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MOVEMENTS OF THE CITY DE-MOCRACY.

THE Democracy of Philadelphia are in tribulation. The new Registry law will greatly diminish their coveted opportunities for perpetrating frauds; and their local ticket is composed of men so odious that they cannot even command the support of their fellowpartisans. They will not receive, as in 1868, aid from the National Government; they can gain no prestige from the personal popularity of any of their city nominees; and in view of the late experiences in the courts, it is doubtful whether Mike Fitzgerald can bring over reinforcements from New York on election day, or whether false personations can be safely attempted. Their "best holt" now is in the fact that they have captured the police and the Sheriff's posse, and if the worst comes to the worst, they can confidently calculate that the moral influence of the authorities charged with the maintenance of peace and order will not be thrown against them. This strong point, however, is reserved for the actual day of conflict, for if they betrayed, in advance, too much reliance upon it, means might be devised to counteract it.

The first great object of their attacks is the Registry law. They antagonized it in the Courts, but this campaign proved fruitless. Then came the struggle in the proceedings before the Board of Aldermen, in which the invincible Fourth ward leader bore a conspicuous part. He contends for the right of the Democratic aldermen to name all the Democratic election officers. The Republicans assert that they have appointed Democrats to all the positions to which partisans of that school have a valid claim, but McMullin replies that he and his fellow Democratic aldermen are the only true judges of Democratic qualifications, and he denounces as "Republicans" men who have long been known as active and consistent but at the same time honest and fair-minded members of the Democratic party. The Republican aldermen declare their policy to be to act "fairly and honorably with the Democratic party, to put none in as Democrats who are not Democrats," but at the same time to select from the "party such men as have not hitherto had anything to do with elections;" and, in view

of the disclosures recently made of the infamous frauds of 1868, there are good reasons for this precaution. While McMullin is battling for the favorite old election officers before the Board of Aldermen, John Hamilton, Jr., Chairman of of the Democratic Executive Committee, is sounding the slogan against the law in an address. He denounces it as an "iniquitous" measure, enacted by a corrupt Legislature for the purpose of disfranchising every citizen who fails to get his name upon the registry lists. He grows especially eloquent over the hardships of the seamen. He says:-"To add still further to their infamy, they have made war upon the brave sailors of the coantry," and, by the Registry law, "they disfranchise four-fifths of the gallant tars who float our flag on every sea, and whose bold enterprise and daring have made it the admiration of the world." This is first-rate reading, and it is gratifying to know that Hamilton thinks so much of the flag as to take this intense interest in the welfare of the sailors who carry it round the world. Could there possibly be a more delicate touch of patriotism? Unhappily we fear that in this instance echo is reluctantly compelled to answer yes. Hamilton and his party were decidedly hostile to the exercise of the right of suffrage by the soldiers who on land were bearing the flag aloft in the midst of a thousand dangers; why, then, should he be so anxious that the men who sail under it on shipboard should all be permitted to vote? Let the history of past election contests answer. Of all aids and accessories of election frauds none are so fruitful as sailor boarding-houses. Their population is necessarily transient, and of such a character that antecedents cannot be successfully traced. Fifty Mike Fitzgeralds and their accompanying crowds could easily be stowed away in these hospitable mansions in time to help the Democracy in a close contest; and if they had never sailed on anything more boisterous than a raging canal, they could still be made to do full Democratic duty as "gallant tars" just arrived from a long cruise. The bathos of Hamilton, Jr., is touching, but it is a pity that his love for the flag only gained its present pitch of excitement when he found that the Democracy might lose votes through its deprivation of the old facilities for fraud. Next to his love for the sailors, Hamilton is solicitous for the welfare of those who board at hotels or public houses. If they are bond fide voters, they can easily have their names placed on the registry lists by adducing proper proofs of residence and qualifications. But inasmuch as thousands of bogus voters have on different occasions been manufactured at these establishments, new safeguards to the purity of the ballot-box were undoubtedly necessary. Hamilton, Jr., however, appears as the champion of all boarders at public houses. He says that none of them "are reputable enough to be on the original assessors' lists,' and that they should "be prepared at the polls

every boarder and every friend of the downtrodden boarder, as well as the usual cohorts which follow the standard of that organization.

He concludes his address with this impressive invocation:-"All that is wanted is Action! Action! Make a grand rally for Packer and victory!" Hundreds of witnesses have told the public by what sort of action the Democracy carried the city 'ast year. Now, alas! the Supreme Court will issue no new naturalization papers, and the registers will watch the assessors' lists closely. Still, the ingenuity of Democratic partisans is not easily exhausted, and new modes of "action" may speedily be devised. Indeed, one form, the establishment of "club law," has already been proposed.

The most ominous and peculiar portion of this address is the last line, "Make a grand rally for Packer and victory!" Is Packer the only man worth striving for? Did not Pershing deserve a word of comfort? And must the whole ticket, created by the assembled wisdom of the party, be remorselessly slaughtered? Rich as Packer is, can the party afford to concentrate all its strength in this barefaced manner upon its millionaire and turn the cold shoulder upon every poor local favorite? Are no tears to be shed for Johnny Ahern, no praises of Stewart to be sung, and no eulogies of Schieble to be delivered? "Think of it, drink of it, dissolute men! Even the official organ of the party in this city does not dare to say one word on behalf of a single man on the city ticket. Everything is swallowed up in Packer. For him the obnoxious men must be crowded off. despite their many services in past campaigns, despite their desperate struggles to procure nominations, despite the zeal and energy with which they have fought, bled, and cheated for their party. Fry has resigned gracefully; but before this new programme can be fully arranged there are other fish to fry, and some of them may not be equally ready to jump from the frying-pan into the fire. The campaign abounds with difficulties to which even the eloquent and skilful Hamilton is scarcely equal, and the public impatiently awaits the important new developments which are daily and hourly expected.

THE ELECTION IN MAINE.

ANOTHER cloud has passed over the Democratic party. They expected great things from Maine. Ever since the Republican party first lifted its banner in that State victory has perched upon it. On a square issue there was not the shadow of a hope of success; but at the opening of the canvass which has just closed the shadow of a coming event was discerned by the Democracy, and that shadow was contorted by Democratic eyes into the outlines of a Democratic triumph. The people of that State are not less decided in their sentiments on the temperance question than in their political views. The Republican party of Maine is emphatically and unequivocally a true temperance party. But the more extreme temperance men, who have heretofore affiliated with it, despaired of bringing it up to the strict standard of antagonism to whisky which they had laid down for themselves, and therefore bolted in a body and placed in the field a gubernatorial candidate of their own.

The prospects of the movement were as desperate as had been those of the Democracy theretofore. The prohibition ticket could not, to use the language of the New York World, "count on a single Democratic vote." Its sole support must come from the Republican ranks, and the sole chance it had of accomplishing anything was by the withdrawal of sufficient votes from the Republican candidate to throw the election into the Legislature, the Constitution of the State requiring a clear majority of all the votes cast to insure an election. Upon this possible result, which could not have benefited the prohibition ticket, the Democracy looked as their grand opportunity for defeating the will of the people. The famous "Arithmetic Man" of the World was resurrected especially for the occasion, and despatched to Maine to figure out the coming triumph. The paper result of the contest was finally reduced to the following fine points:-

The falling off in the Republican vote, owing to the dissensions in the ranks of the party, will be about twenty-five per cent., while the Democratic vote will lose but eleven per cent. The prohibition ticket will draw off one-seventh of the Republican vote, at least, and the figures will stand, on the official count, 50,000 for the Republican candidate, 48,000 for the Democratic candidate, and 8000 for the prohibition candidate. The choice of a Governor will therefore devolve upon the Legislature. But in order to carry off the prize there, the Legislature must be Democratic in sentiment. Nothing will be easier than to secure such a requisite. By reason of the rival factions in the Republican ranks, there will be three candidates for the State Senate in each district. A Senator, like the Governor, must receive a majority of all the votes east, while a member of the House of Representatives requires but a plurality. So the result of the triangular fight will be the election of 9 Democratic Senators, 8 Republican Senators, and 14 vacancies, to be filled by the vote of the lower house, which will stand 80 Democrats to 71 Republicans.

Such was the result of the labors of the "Arithmetic Man," which we have taken the trouble to set forth at length, inasmuch as they present one of the most novel political calculations that has ever fallen under our notice. A Democratic Governor, a Democratic Legislature, the repeal of the act passed on March 11 of this year ratifying the proposed fifteenth amendment, and a general revelling in the spoils of petty offices and local legislation such as has not been enjoyed by the Maine Democracy since 1854, when the to resent the insult put upon" them by the Republican party sprang into existence by law. Thus out of the nettle danger the the union of the Whigs with the Freesoil De shrewd Chairman of the City Executive Commocrats and the first election of William Pitt mittee proposes to pluck the flower safety. Fessenden to the United States Senate! Such He wants to rally round the Democratic banwas the enjoyable prospect which greeted the

dismayed Democracy of Maine. And just on the eve of the day which was to bring them such a feast of power, Senator Fessenden passed away, and the grand prize of a seat in the National Senate was placed within their

But the returns of the election, as we read them this morning, dispel the happy vision, and the hungry Democracy turn away from the coveted flesh-pots with a sigh. The vote, according to the indications of the incomplete returns, will stand about as follows:-For Chamberlain, 48,000; for Smith, 35,000; and for Hichborn, 5000; giving the first about 8000 clear majority over both competitors. The Republicans have also probably elected 27 out of the 31 Senators, and a good round majority of the members of the lower house. So much for the hopes of the Democracy of Maine. The party in that State is deader than it was a year ago, when the mathematical genius of the World was engaged in figuring up a Seymour and Blair victory on the strength of a decrease, in consequence of local issues and indifference on the part of the people, in the Republican majority of 16,000 in a single year.

THE DETECTIVE SYSTEM.

THE fact that thus far no apparent clue has been obtained to the identity of the assassins of Detective Brooks is a sufficient commentary on our whole detective system. Here was a man shot down in open daylight, and his assassins are seen to jump into a carriage and drive off, and yet the officers of the law practically confess that they are unable to accomplish their capture. It is stated that the five thousand dollars reward offered has been outbid by the whisky ring, and now Supervisor Tutton recommends that the sum be increased to twenty thousand, a sum that the friends of the assassins are as able to outbid as they are to go over the smaller amount. The whole question appears to be one of dollars and cents. If the Government can pay the biggest price it will probably catch the criminals without further difficulty; otherwise they will never be identified except by some accident over which the detective officers have no control. Commissioner Delano is already tormented with the inquiry as to how the money is to be divided if the capture is made, and it is intimated that if he expects to secure the assassins he will have to change the position about the distribution of rewards which he assumed in the case of Wilkes Booth, when he advocated the distribution of the money among all the participants in the arrest, instead of giving the whole amount to Detective Baker and his immediate assistants. Before any attempt has been made to ferret out the men who shot Mr. Brooks, the detectives are bargaining for their reward, and it is all but openly acknowledged that the party that pays the highest will win the prize.

The fact is the whole detective system is rotten to the core, and the only way in which it can be reformed will be to abolish the present manner of doing business and reorganize upon an entirely different basis. The practice of offering rewards has caused a complete demoralization, and we believe that the ends of justice would be served much better if no such extra inducements were held out for officers to do their duty. With human nature as it is, it would probably be impossible to organize a perfectly immaculate detective force, every member of which at all times and under all circumstances could be relied upon as incorruptible; but it is very certain that a very decided improvement on the present style of doing business could be effected if the organization of an efficient detective system were to be undertaken by competent persons. In the case of the assassin of Officer Brooks, the probabilities are that the whisky ring will outbid any sum that the Government is likely to offer, and we do not believe that twenty thousand dollars will be more likely to ensure the arrest than five thousand. It is clearly the duty of the Government to

make the most strenuous exertions to secure the arrest and punishment of the men who shot Mr. Brooks, This is, to a great extent, a test case, a trial of strength between the Government and the scoundrels who have for years been defrauding the revenue, and who now show that they will not hesitate at murder if they can accomplish their ends in no other way. If the men whose business it is to ferret out these criminals fail to arrest them, they confess their own worthlessness as detectives, and suggest more than a suspicion of complicity with the criminals. If the arrests are not promptly made, with or without the reward, the Government owes it to itself and to the people to organize such a detective force as will be entitled to some little regard for efficiency and common honesty.

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