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OUR EXCHANGE list is very large, embracing all shades of political opinion throughout the state. But two papers in the entire lot used to represent the year in order to represent the year of victory. Whether this change is because the party emblems from the ballot considered it consistent to refrain from using emblems after the election, or whether all but two have realized that the silly custom has grown to be antediluvian, we are unable to determine. Probably the exceptions represent the only surviving untried rock-ribbed champions of their party?

"No Use to Vote." Let us see. According to the returns in Maryland, one hundred votes, properly distributed throughout the state, would have changed the majority in the House of Delegates, and, in all probability, this would have meant a different United States Senator from the one who will be chosen. In Carroll county, there was a stay-at-home vote of over 1000, as compared with the vote of two years ago, an average of about 50 to each district. Suppose this vote had been out the year, what would have been the result?

Again, fully 500 votes cast in the county were thrown aside as defect, i. e., Suppose all had been properly marked and counted, what effect might this have had on the result? One candidate was short of election, only 15 votes. Every district in the county contained many more voters in his own party than enough to have elected him. How is it true that "It is of no use to vote?"

Do you know that not a man elected from this county, this year, received a majority of the registered voters in the county? Do you know that Judge Reifsnider, the highest man on either ticket, had 885 votes short of having a majority of all the registered voters in the county? Do you know that over 1500 voters in Carroll failed to exercise their privilege this year? Possibly, many of them considered it "no use to vote."

If one party in this county had a large majority, and if the party came out in full force, the minority party might then become discouraged, and not vote. As it is, neither party has a large majority, even on a full vote, and there is never any assurance as to how fully the vote will be out; therefore, there is always "use to vote." Besides, everybody ought always have the courage of their convictions and stand up for them, no matter what others may do or say.

Those who say "It's no use to vote," are the very ones who would make the most fuss about it if they were not allowed to vote—a taste of which, many had this year. Some are inclined to the belief that voting should be a compulsory privilege; that the real rule of the majority which they had, otherwise. We are not prepared to advocate such strenuous regulations, but certainly have no very high opinion of the good-citizenship of those who can participate in elections, but do not.

Philadelphia's Disgrace. The Republican machine has again been successful in Philadelphia, which does not necessarily mean that the majority of the voters supported the ticket. With repeating, ballot-box stuffing and false returns—the entire machinery of elections in the control of the ring—it is difficult to understand how the people of the city will ever be able to secure honest government and majority rule. It is also difficult to understand how a Republican paper in that city can boast of having been "the only one" to support the ring ticket, when its so-called victory stands for the rankest corruption.

New York, with its powerful Tammany organization, has always been given fair elections, at least, no matter what disgraceful practices may be chargeable to the power, which has just been so effectually exposed. Philadelphia's ring is probably more corrupt than that of New York, in every respect, and, in addition, takes care that its continuance in power is placed beyond the chance of meeting Tammany's fate.

Pennsylvania republicans must begin at the bottom—at the primaries—to root out this nest of corruption, this travesty on civilization, the Philadelphia ring. The state needs a Roosevelt.

Proven Unsatisfactory. The Centreville Observer (Dem) in its last issue, gives evidence of a troubled conscience over the new election law, in the following words: "Now, that the Democrats control the Legislature, it would be advisable to take serious thought concerning the election law. In our opinion it has been given a fair test and has proven unsatisfactory. It is too far in advance of the spirit of the times. In principle it is right, but in practice it has proven a dismal failure. For these rapid moving times it is too slow for even the educated to toil along with, let alone the belated illiterate who doesn't know his 'head from a hole in the ground' when he enters an election booth. We hope that the next legislature will formulate some system of voting that will prove satisfactory to all classes. We hope that it will not resort to the miserable excuse of an Australian ballot. If not-

happier can be devised let us return to that simple Democratic system of handing your ticket in at the window. At any rate they can profit from the old negro bishop's advice to an obstreperous class leader "go down, brother, and take a back seat" when they deal with the new election law. The above has a decidedly "tend justifies the means" sound, in common with the late confession of the Baltimore Sun on the same subject. In both instances it seems to us that our contemporaries make the honest admission that the extra session and its product was such a bad break that "any old thing" will be better in its place. As a make-shift, to bridge over an imagined emergency, the "too far in advance" law answered the purpose by a heart-disease finish, but now it "must take a back seat" as an uncertain invention liable to go off at the wrong end.

The Observer seems to hanker after a return to the "simple Democratic system of handing your ticket in at the window." While this system may have been "simply Democratic" in its day, there are too many unsavory recollections in connection with it to seriously recommend its re-adoption. We accept the hasty confession of the Observer, that the new law is very, very bad, but hope it will not, in its extreme penitence, commit itself to a remedy infinitely worse.

How they Like It. The following paragraphs, clipped from a few of our exchanges, represent the various shades of political opinion throughout the state on the result of the election and the workings of the Gorman election law, and are quite interesting. We commend them to the careful dissection of intelligent readers.

DEMOCRATIC. The operations of the new ballot seem to have affected the Democrats as much as the Republicans.—Baltimore City Democrat. Under the circumstances the honest, thoroughgoing Democrats are to be congratulated upon the glorious victory achieved, though we mourn the loss of two of the members of the Legislature. It is a more glorious victory because it defeated the treachery of the men who were "wolves in sheep's clothing."—Advocate—Westminster.

It is a rather sad commentary upon the intelligence of the white man, when we have, out of the great number of spoiled ballots in this county, a big majority of them cast by Democrats. Many Democrats who could not read or write, would listen to the words of condemnation of the new election law by Republicans and either remain away from the polls or go and vote without knowing how. They would take the advice and considered it an insult to offer it. On the other hand, the Republicans had no trouble. They handled the negro by appealing to his prejudice and the illiterates by showing the great outrage to his right of suffrage.—Frederick Citizen. The two chief incidents of the election are the number of ballots which were thrown out because of bad marking and the closeness of the result. The first was to be expected, because to vote correctly the new ballot required some small amount of intelligence, small to be sure, but more than many of the wholly illiterate possessed. The closeness of the result is a surprise to us, because we had looked for a decisive democratic victory.—Maryland Republican (Annapolis).

One of the gratifying circumstances of the success which the Democracy achieved was the election of a solid delegation to the House of Delegates. The Legislature being Democratic in both bodies, there is no obstacle in the way of carrying out the program of the United States Senate, where he so signally served and honored his State for eighteen years, during which time he upheld the honor and dignity of the State, and showed that he was well worthy the confidence reposed in him.—Journal (Towson).

A test was given the new ballot law of this State last Tuesday, and if the leading press of the State be taken as the criterion of its efficacy, the law is very unsatisfactory. It is pronounced too non-practical in its operation, as well as slow and tedious.—Centreville Record. The result was a great surprise to the Democrats, who, while they were confident of carrying the election, fully expected to elect their delegate ticket. The fact that it has gone so overwhelmingly republican is beyond our comprehension. From figures obtained it appears probable that twice as many ballots were spoiled by white voters as by colored voters, and that the loss fell most heavily upon the democratic party. Consequently the Democratic houses were framed the new law failed in this one particular.—Register, (Middletown).

It would be difficult to find a Baltimore county election official who will speak approvingly of the new ballot law. Under it the counting of the votes entails four times the work upon the judges and clerks as the former law did, and this is by no means the only objectionable thing about it. It is bungling, bungling throughout, and ought to be repealed, no matter which party controls the Legislature.—Union, (Towson).

The leading Democratic paper of the South, the Baltimore Sun, has expressed an opinion on our new election law. It took the Sun over seven months to call the particular attention of the gentlemen to our Sauskin Gloves. It is said that after that long period of time in so doing, gives expression that one bad feature of the law is that in this live age the court thereunder is too slow. Well, we had hoped and believed the Sun astute enough to long ago perceive the law was a failure, and had hoped it would not have waited until the robbery, for which the law was enacted, was completed, to have expressed an opinion.—Dorchester Standard.

Under the circumstances the Democrats have little to boast of in the meagre victory which, at this writing, they seem to have won. They have practically demonstrated that the people are not with them in the methods they have adopted. They have succeeded by a very narrow margin (suffering the loss of one State candidate and possibly the other also) and that, after the lavish expenditure of money, the practice of disreputable trickery, and the disfranchisement of many voters. The fruits of such a victory cannot be very grateful to those of its beneficiaries, as possess any real sense of fairness.—American Sentinel.

The election in Kent county and throughout Maryland on Tuesday was a travesty upon the time honored institution of recording popular will. The intricate and deceptive election law framed by the Legislature and the Gorman-Smith extra session politicians proved a snare and puzzle to the illiterate and unfortunate voters for

which it was designed. As the result many thousands of poor and honest citizens of the state were deprived of the right to vote, and of having their votes counted when cast.—Chester-town Enterprise. Tuesday, November 5, 1901, was a great day for the Republicans of old Frederick county, and each and every man did his duty in helping to defeat the select group of professional politicians who would rob the poor and unfortunate of their right of franchise. We do not gloat over the victory, nor do we claim all of the honor for ourselves, for we know that there were many fair minded and liberty-loving Democrats who helped to bring about this result.—Frederick Examiner.

INDEPENDENT. Many an honest citizen and taxpayer lost his vote on Tuesday by the operations of the new election law. Large numbers of defective ballots were thrown out and several blank votes were cast in the county.—Journal, Oakland.

The JOURNAL protests against any republican antagonism to Mr. Gorman's candidacy for re-election to a seat in the United States Senate, because all hostility of that character, expressed or implied, active or even inert, is rank ingratitude. Gorman is undoubtedly the best friend, inside or out, the republican party ever had in State or Nation.—Journal, (Frostburg).

It is thought 20,000 votes cast were rejected, and when expense and labor of this years election that started with that extra Legislative session, has attended it since, and will end; God only knows, we reckon. It may take several weeks, several months or several years before this election is done with. And when it is done many that should, will never know how it was done.—Pilot, (Union Bridge).

Whether the lack of interest in the election was purely indifference as to who should manage the affairs of the county and State, or whether it was due to the new election law, which received its first thorough test on Tuesday, or through the influence of political persuasion, we cannot say. As to the new election law, it met with the approval of some persons, whilst by others it was vigorously condemned.—Emm's Form of Chronicle.

So far as the new form of ballot was expected to prevent illiterates from voting, the result must be a great disappointment to the framers of the election law passed at the extra session of the legislature.—Frederick News. To the Public. Allow me to say a few words in praise of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I had a very severe cough and cold and feared I would get pneumonia, but after taking the second dose of this medicine I felt better, three bottles of it cured my cold and the contents in my chest disappeared entirely. I am most respectfully yours for health. RALPH S. MEYERS, 64 Thirtieth St., Wheeling, W. Va. For sale by R. S. McKinney, Druggist, Taneytown, Md.

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TANEYTOWN LOCAL COLUMN.

Current Items of Local News, of Special Interest to Home Readers.

Mrs. Jacob Buntington is seriously ill with a complication of troubles. A considerable acreage of corn still remains to be husked in this district. The first snow-squall of the season put in its appearance on Thursday morning.

Rev. L. A. Bush is reported to have tendered his resignation as pastor of the Jefferson church.

Mrs. Virginia M. Horner, of Harney, has been granted a widow's pension of \$8.00 per month.

It is said that thieving in the neighborhood of Harney is being investigated by the Grand Jury.

Mrs. Mabel Cover, (nee LeFevre) and child, of Narrows, Va., are visiting at M. H. Reindollar's.

Samuel H. Little attended the Lutheran Conference, at Manchester, also the State C. E. Convention in Baltimore.

It is reported that the old Haugh property, on the square, now owned by Miss Harriet Bollinger, is about to change hands.

The condition of the growing wheat in this section is very unsatisfactory, due chiefly to lack of rain. It is thin on the ground and not healthy in appearance.

The old brick hotel property on the N. E. Cor. of public square, owned by Elliot & Shoemaker, is offered at public sale on the 30th. See advertisement in another column.

The fact that thirty-seven improperly marked ballots were cast in this district, is somewhat discouraging. Evidently, there are still some people who do not subscribe for the Record, or, if they do, fail to read it.

Several days steady rain are greatly needed, as well as getting low and the growing grain is suffering for want of moisture. Should the ground freeze solid before a rain, the outlook for the winter would be serious.

The Record placed an order last week for 1900 large calendars, for a number of customers. This means that a good many people in this section of the county will be made happy, besides showing the liberal spirit of the business men who give them.

The Taneytown Fire Company will have a parade, in full uniform, on Thanksgiving day, Nov. 28th, at half past two o'clock. Members are requested to be prompt. At the next monthly meeting, Dec. 6th, officers will be nominated for the next year. Full attendance requested.

The following persons from this place attended the State C. E. Convention in Baltimore, this week: Misses Louisa Reindollar and Beulah Engler, Rev. and Mrs. James Cattanauch, Rev. A. Bateman, Rev. C. A. Britt and Geo. H. Birnie. The latter also attended the State Bankers' Convention.

The play, "The Spinster's Convention," given by the ladies of the Lutheran C. E. Society last Friday night, was quite a success, as are all of our local efforts of this character. The play itself is extravagantly funny, and its rendition, judging from the applause of the audience, was above criticism.

Christmas Boxes Sent Free.

Washington, Nov. 10.—An order has been issued by the War Department authorizing the forwarding from San Francisco to Manila of Christmas boxes and reading matter which may be delivered there for officers and soldiers in the Philippines.

Boxes should be consigned to Major O. F. Long, General Superintendent of the Transport Service, San Francisco, Cal. The name of the officer for whom the box is intended, with his regiment, should be plainly marked; also the notation "Sent by Express." These boxes should contain no perishable matter, should not exceed 25 pounds in weight and all express must be prepaid to San Francisco. The transport Crook will sail from New York December 1st, and will also carry Christmas boxes.

Two Governors Quarrel.

Frankfort, Ky., Nov. 12.—Gov. J. C. W. Beckham has sent a letter to Gov. W. T. Durbin, of Indiana, replying to the criticism by that executive of the courts and officials of Kentucky in his recent letter refusing to honor the requisition for Ex-Gov. W. S. Taylor and Charles Finley, wished for alleged complicity in the assassination of Gov. William Goebel.

He severely rebuffs Governor Durbin for the latter's refusal, charging that by his action he has violated his oath of office to support the Constitution of the United States and that he became "a party after the fact to the most infamous crime in the history of this state, the cold-blooded and dastardly murder of the distinguished citizen of Kentucky."

The Kentucky executive also charges that Governor Durbin's action in refusing to return the body of a political bargain made before his election to office. He characterizes the Indiana Governor's charges against the courts and officials of Kentucky as "slandrous and execrable misrepresentations."

Governor Beckham takes the stand that the governor of a State has no discretionary power, but only ministerial power, in the honoring of legally drawn requisitions from other States. It is said that steps will shortly be taken in the courts to compel Governor Durbin by mandamus to honor the requisition.

Brain-Food Nonsense.

Another ridiculous food fad has been branded by the most competent authorities. They have dispelled the silly notion that one kind of food is needed for brain, another for muscles, and still another for bones. A correct diet will not only nourish a particular part of the body, but it will sustain every other part. Yet, however good your food may be, it will be destroyed by indigestion or dyspepsia. You must prepare for their appearance or prevent their coming by taking regular doses of Green's August Flower, the favorite medicine of the healthy millions. A few doses aids digestion, stimulates the liver to healthy action, purifies the blood, and makes you feel buoyant and vigorous. You can get Dr. G. G. Green's reliable remedies at R. S. McKinney's, Taneytown, Md. Get Green's Special Almanac.

Took the Literal Meaning.

A teacher in instructing a class in composition said: "Do not attempt any flights of fancy, be yourselves and write what is in you." Next day Johnny Wise turned in the following: "We should not attempt any flights of fancy, but what is in us, in me there is my stummick, lungs, hart, liver, two apples, one piece of pie, one stick lemon candy, and my dinner."—Ex.

A Surprise Party.

(For the Record.) Quite a number of young people assembled at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Stansbury, near Motor's Station, on Tuesday evening last, Nov. 22nd, as a surprise which was complete, especially to Miss Matilda, who was first in receiving. A menu well supplied with delicacies, and after games and amusements, a well prepared table was spread, to which each and every one alike justly, after which all joined in a general conversation of a few minutes until the midnight hour, when all departed, thanking their hosts and hostess for the evening, so well spent.

Those present were Miss Jessie Saxton, of Woodhouse, George and Virgie Duterra and Ross Cousins, of Taneytown; Bessie and Elvin Jones, of South Hill; Charles and Maxine Kelly, of Harney; Carrie and Eva Howe, Alice and Edna Smith, of Harney; John and Edward Zacharias, of Harney; Mrs. Henry Hoke, and Charles H. Rowe, John and Edward Zacharias, of Harney; Mrs. Charles and Howard Miller, Ben. Ogilvie, Charles Granger, of Rocky Ridge; Mrs. Laura and Mrs. Polina and Mr. Grimes, Martha, Anna, Charles and Edgar Stansbury.

THE STIRUP CUP.

My short and happy day is done; I feel as if I had been here some time, And at my door the pale horse stands To carry me to unknown lands.

His whiny shrill, his pawing hoofs, Sound dreadful as a halberd storm, And must have this protecting roof To shield him from the driving rain.

And joys of life so soft and warm, Tender and warm the joys of life; Good friends, the faithful and the true; My rosy cheeks and my wife, So sweet to kiss, so fair to view.

So sweet to kiss, so fair to view; The night comes on, the light burn blue, And at my door the pale horse stands To bear me forth to unknown lands. —John Hay.

A NOVEL HOTEL BILL.

The Man to Whom It Was Presented Could Not Understand It.

"Talking about bookkeeping, there used to be a man in Yankton whose system of bookkeeping accounts was wonderfully efficient. He kept a hotel, and he could neither read nor write. He did not know how to spell his own name, but he did a thriving business and collected every dollar of his accounts. Once, years ago, when I first came to this country, I went to his hotel and stopped there two weeks," writes Mr. DeLamb.

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A DOMESTIC COMEDY.

THE VARIOUS RESULTS OF REARRANGING THE FURNITURE.

Mrs. Blank's Mania For Changing the Appearance of the Rooms Brought Trouble to the Male Contingent and Sorrow to Herself.

"Do you change the position of the furniture when you clean a room?" inquired housewife No. 1 of a friend in the course of a heart to heart talk.

"Do I? Why, yes, indeed! I don't feel as if the room is cleaned unless I change the furniture a little bit. Do you?"

"Well, I usually change the ornaments around and so forth, but in the spring and fall I like to change everything in a room—completely after the whole appearance of it. The chairs, the table, the bed, and so on, and they seem to look prettier to me now. But, do you know, my husband doesn't like it at all!"

"Neither does mine! Isn't that singular? Men are so peculiar!"

"So many housekeepers share the views of these two that a story with a moral will not be out of place.

It was the other night only that Mr. Blank went unexpectingly up stairs to bed at an unusually early hour, leaving his wife reading in the sitting room. He had a headache and carried a goblet of water in his right hand. Fearlessly advancing into the dark bedroom Mr. Blank suddenly felt both legs violently cut from under him. He clutched wildly at the side and said several things of an exclamatory nature, but there was nothing to save him. He went down.

"Good gracious, Henry!" ejaculated Mrs. Blank, hurrying to the scene of disaster. "What is the matter? Where are you? Why don't you light the gas?" Suiting the action to the word, she beheld her husband sprawling across the bed; the glass he had carried had discharged its contents on the pillows—shards and shivered on the floor.

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ANCIENT UMBRELLAS.

THEY FIGURED IN CHURCHES IN THE EARLY CHRISTIAN DAYS.

When First Adopted by the Public. They Seem to Have Been Utilized Solely as Sun Protectors—Once an Attribute of Dignity.

In the early Christian churches a large umbrella usually hung over the priest, and it is said that from this custom it became one of the attributes of cardinals appointed from basilican churches. For years the dopes of Europe carried umbrellas of state, and in 1288 Pope Alexander III, declared that these should be surmounted by golden staves of the annunciation.

Michael Morosini was the first Venetian to carry an umbrella, which consisted of a small flat square of green stuff, over which was a copper spiral. Soon after the umbrella was adopted by fashionable Venetian dandies. According to Coryat's "Cruelities" (1611), the Italian umbrella was a small canopy and was made of leather or extended by a series of wooden hoops. He says umbrellas were used by horsemen, who, resting the handles on the thigh as they rode, bore them so that they should "minister shadow unto men for shelter against the sun."

In the Harleian manuscripts, now in the British museum, there is in manuscript No. 663 a crude illustration showing the figure of a yeoman holding an umbrella over his lord, which was extended by a series of wooden hoops. He says umbrellas were used by horsemen, who, resting the handles on the thigh as they rode, bore them so that they should "minister shadow unto men for shelter against the sun."

Beck, as quoted in the Draper's Dictionary, asserts that at the time that Stephen usurped the crown of England (1135) the umbrella was a common use among the English. The first mention of the umbrella in English literature is in Florio's "World of Wonders" (1598), where it is described as a "kind of round fan or shadowing" (1598) which was used in summer in Italy; a little shade, which was used in 1656 an umbrella was exhibited in the "Museum Tradescantianum; or, Collection of Rarities Preserved at South Lambeth, Near London, by John Tradescant," which was known as the "wonders of the air."

In the church of Cartmel, in Lancashire, England, there was preserved until a few years ago an umbrella said to be over 300 years old, which was used chiefly to protect the host.

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PERSONALITIES.

Congressman Loud of California was a New England boy and began his career by running away to sea.

Lord Salisbury is one of the best German scholars in England. Teutonic literature has been his hobby for years, and he is especially interested in the various German dialects.

Mr. Gully, K. C., the speaker of the house of commons, went to Cambridge when he was only seventeen years of age. He was the youngest undergraduate of his time in the university.

Captain William Pearson Johnson the Merrimack hero, will be the best man at the wedding this fall of Captain Thomas Francis Lyons of the marine corps to Miss Evans at Lockport, N. Y.

Baron Ampbell, the governor of Madras, is but thirty-one years of age and entered public life as private secretary to the viceroy of India. He is also noted for his good looks and his athletic prowess.

Queen Wilhelmina is an excellent linguist, for besides her knowledge of Malay she speaks French, German, and English as fluently as her native Dutch, and knows something of Italian and Russian.

Professor Salomon Jadassohn, the well known composer and teacher of the theory of music, has just celebrated his seventieth birthday. He has been an instructor at the Leipzig Conservatory of Music since 1857.

Major General Pole-Carew having declined the post, Major General Hilliard is now spoken of as commander in chief of the army in Australia. Like Sir Evelyn Wood, General Hilliard began his career in the navy.

Lord Salisbury said recently that in his opinion the chief part of public speaking was merely a question of training. "Any one," he added, "who knows his language, is a good observer, has a fair memory and has something to say can say it in public and win applause."

Professor Ulrich W. Lawton of Jackson, Miss., during winter months, acts as astronomical observatory in his back yard. He has used it as a means of recreation since he resigned the place of superintendent of public schools of Michigan, which he held for many years.

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