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Harrisburg, Dec. 17.—Evidence multiplies to show that the insurgent organization which has been arrayed against the Republican party in Pennsylvania is disintegrating rapidly, and that there will soon be nothing left of this guerrilla combination but the personal machine of John Wanamaker and the newspapers whose political policy is controlled by the advertising patronage and other considerations which come from Wanamakerism and always seem to bring practical results.

Throughout the last two sessions of the legislature of Pennsylvania, when the Wanamaker adherents and other insurgents were lined up against the Republican members of the senate and house, the David Martin followers of Philadelphia and the supporters of William Flinn, of Allegheny, constituted a large majority of those elected as Republicans who refused to abide by the action of the Republican caucus as voicing the will of the majority of the Republican members of the general assembly. These Philadelphia and Allegheny members, with the scattering insurgents from several interior counties and the Democrats, formed a combine which for an entire session prevented the election of a United States senator.

In the last session the regulars were enabled to organize both branches of the legislature, to elect a United States senator and pass legislation restoring the \$1,000,000 taken from the public schools, giving the farmers the necessary legislation to prevent the sale of oleomargarine colored as butter, and to enact other laws demanded by the farmers, the laboring men and the business interests.

The master mind of the combination arrayed against the Republican party, the most general generous contributor to the "cause of reform," and never relenting foe of the stalwart leaders of the Republican organization, John Wanamaker, has from the time he engaged in state politics, always counted upon the support of Martin and Flinn. Now Martin has practically been bowled out of politics in Philadelphia by reason of his continued warfare against the Republican organization. It is conceded that Martin will not be able to succeed himself in the state senate. In the recent campaign, when he espoused the cause of the Union party, the Republican candidates carried his district by nearly 1,000 majority. Districts which Martin controlled in the last legislature will unquestionably be carried by the Republican stalwarts at the next election for members of the legislature. The Philadelphia delegation will practically be unanimous for the re-election of Boies Penrose to the United States senate.

With Philadelphia lost to Wanamakerism in the coming contest, and Allegheny also no longer affiliated with his insurgent political interests, Wanamaker will have a hard time getting together a corporal's guard to follow his insurgent standard. Without entering into the controversy between the leaders of the several elements in Allegheny county, there can be no questioning the fact that there is no faction that will co-operate with Wanamaker in any crusade he may inaugurate against the Republican organization.

Within the last few days the Wanamaker newspaper of Philadelphia has had a series of articles reflecting upon practically all of the newspapers of Pittsburgh, as none of them has any consideration for the Wanamaker brand of politics. The Pittsburgh Times, which for years was owned by the late Senator C. L. Magee, and which has since his death been a supporter of the Allegheny county organization, of which Senator William Flinn is the leader, paid its respects to Wanamaker and his journalistic mouthpiece in a manner to indicate the loss to Wanamakerism of the Flinn element in western Pennsylvania.

Said the Pittsburgh Times, under the caption "A Deliberate Lie:" The Philadelphia North American, having failed so brilliantly to reform the city of Philadelphia, has now taken up the task of giving to Pittsburgh some faint air of respectability. In the course of a column or so of tommy-rot printed in its issue of yesterday this great engine of truth permits one of its hired hands to discuss the reasons for Pittsburgh's so-called lack of public conscience—as if the North American had either a public or a private conscience. It appears that the depths of woe in which this journal finds Pittsburgh are largely chargeable to the newspapers of this city. As to what it says of other papers in Pittsburgh the Times has no concern. But the following is a deliberate lie, and the man who wrote it, as well as the man who inspired it, knew it to be a lie.

The Times then quotes from the North American charging it with being controlled by official advertising, and replies that such advertising was obtained through open and competitive bidding. In concluding the Times says: "The North American, absolutely controlled as it is by John Wanamaker, yet afraid to admit it, as he is ashamed to confess it, should in all

decency keep hands off other newspapers. Nowhere in the United States is there a newspaper so entirely unreliable as it is in its every feature, or so utterly unworthy of credence in whatever it does or says. Its only respectable portion is that which is devoted to advertising, which is too meagre to count for much."

That Flinn and Wanamaker have dissolved political partnership would seem to be apparent.

NO MORE FUSION

Democrats and Republican Allies Have Had Enough.

SENTIMENT SEEMS GENERAL

A Widespread Feeling in Favor of Strengthening the Regular Organization of the Two Older Parties and Let Insurgents Flock by Themselves
 (Special Correspondence.)

Philadelphia, Dec. 17.—That the regular Democrats of the Quaker City have scored a triumph over the annex of the insurgent Republican outfit, known as the Gordon Democracy, would appear from statements made by leading members of the executive committee of the Democratic state committee and members of the Hession committee, which was appointed by the last state convention to reorganize the Democracy of Philadelphia.

Since the failure of the campaign to elect the Union party candidates, Yerkes and Coray, there has been a growing sentiment among Democrats throughout Pennsylvania to stand by straight Democracy hereafter and to insist upon independent Republicans voting for Democrats when they seek to defeat regular Republican candidates.

There were several meetings of the local Democrats within the last few days. The regulars have revised their rules so as to let the bars down for all Democrats of whatever faction to attend the primaries in January, and they are ready to submit to the state leaders copies of their new rules and agree to any reasonable proposition to let the bolting Democrats who went over to the Union party back into the Democratic fold.

FUSION HAS BEEN A FAILURE.

The sentiment in every part of the state among Democrats against having anything to do with the Union party Republican malcontents is so universal that Guffey will have to cut loose from the Union party politicians to retain his leadership in the Democratic organization.

In Chester county the straight Democrats served notice upon County Chairman Cavanaugh that if he did not declare in favor of a policy of straight Democratic nominations and in opposition to all fusion schemes, he would be deposed from the chairmanship of the county committee. Cavanaugh was quick to recognize the feeling among the rank and file of his party and promptly announced that hereafter he will be against fusion nominations of every kind.

In Democratic counties, particularly, the hostility to the Union party is very pronounced. The trend of sentiment appears to be in favor of loyalty to regular party nominees, both Republican and Democratic.

The Democrats find that they have gained nothing by affiliating with the Republican insurgents, and the Republicans who took the advice of the insurgent leaders and cut the Republican ticket have discovered that they have lost standing among their Republican neighbors, and have gotten nothing for their disloyalty to their party and their assistance given ambitious men who have been working them for their own selfish purposes.

FOOLISH CAMPAIGN TACTICS.

While the Union party leaders have been steadily losing their following in the several counties, they have not given up their insurgent campaigning in the newspapers.

They have been aided by one or two ambitious Republicans, who, while claiming to be regulars, have been sowing seeds of discord with a view to weakening regular Republican leaders and favorites and make the road to the attainment of their objects less difficult. Candidates for honors from the state convention to be held next year have been sending to Republican newspapers material which on the surface would appear to be in favor of Republican harmony and the advancement of the Republican organization, but which in reality would tend to serve the cause of the insurgents by misrepresenting the work of the Republicans in the last legislature and making it appear that the present leadership of the Republican organization has not acted wisely and with the best interests of the party and the state at heart.

Such methods must certainly react upon those responsible for them, and in the end the rank and file of the Republican organization will become acquainted with the facts and express themselves accordingly at the primary elections.

With the Democrats deserting the Union party, and with the insurgent organization rapidly breaking up, men who claim to be stalwart Republicans and who secretly try to weaken the present Republican organization, will not succeed in anything they undertake.

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10:32	5:30	4:32	1:10	7:55
10:40	5:40	4:40	8:00
10:41	5:41	4:41	8:06
10:46	5:46	4:46	8:08
10:53	5:53	4:53	8:11
11:01	6:01	4:59	8:22
11:06	6:06	5:04	8:30
11:10	6:10	5:16	8:35
11:31	6:31	5:31	8:35
11:48	6:48	5:48
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