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A Party in Trouble.

The Republican administration which has bumped along for nine months by its lone self, with very little satisfaction to the party or credit to itself, is now to have the association of a Republican Congress; and by the time the Fourth of July comes around we will be able to make a close estimate as to the condition of the dominant party and its prospect of keeping its head above water.

We are inclined to think that will find it mighty poor; and it is only in extreme caution that we propose to await the adjournment of the first session of Congress to determine the dissolving state of the Republican party.

The Congress meets with a narrow majority for the administration in the Senate and an exceedingly slim majority in the House; and this majority one that cannot be held upon the tariff question, which was the main issue of the canvass and is likely to be the chief one in the Congress.

A shattered party, with a bare majority, elected indeed against the popular majority, would be bound to have a hard road to hoe, however virtuously and intelligently inspired; but a party held, as is this under the control of small men with mean inspirations, cannot possibly emerge creditably or successfully from the ordeal.

The chief handler of the party, a bigger man than old Harrison, is our Matthew Stanley Quay; whom we know as a ripe fruit of Pennsylvania politics, grown on its own political dunghill, and such a product as might be expected from its rotten richness. It has never been suggested that Mr. Quay has arisen to the command of his party by the force of his virtue or intellect. His successes have been achieved by the use of coarse material means and by the total disregard of moral restraints.

Nothing is more characteristic of the man than his statement that John M. Carson, the newspaper correspondent who is a candidate for the clerkship of the House, was unworthy of consideration for the place, as his support came only from newspaper men.

It showed the audacity which is his characteristic, and which led him to defy the newspapers and their weapons of words, which are of little value, in his view, in comparison with more material agencies. Possibly he makes as little account of newspaper condemnation as he pretends to do.

Probably his intelligence does not suffice to make him duly appreciative of it. He may have suffered so little harm from it in the past as to have come to think it worthless. But to despise the newspaper is to despise public opinion, which in the long run it represents; and no public man is strong enough to do this; and least of all this man, who is conspicuously weak, and who is not likely to last long as a leader.

He has been in the saddle for a successful run, which is likely to be as brief as brilliant. It is a sign of the decadence of whatever force he may have had that he has ever to our innocent little Eddy McPherson for clerk, who has about the influence a bantam would have over a game cock.

An Opportunity. The football season is over, but it may be faintly hoped that the weather will allow the awakened local interest in the game another chance for expression on Tuesday. There will be a magnificent chance to advertise our college by a victory at a moment when the whole country is yet talking football, and when there will be no other football news to offer.

The victory over Dickinson was quite overshadowed by the great Princeton and Yale game, and the many other Thanksgiving matches, but the news of a victory on Tuesday will be coupled with discussion of the sudden advance of the Lancaster team to the front rank of the state's best players.

The Franklin and Marshall team won their laurels, and should realize that, to gain the full reward of their last battle, they must win the next. Strike while the iron is hot and then the team may rest and get down to study, while others do the striking for a college gymnasium and library and the development of one of the most firmly founded and well balanced educational institutions in the land.

PRESIDENT EDW. V. LEWIS, of the Manufacturers and Builders' Fire Insurance Company, is quoted as expressing great discouragement with the insurance business in the East. He says that Western people are being frightened and that he is thinking of withdrawing his company from the Eastern States.

It may soon be Philadelphia's turn to have a big fire. The chiefs of her fire department have been explaining the city's immunity from huge conflagrations on the theory that she has a better fire department than any city in the Union, and that her firemen are exceptionally brave and efficient.

The last part of the claim is scarcely worth attention, as the excellence of firemen of each city will always be upheld by the citizens. In comparison with the firemen of other cities, the boast of a more perfect fire department may be more worthy of attention. The chief takes particular pride in the telegraphic service and claims that fire fighting has been reduced to a science in Philadelphia.

On Thursday morning a few hours before the fire the Boston firemen made comments on the Lynn disaster and boasted of the fire proof houses of Boston: "While it will not do to speak confidently concerning the future, one is none the less justified in believing that a great sweeping conflagration is altogether impossible in the newly-constructed business district of Boston, and this, too, in spite of the fact that the buildings are, as a rule, higher and larger than those which occupied these sites prior to our great fire.

These are parts of our city which have not been thus improved, but as far as the requirements of trade or the results of age these to be replaced by new ones, the effect of our building laws comes into play, and the new edifices, if not fire-proof, are, at least, so far fire-resisting as to make their speedy destruction by an interior fire improbable, and their quick consumption by a sweeping conflagration impossible.

The swift rebuke of this Boston boast should make Philadelphia tremble. WINTER is here and the skies give little sign of any change in their tactics. If they drop water in snowflakes in the next three months as they have let it fall in rain in the past three we may have to travel on snowshoes.

A New York doctor says that very few people know how pulse beats vary: "The best time to ascertain the normal condition of the pulse is shortly after waking in the morning, when the nerves are unexcited and the whole condition of the body is calm and equable. It would be a wise thing for every person to ascertain the normal condition of their pulse from half a dozen observations when in good health, for the guidance of the physician who may be called when sickness comes.

It might be that in trying to follow this advice to note the pulse a person would grow unduly anxious, and an eminent Philadelphia doctor cautions his patients against self-examination as tending to make a trifling ailment grow into a hypochondriac state of mind.

A Starting Imitation. An Evening—Salesman—Well, whatever customer—I want to buy a hat. Salesman—Why didn't you say so? Move lively now. This ain't no norgue! Customer—I don't like to be spoken to like that.

A glance at a map of the Conways back of Baltimore and the east side of the Susquehanna river, and from the Philadelphia, Wilmington & Baltimore railroad south to the Chesapeake bay, will show the waters where the sportsmen kill thousands of ducks each season. Almost every foot of water is well-bettered—on the waters where the ducks feed is either in possession of some sportsman, who uses it for his own shooting, or is owned by a duck-club.

The club-guns in the business for the sport it furnishes. He is generally a wealthy city gentleman who can afford to indulge his love of sport, and who takes diversion from business cares at the shores. He is equipped with all the paraphernalia necessary to make his shooting a success. His clothing is of the warmest kind, and frequently there is an attendant who carries the club member's gun and ammunition, and who brings in the ducks slaughtered by the aforesaid club man, who remains in a dry blind or tub. For him the sport loses all of its uncomfortable features, but all the pleasures are retained.

Many who cannot get shores for their liking on the rivers at the head go lower down in the bay for their shooting, where there has been much complaint among the gunners that the feeding grounds in the rivers are covered with mud brought down by the floods, and especially those in the upper parts of the bay is a mystery, as both shores are a skinned line of gunners trying to inveigle the ducks to destruction.

Stimulants and the Voice. From the Contemporary Review. Tobacco, alcohol and fiery condiments of all kinds are best avoided by those who have to speak much, or at least they should be used in strict moderation. Like tipping, the effect of cigarette smoking is cumulative, and the slight but constant absorption of tobacco juice and smoke makes the practice far more noxious in the long run than any other form of smoking.

Out forges, who are used regularly to end their evenings under the table, are found to have suffered little of the well-known effects of alcohol on the nerves, while the moderate tippler, who is never intoxicated, is a being whose whole nervous system may be said to be in a state of chronic inflammation.

We rejoice for Engle's sake that the committee have stuck so well to his rotten stone; but we are confident that if their honesty is at par, their stupidity is intense. Yet they are men who are capable of carrying on their private business with a measure of success. They are not the dumbest people in town. Their manual dexterity seems to supervene only when they get out to view the streets.

It is not to be denied that they do not know what a good road is through probably the opinion of the quality of the things they buy for their own use with their own money is as good as anybody's.

disposing cases of cancer. All fiery or pungent food, condiments or drinks lead to cancer, and the condition becomes chronic if it may lead to impairment if not complete loss of voice. The supposed miraculous virtues of the myrtle berry and drab, which are which some orators pin their faith axis mainly in the imagination of those who use them; at best they do nothing more than lubricate the joints of the machine so as to make it work more smoothly.

THE PENNONSER'S RETURN.

His Deserted Wife Expected to Draw the Money, But the Man Came Back. A rather peculiar pension case was discovered in St. Louis, Canada, on Friday. James Cassidy enlisted in 1870 under the name of H. Hickey, and was assigned to company No. 1, Seventh regiment, U. S. A.

He deserted his wife one day in 1882, and the next day a check for \$2,100 reached the pension office for and credited to Cassidy, an order was issued to pay the money over to the bereaved widow.

When Mrs. Cassidy answered a ring of her door bell this morning, expecting to see the postman with a notice to call at the pension office and draw the lady sum, she was thunderstruck to find herself face to face with the long lost but irrepressible Cassidy. He had returned from the grave, and as his identity cannot be questioned the woman will not get the money.

GHOSTS OF THE BLOSSOMS. Out in the misty moonlight The first snowflakes I see, As they frolic among the leafless Limbs of the apple tree.

Religious. RELIGIOUS SERVICES WILL BE HELD in the following churches on Sunday, in the morning at 10:30, in the evening at 7:30. Sunday school at 10:30 a. m. When the hour is different it is especially noted.

NEW CHURCH—Services and Sunday school to-morrow morning at the usual hour in the building, No. 10 North Queen street. EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN—Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. in the German language from 9:30 to 10:30 a. m. and from 7:30 to 8:30 p. m. Church services in English at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

EVANGELICAL—First Church—Rev. P. F. Leitz, pastor. German in the morning. Sunday school at 9 a. m. ST. PAUL'S M. E. CHURCH—Rev. E. C. Yerkes, pastor. 9 a. m. class service at 9:30 a. m. Praise service at 10:30 a. m. Preaching in the evening by Rev. W. S. Speece.

EVANGELICAL—Rev. E. L. Reed, pastor. Sunday school at 10:30 a. m. Praise service at 10:30 a. m. DIVINE SERVICE on Sunday morning in the Rockland street school building at 10:30 o'clock. Sunday school at 2 p. m.

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