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M'BRIDE LOSING

Many Delegates Are Deserting Him.

THE RAILWAY BILL IS DYING

Friends of the Governor the Ones to Slaughter It.

CONGRESSIONAL FIGHT TO FRONT

Indications Are That Cushman, Jones and Humphrey Will Be the Nominees—F. H. Brownell Will Be Chairman of Convention.

The Washington Republican Convention, which will convene at Tacoma today, promises to be one of the most exciting in the history of the state. Governor McBride's Railway Commission scheme, which threatened to disrupt the party, appears to have been shelved by its own friends. The convention today will be presided over by T. H. Brownell, of Everett. Probable nominations are:

TACOMA, Wash., Sept. 10-3 A. M.—(Staff correspondence.)—Governor McBride's railroad commission plank in the Republican platform of the State of Washington will probably go down to defeat when the convention meets tomorrow morning. Representatives Jones and Cushman are slated for renomination, and Will E. Humphrey, of Seattle, is on the schedule for the third member of Congress. Hon. Hiram E. Hadley, of Whatcom, will probably be the successful candidate for Supreme Justice. For temporary chairman, F. H. Brownell, of Snohomish, has been agreed upon, and the appointment of a permanent chairman has been left to Governor McBride, who has not announced his appointee, but has intimated that it will be H. S. Huson, of Pierce, or B. W. Colner, of Lewis.

Briefly stated, this is the result of a day and night of wild caucusing, and of making and breaking of combinations without number. The friends of the railroad plank in the platform have not given up the fight, and if it is defeated it will be by a small majority, and it will be a very interesting factor in the proceedings. The Congressional matter was practically settled at a meeting of the steering committee of Pierce and King Counties, and at 12:30 this morning the foregoing slate was agreed upon.

A DAY OF GREAT EXCITEMENT.
Slates Were Made Every Few Minutes, and Broken as Easily.
TACOMA, Sept. 9.—(Staff correspondence.)—This has been a day of great excitement among the Washington politi-

cians, who had gathered in this city for the purpose of straightening up political fences, preliminary to the battle which is to be fought out in the convention hall tomorrow. The excitement did not go down with the sun, but is still running high at midnight, and a few of the more prominent leaders of the opposing factions will hold a continuing session until the convention meets, unless some of the points at issue are nearer a settlement than they are at a late hour tonight.

The contest today between the advance guards resulted in crowding Governor McBride's railroad commission plank out of the limelight, to make room for a more interesting contest for Congressional honors. It has been a great day for combinations, and they have been put up and knocked down with such frequency and regularity since 10 o'clock this morning that the oldest politicians pause at this time to catch their breath, and wonder "where they are at."

The Congressional Fight.
In the Congressional fight, which has been on at full blast since early this morning, there are seven contestants, their names and order of prominence as now indicated being Cushman, of Pierce;

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STEAMER ON ROCKS

Cottage City Goes Ashore Near Fort Wrangel.

PASSENGERS ARE ALL RESCUED

Wrecked Ship, Which Was Bound for Seattle, Will Probably Be Saved—One Hundred Tons of Cargo Jettisoned.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 9.—The steamer Cottage City, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, went ashore at 10:20 o'clock

has been rector for the last 23 years, have received from their former pastor a letter of farewell, previous to his departure to his new charge, the University Church of Leland Stanford, Jr., University, in California. The letter contains the word of valedictory which illness prevented him from delivering from the pulpit at the time of his resignation, a few months ago. The letter was written from Dr. Newton's Summer home on Long Island.

IN FULL ERUPTION,

Volcano on Island of Stromboli Throwing Out Fire and Stones.

ROME, Sept. 9.—The volcano on Stromboli Island is in full eruption, and is throwing out great columns of fire and torrents of stones. The island is shrouded in smoke. Mount Vesuvius is showing signs of activity.

Stromboli is the northernmost of the Lipari Islands, in the Mediterranean, off the north coast of Sicily. Its area is eight square miles. It is wholly of volcanic formation, and has a constantly active volcano 200 feet high, with an extinct crater on top, but an active one on the side at the height of about 250 feet. On the east side of the island lies the

TIE-UP ON RIVER

The Marine Engineers Order a Strike.

MANY BOATS ARE AFFECTED

But No Line, Possibly, May Cease Entirely.

140 ENGINEERS TO WALK OUT

Negotiations Fail to Bring About Settlement of Long-Standing Trouble—Nonunion Men on Some Steamers.

A strike will be declared by the Marine Engineers' Association today, and every union engineer will leave his boat as soon as it is brought into Portland. A complete tie-up cannot be effected, as there is a number of nonunion engineers in the city, and many boat-owners are able to run an engine. The O. R. & N. Co., the White Collar Line, The Dalles, Portland & Astoria Navigation Company, Jacob Kamm, Kellogg Transportation Company, Shafer Transportation Company and at least a dozen good-sized towboats owned and operated by individual owners will be affected by the strike, although none of them will have to cease operations entirely. The O. R. & N. Co., D. P. & A. N. Co. and White Collar Line will probably be able to run two boats each. The engineers on the Jacob Kamm boats are all nonunion men, and the Kellogg Transportation Company will be able to operate all of its boats, owing to the fact that a number of the stockholders in the company are licensed to run engines.

Over 140 engineers will walk out today, and they stubbornly declare that they will not again make use of their licenses until the conditions which they demand are granted. The employers are equally as determined, and the walk-out seems to be the commencement of a long and bitter fight.

The two opposing parties disagree as to what the real point of contention is. The strikers hold that the employers did not live up to the terms of the agreement at the settlement of the last strike. "All of our men were to be given their places back," they say. "And there are at least eight left out."

"Are you willing to call a strike for these eight men?" they were asked. "The grievance of one is the grievance of all in our organization," they answered; "and we shall demand that these men be reinstated." They also admitted that they had asked a small raise in wages. "The same terms as were asked last July," they said, which means an advance of from \$109 to \$110 for chief engineers, and from \$75 to \$85 for second on the large boats, and a corresponding advance on the smaller boats, which now pay \$80 and \$65. The employers hold that these were but two men left out of their old places, and that it was the intention to restore them as soon as possible. "The trouble is," they say, "that our men want us to pay them more than our business warrants, and we would as soon stop running our boats as to do this."

WILL BE CHAIRMAN OF REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION AT TACOMA.



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Sunday night on Island Point, Etelin Island, Sitka Sound, 20 miles south of Fort Wrangel. She now lies 60 feet forward on the rocks. Fifty feet of keel are gone, and her forefoot is dry at low water. The steamer tilted aft, and the hurricane deck, to the top of the smoking-room, is under water at high tide. The vessel is well sheltered, and it is believed a bulkhead can be built inside and the ship floated. The 150 passengers of the Cottage City were transferred to the steamer Spokane, of the same company, which came along three hours after the accident, bound north. They were taken on to Skagway, and will return south on the Spokane.

The Cottage City was bound for Seattle when the accident occurred, and was due to arrive here tomorrow. Over 100 tons of cargo were jettisoned. The remainder of the cargo, consisting chiefly of salmon, was transferred to lighters and taken ashore. Details of how the accident occurred are lacking.

The Cottage City was built in Bath, Me., in 1891. She was bought by the Pacific Coast Steamship Company and brought around the Horn five years ago. She was at one time on the Lynn Canal run, and has never been on any other since coming to the Pacific.

Funeral of Ex-Senator Roach.
NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—The funeral of ex-United States Senator William M. Roach took place today from his late residence in this city. The interment will be in the Congressional cemetery at Washington, D. C.

Dr. Newton's Letter of Farewell.
NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—Members of the congregation of All Souls' Episcopal Church, of which Rev. Dr. Heber Newton

small town of Stromboli. The population of the island is placed at 800 persons.

Kilauea Again Breaks Out.
HONOLULU, Sept. 3.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—The volcano Kilauea has again broken out in active eruption. The later reports from the Island of Hawaii state that a lake of hot lava has appeared in the smaller crater, and that the volcano is again displaying streams of fire, forming a grand spectacle. Prior to the display a shock of earthquake was felt at Hilo and in the district of Hamakua.

For St. Vincent Board of Inquiry.
NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—Further news from St. Vincent is awaited with painful interest, cables the London correspondent of the Tribune. The future of the island is in jeopardy and investigation from a scientific point of view seems absolutely necessary. Colonial Secretary Chamberlain has given no indication of his intentions in the matter, but it is believed he favors the appointment of a commission of inquiry.

Martinique to Be Evacuated.
PARIS, Sept. 9.—A cablegram from Governor Lemaire, of Martinique, says that measures have been taken to ensure the evacuation of the northern part of the island.

Boer Generals Start for Holland.
LONDON, Sept. 9.—The Boer Generals started for Holland today, and were cheered heartily by the crowds. It is understood that one of the requests the visitors made to the Colonial Secretary, Joseph Chamberlain, was for permission for the Boer refugees in Europe to return to their respective districts in South Africa without taking the oath of allegiance. Mr. Chamberlain, however, did not see any way in which he could agree to this, or to the suggestion that certain holders of office under the late South African Government should be reappointed to their old positions.

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CUSHMAN SAW NO BREACH IN HIS FENCES.

SENATOR HANTS AND HIS HAT (BOTH FROM CLARK)

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CANDIDATE PICKRELL DID SOME "THREE SHEETING"

PROMINENT FIGURES AT THE REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION AT TACOMA.