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IN joint convention the General Assembly on Wednesday elected Wellington United States Senator, and then *sung the Doxology!*

COL. VANNORT is very sorry for the defeat of his "county man" but his tears soon dry when he remembers that Capt. Burchinal is not on the winning side!

WE would like to know now what those *purified* Democrats (?) who voted for Lowndes to rebuke bossism think of themselves? They voted for the man who seems to have bossed the Senatorial job handsomely; he decorated his "friend George" with the richest crown of the realm and has given his party and State the honor of perpetuating bossism in its highest perfection!

POLITICAL ROAD MENDING.

The question of political patronage continues to enter into the matter of road mending in Kent. We call attention to it from no disposition to find fault but rather to aid in a solution satisfactory to the "powers that be" and at the same time to the interest of the county. Our board is constituted of a Republican majority, and all proper political patronage is justly theirs to assign as they please—taking for granted that the tax-payers' interest is consulted. Democrats who find fault with the commissioners for exercising such disposition are themselves uncharitable and unreasonable. Democrats want everything they can get, and they exercise their prerogatives to the letter when they have the power. How then can they blame the Republicans for like conduct?

The matters at issue, as we understand it, relate to the working of the public roads. The law governing this reads as follows:

Laws of 1876, ch. 99, sec. 80: "The county commissioners shall have the general supervision of the public roads in Kent county, and the work thereon, and for this purpose they shall, at their first meeting in January after their election and qualification, assign among themselves the different districts of the county one of said commissioners to each of the said districts, whose duty it shall be to supervise all the public roads in the district assigned to him, and to go over said roads at least one day and not more than two days in each month, for which services they shall be entitled to the same per diem and mileage as for other duties performed by them: and before the accounts of any person appointed as supervisor under them by the board of county commissioners are passed and paid by said board, they shall have first the endorsement and approval of the said county commissioner thus assigned to, and put in charge of said district."

Under this section the Commissioners did at their first meeting in January make the assignments of the individual members of the board according to their district residence. These are required to have the supervision of the roads, but who shall appoint the road workers? State's Attorney Urie, as counsel to the board, was asked for an opinion and states "that the authority is vested in the *board* and not in each commissioner," by the section above quoted. While this may be good law, and we believe it is, will not its literal enforcement cause serious embarrassments? Because the party in power in the past acted illiberally with a district commissioner, of opposite politics, while it may be a justification in some degree for such action now, yet it should certainly not shut out every other consideration. The whole board no doubt desire as of the first importance the public interest; to consult this and at the same time serve party and individual interests is the difficult thing to do. A broad-minded spirit toward each other would seem to be essential to the success of the highest aims of the majority, and at the same time would gratify the minority and be of greater substantial benefit to the Republicans than if a more exacting and illiberal policy was pursued.

WELLINGTON, the new Republican senator elect, is in his 44th year. His father was a German. His family consists of wife and four children—one son aged eighteen; three daughters, aged six, fourteen and sixteen years.

"GIVE my warm congratulations to George," said Governor Lowndes to the messenger who told him of the success of Wellington.

THE disease known as "St. Vitus' dance" is contagious. It is important, therefore, that children afflicted therewith, should not attend the public schools or other public places. There are several cases of the disease in Chestertown but all are improving.

THE Baltimore *Sun* claims credit for dethroning "the bosses" in Maryland at the last election, and only last week it pictured the freedom from bossism at Annapolis as "refreshing!" The election of Wellington—the "cutest" political boss in Maryland—was not then expected. The *Sun* has been as dumb as an oyster on that result. The *American* shed scalding tears, but like a loyal son swallowed the bitter dose and sang hosanna to the victors!

Senator Westcott's Defeat.

The defeat of Mr. Westcott for United States Senator was a source of deep regret here with Republicans generally and with very many Democrats who have a high personal regard for him and who would have rejoiced in his realizing the exalted position sought. Mr. Westcott no doubt went into the local contest for a seat in the State Senate without serious thought of such a success for his party as would place the high prize of a United States Senatorship within his reach; his first thought was to serve his party and his friends. The greater good fortune, however, came his way, and he was at once in the public eye as the logical successor of Senator Gibson. But the vaulting ambition of a Western Shoreman, who has been in office or a candidate for office from the time he reached voting age, stepped to the front and *demanded the first honor for himself!* And from that day to his crowning he pressed his claim—he took advantage of factional prejudices and official patronage—and in the face of the strongest opposition of the best elements of his party he has overridden law and enforced his demand.

We regard Mr. Westcott as one of the best equipped men in his party in the State for the office of United States Senator; he is certainly the equal of Wellington in every way and in many respects far superior, and besides his election would not have been such a bald violation of every principle which was professedly involved in the election and claimed to have won in the Republican triumph. Mr. Westcott's abilities justified his selection; his party service demanded it; while a plain legal statute would have been honored rather than outraged by his choice.

It may be said that "this is not our funeral," yet in a measure it is. The dishonor done the State and the wrong done the Eastern Shore comes home to Democrats as well as Republicans, and we are not true to ourselves if we do not rebuke it. The Republican party has made a woeful blunder and they would soon see it if the Democracy of the State were in any condition to profit by it. But it seems not to be, if we may judge from the disposition still manifest by many to "pull contrarywise." Should such folly continue in Democratic ranks then the Republicans may go on blundering and still win the State again next fall by twenty thousand majority instead of ten thousand!

How They Take It.

In regard to the outcome of the contest for United States Senator, Col. Mulliken said: "I am disappointed." Mr. Goldsborough had no comments to make.

Senator Westcott said: "I always bow to the will of the majority." In regard to ignoring the Eastern Shore law, his only remark was: "I have always thought that such a course would have a bad effect."

Wellington said: "I thank God—my friends—and Speaker Mudd!" The Senator also thought "the party deserves commendation for the manner in which this contest is settled!" No one will doubt the Senator's sincerity in this!

Commend Him!

Capt. Turner made a great mistake in not honoring the Chief Executive of the State, but when the circumstances are considered the elements of justification are not lacking. Turner is a true man, a faithful officer, and his strict adherence to the law and devotion to duty is what got him into trouble. The Governor will no doubt honor rather than censure such conduct, though at first it might be a little galling to His Excellency's pride. To allow such feeling, however, as the latter to influence him, when the higher principles of official integrity and the interest of the people are at stake, would be a disappointment to every real friend of the Governor. It would indicate a character far below that of a proper occupant of the gubernatorial chair of our commonwealth.

BALLOT BOXES GO AWAY!

Dr. Fisher Carried Them to Annapolis Thursday Morning.

Senate Sergent-at-arms Hill arrived in town at noon Saturday and served official notice upon Clerk of the Court Dr. Samuel G. Fisher to have the Kent county ballot boxes in Annapolis on Thursday in time for the Senate committee on elections to inspect them at 8 o'clock in the evening.

In compliance with this order the glass boxes were placed in a long wooden box with handles on either end, securely fastened and accompanied by Dr. Fisher, were carried to Annapolis Thursday. The boxes were shipped by and under Dr. Fisher's eye during the whole journey. The boxes looked in many respects like caskets.

Borax is said to be the simplest and most effective curative or protective for meat that can be used. Our readers may save trouble and possible loss by bearing this in mind.

Eighty Shares of the Centreville National Bank stock were sold last Tuesday to Mr. Geo. Earle, of Washington, at $150 per share.

COMPTROLLER SMITH.

Elsewhere we note the retirement of Comptroller Smith and the induction into office of his successor, Hon. Robert P. Graham. The event is worthy of more than a passing mention. Mr. Smith is our fellow-townsman, and his official record is such as to reflect honor upon his native county—upon his party—and indeed upon all with whom he has had association.

From every section of the State—from leading Republicans as well as Democrats—the sentiment is universal, that no State official has ever worn the robe of office with more dignity, coupled with genuine humility; no one has done more to elevate the standard of official integrity; no one could be more devoted to the interests of his State and to all the people in the discharge of his duties as Comptroller of Maryland, than MARION DEKALB SMITH has been during the four years of his official life.

The Comptroller's office in Annapolis is now a model in all its departments, and the perfection to which everything has been brought is due to the taste and practical thought of Comptroller Smith, added to the highest type of efficiency and faithfulness upon the part of a corps of clerks unexcelled, we venture to say, in any office in this or any other State.

We shall not here comment upon the great wrong done Comptroller Smith in his defeat at the last election, but it is no reflection upon his worthy successor to say that Maryland has lost one of her best officials, and if this shall carry with it the retirement of such skilled and true clerical service as is now found in that office, the affliction will be more serious still.

Comptroller Graham is a young man, but bids fair to make his mark in the world. He has ability and ideas of his own, with a manliness of thought and deportment, and social characteristics that must surely gain favor for him with all classes. He will no doubt administer his office uprightly and successfully.

JUDGE RUSSUM.

Governor Lowndes on Tuesday last announced the appointment of Col. Geo. M. Russum, of Caroline county, chief judge of the second judicial circuit, in place of Judge Robinson, deceased. The appointment of Judge Russum seems to give almost universal satisfaction in the judicial circuit. He is recognized as not only a good lawyer, but a gentleman of special social qualities. Though a decided Republican, he is not a violent partizan, but is a "man of the people," and will no doubt make an upright judge. We congratulate him!

LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

We stated the fact last week that Representative Baker had been selected by Speaker Mudd as chairman of the committee on Agriculture. The Speaker has been very slow in announcing his committees, but finally has found a place for Delegate Nicholson—he is on the immigration committee.

In the Senate on Monday Senator Westcott presented a petition from citizens of Kent county for an amendment to the local option law of Kent county.

Senator Michael presented the report of the sergeant-at-arms that he had summoned the clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent county to appear before the committee on elections with the ballot-boxes, in obedience to the order of the Senate. —[The sergeant-at-arms arrived in Chestertown by the noon train Saturday and returned to Baltimore that afternoon via Price's Station.]

A delegation from Centreville, Queen Anne's county, on Tuesday night was in Annapolis to urge the appointment of Messrs. W. L. Holton and Alfred Tucker as notaries public for Centreville. The former is in service of the Centreville National Bank and the latter is in the service of the Queen Anne's National Bank. Both gentlemen are democrats.

The Maryland State Temperance Alliance, at a special meeting in Baltimore last Tuesday, heard reports of the canvas for signers to the memorials asking the passage of the local veto bill by the Legislature. Nearly 7,000 signers have been secured. The bill has received the indorsement of religious and temperance organizations generally.

Mr. Randall, from the Committee on Civil Service, favorably reported Mr. Bruce's bill for civil service reform, and it was made the special order for Tuesday next at 1 o'clock.

Mr. Baker presented the memorial of William H. Lambert in the case of Mr. Lambert against Samuel Burgess, contesting the election for judge of Orphans' Court of Kent county.

Now the Easton *Democrat* is advertised to be sold at trustee's sale. This makes three of the four newspapers of Easton sold under the hammer within the past sixty days! One of them has changed hands twice during that time. The hard times are telling upon the press as well as the plough.

THE Elkton *Appeal*, which represents one wing of the Cecil Republicans, endorses Senator Wm. B. Allison, of Iowa, as the Presidential nominee. Who will the *Whig* take?

A STATUTE of Fred Douglas is to be erected in a public park at Rochester, N. Y., to cost $7,000.

The Senatorial Caucus.

HOW WELLINGTON WON—SENATOR WESTCOTT'S ACTION—THE GOVERNOR AIDED HIS FRIEND.

The republican caucus on Tuesday night last nominated Representative George L. Wellington, of Western Maryland, for United States Senator to succeed Hon. Charles H. Gibson, democrat, of the Eastern Shore. Before the caucus was held the republicans spent a large part of the afternoon in conference, at which fruitless efforts were made to concentrate on an Eastern Shoreman. Just prior to the caucus at night all the candidates from the Eastern Shore, except Phillips Lee Goldsborough, withdrew in his favor. This, however, did not prevent some of the friends of State Senator Charles T. Westcott, of Kent, and Robert B. Dixon, of Talbot, from voting for them in caucus.

The caucus was called to order at 8.15 o'clock by Chairman Smith, of Cecil. The roll-call showed eleven Senators and sixty-seven members of the House were present, eighty-eight in all. Those absent were Senator Dobler and Delegates Bankard and Schilling of Baltimore city.

A ballot was ordered, and there were numbers of changes. Speaker Mudd was active in missionary talk for Congressman Wellington.

When Senator Wilkinson's name was called he in a short and pithy speech abandoned his Eastern Shore friends and voted for Mr. Wellington.

The voting continued without incident except that as gains were made by Wellington or Goldsborough, who led in the fight, the friends of each would applaud and cheer. When Senator Westcott cast his vote for Goldsborough the applause was unusually vigorous.

At the conclusion of the voting Wellington had 40 votes, a majority of the caucus, and was therefore the caucus nominee. Mr. Goldsborough had 31, Mr. Westcott 5, and Dixon 2.

Senator Dryden, of Somerset, made such a desperate effort to "get in" the Wellington swim that he was overcome with an attack of vertigo and was carried to a sofa.

The finale vote, after the changes, was announced as follows:

Wellington 60
Goldsborough 18

Just before adjournment Senator Westcott was called upon for a speech. He responded very gracefully. His candidacy had made him silent heretofore. He thanked all who had supported him, reminding them that during the afternoon he had released them all to act as they deemed best. As for the Eastern Shore law, he had regarded it as directory, rather than mandatory, and to disregard it would not be a penal offense. He seconded the motion to make Mr. Wellington's nomination unanimous.

Senator Day said that he would vote for Mr. Wellington tomorrow in the hope that in 1898 he will have the honor of voting for Mr. Westcott for United States Senator.

EASTERN SHORE MEMBERS WHO WANTED TO GO HOME REFUSED PASSAGE.

In Annapolis considerable gossip has resulted about an alleged refusal of Capt. James A. Turner, of the oyster police steamer Gov. McLane, to recognize a request from Governor Lowndes.

It appears that on Saturday the Talbot delegation in the House obtained a note from the Governor asking Capt. Turner to land them at Claiborne. They were very anxious to reach that place in order to take the afternoon train on the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic Railway so that they might get home to spend Sunday. It would have been impossible to make the train if they went by way of Baltimore, as they would reach the city after the Eastern Shore boat left.

Captain Turner had just come in from a cruise when Dr. Barber presented the request from Governor Lowndes. The doctor says the captain took the letter but did not open it, though it was unsealed. He told the delegation that he could not go to Claiborne, as he had to go to his beat on the Chester River. So the McLane sailed without the delegation, and Dr. Barber, in speaking of the matter today, said he thought that Capt. Turner disposed of the matter in a very short manner.

The delegates were quite vexed by the outcome of the matter, especially because Chief Clerk M. M. Higgins, of the House, was very anxious to return home, as his wife was ill.

The McLane, it seems, was ordered to patrol Swan Point in the absence of the boat usually on that beat, she being without a crew at present.

Captain Turner in his letter explaining his conduct states that he had just come in with a notorious prisoner in charge and could not take his eyes off him; that he had left about a hundred vessels near Swan Point bar; it would have taken four hours to convey the gentlemen to Claiborne and during that time great damage could have been done by the dredgers.

THE Executive Committee of the W. C. T. U. is requested to meet at the usual place TUESDAY NEXT, Jan. 28th, at 2 P. M. A full attendance desired. Call of County President. 1t.

UNITED Y will meet at the residence of Miss Annie Stewart, near Chestertown, MONDAY EVENING, Jan. 27th, at 7 o'clock. A full attendance is requested by the president. GRACE HATCHERSON.
1t. Press Superintendent.

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DIED.

Near Millington, Md., January 18th, 1896, CLEMENT REED, son of Caleb H. and Mary Reed, aged 15 years, 2 months and 10 days.

Dearest Clement, sweetest sleeper,
Thy pains and griefs are o'er;
Even thy bright eyes have ceased to weep,
And they shall weep no more.—Parents.

In Rock Hall, Jan. 20th, 1896, ANNA B., infant daughter of J. W. and S. M. Hyland, aged 1 year, 6 months and 9 days.

Beautiful spirit, free from all stain;
Ours the heartache, the sorrow, the pain;
Thine is the glory, and infinite gain:
Thy slumber is sweet.
Peace on the brow and the eyelids so calm,
Peace in the heart neath the white folded pal;
Peace dropping down, like a wondrous balm,
From the head to the feet.
It was so sudden, our white lips said,
Now we shall miss her, the beautiful dead;
Who will take the place of the beautiful one fled?
But God knoweth best.—Parents.

In Chestertown, January 21, 1896, NELLIE VIRGINIA, daughter of George Thomas and Ida Cooper, aged 6 years and 8 months.

On January 1st, 1896, near Fairlee, WALTER HILL, infant son of George R. and Jennie Rasin, aged six months.

Our baby is safe on the heavenly shore,
His dear little lips, we will kiss them no more;
We laid him to rest in the cold damp ground,
But a far better home our baby has found.

Near Rock Hall, Jan. 15, 1896, ARAMINTA KELLEY, aged 6 years, 3 months and 15 days, the eldest daughter of Charles S. and Grace Kelley.

Go to thy rest, fair child,
Go to thy dreamless bed;
Gentle and meek and mild,
With blessings on thy head;
Fresh roses in thy hand,
Buds on thy pillow laid,
Where flowers so quickly fade.—Mother.

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