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THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS FOR DEMOCRAT GERRYMANDERS.

Republican Fairness Alone Saved the State From Greater Expense--- The Greed of the Democratic Squawbucks Receives a Well-Merited Rebuke.

The recent session of the legislature was in every sense an unwarrantable and unjustifiable imposition on the people. It resulted in an unnecessary people. It resulted in an unnecessary expenditure of funds that ought to be still lying in the treasury of the state. It cost the state \$5,377.68 for pay and mileage of members, while the cost of printing laws, journals, bills and maps of new districts will swell the grand total to \$8,000. This is the latest item of the waste imposed upon the state by a Democratic administration.

The call of the session was made to pass laws that should have been passed at the regular session, and which would have been passed then had the "squawbuck" legislature had in view the interests of the people instead of the in-terests of the Democratic party. "Dressed in a little brief authority" the Democratic legislature attempted to steal the state. United States Senator and all. The gross injustice and flagrant unconstitutionality of the apportionment acts of 1891 were too much for the Supreme Court to sanction. As well might the honorable tribunal have been asked to protect the thief caught carrying off his ill-gotten booty, as to justify the apportionment acts of 1891. Those acts were swept aside as too outrageous to be allowed longer to disgrace the statute books of Michigan. disgrace the statute books of Michigan.
Justice Morse, whose loyalty to
Democracy is unchallenged, said of the
House apportionment: "The apportionment act of 1891 is void, because it
undertook to dismember Houghton
county and because the constitution
was also violated in giving [Democratical counties two representatives cratic] counties two representatives, having a less population than [Re-publican] counties which were ac-corded but one." The words in brackets have been inserted to show brackets have been inserted to show the facts and to indicate how the con-stitution was violated in the interests of Democracy. The unlawful dis-memberment of Houghton county was made for the same purpose. Justice McGrath, the other Democratic mem-ber of the Supreme Court, does not hesitate to stigmatize the "squawbuck" grasp at unlawful dominion in Michigrasp at unlawful dominion in Michigan as usurpation. Speaking of the senatorial re-arrangement of 1891, he says: "The purpose of the con-stitutional enactment is to secure as nearly as possible equality of representation. Any apportionment that defeats that purpose is vicious, contrary not only to the letter but to the spirit of our institutions and subversive of popular government. *Power structures of popular go SECURED OR PERPETUATED BY UNCON-STITUTIONAL METHODS IS FOWER USURPED and usurpation of power is a menace to free institutions." For these reasons the apportionment acts of 1891 were wiped out. What was the result? The state government was left sadly crippled in one of its de-partments—all on account of Demo-

cratic misrule. An extra session was made necessary to repair the mischief done by a Democratic legislature, at the behest of the Democratic bosses, who desired to elect one of their number to the United States Senate. The session was called by the Gov-ernor and then, as the Lansing Republican graphically describes it:

Every employe who was foxy enough to get there, cuspider artists, clerks, janitors, doorkeepers, pages and a raft of others, all come in on the \$3 per diem rule and mile-age grab. The services rendered to the state have been in the line of loading and lounging about and keeping on the shady side of the capitol building. The clamor for pay orders on Saturday afternion was deafening.

And so the expense was piled up. The state has paid dearly for its experience with Democracy.

That the session was not any longer and more expensive to the taxpayers of the state is due entirely to the wise and patriotic stand of the Republican minority. Before the convening of the two houses, the Republican State Central Committee, not in any way dictation, action, but acting as an advisors. tral Committee, not in any way dictating action, but acting as an advisory council, suggested to the Republican members an offer of co-operation with the Democrats in the formulation of fair bills, which both parties could support. In accordance with this suggestion the following offer mas made by the Republican senatorial caucus: the Republican senatorial caucus:

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"To the Chairman of the Democrat senatorial caucus: Sir—Assuming that yourself and those associated with you are equally solicitous with us for the early enactment of reapportionment bills in conformity with the opinion and instructions of the Supreme Court, to the end that measures which shall be recognized as fair and just, by all the citizens of Michigan, may be formulated and that the taxpayers be spared the burden of expense attendant upon a prolonged session of the legislature, we are authorized by the Republican members of the senate to submit the following proposition, viz: That a committee fairly constituted to represent the Republican, Democrat and People's parties shall be named by their respective caucuses who shall be charged with the duty of formulating bills to be presented for approval of the said caucuses, and upon an agreement being reached, to be presented for action in the legislature.

(Signed) "A Milnes, W. H. Withington, Jos. M. Weiss, R L Taylor, A O Wheeler."

The Democrats in the Senate, after

The Democrats in the Senate, after vainly trying for a half a day to rally their forces for the passage of partisan measures and finding that they could not use the party whip with success on members enough to pass a bill, finally made a virtue of necessity and agreed to compromise measures. The gradity to compromise measures. The credit of shortening the session and of securing measurably fair apportionments be-longs to the Republican minority in the Legislature.

The investigation of the Alabama election now being made by the Alliance people is opening their eyes.

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ANOTHER LARCENY.

HOW IT WAS PLANNED AND DEFEATED AT LANSING.

Fair Re-Apportionment Secured by the Republicans in Spite of the Demo sses-Michigan Saved from Another Disgraceful Gerrymander.

That the State of Michigan has been saved from the disgrace of another par-tisan gerrymander is to be credited to the Republican party.
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It became evident before the legisla-ture convened that the Democrats were preparing to go to any lengths to pass a partisan measure, in open defiance of the principles of fair apportionment laid down by the Supreme Court. The state organ of the Democratic party— the Detroit Free Press—published labored editorials to prepare its party for an endorsement of another attempt to steal the legislature. For several days prior to the meeting of the legisdays prior to the meeting of the legis-lature that organ teemed with denun-ciations of the Supreme Court opinions in the gerrymander cases as an unwarrantable interference with "legislative discretion." It maintained that legis-lative districts could not be formed without doing violence to justice, and it framed an elaborate scheme for the evasion of the Supreme Court opinions and the perpetration of another gerry-mander. It openly defended the vi-cious practice, which is so dangerous to the very existence of our free institu-

The Democratic State Central Committee had prepared two bills for enactment, fully as outrageous in their character as the acts of 1891, which the Supreme Court declared unlawful. Supreme Court declared unlawful. That committee made no secret of its intention to force those bills through the legislature. Secretary Hosford openly declared at Lansing: "We are not here for pleasure, but to pass bills in our own interests, and by — we're going to pass them." He declared also that they would rush them through before Saturday night and go home. It was also known to be a part of the scheme to prepare for election and act scheme to prepare for election and act under such laws, although not ordered to take immediate effect. The Democrats, in other words, stood ready to rush through a partisan gerry-mander and then perfect their plans to steal the state, under laws not yet in force, as they had not votes enough in either house to give the bills immediate effect.

Republicans also had reason to be lieve, even before the legislature convened, that Governor Winans had prepared a grossly partisan message, which was intended as an encouragement to Democratic schemes to saddle "squawbuck" dominion upon the people of Michigan, and the message justified their fears. His message was a defense of the gerrymander and a sneer at the Supreme Court. Like the Free Press, he virtually told the Supreme Court that it had meddled with something that was none of its business. this offensive sentence: "That you are again compelled to legislate upon this important matter seems due to your having followed the precedents set by former legislatures, and to your having accepted the theory that the legislature is an independent coordinate branch of the state government, whose province is to determine the political divisions of the commonwealth." Everything betokened an attempt to override constitution, law and justice in the interest of another Demogratic partison appropriananother Democratic partisan apportion

Well knowing that bills could not be lawfully passed as soon as the Demo-crats boldly asserted they would pass them, unless Republicans consented to suspend the rules or the Democrats grossly violated them as they did in 1891, the Republican members of the Senate put themselves on guard to defend the state against any more Demo-cratic outrages. Warned by their ex-periences of 1891, they stood on the

watch for treachery.
What was the first Democratic move? It was an attempt to do away with the rules of the Senate that stood in the way of Boss Hosford's plans. The scheme was sprung upon the Republi-cans without a word of warning. Not having a two-thirds majority to sus-pend the rules, the Democrats assumed that the Senate had no rules and then proposed to adopt those of 1891, except one that interfered with their plans. This flagrant and shameless proposi-tion unmasked the Democracy. The partisan rulings of Lieut.-Gov. Strong, made to carry out the scheme, were but a confirmation of the Republican susa confirmation of the Republican sus-picions. The battle against Democratic usurpation was waged until almost midnight, when the Democratic major-ity, aided by partisan and unjust rul-ings from Lieut.-Gov. Strong, prevailed against law and precedent. A rule which could be abolished or suspended only by a two-thirds vote was set aside by a bare majority.

The Democrats accused the Republi-

cans of filibustering and wasting time, but it was well for the State of Michigan that the Republicans took a manly stand against so gross a violation of law and practice. Never before in the history of the state was a legislative day more profitably spent for the peo-ple. Republican opposition was the rock upon which the Democratic gerrymander was wrecked. The struggle over the rules revealed the fact that, while the Democrats had a majority of the Senators voting, they had not the constitutional majority requisite to pass a bill. They then gave up the fight for a gerrymander and listened to Republican propositions for a fair ap-portionment. Thus it is that the state was saved by Republican firmness from was saved by Republican firmness from another gerrymander. The people will appreciate this fact and give a signifi-cant token of their appreciation next November.

Attorney-General Ellis renounced the Democratic party when he was nominated by the People's party. Perhaps his renunciation of the Democracy was akin to Don M. Dickin-son's similar renunciation a few years

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