

The Trouble in Baltimore.

After the dispersion of the Maryland Legislature and the arrest of most of its members by Gen. McClellan in the first year of the rebellion, the Union men of Maryland took heart and elected men who were loyal to the government and the country, to fill the places of the disloyal members. And, in order to guard against a possible contingency, they passed a stringent registry law, the principal feature of which was that those who were not loyal should be registered as voters, and all those who had taken up arms for the rebels and in any manner aided and abetted the rebellion and its authors, were, by law, declared public enemies, and not entitled to the ballot.

In an evil hour, the Union men nominated and elected Thomas Swann, a half and half Union and old Baltimore politician and an inveterate officer-skeeter. During the bloody and terrible reign of the plug-uglies and Know-Nothings, Swann was the candidate of those wretched fellows for Mayor of Baltimore, and as no person was allowed to vote unless he voted for Swann, he was of course elected, and during his whole term of office the plug-uglies held complete sway and jurisdiction over the city.

Under the inspiration of that pestiferous agitator, Montgomery Blair, instigated by Andrew Johnson, Swann was induced to forsake the Unionists and join in with the rebel element. Being an old and tricky politician, and the majority of the Union men having already discarded him, and being always in the market, Blair and Johnson found very little trouble in buying him. The price to be paid, was besides the disposal of numerous Federal offices, the U. S. Senatorship from Maryland.

Montgomery Blair agitated for a while in public for the repeal of the registry law, and produced letters from President Johnson favoring the repeal; but he very soon discovered that the loyalists of Maryland were not yet ready to admit the rebels to a participation of affairs in that State. What Blair and Johnson could not obtain by fair and open discussion, they determined to attain in an underhand way. They induced Gov. Swann to violate the law by appointing commissioners of registration, who registered the disfranchised rebels. The judges and inspectors of elections in Baltimore and other parts of the State refused to receive the votes of these illegally registered rebels, and Swann was endeavoring to compel them to violate their oaths and the law, and accept the votes of illegally registered persons. Hence the trouble.

THE ELECTION.

Table with columns for candidates and their respective vote counts for various districts.

LEGISLATION REQUIRED.

During the last few years a portion of the people of this country have been terribly afraid of the negro, and during their ravings have said very hard things about that race. Their great fear has been that the white and black races will mingle too freely together, to the injury of the white and the benefit of the black.

The constitution of the State of Maryland declares that all who in any manner aided and abetted the rebellion by actor deed are "public enemies" and not entitled to the elective franchise. Now, in a legal point of view, the Constitution must stand as it is until amended.

The whole matter, in our opinion, resolves itself into this: Blair, Johnson and Swann have fully determined that Maryland shall be turned over to the rebels, in defiance of law. There must be a barrier between the loyal North and the Capital, and then when King Johnson attempts the usurpation long ago threatened, of dispersing the American Congress and installing a rebel Congress, the loyalists of the North will be isolated from their Capital.

The Mistakes of the South.

The people of the South have been unaccountably ignorant of the principles of the Union. They have never understood the true meaning of the Constitution, and have never been able to see the true meaning of the Union.

REMOVED.—Eugene Weiss has removed his Clothing Store to No. 36 West Hamilton street opposite the "Parlor" book store.

Under the new Internal Revenue Law, all cigar makers are required to make monthly returns of the number of cigars made and sold, and to comply with the requirements of the law is heavy, and the Department directs that in all cases it be strictly executed.

At the Annual Session of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of Pennsylvania, held in Philadelphia, on Wednesday last, our old friend Rev. W. C. Best, was elected Grand Worthy Patriarch.

THE FIRST SONS OF TEMPERANCE UNION.—The members of this Union have fitted up their large room on the 3d story over Breig & Leik's Clothing Store, as a Military Hall, and have furnished it with settees, reading matter, &c. The room will be well warmed and lighted.

New Jobs Available.

Mr. John P. Smith, who has been in the city for some time, has a number of new jobs available for those who are looking for employment.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—On Thursday last, a man named Charles Harper, while assisting in roofing the O. S. Presbyterian Church, in Catawago, lost his hold and fell to the ground. He was so badly injured that he lived but a few hours.

TO ALLENTOWN BY WATER.—On Saturday last a party of young men, having first conveyed their boat to the flat canal-lock above the city, and there dragged it into the Lehigh, rowed the entire remaining distance on the river to Allentown.

PROPERTY SALES.—Mr. Charles Wagoner, of South Whitehall, has purchased the farm of Daniel Beisel, dec'd., in said township, comprising 71 acres, at \$132 1/2 per acre.

OUR YOUNG FOLKS.—Each successive number of Our Young Folks, continues to be better than its predecessors. The publishers spare no means in making it one of the first class papers of the country.

General News.

The Richmond Special Agent reports that the most distressing cases of pauperism are suffering in Richmond, some of which are so desperate as to be bordering on starvation.

WEST VIRGINIA.—The vote polled in West Virginia yesterday for Congress and State officers was larger than at any election since the Presidential campaign in 1864.

THE TRIAL OF FENIAN CAPTURED NEAR FORT ERIC, in Canada last summer, has been going on at Toronto for some days past. Col. Lynch has been convicted and sentenced to be hung on the 13th of December.

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