

The Same Old Gorman.

While The Times has never altogether admired Arthur Pue Gorman, it cannot agree with those students of political situations who have analyzed the defeat of the Poe amendment, Gorman's pet disfranchisement scheme, as the Waterloo of the septuagenarian boss of Maryland. Scarcely a magazine after the recent election which did not sermonize on the downfall of the boss, Gorman among them. Even so great an authority as the North American Review falls into the same fatal belief when it says, "In Maryland the courageous attitude maintained by Secretary Bonaparte for so many years was finally justified by a like victory over the same evil system."

In the first place, it is a matter of extreme doubt as to whether the Poe amendment was ever taken seriously by the Democratic party of Maryland. For years the negro bugaboo has been the salvation of the Gorman wing. Annually it has been incorporated in its platforms some tirade against "ignorant black suffrage," until, finally, in 1905 the people demanded action. The amendment was framed in such a way that it gave to the registers the power to disfranchise any man, white or black. Instantly the party was deserted by the governor of the State, the attorney general, United States Senator Rayner, and hundreds of others. But had the people stopped to think they would have realized that the amendment was doomed from the start with its despotic phraseology and the combination of Republicans and 60,000 negroes and disgruntled Democrats, who were only seeking an opportunity to desert.

The amendment was snowed under by a 3,000 majority. The press immediately claimed it as Gorman's downfall. Suddenly they awoke to the fact that the Gorman wing had secured control of both house and senate; that it had chosen Gorman mer for speaker and president; that it had re-elected Vandiver, the Gorman lieutenant, as State treasurer; that the son of Gorman was a floor leader, and that Arthur Pue Gorman was now in a position to dictate who will succeed him in the United States Senate. Last of all, the old issue of the negro remains to inflame the people as of yore.

Reaching China Through Japan.

America has done more than well to grip hard the friendship of Japan by advancing the diplomatic station at Tokyo to an ambassadorship. Not only for the sake of easier intercourse between the people of Nippon and those of America, but for the sake of co-operation with Japan as the friend of China. China has generally been kindly disposed toward us. Recent statements from Administration sources manifest a similar disposition to make friends on our part. And such an attitude is essential just now.

There was a time when the nations of the earth used a club to induce China to do as they bidded. It now begins to look as though cajolery were to take the place of the club and China were to be the wood of all nations.

Historians will relate how laggard progress was prodded over the borders of China by bayonets, or ridden in on the carriage of cannon. They will tell how extortion and injustice, practiced upon one helpless and dormant nation, were made prolific of good to the many. They will recall that 3,000 dead was the price China paid for daring to protest against French agrandizement at Foochow; that Gerranly valued two dead missionaries at 3,000 taels, a harbor cession, privileges for two railroads, and the exclusive rights to the minerals alongside the roads; how the German commander at Kiaochau marched with impunity through the interior, burning and sacking innocent villages; how, bulldozed by French bayonets, China was compelled to clothe the bishops of a hated religion with the rank of viceroys; how the Czar robbed her of 3,000,000 square miles of territory; how arms compelled her to give away valuable railroad concessions—to Russia the East China railway, to Germany 343 miles, to England ten concessions calling for the construction of over 2,100 miles, to France six concessions, and to America one; the latter, however, being voluntary. All this was termed the civilization and Christianization of China. But it was a civilization of conquest, not unmixed with injustice.

But yesterday the nations demanded that China offer her wares in their markets. Today, indications are that China is approaching that position where she may reply to the wily

courtiers of wooing nations as the merchants of London replied to Sir Robert Peel when he asked, condescendingly: "What favor can we do you?" "Let us alone," was the answer.

It is inevitable that there be a change of method on the part of nations who would secure the commercial good will of China. Where brute force once prevailed the nicety of diplomacy will be in order—a fact which is being impressed upon us by the boycott declared in Shanghai upon American goods, in retaliation for our exclusion policy. For China has awakened. She is under the tutelage of Nippon, the new and secretly dreaded world power.

"China will have a champion in Nippon from this time on," said a Japanese official some time ago. And there is significance in this in the fact that today there are 4,000 Chinese in the schools of Japan, sent there by Chinese statesmen, and that Nippon officers are training the awkward squads of China. Who shall say whether or not on the return of these young men they will raise the cry, "China for the Chinese," and demand that the Germans leave Kiaochau and the British Wei-hai-wei?

A Man of Two Flags.

Wrap the emaciated form of Gen. "Joe" Wheeler in the Stars and Bars and Stars and Stripes, and it will be a small soul, indeed, who will utter protest. Let the veterans in blue and those in gray, both of whom know what it means to be led by his gleaming sword, follow the cortege to its last resting place, their tattered battle flags side by side, and there clasp hands over his grave in token of the fact that there is no more North, no South, but one great country with one flag, and every man a patriot. Let them bury the last differences in the grave of "Fighting Joe" Wheeler. The man of two flags would have it so.

A wonderful career was that of Gen. Joseph Wheeler. He was a lieutenant general of the Confederacy at twenty-nine; thirty-three years later he was a major general leading cavalry against the Spaniards in Cuba. The country at large still thrills at the thought of the news that was flashed across the wires at that time, "Rebel Joe Wheeler wants to fight the Spaniards."

Men of the North forgot the awful havoc he made against the Union lines at Shiloh, Perryville, Grand River, Murfreesboro, Chattanooga, Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge, and every place there was fighting. They remembered only that Wheeler was a great fighter in a cause his heart was with, and that he had a heart of the right sort when he offered himself at an age when his hairs were already white to fight for the country that had hauled down the Stars and Bars.

And there was a thrill of pride in their hearts as they laughed with all the world when the press dispatches told how before Santiago General Wheeler, leading a charge, yelled to his men in the excitement of battle, "Give the Yanks h—, boys. There they go!" It was the fighting blood of the sixties that spoke, but it was driving Joe Wheeler to fight for the Yankees as hard as he ever fought against them.

A Brooklyn man is complaining because he found a nail in his mince pie. Those Brooklyn people are a peevish lot.

Uncle Sam is willing that France should go down and give Venezuela a spanking, provided she doesn't track away any soil on her shoes.

Ohio women are going to attack the Legislature with prayer and song in the hope of gaining the franchise. That simply goes to show what a woman knows about politics.

HOW TO RESIGN.

"Going to resign, are you?" asked Consul General Wynne of an indignant person, who had been pouring his grief into his ear. "Can't stand it another minute, eh? Put up with it as long as you could, and now you're going to throw up your job and tell your chief what you think of him? Yes, I know. Last straw and all that sort of thing? Uh-huh."

"Did you ever see my set of rules for resigning?" I framed them up years ago when I was in the newspaper business, and I have used them ever since. I have resigned often since then, always in the way prescribed in these rules. Perhaps they will be of service to you. Here they are:

"Rule 1. After receiving the last straw don't do anything for two hours. Above all, don't write anything.

"Rule 2. At the expiration of two hours, write your resignation and make it as hot as you can. Relieve your feelings and say everything you have been wanting to say in your breast. Scorch the scoundrel!

"Rule 3. Then go home.

"Rule 4. The next morning, immediately upon arising, read over your resignation and tear it up.

"Rule 5. Go to work at the usual hour. "Take a copy of them," concluded Mr. Wynne. "You will find that they are absolutely essential to any man who expects to resign frequently and still continue to rise in the world."—New York Times.

DE MORTUIS NIL NISI BONUM.

When word was sent that he was dead a few men looked far off and sighed. And many shook their heads and said: "Since he has crossed the gloomy tide his meanness all is cleared away." Think, now, of something good to say.

The earth would be a wretched place if men looked into graves and sneered. If death did not wipe out disgrace.

And clean the spots where shame was smeared.

What would be a world of gloom if hatred followed to the tomb.

But may men's speech be frank and free And may they hide no fault I bear, Beneath the cloak of charity.

And may they seek to know or care? "Gloss o'er a man's meanness, he is dead— "What thing more damning could be said?" —Chicago Record Herald.

IN THE CIRCLE OF SOCIETY

CHOOSES HER OWN WEDDING GUESTS

Eight Hundred Reported on Miss Roosevelt's List.

INVITATIONS OUT TODAY

Delicate Task Left to Judgment of White House Bride-Elect by Her Father.

Invitations for the wedding of Miss Alice Roosevelt and Representative Nicholas Longworth were issued from the White House at noon today. As the list now stands about eight hundred will be in the East Room at the time of the ceremony.

Those invited include the Vice President and Mrs. Fairbanks, the members of the Cabinet and their wives, ambassadors and ministers, and charges d'affaires, all with their wives but no other members of their families, Senators but not the Senate as a body, members of the House but not as a body, the Speaker, and then relatives and friends of Miss Roosevelt and Mr. Longworth.

Never before was such a delicate matter assigned to the judgment of a President. The matter has not much of its official and political significance by being left to the judgment of Miss Roosevelt alone, whose wishes in the matter naturally had first place.

The most interesting social event of the day will be a reception this evening at 9 o'clock, when the Secretary of War and Mrs. Taft will have as guests of honor Miss Roosevelt and Mr. Longworth, with all of the members of the Taft Philippine party to the number of about sixty.

Postmaster General Cortelyou entertained the Assistant Postmasters General and a few other guests at dinner last evening.

Sir Chenung Liang-Cheng will entertain the Chinese commission at a dinner at the embassy tonight. There will be thirty guests at the table.

Secretary Root will entertain the members of the commission and the Chinese minister at luncheon Saturday.

The Chilean Minister and Senora de Walker Martinez, who went over to New York yesterday, will remain until Saturday.

Madame Godoy, wife of the Mexican minister to Cuba, will receive tomorrow for the last time prior to her departure for Havana.

Dr. and Mrs. McARD have returned from their visit to Atlantic City.

Mrs. Oliver Cromwell, who has been the guest of Mrs. Lothrop Bradley, is visiting Mrs. Thomas Trueman Gaff, at the Gordon.

Mrs. William C. Denny was hostess at an informal luncheon today. Mrs. Denny will be at home the first and third Fridays in February.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Williams, of Chicago, who spent the latter part of last winter at the Portland, arrived at the New Willard today. They will be joined by their daughter, Miss Catherine Williams, who is the guest of Miss Ridgeley, and all together will go to New York Sunday. From there they will sail for the Cape of Good Hope, where they will visit their son-in-law, Mrs. Clarence D. Clark, Senator Penrose, Senator Keen, Senator Patterson, Senator and Mrs. La Follette, Governor and Mrs. Montague, Representative De Armond, Representative and Mrs. Jenkins, Representative Longworth, the Solicitor General and Mrs. Hoyt, and Mrs. Douglas Robinson, Miss Roosevelt, Miss Carow, Miss Keen, Miss Henry Parkman, who is also well known in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Jose de Olivares, of Missouri, gave a box party last night at the Belasco in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Crosby Stuart Noyes. The other guests were Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, Mrs. Pettigrew, Miss Prentice, Senator and Mrs. William Warner, and their daughter, Mrs. Harwood, of Missouri, and Representative Richard Bartholdi.

Mrs. J. Eakin Gadsby was at home yesterday afternoon for the last time this season. The house was beautifully decorated with palms, ferns, and bunches of flowers. The tea table was unusually pretty, the color scheme being pink.

Assisting Mrs. Gadsby were Mrs. Walter H. Acker and Mr. Randolph de B. Keim. Mrs. Gadsby entertained at dinner last evening.

Mrs. I. W. Nordlinger will be at home Fridays in February at her new home, 1941 Biltmore street.

Mrs. H. Kahn, who has spent the past three months in Chicago, has returned to the city, and will be at home on Tuesday afternoons, at the Marion, Twentieth and H streets.

Miss Clara Price, of this city, is visiting relatives in New York City for a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol Beslauer entertained on Sunday evening in honor of the fifteenth anniversary of their marriage. The home was decorated in honor of the day. After music, games, and toasts, a supper was served. Many handsome gifts were received. The out-of-town guests were: Mrs. A. Hamberger, of Baltimore; Mr. and Miss De Beer, of Baltimore; Mrs. Stansburg, of Baltimore; and Mr. and Mrs. Alex Meyer, of Baltimore.



MRS. LLEWELLYN POWERS, Wife of Representative Powers of Maine, Who Has Joined the Official Contingent at the New Willard.

MAGNIFICENT DINNER TO SUPREME BENCH

Justices, Senators, and Representatives, With Wives and Others, White House Guests at Annual State Entertainment for Justices of Highest Court.

President and Mrs. Roosevelt were hosts last evening at the State dinner given in honor of the Supreme Court. They received their guests in the Blue Room.

The pink roses and carnations in vases were the only flowers used. The state dining room presented a far more brilliant appearance. Liberty roses in large plaques-shaped bunches and smaller vases of the same flowers, alternating with vases of Roman hyacinths, being skillfully disposed on the long table. The gold candelabra, bought in the Grant administration, was used, the candles being capped with red shades. Cut glass bowls supported by graceful gilt figures of dancing girls were filled with choice fruits. Pink and white poinsettia in large pots were used on the side tables.

Beside the Chief Justice, there were dining with the President and Mrs. Roosevelt: Justice and Mrs. Harlan, Justice and Mrs. Brewer, Justice and Mrs. Brown, Justice and Mrs. White, Justice McKenna, Justice and Mrs. Holmes, Justice Day, the Attorney General, Senator Aldrich, Senator and Mrs. Clarence D. Clark, Senator Penrose, Senator Keen, Senator Patterson, Senator and Mrs. La Follette, Governor and Mrs. Montague, Representative De Armond, Representative and Mrs. Jenkins, Representative Longworth, the Solicitor General and Mrs. Hoyt, and Mrs. Douglas Robinson, Miss Roosevelt, Miss Carow, Miss Keen, Miss Henry Parkman, who is also well known in Washington.

Count Gleichen will succeed Col. H. J. Foster as military attaché of the British embassy, arriving here some time this month. The rank of Count Gleichen in the British army is lieutenant colonel. He is an accomplished bachelor.

The Mexican Ambassador and Mme. Casaus have issued invitations for a dinner February 3.

Mrs. Potter Palmer was presented to several hundred prominent society people at a reception at the home of Mrs. Slater in Eighteenth street, where she is now visiting.

Representative William B. McKinley entertained a large stag dinner last night in honor of Speaker Cannon, inviting to meet him all of the members of the Illinois delegation in Congress and one or two additional guests. Those dining besides the Speaker and his host were Senator Hopkins, Representatives Madden, Mann, Boutell, Wilson, Wharton, Michale, Larimer, Knopf, McGaff, Foss, Snapp, Fuller, McKinney, Grav, Sterling, Rainey, Rives, Rodenberger, Dickson, Chapman, Smith, Commissioner of Pennington Warner, Representative James E. Watson of Indiana, L. W. Busby and Allen D. Albert.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Belmont, who recently established themselves in their Scott circle home for the season, gave the first large entertainment last evening. A company of several hundred guests heard the finest musical program offered here in many years. The artists who came from New York for the evening were Signor Caruso and Miss Besie Abbott, of the Metropolitan Opera Company, and M. Jean Gerardy, with Isador Luckstone as accompanist.

The guests were seated in the mirror-lined bay room after being received by Mrs. Belmont in the large reception hall. The hostess wore a princess gown of white velvet with a collar of diamonds as her only ornament. The floral

MANY PAGES MADE BY MANY CLEVER MEN

Munsey's for February Fairly Tingles With Good Things for the Folk Who Love a Magazine With Nothing Dull From Cover to Cover.

If anyone is in search of good reading, Munsey's Magazine for February is the place to find it. Not only is the magazine commendable for the excellence and highly artistic merit of the articles it contains, but the wide and judicious range of subjects treated, both in fiction and in essays, commands attention, while the poetry, from the pens of the best-known poets in America, adds the best touch of enjoyment to the 48 pages of reading matter in the volume.

One of the most striking features of the fiction in this magazine is "Beauty and the Beast," a story of the West, involving a girl, a man, and a second man. The story tells in dramatic fashion of an attempt to shoot a girl and her rescue by the second man. In addition to this, there are nine other excellent short stories: "Follies of the Play," by Edward Boltwood; "The Lights in the Cocoa-Nut Trees," by Theodore Roberts; "The Cruise of the Cadet," by Raymond S. Spears; "When the Flame Ran Dry," by Bailey Millard; "The New Deputy of Cochise," by William Chester Estabrook; "The Man in the Dark," by Caroline Dyer; "At the Chirovants," by A. Jerrold Tietz; "Blanco, Baido, Girl," by Ann O'Hagan; and "An Amazing Rescue," by John Barton Oxford.

Of the ten special articles or essays in the magazine, one of the most interesting to Americans of today is "The Quest of Ancestors," by D. G. S. Lowell. This essay explains the growing tendency in the United States for people to resort to genealogical research, and explains how genealogies can best be traced.

In "The New King of Norway," by Hroif Wisby, there occurs the following passage, striking the trend and excellence of the essay:

"King Haakon has other valuable connections. The 'war of Russia is his first cousin, the King of Greece is his uncle. His queen is first cousin to the Kaiser, and he is further related to Ger-

FOUR SETS OF FOURS IN THIS POKER GAME

Amazing Hands Given Around the Table Resulted in the Dealer Being Sent to Jail for Ninety Days.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 25.—As the result of a highly sensational poker game played in the Golden West saloon John O'Donnell, a benevolent-looking old man, was tried in the police court on the charge of being a vagrant. The police say that the inoffensive-looking Mr. O'Donnell is just a plain hardy man. With money from the country and with money from the country and with money from the country, Mr. O'Donnell dealt the cards.

Raise of Tens.

Mr. Kruger sat next the dealer and had the "age." The man sitting next to him had four jacks and raised the bet \$10. Mr. O'Donnell took a squirt at his cards and raised \$10 more.

GOYAN SOCIETY WOMAN SLEEPS OUT OF DOORS

Case of Millville, N. J. Girl, Six Years Old, Puzzles New York Specialists.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—Sleep out if you want to know the wild joy of living," was the advice given to society women by Mrs. Blanche C. Martin, an abbess of outdoor life, following a recital which she gave in the Waldorf.

"I have slept out of doors in a corner of my piazza summer and winter for five years, and in that time have never had a cold, though on several occasions it was twenty degrees below zero," she said.

EXCLUSIVE MILLS DANCE IN HONOR OF MRS. REID

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—Mrs. Ogden Mills' annual dance, which takes place tonight, though described by her as "small," is always regarded by society as one of the principal affairs of the season, partly because of its extraordinary exclusiveness, and partly too, because everything is perfectly done on these occasions.

IRISH CANDIDATE DIES BEFORE VOTE IS COUNTED

GALWAY, Ireland, Jan. 26.—Mr. Higgins, the candidate of the Nationalists for parliament in this division, where the polling occurred Thursday, died suddenly at 1 o'clock this morning. The counting of the votes has been postponed, pending instruction from the attorney general, who has not yet been recorded in view of the candidate's death.

MEETS FRIGHTFUL DEATH ON MILL'S LINE SHAFT

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Jan. 26.—His clothing catching on a line shaft as he was changing a belt, Edward Shoemaker met a frightful death at the Indianapolis Frog and Switch Company's plant.

He was whirled around and around with terrific force until the engine could be stopped. Nearly every bone in his body was broken.