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A Political Precept to be Considered.

General weakening in the Democratic faith seems to be as prevalent throughout our land to-day, as is the grip. There is a question in the minds of many of our Democratic friends which seems to be rather a hard one to determine. The situation places them, thoroughly disgusted with Cleveland and his policy, but being of too stern a character to flip to the Republican ranks, know not what course to pursue. Well, what is the matter with the Republican party? It has simply been the opposing element to that system of government which they are willing to withdraw from. Why not join the just when they triumph? The situation is, that this generation had had no experience with a low tariff and it seems to be a fact that the experience of one generation does not go far towards teaching another. But we notice now that even those who have been consistent advocates of free trade are now denouncing Cleveland and hoping that public work be pushed in order that men may be given employment. The highest aim of government should be if possible to regulate affairs so as to keep its people employed. It preserves men's self respect and conduces to higher order of citizenship. The people have had presented a sharp comparison between the two systems. They have been brought within a year from a charge of the highest prosperity to what we have now presented to us on all sides, not by the operation of a different system, but by the anticipation of it. We can readily see how a man can advocate free trade without any impeachment of his intelligence or motives, but we cannot see how men of intelligence can teach that we may pass from such a policy as is embodied in the McKinley law to such a one as was foreshadowed in the Chicago platform without the greatest disaster and hardship. To those who protest in entering the G. O. P. let us state that no better rank, the church accepted, can be joined, but the Republican party which stands committed to no particular schedule or law, but it does stand committed to the American industrial system and the principal of protection.

A Dark Year.

The close of the year 1893 finds the people of the United States in the midst of an anxiety that reaches into almost every household in the land. The holiday season which they have been passing through has brought them less joy than has ever before been known in any period of the country's history since the dark days of the war. Even the financial and commercial calamities of 1873 did not bring them so much loss and distress as now oppress the country. There has, in fact, never been an epoch of industrial and financial ruin when the people of the United States have suffered an absolute loss as great as has been inflicted upon them in the trouble of 1893, and the year comes to a close with no immediate prospects of a betterment of their condition. It is this hard fact which will make the usual salutation of a Happy New Year seem like a mockery and satire. There is a grim and dismal humor in the greetings of the season when we look out on the spectacle of ideal workshops, deserted stores, multitudes of idlers on the streets and a long winter before them. The duty of the hour as we approach the threshold of 1894 is to soften as much as we can the hardships and miseries which have fallen to the lot of the most unfortunate. There is nothing but fruitlessness in repining or in looking back with regrets upon the good cheer and prosperity that prevailed throughout the land a twelvemonth ago. That the winter of 1894 will bring upon millions of our countrymen such wretchedness as has not come within the experience of this generation is now only too certain; but it is equally certain, also, that it will call forth much of the best qualities of human nature in the ministering hands of those who will be able to perform the offices of help and charity. The year 1893 will be memorable for the disorganization of the great fabric and machinery of finance and trade, and we can now only hope that 1894 will bring about a restoration of its broken parts. This is the thought which is now uppermost in the minds of men. The violation of the execrable laws of trade, the recurrence of the period of panic which comes once or twice in every

generation as surely as the ebb of the tide after high water mark has been touched, and the follies and blunders of government have made the old year a season of something like national chastisement. The new year will find the nation's thought sobered and its temper subdued, and everywhere there will be prayer, not so much for the Happy New Year of yore as for the wisdom which will stay the hand of mischief and keep us from darker days than those of 1893.

There is a likelihood that the starvation bill will meet with vigorous opposition in the Senate when it reaches that body. There is talk of a coalition of Randall Democrats and Republicans in opposition to the destructive measure, in which event its passage would be a matter of doubt. There will necessarily be vast differences as to details, and it seems probable now that each member of the committee will have many changes to suggest if the bill is allowed to stand as a whole at all; but the principal contest will be over a proposition to report a complete substitute for the Wilson bill in the Senate. The only thing which will probably prevent this radical treatment will be the impossibility of agreement among the Democratic members, who do not accept with favor the present bill. The Democratic membership of the Senate Committee on Finance, composed as it is of Senators from all sections of the country as far east as New Jersey and as far west as Missouri, and including representatives from Indiana, Tennessee, North Carolina and Arkansas, naturally represents all the varying shades of sentiment on this subject held in the party, from a belief in protection to American labor, if not to American industry, to advocacy of as near an approach to free trade as the collection of revenue to pay the expenses of the government will permit.

List of Grand Jurors Drawn for February Term 1894.

- Frank Coyle, J. S. Harrington, Reuben Brown, William Allen, A. A. Collins, Wm. E. Palmer, M. A. Finan, Daniel Shires, Thomas Schell, Harry Magargle, S. L. Bryne, Frank Bahl, Mich. L. Donivan, H. G. Phillips, Chas. Kester, Henry Hugo, Geo. Cassman, John G. Plotts, Jesse Barge, R. D. Lancaster, John S. Lane, John Lambert, Charles Haizen, Miles Vergison.

LIST OF TRAVELERS JURORS DRAWN FOR FEBRUARY TERM, 1894.

- William P. Kelley, Jacob Suber, Levi Gashley, John Fick, E. M. Latta, E. P. Kester, John E. Finan, Jackson Williams, Jacob A. Meyers, John Mosier, James Sones, A. J. Hackley, Herman King, D. W. Daring, E. A. Bahr, D. W. Buck, Robt. Stormont, Valentine Dohm, John Spesker, Henry Pardo, Peter F. Huffsmith, B. P. Hunsinger, Asa Kilmer, Lawarance Lovell, Thomas J. Eikin, Joseph Parlo, James McKay, J. P. Yonkin, James Gaylor, Geo. Salsbury, James Bergen, Charles Fawcett, Zach Cole, Anthony Dempsey, Watson Sperry.

Mr. Lewis School.

The exercises for the third month of school took place Friday afternoon Dec. 29. The following recitations were well rendered.

- Bessie Cheney-Summer; Floyd Dunham-The Sparrow's New Year; Walter Smith-Little Boy Blue; Bernice Burkholder-Sing a Song of Santa Claus; Clarence Dunham-How we tried to Whip the Teacher; Oney Brink-Little Drops of Water; Minnie Bennett-Make Mother Happy; Curtis Burkholder-The Old Mill; Loyd Stevens-A Small Boy's Recitation; Harry Stevens-A Boy's Speech; Artie Lisson-A memory; Jennie Clayton-October Party; Clayton Dunham-The New Mittens.

Those missing no days during the month are: Clayton Dunham, Bernice Burkholder, Harry Stevens and Loyd Stevens. Those missing one-fourth day, Clarence Dunham and Floyd Dunham; Jennie Clayton, one half day. Visitors during month were Mrs. A. Dunham, Miss Celia Dunham, Mrs. Ida Burkholder, Mr. Harvey Danley and Mr. Brink. MAGGIE ROACH, Teacher.

Eagles Mere School.

The monthly exercises of the school for the third month, took place Friday afternoon Dec 29th. Recitations, by Lulu Stackhouse-Christmas Agony; Charley Brown-The Stars; George May-Little Tom; Ada Temple-Lazy Daisy; Elery Kiesinger-A Young Soldier; Mollie May-The Falling Snow; Arthur Foust-The Dog; Ella Johns-Jack and his Pout; Victor Newhart-My Uncle; Pear Bennett-The Cats Explanation; Mabel Jarrett-Dainty Little Dandelion; Clayton Bennett-What She Excels In; Myrthel Stackhouse-Friends and Enemies; Nomie Kiesinger-A Note from Santa Claus; Tracy Bennett-Betty and the Bear; Loyd Newhart-What I Like; May Bennett-Winter has come; Amelia Mapes-Little Tom; Frank Foust-Little Bo Peep; Anna Mapes-A Little Girls Letter; Anna Foust-Be Content; Dialogue by Charley Foust and Clarence Bennett-On the Bars. Those missing no days during the month are: Bertha, Mollie and Geo. May; Pearl and Alfred Bennett; Nomie Kiesinger and Maynard Stackhouse. Those missing but one day are: Mabel Jarrett, Myrthel and Lulu Stackhouse. Visitors during month: Mattie Kiesinger and Friend Avery. JENNIE ROACH, Teacher.

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The iron bridge over Loyal Sock at the Whirl's End is placed and ready for use. Now, with that part of the new road completed in Forks township, we will have a short and passable cut to Forksville. With this done, a goodly number of the people of Western Sullivan will receive and do their shipping at Laporte, providing the charges on freight is within reason.

They say that the Hon. Grant Herring of Bloomsburg, is pretty certain of the appointment to the office of Internal Revenue Collector. With this done, will our Charley Jackson get the appointment of 1st Deputy under Mr. Herring? is the question that arises before our people. Charley's ambition is great, and should he fail in this, we predict that he will give some of our county offices a tilt. That is, he will announce himself for something.

The Standard Oil company is leasing land preparing to put down test wells on a triangular strip of territory, which will take in a part of the counties of Bradford, Susquehanna, Sullivan, Tioga, Cameron, Clearfield, Potter, McKean, Elk, and Jefferson. This territory has no flowing well in it, but sufficient indications have been found in test well heatofore to warrant the Standard people in appropriating \$50,000 to put down additional wells.

The Eagles Mere Land Company have purchased a machine for cutting ice, and when there is ice to cut, are doing a right good business. It is worked with one horse. E. S. Chase who superintends the work, speaks very highly of the machine and hopes to do the work of filling the numerous ice houses at the Mere in half the time required last season. Why wouldn't a plow of this kind pay on Lake Mokoma? We could furnish half the state with ice and of extra good quality.

The new board of county Auditors were duly sworn into office on Monday January 1, 1894, and after organizing they appointed H. T. Downs their clerk and attorney, and did then adjourn until Monday Jan. 8th 1894 at 1 o'clock p. m. The reason for the adjournment was on account of the illness of the Com's clerk, R. M. Stormont, also that Co. Treas. Wm. Murray was called home on account of sickness of his wife and family.

At a meeting of S. S. Simmons post No 477 G. A. R. Dept. of Pa., the following officers were elected for the coming term: P. C., Isaac T. Low; S. V. C., T. S. Simmons; J. V. C. Asa Sperry; A. D. J., M. M. Fiester; Q. M., John J. Low; Surg. Geo. Ries; Chap. J. C. Pennington; O. D., G. W. Simmons; O. G., C. B. Miller; S. M., D. W. Darling; Q. M. S. Washington Sheets. Post meets last Saturday of each month at 3 o'clock p. m. in I. O. O. F. Hall, Sonestown, Pa. M. M. FIESTER, Adj.

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