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While Hearst and men of his ilk are going about inaugurating methods for sowing discontent among the wage-earners of the country, numbers of the leading railroad companies and other corporations and employers are substantially advancing the wages of their employees. These advances will add millions to the incomes of the workingmen and bring comforts and luxuries into their homes. These increases are being made voluntarily and without request from the employees, a fact which suggests that, perhaps, after all, corporations, if soulless, may have sympathy and kindly intentions toward their employees. This action, too, speaks volumes in relation to the wonderful prosperity of the country.

Returns, carefully compiled, indicate that the Republicans will have 58 majority in the House of Representatives of the 60th Congress, not counting the delegation from Oklahoma, which will number five members. These, or a majority of them, it is conceded will be Democrats, as the Indians who will vote in that new State, are numerically strong and will vote the Democratic ticket. This will reduce the Republican majority in the House to probably 55, the largest, with a single exception, since the 50th Congress. The exception is the 59th Congress to which Representatives were elected in 1904, when Roosevelt had a popular plurality of 2,541,291, three times the plurality for McKinley in 1900. This great plurality and the large majority of 114 in the House of Representatives were due, no doubt, to the distrust of Democrats in the ability of their own candidates to properly administer the affairs of the country, and nobody had an idea that they could be maintained. It is sufficient that the normal Republican majority in the House of Representatives has been maintained for the 60th Congress, and it is difficult to understand how any Democrat of intelligence can lay claim to a belief that the elections of 1906 resulted in a Democratic victory. Intelligent Democrats who do so are evidently only making a pretence. The rooster should hide in his coop.

THANKSGIVING.

The American people probably do not realize how much they have to be thankful for, but whenever they give a moment's reflection to the subject they become conscious of the fact that they are the most prosperous and freest of all the peoples of the earth. Such magnitude of territory, with varied climate, soil and productions, in connection with personal freedom from autocratic power, are not to be found elsewhere on the earth. Nor is their freedom license to trench upon the rights of others, but liberty regulated by law for the common protection.

The wealth of the nation is unparalleled and few of the inhabitants are without a share in the effect and blessing of the vast possessions of the country which are ever increasing and growing in extent. It was meet that the special thanksgiving period of the year should have been observed in a religious manner as it was by many persons. There is danger in too great prosperity—danger of forgetting its duties and obligations, of departing from the ways of righteousness and incurring divine judgment. Every citizen, however indiffent to religious things, should be thankful, above all things else, for the Christian Church, which, after all, is the only sure defense against the woes of adversity and the dangers of prosperity. That so many people sought her courts yesterday to offer thanksgiving and praise to the Giver of all good was, in itself, a matter for which those who forbore to enter the "sacred precincts" should be devoutly thankful. The church is the great and immovable bulwark against the dangers which are ever springing up in the pathway of the nation's progress, and Thanksgiving Day is especially intended as a time of devout religious worship and rejoicing.

WHICH IS RIGHT, IF EITHER?

Mr. Clarence Gibboney, who was recently the Reform candidate for City Attorney in Philadelphia, but was defeated by 40,000 votes, assigns non-voting as the cause of political corruption and suggests compulsory voting as a remedy, or, at least, one of the remedies to be used for the purification of the ballot-box. He proposes imprisonment in jail for three months for a second failure of a voter to cast his ballot, and disfranchisement for a third failure. Commenting upon these suggestions the Baltimore *Sun* says:

With great misgiving and due deference, we venture to suggest to Mr. Gibboney that his plan lacks something in logical sequence. If the State suffers wrong and damage by the omission of an individual to vote at three elections, how can that wrong be righted by making it impossible to vote at any election? The old Latin phrase, *Similia similibus curantur*, or its English synonym, "Take the hair of the dog that bit you," was in high favor in the medical profession of other days, but we have never heard of its application to law, morals or politics. The courts do not undertake to cure a man of the habit of stealing chickens by compelling him to steal chickens without ceasing, and we do not believe that the habit of vote-selling on the Eastern Shore could be eradicated by compelling the Eastern Shoremen to keep on selling their votes. It must be noted that Mr. Gibboney's plan would not disturb the vote-seller, for he is the one that never commits the offense that would cost him so valuable a pecuniary asset as a vote is in that healthful and fertile section of Maryland. Neither does the vote buyer, as a rule, omit to vote. Votes having a money value in his eyes, he may be trusted not to throw one away.

There is force in the *Sun's* criticism of Mr. Gibboney's views, but, at the same time there is a point which seems to be overlooked. Neither the vote buyer nor the vote seller requires compulsion to induce him to vote. He is always in evidence on election day and ready for a dicker. But there are thousands of reputable citizens who seem to have no conception of the obligations imposed by the voting privilege; who seem to have no idea that they have any responsibility for the proper administration of the government of which they are really a part; who are only aroused to a sense of their privileges and obligations as citizens in some crisis involving great and important issues, and at other times are quietly indifferent and permit professional politicians to run political affairs in their own interests and in accordance with their own sweet wills. The *Sun* says that thirty or forty thousand of these citizens, most of them white men, committed the crime of non-voting, as Mr. Gibboney denominates it, at the late election in Baltimore. In the counties the proportion of recalcitrants was about the same.

Is it not likely that this absenteeism makes the work of the professional bribe-giver less difficult than it would otherwise be? The bribe-giver is a student of political statistics and knows how to estimate probable shortages and their effect upon results. Both he and the bribe-taker should be prosecuted and punished by imprisonment and disfranchisement, but unfortunately that cannot be done under existing laws. The laws are, of course, sufficiently stringent, but no man can be compelled to criminate himself, and, as the dicker is, as a rule, only known to the guilty, they cannot be reached.

While the indifferent citizen, as a rule, places no money value upon his suffrage right, his example may serve to impress the bribe-taker with the notion that, after all, that is its only value, and so the standard of this high privilege becomes more and more degraded.

These considerations and others which need not be given in detail, incline us to the opinion that, after all, it would not be an altogether mistaken notion to impose some sort of penalty upon the non-voters. Mr. Gibboney's idea of imprisonment is, of course, not worthy of consideration, and equally objectionable, also, is the suggestion of permanent disfranchisement. But it might serve to give a more exalted opinion of the right of suffrage, and the duties and responsibilities it imposes, if temporary disfranchisement were imposed for non-voting for two successive years, unless the recalcitrant voter could offer a substantial and reasonable excuse for his failure to cast his ballot.

Startling Railroad Accident.

President Samuel Spencer, of the Southern Railway, and six of his guests, who were accompanying him on a hunting trip to North Carolina, were killed in a rearend collision, near Lynchburg, Va., yesterday morning They were traveling on the president's special train and occupying the rear Pullman sleeper, into which the engine of a fast passenger train crashed with tremendous force. Philip Schuyler, of New York, Charles D. Fisher, and Francis T. Redwood, of Baltimore, and three other guests were killed outright. The wrecked car caught fire and the bodies of Messrs. Spencer and Fisher were burned beyond recognition.

D. W. Davis, President Spencer's private dispatcher, a colored man named Shaw, and an unknown man were also killed, and eleven persons, mostly colored men and women, were injured.

The block system is in use on the Southern Railway and it is said that the accident was caused by the failure of a telegraph operator to notify the train following President Spencer's special that the latter had not left the section upon which it had entered The president's train had been stopped to make some sort of repairs.

Mr. Spencer was formerly president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad and was an intimate friend and business associate of J. P. Morgan, the great New York financier, who, it is said, tottered and nearly fell as he was informed of the fatal accident. All Mr. Spencer's guests were men of prominence in business and social circles.

Mr. Fisher was a son of the late Wm. Fisher and a brother of the late Judge Wm. A. Fisher, of Baltimore. He was a relative of Dr. James W. Reese, Mr. Charles V. Wantz, and the late Judge John E. Smith, of this city.

For the Sentinel.

PUBLIC OPINION.

Some parties are opposing the Electric Railroad, we learn from different sources. Some of our people have very narrow ideas, extremely selfish. When a man gets anxious for greed to such an extent that he will try to throttle or hold up or stand in the way, or influence others to oppose, hinder or delay a progressive and up-to-date movement as an Electric Railroad, just in order to speculate on the enterprise, such people are certainly not worthy to be called good citizens. Without a doubt every good citizen will work to get such a valuable improvement to our town and if we should lose this improvement, on account of any of our leaches or grafters, the community ought to mark those and withdraw all public patronage from such people and give it to those who will help to get the public improvements to our town. If we should be fortunate enough to get this road by Westminster I predict that it will easily double the price of every desirable piece of property or farm located along the line.

A CITIZEN.

Maryland State Horticultural Society.

The ninth annual meeting of the Maryland State Horticultural Society will be held in the Fifth Regiment Armory, Baltimore, on Wednesday and Thursday next, December 5th and 6th. A fine program has been arranged for the meeting. Horticulture, floriculture, forestry &c., will be discussed in their various phases by prominent experts, questions will be answered and much information given of value to fruit, flower and vegetable growers and others. The meeting will, as usual, be marked by exhibits of the finest products in these various departments, and premiums to the amount of $500 in the aggregate will be given. The sessions will be 2 to 5 P. M., and 7 45 to 9.30 P. M., Wednesday; 9 A. M. to 12 M., 2 to 5 P. M., Thursday.

Prof. Ephraim L. Boblitz, former superintendent of the public schools of Frederick county, who resigned sometime ago on account of ill health, died Monday evening. Professor Boblitz, who was 63 years of age, was a native of Thurmont, where as a young man he was engaged for some years in teaching.

Mr. Jesse Tyson, formerly president of the Baltimore Chrome Works and a prominent clubman of that city, died at his home at Cylburn, near Mount Washington, at 4 45 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. His death was due to pneumonia.

The will of the late John Saylor, of Johnsville, has been filed for probate in the Orphans' Court of Frederick county. He directs that all his property be sold and the proceeds divided equally among his children and gr and-children.

President Roosevelt returned safely to the White House from Panama and Porto Rico at 11.05 o'clock Monday night, accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt and daughter Ethel.

The cost of the recent election in Washington county was $7,043.17, which includes registration expenses and cost of advertising in the matter of the new election districts.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

My wife, Mrs. Ella E. Leppo, having left my bed and board without just cause, I hereby forewarn all persons not to credit her on my account, as I will pay no bills contracted by her.

DANIEL N. LEPPO.

Silver Run, Md., November 26th, 1906.
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WHITE PALACE GROCERY.

Everything neat and clean, fresh and pure. Polite service and prompt delivery.

BOWERS' CHRISTMAS MENU.

FOR THE FRUIT CAKE:

Seeded Raisins, Currants, Figs, Citron and XXXX Sugar.

FANCY DELICACIES:

Deserts, Whitman's Confections, in assorted Flavors, at 8c to 80c a pound; Nuts of all kinds for Christmas feasting.

SEASONABLE FRUITS:

Grapes, Prunes, Peaches, Plums and Oranges.

STAPLE GROCERIES:

Our line is the newest, best and most complete in the county, including reliable Canned Goods and Wholesome Cereals. For all times, be it Christmas or 4th of July.

With every cash purchase of $1.00 we give a glass of soda, sugar excepted.

Our Watchword:—Everything as Represented.

JOHN D. BOWERS, 47 and 49 East Main St., Westminster.
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DOYLE & MAGEE,

28 and 30 West Main St., Westminster.

HEADQUARTERS FOR

Vehicles, Machinery, Engines, Threshers,

and in Fact Everything Needed for the Farm.

A FULL LINE OF Household Furniture.

For our Furniture Department we have bought part of the stock of the Nail Chair Factory, at Hanover, one of the very best

MORRIS CHAIRS

on the market. The Nail Chair is the best on the market because it has more features than any other adjustable chair, and is guaranteed to be superior to any other adjustable chair. It has perfect adjustability without the aid of spring air-cushions, or any other device or contrivance to create it, except the weight of the occupant of the chair. The back of the Nail Adjustable Chair can be adjusted to a greater degree than any other, that when the occupant desires to recline, by simple process of releasing the adjustable arms the chair can be adjusted to any position desired, and by the occupant simply coming to an upright position the back of the chair will follow without taking hold of the back of the chair. The cushions are reversible and filled with a good quality of hair. REMEMBER, YOU CAN BUY THESE CHAIRS FROM US

at 25 Per Cent. off the Regular Price.

On ever dollar invested in the best Morris Chair built you save 25 cents. We have all styles and invite you to look these Chairs over before selecting XMAS PRESENTS.

WE WILL OFFER THIS WEEK TWO GROSS

DECORATED JUGS OR WATER PITCHERS,

3 quart size, 20c value, our price 10 cents. 12 dozen Slop Jars, 50c value, our price 35 cents. 6 dozen Slop Jars, with lid and handle, 75c value, our price 50 cents. These goods are all first-class and decorated Stoneware, and not the odds and commonly called seconds, but the best goods, bought direct from the factory in Ohio.

WE HAVE A COMPLETE STOCK OF

DRESSERS, SIDEBOARDS, CHIFFONIERS, BEDS, WARDROBES, SINKS,

Kitchen Cupboards, and in fact a complete line of Household Furniture.

In our Vehicle and Machinery Department we have added a line of the famous

Sturtevant-Larrabee Company Sleighs.

These Sleighs are the product of one of the best and highest grade factories in the world. We have them trimmed in Silk Plush, both Red and Blue. We have in stock a cheaper line of Sleighs at considerable less price. Do not forget we sell the

Standard Carriage and Sleigh Heater,

one of the best Xmas presents. Come in and examnie our stock and be convinced that you will always save money by being a customer of Doyle & Magee. Do not lose sight of the 25 per cent. discount on Morris Chairs, as this stock cannot last long.

☞ When you are in Westminster ask us for our 1907 CALENDAR.

DOYLE & MAGEE, WESTMINSTER, MD.
BOTH PHONES. nov 30 5t

ELECTION NOTICE.

First National Bank of New Windsor, Md. New Windsor, Md., November 28th, 1906.

The annual election for SEVEN DIRECTORS of the above named Bank will be held at the Banking Rooms on TUESDAY, January 8th, 1907, from 1 to 3 o'clock, P. M.

NATHAN H. BAILE, Cashier.
nov 30 te

ELECTION NOTICE.

The members of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Carroll County are requested to meet at their office in Westminster, on

MONDAY, THE 10TH OF DECEMBER, 1906, for the purpose of electing TEN DIRECTORS

to serve one year. The election will take place between the hours of 10 o'clock, A. M., and 12 M. By order,

C. GLOYD LYNCH, Secretary.
nov 30 2t

ELECTION NOTICE.

Farmers and Mechanics National Bank of Westminster, Westminster, Md., November 28th, 1906.

The Stockholders of this Bank are hereby notified that an election for DIRECTORS to manage the affairs of the Bank for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House, on the Second TUESDAY, being the 8th day of January, 1907, between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock, P. M.

JOHN H. CUNNINGHAM, Cashier.
nov 39 te

ELECTION NOTICE.

The First National Bank of Westminster, Westminster, Md., November 28th, 1906.

The Stockholders of this Bank are hereby notified that the regular annual meeting for the election of NINE DIRECTORS, to manage the affairs of the Bank for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, the 8th day of January, 1907, between the hours of 11 o'clock, A. M., and 1 o'clock, P. M.

GEORGE R. GEHR, Cashier.
nov 30 te

NO. 4326 EQUITY.

In the Circuit Court for Carroll County, in Equity.

Lloyd B. Shipley, mortgagee, vs. Joseph E. Haines and Mary J. Haines, mortgagors.

Ordered, this 28th day of November, in the year 1906, by the Circuit Court for Carroll county, sitting as a Court of Equity, that the sales of the real estate made and reported in the above entitled cause by Lloyd B. Shipley, mortgagee, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 31st day of December next; provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper published in Carroll county once in each of three successive weeks before the 24th day of December next. The report states the amount of sales to be $750.00.

DAVID P. SMELSER, Clerk.

True Copy—Test:
nov 30 3t DAVID P. SMELSER, Clerk.

Public Sale.

The subscriber will sell at Public Sale, 2 miles East of Unionville, on the Liberty road, on

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12th, 1906, at 10 o'clock, A. M., the following Property:



2 Horses, 2 Mules, 13 Milk Cows, 4 Heifers, 14 Shoats, Wagons, Binder, Mower, Plows, Harrows, Drill, Cream Separator, Feed Mill, Horse Rakes, &c. 9 months credit. See bills.

nov 23 3t* D. GRANT MILLER.

Large Farm for Rent.



A large Farm near Frizellburg for rent. All necessary improvements. Possession April 1st, 1907. For further information apply to or address

DR. JACOB RINEHART, Frizellburg.
nov 23 4t

RATIFICATION NOTICE.

In the Orphans' Court of Carroll County, Md. October Term, 1906.

Estate of Nelson Mitten, deceased.

On application, it is ordered, this 27th day of November, 1906, that the sale of real estate of Nelson Mitten, late of Carroll county, deceased, made by Christianna R. Mitten, administratrix D. B. N. C. T. A. of said deceased, and this day reported to this Court by the said administratrix D. B. N. C. T. A. be ratified and confirmed, unless cause be shown to the contrary on or before the 5th Monday, 31st day of December, next; provided a copy of this order be inserted for three successive weeks in some newspaper printed and published in Carroll county, before the 4th Monday, 24th day of December, next The report states the amount of sale to be $475.00.

A. KURTZ MYERS,
JOHN E. ECKENRODE,
GEORGE R. RUPP, Judges.

True copy.—Test:
nov 30 3t J. J. Stewart, Register of Wills.

J. S. MYERS, D. D. S. J. E. MYERS, D. D.

MYERS BROTHERS,

Surgeon Dentists,

WESTMINSTER, MD.

We are prepared to do all kinds of

Dental Work. Crown and Bridge Work a Specialty.

Plate work and repairing will be given prompt attention. Gas administered.

J. E. Myers will be in New Windsor, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of each week and in Westminster the remainder of the week.

J. S. Myers will be in Westminster every day except the first Friday and Saturday of each month, when he will be in TANEYTOWN.

Maryland and C. & P. Telephone.
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Westminster Markets.

Corrected weekly by N. I. Gorsuch & Son, Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Flour, Grain, Produce, &c.

Flour—Gorsuch' Best	4 25@	4 25
Flour—Sea Foams (patent)	5 50@	5 50
Bran per ton	20 00@	20 00
White Middlings per ton	22 00@	22 00
Wheat	70@	70
Wheat, damp	65@	70
Rye	40@	45
Barley	35@	40
Oats	30@	35
New Corn	1 80@	2 00
New Timothy Hay per ton	8 00@	10 00
Mixed Hay per ton	7 00@	7 00
Rye Straw	6 00@	6 00
Wheat Straw	4 00@	5 00
Corn Meal per 100 lbs	1 50@	150
Bacon Shoulders	9@	10
Bacon Sides	7@	8
Hams	10@	12
Butter	25@	25
Timothy Seed	1 25@	1 50
Clover Seed per lb	7@	9
Lard	6@	7
Dressed Hogs	6 00@	6 25
Buckwheat Meal	2 50@	2 50
Potatoes	40@	40
Onions	30@	35
Eggs	30@	30

SALE BILLS printed on short notice and at reasonable rates.

WESTMINSTER'S BEST STORE

The MILLER BROS. CO.

Christmas Is Nearing—Let's Get Ready.

Just three weeks and three days, from tomorrow, until we come face to face with Christmas morning.



Undoubtedly, it's the happiest morning of the year. Why? Santa Claus has come---gift giving is here---unveiling of the Christmas tree.

Picture in your mind, a big Christmas tree, with its branches laden with Gifts in Season, of the superb kind, and you will have an idea of what our store is like at this time.

Too early to buy for Christmas? Not a bit of it. Now is the time to make your selections before the prettiest things are gone. Everything fresh, bright, now, nothing has been injured from handling, and nothing left undone in selecting these stocks. Another advantage of early buying is, you avoid the crush and compression usually inseparable from Christmas buying.

Largest and most complete assortment of Holiday Goods, consisting of Toys, Dolls, Books, Games and almost everything else in the gift giving line, to make the old feel young and young feel happy, will be found here.

"Beautiful Gifts" in the Basement

Only fourteen steps down from the main floor you will be in this dept.

You often hear an expression like this: "I don't know what to get her for a Christmas present. What do you think suitable?" Well, our basement is amply prepared to answer this question satisfactorily.

If you want "an assortment that pleases" to select from, our line of French and German China and Bric a Brac is what you are looking for. They are all our own importation, therefore we can save you about 25 per cent. and insure the best quality.

These assortments equal those of the largest city stores and surpass those of any store their size. We have prepared for a big business and it is your duty to take advantage of the opportunity.

We will be open every evening until Xmas

Be Wise, Buy Early.

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