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Last Tuesday's Election.

As was anticipated the state went
overwhelmingly Democratic last
Tuesday, notwithstanding the light
vote polled, due to very bad weather.
The Democratic majority for the
head of the State ticket will exceed
40,000. Every parish in the State
went Democratic, and the coming
legislature will be on joint ballot
practically unanimously Democratic.

In this parish, the home of some
of the chiefs of the lily white wing
of the Republican party, the Democrats,
after a heated campaign during which
every inch was hotly contested,
achieved a splendid victory.

It was an all round Democratic
victory all over the State.

Did you hear the rooster crow last
Tuesday? How did you like his
clear notes?

No, gentlemen, money has its
power, but it is not all powerful, not
even in politics.

The elephant has shrunk out of
sight, while the little game cock is
very much in evidence.

Terrebonne, from all accounts,
surely did herself proud last Tuesday.
It was a great Democratic victory all
along the line.

The secret ballot has come to stay.
It may not suit politicians and ward
heelers but it does the people, and
that ought to settle it.

The Australian ballot system of
voting is all right. The people seem
to like it well and not to share the
fears of the politicians concerning its
restraining influence on their liberties.

Capt. B. F. Winchester, defeated
candidate for judge before the recent
Democratic primaries in the parishes
of Lafourche and Terrebonne, wound
up by taking the stump for the Re-
publican ticket toward the close of
the campaign. His many friends
expected better of him.

The people of Louisiana should
rejoice at the selection of Senator
Morgan by the people of Alabama to
succeed himself in the United States
Senate. The distinguished Alaba-
mian has already ably defended our
constitution when attacked in the
Senate, and will prove an able ally to
Senator McEnery in the future,
should the attack ever be renewed.

Speaking of the election held last
Tuesday, under the new law, the
Times-Democrat says:

"The election was certainly quiet
enough, and Louisiana is to be con-
gratulated on having passed through it
without a serious disturbance of
any kind as far as heard from. The
machinery of the election seemed to
move smoothly enough, and we have
heard no protests or complaints. In
New Orleans the count was conducted
to open to what we do not see where
there is chance for fraud. Fuller
details will, of course, be needed
from the country before judgment
can be passed upon the conduct of
the election there."

Senator Morgan's Victory

If ever a politician received a more
complete licking than Governor John-
ston, of Alabama, we would like to
know the name of the man. It does
not appear that in the primaries held
last Saturday, Johnson carried a
single county of the fifty-four in
which elections were held, and his de-
feat is so complete as to astonish
even his opponents.

A few weeks ago the friends of
Governor Johnston boasted that they
had Senator Morgan on the run, and
his political career was at an end,
but they were guilty of the mistake

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of counting their chickens before the
eggs were hatched. The people of
Alabama rallied to the support of
the magnificent old Democrat who
has grown gray in the service of his
State and country, and routed horse,
foot and dragons the political com-
bination which sought to retire him from
the honored place he holds and has
adorned in the Senate of the United
States.

Senator Morgan is admitted to be
the best constitutional lawyer in the
Senate by leaders of both political
parties who are competent to judge,
and withal an honest and conscien-
tious man. His record shows him to
be a broad-minded statesman whom
no influence, no matter how powerful,
can swerve from the discharge of his
duty as he sees it, and to-day he is
recognized as the brainiest senator
the South has sent to Washington
since the close of the civil war, and
for this reason his every utterance
commands the attention of the entire
country.

The great State of Alabama would
have been disgraced had she struck
down Morgan, the giant and states-
man, in order to bestow favor on a
political pigmy. There was little
reason to fear at the beginning, how-
ever, that the schemes which had
been so carefully hatched to defeat
Senator Morgan would succeed, but
when it became known that the
agents of the Pacific railroads had
formed an alliance with Governor
Johnson to prevent the re-election of
Senator Morgan and thus unhorse the
ablest champion of the Nicaragua
canal bill in the country, the plans of
the conspirators were sent whistling
down the wind, and the Morgan
avalanche began to move with the
result that the opposition was buried
mangled and crushed.—States.

Light Ahead.

The Philadelphia Record thinks it
has been a long time since the Demo-
cratic party had an opportunity as
bright in a presidential year and be-
fore the meeting of the conventions,
as that which is now offered, and
says: "In spite of a successful war
which has added valuable islands to
our territory, aroused a strong spirit
of Americanism and given to our
country a higher standing in the eyes
of the world; in spite of the ardent
support of the administration's policy
of expansion by a majority of the
Democrats; in spite of many things
which at one time made the re-
election of McKinley virtually a foregone
conclusion, the chances of a Demo-
cratic victory in November are better
than they seemed to be just before
the party elected its candidate in
1892."

The reason assigned by the Record
for the faith that's in it are the con-
spicuous failure of the administration
to stand true to its accepted and pro-
claimed duty to the newly acquired
territory, presumably at the demand
of the trusts, and the practical set-
tlement of the silver issue, which caused
the alienation of an influential
body of Democrats in 1896. While
we agree with our contemporary as to
the more promising outlook for the
party, we must take issue with its
assertion that a majority of Demo-
crats "ardently" or otherwise sustain
the administration's policy of ex-
pansion. It is very certain, at least,
that this is not the sentiment of more
than a very small contingent of southern
Democrats.—States.

Assault Of The Bushwhackers.

The cheap republican spell binders
who have been scattered through the
country by Warmoth and O'Malley
have indulged in most filthy and foul
abuse of the best and purest public
men in the State, and have hesitated
at no time to make charges absolutely
without foundation, totally base
and false. They have attacked the
purest and best and have made de-
perate efforts to engender strife and
plunge the people of the State into a
bloody revolution, all for the purpose
of securing a few offices for such as
Warmoth.

Preaching their gospel of blood
and revolution, they have pranced
around bellying, blowing and puffing
the atmosphere with foul and
vicious and libelous accusations
and conducting themselves in an un-
lawful manner generally.

It is well that the people of Louisi-
ana are tolerant and patient. The
people of few States would tolerate
what the democracy of Louisiana has
from the republican spell binders.
Their efforts have been to incite riot
and revolution. They have counseled
murder and treason, and should long
since have been thrown into prison
and made to suffer in duration vile
for the crimes they have committed
against the peace and dignity of the
State.

We pity the Caffery combination.
We criticize and condemn with stane

and pity. There is no anger for
them.

For many of their speakers we feel
personally kind, and it saddens us to
think that some real good men
can so far forget themselves as to
take up the cause of and do battle
for the bushwhackers and jayhawkers
represented by the master, Warmoth.
—The Iberville South.

The States thus comments on the
ignorance of some men of the politi-
cal history of the country:

It is passing strange how ignorant
even our most prominent men are of the
political history of the country. The
excuse given for those Southern Demo-
cratic Senators who will vote to ad-
mit Quay has been that he voted
against the infamous Force Bill.

Yet Senator Berry of Arkansas, the
other day showed from the record
that it was ex Senator Cernera,
of Pennsylvania, who voted against the
bill and that Quay voted for it. We
have all along known that Mr. Carne-
ron generously came to the relief of
the South in her peril, but must con-
fess that we were as ignorant as the
Senators as to Quay's vote.

The Springfield Republican says
that Appraiser Wakeman, of New
York, has made a remarkable dis-
covery, that the Paris Exposition
may cost the Republicans the loss of
the presidential election. Far more
Americans will visit France this
season than ever before, he says, and
a large majority of them will be
Republicans. The crush will be such
that many of them will be unable to
secure return accommodations before
November, and so thousands of good,
prosperous Republican votes will be
held helpless abroad while the pover-
ty stricken Democrats at home will
proceed to carry off everything in
sight. Wakeman estimates that from
15,000 to 20,000 New Yorkers alone
will visit the Exposition, and enough
of them will be Republicans and will
be detained abroad to involve possi-
bly the loss of the Empire State to
McKinley. The situation would seem
to demand that the latter call in
some of his prosperity. There is too
much of it outstanding for his own
safety.

How The South Expands.

On the 1st of February there were
seventy three new cotton mills in pro-
cess of construction in the South
with \$46,810 spindles and a capital
of \$15,009,000. It is estimated that
during the month of February 125,
000 were added to this amount.
Moreover, great knitting plants were
proposed, and one factory went to
Newport News with \$1,200,000 of
Boston capital and another to States-
ville, N. C. with \$2,000,000 capital,
also from the north. The effect of
this transfer of the manufacturing in-
terests to the South has been appar-
ent in the price of cotton and the
great demand for raw material grown
in the immediate neighborhood.

This is the sort of expansion the
South needs and stands for. The
South will find no interest at all in
that form of expansion which will
force their cotton manufacturer to
move his mills to the Philippines in
order to get the advantage of labor at
6 cents a day.—Lake Charles Pres.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, APRIL, 13, 1900.

Senator Jones, chairman of the
Democratic National Committee, who
has just returned from New York,
ridicules the story that the anti Bryan
democrats, who are behind Dewey's
campaign, would get a Dewey dele-
gation sent from New York to the
Kansas City convention. He says
that Dewey's candidacy will cut no
figure at all in connection with the
democratic nomination for President;
that Col. Bryan will be nominated by
acclamation. And his opinion is
shared by practically all the demo-
crats in both branches of Congress.
It is said, although your correspond-
ent does not vouch for it, that Dewey's
backers have a lot of money to use
in buying the support of country
democratic papers, in order to try to
make it appear that there is a strong
democratic sentiment in favor of his
nomination. There is one drawback
to this scheme that will kill it. The
country democratic editors, although
mostly poor men, are not for sale.
In fact, the country editors of this
country have a record for incorrupti-
bility that any class of men might
well be proud of. They are constant-
ly imposed upon, and give more for
nothing than any set of men on
earth; but they very rarely sell them-
selves.

Secretary Gage having shown by
the figures sent to the House, in
answer to a resolution, that the war
taxes can be reduced at least \$90,
000,000 a year without embarrassing
the government, the democratic lead-
ers intend to try to make the republicans
tell why they will not agree to
make the reduction at this session.

The democrats of the House made
a good fight against the Porto Rico
bill but as they could not prevent re-
publicans swallowing their publicly
announced convictions they lacked a
few votes and could not defeat it.
The abandonment has been signed by
Mr. McKinley and the responsibility
of the republican party for it is now
compete.

The action of the Senate Commit-
tee on Elections in deciding by an un-
animous vote that Senator Clark, of
Montana, was not entitled to the seat
he holds, is considered more of a con-
demnation of Montana political meth-
ods than of Mr. Clark personally.
Senator Pettus spoke the thoughts of

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many of his colleagues when he said:
"I have more respect for Mr. Clark
than I have for those who have been
hounding him. I do not think the
use of \$100,000 or more in electing
Mr. Clark was warranted, but at the
same time I have no doubt that Mr.
Daly will spend at least \$125,000 in
prosecuting the case. I want to say,
also, that I do not believe Mr. Clark
was personally cognizant of the man-
ner in which the money was used."
Mr. Clark says he intends to get vi-
olated, but that is all he will say at
this time. There is little or no doubt
that the Senate will endorse the re-
port of the committee, if Mr. Clark's
resignation does not make a vote un-
necessary. Had the report been to
expel Mr. Clark a two third vote
would have been required to adopt
it, but as it simply declares him not
entitled to a seat a majority vote will
adopt it. There is a possibility that
Mr. Clark may forestall action by
resigning and seeking a reelection.

Representative Catchings, of Miss.,
is one of the democrats who thinks
that the ticket may be Bryan and
Dewey. Speaking of that probability
he said: "I feel sure that Dewey
would take the Vice Presidential
nomination, and think that is what
he is working for. He certainly
must appreciate the fact that he can-
not get the nomination for President
from Bryan, whose selection is abso-
lutely assured. At present no one is
named for second place who would
command as many votes as Dewey,
and, in fact, no one is suggested
whose name is universally accepted.
Bryan and Dewey can defeat Mr.
McKinley without any question."

Representative Talbot, of S. C.,
has a habit of saying pertinent things
which are sometimes in reverent. For
instance, when Representative Steele,
of Ind., who had boasted of being a
farmer, said, in answer to a question
by Representative Richardson, of
Tenn., that he raised "corn and
wheat, cattle and hogs," Mr. Talbot
threw the House into laughter by ad-
ding: "The gentleman will also raise
hell in Indiana."

Senator elect Blackburn sizes up
the political outlook thusly: "In my
Congressional experience of 25 years
I have never known a Congress in
control of either party that made as
many political blunders. If we can't
wipe out the republicans in Novem-
ber on the blunders made thus far by
the Fifty-sixth Congress we ought
to go out of business. They have
made up the issues of imperialism,
militarism and trusts exactly to our
liking. Indeed, if they had delib-
erately started in to make a good job
for us they could not have done bet-
ter. Having these facts in mind I
feel certain that the republican man-
agers will hasten the close of the
session, and welcome the day when
they can breathe easy again so far as
Congress is concerned. For this
reason I do not believe any effort
will be made to force the ship sub-
sidy bill through. The republicans
are not looking for more trouble, un-
less they have gone crazy; and I
don't believe they have."

Says the States:

A "vandal" bridegroom, while re-
cently on his honeymoon trip to
Washington, broke off the head of a
miniature Diana that decorates the
interior of the Washington monument
and presented it to his duckie as a
souvenir. He was arrested and fined
a paltry sum of one dollar by a fool
police magistrate, to the intense dis-
gust of the superintendent of public
buildings. This official, by the way,
makes the astonishing statement that
eight out of ten of the mutilators
caught, so far, are ministers and that
of the 177 memorial tablets but seven
are still intact. These clerical gen-
try should be stripped of their robes and
slapped in prison.

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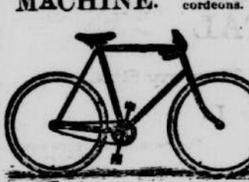
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