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AMUSEMENTS TO-NIGHT. Alhambra—'Patience.' Ford's—'The Divorced.' Herold's—'The Divorced.' Theatre Comique—'The Divorced.' Theatre Comique—'The Divorced.'

Our Public Servants. Beginning with the day succeeding the inauguration of President Cleveland, the Washington correspondents—and the Washington newspapers, for that matter—have ground out a deluge of sympathy for the Cabinet officers...

Only yesterday, it is alleged by a morning contemporary, the Cabinet minister was compelled to close his doors on the mob for fear of being trampled to death.

There has never been a word of truth in those startling assertions, and their "damnable libelation" has worked more prejudice to the leading office-holders than all their refusals to make desired appointments.

The right of petition continues to be a divine right, and the newspapers which represent our public servants as running away from their sworn duties or seeking to avoid that which they knew must follow their acceptance of office, are doing a grave injustice to the Cabinet.

Therefore, the newspapers that represent the office-seekers as "a howling mob," and the Cabinet as fleeing from that which they have no right to seek to avoid, are doing the gravest injustice to the Administration, and working a prejudice that years of great deeds may not remove.

Now that the Government clerks are assured that the present Administration will only enforce the Civil Service law, it may not occasion alarm to say that practical Republican statesmen like Senator Plumb are opposed to many of the Civil-Service features.

It is a pleasant fiction—which some clerks and officials have repeated so often as to become themselves convinced of its truth—that about nine-tenths of the present employes are experts, and so independent that they would go to smash without their services.

Senator Plumb, like a great many statesmen, is opposed to the creation of an office-holding class as an idea repugnant to every principle of free government. He believes that removals in a certain class of offices should not be made for political reasons.

This would furnish the Government with a constant stream of bright, active men now, and raise up a crop of great statesmen for the future. Moreover, such a course would prevent the building up of an office-holding class, and save hundreds of men from being dwarfed in body and mind by the routine of twenty years or more of Government employment.

It is a government where every citizen is a voter, and the humblest rag-picker a possible candidate for the Presidency. It does not appear to be necessary to build up an office-holding class as a specially favored few, whose knowledge of public affairs is to make them forever indispensable to the Government.

mate of shame and fraud could be called upon. Yet Judge Pettit told the court that the ghostly visitants in whom he believed told him there were cities and schools, churches, railroads, gas-works and live theatres in the night-world...

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