

FIGHTING FOR CONGRESS

It Is Very Close and Both Parties Claim It.

BOTH MAKE CHARGES OF FRAUD.

Great Anxiety Manifested in Republican Circles Over the Latest Democratic Claims—Senator Quay Confident—The Chamberlain-Endicott Wedding.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—Increased interest is felt here, in view of later returns unfavorable to the Republicans, over the organization of the next house of representatives. Heretofore it has been almost universally conceded that the Republicans would have a small majority as indicated by the returns. Democratic claims are now being made that, if allowed, would give them the organization of the house. A dispatch received from Senator Kenna declared that it was now settled that the Democrats had carried West Virginia and elected all four of the representatives to congress. The Democrats also claim the election of Simmons in North Carolina. This would give them a majority of one in the house. It is asserted by Republicans that the Democrats are trying to steal the house by certifying men from the south. There is great anxiety on the part of Republican members of the house. They say that their majority is being pared down by clever manipulation and insidiously the Democrats are working to undermine it entirely. Mr. Quay, they say, foresaw this danger, and it was on account of it that he came to Washington to take personal charge of the congressional matters. A good many anxious inquiries have been made at the Republican league headquarters. To all who have asked, Mr. Quay responds that the Republicans are sure to organize the house. He admits that the Democrats are scheming the best they know how, but he has confidence in the ability of the Republican managers to take care of those interests. All those interested do not feel as confident as Mr. Quay.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—It is believed here that two Democrats are elected in California, and that Pendleton, the Republican whose election was very close, is also elected in West Virginia.

Harry Smith, the journal clerk of the house, has issued the following list, carefully revised, and believed to be gleaned from the most reliable sources:

Table with 4 columns: State, R., D., Total. Lists election results for various states including Arkansas, California, Colorado, etc.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—A dark, rainy and disagreeable day marred, to great extent, the festivities of the occasion of the marriage of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, of England, to Miss Mary Endicott, daughter of the secretary of war, which took place at St. John's Protestant Episcopal church.

Before the arrival of the wedding party the president and Mrs. Cleveland, and most of the invited guests had entered the church and been shown to their seats. Many distinguished people were present. Shortly after 2 o'clock the bride entered the church leaning on the arm of her father. She was attired in a gray traveling dress. As she passed up the aisle Mr. Chamberlain appeared at the chancel rail. He was unaccompanied. He wore a frock coat, dark trousers and white scarf.

The ceremony was performed according to the rites of the Episcopal church by Rev. W. A. Leonard, assisted by Rev. J. F. Frank of Salem, Mass. At its conclusion the bride and groom walked down the aisle, followed by the bride's family and the bridesmaids. They were driven immediately to the Endicott mansion, where they were followed shortly afterwards by the relatives and guests, to whom a wedding breakfast was served. Mrs. Cleveland's presence was a complete set of silver knives, forks and spoons, gold lined, and encased in a handsome satinwood box.

Mrs. Whitney, Mrs. Fairchild, Mrs. Vilas, Mrs. Dickinson and the Misses Bayard sent articles of jewelry, silver, silverware and other costly remembrances.

Goff's Election Claimed. WHEELING, W. Va., Nov. 30.—The Republican claim of election of Gov. Goff to the governorship was apparently justified when Wyoming and McDowell counties sent in their returns. Wyoming gave seventy-five majority for Goff and McDowell 174, a Republican gain of 368 in the two counties. These counties complete the returns from the state, and Gov. Goff's majority will be about 285. The Democrats are alleging gross frauds in the two counties named, and the matter is sure to be carried to the courts.

Sackville's Sale. WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—At the sale of Reed Sackville's household effects the furniture brought low prices. The buyers were mostly those who wanted the articles as curiosities and souvenirs. There was no special interest in the sale. A rainstorm prevented a large attendance. Neither his lordship nor his daughters were present. It is believed that Lord Sackville will go to New York within a day or two, and sail on Saturday for England.

A Decomposed Body in a Reservoir. PITTSBURGH, Nov. 30.—The dead body of James Carlin (colored), aged 7 years, was found in the Bedford avenue reservoir. The body had been missing over two weeks, and the entire lower part of the city is supplied with water for all purposes from this basin.

H. of L. General Assembly. INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 30.—There is some probability that the General Assembly of the Knights of Labor will finish its work this week, but some agencies may arise which will keep the delegates over until next week. At one meeting some of the committee on appeals and grievances continued its report.

THE RETIRING STATESMEN.

Gossip as to the Future Lives of President Cleveland's Advisers.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—In relation to the rumor that the president contemplated selling "Oak View" prominent real estate men, who would be likely to know if any negotiations had been in progress to dispose of the president's home, deny that there is a word of truth in the story. He has not decided to go to Europe, nor will he live in retirement at Oak View or sell that fine suburban property. First of all, Mr. Cleveland will take a good long vacation when he retires from office. He will spend some time in New York city, and perhaps make a western trip later in the spring, as far as the Pacific coast. When summer opens it is likely to find him at his brother's parsonage, up on the edge of the North Woods, ready to strike into the wilderness for a good long fishing expedition. The chances are that another autumn will see Citizen Grover Cleveland one of the 1,000,000 souls that go to make up the population of the great metropolis.

Secretary Bayard is going into complete retirement on his estate at Wilmington. The door of the senate chamber is closed to him, he has long been out of law practice, and there is little prospect of his re-entering public life.

Secretary Whitney is going to take a long vacation, too. He and Mrs. Whitney will sail for Europe next summer and remain abroad several summers. The secretary may open a law office in New York again, but big business enterprises in which he is engaged with his brother-in-law, Oliver Payne, will occupy all his time.

Secretary Fairchild will return to his old home at Casnovia, and probably to his Albany law practice. He enjoys a comfortable fortune, and the term of the political wheel which leaves him out of office brings him no personal disappointments.

Secretary Endicott will go straight back to the home of his ancestors in Salem, Mass., as soon as he turns over his portfolio to his successor. He will never seek public office again. Judge Endicott has a good law business.

Attorney General Garland will settle down to the practice of his profession in Washington. He is regarded as a very fine lawyer, and doubtless will have all the cases he can handle. He has recently bought a handsome house in this city.

Postmaster General Dickinson has not determined what his course will be after March 4. In fact, he has not had time to give the matter any serious thought. If he does not go to New York the postmaster general can resume his professional labors in Detroit.

Secretary of the Interior William F. Vilas has no plans for the future that he cares to talk about, except that he will probably return to Madison, Wis., where he left a \$40,000 law practice to become postmaster general.

Gen. John C. Black, the commissioner of pensions, is a comparatively poor man and will miss the salary now paid him by the government. He has made no plans whatever for the future.

Col. Daniel Lamont will become a citizen of the mighty metropolis. The nature of the colonel's future business he does not wish to have stated at present, but it is settled that he is to go to New York on a big salary. He is not going into the newspaper business, and will try real hard to keep out of politics for a few years at least.

MINISTER TO SPAIN. Congressman Perry Belmont Will Represent This Country There.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—Congressman Perry Belmont has been appointed United States minister to Spain. He sent a letter to the president by last night's mail accepting the position.

The place has been vacant for some time. The fact of the appointment has been kept secret, but Mr. Belmont, who was seen last night, admitted it and said he had decided to accept. He will sail for Spain early next month.

Mr. Belmont has been chairman of the house foreign affairs committee during the last two congresses, and is well equipped for the position. He was not a candidate for reelection to congress, and would have retired from the house on March 4 next. His appointment was not generally known last evening, but it will be received as a fitting tribute to Mr. Belmont's services to his party.

Violated the Contract Labor Law. NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—United States District Attorney Walker has commenced suit in the name of the United States against Edward Gunther, a furniture manufacturer of this city and Goff's Falls, Delaware county, N. Y., for importing a furniture designer named Victor Hegeman from Madagascar, Prussia, under contract. Hegeman came to this country on Aug. 18 under an agreement to work at Gunther's factory at Goff's falls for \$9 per week and board. He became dissatisfied with his treatment, and stated the facts to the district attorney. A suit was begun in the United States circuit court against Gunther for the recovery of the statutory \$1,000 penalty for importing aliens under contract.

Strange and Fatal Freak. YOUNGSTOWN, O., Nov. 30.—A horrible suicide occurred at the residence of H. O. Bonnell, Mrs. Julia Goudart, aged 33 years, a French governess, came from New York city about ten days ago to teach French to Mr. Bonnell's children. On Friday she became melancholy and has acted strangely ever since. She went to the attic of the house, set fire to her clothing, which was piled on the floor, walked out on the roof and threw herself head foremost to the flagstone walk below. She alighted on her head, striking her skull, and died in a few minutes. Disappointment in love with a French count in New York is said to be the cause.

A Wife's Terrible Revenge. ERIE, Pa., Nov. 30.—While Patrick Durkin, a baggage man of the Pennsylvania railroad, sat at the supper table his wife threw a bowl of vitriol in his face, burning out both his eyes, disfiguring his face and neck and injuring him so much that he will probably die. His wife fled from the house and returned a few minutes later with an officer. When Durkin heard her coming, although he was blind and screaming with pain, he attacked and nearly killed her, in spite of the policeman. The wife alleged ill treatment and Durkin's threat to put another woman in her place. She was jailed and Durkin sent to the hospital.

Bad for the Miners. PITTSBURGH, Nov. 30.—Forty coal operators and shippers met in the office of John A. Woods and unanimously resolved to stop running coal for an indefinite period, beginning Dec. 1. This action is caused by the heavy stocks of coal at south-western ports. From 4,000 to 5,000 mine cars are in the consequences.

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