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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent

Democratic Senators and Representatives who have been in Washington since the election have not been disposed to talk for publication on the result, not because they are discouraged or that they consider the future of the democratic party in either doubt or danger, but on the general principle that it is always good policy for the defeated party to let the other fellows do the talking for awhile, just as they will have to do the legislation and administering of the country for awhile. For the same reason they think the talk about re-organizing the democratic party, which has been indulged in to a limited extent since the election, premature at this time. The best policy for the democrats to adopt for awhile is to keep a careful watch on the republicans, show up every blunder they make, and do lots of thinking. It will be two years before there is another Congressional election, and until then, the democrats will have no opportunity to get control of any branch of the national government. The gentlemen who are talking about holding conventions, etc., for a re-organization of the party at this time, are doubtless perfectly honest and wholly unselfish in their wishes for the future welfare of the party, but if they persist they will surely be suspected by many as being more anxious to get the party reins in their hands than of really helping the party. Party reorganizations, so far as leaders are concerned, are things which generally take care of themselves, as has been demonstrated more than once in the history of the democratic party, and doubtless will be again. Party upheavals which are genuine, usually start from the bottom—the rank and file of any party know how to change leaders when they consider it desirable or necessary to do so.

Secretary Root has gone to Cuba and for two reasons his going has caused much gossip in Washington, where it is to be connected with matters of importance relating to the future of Cuba. The first of these reasons is that the Cuban Constitutional Convention is now in session in Havana, and the second is that this is considered the unhealthy season in Cuba. Mr. Root's health has not been so robust since he had that operation performed on him a month or more ago, and he would hardly have chosen this season for his visit to Cuba, unless his going was important.

Just \$100,000 more of good American money will be invested in the Philippines if the Senate ratifies the treaty signed by Secretary Hay and the Spanish Minister, which binds this country to pay Spain that amount for three small islands located just outside the boundaries set by the treaty which ceded the Philippine islands to the

U. S.

The orders sent to General MacArthur, from Washington, to take the field in person in the new campaign that is to be waged against the Philippine insurgents as soon as the rainy season ends over there, show that the administration takes no serious stock in the statement constantly made during the campaign that the re-election of Mr. McKinley would be followed by the collapse of the revolution. This was a good enough talk for campaign purposes but now the orders are to fight to a finish. In ordering Gen. MacArthur to take the field in person, Gen. Otis, who was so generally criticized for not doing so, is indirectly giving a side swipe.

Gossip has mortgaged several Cabinet portfolios in the second McKinley administration. As told in Washington, these stories make Mr. W. W. Gibbs, of Philadelphia, who helped Hanna squeeze the rich men and corporations of that town, just as St. John Wanamaker did previous to his entrance of the Harrison Cabinet, the holder of one of these mortgages, and some go so far as to say that Mr. Gibbs is to become Secretary of the Treasury. If he does, it will be an awful throw down for Secretary Gage, who had understood that he was to remain at the head of the Treasury, or he would not have fathered those freak interviews given out during the campaign to alarm the business interests of the country.

It is now practically admitted by republicans that the talk previous to the election of a repeal of the war taxes was nothing more than a campaign bluff. A call for the Ways and Means Committee of the House to meet on the 20th inst. has been issued. The bill the committee will prepare will merely revise the war taxes—some campaign obligations are to be paid that way—and will not repeal all of them. The republicans know very well that with the total appropriated by the last session of Congress of \$674,000,000 and the probability that a larger sum will be appropriated by the coming session, all or nearly all of the money produced by the war taxes will be needed. The bill prepared by the committee will probably reduce the war taxes in the interests of favored classes, something like \$15,000,000 or \$20,000,000 a year, but the bulk of those taxes will have to be paid by the people for an indefinite period.

The royalist republicans, if such a term be allowable, are already talking about making Mr. McKinley's second inauguration an event of regal splendor and magnificence. Mr. L. P. Michener, of Indiana, who practices law in Washington in partnership with Gen. W. W. Dudley, is franker than many of them. He said in a public interview about the inauguration: "We should strive to excel in the glory of that day, the splendor of the jubilee of England's Queen."

Bryan Will Remain Active.

Lincoln, Neb., Dispatch. W. J. Bryan has given out the following statement concerning the election:

"The result was a surprise to me and the magnitude of the republican victory was as well as to those who voted our ticket. It is impossible to analyze the returns until they are more complete, but speaking generally we seem to have gained in the large cities and to have lost in the smaller cities and in the country.

"The republicans were able to secure tickets or passes for all their voters who were away from home and this gave them considerable advantage. We have no way of knowing at this time how much money was spent in the purchase of votes and in colonization. But while these would account for some of the republican gains, they could not account for the wide spread increase in the republican vote. The prosperity argument was probably the most potent one used by the republicans. They compared present conditions with the panic times of '93 to '96 and this argument had weight with those who did not stop to consider the reasons for the change. The appeal, 'Stand by the President while the war is on,' had a great deal of influence among those who did not realize that a war against the doctrine of self government in the Philippines must react upon us in this country. We made an honest fight on an honest platform and having done our duty as we saw it, we have nothing to regret.

"We are defeated but not discouraged. The fight must go on. I am sure that republican policies will be repudiated by the people when the tendency of these policies are fully understood. The contest between plutocracy and democracy cannot end until one or the other is completely triumphant." Concerning himself Mr. Bryan said:

"I have come out of the campaign with perfect health and a clear conscience. I did my utmost to bring success to the principles for which I stood. Mr. Stevenson did all he could; Senator Jones and the members of the Democrat Populist and silver Republican and the anti imperialist committees did all they could. Mr. Hearst and his associates in the club organization put forth their best effort. Our newspapers, our campaign speakers and our local organizations did their part also. I have no fault to find and no reproaches. I shall continue to take an active interest in politics as long as I live. I believe it to be the duty of citizens to do so, and in addition to my interest as a citizen, I feel that it will require a life time of work to repay the political friends who have done so much for me. I shall not be a Senatorial candidate before the legislature which has been elected. Senator Allen deserves the senatorship, which goes to the populists. Mr. Hitch-

cock and Mr. W. H. Thompson are avowed candidates for the senatorship. They both deserve well of the party and I am too grateful to them for past support to stand in their way even if I desired a seat in the Senate."

Mr. Bryan says he has no other plans to present than to remain at home until he has recovered from the fatigue of campaigning. He denied the report that he would remove from Nebraska and make Texas his home.

Boodle in the West.

News and Observer.

There seems little room to doubt that the submission of the constitutional amendment had the effect of temporarily weakening the Democratic party in the Eighth and Ninth Congressional districts. That weakness will pass away after the voters see that the amendment does exactly what the Democrats said it would do and had none of the bad effects which the Republicans falsely said would follow in its wake. But it would be a big mistake to suppose that the amendment is solely responsible for the election of two Republicans to Congress in the West. The real cause of the Republican majority is given by one of the wisest men in Alleghany county, who writes in a private letter:

"The Republicans had all the 'boodle' they could use, therefore our majority is small."

The Asheville Citizen adds testimony to this statement, and gives other causes. We quote:

"The dollars that made the result in the Eighth and Ninth districts possible are understood fully only by the Republican managers who put them into the campaign. When Senator Pritchard pledged these two districts to Senator Hanna the pledge was conditioned upon the placing of enough money at his disposal to make the pledge good. Senator Pritchard is a thoroughly practical politician. He knows the power of money in politics and his nerve never fails him. And he found a condition in the late campaign eminently suited to his plans. The Democrats were actively engaged in a fight among themselves over the Senatorship. The floaters were neglected in the fervor of the strife, and the Republicans captured the entire outfit.

"Of course there was an inconsiderable number of intelligent gentlemen who called themselves Democrats, who voted for McKinley from what they styled a business standpoint. The number of these may be very accurately estimated by the difference in the vote cast for McKinley and that cast for the Republican candidates for Congress. The floaters voted straight."

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Governor Russell's Thanksgiving Proclamation.

Governor Russell has issued his proclamation, setting apart Thursday, November 29th, as Thanksgiving Day, as follows:

Whereas, The President of the United States of America has, by proclamation, set apart Thursday, the 29th day of the present month, as a day of thanksgiving to Almighty God for the manifold blessings that have been vouchsafed to the people of the republic during the year 1900, and,

Whereas, It has long been the custom in this Commonwealth to set apart one day in the year as a day of Thanksgiving and rejoicing, and,

Whereas, It is befitting and proper that men should at all times testify their gratitude to God for the blessings which He bestows upon them, and it being especially beneficial to the moral and religious health of the people of the Commonwealth to set aside particular days from time to time upon which they should especially mark their gratitude to God for past favors, now, therefore,

I, Daniel L. Russell, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do set apart and appoint Thursday, the 29th day of November, instant, as a day of thanksgiving and rejoicing, and do hereby request the people of this State, so far as it may be within their power so to do, to assemble in their respective places of worship and make solemn thanksgiving to God for all the blessings of His good providence; and it is suggested that the interest in these thanksgivings may be increased and the enjoyment of them greatly heightened by the bestowal of largess of the world's good things upon the orphan of the State and upon others in circumstances of distress.

Done at our city of Raleigh, this eighth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand and nine hundred, and in the one hundred and twenty-fifth year of American Independence.

DANIEL L. RUSSELL,
Governor.

By the Governor:
BAYLUS CADE,
Private Secretary.

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