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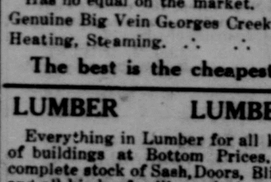
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EDITORIAL.

Hard Up for Arguments.

Mr. Arthur Peter, of Rockville, a member of the Montgomeery county bar, has sent the Baltimore Sun his check for $100 to be given as a prize for the best article in favor of the disfranchising amendment. Mr. Peter evidently considers the arguments heretofore adduced on that side of the issue unsatisfactory and desires something better. His offer of a prize for the best essay on the subject is a practical confession of the insufficiency of what has thus far appeared. This seems to be a fair and logical inference in the case and reasonable evidence that he realizes that the supporters of the amendment are hard up for arguments in its favor.

It is not surprising that any intelligent individual should be impressed with such a conviction, in view of the irreconcilable differences apparent in the opinions expressed by its defenders, upon the amendment as to what it does and does not mean. The apparently common ground upon which they stand is that its sole purpose is to disfranchise the negro voters of the State, but there is disagreement even upon that point, so high an authority as Mr. Murray Vandiver, chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee and an ardent advocate of the measure, being reported as denying that assumption, while not admitting that any white man will be affected by it in his right to vote.

The latest argument seems to be that only negroes who are natives of the State will be put to the so-called educational and property qualifications, required by the amendment, and thus generally disfranchised, the assumption being that colored men who have come from other States were either voters in those States before 1869, or the descendants of such voters and so entitled to vote under the grandfather clause. This view is said to be relied upon to save the measure from a judgment of unconstitutionality by the Supreme Court. No doubt Mr. Peter considers it far from conclusive, as the bald, patent fact remains that the real purpose is to disfranchise negroes only, and that because of their color, which is specifically prohibited by the Fifteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Perhaps Mr. Peter's offer of a prize may stimulate the genius of some ardent apostle of disfranchisement—the disfranchisement of negroes only—to find some new argument in its favor, but it is evidently a forlorn hope. Nothing more can be said on that side of the question that will not controvert something already said in its support. The Democratic Machine is evidently hard up, very hard up, for arguments to support a falling cause, a cause condemned by many of the ablest Democrats in the State, who see in its possible success the perpetuation in power of a political Ring which they abhor.

STRAUS' MODEL BOTCH

Major Venable, Ex-Confederate and Democrat, Gives the Suffrage Amendment a New Title. He also Calls It a Puzzle and Declares It Unconstitutional.

Major Richard M. Venable is an authority on constitutional law. No lawyer in Maryland will dispute this fact. An opinion from him on any question affecting the organic law of the state deserves and will receive consideration. His ability was long since recognized by the Johns Hopkins University, where he lectured on constitutional law. Major Venable is a Democrat of the Jeffersonian school, but not a hidebound partisan. He is, therefore, classed as an independent Democrat.

When such a man questions the constitutionality of the proposed disfranchisement amendment the voter may well hesitate before accepting the advice of interested political attorneys. Major Venable said yesterday:

I have reached sometime since the conclusion that the courts are frequently blamed for their interpretation of statutes when the blame should fall on the people who draw the statutes.

"From this point of view the first thing I have to say about the amendment is that it is a model botch. After studying out the puzzle of it one can express in certainly one-half, and possibly one-third, the space, who the people drawing the amendment intended should and should not vote, and so expressed it would be level with the understanding of men of the most ordinary intelligence.

"As drawn it is a puzzle and everybody is expressing views as to what it means.

NOT CONSTITUTIONAL.

"As to the unconstitutionality of the amendment, I have little doubt The Constitution of the United States says that no man on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude shall be deprived by any state of the equal protection of the law, and, as interpreted by the Supreme Court, the latter clause was designed particularly to protect the enfranchised negro.

"Now the propounders of this amendment make no concealment of the fact that the whole purpose and design is to deprive the negro of the right of suffrage. If this were expressed in the law itself a tyro would know that it is unconstitutional. But, artfully and of design, it is not expressed, though the law is drawn with this purpose.

"The only question, therefore, for the courts is whether or not an intention not disclosed in expressed words in the amendment but clearly disclosed by implication without direct expression, is the intention of the statute.

"If the courts decide that it is not the true intention of the amendment to exclude the negro, they would defeat the purpose of those who drew the amendment. If, however, the courts decide that it is the true intention as purposed by the drawers of the amendment, they would be bound to hold it unconstitutional. I see no escape from this dilemma.

EDUCATIONAL TEST.

"Looking at the matter in another view, I am opposed to the amendment, because I am and always have been in favor of universal suffrage, including woman suffrage. This to me is democratic doctrine the world over. I do not believe that education ought to be made a test of voting, because people do not vote and never did vote by their intelligence. They vote by sentiment and what they consider self interest.

"No proposition connected with the history of suffrage is more demonstrable than this. Goldwin Smith said in the January number of the Nineteenth Century 1882, that 'the great obstacle to voting right, as well as doing other things that are right, is selfishness, and this prevails fully as much among the rich as among the poor; indeed, among the rich it is almost a principle, under the pretext of defending proper-

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