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FOUR YEARS TERM FOR CONGRESSMEN.

Several years ago this paper declared in favor of electing Congressmen for four years term.

On last Thursday Senator Harris introduced a joint resolution providing for the limitation of the time a President shall be elected to one term of six years—and making the term of members of the House four years.

As to the single six years term for President we have nothing to say here, but we again declare for the four years term for Congressmen.

As has been pointed out time and again in these columns, it is really an injustice to a Representative to restrict his term to two years, for the time is too short in which to test his capacity as a representative of the people.

A member entering Congress unacquainted to the work of the body, finds himself unknown, without influence as a national legislator; and no matter how intelligent, how well informed on matters pertaining to the interests of his constituency, what his powers and capacity, he must necessarily spend quite a considerable portion of his first year or two familiarizing himself with his duties and working himself into influence among his colleagues.

Then, inasmuch as most Congressmen are willing to serve their people a second term, they emphasize such willingness by due care for the interests of the ensuing campaign; and this more or less distracts their minds from the positive and undivided attention to their duties as a representative of the people.

We know that some say frequent elections are a means of getting a direct expression of the people, and that this is necessary in order to keep representatives in touch with the people; that frequently the issues change oftener than once in four years, and so a different representative might be needed to serve the people's will.

The COMMONWEALTH hopes that that part of Senator Harris' resolution which refers to the four years term for members of the House will prevail, and the necessary legislation will follow to relieve us of the disadvantages of the two years terms.

It is not a conclusion with us reached in a moment or a day; but on the contrary, it has been a subject of mature deliberation for a number of years. And we hope to see a full and free expression by the press of the country on the subject.

Let us hear from our readers on this subject. These columns are open.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable.

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BASTORIA.

Recently we heard some very level-headed Democrats remarking on the wisdom of getting to work at once in the interest of the amendment; and they truthfully observed that the opposition to it are already sending out their secret circulars; and, therefore, the Democrats need to commence at once to educate the people on the great question which they will be called upon to decide next August.

Communicating on the meeting of the State Democratic Executive Committee in Raleigh Monday night, Tuesday's Morning Post pertinently remarked:

"The presence of gentlemen from Swain county, in the extreme west, to the southeast, to attend the meeting of the State Democratic Executive Committee last night, is a safe indication of the great interest people feel in the contest upon which we are about to enter. The committee met none too early; work cannot begin any too soon, or prosecuted with any too great earnestness, energy, system or determination."

HON. W. W. KITCHIN ON THE ROBERTS CASE.

Washington, D. C.—The Roberts case will be investigated publicly. It was at first thought advisable to try it in executive session, but the committee has decided that the people ought to have the facts from day to day. Of course the ultimate verdict must be that of the voting masses.

Mr. Kitchin says as regards his views: "Mr. Small and myself both voted against the Taylor resolution, and I suppose we did so from the same reasons. We thought it a dangerous and unauthorized precedent."

"The question was, to state it simply, whether we should presume and declare Roberts disqualified by denying him membership before investigation or should refer the whole matter to the proper committee for investigation of the facts and law before passing judgment upon him."

"The fact that we are against polygamy did not justify an unusual and to my mind unconstitutional method of procedure against him. If such procedure is to be approved, the time may come when other representatives for other causes may be denied admission."

"No, I am not afraid of being hurt by my vote, though my position may be at first misunderstood. But the people I represent know me and I think they are very apt to know the facts before passing judgment, and I know they expect me to act conscientiously upon my best judgment, and in accordance with my oath, which I took as a member, upon all questions as I understand them."

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EDITOR THE COMMONWEALTH:—I see from the various issues of your paper, that you are on the right track to improve your town and the entire community adjacent. I have never yet understood why it was that the towns in Eastern North Carolina have stood aside and let the Central and Piedmont section push ahead with manufacturing plants of all kinds and sizes, leaving them to rust out with age.

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