

**SOME SENATE SPOTS**

Which Will Be Eagerly Sought for Under the Reorganization.

POSITIONS THAT PAY FAIRLY

And Have Very Desirable Honors and Perquisites Attached.

A SCRAMBLE FOR THE CHAPLAINCY

INDEPENDENCE OF THE DISPATCH.  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—Now that there is positive assurance that the Senate will be Democratic in the next Congress there is much anxiety among the Senate clerks over their future. There is no doubt that almost all of them will have to go next March. The last reorganization of the Senate was ten years ago. At that time the chief clerk, Mr. Shober, was the acting Secretary of the Senate. There was a deadlock over the reorganization of the Senate which lasted through the special session called after the inauguration of President Garfield. After the deadlock was broken in G. Washington was presented to the Senate by the Democratic caucus for the vacant position of Secretary in opposition to the Republican caucus nominee, A. G. McCook. Colonel Washington stands today as the last caucus nominee of the Democrats in the Senate for the position of Secretary.

The place went to General McCook unopposed. He had been a member of Congress from New York, but had been defeated for re-election. He was well known to the members of the Senate and very popular with them. The nominee of the caucus for the Secretaryship was George C. Gorham, who had held the position under the preceding Republican regime. Gorham, however, had made himself very obnoxious to several of the members of the Senate, among them Mr. Hoar, and these gentlemen said positively that they would not vote for him. The Republican majority was very small and their votes would have elected the caucus name of the Democrat; so Mr. Gorham's name was abandoned and in the extremity Senator Warner Miller suggested the name of General Anson G. McCook and it was agreed upon.

**Quite a Desirable Position.**  
The salary is \$3,300, and in addition to this there is an allowance for carriage hire of nearly \$400 annually, which is one of the perquisites of the position. The Secretary has a good deal of patronage to distribute, but that is not really within his gift. It all goes to the friends of Senators and their political proteges. The desirability of the office of Secretary lies in its dignity, its handsome pay and in the fact that it does not involve a very great amount of labor.

At the last session of Congress the office of Chief Executive Clerk of the Senate was abolished, the office of Reading Clerk was created, and the Chief Clerk was made a subordinate of the Secretary of the Senate. Before that the Chief Clerk's office had been elective. It is possible that the Democrats will revert to the old order of things. If they do not the new Secretary of the Senate will have to appoint a Chief Clerk, a Reading Clerk, a Journal Clerk, an Assistant Journal Clerk, a Legislative Clerk and 12 other clerks, whose salaries range from \$2,100 to \$2,500.

There is very little doubt that all of the present employees of the Senate, with the possible exception of four, will have to make way for Democrats. There are three Democrats now in the Secretary's office. One of them is Colonel C. C. Morrow, of Missouri, an executive clerk; another is Henry H. Giltry, the principal legislative clerk, and the third is Jere Williams, the file clerk. Mr. Giltry may have to go in time, for he returns from Oregon, and the two Senators from that State are Republicans. Mr. Morrow and Mr. Williams have done good party service and they will doubtless remain.

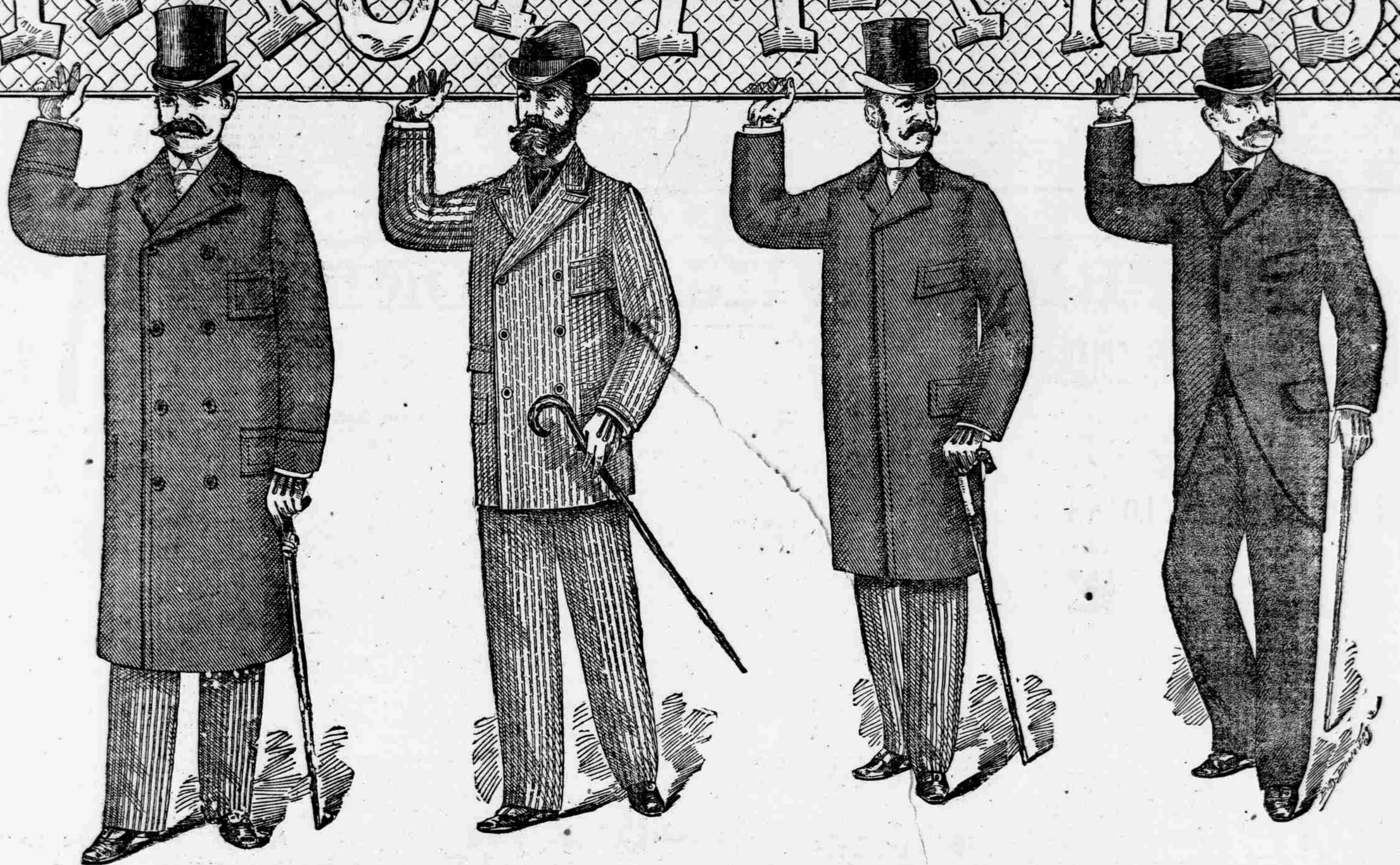
**Another Very Nice Niche.**  
Next to the office of Secretary that of Sergeant-at-Arms is considered desirable. The salary is \$4,500 a year, and there is a great deal of patronage to distribute. The next salary in rank is that of the Assistant Sergeant, Captain Isaac Bassett. Strange as it may seem, he receives more money than is paid to any one of the elected clerks about the Senate, and he is one of the oldest employees of the Senate, and, from his familiarity with the business of the office, one of the most valuable. He receives \$3,000 a year, and his salary is paid to Captain Bassett in recognition of his long term of service. He has been in the employ of the Senate more than 30 years and his name is the only one mentioned in the annual appropriation bill. His daughter married the former Secretary of the Senate, George C. Gorham.

There will be a scramble for the committee clerks, with the possible exception of Mr. Cleaves, the clerk of the Appropriations Committee. The Democratic House of Representatives continued the clerk of the Appropriations Committee who was left over from the Republican House because of his familiarity with the business which that committee has to handle. Likely Mr. Cleaves will share the same pleasant fate. Many of the committee clerks will lose nothing by the change, for the Senators who are chairmen of the committees in which they are now serving will continue to employ them as private secretaries at \$5 a day. Each Senator is allowed to employ a secretary during the session at that rate. Some few of the present committee clerks are Democrats, because a few minor committees are always given to the minority, and a few chairmen of these lesser committees will be given to Republicans under the new administration. Unfortunately, the men who are going out are the skilled clerks of the most important committees, like the Committee on Military Affairs, Committee on Finance and the Postoffice Committee.

**A Scramble for the Chaplaincy.**  
There will be a dignified but lively scramble for the post of Chaplain of the Senate. It pays \$500 a year and the only duty of the Chaplain is to deliver a five-minute prayer at the opening of the session five or six mornings in the week, and, perhaps, at an interval of four or five years to conduct a funeral service in the Senate Chamber. The Senators are not at all anxious to get the worth of their money in saving grace, and have been known to importune the Chaplain very strongly to cut his prayers short. Dr. Butler, the present Chaplain of the Senate, obtained his election in an amusing way. He was the candidate of the Republican Caucus of Michigan. He was not considered a formidable candidate, and when Mr. Conger went around the Senate quietly asking Senators to vote for Dr. Butler as a "settlement," each one who was asked, thinking that his vote would make very little difference, did as Mr. Conger requested, and when the vote of the Senate was taken it was found that Dr. Butler had a majority of all of them.

Dr. Butler has not been a popular Chaplain and he is one of the men who are very sincerely mourned. His prayers have lacked that vivid interest bordering on sensationalism which is often characteristic of the prayers of the blind Chaplain of the House, Dr. Milburn, and he has a tendency to prolong them. Dr. Butler's last Republican predecessor was the Rev. Byron Sunderland, who is the pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. The church which President Cleveland will probably attend. Mr. Cleveland's influence might give Dr. Sunderland a strong lead as a candidate for the Chaplaincy of the Senate. Perhaps Dr. Sunderland's political record will be considered against him. The members of the Senate who were here 15 years ago remember with pleasure the short, spicy prayers which Dr. Sunderland used to deliver and they will not be at all sorry to see him in the Chaplain's place again.

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Is Kaufmann's a clothing store? No, not an exclusive clothing store, but THE STORE THAT SELLS MORE CLOTHING THAN ANY OTHER HOUSE IN TOWN. Some silly, old foggy clothiers have lately tried to persuade the Public to believe that because we also sell Drygoods, Wraps, Millinery, China, etc., ours isn't a clothing store. Well, be that as it may, the fact remains the majority of Pittsburg Gentlemen prefer to buy their Clothing from us. Why, bless our sleepy, "exclusive" friends, we actually sell more clothing in a day than they do in a week, and sell every garment for 25 to 33 per cent less than they do. And, yet, ours isn't a clothing house! Oh, my; "What fools these mortals be!"

Time was when Kaufmann's was an exclusive clothing house. That was a quarter of a century ago. Since then the times have moved and we have moved with them. The once modest little clothing store has grown into a Mammoth General Merchandise Emporium. But that didn't impair our standing as clothiers. Indeed, quite the contrary is the fact. We're to-day further in the lead in Men's Apparel than ever before. We lead in qualities, quantities, styles and low prices. Clothing, now as ever, is the great stronghold of our business. Almost daily we enjoy the privilege of recording an increase of our clothing sales. What better proof need we cite of the continuous growth of our clothing business than the fact that even now, while we write, preparations are being made [and will be completed ere you read this] to add the entire second floor of our new addition on Fifth avenue to our already enormous clothing floor? Come in to-morrow and you will see what is undoubtedly the largest clothing salesroom not only in Pittsburg but in the United States. It covers an area of 200 feet on Fifth avenue by 126 feet on Smithfield street. This means 25,120 square feet devoted exclusively to Men's and Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Can any other local—or foreign—house make an equal showing?

But what is still more important is the fact that our largely-increased facilities make it possible for us to sell our reliable, time-honored make of clothing for less money than ever before. Compare our prices with those of other houses, and you will find that we save you from one-quarter to one-third the purchase price.

Right now, owing to a combination of circumstances, we offer most extraordinary inducements to clothing buyers. The new addition to the clothing floor above referred to should have been completed six weeks ago. With this anticipation we went into the market and bought an unusually heavy stock. As a direct consequence we now find ourselves with about \$100,000 worth more clothing than we had at this time last year. This surplus stock must be got rid of at any cost. We shall hold the contractor of our building responsible for our loss, and in the meantime we shall—must double our sales by halving and quartering prices.

Take, for instance, the beautiful garments illustrated above. They represent the most ultra fashionable styles of the day. Five tables of single-breasted overcoats, like the Dandy at the top, are ready for your selection at \$10. These garments are made of choice meltons, kerseys, chinchillas, chevots and cassimeres, and the cheapest one of them is a bargain for \$15, while many are worth \$16 and \$17 each. Yet, we say to you: Come in, take your choice for \$10.

It's the same with the elegant double-breasted overcoat. Look at it. Isn't it a beauty? Six tables of them. Were intended to be retailed from \$18 to \$20, but TWELVE DOLLARS takes any one in the lot.

And the jaunty perfect-fitting double-breasted suit. The illustration hardly does justice to the real goods—imported cassimeres, in silk mixtures and plain colors; Scotch chevots in small checks, fancy mixtures and solid colors, also plain black. Other houses can't equal them for less than \$19 to \$20, but we say to you: Take your choice for \$12.

Finally, the nobby 3-button cutaway sack suit—a general favorite. Nine tables of these. Are worth \$15, \$16 and \$17, but we will part with them for \$10. And so it is all the way through. Not only in Men's Clothing but in Boys' Clothing as well. Thus, for instance, \$3 will perform wonders at our store this week. \$3 will buy choice from 1,900 Boys' fine all-wool double-breasted suits, never sold for less than \$5. And, again, \$3 will buy your pick from 2,100 Boys' handsome, durable and stylish cape overcoats, ulsters and reefers which ordinarily could not be bought for less than \$5.

But call and see for yourself. We admit we are not an exclusive clothing house, but WE ARE Clothing Headquarters just the same.

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