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McHenry's Re-Election a Public Duty

We most cordially congratulate the voters of this Congressional district upon the unanimous re-nomination of John G. McHenry as the Democratic candidate for Congress. We are not influenced to this expression, either by partisanship or partiality. Mr. McHenry is a most worthy and capable man and personally deserves the compliment which has been bestowed upon him. But the reason that his unanimous re-nomination is particularly gratifying is that it reveals a just appreciation of capable and faithful service in the past. The failure to have thus honored him would have taken away incentive to fidelity in public life.

John G. McHenry has proved himself a peculiarly faithful and capable Representative of the people. From the day of his election he has been assiduously working in the interests of the people of this district. No labor has been too severe for him to undertake for his constituents, no service too arduous. Neither party lines nor class distinctions have been drawn in his work. Night and day he has wrought with an energy and intelligence that have commanded success and he has been as unselfish as tireless. When he entered public life it was with the view of serving the public and he has never deviated from that line.

That his re-election is absolutely certain is a subject for public felicitation because his defeat would be an aspersion upon the civic virtue of the people. In such things there is an obligation on both sides. The public servant owes the people honest service and that given, the people owe him just reward. John G. McHenry has not only fulfilled his obligation to the full measure but he has done more. He has put into the work an energy and intelligence which is rare and effective. It remains for the people, now, to do their part. His unanimous nomination presents the opportunity and they will do the rest.

Cabinet Members Threatened.

Secret service men are guarding the members of President Roosevelt's cabinet from threatened attacks from anarchists. Postmaster General Meyer, who recently suppressed La Questionne Sociale, the organ of the reds, at Patterson, N. J., has received a large number of threatening letters and his home is being shadowed by detectives every minute of the day and night. When he went to Boston last week plain clothes men of Chief Wilkie's office, accompanied him.

Nearly every member of the cabinet has received "warnings" from anonymous letter writers, and whenever these officials stir out of their beaten tracks, they are under the watchful eyes of the government detectives. Since the guard was set over the postmaster general's home a number of suspicious looking characters have been gathered in and upon failure of the officers to fasten any charge upon them, have been sent out of town.

A Message on Anarchy.

In one of the shortest messages which he has yet transmitted to congress President Roosevelt last week called the attention of that body to the necessity for further legislation on the subject of anarchy. With the message he transmitted a report reviewing the legal phase of the question by Attorney General Bonaparte.

The message of the president is as follows:
 "To the Senate and House of Representatives:
 "I herewith submit a letter from the department of justice which explains itself. Under this opinion, I hold that existing statutes give the president the power to prohibit the postmaster general from being used as an instrument in the commission of crime; that is, to prohibit the use of the mails for the advocacy of murder, arson and treason; and shall act upon such construction. Unquestionably, however, there should be further legislation by congress in this matter. When compared with the suppression of anarchy, every other question sinks into insignificance.

"The anarchist is the enemy of humanity, the enemy of all mankind, and his is a deeper degree of criminality than any other. No immigrant is allowed to come to our shores if he is an anarchist, and no paper published here or abroad should be permitted circulation in this country if it propagates anarchistic opinions.

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT.
 "The White House.
 April 9, 1908.

Revising the Tariff.

If the Republicans win the coming election, the tariff will be revised—raised by its friends, of course—and revised upward and downward, as the needs and the avarice of the protected interests will dictate. There'll be a deal of fun when it is done. Dalzell will be there to see that there is a fair revision of duties on steel and iron products and glass. Allison will be there to see that there is a fair revision of the duties on hides, horns and hog products. Aldrich will be there to see that there is a fair revision of the duties on cotton fabrics and a new clause to cover possible importations of oil from the Orient as well as from Russia. Dewey will be there to see that there is a fair revision of duties on agricultural machinery, paper and wood pulp. Every great special interest will be represented there, but those who want lower duties will not be there. They will not be invited to the entertainment. No man who is not willing to protect the trusts will have the entree to the festival. There'll be great sport, but everything will be representable and uplifting. Every schedule will be uplifted, if the trusts think it desirable.—Ex.

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An Appeal to the Voters.

William Chrisman's appeal to the Democratic voters gives rise to several suggestions. I am not going to criticize William Chrisman, far from it. I am rather in sympathy with his claims set forth in his appeal, and so far as this communication is concerned, the die will have been cast, the result announced, and the candidate nominated for Representative, before it can be printed. But the lesson still remains, and the inferences drawn from his appeal cannot be mistaken. Mr. Chrisman infers as a weakening of Columbia County's democracy, and as a means of republican ascendancy, by the long continuation of one man in office, under customary usages of turns or rotation, or equal division of honors conferred upon our party leaders by the democracy of Columbia County. I cannot but take a different view from Mr. Chrisman's way of reasoning. I remember old Jake Eyerly, whom the party leaders tried to unhorse for ever so many years, and yet the democratic majority increased steadily until Columbia county was known all over the state as the banner democratic county.

But what is democracy? Why are we democrats? Democracy stands for something. I take it that a democrat is a democrat from principle. Not for office. No true democrat will forsake his party because he has been politically disappointed, either by not receiving a nomination or being defeated at the general election after a nomination. The constituency of any electorate may not have the same good opinion of us, as we ourselves may have. They may have claims above the mere favor of bestowing an office on some aspirant or favorite, whom they may not exactly trust to represent their interests, or work in their interest. Because a candidate is defeated is not evidence that he is unworthy or untrustworthy. The time has at last come when the electorate will consult their own interest, rather than the interest of those seeking office. Then again, democracy is right in principle. It contends for equal rights for all and special privileges for none. But in case an official renders services so highly satisfactory to the people that they demand his continuation in office without interruption, I can see nothing unfair about it, if he consents to serve them.

Every person has a right to compete in the race for nomination, and if the many termed man is successful, is only an additional proof that he has rendered full and complete satisfaction to his constituency, who continue to favor him for his honesty and integrity. I am of the opinion that no man in Columbia county or elsewhere, will voluntarily yield to turns, if his constituency continue to demand his services. It is a mark of great honor for any man to be so highly distinguished that his fellow citizens have implicit confidence in him as incorruptible and unpurchasable. The people are not looking after the man so much, as they are looking where to get the most satisfactory services. Another case in point is a veteran democrat in Bloomsburg who has rendered, not only the democratic party but the people of Columbia county, better and more valuable services than any other man who ever pretended to be a public servant, and yet he has suffered defeat at the hands of his party, when in point of ability he stood head and shoulders above his competitors.

Such men never think of forsaking the principles of justice and right if they never succeed to obtain a place of preferment, holding the principles and traditions of the fathers, of far greater value than perishable party honor, or political preferment. O. N. D.

The Fleet on It's Last Stretch.

The Atlantic fleet of 16 battleships began last Saturday the last leg of its cruise from Hampton Roads to the Golden Gate. Weighing anchor at 4 o'clock that afternoon, three-quarters of an hour later the ships were threading their way out of Magdalena Bay under command of Rear Admiral Thomas, while the six black-hulled destroyers of the torpedo flotilla gave a parting salute to the big white vessels.

An easy journey of 620 miles brought the fleet to Coronado Beach Tuesday afternoon. Admiral Thomas allowed 69 hours for the run up the coast, requiring an average of only nine knots an hour.

When the ships reached San Diego they had logged 13,569 knots since their departure from Hampton Roads on December 16. The Connecticut has 1240 knots additional to her credit on account of the trip to San Diego, Cal. last week to bring Admiral Evans ashore and her subsequent return to Magdalena Bay.

The McHenry Bill.

After careful consideration of the various bills before it aimed at accidents in the coal mines, the House committee on mines and mining, of which Representative Huff is chairman, has decided to report a bill for the establishment of a bureau of mines under the Interior Department. The proposed bureau of mines will be charged with the duty of investigating mine accidents in the various states and devising means for preventing such accidents by the recommendations of safety devices for the use of miners and by all other means that may be found feasible. The bill to be reported is the one offered by Congressman John G. McHenry, one of the most brilliant representatives this district has ever elected to Congress.

Claims State for Bryan.

Warren Worth Bailey, of Johnstown, secretary of the Bryan State League, replying to the assertion of Leader James Guffey, of the Democratic party, that the Pennsylvania delegation to the Denver Convention would go uninstructed, says:
 "Although my reports are very meagre, I believe I can say that the Bryan forces have scored a victory in Pennsylvania. Colonel Guffey's position is untenable. A majority of the candidates for State delegates were pledged to Mr. Bryan before the primaries, and, unless some of these men are recreant to their trust, it appears that the delegation to Denver will be instructed to vote as a unit for the nomination of Mr. Bryan."

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Hobson Wants More Battleships.

Predicting a gigantic and bloody war between the United States and the yellow races of Asia, led by the militant Japanese, with racial supremacy as the stake, Captain Richmond P. Hobson stirred the House last Saturday with a most eloquent plea for the construction of four battleships, as recommended by the President.

The hero of the Merrimac proved himself an orator as well as naval fighter and won liberal applause from the members and galleries, which were crowded with visitors, many of them gayly-dressed women.

He painted a graphic picture of the American nation fighting off an invading foe, declaring that conflict between the yellow and white races was inevitable. With much dramatic force and fervor, he added: "The time is coming when this nation not only to do its duty in the world, but to preserve its very existence, must turn the country into an armed camp and control the two oceans which bound it on the East and West."

At the conclusion of the address Captain Hobson was sharply rebuked by Representative Burton, of Ohio, for his "war-like and inflammatory" utterances. Burton was thoroughly aroused and rose to the oratorical level of a Clay or a Sumner. He told of where arbitration and peaceful means had succeeded after war had wrought hell on earth and had failed, using as his chief illustration the Treaty of Portsmouth.

JAPS HAVE HAD ENOUGH OF WAR.

He predicted that every Japanese veteran of the recent war with Russia and every widow and child of a soldier slain in that war would spend the remainder of their days as active evangelists of peace, instead of economizing in order that they may help their Government to build a big enough navy with which to conquer and annex America.

Members on both sides of the chamber declared they were the greatest speeches that had been heard, this session and there was general regret that Burton had only 20 minutes' time whereas Hobson spoke a full hour. It was impossible to tell anything about the relative strength of the two factions, as each man was applauded uproariously and at the conclusion of their speeches the business of the House had to be suspended for several minutes while members swarmed around to grasp their hands.

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