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SENATOR PEAY'S STORY.

A GOOD ONE OFF THE REEL.

How the Senator From Christian Made a Haul of Buffalo and Pike in Little River—The Prize Badge Awarded.

"Did you ever hear Peay's big fish story?" said Senator L. M. Martin to a Commercial reporter last night at the headquarters of the Anchorage Asylum committee in Alexander's Hotel, where Sabbath evening quiet prevailed and Dr. Jefferson Ly propped up in his sick bed, clad in the historical striped night-shirt.

The Reporter glanced across the room at Senator Peay, who lounged upon another bed gravely pondering the chances for getting home in time to plant corn and set out tobacco plants. The occasions seemed propitious for hearing the story suggested by the wiley Martin, and so the Commercialist answered that he hadn't heard it, but would like to.

"Peay, tell us about that big haul of fish you made last fall, down in Arkansas," whispered Martin in pleading tones.

The grave, sad look of uncertainty and disquiet fled from the magisterial countenance of the Senator from Christian, and was succeeded by a glow of lively interest. He raised himself partly from his listless recumbency and supporting his head upon his elbows, proceeded with the following startling narrative.

"Now this is a circumstance which is strictly true; remember that. It's about fish, and lots of them, but I want it distinctly understood that there's nothing fishy about it. For the purposes of the present discourse my name is George Washington. I suppose it is well known to the citizens of Kentucky that a number of the male inhabitants of Hopkinsville, who are fond of the chase and the gentle art of angling are accustomed to visit the northeastern wilds of Arkansas, every fall to hunt deer and fish. I am proud to say that I am a member of that coterie, which by the way, is a branch of the celebrated 'C. H.' Club of the Galt House in this city.

"On our last trip down there we pitched our camp beside the crystal waters of Little river, a stream flowing into the St. Francis, and, at the time and place to which I allude, about two hundred yards wide and between eighteen inches and two feet deep, clear as air and pure as a subterranean spring. The night of our arrival was brilliantly lighted by a full October moon, and we were gathered about our camp fire after supper smoking and swapping yarns when loud and excited cries affrighted the stillness, coming from the river side only a short distance away. We had just sent our negro cook down there after a couple of buckets of water, and fearing he had been attacked by some dangerous wild beast we hurried pell-mell to his rescue.

When we got there a most wonderful sight met our gaze. The whole broad surface of the river was covered with what seemed at first to be a glittering, glancing, leaping, dancing, blaze of electricity, and our cook stood on the bank shouting at the top of his voice, 'jes' look! 'jes' look at all dem fishes!' His excitement infected us in his mighty shout, too, for the river was simply choked solidly full of big buffalo fish and enormous pike. We rushed back to camp armed ourselves with gigs and oars and clubs, and then back to the water, which we waded into and began a wholesale slaughter among the helpless inhabitants. It was the opportunity of a lifetime, and we improved it. None of the fish were under twenty, and many ran over 100. We knocked and beat and thrashed about us until the whole stream was filled with the dead and dying. Every now and then one of our party would get knocked down by a big buffalo and fall over on the struggling mass and be carried on their backs hundreds of yards away before he could regain his feet; two men had their legs broken by this means, and ten or nearly all of us had our boots (and often our feet) by the sharp-toothed pike which were, as usual, voraciously hungry. Finally we were all completely exhausted by our severe labors and quit killing to save what was lying dead all around. In two hours' time we dragged out on the bank just 230,922 pounds of buffalo and 79,002 pounds of splendid pike!"

"What did you do with the spoils, Senator?" feebly asked Dr. Jefferson from his nest among the pillows.

"Why we sent a messenger to Malden after salt, and he got twenty wagon loads in barrels, and we cleaned and salted the pike and replaced the barrels, shipped them to Memphis and other river points and sold them for nearly \$3,000 over and above all our expenses."

"How did such an enormous body of fish get up the river?" inquired the reporter.

"They came up to spawn in shallow water, we supposed, and too many of them took the same notion and got jammed together there, just like logs do sometimes in the streams running by lumber camps."

"Senator Peay," came the low, sad voice of the Doctor.

"Sir?" answered the Senator from

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"I want a servant to bring me twenty grains of ipecacuanha to take a fly taste out of my mouth." And with these words the doctor fell back in a deathlike swoon.—Louisville Commercial.

PRESIDENTIAL HOROSCOPE.

THE STARS PREDICT VICTORY FOR THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE.

An Astrological Analysis of the Situation—The Snags and Shoals for Party Managers to Avoid.

The National Democratic Committee has appointed the Democratic Convention to meet in Chicago on July 8 next. Although in some respects the day is not exactly what may be termed "perfectly lovely," it is so immeasurably more favorable than June 3.—the day on which the Republicans meet in the same city—that there can be but little doubt that the great party of moral ideas will meet its Waterloo this year, unless the Democrats, through party and factional discord, are grievously misled in the selection of their standard bearer.

ON TUESDAY, JULY 8, 1884,

at twelve o'clock, noon, when the gavel of Chairman Barnum, or his representative, falls to call the convention to order, twelve degrees and fifty-five minutes of the cardinal, equinoctial and scientific sign Libra will occupy the ascendant in the east, with the benign planet Venus, governing the ascendant, posted in the middle of the tenth house. Fifteen degrees of Cancer are in the mid-heaven, with the sun closely approaching the cusp of the tenth house, but being within it, inasmuch as on that day the clocks will be four minutes and fifty seconds fast. The moon, far removed from all the rest of the planets is situated in the fourth house in the sign Capricorn. Neptune is in the eighth house in twenty-two degrees and forty-three minutes of Taurus. Uranus is in the twelfth house in twenty-four degrees and thirty-eight minutes of Virgo, with Mars in the cusp of the same house in eighteen degrees and thirty-six minutes of the Virgin. Saturn is in the ninth house with Mercury, the former in eighteen degrees of Gemini, the latter in eleven degrees and thirty minutes of Cancer. Jupiter is posted well within the tenth house in nine degrees and three minutes of Leo.

THE SIGN OF THE SUN.

Venus, the lady of the ascendant, and the moon represent the nominee of the convention. The planet as has already been stated, is situated in the middle of the twelfth house, which represents the government, the monarch or the presidency; and at the date of the convention Venus will have been retrograding for about three weeks. The moon is about two degrees from being in opposition to the planet, and has not long passed the opposition of the sun, and the trine of Mars. The retrograde position of the moon, will almost certainly lead to a factional fight, and more than likely the best and most available candidate will either decline the nomination or be defeated by tricky manipulation. But as the sun and Venus are approaching a conjunction which will occur on the 12th (Saturday), and as Venus will be in conjunction with Mercury on the same day, the motto of the convention ought to be "Festina lente."

MAKE HASTE SLOWLY,

and defer the nomination till as near the end of the week as possible. The presence of Jupiter in the tenth

house, although not strongly posted will impart a certain seriousness and dignity to the general tone of the deliberations, which will help to quell the demonstrations of political doggerel and cranks.

IT IS ALSO A HOPEFUL OMEN that Jupiter is in sextile with the ascendant, and in semi-sextile with mercury. So that unless rashness and precipitation prevail, which hardly seems possible, the nominee of the convention will be a gentleman who will "fill the bill," and occupy the Presidential chair with more ability, courtesy and satisfaction than the country has known since the Republican party has held the reins of government and controlled the public chest.

SPEAKING OF THE PUBLIC CHEST suggests an important difference between the horoscopes of the two-conventions. In the Republican convention the moon is posted in the second house showing that whoever may be nominated abundant friends will be forthcoming. In the Democratic convention Mars, lord of the second house, is posted on the cusp of the twelfth—the house of secret foes. Moreover, Mars is in bad square aspect with Saturn in the ninth house, showing that not only is there likely to be a paucity of the essential munitions of war, but that there will be a corrupt misapplication of them.

LEPLETE THESE DISADVANTAGES the Democratic party will almost surely win next November. Victory can hardly fail to follow such a brilliant stellar of planets as will be in mid-heaven, on July 8, 1884, at 12 noon, at the time when the Democratic convention will be called to order.

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Daniel F. Beatty, the much advertised organ seller of Washington, N. J., has failed, with liabilities amounting to \$350,000 and with assets quite too immoderately small. Dan should have made lots of money. He had a mastery way of getting \$100 worth of free advertising in the country newspaper, and then evincing heartfelt appreciation of the favor by selling the publisher a \$30 organ for \$50 in cash. Dan was too liberal.—Henderson News.

DR. RODMAN COMPLIMENTED.

Your correspondent met Dr. Rodman, of the Western Lunatic Asylum this morning, and he feels very keenly the attacks that have been made upon him, although he has been completely exonerated and highly complimented by the Legislative Committee. He expressed the intention of resigning after twenty-five years hard and exacting work in the asylum, being unwilling to submit to a possible repetition of unfair criticism.

His practice as a physician in Hopkinsville, if he retired from the asylum, would be worth double the amount of his official salary.

Dr. Rodman's record as a successful physician in the treatment and care of insane people is coextensive with the history of the asylum. He is one of the best and most favorably known physicians in lunatic asylum management on this continent, and his retirement from the public service would be a loss which would be difficult to replace.—Frankfort Cor. Commercial.

SQUARE OUT FOR TILDEN.

The tendency of the hour is clear. It is getting clearer every day. Sectional ties or geographical considerations alike disappear at the mention of Samuel J. Tilden. The East and the West, the North and the South unite. He is superior to all opposing combinations. Hancock, McDonald, Palmer, Bayard, and all the rest,

stand ready to hold Tilden's hat while he accepts the Chicago nomination. The ray of retribution is eternal, and the public conscience calls aloud for the patient, self possessed, self denying, patriotic statesman who, eight years ago, rejected official power for his country's peace. He is mighty in the people's love. Seventy winters may have weakened his brawn, but not his brain. He is younger and stronger than was Thiers, who brought liberty and law out of Louis-Napoleon's wreck. He is younger than Gladstone, whose genius yet guides the fate of Britain. He is far younger than William, whose hand still grasps the sceptre of Germany. Age has not dimmed his mental vision. His is the eagle's eye, piercing the very sun. They are governed by the very sun. They are governed by the sun. The prevailing impulse is theirs, and they intend to utter it in the Chicago Convention, with lightning on their tongue and thunder in their tone. The re-election of Samuel J. Tilden is destiny!

News Copyright Misunderstood.

Some country papers, preferring to believe the lies of a lot of self-confessed thieves, rather than inform themselves correctly, have worked themselves into unnecessary excitement and are misrepresenting the Copyright Bill as grossly as the interested thieves themselves, who are raising their clamor that they may continue their depredations. The measure originated in the systematic stealing from the New York papers for several years past. At the annual meeting of the Western Associated Press at Detroit, in October last, the matter was considered, and a committee was appointed, Mr. Watterson being made Chairman without his knowledge, to procure the passage by Congress of a copyright law to protect newspapers in their property. Twenty-four hours were named but four or six hours will be all that newspapers need, the object being to prevent the systematic stealing from New York, Philadelphia and Boston papers, which go to press at 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning, and the difference in time enabling papers in the West to steal and print the news of the Associated Press, from being used simultaneously in the West with papers which pay larger sums of money for it. The Western Associated Press buys its Eastern and foreign news from the New York Associated Press. This news is stolen at New York, and is used in the West by papers which do not pay a cent for it. All we ask is a law that will protect us in our own property until we can use it—four or six hours will be sufficient—and all papers, whether city or country, are welcome to copy from the Courier-Journal all of its news they wish anytime after 7 o'clock in the morning.—Courier-Journal.

The Farewell Kiss.

Among the confused mass who were struggling and screaming we noticed a middle aged man and his wife. Their conduct was in marked contrast with that of the other passengers. The panic which had seized the others was not shared by them but their blanched faces told that they realized the peril which surrounded them. The only movement of muscles or nerves was that produced by the chilling atmosphere. They stood close together, their hands clasped in each other's, as if about to contemplate suicide together, and thus fulfill the marital vow of standing by each other in the varying tide of life's fortunes and misfortunes. As the wreck careened with the gale from one side to the other, and while the spray and waves were drenching them at every moment, the husband turned and imprinted a kiss upon the companion of his life, and while thus embraced a heavy sea broke over the wreck and both were washed away and not seen afterward. Mr. Cook says the scene was one which will remain indelibly impressed upon his memory until his dying day.—Wreck of the Columbia.

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