

POINTS IN POLITICS.

Mr. Wright's gubernatorial and senatorial booms have had a back set.

The republican nominees for the excise board are not growing in popularity.

Judge Broady has a record as a vote getter, and the fight promises to be a warm contest.

Aitken's business record assures an efficient and honest management of the city's funds. Aitken is a clean candidate, and is marked as a winner.

J. W. Bowen, the republican candidate for city clerk, is one of the most popular candidates who ever ran for office in this city. Mr. Bowen stands upon his record, and his record will do the rest.

There was a deal prior to the republican convention by which Graham was to throw his strength to Wright in consideration of the latter's promise to make him chairman of the board of public works in case he was elected. But Graham didn't have to throw his strength to anybody.

Councilmen are highly important public officers and yet the political parties, and the republican party is, perhaps, the chief offender in this respect, allow disreputable and palpably incompetent men to get onto the ticket as candidates for alderman. Apparently no care is taken to secure the best men for these places.

Not so many months ago, during the last campaign, E. Rosewater hired the Lansing theatre in this city for the purpose of delivering an address in the interest of the populist party and populist candidates. The man who introduced him was E. E. Brown whose political contortions have furnished some amusement to the people of this state. This same Brown was in last week's republican convention as a member of the Fourth ward delegation. The republican party in this city and county will swallow anything from a spotted renegade to a yellow dog. Brown is really a socialist or populist and he ought to take his place among his brethren.

THE YAW GONGERI.

Miss Ellen Beach Yaw in the concert given Thursday evening at the Funke demonstrated to the evident gratification of the audience that her voice is noteworthy for something other than its wide range. Miss Yaw is a remarkable singer. Her voice possesses a decidedly unusual purity and sweetness, and every one of the eight selections were given with much effect. She sang "Villanella," by Dell Acqua; Proch's aria and variations, Eckert's Swiss song and an Ave Maria adapted to the intermezzo from "Cavaleria Rusticana." "Within a Mile of Edinb'ro Town," a laughing song, "Old Kentucky Home" and "Comin' Thro' the Rye." Miss Yaw was assisted by Miss Lay, pianist, and Mr. Dick, violinist.

Miss Yaw, by the way is engaged to be married. The engagement is the result of an extended "Emersonian symposium" as the bridegroom-to-be characterises it, and the man in question is H. W. Wack, a young lawyer employed by the St. Paul *Globe* as a special writer and at present private secretary to Federal Architect Edward P. Bassford, supervisor for the St. Paul postoffice, now building. Mr. Wack is also interested in art and has published a book or two. Mr. Wack went to Kansas City last Saturday to meet Miss Yaw and remained until Tuesday. The date of the wedding has not yet been fixed and will not be until Miss Yaw returns from a year's study abroad. She leaves America at the conclusion of her present tour.

Scarcely a week passes in which *THE CHICAGO HERALD* does not "scoop" its competitors on important news. Its Washington service is especially good, political appointments and movements being frequently foretold with marvelous accuracy. Seacrest Bros., 113 North 13th street, always have *THE HERALD* on sale and deliver promptly by carrier.

MARQUETT AND MANDERSON.

People who have wondered at the appointment of Senator Mander-son to succeed the late T. M. Marquett as general solicitor of the B. & M. are not surprised at the report that the selection was made by President Perkins, of the C. B. & Q. and without consultation with Mr. Holdrege, general manager of the B. & M. The latter, it is said, was as much surprised as anybody at the news of Mander-son's appointment. Political reasons are probably responsible for President Perkins' choice. Mr. Mander-son has not practised law for a great many years, and while there is a general feeling that he has made a good senator there are many people who think him conspicuously lacking in the qualifications that an important railway company's chief solicitor should possess—such qualifications as distinguished Mr. Marquett for instance. But the senator or ex-senator is known to be still ambitious politically, and it is quite possible that a place in the cabinet of the next president would suit him much better than his present berth.

SAM JONES ON GLUBS.

Sam Jones delivered to a select party of men in St. Louis the other night a discourse on clubs, according to a contemporary. Sam has no use for a club, however fashionable, which runs a bar. "And the red-nosed bum," said Sam, "with his cheap beer and whiskey, is as decent as any of your fashionable wine bibbers. You can gild sin and make it beautiful, but that don't make any difference—you can't fool God." Sam's remarks were greeted with frequent applause and when he had finished the large proportion of his fashionable audience adjourned to the club to take a drink and talk it over.

MUSIC FOR EASTER.

The chorus choir at the First Congregational church under the direction of Mrs. P. V. M. Raymond is preparing the oratorio "Crucifixion" for Easter Sunday. Some excellent soloists have been engaged to assist and a rare treat is promised. Mr. Bruce Smith, formerly of Mr. Thomas Kelley's choir in Omaha, has recently become a member of the choir as baritone soloist. His solo last Sunday morning was heard with much gratification by lovers of artistic singing.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

Notice of next week's entertainment by the university Dramatic club at the Funke opera house will be found in the society department.

Nellie McHenry, whose "A Night at the Circus," has been one of the most successful of recent theatrical ventures is due to appear at the Lansing theatre Saturday evening, March 30.

Otis Skinner, who was lately Modjeska's leading man, will appear at the Lansing, April 4th in "His Grace de Grammont." Mr. Skinner has just filled a highly successful engagement in Chicago.

Ed A. Church, manager of the Lansing and the Griffith "Faust," company, which will appear in this city next month, is in town. W. W. Cole will, it is said, manage the "Faust" company on its Pacific coast tour.

Wednesday, March 27, A. L. Bixby, the "Daily Drift" poet and philosopher of the *State Journal* will deliver his lecture entitled "The Country Editor" at the Funke opera house. Mr. Bixby has delivered this lecture in some of the principal towns in the state, and it has received very cordial approval. His style is peculiarly his own, and his droll manner before the public never fails to provoke genuine mirth. This will be Mr. Bixby's first appearance before a Lincoln audience, barring political gatherings, and the promised entertainment is expected to draw a large house.

Marie Jansen in "Delmonico's at 6" will come to the Lansing, Fri-