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OLD PARTY IS DEAD

Senator Pettigrew Expresses Opinion on Democracy.

REORGANIZATION NECESSARY

A New Party Leader Wanted, But Notice is Served on Bryan That He Need Not Apply for the Job.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 6.—"What the democratic party needs is not a reorganizer but an undertaker," declared ex-United States Senator Richard F. Pettigrew of Sioux Falls, S. D. The former senator, who looks like a populist, but indignantly denies the charge, is in the city to attend a meeting of a company in which he is interested with Dr. John A. Just of Pukaski. Asked for his opinion of the effect of the recent election on the democratic party he gave expression to the epigram quoted above. He continued: "A new party must of necessity arise out of the overwhelming defeat of the old one. It must first of all represent the producing and laboring masses. The democrats have forfeited all claim to public confidence by outbidding the trusts and great combinations of capital.

"There is no natural leader for the new party. The issues will produce the leader. Mr. Bryan will set about trying to reorganize the democrats, but he will fail. The party cannot be reunited and can win no more victories. The new party, which is bound to come, must move along radical lines. It must fight the trusts to the last ditch and it must stand for government ownership of railroads and other monopolies. It will not necessarily be socialistic in its tendencies, according to the common usage of the term, but it should be formed along the lines of the victorious party in New Zealand. The burning question before the people today is whether this is to be a government of, by and for the people, or of, by and for the corporations."

Senator Pettigrew denied that he represented the populists while in the senate. He intimated that he had always been a democrat and said he attended the democratic national convention at St. Louis as a delegate. He was thoroughly disgusted with the selection of Judge Parker as the standard bearer and said today that he will take up arms with the new party which he is confident will come to the front. He believes that this party will eventually be successful in gaining control of the country. Senator Pettigrew will leave tonight for New York.

WHERE UNCLERULE.

Peculiar Custom That Prevails in Northern Australia.

Uncles rule among the native tribes bordering Torres strait, where the relationship between maternal uncle and nephew is regarded as being closer than that between father and son. There a man is bound to stop fighting when ordered to do so by his mother's brother, and the uncle is entitled to bid his sister's husband cease any hostilities in which he may be engaged. Moreover, the quelled combatant is required to make a present to the uncle or brother-in-law, as the case may be, who stops him.

When a man marries in these parts his father provides the wherewithal to purchase the bride, but it is the maternal uncle who makes the actual payment and who acquires the credit attached thereto. A man in those parts may not utter the names of his wife's relations, and when he speaks to his father or mother-in-law he must lower his voice and speak humbly, the underlying idea being probably a pretense that he has carried his sponse away forcibly from her home and must sue for peace.

ANCIENT STENOGRAPHY.

Shorthand Was in Use as Early as the Third Century.

Shorthand was known to the ancients, though it is impossible to trace the system to its source.

Ennius, the Roman poet, is said to have improved upon an already existing system. He was a friend of Scipio and was born 239 B. C. Seneca also made it a hobby.

Origen, the Greek father and mystic, who was born about 186 and was a voluminous writer, says, in the course of his commentary on St. John, "The absence of my shorthand writers prevents me from dictating my meditations." We are told, too, that he allowed shorthand writers to take down his extempore homilies.

In the tenth century Greek and Roman stenography gradually died out, and the art did not revive until the beginning of the seventeenth century. During this long interval several systems of quick writing were evolved, such as that of Dr. Timothy Bright in 1588, who had a separate sign for every word, and some of these almost rivaled shorthand in rapidity.

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Lisbon, Dec. 6.—A sensational case, with an equally sensational denouement, has stirred Portugese court circles. A well known Portugese baroness recently sued her husband for separation on the ground of prodigality. When the trial opened it was discovered that the baroness herself was not guiltless. Her armours with a leading actor were brought to light.

The baroness at once fled to Paris, while the actor was arrested. The great wealth and beauty of the baroness, who is but 25 years of age, and the conspicuous position of the couple in the best society has caused a great scandal.

Reformed Drunkards.

New York, Dec. 6.—Miss Helen Gould, accompanied by five Vassar students, went to the headquarters of the Jery McAuley mission in Water street last night and heard fifty reformed drunkards testify to the benefits derived from a long trip on the water wagon. Miss Gould delivered a short address, in which she told the reformed to stay so.

The occasion was in honor of the thirty-second anniversary of the mission, and the little meeting house was packed full when Miss Gould arrived. John Noble Stearns and Walter M. Smith also addressed the gathering.

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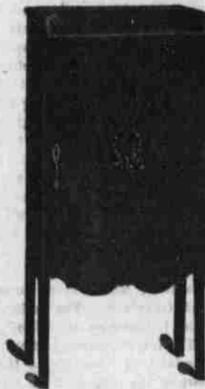
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