

TIME'S CHANGES IN THE SENATE.

Upper House History Replete With Interest.

IS BLESSED WITH TWO FATHERS.

Delaware's Chronic Deadlock Causes Vacant Seats to Distinguish Its Place in the Highest Legislative Body in the Land—Features of the New Directory.

The second edition of the Congressional Directory for the present Congress (first session—Fifty-seventh) will be ready to be placed on the desks of the Senators and Representatives when Congress convenes after the holidays. It will contain the lists of committees which had not been appointed when the first edition was published, December 2.

This edition of the valuable and always entertaining directory will contain also a most interesting chronological table of Senatorial terms never before compiled or published. It is entitled a "List of Senators by Seniority at the Beginning of the Fifty-seventh Congress," but, this gives a little indication of the amount of information with regard to the comparative length of service of the various Senators, divided into groups, and forming an accurate and convenient basis for study of the shifting personnel of the Senate for the past quarter of a century, and an opportunity for speculating upon the effect of age on the life of the Senate and the fortunes of legislation.

Grouped According to Service.

The table divides the present Senate into thirty-one groups; that is, it arranges in a class by themselves the Senators who were sworn in simultaneously. In this way it is easy to see at a glance who is the father of the Senate, the baby, the half-grown, and so on through the various stages that differentiate the Senators according to their length of service. Forty years ago it was a very easy matter for a spectator in the gallery to pick out the old Senators from the new by the amount of hair on their heads, the length of their whiskers, the cut of their frock coats, the height of their top hats, etc. But times have changed, and Senators don't wear frock coats and stocks now, and very few of them have beards, and so many of the young men are bald, that the amount of hair on their heads indicates nothing as to their age.

Free and Easy in Manner.

They are all of them, moreover, so free and easy in their manner and so democratic in their habits, as compared with Senators in the good old days, that they look just about like any other class of men, and the only safe guide for ascertaining their length of service is the official record of the Senate.

To put that record into a handy form, which will tell its story of length of service at a glance, is the object of the new table, and it will be a very popular addition to the other published statistics about the members of the great and "most august legislative body on earth."

Blessed With Two Fathers. According to this compilation of senatorial statistics, there are two fathers of the Senate—William B. Allison, of Iowa, and John P. Jones, of Nevada—both of whom were sworn in on the 4th of March, 1872, and have served continuously ever since.

The youngest child, although he is about the largest member of the Senate in point of size, is A. B. Kittredge, of South Dakota, whose commission as a Senator dates only from July 11, 1901. Messrs. Allison and Jones are, of course, the table, therefore, while Baby Kittredge is in class 31, and all by himself. There are several Senators older than either of the fathers of the Senate, and many who appear to have seen many more winters and summers. Mr. Allison, although he is seventy years of age, looks at least fifteen years younger, while Mr. Jones, although plump in figure and ruddy of complexion, active of movement, and full of life, looks, with his white hair and bushy beard, just about as old as he really is—seventy-one.

Few Really Patriarchal.

The United States Senate is popularly regarded as a body of elderly men. "Patriarchal," "solons," "grave and revered seigniors," they are often called, and yet there are very few really old men in the Senate, the Methuselahs of their all being Mr. Pettus, of Alabama, who is eighty. His colleague, Mr. Morgan, is seventy-seven, Mr. Vest, of Missouri, seventy-one, his colleague, Mr. Sherman, sixty-eight, Mr. Hoar, of Massachusetts, seventy-five, Mr. Hale, seventy-five, and this is about all there are who can be rightly termed old. The baby of the Senate is Bailey of Texas—thirty-eight.

Perhaps the most interesting fact shown by this table of seniority is that the Senate, although it contains many old men, is a very changeable one as regards its personnel, the terms of the Senators being on an average brief.

Not a Grant Survivor Left.

It is only a little more than twenty-four years since Gen. James B. Grant ceased to be president of the United States, yet there are only three men in the Senate today who were there when Grant was President for the second time, and not one was a Senator during his first term in the White House. These three are Allison and Jones, Republicans, and Cockrell, Democrat. None of the band of old warriors who stood by Grant during the momentous years of his Administration is left in the Senate today.

There are only seven Senators now in office today who were members of the body when Rutherford B. Hayes, the successor of Grant, was President, although it is only a little more than twenty years since his term expired. These seven Senators, who comprise classes 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the table, are Allison, Jones, Cockrell, of Missouri, who took his seat March 4, 1873, and who in a class all by himself, Hoar, Morgan, Platt, of Connecticut, and Vest. The first two have been Senators since March 5, 1877, and the latter two since March 18, 1875.

Of More Recent Date.

There are only twelve Senators who were in the body when Arthur was President; eighteen who served during Cleveland's first term, and thirty-five during Cleveland's second term.

It is ten years since John Reed was the star of the House of Representatives in the famous Fifty-first Congress, these stirring and turbulent times when the Reed rules were forced upon the House of Representatives, and when Reed and his associates carried off the prize for the first time counted as live men in order to make up the necessary quorum for the transaction of business. There are now no members of the Senate who were there in those days when Reed was making the

great reputation as a parliamentary leader.

Fifty-three members of the Senate, much more than half of the membership of that body, came in office since William McKinley was elected President of the United States a little more than five years ago, although seven of this number had previously served in the Senate.

Some Famous Members.

Senator Teller of Colorado, who now sits on the Democratic side of the chamber, has been a Senator under his present tenure since March 4, 1885, but served a previous term beginning September 4, 1878, the first Senator from the Centennial State. In 1882 he resigned to become Secretary of the Interior in the Cabinet of President Arthur. Mr. Teller has been a Republican, a Silverite, a Populist, and is now an out-and-out Democrat.

Stewart of Nevada, the Santa Clara of the Senate, was sworn in March 4, 1887, having been out of the Senate for twenty years. He first took his seat in 1867, from his halcyon days in the bonanza gold fields of Nevada, and served until 1887. In those days he was a gold bug, then he became the purchasing advocate of free silver and the most bitter denouncer of the money devil.

Senator Howell of New Jersey, who has not been in attendance upon the present session, owing to his critical illness, is in the table 17, with those Senators who were sworn in on March 4, 1885. Warren of Wyoming is also in this table, but he had previously been a Senator from November 18, 1860 to March 2, 1883, as Senator Howell was from March 4, 1881, to March 3, 1887.

Spencer and Platt.

Senators Spencer and Platt, of New York, are in table eighteen, as having taken their seats, March 4, 1887, with the beginning of the McKinley Administration. Mr. Spencer had been out of the Senate six years at that time, having served from March 4, 1881, to March 2, 1891, and Senator Platt sixteen years, having served from March 4 to May 19, 1881, then he resigned with Roscoe Conkling because of the row between President Garfield and the Stalwarts.

Senator Quay is in table twenty-six all by himself, as he was sworn in January 15, 1897. He was out of the Senate until that time from March 2, 1889. He had previously served two terms, having first been elected March 4, 1887. He failed of reelection for the third time, the Legislature adjourning without making a selection, and Governor Stone appointed him, but the Senate refused to seat him until his commission, and he went back to the people for reelection, and was successful.

Mr. Clark's Meteoric Career.

Clark of Montana, Dubois of Idaho, McLaurin of Mississippi, and Mitchell of Oregon are in table twenty-three, with a lot of other Senators, all of whom were sworn in March 4, 1901. The ups and downs of political life are pointedly illustrated in the careers of the four Senators above named.

The meteoric Senatorial career of Clark will be remembered. He was elected for the term beginning March 4, 1899, and took his seat, but while being investigated on the charge of having bribed the Legislature, he was dramatically resigned, and the next day announced his appointment by the Lieutenant Governor, who took advantage of the absence of the Governor, an anti-Clark man, from the State.

The Senate went on record as rebuking his political methods, practically convicting him of bribery, but before action was taken on the report, the new Legislature elected him for the full term, beginning March 4, 1901, and he sits in the Senate today without a flaw upon his title.

Mr. Dubois' Shifts.

Mr. Dubois of Idaho first came to the Senate as a Republican, and served a full term from March 4, 1891. In 1896 he walked out of the Republican National Convention and became a Free Silver Republican, then a Populist, and now a member of the Democratic side of the chamber, having exchanged seats with Senator Vest, whose physical weakness makes him desirous of having a more accessible chair.

The Two McLaurins.

Mr. McLaurin of Mississippi, who is a cousin of Mr. McLaurin of South Carolina, and for whom he is often mistaken, but not because of a similarity of looks, for he is an old man, while the South Carolinian is a young one, served a year or so in the Senate under an appointment from the Governor, from February 2, 1881, to March 2, 1885. He has always been very prominent in Southern politics, but has done little here to make himself known except to save the life of a young woman a few weeks ago, who would have been run over by a street car had he not seen her in his arms at the right moment, and carried her to a place of safety.

Mr. Mitchell's Bad Partners.

But the Senator who has gone most often up and down the political chutes is Mr. Mitchell of Oregon. It is nearly thirty years since he first became a Senator, but he has been out twice, and in all that time has remained a loyal, stalwart Republican. He served from March 4, 1872, to March 3, 1879, and then gave way to his law partner, Mr. Dolph. In 1882 he came back and served until 1887, when he was defeated by another law partner, Mr. Allison, and was then re-elected in his present term to succeed Mr. McBride, who had in turn beaten Mr. Dolph in 1885.

Senator Mitchell looks today very little older than he did in 1872. Once during his second term he gave the Senate a great shock by shaving off his long brown beard without a word of warning, making much of the complete change that very few of his colleagues recognized him when he walked into the chamber.

Where Deadlocks Never End.

Delaware has no representation in the present Senate, there being a perpetual deadlock in the Legislature, so that the total present membership of that body is eighty-eight.

ALMOST A NEW CHURCH.

Western Presbyterian Rededication Exercises Yesterday.

With every seat in the church occupied, and many persons standing, the Western Presbyterian Church, H Street, between Ninth and Tenth streets, was crowded to overflowing yesterday afternoon for the rededication exercises of the church, which was organized almost fifty years ago. Mrs. Ortha Wynkoop, mother of a former pastor of the church, Mr. Charles J. Wetzel, Mrs. Emma L. Kestner and her daughter, Grace, and Mrs. Martha E. Lehman.

The interior of the auditorium has been redecorated, electric lights introduced, a new system of ventilation provided, a new approach and walk laid, and the exterior of the church painted and penciled, a pastor's study provided, and new plumbing installed.

The Rev. J. P. E. Kautler, D. D., preached the sermon, choosing as his topic, "In whom (that is, Christ) ye are bidden together for a habitation of God through the Spirit."

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CHRISTMAS IN THE CHURCHES.

Celebration of the Festival Begun Yesterday.

DR. BRISTOL ON HIS BLESSINGS.

Beautiful and Significant Story of the Star of the East—Services in the Church Where President McKinley Worshipped—Beautiful Decorations of the Edifice.

Christmas was celebrated yesterday in the Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal Church, the late President McKinley's house of worship, with services that were beautiful and impressive in their simplicity. The platform and the pulpit presented a unique appearance, being decorated with ferns, evergreens, mistletoe, ivy wreaths and garlands, with a vase containing twigs of holly with its bright red berries.

Dr. Bristol's Sermon.

The Rev. Dr. Bristol, the pastor of the church, preached a most eloquent and beautiful sermon on the significance of the day. He took his text for the occasion from Isaiah 60, 1, and in the course of his sermon he said: "If the Christmas story with all its sacred history and connections conferred no other blessing upon this human life of ours than that of bringing joy and happiness to us and our children it would indeed be the most blessed period in the calendar of the year. The story of the Star of the East has not lost its ineffable splendor. The Star has passed by all events of the world and stood where the young child stood."

Dr. Bristol continued that men should not worship the creed for its own sake, but only as an agent through which we would be drawn nearer to Christ.

Musical Programme.

The musical programme was rendered by the choir, composed of Miss Elizabeth Wahby, soprano; Miss E. Gray, alto; Mr. Perry R. Turpin, tenor and director; Mr. Herbert D. Lawson, bass, and Mr. A. P. Tasker, organist.

It included the following numbers: "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," by Sir John Stainer; "O Holy Child of Bethlehem," by Charles H. Johnson; "The Heralds Angels," by Schilling; "Hail, Hail, the Victory is Ours," by Homer Bartlett; "Come Hither, Ye Faithful," by G. A. Jones; and "The Birthday of a King," by Neidlinger.

INTERESTING CEREMONIES.

Ordination of Candidates Friday at Catholic University.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop Conroy, rector of the Catholic University, officiated at the first ordinations at the Caldwell chapel of the university last Friday morning at 8 o'clock.

The following candidates were admitted to tonsure: Matthew J. Schumacher, C. S. C., Julius A. N. Newland, C. S. C., James J. Fraher, C. S. C., Patrick T. O'Reilly, C. S. C., Francis J. Phelan, C. S. C., Peter Bradley, C. S. C., Joseph M. Griffin, C. S. P., and Henry J. Starke, C. S. P.

The following were promoted to minor orders: Matthew J. Schumacher, C. S. C., Julius A. N. Newland, C. S. C., James J. Fraher, C. S. C., Patrick T. O'Reilly, C. S. C., Francis J. Phelan, C. S. C., Edward J. Mollaly, C. S. P., Oliver A. Walsh, C. S. P., and Jerome Louis O'Hearn, C. S. P.

The Rev. Joseph McSorley, S. T. L., of St. Thomas' College, officiated as archdeacon and presented the candidates to the Bishop.

The second ordination took place in the Caldwell chapel on Saturday morning at 10:45 o'clock, when the Rev. John Joseph Smith, C. S. P., and the Rev. Joseph Duffy, C. S. P., were made deacons, and the Rev. Michael J. O'Connell, C. S. P., was ordained priest. The Rev. C. J. Holland, of Providence, R. I., was master of ceremonies, which were most impressive, and were witnessed by many friends of the candidates.

The Christmas-recess at the University begins today and ends on Thursday, January 2, 1902.

FORMER RABBI PREACHES.

The Rev. Samuel Feiler, of Baltimore, more, in a Presbyterian pulpit.

The pulpit of the Eastern Presbyterian Church was occupied yesterday evening by the Rev. Samuel Feiler, of Baltimore, formerly a rabbi of the Hebrew faith. Mr. Feiler introduced to the congregation by the pastor, Dr. Kaestner.

Mr. Feiler spoke of the beauty of the religious customs observed by the Jew in the sanctity of his home, customs, the speaker said, which were the same today as centuries ago. In reading from the book of Esther, in the Hebrew, he said: "Suppose it were possible for an Englishman of the fifteenth century to enter this church tonight and hear our friend Rev. Feiler read from the Bible. Would he understand him? Hardly, so much has the language changed in five centuries. It is different with the Hebrew tongue. The beautiful words of the Bible, which are to the Jew today the same as 2,000 years ago, and the words concerning that realm (the Lord is our shepherd) are the same to the Jew today as they were to the Jew of old."

In speaking of anti-Semitism feeling, Mr. Feiler said: "You should love the Hebrew not only because he is your fellowman, made in the image of God, but because he has given you the book of books, the Bible, which holds the glories of the past, the promise of the future, and is the world's spiritual inheritance handed down by the Israelites. You must never forget that the sufferer in Gethsemane, the martyr on Calvary, Jesus Christ, who assumed the form of mortal man that we might become the sons and daughters of God, was a Jew."

In a fervent prayer the speaker besought God to sweep away all bigotry and prejudice from the hearts of men, and make them as one race and one people.

CLEARED OF DEBT.

Church of Our Father Raises \$2,000 at Morning Service.

At the Universalist Church of Our Father, yesterday morning, enough money was raised to discharge a debt of \$2,000, the last vertice of encumbrance on the church.

Much of the credit for the final throwing off of the debt is due to the pastor, the Rev. John Van Schaick. His efforts in this direction have been tireless during the two years he has been at the head of the congregation. Over a year of this time, Mr. Van Schaick was serving his district of Columbia, and an official of the church for many years; Mr. Thomas F. Harkness and his wife, Mary A. Harkness, who were two of the original members of the church when it was organized almost fifty years ago; Mrs. Ortha Wynkoop, mother of a former pastor of the church; Mr. Charles J. Wetzel, Mrs. Emma L. Kestner and her daughter, Grace, and Mrs. Martha E. Lehman.

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TREE FOR POOR CHILDREN.

Treat for the Little Ones Provided by Almas Temple of Shriners.

The poor children of the city will be treated to a candy tree reception at National Rifles Army Christmas afternoon from 1 to 4 o'clock.

Almas Temple, of the Order of the Mystic Shrine, will be the host, the affair being in charge of a committee of which Mr. Charles Jacobson is chairman. Each child who may come will be admitted and will receive a package of candy and nuts. Prof. Haley has donated the services of his band for the occasion and the little folks will be treated to a concert.

This entertainment of the children is in addition to the usual Christmas charity work of the Shriners, in which they have been in the habit for years of distributing baskets of provisions for Christmas dinners for deserving poor families and delivering them at the door of each recipient.

CALVARY BAPTIST SERVICES.

Musical and Recitations by the Sunday School.

The Sunday school of Calvary Baptist Church held its Christmas choral services last night in the main auditorium of the church, which was festooned in hangings of holly and Virginia crowsfoot. The following programme was rendered after scriptural readings by the classes:

Chorus, "Glory to God," school; recitation, "Good Tidings of Great Joy," Estelle Kelly; chorus, "O Holy Night," Helen Lockwood; song, "The Little Town of Bethlehem," Miriam Hammer; song, with response, "Silent Night," girls' chorus; harp solo, "And He Was Born," Helen Lockwood; Gospel, "The Birth of Christ," Mrs. J. C. Price.

Christmas sermon; chorus, "Welcome, Sweet Sermon," recitation, "The Three Kings," Miriam Hammer; chorus, "The Fields With Their Flocks Abiding," boys' chorus; song, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," ladies' chorus; recitation, "The Birth of Christ," Helen Lockwood; chorus, "Was Once a Little Baby," primary department; chorus, "Adeste Fideles," school.

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Without Vocal Training.

Master Dobson has had no vocal training. He sings with affection, and with an intelligence that is remarkable for one of his years, throwing his soul into whatever he sings. His lower register is sweet and sympathetic, while the middle range displays a freedom and strength of tone beyond the ordinary, and the upper register is as clear as a bell, a high C meaning no more effort on his part than any other note within the range of his voice.

At a recent recital Master Dobson sang three songs which figure in the repertoire of singers who have had years of experience, but he gave them with a degree of color and feeling which placed him on a par with many vocalists who stand in the front rank of American musicians.

Master Dobson is still the attractive composition the author intended, and to the ballad "Daddy," he gives a plaintive and wholly emotional rendering.

Feature of Special Services.

Master Dobson is the soprano soloist of St. John's, and sustains the solo work entirely. At the service Christmas Day he will sing the solo "O, Rise to God," from Gounod's "Noel," and "O, Come and Worship the Lord," solo and chorus, by Thomas Adams.

Master Dobson is an Anglo-American, his mother being a native of Virginia, while his father is of English birth. The boy promises to become famous through his marvelous voice, and is now under the direction of H. H. Freeman, organist and choirmaster of St. John's Church.

Third Saengerbund Musical.

At the third musical entertainment of the season of the Washington Saengerbund held last night at Saengerbund Hall, the following programme was presented to a large and music-loving audience in a most accomplished manner: Chorus, "Die Nacht," Alt. Saengerbund; tenor solo, "The Lotus Flower," and "A Vision," Schumann; tenor and baritone, "Waldesruhe," "The Ave," Rubinstein; Mrs. Margaret Nolan-Martin, soprano solo, "Were My Song With Wings Provided," Habak; and "I Love You So," by H. H. Freeman; Wilson, trombone solo, "The Sanctified Sleep," Van Tilzer, Mr. John Elbel; vocal duet, "The Ragatta," Rosini, Mrs. W. W. Wilson and Mrs. Margaret Nolan-Martin; duet for cornet and trombone, selected, Messrs. Haina and Elbel; quartette for cornet, French horn, trombone, and tuba, selected, Messrs. Haina, Schulz, Elbel, and Schmidt; Mr. Henry Xander, musical director.

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