

Decidedly the best thing I noticed in a hasty reading of the magazine was an article on the Strassburg Cathedral by Mr. Henry Marwin Belden, who two years ago was instructor in English at the university and who is now a student in Germany. It is thoughtful, calm, unusual and has about it a quiet charm that makes it pleasant to read. It begins by telling how the great church moved Goethe and overcame his prejudices against the Gothic, which is a pretty good recommendation for the cathedral.

I notice that Sutton and Hollowbush will move from Eleventh street to O. Five years ago all the tide went down that way. Every one moved into Eleventh until down to L street, Eleventh was strictly commercial. Every store room was occupied and every block was full. On Saturday the sidewalks were so crowded that you had to fight your way through. Now it is all changed. All the merchants who moved down there in prosperous times are coming back to O street. Some better off than when they went; some worse..

There are some figures of the late election that are interesting. Two years ago Fred Miller carried every ward of the city except the Sixth and lost that by only eight votes. His entire vote in the city was 2468, and his plurality was 272. This year he lost every ward in the city except the First and carried that by only eleven votes, and his entire vote in the city was 2153, while Trompen's plurality was 699. Trompen's total vote in the city was 2852 or 656 more than that of Alva Smith. In the county precincts Miller gained 127 votes over his vote of two years ago, and Trompen gained 502 over Smith's vote. The total vote on sheriff this year was 9647, Beecher and Kelly receiving 546 while two years ago the total was 9183, of which Ring, the prohibition candidate, received 1052.

But even more interesting figures to a republican are those which show the respective growth and decline of the different parties. In 1894 the highest republican candidates for regent received 4849 votes. This year the highest candidate received 5685, a gain of over 800. Two years ago the populist candidate received 2018 votes. This year the populist candidate received 1833 votes, a loss of about 200. Two years ago the republican candidate for coroner received 4815 votes; the populist candidate 1806 votes; the democrat candidate 2011 votes, and the prohibition candidate 554 votes. This year the republican candidate had 5469, a gain of over 600; the populist candidate had 1858, a gain of 50; the two democratic candidates 1344, a loss of 650; the prohibitionists 650, a gain of 100.

On the head of the ticket the republicans of the county polled nearly 53 per cent of the votes in 1893; and in 1895 nearly 57 per cent; this in spite of the fact that quite a number of republicans voted for Maxwell. These things show that there is a steady gain in the republican ranks, and that the opposition is gradually falling away. Next year the republicans will poll 65 per cent of the entire vote.

Another thing worthy of notice is the evenness with which Low and Trompen ran, Low receiving 175 more votes than Trompen. In nearly every ward in the city Low ran a few votes ahead of Trompen. In nearly every precinct in the country Trompen ran a few votes ahead of Low. This pretty effectively gives the lie to those who said there was treachery on the part of either.

The lesson of the campaign is that when the republican party nominates good men in this county they cannot be beaten—not even when a barrel of unlimited size is opened.

SOCIAL GOSSIP

The Sigma Chi fraternity celebrated their existence, their high mightiness, their past and their future, by a grand reunion at their rooms at the Halter block Saturday evening. The alumni from abroad were well represented and several of the charter members were present. After lounging about in the smoking-room enjoying good cigars and old stories, the gentlemen adjourned to the lunch-room across the street. The toasts were assigned to Paul Clark, A. W. Scott, Fred Shepherd, Will Hardy, J. J. Angleton, J. H. Mockett, Professor Ausley, Dan Wheeler, Clement Chase and Judge Spurlock of the alumni, and C. C. Pullis of the present membership. Mr. John Dixon was toastmaster. The story-telling continued until the hours grew small and singing lustily they finally disbanded.

The Patriarchs' party last Friday rather lacked in numbers, but the deficiency was more than made up for by the congeniality of the crowd. Present were: Messrs. and Mesdames C. H. Imhoff, W. B. Ogden, I. M. Raymond, C. E. Yates, R. O. Phillips, John F. Gullfoyle, Carl Funke; Misses Jones, Lulu Clark, Harris, Cather; Mrs. Muir, of Denver; Messrs. Stull, Owen, Lyon, Cook and Faucon.

One of the charming social features of last week, which was rather a giddy week in society, was the six o'clock tea given by Miss Maude Hammond to her friends Saturday evening. The house was decorated with chrysanthemums, and the tea tables were resplendent with glossy linens and dainty china. At each plate lay a gorgeous chrysanthemum. The grouping of the guests at the tables was especially fortunate and the big parlors rang with mirth until at last the good nights were regretfully said. Tea was served in four elaborate courses and the guests, who were most of them just in from the football game were unusually susceptible to the delicacies which Miss Hammond's little brothers gracefully served. There was solid nourishment on which to pin one's faith, as well as ice cream and angel's food, for a football audience is not ethereal in appetite. Miss Hammond is a hostess at once sincere and gracious, the two elements which make up true hospitality. About fifty guests were present. Among them were Mrs. Barbour, Archibald Scott, Mrs. Taylor, Meissner, Miss Jones, Conklin, Louise Pound, Lillian Trester, Jessie jury, Olive Latta, Nell Mullon, Hallie Hooper, Lulu Clarke, Bertie Clark, Charlotte Clark, Stella Rice, Anna Broady, Grace Broady, Lena Deweese, Georgia Camp, Stella Elliott, Florence Winger, Lottie Wheedon, Mable Richards, Thompson, Davis, Josie Freeman, Stella Kirker, Alice Richter, Laura Houtz, Willa Cather, Burr and Grace Lemming.

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