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KNOX'S CHANCES.

Washington, May 25.—As the national convention approaches the friends of Senator Knox are more determined than ever to bring about his nomination. Gen. Chas. Miller, of Franklin, Pa., a prominent business man and leader of the G. A. R., in an interview voiced the sentiments of the Republicans of his state.

"When you ask if the people of Pennsylvania have any serious thought that Senator Knox will be nominated for the Presidency at Chicago, I answer, 'Why should he not be?' was the remark of Gen. Miller.

"Perhaps men of other states look upon Pennsylvania as so safely Republican that it is not necessary to think about nominating a Pennsylvania man for the Presidency. We have not had a man from the Keystone State in the White House since Buchanan, and I think it is about time we were recognized. Of course we are serious in our support of Knox for the Presidency. We are fond of the Senator whom we know to be admirably qualified for that high place. He would give us an administration that would be a credit to himself and the country, and would extend our business interests. That is what we want—the promotion of our home industries.

"It is all very well to talk about the Constitution and Old Glory; it is fine to be patriotic and to instill patriotism in the minds of our youth. I fought for the flag in the Civil War and would fight for it again. But we cannot win business by talking about the Stars and Stripes and the Constitution. You remember the man who went to the Orient with a flag in one hand and a copy of the Constitution under his arm: He extolled the beauties of the one and explained the other, but when he got through the Jap said to him: 'Well, what do you want? I don't care to hear about your Constitution; your flag is pretty. But if you have anything to sell, trot it out and let's have a look at it.'"

An exchange truthfully says: The appearance of a town has much to do with its success or failure commercially. People are attracted to a clean, well-kept town to make their home, while they will pass up a slovenly city in disgust. Neatness about your home too adds to its commercial value. A well kept lawn, neatly painted building and abutting alleys and streets free from debris and filth, will make your property more saleable if you wish to sell it or more attractive as a home if you wish to keep it.

Fishermen in the Juniata Valley say the black lizards, which are rapidly increasing in numbers in the streams of the Commonwealth, destroy more fish than poaching fishermen. Jerry Thompson, of Howe township, Perry county, lifted one of his nets some time ago, and found therein thirty-three lizards, seven fish and one eel, and this fisherman says it is now a common occurrence. In addition to eating the fish they eat the spawn.

WASHINGTON

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, D. C., May 26, 1908. Among the Democratic politicians in Washington the opinion is widespread that Governor John A. Johnson's recent visit to the Capital gave a decided impetus to his boom for the Presidential nomination. A most decided advance was made by the Minnesota Governor in gaining the support of the two Senators from North Carolina, and while neither Senator Simmons nor Senator Overman has announced openly that he is for Johnson, both have declared in favor of sending un-instructed delegations to the Denver convention. Senator Johnson of Alabama, an old-time Democrat, has come out strongly for Governor Johnson, and he declares that one of Johnson's strongest points is his ability as a "mixer," and every one who met the Governor on his recent visit was impressed with that accomplishment.

The Johnson contingent are not the only ones working to prevent Bryan from capturing the nomination. The George Gray political bureau in Washington is most active, and Judge Gray's friends declare that with Pennsylvania in line he will in all probability have the votes of Maryland and other Southern States, as well as a fair share of the delegates from New York and New England.

"Let the Democrats cease quarreling, and victory is ours," declared Representative Clayton of Alabama, one of the four delegates-at-large from his State, on being informed the result of the primary was overwhelmingly for Bryan. Representative Heflin, also a delegate-at-large declares that Bryan is stronger with the masses than he has ever been and that, "We will elect him President of the United States and that we will carry the next House. Democratic victory is in the air."

The extent of the proposed tariff revision, which the Republicans have promised to make in 1909, is most problematical, and the separate inquiries into tariff schedules, recently ordered by the Senate and the House as a preliminary step, will not be begun in earnest until after the November election. The services of government experts, in the meantime, will be enlisted by the Senate Committee on Finance and the House Committee on Ways and Means, to prepare data desired by the committees.

It may be of interest to know that the item for coal alone for the fleet's cruise around the world, as reported in the general deficiency bill in the House, amounts to \$5,000,000, and it is not definitely known that this will suffice for the needs of the whole cruise, although it is assumed that it will.

Senator Taylor of Tennessee, made his maiden speech in the Senate on Tuesday of last week, in which he discussed the tariff, the financial system, trusts and the failure of the Republican party to keep off-repeated promises of reform. The encroachment of the Federal government upon the reserved rights of the States was exhaustively dwelt upon, and the assumption by the President of power not delegated to his office by the Constitution came in for a due share of attention. A large audience of Senators and spectators greatly enjoyed Mr. Taylor's speech, and his quaint humor provoked much laughter, but it was remarked afterwards that the speech which was read, lacked the spontaneity of his extemporaneous lectures which is one of their greatest charms. Among other good things, Senator Taylor said "I cannot understand the consistency of clubbing the trusts over the head and then at the same time fighting for tariff, the mother of the trusts."

The leaders of the two Houses of Congress have lost all hope, for emergency currency legislation, at this session. The House and the Senate are unable to get together on this subject, the Senate standing by the essentials or the Aldrich bill, while the House has served notice that it must be the Vreeland bill or nothing. A currency commission will be created.

Ex-Governor Edwin Warfield of Baltimore, Md., was in Washington last week and in an interview said that while he knew Mr. Bryan, enjoyed a personal acquaintance with him, and entertained a high regard

for him, he was of the opinion that Governor Johnson is the proper man for the nomination at Denver in June. He declared further, "I have followed his career closely. I know what he has done. I know what he is capable of doing. To my mind he is the logical candidate for the Democratic nomination for President."
In spite of all this talk for Johnson as the most likely candidate, however, many conservative and wise politicians here claim that what happened in Alabama will happen throughout the South, and that the sentiment of the entire country in the Democratic camp, the rank and file of that party, is heartily for Bryan. It is generally conceded that the Johnson movement received a decided set-back by the vote in Alabama.

The June Lippincott's.

The June Lippincott's is an exceptionally strong and well-balanced number. The leading feature is of course the novelette—"The Plague of a Heart," by Helen Milecete. This is the tale of a once-wealthy young widow whom the rascality of a man she trusted has reduced to poverty. Determined to keep up appearances so far as possible, so as not to endure the pity of her former associates, the young widow, Mollie Arbuthnot, goes to spend the summer with her friend Leta Harriott, whose family are of the new-rich class and have social aspirations. Leta's father seeks Mrs. Arbuthnot's hand in marriage, much to the disgust of Mrs. Haselton, who has designs on the wealthy widower herself. Leta is engaged to a young British nobleman, Lord Taymouth, who is also stopping there, but notwithstanding this, she flirts desperately with Charley Mitchell, a ne'er-do-weel and her father's pet aversion. Caught meeting him early one morning by Mrs. Haselton, Leta lies out of it by declaring it was not she, but Mollie, that Mrs. Haselton saw. Mollie consents to play the scapegoat in order to save the girl from the consequences of her folly. To her joy, her old lover, Billie Keane, refuses to believe ill of her, however, and soon the silver lining begins to show through clouds which have been particularly dark and ominous.

Jennie Brooks, who has a wide circle of admirers among nature-lovers, contributes a charming sketch called "The Fifth Summer of Our Kentucky Cardinal." Joseph M. Rogers concludes his noteworthy series of articles on "Educating Our Boys" with a striking paper called "Some Practical Suggestions." Other brief but forceful articles are by Herman Scheffauer, Anne Hollingsworth Wharton, and Robert Adger Bowen. There are clever short stories by Owen Oliver, Katharine Holland Brown, Will Levington Comfort, J. L. Mathews, Anne Wharton Morris, James Raymond Perry, and others, and a number of minor contributions, poetical and otherwise. "Walnuts and Wine," the humorous department, is better than ever this month, many of our best known humorists being represented.

Work for Miners.

Operators Are Preparing to Store Ten Million Tons Before April Next.

Anthracite miners, numbering 14,000 men, are to be given steady employment and not a day will be lost to them if the rapidly maturing plans of the operators are carried out. The three-year wage agreement under which the miners are working expires on April 1st next and it is the desire of the operators to store before that time not less than 10,000,000 tons of various sizes of hard coal in anticipation of any prolonged disagreement over the terms of the next wage contract. There is very little hard coal in storage now for the production of the last few months, since the industrial depression began in October last, has been restricted to a degree. Since the low wholesale prices went into effect on April 1st last the demand from dealers has been so great that the stock of domestic sizes has been kept at low ebb. There has been some accumulation of smaller sizes, but this is expected to be absorbed quickly when the larger industrial plants resume full operation. Because of these conditions it is said authoritatively that coal prices will not be reduced further.

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