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Harrisburg, Dec. 20.—Political events of the past week have so crowded upon the heels of each other that one scarcely knows which to take up first. Perhaps the most interesting occurrence was the gathering of Democrats for which John H. Fow, of Philadelphia, was responsible. Fow is a unique character. His Democracy does not weigh heavily upon his broad shoulders at any time. He comes back to the house this year with a nondescript sort of a political standing. He was not only the Democratic candidate for the legislature in his district, but he also had the Republican, the Prohibition and the Honest Government party nominations. There are few more crafty politicians in the state than Fow. Why he called the Democratic members and senators together probably no one but himself will ever be truly certain. That the meeting was called ostensibly to promote the Wanamaker fusion scheme and the election of a fusion candidate for United States senator we all know. That it was a most complete fizzle is also a fact. That it gave the fusion scheme a terrible black eye is generally admitted. And now where does Fow come in? There are those mean enough to insinuate that Fow knew it was to be a failure before it was called, and that Fow is more than ever endeared to the Republican leaders who will have the distribution of the patronage on "the hill," and who will also make up the committee appointments for the speaker of the house. All the Democrats who were deluded into coming up here to attend Fow's fake fusion meeting are anxious to see what good committees Fow will be placed on. Those who did not come are just as much interested in the same subject. Hereafter the Democratic members propose to look out for themselves.

**SUCCESSFUL FUSION IMPOSSIBLE.**  
No one who understands the situation has any idea that there is the slightest chance of successful fusion on either the speakership or the senatorship. Not only are the Guffey leaders and the Gordon lieutenants jealous of each other, but nearly every member of the Democratic delegation is eager to get recognition from the Republican speaker, and they are all suspicious of each other's every movement. The fact that none of the older members in the Democratic delegation believes the anti-Quay Republicans can show anything like the number of votes necessary to make up the fusion majority on the speakership makes them all hesitate about going into a losing deal.

Guffey has got the senatorial bee buzzing under his sombrero at a lively rate. He has already spent a fortune in the canvass, and he is giving out some sort of an interview or signed statement every other day in order to give the Republicans the impression that the Democrats are a unit for fusion. He has State Chairman Garman helping him to create sentiment with the same tactics. They are both talking themselves hoarse. But Garman in his latest interview has hurt rather than helped Guffey's cause. He tells the Democrats that in view of the great national political issues involved in the election of a United States senator they must not think of voting for any Republican for Quay's seat. They must draw the line in the fusion negotiations when it comes to electing a member of the United States senate.

This interview of Garman's has brought the true significance of the present political situation right home to the Republicans of Pennsylvania. They see the Democrats standing firmly and loyally by their free trade, free silver and anti-McKinley policy and resolutely refusing to consider any proposition from the anti-Quay Republicans to desert their Democratic standard. The Democrats have called a caucus to be held here on Monday, Jan. 2, and it will then become apparent that the Wanamaker scheme cannot be carried out. Republican senators and members who have been here during the last week picking out their seats and selecting their boarding places for the session all report that their constituents demand that there shall be no weakening or wavering of the Republican party lines in either the organization of the legislature or the election of a United States senator. They all agree that any Republican who fails to participate in the regularly called caucus of his party will be politically ostracized, not only by their Republican colleagues here, but by his constituents at home.

**FARR HAS THE CALL.**  
The contest for the Republican caucus nomination for speaker of the house, which will be equivalent to an election, has, in the opinion of many, been practically decided. While Ward R. Bliss, of Delaware; Charles E. Voorhees, of Philadelphia; Frank McClain, of Lancaster, and William Marshall, of Allegheny, are still in the race, all indications point to an agreement among the leaders of different elements upon Representative John R. Farr, of Lackawanna county. Farr, who is widely known as the advocate of compulsory education and of the regular school book legislation, is a newspaper man by profession. He has had the experience of several terms in the house and would make an acceptable speaker. He has announced a platform in which he says that if elected he will favor a short session, that all elements in the Republican party shall be treated in a fair and manly manner, and that it will be his aim to promote harmony in the party.



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