

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16th, 1896.

Senator Faulkner calls Senator Quay's absurd claim of 270 electoral votes for McKinley a burlesque, and says that Quay knows the battle is lost and being compelled to put out some kind of figures he made them so large that no body would believe them. A significant result of the publication of Quay's figures was their immediate effect upon the betting fraternity, the members of which may be counted upon to recognize a bluff when they see it. The most reckless of the gamblers were offering odds of 3 to 1 on McKinley until Quay's claim was made public. They at once reduced them to 2 to 1 and in some cases the most they will now offer is 7 to 5, and there are reasons for believing that the money to offer these odds comes from Mark Hanna's corruption fund.

Senator Gorman returned from New York this week. As usual he refused to be interviewed, but he reiterated his statement that Bryan would carry Maryland.

The returns from polls made in nearly all the Congressional districts are sufficiently complete to indicate how the next House will stand, and an estimate, which is regarded by the democratic Congressional committee as very conservative, shows that 190 silver Representatives will be elected, including democrats, populists and silver republicans. That will give the silver men control of the House by a comfortable working majority and ensures the early enactment of a law providing for the free coinage of silver, if the estimate be correct and Mr Bryan be elected, and democrats have no doubt of either, as Mr. Bryan has said that if elected he would call an immediate extra session of Congress for the express purpose of providing for the free coinage of silver, and the Senate is solid for silver and will remain so.

A Washington hotel proprietor has stirred up a regular hornet's nest by inviting all the other hotel proprietors to meet at his place "for the purpose of contributing to the McKinley and Hobart finance committee." Many hotel men have publicly condemned this scheme and announced that they would neither attend the meeting nor contribute, and the following resolution, unanimously adopted shows what democrats generally think of it: "Resolved, That the Columbia Democratic Club denounces the action of T. E. Roessle, proprietor of the Arlington Hotel, Washington, D. C. who in the past has been the beneficiary of democratic patronage through National committees and representative democrats of the various states, in his personal efforts to tax the hotel men of this city in behalf of the McKinley and Hobart finance committee, and we earnestly call upon the hotel proprietors of Washington, without regard to their political affiliations, who do not wish to confine their trade to one political party, to repudiate and repel this contemptible effort to array them in such a partisan movement. Resolved, That when hotel men arrogate to themselves the right to dictate to the people what their political course should be, we reserve—and shall exercise—the right to notify the traveling public of our political faith as to whom they should patronize when they visit Washington."

Secretary Morton, has in a published interview allowed it to be seen that the administration thinks that "The republican party is making a great mistake in bragging of strength and not doing more work," and is very much afraid that Bryan is going to be elected.

If the Washington Post, gold organ though it be, keeps on increasing the Bryan vote in its estimates it will be conceding his election before the votes are cast. In its latest table it gives Bryan 205 electoral votes and McKinley 165, leaving 77 in doubt. If Mr. Bryan only has to get 19 electoral votes out of these 77 his election can be put down as a reasonable certainty, as the States from which those 77 votes are to come are Illinois, Maryland, Delaware, West Virginia, Minnesota, Michigan and Kentucky.

As a rule neither democrats nor republicans think Archbishop Ireland's letter will benefit McKinley. A Kansas man, now in Washington says: "It is quite possible and very probable that the letter of Archbishop

Ireland will prove a boomerang, and cause more loss than gain to McKinley. The temper of a good many of the Western A. P. A. members is such that they are very apt to resent anything of advice from a Catholic source, and thus the letter of his reverence may be a sort of Burchard affair for which Gov. McKinley will owe him no thanks."

No matter how much money Hanna's committee gets it wants more and it has actually had the impudence to open an office in Washington, and send a circular letter to all government officials, asking them to call to see the agent in charge of that office, and suggesting that if they do not care to call the agent will call on them at their residences. Yet this is an administration elected by Democrats.

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Pearls of Thought.

No wrong by wrong is righted. A thing of beauty is a joy forever. Do the duty which lies next to thee. Evil falls on him who goes to seek it.

In everything you do consider the end. They never fail who die in a great cause.

Kind words are the music of the world.

Energy and persistence conquer all things. Truth is the highest thing that man can keep.

Every good action is in some way well repaid. Character lives in a man, reputation outside of him.

Advice may be wrong but examples prove themselves. Without earnestness there is nothing to be done in life.

Believe nothing against another but upon good authority. Eat at your own table as you would at the table of a king.

To be trusted is a greater compliment than to be loved. Success, like other rare things, is put up in small packages.

Hurry is the mark of a weak mind; dispatch; of a strong one. True happiness, if understood, consists alone in doing good.

Life is not so short but that there is always time for courtesy. Experience is the best schoolmaster but the school fees are heavy.

Recollect that trifles make perfection, and that perfection is no trifles.

Cigarettes Made Him Steal.

In the United States Court at Williamsport, last week, when Louis Droffner, aged twenty, who pleaded guilty to having extracted money from letters while a clerk in the post office in that city, was called for sentence, it was shown that the young man was so excessively addicted to the cigarette habit that his intellect had been shaken. His mother fell to the floor unconscious when Judge Buffington pronounced a sentence of imprisonment in the Western Penitentiary upon the youth.

A Farmer Hangs Himself.

His Mind Had Become Unbalanced Over the Damage Done to His Home by a Storm.

William Kluger, a well-to-do Shamokin farmer, committed suicide by hanging himself to a rafters in his barn Friday night. During the recent storm in this section Kluger's house was badly damaged, and this so worried him that his mind is supposed to have become unbalanced.

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ONE ON AUNTIE. An Amusing Little Story About a Story.

There is a certain young woman living in Greater New York, says the Evening Sun, who has a penchant for telling stories. Not "fibs" nor "tales out of school," but cheerful little narratives of a kind to lighten the leaden atmosphere of a woman's luncheon itself. The young woman has thus won quite a reputation for a woman as a raconteur, and she has a very pretty and very choice collection of stories at her tongue's end. It so happens that this young woman also has a maiden aunt, an individual who, although estimable in every way, does not possess a collection of stories of any sort, and who, lacking appreciation in this line, does not wholly approve of her niece's success. The other evening the aunt, with others, dined at the house of the niece. The niece was in a particularly lively mood, and with so good an audience she proceeded to "get off" some of her pet anecdotes. The effect upon the audience was all that could be desired, and exhilarated by such a reception the young woman began the preliminaries to what she regarded as the flower of her fiction. Scarcely had she got beyond the opening sentence, however, when the maiden aunt uttered a deprecating "Oh!" followed by "Clara, my dear, you're surely not going to tell that story." "Why not?" replied "Clara, I mean." "Not if it's the best story I ever heard," said the maiden aunt. "I think you are, it's—ahem—well, not exactly nice, you know, and—'Do you mean you think it's improper?'" asked "Clara, my dear," "because I differ with you. It's a good story, and what's more, it's perfectly tellable. It's—" "Not if it's the story I think it is, my dear," said the maiden aunt in her most more-in-anger-than-in-sorrow sort of tone. "It's a night in proper tale, and—'Oh, well,'" interrupted the young woman, by this time thoroughly aroused, "if you're going to condemn it like that, of course I don't care to tell it. I certainly shan't do so now, after what you've said." It was more than characteristic of this maiden aunt that the moment she had accomplished what she set out to do she began to repent. "Come, now, Clara, dear," she said, "you mustn't feel hurt at what I said. Very likely it isn't the same story after all. Go on and tell it, dear, and let me hear if it is the one I'm thinking of." But this, of course, the young woman refused to do, although the maiden aunt offered many other persuasions of the same sort. Things were quite murky for a bit, when suddenly the small boy of the family cleared the atmosphere by suggesting: "I tell you what, Let auntie tell her bad one an' see if it's the same as Clara's."

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Why She Looks Sad. Jones—Do you see that woman going into the dry goods store across the way? Brown—Yes. Jones—Fine looking, isn't she? Brown—Yes, I should call her a very pretty woman. Jones—But when one sees her closely she appears to have a sad expression. I've often wondered why it was. She's probably one of those unfortunate women who have to work to support shiftless husbands. I'd like mighty well to know who she is. Brown—She's my wife, and I think her sad look is caused by the fact that she can't come down town even to do a little shopping without being stared out of countenance by certain duds who imagine that they are lady-killers.—Cleveland News and Herald.

A Satisfactory Explanation.

Some people are never at a loss for an answer, and the colored valet who got off the following is a good exponent of that class. It seems he was a lazy rascal, and his master one day reprimanded him about his neglect of duty. "But, massa, I's not equal to do occasion as I once waz." "Why, George, what on earth is the matter with you now?" "I's got a stitch in my side, sir, dat troubles me a powerful lot, and I's not able to do as much as I has been doin'."

He Objected.

A worthy man who was very sensitive and retiring, having lost his wife, privately requested that he might be remembered in the ministers morning prayer from the pulpit, but asked that his name might not be mentioned.

On Sunday morning the good minister prayed most eloquently for "our good brother upon whom the heavy hand of sore affliction had so lately fallen." At this point an elderly man whom the minister had married to a very young wife during the week, arose with a bounce, and stamped down the aisle, muttering loud enough to be heard all over the chapel: "It may be an affliction, but I'm blest if I want to be prayed for in that fashion!"

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