DENIES TRICKING BELMONT.

Senator Sullivan Says His Nomination for Congress Was Unexpected— Leaders Decided for Him.

Senator Timothy D. Sullivan, Charles F. Murphy, and a majority of the Assembly district leaders of Tammany Hall appeared at the Wigwam yesterday to hold an informal conference. Senator Sullivan made an open statement about his nomination for Congress and the "turning down" of Perry Belmont.

"I did not seek the nomination for Congress in the Eighth District, and I knew nothing about it until 5 o'clock last evening," he said. "My nomination was the result of a conference between Murphy, Nicholas Muller, and others. I was informed that Perry Belmont could not get the backing of the three delegations in the district necessary to elect him. For the best interests of the party I told them I would take the nomination.

"I don't care to go to Congress, and I don't want the office. I would rather go back to the Senate, where I can represent my constituents to better advantage than I can in Washington. I haven't accepted the nomination yet, and if Mr. Belmont can show to-day that he can get the backing of the three delegations necessary to elect him he can have the nomination.

"It has been charged that my nomination was the result of trickery, and was a put-up job. I want to nail that as a malicious falsehood. I am a man first, a politician afterward."

OLD 10TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT CONVENTIONS.

Republicans Nominate Henry Birrell— Democrats, Under Devery's Presidency, Select Edward Swan.

The Democrats and Republicans held conventions in the old Tenth Congressional District last night to nominate candidates for the unexpired term of the late Amos J. Cummings.

The Republicans met at 253 Eighth Avenue and nominated Henry Birrell, who is also the candidate selected to run against William R. Hearst, nominated by the Democrats for the coming term in the new Eleventh District, which comprises a large part of the old Tenth.

The Democrats held their convention at the headquarters of the Seventh District Association, 240 West Fourteenth Street. By a unanimous vote William S. Devery, present as a delegate from the Ninth Assembly District, was elected temporary Chairman and later permanent Chairman. He was enthusiastically applauded as he was escorted to the platform.

Edward Swan was chosen without opposition as the Democratic candidate for the unexpired term of Mr. Cummings. Ernest H. Crosby made the nomination and Alderman Doull seconded it. Mr. Swan is a lawyer. He is the counsel for the Ganse-voort Bank, and lives at 317 West Fourteenth Street.

CONFERENCES AT THE WIGWAM.

Mayors of Mount Vernon and Yonkers Call on Leader Murphy.

Leader Charles F. Murphy was busy nearly all day yesterday holding conferences with politicians at Tammany Hall. The general subject under discussion was ways and means for the campaign. Among those with whom he spent the day were Senator Thomas F. Grady, Col. Asa Bird Gardiner, and Justice O'Dwyer of the City Court.

Late in the afternoon Mayor Fiske of Mount Vernon and Mayor Walsh of Yonkers called. They were closeted some time with Mr. Murphy. They said they called merely to pay their respects to the new leader. Both were enthusiastic for the ticket, and said Coler would carry it to victory without any doubt. They promised substantial majorities in both cities.

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