

LYDON A TAMMANY SURPRISE FOR BENCH

Lawyer Selected for Supreme
Court "at the Request
of Washington."

NAME DOWLING AND WAGNER

Fusion Made with Republicans in
Two Congressional Districts to
Defeat Socialist Candidates.

The Executive Committee of Tammany Hall last night selected its candidates for Supreme Court Justice for the three vacancies to be filled this Fall. The men chosen were Victor J. Dowling, the present incumbent, who was indorsed by the Republicans; State Senator Robert F. Wagner and Richard P. Lydon. The surprise was the choice of the latter, who is little known to the rank and file of the organization, although he has been a member of the County Committee for many years. It was reported on good authority that Mr. Lydon's nomination was made at the request of Washington.

Mr. Lydon is a lawyer with offices at 35 Nassau Street and has never held public office. He is a member of the law firm of Hill, Lockwood, Redfield & Lydon and lives at 109 East Sixty-first Street, in the Fifteenth Assembly District, of which Jeremiah T. Mahoney is leader. Mahoney is also a law partner of Robert F. Wagner, the other designee for a Justiceship. Just why the Washington authorities were interested in the selection of Mr. Lydon could not be learned last night.

Mr. Lydon was born in New York City in 1868 and was educated in the public schools. He is a graduate of the College of the City of New York and studied law at Columbia University. He is a member of the General Committee of Tammany Hall and of the Metropolitan Club, New York Athletic Club, New York County Bar Association, and the Osceola Club. The nomination of both Lydon and Senator Wagner is considered to be equivalent to an election this year. The Republicans have selected for the three Justiceships Victor J. Dowling, A. Parker Nevin, and Nathan L. Ottinger, who was appointed by Governor Whitman to the Supreme Court bench to fill an unexpired term.

Senator Robert F. Wagner was elected to the Assembly in 1905 and to the State Senate in 1908. In 1911 he was chosen as Temporary President of the Senate. He has many important laws to his credit, and is considered one of the most efficient men Tammany ever sent to Albany. He declined an appointment as Postmaster of New York offered by President Wilson. At the present time he is the representative of the United States Alien Property Custodian on the Board of Directors of several corporations which have been taken over by the Government.

The Tammany Executive Committee meeting, which was largely attended, half of those present being women, also put through its slate last night for Congressional and State Senator nominations. There are several selections yet to be made, but the candidates chosen

for Congress last night were: Eleventh District, Daniel J. Riordan, renominated; Thirteenth, Christopher D. Sullivan, renominated; Fourteenth, Captain F. H. La Guardia, fusion with Republicans; Fifteenth, Peter J. Dooling, renominated; Sixteenth, Thomas F. Smith, renominated; Seventeenth, Herbert C. Pell; Twentieth, Isaac Siegel, fusion with Republicans, and Twenty-first, Jerome F. Donovan, renominated.

It is understood that the Democrats and Republicans may fuse in the Twenty-second District in the plan to present a united front to the Socialists in districts where there is danger of electing a member of that party. It is expected that the Republicans will indorse Anthony J. Griffin, the present Democratic Representative in the Twenty-second.

The Tammany Senatorial slate also went through without a hitch. The selections were: Twelfth District, James J. Walker; Thirteenth, John F. Boylan; Fourteenth, Bernard Downing; Sixteenth, James A. Foley; Seventeenth, Julius Miller, and Nineteenth, Edward J. Dowling. Selections have yet to be made in the Fifteenth, Eighteenth, and Twentieth Districts. The action of the Democrats and Republicans in making fusion nominations in Congressional districts where there is a possibility of Socialist candidates winning received last night the hearty support of the National Security League's Congressional Campaign Committee. In a letter to Charles F. Murphy and Samuel S. Koenig, Charles D. Orth, Chairman of the Security League's committee, offered full co-operation.

Democratic leaders in Brooklyn, after a long conference yesterday, decided upon the designations for candidates in the September primaries: