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BRIGHTER OUTLOOK FOR DEMOCRACY?

It is really wonderful and amusing to see how a little success will encourage the Democracy. Until recently there has been no effort on the part of intelligent, well-informed Democratic newspapers to conceal the fact that there was very little hope of their party succeeding in the Presidential election next year.

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The Atlanta Constitution has declared that: "The understanding is growing that the Republican party is not now and cannot be a national party."

We are unable to see anything shown by the results of the late elections in Kentucky, Maryland and New York to warrant the conclusion that the pendulum of popular sentiment throughout the Union is swinging "toward the Democratic end of the arc."

PREPARE YOURSELF. One of the most dangerous provisions of the Constitution affecting the electorate of the State is that which provides for the payment of a poll tax as a prerequisite to voting after 1904.

Now what about New York? Did our Norfolk contemporary recollect that the Tammany plurality in New York City at the election on the 3rd inst. was just about half what the plurality was in the State election one year ago?

As we have already stated this is one of the most dangerous and vicious provisions of the new Constitution. That it was intended to deprive men of their right to vote and curtail the electorate of the State is conclusively shown by the concluding sentence of Sec. 22, which says: "The collection of the state poll tax assessed against any one shall not be enforced by legal process until the same has become three years past due."

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A RESTRICTED ELECTORATE. One of the principal objects declared by the Virginia Democracy for making a new constitution was to secure a restricted electorate. Among those who were most eager to reduce or restrict the electorate was Mr. Carter Glass, who now represents the Sixth District in Congress.

the owner and publisher of the Lynchburg News. His pet scheme of restriction has put the electorate of Lynchburg in a very aggravated form of restriction. From an article: "Pay The Poll Tax," published in the Lynchburg News of the 13th inst. it seems that the voting list of that city has been fearfully reduced, and further reductions are certain to be made.

From the record at the office of the City Treasurer it is seen that 3,148 white men in Lynchburg are assessed for the poll tax of \$1.50. There are 1,538 colored men, making a total of 4,686. As above stated there are in Lynchburg 2,215 registered white voters, and deducting this from the total assessed number for capita-tion and you have 933 white men in the city of Lynchburg who have not had their names placed on the registration books.

We find that nearly one-half the men of voting age in Lynchburg, the wealthiest and most progressive city of its size in the South, perhaps in the United States, have been disfranchised by the new suffrage law of this number 933 are white men. There are 2,018 men who are denied the right to vote but are assessed for taxation.

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It is not only possible but probable that more than one-half the registered white voters will not pay their poll taxes in time to vote at said election. If this does occur the City of Lynchburg will have less than twenty-five per cent. of its tax-payers qualified to exercise suffrage and to vote for those who shall direct its affairs for a term of years.

The condition at Lynchburg is no exception, but will be found to be the rule in all the cities and counties of the State. It will be ascertained that the registration laws and the poll tax qualification for voting will ultimately reduce the number of qualified voters to an alarming and dangerous extent. Without something is done to relieve the situation our State will pass under the control of a small minority of its citizens, and three-fourths of the wealth-producers and tax-payers will have no voice in the government.

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A Southern Democrat's Approval. New Orleans Times-Democrat. The people will approve the action taken by the Government in regard to Panama. That our course there is right and proper is shown not only by Secretary Hay, but by the approval of the European Powers. The secession of Panama has been under discussion on the isthmus for months, and the Colombian authorities were as well aware of it as our own.

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Mr. Bryan says: "Mr. Cleveland has done more business on less capital than any man who has ever held so high an office as President of the United States."

Mr. Folkes, a member of the House of Delegates from the City of Richmond, has introduced a bill to amend the so-called Barksdale pure election law. Mr. Folkes considers the law a joke and is justified in his conclusions. Mr. Barksdale, the author of the bill made public speeches in Henrico county before the late election, advocating the merits of a candidate who had confessed that he used both money and whiskey in violation of the provisions of the law.

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LABOR "PICKETS" ILLEGAL. Punished by a Judge in Chicago for Interfering With Workmen. Chicago Chronicle (Dem.)

In visiting condign punishment upon "pickets" who disregarded his injunction Judge Holdom at once vindicated the authority of the Court and rendered an important service not only to the public but to the labor organizations.

It is necessary to give the trades unions to understand plainly that their members are as much bound to obey the laws as any other members of society. Union members have come to think that acts which would be criminal if committed by others are innocent when committed by them.

It is necessary that they should be taught that a trades union has no right to order and its members have no right to do anything criminal or unlawful, and that no wrong act is in the least excused or palliated by the fact that the man who commits it belongs to a trades union or acts in obedience to the orders of a union or its officers.

RAILROAD WRECKS. A Large Number of Late, due Apparently to Carelessness. Baltimore Herald. In the last five or six years the public has settled down to a feeling of comparative safety in traveling on railway trains.

The record for the past week was five bad wrecks—the ill-fated wreck on the Santa Fe, in Missouri, in which Mrs. Booth-Tucker lost her life and others were killed and severely wounded; the wreck of the Colorado Chicago fier, in which thirty trainmen and passengers were injured; the wreck on the Big Four, in Indiana, which has resulted in sixteen fatalities, principally football players; a collision between an express and a commuters' train in New Jersey, over twelve injured; and the wreck of the Kanasha and Michigan passenger train in West Virginia, in which the engineer was killed and a number injured.

Personal Notes. Dr. H. F. Swanback, the oldest living Old Fellow in Nebraska, is the only man in that State who wears the Iron Cross of Prussia, presented to him by Frederick IV.

Baron Speck von Sternberg, the German Ambassador to the United States, has disposed of the business connected with his Saxon estate, which took him to Berlin, and will sail for New York on November 17.

Otis E. Allis, the oldest living male child born in Nebraska, resides at Mentons Station, Ia., just across the river from Omaha. He is the son of the first Nebraska missionary of which there is any account given.

Prof. Charles Ziebelin, of the University of Chicago, says that city has the most insignificant park system in the United States, and in park acreage near the bottom of a list of cities with a population of 100,000 or more.

Democracy's Only Hope. Omaha Bee. When the railroads shall have all gone into the hands of receivers and the wheels of the mills and factories ceased to hum, when the wage-worker is again reduced to enforced idleness, then Democracy in Nebraska will feel at home and look for an endorsement for the consummation of its wishes.

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SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.

The operating expense of a bank with a capital of \$100,000 is 2.34 per cent. of the loans and discounts, but the operating expenses are only 1.33 per cent. if the bank have a capital of \$1,000,000 or more.

Fog kept in filtered water will die. This is because the nutriment in the fluid has been filtered out of it. What is nutriment to the fish, however, proves injurious to mankind when it is taken in a beverage.

Cranberry culture is the greatest gamble in the entire trout industry. In a successful year a good bog often nets the grower 20 per cent. on his investment. But the very next season he may lose his entire crop.

The house fly, with a total life of about ten days, develops in these periods: Egg from laying to hatching, one-third of a day; hatching of larva to first molt, one day; second molt to pupation, three days; pupation to issuing of the adult, five days.

About a square mile of France has been worn away by the English Channel in the last five years. In North Brittany has been noted a gradual subsidence of the land which has been in progress since 709, at which time the Channel Islands were joined to the coast by an isthmus.

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Stepped Against a Hot Stove. A child of Mrs. Geo. T. Benson, when getting his usual Saturday night bath, stepped back against a hot stove which burned him severely.

A Scientific Discovery. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure does for the stomach that which it is unable to do for itself, even when but slightly disordered or over-loaded. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure supplies the natural juices of digestion and does the work of the stomach, relaxing the nervous tension, while the digested particles of that organ are allowed to rest and heal.

Railroad Abuses not Easily Ended. Railroad Age. Railroad officials are not ignorant that abuses exist. They know of many things that they would like to change, but which without concurrent action they cannot alter.

A Remarkable Case. One of the most remarkable cases of a cold, deep seated on the lungs, causing pneumonia, is that of Mrs. Gertrude E. Fenner, Marion, Ind., who was entirely cured by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. She says: "The coughing and straining so weakened me that I ran down in weight from 148 to 92 pounds. I tried a number of remedies to no avail until I used One Minute Cough Cure. Four bottles of this wonderful remedy cured me entirely of the cough, strengthened my lungs and restored me to my normal weight, health and strength."

A Good Sign. Cleveland Leader. The total capital of new corporations, of the larger class, organized in the States of the Atlantic seaboard last month, was only about one-third as great as that of the same kind of companies formed in October, 1902.

Cured of Piles After 40 Years. Mr. C. J. J. Geneva, of Geneva, O., had the piles for 40 years. Doctors and dollars could do him no lasting good. Dr. J. E. Jackson's Dr. J. E. Jackson's Druggist.

A Startling Test. To save a life, Dr. T. G. Merritt, of No. Methoopy, Pa., made a startling test resulting in a wonderful cure. He writes: "A patient was attacked with violent hemorrhages, caused by ulceration of the stomach. I tried Electric Bitters for several days, but it did not relieve. I prescribed them. The patient gained from the first, and has not had an attack in 14 months."

A Sure Thing. It is said that nothing is sure except death and taxes, but that is not altogether true. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is a sure cure for all lung and throat troubles. Thousands can testify to that. Mrs. C. B. VanMetre of Shepherds-town, W. Va., says: "I had a severe case of Bronchitis, and for a year tried everything I heard of, but got no relief. One bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery then cured me absolutely. It is infallible for Croup, Whooping Cough, Grip, Pneumonia and Consumption. Try it. It is guaranteed by Jno. E. Jackson, druggist. Trials bottles free. Reg. size 50c, \$1.00.

The Best Remedy for Croup. From the Atchison, Kan. Daily Globe. This is the season when the woman who knows the best remedies for croup is in demand every neighborhood. One of the most terrible things in the world is to be awakened in the middle of the night by a whoop from one of the children. The croup remedies are almost as sure to be lost, in case of croup, as a revolver is sure to be lost in case of burglars.

Very Rev. Godfrey Schilling, a Cincinnati priest, who was for many years connected with the Franciscan College, has just received a notable distinction among his brethren in distant Egypt in being appointed to the office of guardian of one of the largest monasteries of the Franciscan order in the world.

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Pope Pius X speaks French fluently and can read German as well as Italian.

Quick Arrest. J. A. Gulledege of Verbena, Ala., was twice in the hospital from a severe case of piles causing 24 tumors. After doctors and all remedies failed, Bucken's Arctica Salve quickly arrested further inflammation and cured him. It conquers aches and kills pain. 25c at Jno. E. Jackson's, druggist.

Henry Sanger Snow has resigned the presidency of the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute.

Made Young Again. "One of Dr. King's New Life Pills will cure you in two weeks but put me in my 'teens' again" writes Dr. H. Turner of Dumpsytown, Pa. They're the best in the world for Liver, Stomach and Bowels. Purely vegetable. Never gripe. Only 25c at Jno. E. Jackson's drug store.

William C. Whitney has decided to move his noted houses from Kentucky to New Jersey, probably near Eatontown.

What to do Until the Doctor Comes. "One of my children was taken with cramp colic and suffered severely," says S. B. Elder, of Monett, Mo. "I telephoned for a doctor, then gave a dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and a few minutes later a second dose. Before the doctor came the child was relieved." For sale by Jno. E. Jackson, druggist.

It is reported that Secretary of State Rose, of Illinois, will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor of his State.

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The theologian therefore began the carving, relates the Chicago Daily News. The baron was tendered the head of the fowl, the baroness the neck, and the two daughters a wing apiece, and the two sons a first joint, the monk retaining the remainder. "According to what interpretation do you make such a division?" inquired the host of his confessor, as he regarded the monk's heaping plate and the scant portions doled out to the family. "From an interpretation of my own," replied the monk. "As the master of your house the head belongs to you by right; the baroness, being most near to you should receive the neck, which is the nearest to the head; in the wings the young girls will recognize a symbol of their mobile thoughts, that fly from one desire to another; as to the young barons, the drumsticks they have received will remind them that they are responsible for supporting your house, as the legs of the capon support the bird itself."

Telegraphic Shorthand. A complete telegraphic system of shorthand has been laboriously worked out by Mr. A. C. Barone and named "Pentagraphy, Section Paper." It consists in a reduction of the Morse alphabet to ten short characters or sounds, which are so manipulated by a key as to express anything and everything by them in such a way as to give the public greater privileges, while at the same time immensely reducing the work of the telegraph operator. A set of automatic instruments is now being made which will, it is said, make messages so cheap that they will be largely used instead of letters.

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SELECTING A WATERMELON.

There Are a Number of Ways, But This One is Said to Be Better Than Any.

Good, sound watermelons, not cracked, kept in a shady place, will keep three or four weeks. Many attempts have been made to keep them all winter, but the fruit preservers have not made much of a success of it, says the New York Herald.

The scene at the great freight piers is a busy one when a cargo of watermelons comes in. News of the arrival is soon spread among the dealers, and at whatever hour in the day or night it may be, the trucks of the commission merchants or dealers crowd the piers.

No attempt is made to handle the melons in bulk or in barrels. They must be passed out from hand to hand, and long lines of men are formed for this purpose. There is always a crowd of youngsters--Italians and negroes--at the depot to catch a stray melon that is cracked or broken, and the dismembered parts are soon gobbled and disappear in a gulp.

There are various ways of telling a good watermelon. Some persons say they can, by pressing the sides together, hear, in a good, sound, ripe melon, a peculiar sound of crispness like that of celery. A well-known expert gives these directions:

"Lay the melon on its back, with white part up, scratch the skin of the lightest part with your finger nail. If the skin is tender and the melon is yet firm to the pressure of the finger, so that you can with difficulty pierce it with your nail, it is probably a good melon."

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