

CONTESTED ELECTIONS.

The talk now freely made as to an extra session of congress, and the activity shown by Congressmen Reed, McKinley and others, in their desire to reach the speakers' chairs, calls attention to that body and at the same time to the evident purpose of the republican party to increase its slender majority as soon as possible. In order to make this majority certain, some of the most frivolous, and in one sense atrocious, contested elections cases ever known have been trumped up to embarrass and annoy men who cannot by any possibility, except upon a basis of fraud, be ousted from their seats. Indeed, the cases are some of them so far from having a shadow of equity to sustain them, that no intensely partisan committee would dare to consider them favorably. For instance, we find that celebrated rebel, Gen James R Chalmers of Mississippi, within a few years sanctified by accepting the republican faith, asking for a seat to which James B Morgan, democrat, was elected by a majority of 9621. Chalmers says the negroes were intimidated, but can only hope to get a slice from the treasury, for the expectation of unseating a man elected by such a majority as Mr Morgan had, cannot be entertained by such a majority as Mr Morgan had, cannot be entertained by even this distinguished(?) man. A similar case is that of Kernaghan vs. Hooker in the seventh Mississippi district. Mr Hooker's majority was 5390, but Kernaghan charges that it was obtained by intimidating the negroes and driving them by force from the polls. It would require a good deal of evidence to persuade a republican elections committee to wipe out such a majority. But Kernaghan, like Chalmers, hopes to get a slice out of the treasury as a reward for making the contest. Another contest of the same character is from the fourth district of Alabama, made by McDuffie against Turpin, who had a majority of 13,153 in a total vote of 18,778. In the first district of Alabama, Hunt, republican, contests the seat of Clark, democrat, who had a majority of 4489 votes. Goodrich, republican, contests the seat of Bullock in the second district of Florida, whose majority was 3195, or a few votes more than the democratic candidate received in 1886, when there were no charges of "intimidation of negroes." In the tenth district of Tennessee, Eaton, republican, makes a contest against Representative James Phelan, whose majority was 8420 votes. From South Carolina the seat of Representative Elliott is again contested, this time by Miller, republican, who claims that Elliott was elected by "deceptive management of the democrats." Colonel Elliott's majority was 1355 votes, but his opponent thinks that this is not a large figure for a republican committee to overcome if well fortified with affidavits of "negro intimidation." From Arkansas the seat of Cate, democrat, is contested by Featherstone, republican, who charges that Cate's majority of 1343 was obtained by intimidation and fraud, as in all other contests. In Virginia a contest is made against the election of Representative John A Buchanan on the frivolous charge that the democrats promised to protect the moonshine distillers if they would vote for Buchanan.

These cases go a long way to show the reasons for Boss Quay's and Beodler Dudley's visits to the south, but they do more to make it evident that if such contests are to be tolerated a fair and impartial tribunal should be created to hear and determine such cases. We believe in the idea that the majority should rule, but that idea should not be carried so far as to allow a congressional committee to overturn the will of the people of a portion or section of the country. Fair play should be a jewel, even in politics.

News comes by cable that Russell Harrison has purchased in London eight suits of clothes, fourteen pairs of trousers, four top-coats, and an infinite number of boots and waistcoats. It is further announced that he has bought an Inverness cape and a dress suit for his father. It is really nobody's business what clothing Mr Russell Harrison buys, and it would be nobody's business where he buys them, if it were not for certain pretensions to which he and the political party to which he belongs are definitely committed. But when men seek for political supremacy by playing on the supposed American prejudice against foreign goods, go abroad and invest heavily in wearing apparel which they propose to bring into America free of duty, there is sufficient inconsistency manifested to warrant all the interest that is certain to be taken in the procedure.

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