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Pernicious Politics.

Republicans of Massachusetts Raise the "Bloody Shirt" Issue.

As an indication of the pernicious political methods of the G. O. P. even in strongly republican states, the Washington (D. C.) Times contains the editorial below. It shows only too plainly the trend of republican teachings—their party must win no matter whose charactar and influence is ruined. Prejudice is far more potent than principle with their followers and the leaders do not hesitate to appeal to prejudice in order to win. The Times Says:

"The republicans started such practices by making an attack upon the war record of the Democratic candidate for secretary of state, the Hon. I zekiel M. Ezekiel. It appears t at Mr. Ezekiel, against whose conduct as a citizen there is no just cause for criticism, is a native of Virginia, and during the civil war served in the Confederate army, as under the circumstances and his environments it is quite natural he should have done. For more than twenty-five years, however, he has been a resident of Massachusetts, and has proven himself to be a man of probity and honor, and has won the confidence and esteem of his neighbors, to say nothing of the favor of his party. Notwithstanding this, his opponents have seen fit to revive the old, worn-out 'bloody shirt' issue and to flaunt the threadbare garment in the face of the democrat They have sought to rekindle smol dering embers of secti d hat red, and to revive q tions which the countr is en ng to forget. Years r ss granted amne ought fo the "L ince that time l ole men who w arly sixties tions under endered ountry ness fong S

Washington Correspondence.

Lessons From the Recent Election—W. R. Hearst for President.

Washington Correspondence of the SYLVAN VALLEY NEWS.

This election teaches a lesson, and it may be summed up briefly. It has made some men and has put others very much on the "blink," so to speak. The result in Massachusetts teaches us that the so-called reorganized democracy which controlled things in that state cannot win without the rank and file of the party that stood loyally to the ticket in the years of 1896 and 1900, and it is believed that a good many of them went fishing on election day. There will, it is confidently believed by many leaders of the party here, be a repetition of this piscatorial energy on the part of thousands of democrats all over the east next year should the democracy nominate such a man for the presidency. The result in the city of New York means many things for many people.

It means that Charles F. Murphy, the new leader of Tammany Hall, who managed the campaign, is one of the biggest figures in New York City politics to-day. It means that old Boss McLaughlin, who for so many years has controlled the destinies of the democracy in the city of Brooklyn, is a "dead one" and never again will he figure in national politics or in the politics of the city of Greater New York. His place has been taken by State Senator Patrick H. McCarren who hitherto has been one of the old man's staunchest supporters and able lieutenants. It means that Tammany has absolute control in Brooklyn, and that means that the influence of one David Bennett H forever gone in that city, the v which he has been won to the i entality Laughl ord many t

ally tied up in a nice package and handed to the democracy another and a corking good campaign issue in this dirty mess in the Panama country. It is the belief here not o ly among democrats, but among many good republicans, that the recent revolution in the United States of Columbia in Central America, was hatched in this country and at the instigation of this republican administration in order to get control of the Panama canal. In other words, the game put up in the Senate to get the usufruct out of those Panama canal bonds has got to go through at any cost. This republican administration plays into their hands and indicts revolution down there and robs that little country of a slice of its territory in order to give the senatorial cabal its rake off. How are they going to get away from the imputation that they are responsible for this revolution? If they are not, then there must be some expert mind-readers in the Navy Department, for no sooner had the first rumblings of this trouble between Columbia and one of its states been wafted over the earth than this country had several naval vessels at the proper point in a jiffy in order to put backbone int the revolutionists and to intimidate the Columbian forces. Then this government makes haste to "recognize" the new Republic of Panama. It is an infernal outrage and a national disgrace.

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