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THE CHURCH PERSONAL PROPERTY DECISION.

As will be seen by a notice in another column, the decree of the Supreme Court of the Territory in the Church case conforms to the decision as rendered by Chief Justice Zane and published in these columns on Saturday last, and authorizes the use of the personal property of the Church, under direction of a trustee, for the building and repairing of houses of worship and the support of the poor. This decision is so clearly in line with justice and equity that it occasions little surprise, yet a great many persons to have prepared themselves for a contrary result and affect to fear that the decision will not be allowed to stand if an appeal be taken on the part of the government. The News does not share this fear. We believe the best sentiment of the country is with the Church in this controversy, and since prejudice and bitterness have had their day, we think the highest court will affirm the findings of the local tribunal. The result thus far certainly vindicates the course of the authorities in resorting to every legal weapon to preserve the property rights in question, and it is a cause of much congratulation all round.

Bishop Hardy, the newly chosen trustee, was seen by a News representative this morning and, as appears from the interview, anticipates no trouble in speedily preparing himself to enter upon his responsible duties.

PRESIDENTIAL RELIGIONS.

It looks as though the Presbyterians would continue to occupy the front seat during four years more, as there will still be the "official church" in Washington. Mr. Cleveland is a member of that communion, though he has never been a pillar as has Mr. Harrison. Alluding to the form of religion observed by various Presidents, an exchange discovers that Jackson was the first Presbyterian elected. Polk was baptized on his deathbed by a Methodist minister, but had attended the Presbyterian church out of deference to his wife's wishes. Buchanan was a Presbyterian, and Lincoln, while not a member, worshiped with that flock. Washington, Madison, Monroe, W. H. Harrison, Tyler, Taylor and Arthur were Episcopalians. Jefferson was an agnostic. John Adams, John Quincy Adams and Fillmore were Unitarians. Van Buren was a member of the Dutch Reformed church and Garfield a preacher of the Church of the Disciples. Pierce was a Trinitarian Congregationalist. Grant and Hayes were Methodists. Johnson, though a believer in God, the immortality of the soul, and the inspiration of the Scriptures, was a member of no church.

THE PROPOSED EXTRA SESSION.

There are opinions for and against the proposed extra session of Congress to follow immediately upon President Cleveland's inauguration. The Chicago *Dispatch*, in an editorial carefully reviewing the situation, concludes that if the calling of such a session was ever a justifiable procedure it is so in this instance. It says the people have literally thundered into the new President's ears their desire to be "emancipated at once" from the "oppressive and piratical exactions of the McKinley bill," language which, coming from an independent paper, may be set down as emphatic at least. Attention is called to England, where a popular revolution bears fruit in two weeks or so; while in this country, if we observe schedule time, nothing can be done before a year from next month; and the earliest time at which the new Congress can get together and settle down to business is more than four months ahead, and only then can it be done by the call of the incoming President. That such call is desired is declared to be the unanimous opinion of the Democratic party.

Our cotemporary, however, presents another side to the question, saying:

> It is doubtful whether on March 4th the Democrats will control the Senate, as they certainly will a year later, and it is doubtful if a tariff bill in the House could be passed or if passed in the Senate would really prejudice tariff reform for years to come. Another serious objection to an extra session is that it would flood Washington with politicians and office seekers before the new administration could fairly assume control. The result would be that congressmen and government officials would be so hounded by beggars that public business could not be attended to, and the scene would excite the disgust of all parties. It will be seen, therefore, that in respect of an extra session Cleveland is in something of a dilemma.

The *Dispatch* is in error in saying the Democrats will certainly control the Senate a year after the fourth of next March, unless they control it by that time. No terms of senators expire in 1894, and if new states were admitted there is no absolute or even approximate certainty as to how any of them would go politically; but no matter as to that. The conclusion arrived at is a sound one without reference to the premises. The people of the country have reposed a tremendous responsibility—an enlarged trust—in the Democratic party by giving it a renewed lease of power and practically without appealing, as that it may do whatever it will. Of course they expect changes to be made, reforms accomplished; but they are very sensitive and do not care at present to have what they evidently regard as one extreme followed by another. Moderation, consideration and deliberation are three of the choicest nouns which the new administration could do well to adopt as its sign by which to conquer; and from the temper and demeanor of the coming President it is tolerably sure that they will not be overlooked. The country is in no national peril, and no great calamity is likely to come to letting the laws alone for a short time longer, unless something vicious should be accomplished the ensuing winter, which is utterly improbable; and if it should, the Democrats would be as responsible as the Republicans, for they can effectually block any proposed legislation they want to. Altogether it would seem to be wiser to carefully survey the ground and then make haste slowly—a decision which, according to a New York dispatch in another column, President Cleveland has already arrived at.

HOW THEY TAKE IT.

The manner in which some of the eastern papers speak of the Democratic avalanche is mighty entertaining reading. The New York *Recorder*, an extreme and (until now) irreconcilable Republican paper, has it—"Ruby Roth is going to the White House." Another of the same persuasion uses itself down by starting its leader, "What does it matter to the people of this country whether Benjamin Harrison or Grover Cleveland shall or shall not preside over them for the next four years." And so on. On the jubilating side, the New York *World* comes out the most glaringly, as doubtless it has a right to, as its labors for the Democratic cause have been efficient and ceaseless. For months it has been in the habit of closing editorial articles with the paragraph, "The next President must be a Democrat;" and on the first page of its last Thursday's issue is a life-size picture of President-elect Cleveland, underneath which is the line, "The next President IS a Democrat." Most of the editorial articles on both sides are well tempered, inclined to exuberance of time by one and hopefulness for the future by the other; and in every case, so far as seen, they counsel moderation and rational progressiveness where they counsel at all. This is commendable.

GERMAN PERSECUTION OF "HERETICS."

An instance of religious intolerance in Germany was brought to the notice of the public by the press a few days ago, when a young Protestant theologian was sentenced to several months' imprisonment because, in a pamphlet, he had unmasked the fraud that is being practiced in connection with the "sacred garment" at Treves. His denouncement of the business carried on in the superstition of ignorant masses was called "blasphemy." Hence the severe penalty.

A similar case is now mentioned by the *Berlin Post*. According to that paper it is the intention of the authorities of the ecclesiastical department to prosecute the celebrated Professor Harnack because this gentleman in lectures and pamphlets expressed doubts about the correctness of the doctrine of the supernatural conception of the Virgin Mary, as popularly understood.

Professor Harnack is no radical cotemporary, but a well-known theologian who is considered among the ablest and most learned of the country. What he says is the expression of an opinion at which he has arrived after years of diligent research, and not even his adversaries dare to challenge his love for truth. But this does not prevent them from clamoring for his punishment as a heretic.

It is hard to understand, on this side of the Atlantic, how any government can feel called upon to prosecute its subjects for the mere expression of an opinion on abstract questions. And it is harder still to understand how the country of Luther and Melanchton can have departed so much from the road of those great champions of free thought and free speech as to make the exercise thereof a crime.

THE CASE OF MERCIER.

Ex-Premier Mercier, the French-Canadian statesman recently tried and acquitted on a charge of conspiracy and attempt to defraud, has been hounded as few men in public life ever were. The press, usually impartial, have been in large number as vindictive and vituperative as that portion of the Canadian government and the populace which brought about his prosecution and, as it now appears, persecution also. In the midst of it all he has preserved a dignified demeanor, waiting patiently for the vindication which came at last, and telling his enemies do their worst. So far as the legal proceedings were concerned, acquittal came from the bench as well as from the jury, the charge of the judge to the panel amounting in effect to a direction to discharge, nothing to substantiate the charges against Mercier having been shown. His friends have urged him to return to the scene of his former labors, but to this, opposition, which comes from a source not to be ignored or underestimated, has made its appearance. The Montreal *Herald*, for instance, advises him to rest where he is, saying among other things that "there is a wide difference between personal offense sufficient to justify a criminal prosecution and political crime great enough to disqualify the offender from being intrusted with grave responsibilities. Of the former Mr. Mercier has not been guilty, according to the verdict of a jury of his peers; of the latter he has been convicted by the verdict of the people of Quebec. Mr. Mercier will make a mistake if he does not fully and unreservedly accept both judgments."

The Washington *Post* takes a very different, and, as we think, more correct view of the case, holding that "in the very constitution of human nature, it is hardly to be expected of a man humiliated as Mr. Mercier has been and subjected subsequently to cruel and unpalleled persecution, that he should not make vigorous efforts to rehabilitate himself in the confidence of the country. Hence the late minister will doubtless resume his seat in parliament and enter upon public life again. He has an apparently large following, and by the use of his unquestioned abilities may yet become a power and influence in the province. It is reported from Quebec that he intends to take a leading part in the movement for Canadian annexation, which appears to be steadily gaining ground both in Quebec and Ontario."

The dominion of Canada has not at any time been overstocked with public men renowned for their vast capacity and breadth of statesmanship; it has but few today who have shown the general capability of Mercier, and to be deprived of his services altogether is simply to be weakened at a time and in a place where the government most needs strength.

A GOOD MAJORITY FOR A GOOD MAN.

Thomas F. O'Brien, who was elected mayor of New York on the 8th instant by one of the largest majorities ever given a mayor in this country—over 80,000—is emphatically one of the men whom the office has to seek in order to have. He is one of the most domestic of men in his tastes, preferring home life to any other and finding one of his greatest enjoyments in romping with his children, especially the youngest, a girl of four years of age. He has ten of them altogether, the girls predominating in number and one of them being married. Two of the sons are grown up and in business for themselves. A family of such numbers is very rare in New York or anywhere else in the United States except Utah. Mr. Gilroy stands very high in Catholic society, being respected by political opponents as well as friends, and from what is known of him it is safe to predict that he will make a good mayor.

THE NEW military law of Germany, which may yet cost Chancellor Caprivi his office, should the Reichstag reject the proposition, is intended to bring the military force of Germany up to the number of 4,400,000, while the service of the recruits will be reduced from three years to two. The government urges the adoption of the measure on the ground that Germany otherwise would not be able to cope with France and Russia. The effective force of the former country is in times of war 4,053,000, and the latter has not less than 4,556,000 soldiers ready on short notice.

THE DISPATCHES say that Commissioner Peck, whose figures were deemed such a wondrous endorsement of the good effects of the McKinley law, has been discharged by the court before which he was held for destroying public records. In view of what has lately happened, the Democrats at New York, instead of prosecuting, ought to recompense Mr. Peck and induce him if possible to give some more figures and destroy some more documents.

FROM MASSACHUSETTS itself comes the somewhat surprising statement that on the average as many people freeze to death in the Old Bay state as are killed by lightning. And yet the latter plays such pranks that "Billy" Russell, stout young Democrat as he is, has been elected governor three times in succession, although the last time the state gave an increased majority for the Republican electoral ticket.

JUST PRIOR to the state election in Pennsylvania two years ago, James G. Blaine, addressing a Philadelphia audience, said: "I have come here not with the purpose of subpœnaing the administration, but to hear my testimony and to give warning that 'as Pennsylvania votes on next Tuesday the nation votes two years hence.'" On that particular Tuesday Pennsylvania elected the Democratic ticket.

THE FACT that Mr. Cleveland only received a majority of 180,000 in Texas would seem to indicate that Hon. Webster Flanagan's recent arrest had not prevented that practical politician's appearance and activity for the opposition.

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS was wont to call the average stump speaker a "political soprano." Each one in the whole fraternity may now be classed either as a high falsetto or a profound bass.

BOTH THE rooster and the crow have had their full share of attention for a week past. The loofhouse American turkey will now please strut forward and claim governmental consideration.

THE ELECTION last Tuesday gave John James Ingalls lots of company in the condition described by himself as a "statesman out of a job."

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