

OUR HUMILIATING DEFEAT.

Republicans of Huntingdon county, again your banner is trailed in the dust. The bright anticipations of a glorious triumph which stimulated our active and sincere men to great exertions and many efforts have been swept away as chaff before a whirlwind, and disastrous and disgraceful defeat has almost annihilated our organization. It pains us to the very inmost recesses of our soul to write these lines. For five long years we have battled the enemy with all the powers that God and nature have given us, and when we thought we were about to realize the dream of our hopes to be stricken down by those that we claimed to be our friends has mortified and chagrined us until language fails to give utterance to our feelings. Defeat we have experienced from our youth up, and we have been led to look upon it as a matter of course, but to be stricken down by treachery, the blackest and most villainous known to modern civilization—a year, such deep and damning treachery as would call forth the destruction, by slow torture, at the hands of his fellows, of a Hottentot or Indian, has made us feel that Huntingdon county contains elements unequalled, in this respect, in the heavens above, and certainly upon the surface of the earth, let the circumstances beneath it be what they may. If Hades has any worse traitors we surely pity the damned.

After repeated efforts to secure the success of the Republican party, and sustaining repeated defeats, it seemed to us that it was worse than folly to continue to ignore a large body of men who also claimed to be Republicans, and in obedience to a universal demand made by the Republicans from Lake Erie to the Delaware, we used every honorable means to secure a union of the party, in which we were honestly seconded by a number of those who had stood by us for the previous four years, and the result was achieved. We felt gratified at the union. We had never lost sight of the fact that we were conducting a paper in the interest of Republicanism. And we felt proud that after five years of guerrilla warfare there was a prospect of harmonious action for the future. We wanted a united Republican vote—and we felt that Huntingdon county would take her wonted place in the column of Republican counties. But unfortunately this action excited jealousies in our midst, and jealousy gave birth to Treason and Treachery, and these, under the cover of night and cloaks, having learned our unprotected and weak places, struck us, assassin-like, to the heart! It was the basest and most unmanly betrayal known to modern politics. It was only equalled in cowardice by the cowardice of the traitors who did it.

Our efforts to unite the party were open, square, manly efforts. We resolved, as far as we were concerned, that the interests of the party should be protected. We determined that the Convention should consist of representative men, and we called upon the respective districts to select their ablest and their best men to represent them—men with minds of their own, who could not be controlled by anybody—and we point with pride to the Convention. Never, in the history of the county, did the Republicans make choice, uniformly, of better men. It was a body of self-willed, earnest men, men who meant and did do the best for the party. If these men could not satisfy the wants of the party—could not nominate a satisfactory ticket—where are the men who could? No one tried to control this body of able Republicans. Of our own personal knowledge we know that Dr. Henry Orlandy and Wm. H. Woods could no more have controlled this body than those who accuse them of it. The delegates, we reiterate, were intelligent, earnest men, and they were influenced solely by a policy which promised the best means of accomplishing the best ends.

Yet the nominees of this Convention were stricken down as if they were no more binding upon the party than the decrees of the Vatican are supposed to be binding on Protestants. Men who went to the delegate elections and assisted, to the extent of their influence, to elect those who subsequently represented them in the Convention, struck down its nominees as if they were so many ten-pins set up to be knocked down, and the party is defeated, demoralized and disgraced! Such, in brief, is the condition of the party to-day! Such the circumstances which brought about its overthrow. No party under the sun can survive under such circumstances. The party that will not respect the nominations of its Conventions cannot live. And it ought not to live—it ought to die, and the sooner the better.

We do not blame the Democrats for making out the best case they possibly could—for taking advantage of our weak points—but we do hold the Republicans, who were silly enough to listen to their sophistry, responsible. They could have informed themselves and voted intelligently. There was nothing in the way of this. We know full well that the cry was raised that the election of the ticket would cast reflections upon our late distinguished fellow-citizen, and that a lying and villainous circular was issued, on the eve of the election, giving currency to these foul slanders, but they were not the utterances of the true friends of this gentleman, friends who had never swerved from him in the past and who now highly respect and honor him, and who hoped that in a few short years at most all the late bitter feeling, with which his name was associated, would be entirely forgotten, and henceforward no one would be more highly revered and applauded than he would be by the entire population of his native county, but by the actions of these unwise and malicious false friends, much of the bitterness has been revived, and those who were faithful and true heretofore are much wounded though their confidence is unshaken. These things could all have been counteracted by the intelligent voter if he had simply tarred a deaf ear and stood by the actions of the Convention. This was the only safeguard. It is always the only safeguard. Eleven-hour cards are invariably frauds. They are only intended to end the unwary and the illiterate.

And, now, what is to be done? The Republican party, if it had remained true to itself, would have elected the entire ticket, but it has pleased a large number of those who claim to be Republicans to crush it, and it lies like a bleeding elephant at the feet of its conquerors. What is to be done? Shall we step to the rear for all time to come, and leave the Democratic party to lead? Shall we not make one more effort to assert its supremacy? We confess that the prospect is anything but cheering, but while there is life there is hope, and we call upon our friends to commence re-organizing the party at once. The Presidential election will take place next year, and it is highly probable that under the excitement attending it the party can be thoroughly revolutionized. It is our only hope.

TEMPERANCE. The temperance men of Huntingdon County, who so judiciously threw away their votes at the late election, will read and reflect upon the following words of wisdom taken from Dr. Daniel Currys New York Christian Advocate: "It has been our opinion for twenty years, and we see no reason to change it, that the friends of temperance and of prohibition will win the day not by running a separate ticket in opposition to the great political parties, but by using the balance of power in their possession to elect the best men which those parties put in nomination.—Western Christian Advocate.

We would go a little further. We would hold the only one of "the great political parties" from which any thing in favor of "temperance or prohibition" can be expected, and with which nine tenths of the temperance men usually vote, to its good behavior in respect to these things, by quietly allowing it to suffer defeat occasionally if it proves flagrantly faulty in the matter. But from political temperance parties may we ever be delivered.

THE TEMPERANCE vote in this county exceeded our expectations. By referring to the official vote in another column, it will be seen that Brown had 498 votes.—Much of this can be attributed to the fact that a number of the Guss men, who could not be induced to vote for Pershing, were induced to vote for Brown. The intelligent citizens of Philadelphia, out of a voting population of 115,000, gave Brown near 700. They were not to be duped into voting for Pershing by casting their votes for Brown. The Times says that \$3,000 or 10,000 Prohibitionists just made noise enough to cause 20,000 liquor men to vote for Hartman. This is a little strange but it is about as it usually results.

THE HARRISBURG TELEGRAPH pays the following highly merited compliment to that distinguished representative of the colored race, Prof. William Howard Day: "Among the many Republican workers who have striven nobly and successfully to secure our late glorious victory, Prof. William Day, of this city, occupies a conspicuous place. He went on the stump, at the invitation of the State Committee, early in the fight, and canvassed the Western, Middle and Northern counties, and did good service also in the Southern tier. His efforts were everywhere successful, and his finished oratory "golden opinions from all sorts of people." As an effective speaker Mr. Day ranks high; and his accomplishments are highly esteemed and his labors greatly acknowledged by those who join him now exulting over our hard earned victory.

Gen. Joe Hooker is plunging round in the Hot Springs, Arkansas, trying to shake off the paralysis which laments his limbs.

Hon. Thomas A. Jencks, of Rhode Island, died of Civil Service Reform notoriety, at his home in Cumberland, R. I., on Thursday.

The Fall Mill Gazette is authorized to state that the Admiralty fugitive slave circular will be withdrawn and new instructions are issued.

A large number of the coal miners in the Hooking Valley, Ohio, have struck for ten cents per ton in addition to the present rate of wages.

The United States direct cable was successfully repaired. The cable, after fifteen months' submergence, is pronounced in a perfect condition.

It is affirmed in Berlin that Russia is not desirous of acting independently in the Herzegovina matter. The three powers continue in complete harmony.

The "Wayrodes," military commanders of Bosnia and Herzegovina, have convoked an assembly for the purpose of proclaiming a national government.

The New Jersey State Board of education has arranged for a thorough representation of the educational interests of that State at the Centennial Exposition.

The Hon. Augustus S. Gaylord, of Saginaw, Michigan, has been appointed Assistant Attorney General for the Interior Department, vice W. H. Smith, resigned.

Prussia has asked Austria to prevent Bishop Forster, while residing in the Austrian portion of his diocese, from exercising an episcopal function touching the Prussian portion.

Serious distress is anticipated among the industrial working classes in Germany during the coming winter, and apprehensions are also entertained of a crisis in financial circles.

True bills have been found by the grand jury of Washington, for alleged conspiracy and presenting false claims against Gen. J. S. Negley and ex-Congressman Butler, of Tenn.

At a meeting of the New York Chamber of Commerce, on Thursday last, a committee was appointed to ascertain the effect of the civil war in Cuba on the commerce of the United States.

The French Assembly convened at Versailles last week, there being a large attendance of members and spectators. It was immediately resolved to discuss the electoral bill on last Monday.

Maryland Republicans assert that it is impossible to prove that Democrats perpetrated most glaring frauds on Tuesday in Baltimore in order to render the election of their State ticket certain.

Three fishermen, named Pascal Demond, James Short and John Hepburn, left Harrisville, on Lake Harcon, on Wednesday morning for their nets, and there is reason to believe that all were drowned.

Col. Gowen, of New York, who raised the wrecks of the Russian fleet in the harbor of Sebastopol, has been officially invited by the British Admiralty to put in proposals for raising the iron-clad Vanguard.

A fire occurred in an alley, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth and L and M streets, Washington, on Monday, destroying two frame shanties and burning up three children, aged 10, 12 and 15 years, all colored.

The residence of Mr. Hatcher, near Hooper, Dodge county, Neb., was burned on Tuesday night. Miss Green, his sister-in-law, was arrested and acknowledged she set fire to the house. This is the second house of Hatcher's burned during the present fall.

The President of the National Gold Bank and Trust Company of San Francisco states that no official action has been taken, but without question the bank will at once go into liquidation, paying depositors and stockholders in full.

It is a mistake to say that the newly elected New Jersey Legislature chooses a United States Senator to succeed Senator Frelinghuysen. His term does not expire till 1877, and his successor will be chosen by the Legislature elected next year.

We had a little Granger once, his name was Victor Piollet, but now his tender form is laid away beneath the violet.

Maine has ten ex-Governors living, and all residing in the State. Their names are Crook, Kent, A. P. Morrill, Hamlin, Williams, L. M. Morrill, Washburn, Corburn, Chamberlain, and Perham. Four are over seventy years old.

Mrs. Lillian Edgerton says that one of the ablest of the day in making money is the equivalent of respectability. That accounts for the inflated character of much of our respectability. It ought to be brought down to a solid basis.

Bayard Taylor will, on the 14th inst., deliver a lecture on "Scholarship" at Huntington, under the auspices of the "Scholar League," of that city, an organization of which Postmaster-General Jewell and other high Government officers are members.

Captain Michael Creasp, the Maryland pioneer, whose daughter married Luther Martin, Burr's daughter, is buried in Trinity church yard, New York, opposite the north transept door. He was buried there just a century ago. Jefferson accused him of murdering Logan, the Indian.

Mrs. Thomas Hicks, the reputed niece of General Robert C. Schenck, American Minister to England, recently returned from Europe, where she made a reputation and became very conspicuous by the unusual magnificence of her entertainments in London and Paris. Mrs. Hicks, we understand, returns to Europe in a few weeks.

The Hon. Robert W. Johnson, an ex-United States and ex-Confederate Senator of Arkansas, the Hon. Jacob Thompson, of Memphis, an ex-Secretary of the Interior, of Buchanan's Cabinet, and Judge R. W. Thompson, of Terre Haute, who took the Northern chute during the war, recently met by chance at the Southern Hotel in St. Louis, and had a pleasant chat of by-gone days.

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The Herzevian insurgents have recently received a thousand breech-loading rifles from Montenegro.

About sixty Mormon missionaries have passed through Omaha this week bound for different portions of the country.

The annual meeting of the Synod of the Reformed Church of the United States commenced in Lancaster on Monday last.

John R. Moore, 325 Penn Avenue, Pittsburg, Pa. Will open the first week in November a choice and elegant assortment of the latest novelties for Winter.

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