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Tug Republican national convention meets next Tuesday. A majority of the people of the United States think that it will nominate the next president.

publican success this year, and discussing the phases of the situation it must be borne in view that the victory of 1880 was won only through very streauous endeavor and by a very small margin. There were some advantage on the Republican side in that contest which are hardly to be expected in the impending struggle, and certain inflences which then yet with such special aids to success defeat was so narrowly missed that ing

The election of Garfield was a plurality triumph. While he secured 214 of the 369 electoral votes, he did not receive a majority of the popular vote by over 200,000. That is to say, his vote fell that much short of the combined votes cast for the other candidates; and even Hancock came within 7,000 of receiving as many votes as he did There were in round numbers 9,000,000 votes polled, and Garfield got 48.26 per cent. of them, against 48.25 per cent given to Hancock, the remainder going to Weaver, Dow and back, Prohibition and anti-secret society factions. On a square test, ty; but that is merely conjecture. As did not show a preponderance of Republican votes in the country.

ities of less than 3,000.

publican success, cast 84 electoral votes in 1880, or nearly two-fifths of

of the former-and such a change would have been accomplished by the shifting of less than 1 per cent. of the popular vote in New York alone from the Republican to the Demoeratic ticket. A loss of 3,500 Republican votes in a total of 4,449,000 would have defeated Garfield. A fact like that is worth considering very seriously at this time. If the Republican party thriumph again this year, it must clearly put its best foot foremost, exercise the strictest caution, and absolutely refuse to take any hazard that can be avoided.

It is the current opinion of the keenest political observers that if it was the purpose of the Arthur business meeting boom in New York to impress his candidacy upon the country, it was a failure. An editorial in one of the New York papers, pointing to the fact that the Republicans of the country desire no Wall-street president, was doubtless a sufficient answer to the meeting, but there was one aspect, possibly, in which the business meeting was a success. Au old campaigner says that it "united a great deal of money in the interests of Arthur and enabled the 'boys' who run with the machine to secure a very liberal subscription list. As 1,000 of them are reported to intend to start for Chicago by the middle of the week in a special train, probably

nomination for governor of New York

was nominated a "business" boom was started for him by a mass meeting at

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