

CHAMP CLARK'S LETTER

Reform Movement in City of Brotherly Love.

SINKHOLE OF CORRUPTION.

Disgraceful State of Pennsylvania Politics.

AS PRACTICED BY REPUBLICANS.

Ballot Box Stuffing, Repeating and Bulldozing Brazenly Practiced. Amazing Theft of Railroad Franchises—Missouri to Be Made Republican—Charles Henry Grosvenor Reneges—The Babcock Tariff War Shows No Abatement—Hanna's Baleful Influence—Antidote For Trusts.

[Special Washington Letter.]

It is really gratifying to learn that a reform movement has been inaugurated in Philadelphia. If there is one place on earth that needs reforming worse than all others it is the City of Brotherly Love, which has become so thoroughly corrupt that when the man in the moon passes over it he holds his nose to keep from fainting. Indeed, the foregoing remarks may be applied to the entire state of Pennsylvania, where Republican purity and sweetness are seen in their fullness. The city of Philadelphia is reliably Republican by about 100,000 and the state by a quarter to a half million; yet ballot box stuffing, repeating, bulldozing and all other methods forbidden in politics are practiced openly and brazenly. It's high time they set in to reform things there and thereabout. A vast deal is said about Tammany corruption, but Tammany in its worst estate was pure beside the ring that dominates Pennsylvania and Philadelphia. The last legislature passed a street railway charter for Philadelphia for which that great Republican philanthropist, John Wanamaker, offered a cool two millions and a half, and it was such a valuable steal that the owners of the charter rejected John's huge offer with scorn. Thieving is certainly practiced in that solidly Republican state on the wholesale plan, and yet the Republican papers prate pharisaically of honesty, purity and patriotism.

"To Make Missouri Republican"
A lot of Missouri pap suckers met in Washington lately to do honor to Hon. T. J. Akins, chairman of the Republican state committee. Mr. Akins discussed "How to Make Missouri Republican." He said, among other things, that between now and the next election he hoped the policy of the Republican party would be to demonstrate inter alia that it is the friend of the workman and that it is not controlled by great corporations and has no interest in the welfare of the working masses. Gewillikins! Certainly Mr. Akins is the most sanguine statesman now perambulating this mundane sphere. He has more hopefulness than the man who believes, contrary to Scripture, that the leopard can change his spots or the Ethiopian his skin. Akins is in the fix of the boy who on Boston Common was digging in the search for the unattainable. Missouri will go Republican when people cease to remember the outrages committed by Republicans when they had charge of the state and not before. If Mr. Akins imagines that he can demonstrate that the Republicans are not controlled by great corporations, he must be suffering mentally from the intense heat.

Persistent.
O Persistence, thy name is John Wesley Gaines! Brother Gaines announced some time ago that the Democrats ought to nominate a southern man for president, and he mentioned several southern statesmen who would make able presidents. Now he announces that his scheme is taking like wildfire. Just why his plan should not work is not to be explained. This is the era of good feeling. The north and south have been weeping on each other's neck a great deal for two or three years. It has been declared over and over again that the cruel war is over. Why southern men of a generation too young to engage in the civil war should be barred from any honors of the republic it would be difficult to tell. Perhaps John Wesley will win out with his theory.

Take Your Choice.
My illustrious and venerable friend General Charles Henry Grosvenor reneges. My other illustrious and venerable friend, Dr. Chauncey Mitchell Depew, is in the stubborn frame of mind possessed by a lapus lingue that the horse was 17 feet high, stuck to it forevermore. The hoarse hooting of the hoopla has no more effect on the gay and festive New Yorker than pouring aqua pura on a duck's back. Like Oliver Twist, he still cries for more. Nothing will satisfy his yearning heart but a third term for Mr. McKinley. The scorn of Democrats and Republicans has no terrors for him. He must be a pachyderm. Still, he goes on his smiling way, while General Grosvenor hastens to write a two column letter, fine print; to haul in his horns, and to explain that the reporter left out the only really valuable portion of his remarks, which the general sets forth in hæc verba: "The child is not born who will ever live to see a candidate for the presidency nominated for a third term. Mr. McKinley, in my opinion, would refuse to consider the subject. He would not tarnish the glory of his two terms by a struggle for a third." The

general must surely read my letters, for that is precisely, almost word for word, my own opinion, expressed as soon as Senator Depew broached the subject.

I am glad that General Grosvenor wrote his letter of elucidation—glad both for his own sake and for the good name of the house of representatives, of which he is a shining light. Senators may make fools of themselves ad libitum for all I care; may cut such fantastic capers before high heaven as make the angels weep, but I have enough of what the French denominate l'esprit du corps to dislike to see any member of the more numerous branch of the national legislature talk like an inhabitant of bedlam.

General Grosvenor does not overestimate the ferment which the Cincinnati dispatch created, and he should extract great pleasure from the fact that the dispatch created the ferment solely because it was supposed to contain the remarks of General Charles Henry Grosvenor. His personality and his status at the White House did it. Fifty ordinary Republican congressmen might go yawning about a third term for a week and not create one tithe the uproar that the Cincinnati dispatch created. It seemed to come straight from the executive chamber, and aroused the resentment of every man in the republic who is both intelligent and patriotic. General Grosvenor cannot afford to talk at random, and, as his personal friend, I am glad that he did not.

The Cry Is "Still They Come!"
The merry war betwixt the Babcock and anti-Babcock factions in the Republican party as to taking the tariff off articles manufactured and sold by trusts goes on without any sign of stopping. More strength to their arms! It becomes more and more apparent that the Babcocks can't be bullied or coaxed into recanting or taking the back track. They have crossed the Rubicon and are headed for Rome. Hon. Seneca E. Payne must be more or less than mortal if he does not perceive by this time that "speaking Babcock" is a bigger job than he contracted for. Senator Marcus A. Hanna, if he is really a candidate for the presidential nomination, may find it to his advantage to change his opinion "while you wait," even as old shoes are half soled, or as Mr. McKinley somersaulted us to "our plain duty" as to the Porto Rican tariff. There are signs of revolt even in the holy city of Columbus. The Ohio State Journal, a Republican organ, says:

It would be well for the Tariff league to investigate before it proceeds with its campaign against the Wisconsin congressman. A waste of time and effort might be saved. If the league imagines that Mr. Babcock will be an easy mark, it is mistaken. The Wisconsin congressman is supported in his position by a majority of his party not only in his own state, but throughout the entire country. This is patent to all who have watched closely the drift of public sentiment. The only criticism that has been made of Mr. Babcock's position has come either from the league or some politician who feared to antagonize it.

Now, be it remembered that that was not said or written by any free trade doctrinaire, by any disciple of Richard Cobden, John Bright, Sir Robert Peel or Henry George, but by a Republican of Republicans. — It means business.

Ultra Vires.
That great and shining light of Republicanism, the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, in quite a lengthy but by no means learned article, urges that congress pass a law making the Hawaiian Islands a part of California and a separate congressional district thereof. Congress cannot do the latter at all. It would be clearly ultra vires. Congress fixes the ratio for representation based on the census returns and by a purely mathematical performance determines the number of representatives to which each state is entitled, and there the power of congress as to congressional districts ceases and the state's function begins—i. e., to determine the lines of the districts. Congress has no more right or power to make a congressional district of the Hawaiian Islands than has The Globe-Democrat. As to adding it to California, congress can do that with the consent of California and not without that consent. Anyway, it would be of very doubtful propriety to have a full fledged congressman from Hawaii, as the delegate from there, Hon. Mr. Wilcox, is an avowed monarchist. But The Globe-Democrat is stopped from advocating making a congressional district of the Hawaiian Islands by reason of its ceaseless chatter touching the latest Democratic gerrymander in Missouri. It mourns like another Rachel and refuses to be comforted because the Missouri legislature for geographical and other reasons gave Dr. Bartholdt, Republican, a district containing 314,000 people, with from 40,000 to 60,000 Republican majority, the ratio being 194,182, at the same time giving Judge Shackelford, Democrat, a district with only 142,000 people and 3,000 Democratic majority. Now, I submit to The G.-D. that if it is an outrage, as it solemnly asseverates, to make the Shackelford district in Missouri with only 142,000, wouldn't it be a greater outrage to make a California district of the Hawaiian Islands, containing only about 100,000 people, a large majority of whom are Chinese coolies, Japanese and Kanaks? Would not that be a great piece of inconsistency from the viewpoint of The G.-D.?

Once upon a time Colonel William F. Switzler, when a candidate for congress from the district which I now have the honor to represent, spent two hours trying to prove that his opponent, Colonel George W. Anderson, was not consistent. The only reply that Anderson ever gave to the charge was, "Consistency be damned!" Perhaps The G.-D. is standing on Colonel Anderson's platform. The excuse for making the Hawaiian Islands constitute a portion of California is that the Hawaiian territorial government is the most extravagant under the sun. The powers that be had better try the old

remedy, economy, which has gone sadly out of fashion.

Journalistic Enterprise!

The morning after the Ohio Republican state convention met the Kansas City Journal announced to startle and expectant world in great flaming headlines, "Hanna In Control!" That was about as newsworthy and thrilling an item as if the esteemed Journal had announced, "They Make Whisky In Kentucky!" or "They Raise Cotton In Mississippi!" or "They Eat Beans In Boston!" or "There Is an Abundance of Ice at the North Pole!" Nothing like being enterprising. "Seest thou a man diligent in his business? He shall stand before kings," remarks Solomon. Who expected anything else than that Hanna would be in control? Why, pray, should not he run his own show? He bought it and paid for it. He owns it. After the manner of the centurion described in the Scriptures, "To one he saith, Come, and he cometh; to another, Go, and he goeth." And Mark showed his teeth at this latest convention which he controlled. He permitted Senator Joseph Benson Foraker to be temporary chairman and to utter a few platitudinous remarks. How the brilliant and once fiery Foraker must chafe under Hanna's iron collar! Foraker's eagle eye once looked toward the White House with eager gaze, but Mark has clipped his talons and his wings. Mark would not even permit ex-Congressman, ex-Governor, ex-Secretary of the Treasury Charles Foster to be elected a member of the state committee. Mr. Foster delivered himself of a few rather vehement remarks touching "local imperialism."

How are the mighty fallen! How talent and reputation wither under the baleful rule of Mark Hanna! Hon. Charles Foster was a great national figure, an important factor in national politics, long before Hanna impinged upon the public eye. He was representing a member of congress, tripe governor of Ohio, once secretary of the treasury, the beloved of Garfield and not without presidential aspirations. Now he is so completely dwarfed by the influence of Hanna, who doth bestride the Ohio world like a colossus, that he cannot secure a position on the state committee. It is certainly a pitiful conclusion of the whole matter, so far as Hon. Charles Foster is concerned. And so he talked of "local imperialism." No wonder Hanna has practically disposed of three Ohio statesmen who have dreamed glorious dreams of life in the White House—John Sherman, Joseph Benson Foraker and Charles Foster. As a killer of Ohio presidential hopes Mark is a howling success.

Gail.
Once upon a time the cashier of a bank in a frontier county in Kansas stole all the money in the bank and blew it in on No. 2 wheat. The robbed depositors took the law into their own hands, dragged the defaulting cashier to a tree and were proceeding to string him up when he made a sign indicating that he wanted to address the multitude. They gave him a chance to speak, when he said: "Gentlemen, I have no money, but I do not want to die the ignominious death of being hanged. So I have this proposition to make: Cut me up and each man take the piece that suits him best," whereupon one old chap sang out, "You fellows can take what you want; but, as for me, give me that fellow's gail!"

I feel that way about the Ohio Republicans who lately met in convention and formulated a platform. Inter alia they declare that the Republican party by its glorious achievements made this country a world power. A greater lie has not been told on this earth since Ananias and Sapphira had their ill starred land transaction. These hilarious, palpitating and mendacious patriots are precisely 95 years behind the times. This country became a world power before any Republican was born. The date of its becoming a world power is April 30, 1803, when that immortal Democrat, Thomas Jefferson, purchased from Napoleon for a song "the Louisiana territory," the most colossal and stupendous transaction in real estate proposed on earth since the devil took the Saviour to the top of a high mountain and offered him the dominion of the world to fall down and worship him. That's the truth of history. One cannot read even at this late day without a thrill of patriotic pride Jefferson's fateful sentence, "The Mississippi must flow unvexed and unfettered to the sea." That was the pregnant prophecy of the glorious fact that all creation must take us into consideration beneficent and forever, world without end. Amen! And none knows this better than the political fakirs who constructed the Ohio Republican platform.

A Trust Antidote.
Recently I traveled over a large portion of Kansas while on a lecturing tour. While in the Sunflower State I learned something which, if generally adopted, will bust the trusts. Now, Kansas comes as near being a purely agricultural state as any in the Union. It produces some salt, lead, zinc and coal, but agriculture is far and away the chief industry. So the farmers grew weary of the extortions of the binder twine trust, and to help them out a binder twine factory has been started in the penitentiary. The result is highly satisfactory, as the state furnishes the twine to the consumers at about one-half what the trust has been furnishing it at. I introduced into congress a bill to put binding twine and the materials out of which it is made upon the free list, but the Republican leaders would not even permit the committee on ways and means to consider it. I guess the action of these Kansans will utterly disgust Brother Payne and his coadjutors.

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The Unqualified Statement of a Well Known Attorney, St. Ignace, Mich.

Some of the cures made by Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment of stubborn and long continued eczema and skin diseases are causing much comment.

People are beginning to realize that this Ointment is a wonder worker with all kinds of skin trouble. Attorney Jas. J. Brown, St. Ignace, Michigan, writes as follows: Dr. A. W. Chase Med. Co., Buffalo, N. Y.—Gents—

I cannot refrain from expressing my acknowledgment for the relief I have felt from Dr. Chase's Ointment. For 40 years I was afflicted with a skin disease which was located in one spot—on my leg. I have spent at a rough estimate five hundred dollars trying to effect a cure, and not until I applied this ointment did I get relief. You are strangers to me and this letter is prompted directly because I want to say and I feel as though I ought to say it. That Chase's Ointment has effected a complete cure of my affliction. Three boxes did the work on my leg. I was also suffering from itching piles and applied the ointment which gave the best of satisfaction by affording me rest at night and rapidly causing the disease to disappear. I have received such relief and comfort from the ointment that I cannot withhold expressing my gratitude. I was so long afflicted with the tortures of eczema, I feel now that I am cured, a word of recommendation is due from me.

Yours truly,
JAS. J. BROWN,
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LEGAL NOTICES.

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In the Court of Common Pleas of Centre county, No. 171 November Term 1901.
William Reese vs. Laura M. Reese.

DIVORCE A. V. M.
The undersigned, Commissioner appointed by the Court to take the testimony in the above stated case, will attend to the duties of his appointment, at his office in No. 14 Crider's Exchange, Bellefonte, Pa., on Friday the 22nd day of Aug., '9, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where all parties interested can attend or be forever debarred from a hearing.

W. F. GOEDKE,
Commissioner.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Miss Nancy M. Jamison, dec'd, late of Allegheny.
Letters of administration on said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted thereto are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will present them without delay for settlement, to the undersigned.

A. M. HOOVER, Bellefonte, Administrator

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G. B. LUCAS,
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ELLIS L. LYTLE, Adm'r.,
W. E. Gray, Att'y, Bellefonte, Pa.

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT.

The store of the Powers Shoe Co., having been disposed of to Messrs. Yeager & Davis, Bellefonte, Pa., who will continue the same at the old stand in the Bush Arcade, all debts of the same will be paid by and all moneys due them must be paid to Geo. T. Bush, the sole owner and proprietor, at his place of business in the stationary store in Bush Arcade.

POWERS SHOE CO.,
June 24, 1901. Bellefonte, Pa.

LEGAL NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that a petition asking for the transfer of the "Lloyd House Tavern License 2nd ward Phillipsburg Borough, now held by Christopher North, be transferred to George M. Schell, was this day filed in the office of the Clerk of the Quarter Sessions Court, June 26th, 1901.

M. I. GARDNER, Clerk.

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On a warm day and you will surely find your way to our "Arctic Soda Fountain" counter. Green's Chocolate Cream is all the rage. His Egg Phosphates touch the spot—every ounce of water filtered, with gas; ice cold thin tumblers; all the favorite syrups. What more could you wish.

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