

W. C. BYRD Editor. Democrat Take Heed.

We think that no one can have read the following dispatch, without a deepened sense of the pathos of human existence.

PHILADELPHIA Pa., Nov. 12— Pennsylvania's great commoner, Samuel J. Randall, died a very poor man. How poor was not known until to-day. Mrs. Fanny W. Randall, widow and administratrix of the deceased statesman, to day filed an answer in the Orphans' Court to proceedings brought by a creditor of the estate to compel an accounting. Mrs. Randall simply said in the answer that her husband left no real or personal estate save a few personal effects, and that after the payment of the funeral expenses and the setting aside of her \$300 widow's exemption there was nothing to account for nor enough money of the estate left to pay the costs required in the accounting. She added that no disrespect was intended by her to the court, but under the circumstances she had not complied with the request.

The Republic often found itself in sharply accentuated disagreement with Mr. Randall, especially towards the last years of his life, and during those years it felt justified in characterizing him as one of the chief obstacles to his party's success. It is gratifying to recall the fact now, however, that in spite of these differences upon questions of public policy the Republic never withheld recognition of Mr. Randall's sterling qualities as a man—qualities which are brought more prominently into view by the facts disclosed in his widow's answer to a demand for an accounting on his estate.

In this connection it is impossible not to recall the fact that if Samuel J. Randall had taken the view of "politics" which has become too general in certain portions of the United States, there was no man of his time better situated for "feathering his own nest." He was for a long time chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, through whose work hundreds of millions of the Government's money were disbursed, and the mere knowledge of what that committee was going to recommend and what action it would take could easily have been so utilized as to bring millions to the possessor of that knowledge, without the taint of actual fraud. For example, Mr. Randall had better opportunities for acquiring wealth while in public life than were possessed either by John Sherman or James G. Blaine, both of

whom have become millionaires several times over since they entered public life, while having no visible means of support except their salaries. In fact, nothing but his stern integrity and high sense of honor stood between Mr. Randall and the accumulation of a vast estate for his heirs.

In addition to this, it should never be forgotten that, in spite of his schism on the tariff question, Mr. Randall during his career in Congress rendered invaluable services to his party and to the country. But for him the Reconstruction measures of the republican party would have been immeasurably worse than they actually were, and it was due mainly to him that the first Force bill, which would have prostrated the country indefinitely beneath the iron heel of unenvenomed radicalism, was kept off the statute books.

Mr. Randall died after having spent many years in the service of his countrymen in a responsible public station, and it is unspeakably pitiful to think of his leaving so little to his widow and children that after the payment of the funeral expenses and the setting aside of her \$300 widow's exemption there was nothing to account for nor enough money of the estate left to pay the costs required in the accounting. Surely, in this hour of its great triumph, the Democracy of the Union will not allow the widow and children of Samuel J. Randall to remain destitute and uncared for.

It is a matter of earnest congratulation among the leaders that the victory which will place a Democratic President in the White House on the 4th of March next, will also turn over to the party the control of both branches of Congress—the House by a very large majority and the Senate by a majority sufficient to control legislation. There is, of course, much speculation as to the policy which will be followed by Mr. Cleveland and his party, and the solicitude of Republicans in this direction is very amusing. There is some talk of a special session of the Fifty third (new) Congress being called by Mr. Cleveland immediately after his inauguration, that the work of revising and reforming the tariff, and entering upon other important legislation may be begun; but all this is necessarily speculative, as probably no human being has received a hint from the great President elect as to what his first important steps will be. The Senate will, as usual, be convened in extra session immediately after inauguration for the purpose of confirming the Cabinet and other appointments, but the session will be for that purpose particularly, and not for legislation unless the House is also convened.

Cabinet speculation is also becoming rife, but it is too early yet to prophesy with any degree of reason as to the personnel of the President's advisers. There seems to be a unanimity of opinion that William C. Whitney, of New York, Mr. Cleveland's former Secretary of the Navy, and who rendered such valuable services this year in nominating and electing his quondam chief, can have anything he wants; but it is said that Mr. Whitney has Presidential aspirations for 1893, and that he will therefore prefer to remain outside the Cabinet. William F. Harry, of Pennsylvania, chairman of the National Committee; Don M. Dickinson, of Michigan, chairman of the National Campaign Committee; ex Senator Thomas F. Bayard, of Delaware. Mr. Cleveland's former Secretary of State, and many others are also mentioned; but of course it is all mere guess-work, and it is not unlikely that the Cabinet as finally formed will be a surprise, though it will undoubtedly be composed of the ablest men in the party.

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One of the homeliest men in Detroit has a beautiful little girl about 5 years old. The other day she was sitting on his lap with a handglass before her. She looked at her father a moment, then looked at herself, and turned to her mother.

"Mamma," she inquired, "did God make me?"

"Yes, daughter."

"Did he make papa, too?"

"Yes."

Then she took another look in the glass at herself.

"Well," she said, thoughtfully, "he's doing a good deal better work lately, isn't he?"—Detroit Free Press

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