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## Harrison Surrenders.

Harrison has fallen before the fire of the politicians and brought confusion upon those who undertook to figure him service reform upon the strength of his alleged stand in favor of retaining until the expiration of their terms Demo-cratic officeholders against whom nothing was alleged but their Democracy. This position Harrison has apparently desired to take, but he has been driven from it by the assaults of the politicians so often and has so conspicuously pertted his cabinet officers to disregard it in their appointments that there was not much ground left for his defense by civil service reformers. The Philadelphia offices, however, remained for their comfort, and they have believed themselves to be entrenched behind the president's positive determination to let the Democratic officeholders there stay until their terms expired. They find themselves cruelly betrayed by the removal of the postmaster, though he had but a few weeks of his term left to him ; and Harrison stands exposed to them as having deserted the last show of his virtuous

resolve. The Ledger, which has been a staunch believer in the president's virtue, is dumbfounded at his action, and asks what possible good can come from the removal of Postmaster Harrity when in a few weeks more he might have made It consistently with his avowed principles. It finds no excuse for him and de-clares that "the removal puts the president in the attitude of making a deliberate surrender of the position, volun-tarily espoused, that faithful and capa-ble federal officers should be permitted to serve out their four years' terms.' ere is no doubt of that. It is made so plain that he who runs may read. The postmaster general makes the feeble excuse that the new postmaster will not be able to take his place much before the expiration of Mr. Harrity's four years term and that it therefore was not much of an infraction of the four years term ides, anyway. But if so, there was all the more reason for not making the change until the time was quite up, when there was so small a gain to be -de by it; and it is all the more significant of the complete surrender of the esident to the politicians. They depresident to the politicians. They de-manded the postimaster's head, and demanded it at once. They declared that the removal must come before the election to give the Republican party heart; and they now claim that it will make a gain to the party of ten thousand votes. They do not believe it. They wanted it only as a sign of the president's sur-render to them. They now carry him along in captive chains behind their triumphal car and exhibit him to the world as the instrument of their will. He can no longer parade his independence. No more will he obtain credit for a firm resolve to adhere to virtuous dec-Hereafter no one will be deceived into reliance upon the reform promises. The good people who have sen betrayed once will not again become the victims of misplaced confidence in him. This Philadelphia postmastership has thrown a bright light upon the character and conduct of Harrison's administration. It has illustrated vividly a contest with the Republican politicians in which the honor of the administration has finally fallen. Wanamaker has saved Field, but it has been a costly and solitary salvage. Postmaster Harrity was besought to save him from the assaults of the Republican politicians by offering his resignation. He declined to thus aid these politicians and to relieve the administration from the duty of deending its advertised devotion to civil service reform principles ; to which it has now at last turned tail in ignominious fashion upon the demand of Quay for Harrity's head to be exposed on a charger before the day of election. Mr. Harrity has done a great service to the people in refusing to resign and securing the complete exposure of the hollowness of Harrison's pretended devotion to civil service doctrine and the weakness of the heart which he pledged to that reform. He gave him the opportunity of show-ing the sincerity of his declared convic-tions and of exhibiting the courage and ions and of exhibiting the courage and esty needed to maintain them. The stuff was not in the president ; it was but wind ; and he has collapsed. His surrender to the working politicians is complete.

### Our Girls Abroad.

A very dramatic and circumstantial story is published by the New York World concerning the breaking of the opgagement of Miss Caldwell, the American heiress, to Prince Murat. In France they have a very business like way of managing matters matrimonial, and according to this extremely doubt-ful tale the bride accepted the spirit of the law in a truly cold-blooded business schion. When it came to drawing up the contract formally stating the financial conditions of the marriage a notary announced that the prince was to be wed ten thousand dollars a year, and that the property of the heiress was to go to her sister after her death. The ce had been told of this, but perprince had been tone to be when he band it was a sober reality he very urtly declared that he was not a wealthy daughter-in-law of his ased him of ten thousand a year. To malieve this story it is necessary to imagine that the lady was willing to dere publicly that she was marrying a nan she distrusted in matters financial, in fact she is said to have replied to his proaches by reminding him that he and shown that he did not know how manage money. It is very easy to magine this. It is also necessary to arrying that the lady actually be-read that the prince was not arrying her for her millions, for focurse the opposing daughter-in-law at taken care that her ten thousand

bid should be known. This is woman is represented to be wou'd arely have discovered an error of that

NO MARTIN

Probable Marder In Chester County William W. McCrery, of Upper Oxford, Chester county, was stabled three times on