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THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 1901.

Democratic Caucuses.

There will be a meeting of the Democratic voters of Bloomsburg in the Town Hall, Friday January 18, 7:30 p. m. for the purpose of nominating candidates for the township offices. Let there be a large attendance.

- 1 JOHN G. HARMAN.
 - 2 JOHN GROSS.
 - 3 J. K. BITTENBENDER.
 - 4 CHAS. JONES.
- Committeemen.

M. S. Quay was elected United States Senator on Tuesday. He had a majority of two in the Senate through the treachery of Senator Washburn, and ten in the House through six Republicans going back on their anti-Quay pledges. This result was made possible through the action of five Democrats in voting to elect Marshall Speaker, and thus giving the organization of the House to Quay men. These traitors have been expelled from the party by the other Democratic members.

A National Divorce Law Would End Bigamy.

You ask me what reforms should the new century bring in the matter of the divorce law—should we not have a uniform and just national divorce law? After considering all points I find the question merits an emphatic affirmative. The present condition of affairs with reference to divorce is deplorable. We have now 45 States, all of which (excepting South Carolina, in which divorces are not granted) have legislated differently upon this branch of the law of domestic relations. The legislation would not be so injurious in its consequences if the divorces authorized were confined to cases where both parties to the marriage actually resided within the State where the proceedings were instituted, so that actual service of process might be made within the jurisdiction of the State court. Such a decree, process having been personally served on the defendant within the State, is valid everywhere.

A uniform and just national divorce law would work a real reform. To enable Congress to pass such a law it would be necessary to amend the Federal Constitution so as to grant to the national government power to legislate with reference to divorce.

In conformity with the method of amendment which has heretofore been followed, Congress might itself, by a two thirds vote in each house, prepare and propose amendments, which proposed amendments would become law upon their ratification by the Legislatures of three-fourths of the States. The difficulty of the task involved in procuring the consent of three-fourths of the States to this important part of the law of domestic relations is, however, discouraging to the average reformer.

The marriage law should also be a national instead of an exclusive State concern. At present a man may marry in each of the forty-five States, and if allowed to return to the State where he first married he cannot be punished there for the bigamy. To reach him he must be indicted in another State and then extradited by the Governor of that State, so that he may be tried there. And bigamous cohabitation within the United States could be made a criminal offense, cognizable by the Federal authorities, so as to punish a party who, having committed bigamy in Canada or any other foreign country, lives in this country with the spurious wife.

As a result of such national legislation there would be few bigamists in the country, and many here now might find good cause to migrate to other climes.—JUDGE DAVID McADAM, New York Supreme Court.

A Hypocritical Pretense

It is not much that need be said about the efforts of northern Republicans to create race bitterness throughout the South on account of laws that limit the ballot, to a number of those States, to those who can read and write. The object and the hypocrisy of the moves in this work are both apparent.

Here in Pennsylvania, where the negro vote is showing signs of dis-

satisfaction with Republican treatment, they are expected to be lined up solidly again for whatever that party demands, by the cry that their race is to be disfranchised throughout the South, where Democracy is in the control. The individual who comes to the front in Congress in this effort, is the Representative from the Dauphin district, M. E. Olmstead, and he has a double purpose in view. The one is to keep the colored vote of the State solid for the party that it has so long clung to and from which it has received so little recognition. The other is to insure its sympathy and support for himself, an aspirant for the Republican nomination for Governor.

These are the actuating motives that move Mr. Olmstead. They are as apparent as the sun on a cloudless day. If he were opposed to the disfranchisement of any citizen, or objected to wrongs that are perpetrated by stultifying the power of the ballot he would find plenty to do right here at home in correcting those wrongs.

The difference between the wrong done to the man who is prevented from voting by reason of the lack of qualification and that committed against the citizen who is qualified and casts a ballot that is miscounted, thrown out, or made nugatory by reason of fraudulent votes that are allowed to be cast against it, is so small that we doubt if even these Republican bellowers for universal suffrage in the South, could distinguish it. And right here in Pennsylvania, through the aid of imported repeaters, intimidation, false counting—methods by which the Republican machine profits, there are more white men practically disfranchised every election, than there are negroes prevented from voting in all the States of the South put together.

If it is crime to openly and frankly disfranchise ignorance in the South, through constitutional amendments, what would you call the sneaking, law defying disfranchisement of the tens of thousands intelligent white men of Pennsylvania, who are nullified every election through the fraudulent practices that are endorsed and gloried in by the Republican party?

It is in their methods at home and their pretenses of demanding fair play for those whom they would make believe are wronged by other States, that the Pennsylvania Republicans demonstrate their hypocrisy.—Bellfonte Watchman.

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington Jan. 14, 1901
 Mr. McKinley has the grip, and if he is half as badly frightened as the leaders of his party are he is not to be envied. It isn't Mr. McKinley's present condition that has frightened the republicans, but the possibilities it calls to their minds. When Teddy was given the second place on the ticket it was with not any idea that he would ever be President. That is why even Mr. McKinley's slight illness alarms them. They know the grip is treacherous.

Some of the Senators worked themselves up into quite an angry mood during the debate on the "canteen" amendment of the Army bill which has been before the Senate all the week, and unparliamentary language has several times been used. It is a tempest in a teapot, which has been encouraged because the men responsible for the bill would rather have the "canteen" than the big standing army talked about. The Senate voted against the "canteen."

The \$60,000,000 River and Harbor bill was taken up by the House and after a comparatively short debate passed without serious opposition. The "pork" was well distributed.

Representative Otey, of Va., amused the House and at the same time told some plain truths concerning the objects aimed at by the Olmsted and Shattuck resolutions for investigations of the suppression of suffrage in the South. He said: "The logical end of all such agitations is negro domination in the South. It means the reinstallation of carpet bagger agents of the demon of darkness and corruption. It means the coming of a buzzard glutted with carrion. It means the descendants of those who thirty-five years ago, fastened their talons in the prostrate body of the South, like those pitiless birds who fed upon the vitals of Prometheus when his helpless form was chained to a rock. Yes, it means the return of those buzzards, glutted with carrion that are to-day following the calling of their diabolical daddies in Cuba, the Philippine Islands, and in Porto Rico, who exude such an odor that a mosquito shuns them. Yes, they are so mean

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that the yellow fever germs die in their presence. They are so loathsome that the small-pox microbes fly from them, and if a snake bite one of them it kills the snake. As for the Shattuck resolution, it seems that neither that nor the Olmsted resolution, will pass. They will not pass until the fishworm swallows the whale, not until the snail outruns the hare, not until Dutchmen stop drinking beer, and not until the billy goat butts from the rear."

Representative Champ Clark thus paid his respects to the I-am-better-than-thou element: "Yes, the mugwumps or jugwumps, as Sam Jones calls them, these fine-haired people who are too good so discharge their political duties. They stay at home in idleness and the hoodlum discharges not only his own political duty, but that of the fine-haired citizen."

Solicitor General Richards made an open slur at ex-President Harrison in his argument before the Supreme Court this week on the cases involving the constitutionality of Mr. McKinley's Colonial policy, that disgusted many persons. Mr. Harrison is a private citizen who has held the highest position within the gift of the American people, and is entitled to respect, and it certainly was not respectful for Mr. Richards to refer to Mr. Harrison's recently expressed opinion in opposition to the McKinley policy in such language as "a distinguished lawyer and statesman affects to believe," etc. It was a gratuitous insult to Mr. Harrison, which shows how resentful the McKinleyites are toward members of their own party who dare to oppose their imperial policy. It is not probable that Mr. Richards acted without the approval of his superiors in office, Attorney General Griggs and President McKinley.

By the way, speaking of the Supreme Court, the nomination of "Dick" Harlan, a son of Justice Harlan, who has been mentioned as entertaining doubts of the constitutionality of the McKinley colonial policy, if not actually believing it to be unconstitutional, to an important judicial position in Porto Rico, which is now before the Senate, has caused much talk, especially in view of the fact that Mr. McKinley refused to give "Dick" Harlan a judicial position in the District of Columbia, for which he was an applicant. Mr. McKinley may not have made this appointment to make sure of the vote of Justice Harlan on the pending cases, but the fact that it has been made at this time has naturally bred gossip along that line. This isn't a pleasant sort of a suspicion to entertain, but—

The House by a majority of 63 knocked out the committee Reapportionment bill and passed the Burleigh bill, which adds 29 members to the House making the total membership after March 3, 1903, 386, the additional members being apportioned to 18 states, on a ratio of 194,182 of population for each Representative.

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EYER—MILLER.—At the M. E. parsonage, Evers Grove, January, 12th 1901, by Rev. David Y. Brouse, S. M. Eyer to Adda M. Miller, both of Evers Grove, Pa.

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 H. R. STEES,
 Auditor.