

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 1.—An election was held throughout Georgia to-day for Governor, state House officers, the General Assembly and two amendments to the state constitution. W. J. Northen, president of the state Agricultural Society, was elected Governor without opposition, as were R. U. Hardeman, Treasurer; T. A. Wright, Controller-General; R. T. Nesbitt, Commissioner of Agriculture, and Phil. Cook, secretary of state. All these are nominees of the state Democratic Convention. One of the amendments to the Constitution which was voted on authorizes the Legislature to pension indigent widows of Confederate veterans disabled or killed in the service, provided such widows have remained unmarried. The other amendment changes the method of reading bills in the Legislature by requiring that the second reading shall be by caption only. As it now stands, all bills are required to be read in full three times in both Houses. Two-thirds vote in both Houses of the Legislature will be more than two-thirds Alliance. The Legislature will elect a United States Senator to succeed Joseph E. Brown.

ELECTION INSPECTORS AND THE NEW CODE.

Albany, Oct. 1. The Secretary of State is required by chapter 325 of the laws of 1890 to furnish a copy of the code of new election laws to inspectors of election before the first registry day, which is next Saturday. Owing to the failure of the officials having charge of the election machinery in the cities of New-York, Brooklyn, Rochester, Binghamton, Elmira, Oswego and other places, to inform the Secretary of State of the names and addresses of the inspectors of election in their respective localities, the inspectors have not been furnished with the new election code, and in consequence Deputy Secretary of State Lecedet thinks many of them may enter upon their duties without having a full knowledge of the laws under which they will act.

IN C. B. BRECKINRIDGE'S DISTRICT.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Oct. 1 (special).—The 3d Congressional District Convention was held in this city to-day. It was the intention of the delegates at first to put a Republican in the field against Clifton R. Breckinridge, but upon the advice of ex-Governor Powell Clayton, who addressed the convention, Isom P. Langdon, the Union Labor candidate, was unanimously indorsed. The expression was universal that Breckinridge must be defeated and the cause of Congress in this district vindicated, no matter if his opponent was a straight Republican or not, as he is the candidate made success doubly sure. Louis Altheimer and Dr. J. H. Hutchinson were prominently mentioned as Republican candidates, but eventually withdrew in support of Langley.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY NOMINATIONS.

Bath, N. Y., Oct. 1 (special).—At the Democratic County Convention held at the court-house here this afternoon the following nominations were made: For Coroner, Edward Inglow, of Wayland; Justice of Sessions, Eugene Wade, of Addison; school Commissioner 1st District, Clark W. Holliday, of Pulteney.

REPUBLICAN NOMINEE FOR SHERIFF.

New-Haven, Conn., Oct. 1 (special).—The Republicans of New-Haven County to-day nominated Colonel F. T. Lee, of this city, for Sheriff. He is one of the most popular young Republicans in the State.

BRICE TURNS A DEAF EAR.

Findlay, Ohio, Oct. 1 (special).—The Democrats of this Congress district are in a state of mind over the apprehension that Senator-elect Brice will not aid D. D. Hare, the Democratic nominee for Congress, with means to prosecute his campaign against ex-Governor Foster, the Republican candidate. The ground for this fear is found in the intimate relations which have always existed between Brice and Foster. They have been friends and business associates for years. The Democrats have made frantic appeals to Brice for material aid, but as yet have heard nothing from him of an encouraging character. The Democratic candidate is a poor man, and must needs have money to hold his own voters in line. Unless Brice comes to the rescue, his 1,500 plurality will melt away.

SUING FREDERICK S. GIBBS

TWO CHECKS, IT IS ALLEGED, WERE DRAWN BY THE ASSEMBLYMAN WHEN HE HAD NO DEPOSITS.

Frederick S. Gibbs is the defendant in the suit brought by Thomas M. Rowlette, in the City Court, yesterday, to recover the sum of $1,500, which is the amount of the checks alleged to have been given to Henry J. Cullen, of the law firm of Wingate & Cullen, in 1885. Mr. Rowlette alleges that he not only has been unable to collect certain moneys due him from Mr. Gibbs, but that unless decision is quickly rendered he fears that he never will be able to collect the amount for which he has brought suit. The suit is the outcome of some business transactions of the year 1885. Frederick S. Gibbs then gave to Henry J. Cullen, of the firm of Wingate & Cullen, so the plaintiff alleges, two checks, one for $1,000 and one for $500. These were made payable at the North River Bank. When Mr. Cullen presented the checks for payment he was informed that Gibbs had no money on deposit with which to meet them.

The checks were then turned over to the plaintiff who brought the present suit. He further promises to produce in court the original checks, which are the foundation of the present action, and to give arguments on the causes of the action. The action against Gibbs was begun on September 16 by the service of a summons and complaint against the defendant. On September 22 the plaintiff gave the defendant one day's time to serve his answer. The next day an extension of six days more time was granted. The defendant then submitted a formal affidavit of merits, but did not outline his line of defence. Mr. Rowlette finally wearied of the dilatory tactics, and asked that the order granting a further extension of time should be vacated. This was argued yesterday, Mr. Rowlette expressing a fear that Mr. Gibbs might put his property out of his hands, therefore any further delay would injure his chances of recovering anything. Mr. Gibbs's counsel agreed that an answer would be made on Monday, upon which stipulation Mr. Rowlette withdrew his motion. The defence to the suit is said to be that the checks have already been paid.

THE REVOLT AGAINST "BOSS" PURROY.

HE WHISTLES TO KEEP UP HIS COURAGE—HIS GUST WITH TAMMANY IN THE ANNEXED DISTRICT.

Fire Commissioner Purroy, the Tammany Hall leader in the Annexed District, laboured considerable action yesterday in talking about the discussions which have brought about the big revolt in his political bailiwick, although he strove hard to suppress his emotions. He sought to belittle the influence of the men who withdrew from his committee on Tuesday, hinting that they were actuated by petty disappointment in not being able to control the committee to suit themselves. "Boss" Purroy also fell back upon the old political dodge of alleging that Tammany Hall was really successful in the XXIVth Assembly District without the seceders than with them.

After he had talked awhile the "boss" became braver and said that he was quite sure that the revolt of Louis J. Heintz, Matthew P. Breen, Peter E. Dailey and the other solid men was a small affair after all, and he proceeded to "state his reputation" that he would carry his district as usual in November. Mr. Purroy assured his auditors that he did not think of being a candidate himself for street Commissioner, nor had he any candidate to press for that office. There seems to be little doubt that the Fire Commissioner will hold upon the voters of his district a meeting some day this week, said a well-posted citizen of the Annexed District yesterday. "Our people are tired of Tammany domination. It will take a change of less than 1,000 votes to defeat either Purroy or whomever he may put up. There are many men who have been voting the Tammany ticket who are disgusted with Hall and with Grant also. What is the Tammany Hall Board of Street Opening doing for the Annexed District, except build it the worst streets and pay the highest prices for property that our citizens ever saw?"

THE ADVANTAGE WITH THE COUNTIES.

The County Democracy will a partial victory to-day in its effort to force the Police Commissioners to appoint half of the Democratic inspectors of election from the list of names furnished by the County Democracy organization. Judge Lawrence in the supreme Court, decided that there was a question for the court to consider. He will hear further arguments on Friday concerning the appointment of election officers, and claims should be presented supporting the Police Commissioners' position that they have the right to appoint as they please to do.

MAYOR GRACE'S LETTER OF DECLINATION.

[By Telegraph to the Tribune.]

Jamaica, Oct. 1. [Special.] The following letter has been received by the Republican county committee:

[To Reuben L. Haskell, Chairman:]

Dear Sir: I have received your letter informing me of my selection by the Republican County Committee as a candidate for the office of Member of Assembly from the 1st District, and I thank the committee for the honor they have conferred upon me. I am not a candidate for any office, and I cannot consent to be one. Yours truly, EDWARD COOPER.

DEMOCRATS NOMINATE A WOMAN.

Watertown, N. Y., Oct. 1.—Miss Mary E. Hyde, of Adams, has been nominated by the Democrats for School Commissioner of the 2d District of Jefferson County.

JUSTICE BAGHOT RENOMINATED.

Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 1.—Justice Albert Haight was to-day unanimously renominated for the office of the Supreme Court by the Republican Convention of the VIIIth Judicial District.

ME. BULD TO SPEAK IN NEW HAVEN.

New-Haven, Oct. 1 (special).—A telegram has been received from Senator Reed notifying Chairman Hall that he would address a New Haven Republican meeting on Friday evening.

FUNERAL OF EDWARD F. REILLY.

The funeral of Edward F. Reilly, County Clerk of this county, who died on Sunday, took place yesterday from the residence of his brother, Richard Reilly, in Church. The following members of the Board of Aldermen were present: Messrs. [illegible] Clerk Mayor, Deputy Clerk [illegible], Ex-Sheriff Grant, Ex-Sheriff Gilon, Under-Sheriff [illegible], Ex-Sheriff Gilon, Under-Sheriff [illegible], Ex-Sheriff Gilon, Under-Sheriff [illegible],