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# CHAMP CLARK'S LETTER

The Opening of Congress—Evanescence of Things Political—Democrats Not Cast Down. G. O. P. Harmony in New York.

[Special Washington Letter.]

At high noon Monday, Dec. 5, Mr. Speaker Cannon—the only left handed speaker—gave his desk a resounding whack with his gavel, the blind chaplain prayed, the roll was called to ascertain if a quorum was present, and the last session of the Fifty-eighth congress began. On the Republican side joy was unconfined, flowers abundant and congratulations on every hand. The Democrats were far from hilarious. Condolences were the order of the day. Occasionally a Republican would cross the big aisle and extend sympathy, more or less genuine, to some personal friend who had fallen outside the breastworks. To a sensible Democrat it was not so much a time for memory and for tears as for reflection on the evanescence of things, earthly—especially of political things. The two chairmen of the congressional committees—Cowherd, the Democrat, and Babcock, the Republican, good personal friends—joked and chatted, the former defeated and the latter successful by the skin of his teeth. Not a half dozen men out of the 386 increased their reputations during the campaign. That's one of the peculiar features of the performance. The stump orator is obsolescent, if not obsolete. Perhaps Uncle Joe Cannon's canvass of the country added to his reputation, as he was everywhere billed as the star attraction. Still the fact remains that no man delivered a speech in the campaign that attracted widespread or permanent attention.

Of course every man elected is laying plans to remain in public life—almost every one at any rate. Among the defeated are many who are planning to return to public life. Few men relish being bowled out—perhaps none, though it would unquestionably be to the benefit of many to relinquish public life forever, for its rewards are small. This remark applies both to the victors and the vanquished.

On the whole, the note of despair among the losers, which many would expect, was notable by its absence. Sensible men that they are, they recognize the fact that there are many other ways of achieving pleasure than by serving in congress.

**Let Us Hope.**

"What will they do with it?" is the question which forced itself into the mind of every one interested in the welfare of the republic and therefore in the welfare of the human race, because the two things are inseparably bound up together. Of course reference is here made as to what the Republicans will do with their overwhelming victory—so overwhelming as to be startling. They have enormous and unhealthy majorities in house and senate, in addition to the executive and the supreme court. In fact, after the retirement of Chief Justice Fuller, which is imminent, as he is now old enough and has served long enough to retire on full pay, there will be only two Democrats out of a possible nine on the supreme court bench. They already have a vast majority of the circuit and district judges. Consequently they have things absolutely in their own hands. I said the majorities in house and senate are enormous and unhealthy, and that will be recognized as true by every student of our governmental affairs. There can be no doubt that the healthy state of affairs is where parties are evenly balanced. Small majorities put both parties on their good behavior. In a landslide such as this many men are unexpectedly elected to the house of representatives. Not infrequently these accidental congressmen are poorly equipped for their duties and are not as jealous of the party's or the country's good name as they should be, but they can vote, and their votes sometimes lead to reckless legislation.

Republicans will divide themselves into two classes, one of which, knowing the history of the country, will not believe that the vote at the last election gives them carte blanche to do as they please; the other, not knowing history or not heeding its lessons, will conclude that the Republicans may do as they please with perfect impunity. If the former are in the ascendency they may have a long lease of power; if the latter, this may prove to be their last victory.

History has a queer way of repeating itself and may do so again.

If in 1836, when Martin Van Buren was elected, any man had predicted the Democratic Waterloo of 1840, he would have been considered fit for a strait waistcoat and a padded cell. If immediately after the election of 1840 any Democrat had intimated that the Whigs would lose in 1844 he would have been pronounced a fool. In 1852, when Franklin Pierce carried every state in the Union except four, no doubt the Democrats believed they would run the government for a quarter of a century without a break. In 1872 it looked as though the Democrats were permanently done for, yet in 1874 they elected an overwhelming majority of the house of representatives, carrying most of the northern states, and in 1876 elected Samuel J. Tilden president by a good majority in the electoral college and by a quarter million majority of the popular vote. From that year till 1894 violent revolutions were frequent. These instances are cited to show the uncertainty of politics and to demonstrate that the people of the United States not infrequently take the bit in their teeth and run away with the political wagon.

In all the cases cited above one familiar with our history may discern the causes of the revolutions. They are not far to seek. There is nothing mysterious about them. Of course Republican enthusiasts hope and faint hearted Democrats fear that the Republican are in for all time, yet nothing in the future is more certain than their getting a severe trouncing two years hence, and again in four years, unless they are on their good behavior. They may get it anyway. They have made such preposterous claims, charges and promises that they cannot, by any possibility make them good, and for the failure to do so the people may punish them, and justly, too, even if times remain good. That the opposition to Republican ideas and methods will be organized, and thoroughly organized, for future contests may be taken for granted. That the size of their victory will render Republicans careless, not to say reckless, may also be taken for granted. Considering the situation in all its bearings, there is no reason why Democrats should not take heart, buckle on their armor and win new victories.

**"A Crank in Clover."**

Toward the end of the campaign the Washington Post, under the above caption, published the following wonderful editorial:

We firmly believe that our old friend from Georgia, the Hon. Tom Watson, would not change places with Andrew Carnegie or John D. Rockefeller at this moment. Wealth is not expressed in gold alone. Wealth is the gratification of the particular desire or ambition which dominates the individual in the case. Carnegie and Rockefeller wanted money, and they got it. They are wealthy according to their standard. But Tom Watson does not care for money or the kind of power that goes with it. He would not give a hurrah for all the dollars in the world if the possession thereof required him to keep quiet and lurk in places hidden from the sight of man. He has all the money he needs for his simple wants. The price of a hand-me-down suit once a year, a wool hat, a change of shoes and half a dozen open back shirts of the ninety-eight cent brand make up the sum of his necessities. He does not envy the millionaire his fine raiment, his automobile, his yacht and his terrapin and champagne. What he does want, and what is more precious in his eyes than diamonds, emeralds and rubies, is notoriety, and that is what he has achieved at last.

Tom Watson is the richest and the happiest man in the whole world today. His name in on the tongues of millions. He speaks to cheering thousands, and his addresses are telegraphed all over the country. Editors gravely discuss him; reporters hang upon his lightest word. His comings and goings are matters of almost breathless interest to the newspapers. Even in the heyday of their glory the Siamese twins, Blind Tom, the bearded lady and the automaton chess player were as nothing to him. Carrie Nation at her worst would hardly have made a side show on the circus he is now operating. Wherever he goes vast crowds assemble. When he harangues them their fixed intelligence explodes with rapture. Committees wait for him; rabbles turn out as if by magic on all hands. And, joy of joys, the papers tell him that he is doing harm to some one every time he shrieks. Interviewers ask with bated breath whether he intends to make Roosevelt the special victim of his thunder. Commentators solemnly discuss the possibilities of the Populist crusade. He is the star performer of the campaign, the one real flash of gayety and color against an otherwise somber and depressing sky. He lives in a Golconda of his own, and he lives in a Golconda more wonderful than Midas ever knew.

Is it conceivable that any Croesus of this or any other age was ever half as blest as Tom Watson is today? Not much.

**As to the New York Republicans.**

It looks as though President Roosevelt will be forced by the great landslide to a complete realisation of Abraham Lincoln's lament as to the superabundance of pigs and the woeful scarcity of teats. The freshest news from Washington is that he is using his utmost endeavor in harmonizing conflicting claims among New York Republicans in such a way as to please them all, a thing impossible unless he could give every New York Republican a good fat office, which he cannot do. Black wants Depew's senatorial togs, and Depew wants to keep it. He thinks that it is a good thing to have in the family. So some of the newspaper peacemakers are suggesting that Black be taken into the cabinet and that Chauncey be permitted to remain in the senate; but, all of a sudden, they remember that Mr. Cortelyou is booked for the cabinet, and they doubt if the president desires two New Yorkers in his official family, notwithstanding the fact that he has Grover Cleveland's example before him as to New Yorkers and that he has two Hawkeye statesmen in his cabinet now. Consequently the newspaper peacemakers do another stunt, landing Governor Black in the senate and Senator Depew at the court of Versailles. Then they wake up to the unpleasant fact that in order to do that another New York Republican big wig, General Horace Porter, would lose a job which is very much to his liking. So they are still up in the air. In the meantime they seem to forget that one Governor Benjamin B. Odell, chairman of the state committee and aspirant to succeed Colonel Roosevelt in the White House, will have much to say as to what shall and shall not happen in "York state." He cannot appoint anybody to the cabinet or as ambassador, but he will probably be able, with the assistance of his machine and of his understudy, Governor Elect Higgins, to control the electing of a senator of the United States, which position he may not unnaturally conclude to take himself. It is a cool, cold day when there is not a Republican factional fight on in New York.

**Buckeye Politics.**

The latest gale from Ohio brings the news that Governor Herrick, Senator Dick and Boss Cox have formed an alliance, offensive and defensive, to control Buckeye politics for years to come. It is said that they are willing for Senator Joseph Benson Foraker to enter the combine provided that he will promise to be good and to divide the federal spoils with Senator Dick. Foraker has always been considered a fighter from Bitter Creek, and it will be interesting to watch his performance now and see whether he surrenders to his enemies or gives them battle. His ultimate ambition is the presidency of the republic, and, so constant of his age, he must win in 1908 or never. He would perhaps jump at the opportunity of burying the hatchet and joining hands with Dick, Herrick and Cox if those worthies would agree to give him the Ohio delegation to the national convention four years hence, and they would cheerfully so agree if they did not have another presidential possibility up their sleeves in the person of Hon. William H. Taft. It is safe to say that they will use their possible support of Taft as a club with which to conquer Foraker's proud spirit and to force him not only to divide the federal spoils with Dick, but to compel him to give Dick the lion's share thereof, for with Taft actively in the field, backed by Dick, Herrick and Cox, Foraker's chances of being the presidential nominee would be greatly reduced, even if he finally beat Taft out of the Ohio delegation, which is doubtful. It is furthermore said that the terms of the partnership of Dick, Herrick and Cox are that Dick is to be re-elected senator, Herrick re-elected governor and Cox to have control of the state patronage in Cincinnati and of such federal patronage as Dick may be able to cabbage. It's a beautiful quarrel as it stands.

**Trouble in Tennessee.**

There are symptoms of a revival of the bitter Evans-Brownlow Republican feud in Tennessee. There is talk to the effect that Evans is about to relinquish the consulship to London, the most lucrative office within the president's gift, for a cabinet portfolio, which is interpreted as meaning that the nose of Representative Walter P. Brownlow is out of joint so far as this administration is concerned. Not many years ago he overthrew Evans and has been Republican boss of Tennessee ever since. No doubt he dislikes to see Evans enjoying the good, fat berth in England, but it would be gall and wormwood to him to see Evans installed as a member of the cabinet. So long as the Atlantic rolls betwixt Evans and Tennessee he can't do the very future of things interfere much in state and federal affairs. But Evans in Washington, closer to the presidential ear than Brownlow, is another story. If Evans goes into the cabinet the fur will fly in Washington and in Tennessee.

On dit that Hon. John C. Spooner will resign his seat in the senate of the United States should Governor Robert M. La Follette be elected to succeed Senator Quarles. Senator George Frisbie Hoar once publicly vowed to quit Massachusetts forever and forever if General Benjamin F. Butler was elected governor of the old Bay State. Ben was elected. Next morning he sent Hoar a polite note asking when he intended to remove from the state, as he wished to call and bid him farewell. Senator Hoar did not quit Massachusetts, and Senator Spooner will not resign.

Already the Kansas Republicans have got up a post election row. It is touching the redistricting of the state for congressional purposes, which is stirring up the brethren at a great rate. For fourteen years they have elected a representative at large to congress because they were afraid to redistrict, lest the ungodly Democrats should gobble a seat or two. The last state platform pledged the party to redistricting, but the present incumbents are opposed to it on the ground that they might lose their jobs; hence the rumpus.

To have an extra session or not to have it is the question now agitating the minds of Republican statesmen. They are afraid to have it, and they are afraid not to have it. They are between the devil and the deep blue sea. If they don't revise the tariff downward they fear the revisionists inside the party will help wallop them. If they do revise it downward they are afraid the trusts will not give them any campaign fund.

There is an awful rumor afloat to the effect that Governor Albert B. Cummins—he of "the Iowa idea"—is to become attorney general in President Roosevelt's reorganized cabinet. What would those eminent Iowa stand patters, Hepburn, Hull, Cousins, Hedges, Smith et al, do then? Poor things! Ever since the Chicago convention they have been thanking God fervently that Governor Cummins and his "Iowa idea" were both done for, and they will not relish their resurrection. Nevertheless far stranger things have happened.

Champ Clark


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It Was Born of White Supremacy, Achieved by Democratic Effort, Says Bacon. He Adds That Fifteenth Amendment Should be Repealed.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 1.—Congressman T. W. Hardwick, of the Tenth Georgia District, a few days ago wrote a letter to Senator A. O. Bacon asking his views on the present political situation. Senator Bacon replies at length.

The Senator says there is an effort in Republicanism the South. He declares that white supremacy must be maintained in the South and everywhere that the prosperity of the South is due to white supremacy. He advocates the repeal of the fifteenth amendment and insists that unless that shall be done the people of the South will be forced to maintain their position of white supremacy.

Following is a paragraph:

"If there were nothing else of which to boast, if this were the sole achievement of the Democratic party in the South, this great work which it accomplished in rescuing the South from a fate worse than anarchy, would earn for it and entitle it to the undying gratitude and appreciation of all those in the world who value and prize civilization and all its attendant blessings. And there is no man who should be more grateful to the Democratic party for this than the Republican party of the North, because the Democrats in thus saving the civilization of the South, at the same time also saved the Republican party from the deep damnation which would have been adjudged against them through all the ages if they had succeed in the effort which they made to convert this whole Southland into the desolation of another Hayti."

**NEGROES IN FEDERAL OFFICE.**

The Senator charges that the two most important offices in Georgia under the executive department, the collector at Savannah, and the collector in Atlanta, are held by negroes; that the most important office in the executive department in Washington held by anyone appointed from Georgia is that of register of the treasury, and held by a negro.

He asserts that in the three cities of Savannah, Atlanta and New Orleans there are respectively forty-two, ninety-four, one hundred and eight negro Federal office holders. He holds that it is the policy of the Republican party to put the negro in position of authority in the Southern States. Near the conclusion of his letter he summarizes his whole proposition with the question, "Shall we above all other things stand for white supremacy?" And then he emphasizes his view by citing the fact that in 1850 the negroes in the United States numbered 4,000,000; in 1900 they will number more than 10,000,000; that there are those children now born who will in their day see more than $0,000,000 of them here.

**KILL THE FIFTEENTH AMENDMENT.**

Rather than have negro rule Senator Bacon is willing to accept a reduction of Southern representation in the Congress of the United States. He says:

"The repeal of the fifteenth amendment leaving to each State the power to regulate for itself the negro question, would destroy the sectional barrier which the South so greatly deplores, and for the removal of which it knows no other method."

He says at the last:

"Until this amendment is repealed the menace which must ever accompany it will require that the white men of the South should stand together upon the issue of white supremacy, and opposition to negro rule and negro office-holding. It is within the power of the Republican party if it desires to do so, to repeal the fifteenth amendment within the next three months by entering the necessary action by Congress and the ratification by the requisite number of State Legislatures. When they refuse to do so it can only be because they desire the maintenance of the opportunity for negro rule and negro office-holding. And while they still belong among our strongholds, they approach with soft words and promises of the favor of those who are in the seats of power, I would say to the defenders of white supremacy: Beware, the Greeks are at the gates offering gifts!"

**PUBLIC SPIRIT.**

Public interest in foot-ball, if it may be judged by the large attendance at the big games, continues to increase. But it is not universally approved nor endorsed. Among Methodists, for instance, dissenters of fashion:

"The shame of foot-ball has steadily increased despite the years of warning of all lovers of true sportsmanship and gentlemanly athletics. Ten years ago the Harvard team averaged 172 pounds and the Yale 174. To-day the average is 200, the centers weighing 227 and 235. If weight and brute force make the only heroes of the colleges who shine and support this rank abuse of education and exhibition of ferocity, it would surely be bad enough. But for those in the admitted and brazenly patent shamefully and sickening," which Lorimer Curtis whips in the Boston Transcript. The main requirements, he finds, are "brutality and strategy," the game is "stupid to watch," there are often "lifeless periods" and unusually dull." Some of the requirements are "paid coaches, paid trainers, surgeons and ambulances, helmets to prevent broken skulls, nose guards to prevent tearing off of ears, and nose guards to prevent noses from being broken in or bitten off." After such "great struggle" there is always a flood of recriminations, "angry accusations of foul play, dirty game, etc., as in the recent Harvard-Pennsylvania contest." The ruin of sportsmanship is probably one of the worst results of the degradation of American foot-ball. We recently overheard a player telling the friends how he and others had been able to cripple rivals by unmanly brutality and he was proud and boastful of his ability to do this and escape the umpire's eye. The prize fight is inexcusable and dignified in comparison."

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