

time. These representatives were: Senators Holbrook, Noyes and Crow, and Representatives Haller, Burns, Harrison and Rouse. The election of Senator in 1898, however, was a very close affair. Mr. Thurston having no opponents in his own party, so that the present experience is entirely different.

Two republican members of the legislature were members of the legislature of 1893 and took part in the memorable contest which resulted in the election of Senator Allen. These two are Representatives Haller and Burns. Dr. Haller started by voting for Lorenzo Crouse and continued voting for him steadily until the last two or three ballots, when he cast his vote for the nominee of the republicans, Thurston and Paddock. Representative Burns began voting in 1893 for Secretary of State John C. Allen. He went down the list, changing from day to day to R. E. Moore of Lincoln, Church House, the Nemaha county statesman; Attorney General George W. Allen and finally A. S. Paddock and John M. Thurston.

Senator Halderman is another republican legislator who has gone through the mill of a senatorial contest, but his experience was had back in 1877. At that time Senator Halderman was elected to the senate by the voters of Judge Clinton Briggs of Omaha and he finally voted for Alvin Saunders when the republican vote was consolidated upon him after a caucus.

It will be readily seen from this that any attempt to forecast the position of members by their votes in previous senatorial contests is entirely out of the question.

Question of Caucus Procedure.

Although the day upon which the balloting for United States senator must begin is less than a week off, there is no serious talk among republicans of a caucus before the balloting starts. The general feeling, as has been reported, is against an early caucus, but some interest is manifested in the question of caucus procedure. It is in the different caucuses that have so far been held to determine the house and senate organization the votes have all been taken by ballot. At the first caucus in which the speaker's fight figured most prominently the vote should be by ballot or by roll call and was determined in favor of the former method. In the senate caucus which agreed upon the different committee chairmanships some complaint was made that the fight over the head of the committee should have been by ballot or by roll call and was determined in favor of the former method. In the senate caucus which agreed upon the different committee chairmanships some complaint was made that the fight over the head of the committee should have been by ballot or by roll call and was determined in favor of the former method.

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The legislative committee appointed by the university board of regents, which has been in session here for several days working upon measures for the betterment of the university, completed its labors today. The university people have decided to change their demands and to consolidate all the university bills into one. At the last meeting of the board of regents it was agreed to present to the legislature a bill for appropriations not only out of the university fund, but also out of the general fund, and an additional request for a three-sixteenth mill levy to form a special building fund. The legislative committee has agreed to that instead of the usual three-eighths mill levy for university purposes.

LOWER HOUSE HAS AN EASY TIME.

Gage County Contest Disposed of in Short Order.

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Settles Ashby's Aspirations.

The secretary of state sent a formal communication to the house, announcing the delivery of the papers and ballots in the Gage county. Filmore county and the sixth district contests to the house. The speaker opened the envelope containing the Ashby-Chittenden contest papers from Gage county, and the clerk read the record. It showed that the basis of the contest was the fact that Chittenden was already a member of the legislature at the time of his election and simply questioned the right of a member to be re-elected.

Dyspepsia

Is weakness of the stomach. It is the source of untold misery. It may be cured by toning and strengthening the stomach and enriching and purifying the blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla. Many thousands have been cured by this medicine and write that now they "can do anything they wish without distress."

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packages were removed from the hall under the direction of the sergeant-at-arms. Fisher of Dawes offered for consideration the bill for the election of a member of the one adopted by the senate in the forenoon, and moved that it be made a special order for 11 o'clock tomorrow morning. The motion prevailed without opposition.

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"Order a real and solemn inquiry which shall penetrate right into the viscera of this tortuous examination. If there are guilty men in the bosom of the criminal chamber authorize the executive power to remove them, so that our magistracy may gain its ancient prestige. Remove the case from the criminal chamber tomorrow. Order an immediate judicial inquiry. You assuredly take other measures, as you have to accept advice from no one and your decisions will be welcomed with the confidence due those who safeguard the French cause."

"I hope to play the modest role of those sentries who in the olden days signaled from the battlements the approach of the enemy and after sounding the alarm left it for chiefs of the city to arm themselves in behalf of the commonweal. City fathers, forgive the abruptness of my appeal. It is due to the emotion which agitates me. If you do not cut the gordian knot at once I tremble for my country."

"My grief is great to see the magistracy to which I so long belonged compromised, but I console myself with the thought that it will emerge purified from the crisis. My grief is great at seeing five or six magistrates so forgetful of our traditions as to declare themselves the adversaries of the army. Of course the Dreyfus affair maintains that they are not attacking the army while they attack its chiefs. These madmen think when they tell the soldiers today that their chiefs are unworthy to command, that the spirit of discipline and confidence which constituted the greatest source of military strength is not being undermined."

"You will reply that what they call the 'enemy' is the sword of France—the poor officers whose uniform is the garb of sacrifice, who work devotedly for the loftiest aim, which exists, preparing to die; who tomorrow, if the cannon roar, will shed their blood for those who slander. I salute them with admiration."

Army is Worthy Respect.

"I say to the soldiers that the national army is worthy of respect from the highest to the lowest rank and if I have been able to do so in the past, I shall be able to do so in the future. I shall not regret having paid so dearly for my independence."

"Deputies, listen to the voice of a good citizen!"

This appeal is a palpable appeal for the support of the army. But M. de Beaurepaire, who shot up like a skyrocket from the most tremendous session of the Dreyfus affair, now seems falling like a rocket from his pre-eminence as a leader of the anti-Dreyfus party and the possible result of a coup d'etat to be effected by the army against the court of cassation has been received by a skeptical regarding his motives and the value of his revelations.

Many of the great Frenchmen, estimate him as a politician who had found the bench too prosaic for a man long accustomed to the excitement of party strife and who thought he had found an opportunity to make himself the leader of a popular movement.

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